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By Nanalee Nichols

For the second time in a week...WHAT did you say!
We've all heard techno-speak and buzz words and baffling 'em with BS. But I believe that modern business has taken this to new heights.

The following is a portion of a letter sent to me by a business that has done some work for us in the past. I have changed the company's name and what they do, but other than those two things it is EX-ACTLY" as it was sent to me. Read it, then tell me if YOU can translate!

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WHAT did they say again? As near as I can translate, all that they are saying is they have a great phone system and lots of employees to attend to our needs.

But could we just say that instead of couching it is terms to filled with gobbledey gook?

I see more and more of this going on all the time...and it isn't necessary. Just because you can string a lot of big words together doesn't mean you are smarter, do better work or get things done any faster! Let's speak English, folks.

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DEPORT, LAMAR COUNTY, TEXAS

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Hotly contested county attorney races result in incumbents being ousted

Lamar and Red River County Attorney incumbents were defeated in the most hotly contested races in local election action Tuesday, March 14.

Lamar County incumbent Kerye Ashmore received 2,829 to challenger Mark Burtner's 3,702 votes. Burtner winning with about a 57 percent of the vote.

Incumbent Jack Herrington in Red River County was defeated by challenger Val Varley losing 2,238 for Varley, 828 for Herrington.

Neither Burtner nor Varley have a Republican opponent this fall.

In Red River County the Sheriff's race had three contenders. Former Sheriff Bob Storey and current Sheriff Bob Edrington ran neck and neck with Storey coming out with 1506 votes, Edrington 1275 votes. Third runner George White captured 291 votes. This means that there will be a runoff election between Storey and Edrington.

In the Titus County Sheriff's race appointed Sheriff Arvel Shepard defeated his challenger, Jackie Stinson 2840 to 1207.

In the Titus County Tax Assessor-Collector race there will be a run off between Incumbent June Roach and challenger Judy Cook. Cook received 2,010 votes, Roach 1,302, and third runner Dianne Wilson Norris received 751.

In Lamar County Sheriff B.J. McCoy had no problems returning to office, receiving 4,890 votes to challenger Steve Davoust's 1,589, taking 75% of the vote.

Precinct One Constable Randy Boren won over Mark Keys 428 to 306.

McCoy and Boren have no opponent in the fall election.

Another interesting race in the primaries was the 62nd Judicial Race. This will result in a run off between top democratic vote getters Scott McDowell and Jesse Nickerson.

The winner of that race will oppose Republican Jeff Starnes, who easily defeated his opponent, Mike Mosher,

1,149 to 471.

Democratic incumbent for State Representative Mark Homer had no trouble defeating his challenger, Patricia Blount, with 5,638 votes to her 733.

U.S. Representative Max Sandlin, again the Democratic incumbent, captured 5,073 votes to B.D. Blount's 1,105.

District 2 State Representative Democratic incumbent Tom Ramsey defeated his challenger, Sarah Bailey King 8,127 to 4,953.

He will face Noble Willingham as the Republican vying for Sandlin's place this fall. Willingham defeated his challenger easily.

On a national level there were very few surprises, with this area voting like the rest of the state, overwhelmingly for Al Gore for the Democratic presidential nomination and George W. Bush for the Republican presidential candidate.

Run off elections will be held on April 11th, 2000.

Arrests made in anhydrous theft cases

A Crime Stoppers tip Thursday, March 10, led to the arrest of a Lamar County man and two Red River County men for the possession of anhydrous ammonia.

Paris Department Narcotics Division officers arrested Larry Wayne Hicks, 32, at the residents after following up on information provided in the Crime Stoppers tip. Hicks was arrested and charged with unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon, possession of anhydrous ammonia and unlawful use of criminal instrument.

According to police reports, officers found the suspected anhydrous ammonia and also a handgun, glassware, tubing and other items consistent with the manufacture of methamphetamine.

While enroute to Lamar County Jail, Hicks reportedly said "the gun belongs to Frank Middleton, it's not mine."

Two suspects were arrested Saturday for attempting to steal anhydrous ammonia from a storage tank of Deport Farm Supply in Deport.

RCSAP Investigator Danny Powell and the National Guard detachment were watching the storage

tank after reports that individuals were stealing from the tank to produce methamphetamine.

Powell and Red River County Deputy Chris Phelps arrested Frank Middleton, 43, and Ronald Gene Mantooth, 38, at the scene. They were both charged with tampering with equipment designed to hold anhydrous ammonia, criminal trespass and unlawful use of a criminal instrument and were booked in Red River County Jail.

Due to the rise in "Nazi style" quick methamphetamine cooks, the Texas Legislature passed a law that went into effect September 1, 1999, making it illegal to possess, maintain or deliver anhydrous ammonia in a container not designed or manufactured to hold that chemical.

Anhydrous ammonia is a vital ingredient used in the cooking process of methamphetamine.

Surveillance of anhydrous ammonia tanks will continue and RCSAP officials expect more arrests.

RCSAP Commander Eddie Almond credits the success of the operation to the cooperation of all the agencies involved.



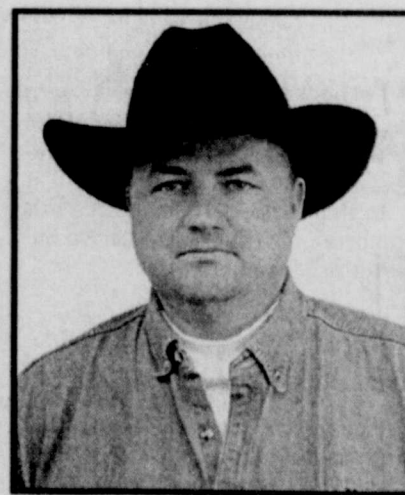
Scott McDowell, left, and Jess Nickerson in runoff race for 62nd District Court Judge



Mark Burtner, elected to Lamar County Attorney position



B.J. McCoy, re-elected to Lamar County Sheriff's Office



Pct. 1 Constable Randy Boren, returned to office

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Petition presented to council concerning stray dog problem

Michelle Ford and a group of concerned citizens presented the council with a petition signed by over 100 residents of Deport asking for something to be done about the stray dog problem in Deport when the council met Monday afternoon.

A discussion of possible solutions to the problem was held, but no action was taken and this item on the agenda was tabled. The council will be gathering information from other cities and county officials for action at a later date.

Mike Doonan representing Hayter Engineering explained some overlapping work concerning Grant 2000. The council members approved replacing the master lift station at the waste water treatment plant and replacing the water main on south Pecan Street. Repaving of Pecan Street will be contracted independently of Grant 2000. These choices were made because the lift station is showing signs of severe corrosion and the many

water main breaks on Pecan Street.

A waiver was granted to the Deport Homecoming Committee allowing a dance to be held at the new fire station building Friday, June 2nd during the Homecoming Celebration. The city has an ordinance banning public dances, thus the necessity of the waiver.

It was decided to assist the Baseball Association with their electric bill at the ball field again this year. The city agreed to pay \$1,000 again this year.

No action was taken on property that needs major cleanup.

The council approved buying a riding lawn mower for use on areas not accessible with a tractor and shredder.

The council reviewed the city audit conducted by McClanahan and Holmes and voted to accept it.

February minutes were discussed and approved, financial report for February was approved and bills were paid.

Dan Bolton honored on Saturday

The late Dan Bolton, who passed away on February 29, 2000, was honored on Saturday, March 11 with a Memorial Service held at "The Shed" in Blossom at 2:00.

Area friends gathered to bid farewell to this wonderful person. Stories were related about his relationship with area citizens as they recalled incidents of a serious and comical nature that happened in a and about the town.

Mayor Ed Hudson read a proclamation that proclaimed the Month of March 2000 as Dan Bolton Month in Blossom. It reads:

WHEREAS, Dan Bolton has served the City of Blossom, the Community of Blossom Prairie, the Counties of Lamar and Red River, and citizens throughout Northeast Texas for several decades; and

WHEREAS, Dan Bolton has befriended all who came in contact with him over these decades and has brought great credit to the Community of Blossom Prairie; and

WHEREAS, Dan Bolton has become more than a dear friend and vegetable merchant in this Commu-

nity; He has become an institution throughout Northeast Texas; and

WHEREAS, Dan Bolton will be sorely missed as he has gone to tend new crops;

THEREFORE, It is hereby proclaimed that: MARCH, 2000 shall be Dan Bolton Month in Blossom, Texas.

At the request of numerous friends of Dan, the City of Blossom has established an account at the Community National Bank of Detroit, to accept donations and memorials on behalf of Dan Bolton, to build an appropriate memorial monument on or near the current site of "The Shed".

Donations may be made to the account by mail or in person to the Dan Bolton Memorial Fund, Account #40-1752-8, Community National Bank, P.O. Box 279, Detroit, Texas 75436 or to the City of Blossom, P.O. Box 297, Blossom, Texas 75416.

For more information or recommendations, contact Tony Chance, Blossom City Administrator at 982-5900.



A LARGE CROWD turned out early to enjoy the fish all the trimmings during the Pattonville Volunteer Fire Department's fish fry held on Saturday night, March 11 at the fire station. (Staff Photo by Peggy Parsons)

Obituaries

Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

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Faillte romhat! This means welcome in Irish which is where our cook comes to us this week from. Since we will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day on Friday, March 17, 2000. May you each have the luck of the Irish with you!

St. Patrick's Day is celebrated on March 17th to honor Patrick, Ireland's patron saint.

Almost 1500 years ago the patron saint and national hero of Ireland was born to a Gaelic family who had migrated to Britain. The child was called Succat, which means "warlike". Since Britain was part of the Roman Empire and had become Christian, the child was baptized and called Patricius, meaning "noble". For 16 years, Patrick lived a normal life as the son of a prosperous landowner and magistrate.

Captured and forced into slavery, Patrick spent 6 years herding sheep. He made his escape and after a period of time, returned to Ireland to do missionary work.

On his return, Patrick worked 40 years in this field, preaching, baptizing and establishing churches, schools and colleges. History reports that he used shamrock leaves to explain the meaning of the Trinity. Although the date is not confirmed, it is reported that St. Patrick died on March 17, 493 after bringing the Christina faith to Ireland.

The first Irish celebrations on the date of St. Patrick's death were noisy affairs. As the Irish emigrated around the world, with them and the St. Pat's parades are held in some very unlikely places as well.

The Irish heritage has had a profound influence on the nation. Nine of the people who signed the Declaration of Independence were of Irish origin. Nineteen of the presidents of the United States proudly claim Irish heritage and this included our first president, George Washington.

Hope you enjoy these Irish recipes and we will see you in the kitchen.

Irish Lamb Stew---they say that this is just right after a night at the pubs and gets better as it gets older!

Irish Bangers---these need to be left overnight in the fridge before freezing and need to be fried until golden brown.

Strawberry Scones---Bake golden brown and serve with whipped cream!

Irish Rarebit---a famous high tea dish!

Crubeens---this is a Dublin favorite. Although the recipe is self-explanatory!

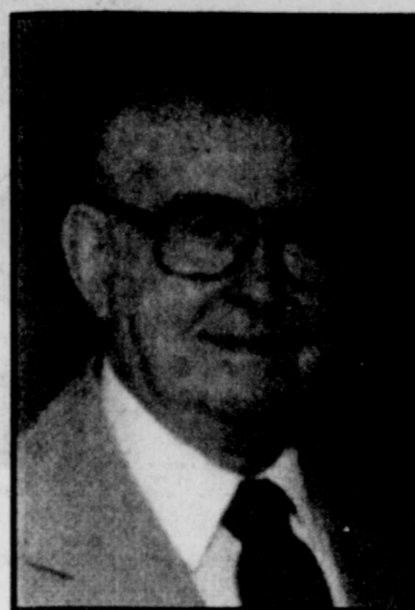
Bacon and Egg Pie---this is eaten warm or cold, at home or on a country outing and is a most popular dish!

Red River County Roots

This week's query is from Donna Hansen, 4609 Chattahoochee Crossing, Marietta, CA 30067. She would like information about William Hayes Benton, born 1823 TV. According to a notice in the Northern Standard of Clarksville, dated 8 May 1844, W.H. Benton married Eleanor Jordan, daughter of Levi Jordan, on 14 April 1844 at Jordan's Mills. It is not known whether or not William H. Benton ever lived in Red River County or where Jordan's Mills was located. The family understands that he obtained land, possibly in Red River County, from a Jordan or Benton family. About a hundred years later, around 1945/50, there would have been a release signed by several members of William Benton's family. William supposedly left the property and paid no taxes on it. By the 1860s, William was living in the Gonzales/Guadalupe County area.

If you would like to write Ms. Hansen, please write him at the above address.

If you have a query you would like to have placed in this column, please send it to the Red River County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 516, Clarksville, Texas 75426



Travis Dean Hale

Travis Dean Hale dies March 9

Travis Dean Hale of Bogata, a civic leader and educator, died Thursday, March 9 after a long illness.

Services were held Saturday, March 11 at 4:00 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church of Bogata with the Reverends Kenny Dickson and Bob Bush officiating. Burial was in Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Before his illness, Travis was a lay leader, Sunday School teacher and choir member of the First United Methodist Church. He was born March 30, 1912 in Red River County, the son of Right Fredrick and Maggie Wright Hale. An older brother, Robert Hale, died in infancy.

He was a graduate of Bogata High School, attended Paris Junior College and received both his Bachelor and Masters Degrees from East Texas State University. During World War II he served in the United States Navy and was stationed at Camp Perry near Williamsburg, Virginia. He began his teaching career in the Pine Branch community. He was a former principal and superintendent of Bogata School and became Superintendent of Rivercrest Schools when Bogata and Talco consolidated. When he retired, he was principal of Clarksville Middle School. After retirement, he and his wife moved back to Bogata to enjoy his grandchildren and his great-grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Mable of Bogata; a daughter and son-in-law, Carolyn and Dr. E.E. Brooks of Bogata; four granddaughters and their husbands, Kim and Joe Travis Kelsey of Bogata, Dr. Kathy and Charlie Kimmey of Temple, Staci and Ronnie Chappell of Addielou and Becky and Kenny Paysse of Temple; nine great-grandchildren, Carter Kelsey, Brooks and Kelli Travis, Grant and Caroline Chappell, Jonathan, Andrew and William Paysse. He is also survived by a sister-in-law, Lal Grant of Paris; two nephews, Ted Grant of Clarksville and Dickie Grant of Lewisville; niece Judy Grant of San Antonio; and a number of cousins.

Pallbearers were Dr. Jack Trout, Bob Moody, Tommy Corbell, Sam Barnard, Howard Ed Bryson, Richard Ward, C.R. Williams, Carl Williams, Connie Mac Hobbs and Joe Ford.

PJC Drama student receives awards

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Bass Classic set in Cooper Lake

The seventh annual Cooper Lake Bass Classic will be April 8. The event is sponsored by the Delta County Chamber of Commerce and first place prize is \$4,000.

For information call the Chamber. Entry fee is \$80.00 per team if registered by March 28.

Love is Nature's second sun.

---George Chapman

PJC Drama student receives awards

The Paris Junior College Speech and Drama Department performed a dramatic sweep of awards recently at the annual Texas Awards College Speech and Theater Association's festival held at Weatherford College. Five PJC student actors were given

top awards, which included John White of Bogata who received Superior.

In the Technical Design Awards competition, White also received Superior in Makeup Design.

Free Indian language class to be offered

The Choctaw Nation, in cooperation with PJC will offer a free community class teaching people how to read, write and speak the Choctaw Native American Indian language.

Paul Samuels, a member of the Choctaw Nation, will teach the class at 6 p.m. on March 20 in the Continuing Education Department at PJC.

Classes will be held Monday and Wednesday from 6 until 8 p.m. through May 10. In addition to teaching the Choctaw language (Chahta Anumpa), Samuels said class members will learn about the history of the Choctaw and the Tribal culture.

For information, call 782-0445 to register or call the Choctaw Language Program at 1-800-522-6170.

Tommy Ray Owens II dies March 6

Tommy Ray Owens II died March 6.

Services were held Saturday, March 11 at 2:00 p.m. in Oak Hill Baptist Church in Blossom with the Rev. H. Washington officiating. Burial followed in Egypt Cemetery in Blossom under the direction of Maxey Funeral Home of Paris.

He was born to Tommy and Earnestine Kendricks-Owens in Blossom on June 6, 1961. He united with Oak Hill Baptist Church at an early age and was a member until his death.

He graduated from Prairiland High School in 1978 and was an employee of Earthgrains in Paris for 19 years. He served as coach for the YMCA's Little Dribblers basketball team for three years and was a member of the Safety Team at Earthgrain for three years.

In 1983 he married Pamela Jenkins-Owens. They had two children, Ashley and Shatara of the home. He had one other child, Tommy Ray Owens Embry of Alabama.

He also leaves to cherish his memory his father and mother, Tommy and Earnestine Owens of Blossom; a father-in-law, Benny Jenkins, Sr., of Clarksville; a maternal grandmother, Margie Harrison of Detroit; a paternal grandmother, Emily Hopkins-Owens of Spencer, OK; maternal great-grandmother, Carolyn Owens-Clarksville; sister, Johne Owens-Hampkton, Yvonne Owens-Harris and Evonne Owens-Moore; aunts, Diana Harrison, Scottie Greer, Thelma Kendricks, Betha Glen Smith and Connie Owens-Nickelberry; uncles, Kenneth Kendricks, Clifford Owens, Albert Harrison and Cliff Bobby Harrison; a very special friend, Willard Dickerson of Clarksville; brother-in-laws, Rodney Harris, Randle Moore, Darnell Hampton, Garland, Gordon, Billy, Patrick, Benny Jr. and Thomas Dale Jenkins; sisters-in-law, Rachel and Tabitha Jenkins and Beverly Jenkins-Jackson; and a host of other nieces, nephews and family and friends.

Bearers were Terry Kellum, Jo Jackson, Paul Butler, Jeff Savage, Todd Savage, Peter Smith, Carl Brown and Craig Dingerfield.

Card of Thanks

We'd like to thank everyone who shared our anniversary celebration with us through cards, calls, visits and gifts.

God bless you all, Willie Mae & Johnnie Topping

Card of Thanks

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair; perhaps you sent a floral piece, if so, we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words, as any friend could say, perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you very much.

The Norman Family

Card of Thanks

The family of Travis Dean Hale would like to say thank you for the many acts of love and kindness shown us during our sorrow. May you also be so richly blessed in your time of need.

Bessie Lee Phillips dies March 10

Bessie Lee Phillips died March 10 in Denton, Texas.

Born January 29, 1911 in Titus County, she was a daughter of Edna Greer Newman and David Griffin Newman. She married William Roscoe Phillips in 1935 in Minter. He preceded her in death on March 11, 1977.

She was a housewife and she and Mr. Phillips were dairy farmers in the Cunningham community for many years. She was a member of the Methodist Church.

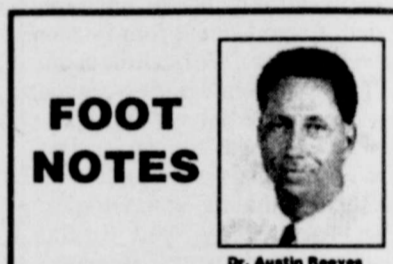
She volunteered as a foster grandparent at the Denton State School for 12 years.

She is survived by a son, Ronnie Phillips of Denton; and daughters, Beatrice Johnson of Huntsville and Connie Bell of Denton; nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by these brothers and sisters, Griffin Newman, Robert Newman, Taylor Newman, Nancy Page and Mattie James.

Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 14 at Minter Cemetery with Rev. Ed Dodson officiating.

Attend The Church of Your Choice



Dr. Austin Reeves

FOOT NOTES

PREGNANCY & YOUR FEET

A woman's body goes through tremendous change during pregnancy, and the feet do not escape the transformation. The feet can grow by a half size or more during pregnancy. Hormones that are released to relax the pelvic area also loosen the foot ligaments. In addition, the extra weight a woman carries lowers her arches, adding further to foot length and width. Many women do not notice the gradual changes, while others resist them because they perceive that a smaller shoe size is better. But wearing too-tight shoes weakens the muscles in the ball of the foot and the ligaments that keep the toes straight. These conditions can lead to various foot problems, including corns, ingrown nails and bunions.

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March 16, 2000 St. Patrick's Day Recipes

Irish Lamb Stew
1/2 pound thick sliced Bacon-diced
6 pounds boneless Lamb-cut in 2-inch
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
1/2 cup all-purpose flour
2 cloves garlic peeled-finely chopped
1 large yellow onion-peeled and chopped
1/2 cup water
4 cups beef stock
2 teaspoons sugar
4 cups carrots-1 inch pieces
2 large yellow onions-1-inch pieces
1 teaspoon dried thyme-whole
1 bay leaf
1 cup dry white wine
garnish with parsley

Saute bacon in large frying pan and reserve fat and bacon. Put lamb, salt, pepper, flour in a large mixing bowl and toss to coat meat evenly. Brown in frying pan with bacon fat. Put meat into 10 quart pan-leave 1/4 cup of fat in frying pan. Add garlic and onion and saute until onion begins to color. Deglaze frying pan with 1/2 cup water and add the onion-garlic mixture to casserole with the bacon pieces, stock and sugar. Cover and simmer for 1-1/2 hours or till tender. Add remaining ingredients to pot and simmer covered for 20 minutes until vegetables are tender.

Irish Bangers
2 teaspoons ground white pepper
1 teaspoon ground ginger
1 teaspoon sage
1 teaspoon mace
3 ounce s salt
6 ounce bread crumbs
10 pounds fat pork butt
if lean add 1 pound fat back
2 cups ice water
Grind meat to half medium and half fine. Add spices and mix very well. Stuff into small casing links or make into patties. Leave overnight in fridge before serving. Fry until golden brown.

Strawberry Scones
1 cup strawberries
2-1/2 cup all-purpose flour
3 tablespoons sugar
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
6 tablespoons butter or margarine
2/3 cup milk
Preheat oven to 425 degrees. Cut strawberries into 1/2-inch pieces and set aside. In large bowl, mix together flour, sugar, baking powder and salt. Add butter. With pastry blender cut butter until mixture resembles coarse meal. Stir in reserved strawberries and toss to coat well. Add milk all at once. With fork lightly toss together until mixture holds together. With floured hands gently form into balls. On floured board with floured rolling pin, roll out dough to 1/2-inch thick. Cut dough into 2-1/2-inch circles. Place on greased cookie sheet and bake until golden brown about 12 minutes. Serve with whipped cream.

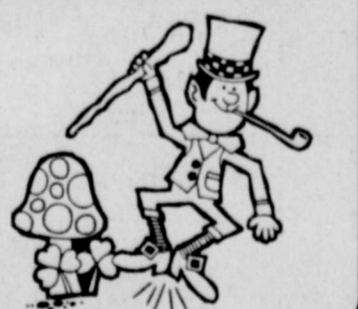
Irish Rarebit
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
2 tablespoons flour
1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
1 teaspoon honey
1/2 cup milk
1/2 cup Guinness Stout
1 cup grated cheddar cheese
salt and pepper

Melt butter in heavy pan and stir in flour to make a roux. Cook on low heat for a further minute without allowing to brown. Remove pan and gradually beat milk into the roux. Return to heat and stir until the mixture thickens. Stir in mustard and honey and finally Guinness. Cook fairly rapidly for 2-3 minutes and add grated cheese and stir over very low heat until all slices is melted. Spread thickly on four slices of toast and brown under grill.

Crubeens
1 fresh pig's trotter-bone-in
1 onion
2 carrots-cut-up
salt
peppercorns
bay leaf
thyme
parsley
Place trotter in a pan with vegetables and spices. Cover with cold water and bring to boil and simmer for three hours. You may also se-bone and dip in seasoned egg and roll in bread crumbs and fry. Eat with brown soda bread and Guinness.

Bacon and Egg Pie
2 cups all-purpose flour
1 level teaspoon salt
1/3 cup lard
3-4 tablespoons cold water
rashers of bacon thickly sliced
6 eggs

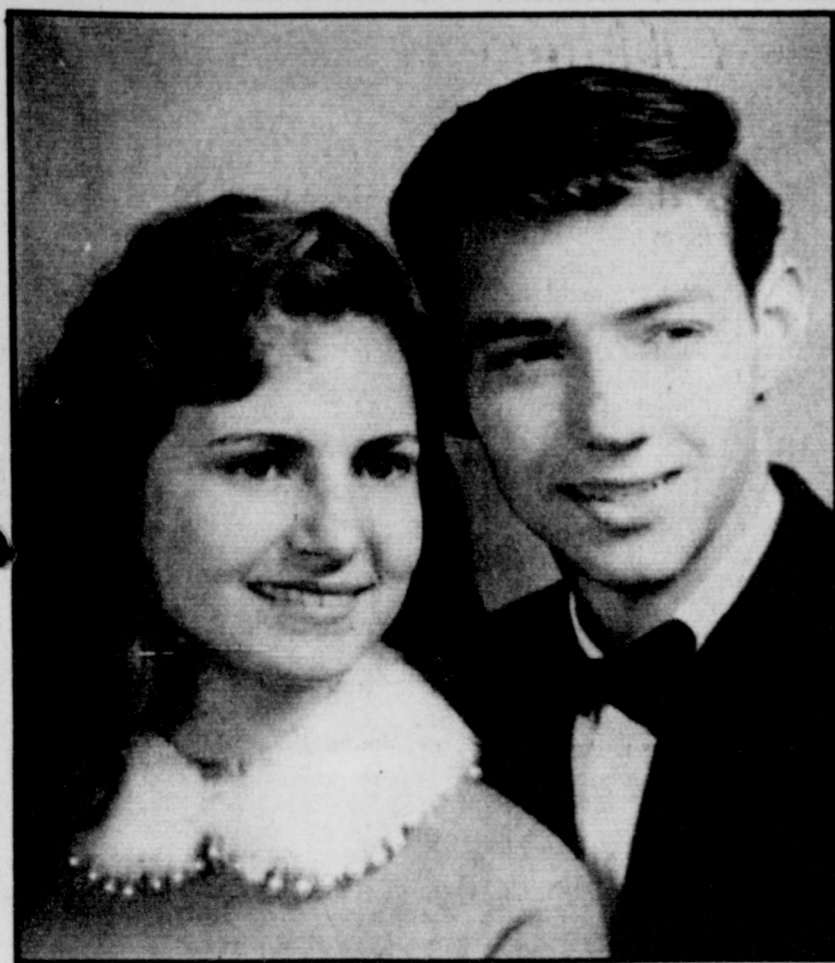
Sift flour and salt into bowl. Cut up fats and rub them into flour. Gradually add the water mixing it in with a knife until mixture forms a ball and leaves bowl clean. Lightly shape on a floured board and cut into two pieces. Grease a 10-inch pie pan and roll out half of pastry and line plate with this. Place rashers like the spokes of a wheel and break an egg into each of these spaces. Roll out the other half of he pastry and carefully cover the filling with this. Crimp edges all around. Lightly mark segments with knife so that each person gets a rasher and an egg. Brush top with milk. Place in preheated oven for 40-45 minutes.



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Jackie and Anita Dodd Couch

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Couch to celebrate 40th anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Couch will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary on Saturday, March 18.

Jackie Couch, son of Jack and Ruth Couch of Bogata and Anita Dodd, daughter of M.J. and Edna Earl Dodd, also of Bogata, were married at the bride's family home in

Johntown on March 18, 1960.

The couple will be honored with a private family luncheon at the home of their son, Tommy Couch in Waxahachie. The event will be hosted by the couple's children, Tresa Couch of Johntown, Tommy Couch and Trenton Couch of Paris.

Deport Nursing Home News
By Cletta Mathis

Visiting Fern Fry was her daughter and son-in-law, Billie and Larry Banks, her husband Ray Fry and Ike and Ann Jewett.

Visiting Ina Griffin was Connie Tidwell, Kathryn Hughes.

Visiting Geneva Franklin was Ray Starnes, Connie Tidwell, Kathryn Hughes.

Visiting Terry McDowra was Cherry Walker and Cecil Allen.

Visiting Milow Hume was his daughter Stasha Hume and Ina Ward.

Visiting Ethel Elrod was James and Tiara Elrod.

Visiting Roy Wells was Glenn and James Wells.

Visiting Opal English was Joyce Jackie; Paul English; on Sunday June Young and Cari Reese came to visit.

Cecil Allen had a good visit with

David Geer on Friday.

Visiting with Angie Smith was Eddie, Lisa, Desiree, Casey and Chris Haskell.

Visiting with Lois Dudley was her husband, Claudie and son, Jerry and baby grandson, Dillon.

Visiting Raymond C. Hignight was Cecil Allen.

Visiting with Sara Gilmer was Dewey and Marline and Harold and Kathryn and Sarena.

Nora Barnett had a house full of company this week. Visiting was great grandson, Tommy Lee Ogas, Tonya and VArnee Barnett; Shannon, Shelby and Madison Watkins; Jana Moore, Indika and STorm.

Visiting Johnnie Warren was Evelyn Roach and Nani Bell Ham.



Loyce Evelyn "Buffy" Walters with fiance Bobby Lee Milligan

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Walters-Milligan to exchange vows

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Walters are proud to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Loyce Evelyn "Buffy" Walters to Bobby Lee Milligan.

The wedding will take place on March 25 at the Deport American

Legion Hall, Main Street in Deport at 6:30 in the evening.

They are registered at Traditions Outlet and Wal-Mart in Paris.

Friends and family are invited to attend. A reception will follow the ceremony.

Spring Festival is April 15

The Red River County Chamber of Commerce will present their annual Spring Festival on Saturday, April 15.

Included in the day's activities, there will be entertainment, an antique car show, animal rides for children, craft booths, a flea market area.

The booths will be set up around the square in downtown Clarksville.

Food vendors with large trailers will be limited on a first come basis and will be charged \$15 per space.

Cut off date for reservations is April 10. Call 427-2645 for information on booth space rental.

Milton News

By Mattie W. Spach

Charity Huddleston of Bogata spent the weekend with Stacy, Allen and Ally Huddleston.

Edna Talley visited Lyle and Jenks Yoder of Clardy Saturday.

Greg Burel of Plano visited Peggy Whitney Sunday.

Tim Parks of Faught spent Sunday with his grandparents, James and Dorothy Holt.

Laura and Donny Wright of Deport visited Stacy, Allen and Ally Huddleston Thursday evening.

Richard Winkler visited his uncle and aunt, George and Nell Wolf last week.

Kaitlyn Spray of Paris spent Saturday with her grandparents, Susie and Phillip Roach.

Tim Salter had dinner with Velma and John Temple Thursday evening.

Edna Talley went to the Birdstown VFD spaghetti supper Saturday night.

Allen, Stacy, Ally Huddleston visited Randy Huddleston Friday and Sunday. He is home from the hospital and reported doing well.

Susie Roach is visiting her sister, Janet Stone of McKinney this week. Susie is on spring break.



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RED RIVER VALLEY DIXIE GIRLS SOFTBALL OFFICERS-for the coming season were elected at a meeting held at the Bogata Community Center this past week. Pictured (from the left) are: Deport representative-Kirk Woodall, President-David Duley of Detroit, Vice President-Chuck Williams of Clarksville and (front) Treasurer-Connie Giles of Bogata. Not pictured is Secretary-Nancy Brown of Talco.

Red River Valley Dixie girls softball meeting held

The Red River Valley Girls Softball Association met at the Bogata Community Center this past week to elect officers for the coming year and set up the coming season.

President, Mike Screws called the meeting to order and reported the league did not get moved into District 5, they will remain in District 4 with Mt. Pleasant, Sulphur Springs, Winnsboro and Mt. Vernon. He also told the group of the upcoming District meeting which was to be held Sunday, March 12 at 2:00 p.m. in Mt. Vernon, and handed out the new Dixie rule books. Mr. Screws stated he would not have a child playing this season and would not serve as an officer this season but would help the new president learn the ropes of running the league.

The floor was opened for nominations and elected this year were: President-David Duley from Detroit, Vice President-Chuck Williams from Clarksville, Secretary-Nancy Brown from Talco, Treasurer-Connie Giles from Bogata, Deport Representative-Kirk Woodall and Avery Representative-Patty White.

Entry fees were discussed. Treasurer, Connie Giles reported a carry over of \$254.30. This year the Dixie

fees have gone up. To off-set the rise in cost this year's fee will be \$8.00 per girl. This will pay the Dixie fees and provide trophies for each girl at the end of the season plus provide \$50 per all star team. Official Dixie rosters were passed out to all the towns. Members were reminded that the official rosters must list the physical address along with the mailing address and the child's name as on his/her birth certificate.

The group discussed the Dixie rule about girls crossing league lines and will abide by Dixie rule in any and all cases. Girls wishing to play in another league cannot do so unless there is no team in her age group in any of the towns in her league. She may not leave her home town to change within the league if her home town has a team in her age group. League insurance was discussed. Sadler Company is used by Dixie but is not required by Dixie.

At the next meeting set for March 22 at the Bogata Community Center at 8:00 p.m. the group will turn in rosters and pay league fees. A date to schedule games will be set at this meeting also. The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Pattonville

Happy birthday to Morgan Winters, Peggy Parsons, Bill Blevins, Gladys Woodson, Michael Crossland, Sis Ballard, Rick Zant, David Welch, Iva Mae Ross, Margaret Wadley, Miriam Epps and Tonya Brown Newberry.

Happy anniversaries to T.J. and Margaret Fowler.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Helen Hignight Anderson who died in Paris Thursday, March 9. She was the mother of Nora McDowra and sister of Artie Lee Short and Nelda Campbell, all formerly of our community.

T.J. and Margaret Fowler, Melanie and Colt Moore and Elois Sparks attended the 90th birthday party for Johnnie Warren in Deport recently.

T.J. and Margaret spent Saturday at the Grapevine Mall. Jerry and Dorothy Richey, Dick and Yvonne Gray, Charles and Jenita Baker spent the weekend in Hot Springs, AR.

Roland Ballard is back at Colonial Lodge after spending several days last week in McCuiston Hospital.



PRAIRILAND UIL PARTICIPANTS at the Sulphur Springs Invitational Meet held recently was left to right back row is Josh Dawson, Robert Robertson, Kevin Tallant, Josh Benfer, Nikalus Clarkson and Michael Flatt. Middle row is John Merrill, Minda Corso, Candice Whitaker and Amanda Hyde. Seated in front is Catherine Smith and Lisa Corso. (Staff Photo by Jan Tyson)

News

By Peggy Parsons

Brian Long of McKinney spent last week with his grandparents, David and Sue Shelton. Ann Long and Ashlee of McKinney and Nathan Shelton of Muskogee, OK spent the weekend with them.

Visitors of Buster and Louise Crossland were Cecil Allen of Lamar Point, Mrs. E.C. Bogard and Howard Higdon.

Brenda Gibson is recovering from recent knee surgery. Brad and Tammie Bassano of San Angelo are spending spring break with Larry and Brenda Gibson and Kimberly.

Reggie McDowra, Nick and Pam, Barbara McDowra, Brock and Justin attended the wedding of Chris McDowra and Rebecca McFarland in Paris on Saturday afternoon.

Saturday night dinner guests of Barbara McDowra and Gerald Hood were his brothers and families, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hood of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Hood, Michael and Matthew of Shady Grove.

Sunday visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Denny Hood of Paris, Keith and Ammie McDowra, Brock and Justin, Reggie McDowra and Nick. They celebrated Denny and Gerald's birthdays.

Jimmy and Ann Gatlin's grandsons, Catlin and Keaton of Plano spent the week of sapring break with them last week.

Peggy Parsons attended an executive board meeting of McCuiston Auxilliary at the hospital Monday morning.

Gary Ballard, Freeman Safford of Paris, Mary Alice Enox of Deport and Peggy Parsons were among 20 of the members of the Paris-Lamar Retired Teachers and School Employees Association that attended a luncheon Friday given by the Chisum School District during Texas Public School Week.

Mickey Keener of Longview, Sandy Ring, Ashleigh and Heather visited Bill and Ruby Blevins during the week.

People 'n Things

Pattonville VFD breakfast is 7 until 10 a.m. at the community center on Saturday, March 18, AYCE for \$4.

There will be a housewarming for Mrs. Irene Black and her son, Terry on Saturday, March 25 in their new home on Highway 410 South near Fulbright from 2 until 4 p.m. Everyone is invited.

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On Tuesday, 7 March 2000, Farmers Electric Cooperative, Inc. (FEC) submitted a proposal to the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer of Lamar County Electric Cooperative (LEC), offering to combine Farmer's Electric Cooperative with Lamar County Cooperative Association. We believe the benefits of acceptance of our proposal would be one of great value for the membership of Lamar County and urge you to request your Board Representatives to disclose the complete details of each proposal.

Farmers Electric Cooperative, Inc. of Greenville would like to invite each and every member to a Town Forum to be held Thursday, 16 March 2000, 7:30 p.m. at the Love Civic Center. We will share with you, in complete detail, our proposal and answer any questions you may have.

- Points of interest:
- ◆ Proposal to significantly lower Lamar's rates for electrical service
 - ◆ Return of Lamar patronage capital credits for the past 11 years
 - ◆ Employee wage and salary plan implementation with projected wage increases for Lamar employee's
 - ◆ Representation of the FEC Board through the creation of three (3) new director districts from the Lamar service area
 - ◆ Local Office will remain in place with added support services
 - ◆ School programs and Community involvement
 - ◆ Continued Cooperative status vs becoming a Stock Owned company

Here at Farmer's Electric, our philosophy is that it's members and employees are our number one asset, so please join us on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. and help us, help you, keep our Cooperatives where they belong, "In the hands of its members!"

Prairiland students participate at Houston

By Ashley Doyal-FFA Reporter

Several Prairiland FFA members participated in the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo recently with their livestock projects. They were: Heifers on February 24-27-Brad Hunt, Casey Upchurch, Leslie Davis, Bryan Hatanville, Jimmy Smith, Daniel Lee, Larry Smith and Ashley Doyal.

Broilers on February 27-29-Lacy Davis, Heather Anthony, Tammie Anthony, Logan Norwood, Layton Norwood and Holley Allen. Tiffany Osbourn and Josh Osbourn made their final cut and won a total of \$10,000 in cash. Great job! All of these participants did well and worked very hard.



Donna Morrison is recuperating following surgery. She is reported doing well.

Bobbie Slusher is reported doing well following surgery.

This past weekend, several from the community were in Austin for the high school basketball tournament. Those attending were: Billy Ray and Neva Oats, Amber and Spur Norwood, Stoney Musgrove, Jason and Neil Baker, Ronnie and Shannon Baker, Clyde Elmer, Gerrie Dale and Chance Bankhead, James and Pat Norwood, Christi, Bryan and Kadan Callihan, Jo and Gene Cavender and their grandson, Justin Taylor and John Allen.

Sue and Murray Jackson spent the weekend in Lees Summit, Missouri visiting David, Kathy and Sydney Jackson.

Several from the community attended the PIP (Players in Progress) tournament in Abilene this past weekend. Those attending were Frank, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Ricky, Pam and Hailey Norwood, Teresa and Kelti Mowery, Jamie Smith, Mendy, Todd, Lacy and Kelby Cole.

Geneva had lunch on Sunday for Scottie, and Treda Norwood and Ray Martin and Sherry.

Aaron Palmer spent Sunday night

with Weston Drinnon.

Sunday Ida Mae and Darold Norwood had lunch for Del, Philip and Zack Walker and Marlin Foster.

Suzie Norwood is reported doing well following surgery.

Shelby and Bobby Ray Kennedy had Sunday lunch for Jeff, Zack and Garrett Kennedy, Heath, Missy, Laytner and Layker Kennedy.

Georjeana and Brad Nutt had Sunday lunch with Georgia and Billie Joe Oats.

Jenna Patterson won the All Around Talent in the Miss Regal Pageant held on Sunday afternoon at Paris Junior College.

Connie McKnight is recuperating at home following surgery.

Velma Cox returned home from spending two weeks in Baytown with Mary Ann and Raymond Gaylord.

While visiting in Baytown, Velma visited her brother, Alton Devlin in Pearland. Velma attended the Houston Rodeo and Livestock Show and saw Reba McEntire. On Saturday, March 4, she attended Raymond Gaylord's 65th birthday party, enjoying a fajita dinner. Others present were Morris Cox of Dallas, Jan Cox of Alvarado, Lece and William Baxter of College Station and family and friends of Baytown.

Texas Trash Off is April 1

Adopt-a-Highway volunteers district-wide are preparing for the April 1 "Don't Mess With Texas Trash Off". Nearly 234 volunteer groups have adopted 468 miles of highway in the Paris District.

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Anyone interested in participating in the Don't Mess With Texas Trash Off may call Stacy Short, Adopt-A-Highway Coordinator at 903-737-7352 for more information. If your community is interested in becoming a Keep Texas Beautiful Community, contact KTB at 1-800-CLEAN-TX.

Bogata Book Club hears program on Texas History

The Bogata Book Club met at the home of Nanalee Nichols Thursday, March 9th. They heard an excellent program on Texas History presented by Juanita Davis, who taught Texas History for 23 years.

Mrs. Davis pointed out that if one is in El Paso they are closer to Los Angeles, California than Texarkana, Texas, and from Texarkana it is closer to Chicago, Illinois than it is to El Paso. She proceeded with a short history of the development of the state from there.

Sixteen members and one guest were present. A St. Patrick's Day theme was carried out with shamrocks, shamrock napkins and fresh flowers.

A sandwich and dessert plate prepared by Dawne Darden was served.

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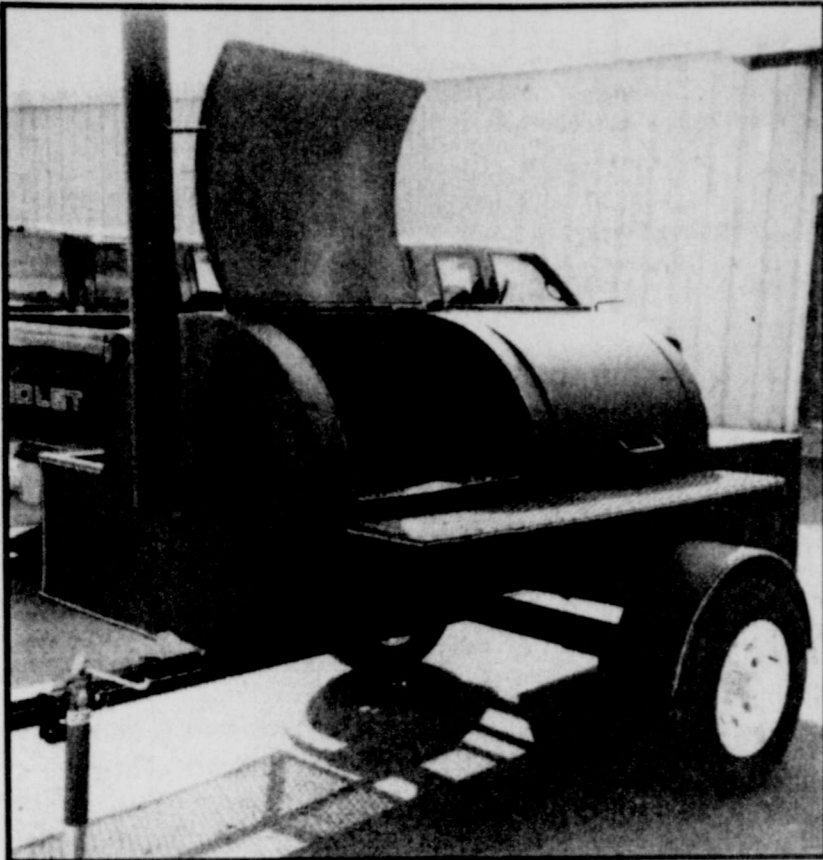
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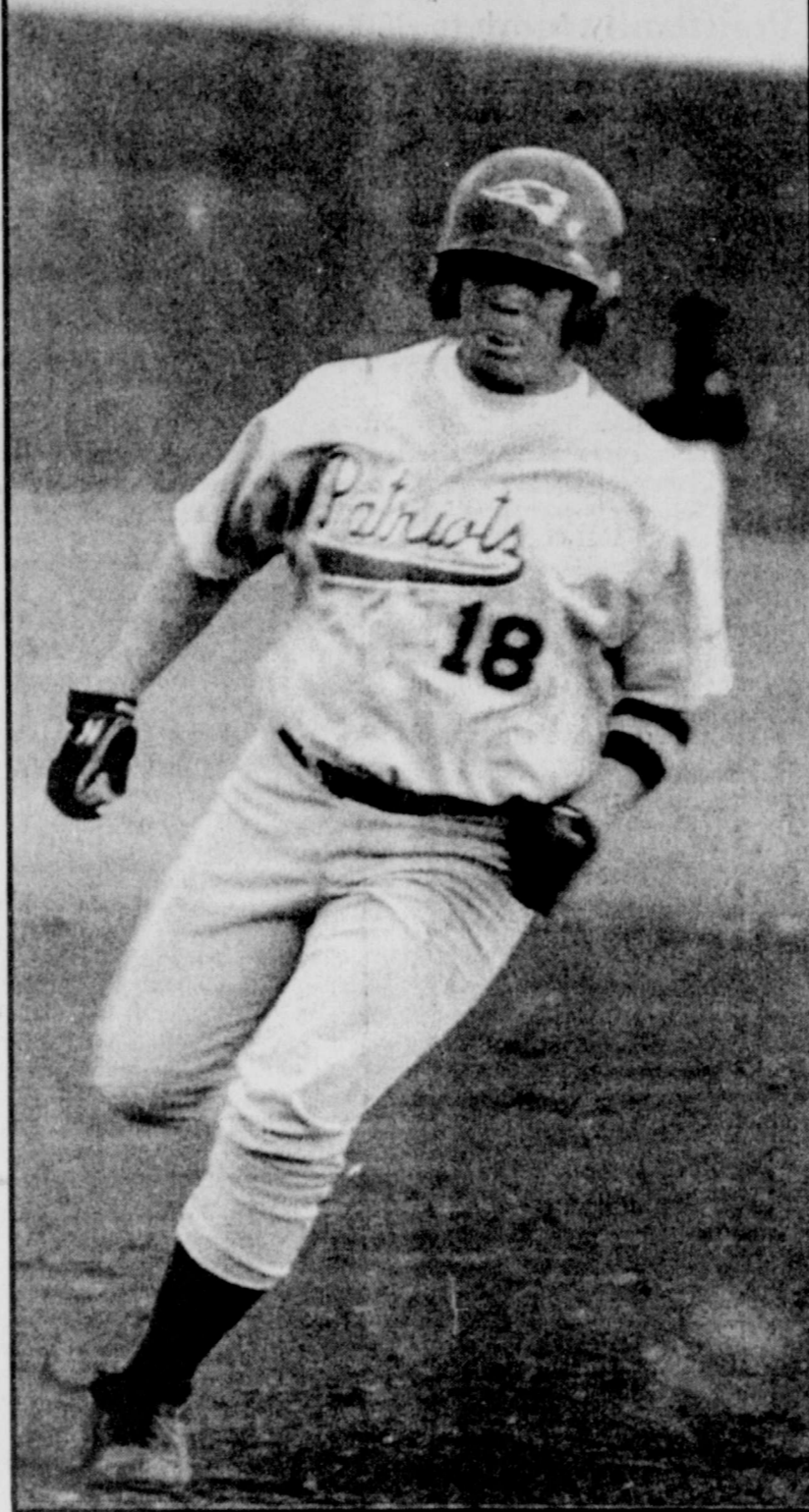
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KARA SCREWS hurls the ball as the Lady Pats met the Lady Rebels at Johntown last week. The Pats led throughout most of the game but the Lady Rebels made a strong come back to take the win. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



#18 PATRIOT Matt Basinger makes it around to home as he scores a run in last week's game against Honey Grove on Tuesday. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Prairiland tennis compete with Mt. Vernon

The tennis results for all Prairiland players in the Monday, March 6th tri-match with Rivercrest and Community are as follows:
Girls Singles: Amber Norwood 2-8, 8-0; Raynie Skidmore 9-7; Catherine Smith 8-5.
Girls Doubles: Emily Burchinal/Jennifer Glasgow 8-4, 8-0; Megan Filkins/Jessica Spencer 2-8, 6-3; Heather Anderson/Brittany Harris 2-8; Amanda Ball/Amanda Barnes 3-8.
Boys Singles: Matt Moffitt 1-8, 7-

6; John Merritt 6-8; Harley Skidmore 8-0; John Huff 8-0; Josh Williams 8-7; and David Crossland 6-2.
Boys Doubles: Josh Benfer/David Crossland 8-0; Michael Platt/Lucas Miller 8-1, 8-2; D.J. Loveless/Casey Johnson 6-1, 6-0; Matt Moffitt/Eddie Hiser 6-3.
 Prairiland won in over-all points. Next tri-match after Spring Break, March 21st at Chapel Hill with Paul Pewitt. The team appreciates the large crowds who attended.

FFA needs stew cookers for show

The Prairiland FFA Chapter needs stew cookers for their annual Stew Cook-off on Saturday, April 1, 2000. This is their chapter livestock project show, stew cook-off, pig wrestling and auction to benefit the chapter.
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 One (1) 2000 4-door, full-size police package car for the Sheriff's Department. Specifications may be obtained by contacting the Auditor's Office during regular working hours. Bids must be submitted in individually sealed envelopes. Bids must be delivered to the office of the County Auditor by 10:00 a.m. Friday, April 7, 2000. At that time the bids will be opened and read publicly. Action on the bids is then at the discretion of the Commissioners Court. The Court reserves the right to refuse all bids and to accept the bid deemed in the best interest of the County.
 Shirley Anderson, County Auditor 3-23

NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS
 City of Talco P.O. Box 385 Talco, Texas 75487
 TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:
 Seventeen (17) days after this publication, the City of Talco intends to request the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to release Federal funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383) for its 2000 Texas Community Development Project Number 719461.
 Exempt Activities: Administration, Engineering, Environmental Assessment Activities: The project consists of three activities--Upgrade of the 100,000 elevated storage tank, upgrade the city's major sewer trunk line and providing first-time sewer to three families. Upgrade 100,000 ground storage tank; Upgrade the city's only elevated storage tank (100,000 gallon) by installing an interior epoxy coating system, repairing degraded exterior surface and installing screen vent, overflow pipe, cat walk, pigeon walk and safety climb ladder. The tank is located off Sixth Street. Sewer Collection System Expansion: Increase load capacity of sanitary sewer collection system by installing 3,720 linear feet of 10-inch (10") SDR-26 PVC sewer line, 530 linear feet of six-inch (6") SDR-26 PVC sewer line, 9 four-foot (4') diameter manholes with ring and cover, 30 linear feet of aerial crossing for six-inch (6") sewer line, and demolish 9 existing manholes and plug 2 existing sewer line. The new sewer line will be constructed within existing easements cross-country from Hind Street at the city limit east to the wastewater treatment plant. These activities provide a city-wide benefit. The improvements will benefit 589 individuals of whom 412 or 70 percent are of low to moderate income. First-time Sewer Service to 3 Households: Eliminate failing septic tanks by installing 1,800 linear feet of six-inch (6") SDR 26 PVC sewer line, 3 four-foot (4') diameter manholes with ring and cover, and construct three (3) new residential services including tap and line. Construction of the 6" sewer line will take place on Geiger Street from First Street to Fourth Street. The improvements will directly benefit six individuals in three households on Geiger Street, all of whom are of low to moderate income.
 Finding of No Significant Impact:
 It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Talco has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reason for such decision not to prepare such a Statement is based upon the fact that all environmental concerns could either be minimized or mitigated. An Environmental Review Record for the proposed project has been made by the City of Talco which documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why such Statement is not required. This Environmental Review Record is on file at the City Hall and is available for public examination and copying, upon request between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.
 Public Comments on Finding:
 All interested agencies, groups and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the City of Talco to the address as set forth above. Such written comments must be received at the address specified within sixteen (16) days after this publication. All such comments so received will be considered and the City of Talco will not request the release of Federal funds or take any administrative action on the project prior to the date specified in the preceding sentence.
 Release of Funds:
 The City of Talco will undertake the activities described above with Community Development Block Grant funds under Title 1 from its Program Year 2000 under the above referenced grant from the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The City of Talco is certifying to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) that K.M. Sloan, in his capacity as Mayor, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision-making and action and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that, upon its approval, the City of Talco may use the Block Grant funds and it will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. TDHCA will accept an objection to its approval only on one or more of the bases and procedures described in 24 CFR Part 58.75. Objections are to be addressed to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, P.O. Box 13941, Austin, Texas 78711-3941.
 Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by TDHCA. No objections received later than thirty-three (33) days after this publication will be considered by TDHCA.
 K.M. Sloan, Mayor, City of Talco P.O. Box 385 Talco, TX 75487 3-16

NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that Red River Hospital Authority, hereinafter called The Authority, intends to sell for cash by sealed bids the following described property located at 1504 W. Main Street, Clarksville, Texas 75426, together with the dwelling house situated thereon, and being more particularly described as follows:
TRACT 11
 All that certain tract or parcel of land situated in Red River County, Texas, a part of the WADE H. VINING SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 878, and a part of what is known as the DINWIDDIE ADDITION to the City of Clarksville, Texas, and described as follows and commonly known as 1504 West Main Street, Clarksville, Red River County, Texas.
BEGINNING at a stake in the South Boundary Line of the Dinwiddie tract, being the SW corner of Rufus Doak, and which is now owned by A.N. Quarles, and formerly by Eugene Black and his homestead;
THENCE N with the West Boundary Line said A.N. Quarles tract 237.5 feet to the NW corner of same on the South side of a 60 foot street;
THENCE West the South line of said street, 168.4 feet to a stake on the East line of a 30 foot street or alley;
THENCE South with the East line of said alley 237.5 feet to a stake on the East line of a .30 foot street or alley;
THENCE South with the East line of said alley 237.5 feet to a stake in the South Boundary Line of the original tract;
THENCE East 168.4 feet to the place of beginning.
BEING Lot No. Eight (8) of the DINWIDDIE ADDITION.
LESS, SAVE AND EXCEPT from the above described tract of land 0.039 acre, more or less, described in Deed from Paris Building & Loan Association, Paris, Texas, to the State of Texas, dated February 6, 1934, and recorded in Volume 134, Page 605 of the Deed Records of Red River County, Texas.
TRACT 11
 All that certain tract or parcel of land situated in Red River County, Texas, a part of the WADE H. VINING SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 878, and a part of what is known as the DINWIDDIE ADDITION to the City of Clarksville, Texas, and described as follows and commonly known as 1504 West Main Street, Clarksville, Red River County, Texas.
BEGINNING at the SW corner of a tract belonging to Melvin Marx, Jr., same being in the East line of a thirty (30) foot street, shown on the plat of said Dinwiddie Addition as Sumner Street, and being 237.5 feet South of the South Boundary Line of West Main Street (Highway 82);
THENCE South 250 feet, to a stake for a corner;
THENCE East 336.8 feet, to a stake on the West side of a thirty-six (36) foot street, shown on said plat of Dinwiddie Addition as High Street;
THENCE North, with West line of said High Street, 260 feet to the SE corner of a tract owned by A.N. (Nat) Quarles;
THENCE West, with the South line of said Quarles' property 168.4 feet to the Southwest corner of the tract owned by A.N. (Nat) Quarles; same being in the East line of said Melvin Marx, Jr. tract;
THENCE South, 10 feet to the SE corner of said Marx tract;
THENCE West, with the Melvin Marx, Jr. line, 168.4 feet to the place of beginning.
 The above described Tract 1, Less, Save and Except Tract and Tract 11 being the same land described in Deed from Stephen A. Marx et al to Red River General Hospital Authority dated May 15, 1995, and recorded in Volume 438, page 111 of the Deed Records of Red River County, Texas, as LESS, SAVE AND EXCEPT from the above described Tract 11 the following described tract of land:
 All that certain tract or parcel of land situated in Red River County, Texas, in the West part of the town of Clarksville, part of the WADE H. VINING SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 878, and being the East one-half of Block No. Four (4) in the Washington Addition of the City of Clarksville, Texas, (Deed calls Dinwiddie Addition) as shown on the map of said City, and being East one-half of the same tract of land described in Deed from Stephen A. Marx and Melvin Marx 111, Co-Indecent Executors Estate of Frances Marx, deceased to Stephen A. Marx and Melvin Marx 111 jointly, dated the 31st day of January, 1995, recorded in Volume 435, Pages 758-760, Deed Records of Red River County, Texas, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:
BEGINNING at a 5/8 inch diameter R.S. Rod (set) at the Southeast corner of said Block No. Four (4), in the North line of Washington Street, and West line of High Street;
THENCE 90 deg. 00 min. 00 sec. W, along the North line of said Washington Street, a distance of 168.400 feet to a 5/8 diameter R.S. Rod (set) for a corner;
THENCE 00 deg. 00 min. 00 sec. E, a distance of 250.000 feet to a 5/8 inch diameter R.S. Rod (set) for a corner, in the North line of said Block No. Four (4), in the South line of an Alley;
THENCE 90 deg. 00 min. 00 sec. E, along the South line of said Alley, a distance of 168.400 feet to a 5/8 inch diameter R.S. Rod (set) at the Northeast corner of said Block No. Four (4), in the West line of High Street;
THENCE 00 deg. 00 min. 0 sec. E, along the West line of said High Street, a distance of 250.000 feet to the place of beginning and containing 0.966 acre of land, more or less.
 The above described Less, Save and Except Tract being the same land described in Deed from Red River General Hospital Authority, a political subdivision of the State of Texas and as the governing authority of Red River General Hospital, Clarksville, Texas, and East Texas Medical Center Regional Health Care System, a Texas non-profit corporation, to Clarksville Independent School District, dated July 29, 1997, and recorded in Volume 457, page 563 of the Official Public Records of Red River County, Texas.
 The property shall be sold in its present "as is" condition. Sealed bids to purchase such property must be submitted by mailing the same to Red River Hospital Authority, c/o Naomi Lawler, Treasurer, P.O. Box 1270, Clarksville, Texas 75426, no earlier than March 16, 2000, and no later than 5 p.m. April 5, 2000. All bids are to be marked "SEALED BIDS". The property will not be sold for less than a fair market value which has been determined by an appraisal obtained by the Authority to be \$68,500.00. The Board of Directors of the Authority is not required to accept any bid or offer. Red River Hospital Authority reserves the right to reject any and all bids to purchase the property.
 Red River Hospital Authority
 William Bryson, President
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Evelyn Barnes' sister, Patsy DeWitt of Irving is visiting this week.

Karen Walker of Grapevine spent the weekend with her father, Mac Webb visited Ina and Nina Sparks Saturday and showed pictures of the new Grapevine Methodist Church of which Tim Walker is pastor.

Katheryne Greene returned home Saturday after heart surgery on Monday at Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas. She spent three days recuperating at her sister's home in Ft. Worth.

Visiting Reba Temple this past weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Ryan Randle and daughter, Azden Beth of Euleus.

Birthdays wishes to Hallie Brooke Bolton, Billie Jo Gantt, Jamie Mullins, Nelda Talley, Christopher Holt, Kaitlyn Spray, Marilyn Crawford, Randy Gresham, Skeeter Davis, Peggy Parsons, Jill Couch, Morgan Winters, Mark Dawson, Cindy Abernathy, Aaron Skidmore, Holland Bell, Lillian King, Lyn Wolf, Patricia Wesley, Gladys Woodson, Bill Blevins, Melinda Corso and Scotty Nichols.

Happy anniversary to Renee and Jarvis Watson, Dee Dee and Cliff Gifford, Dee and James Wood, Pam

and Buddy Humphrey, T.J. and Margaret Fowler.

Ruth O'Brien received word of the death of a cousin, W.T. Hankins of McMinnville, TN. He was 85 and survived by his wife, Ruby; sons Thomas Hankins of Franklin and Robert Hankins of Dickinson and several grandchildren.

Bradley and Cindy O'Brien of Austin spent the weekend with his parents, Ruth and Stanley O'Brien in Garland.

Dr. Stephen O'Brien and daughters, Rachael, Stephanie and Julie enjoyed a vacation in Orlando, Florida recently.

Stanley and Ruth O'Brien were in the Chicota area working cows recently.

Willburn McDowell of Rock Island, TN visited Ruth O'Brien by phone and also Clinton Keel of Madison, TN called her.

Brandi and Jeff Dobbs have a new baby boy, Robert Jefferson, born in Weatherford. Charlotte O'Brien and Randy are grandparents, Gregory McAnally of Hawaii is the grandfather. Ruth and Stanley O'Brien are step-great-grandparents.

Thomas and Nanalee Nichols had lunch with Aaron and Marion Nichols of King's Country Sunday.

Presbyterian women meet with Clara Stalls

Clara Stalls was hostess for the monthly meeting of the Presbyterian Women on Monday, March 13 in her home.

The meeting was opened with prayer. Reba Temple read a devotion by Debbie Boone, "The Presence of Light".

Frances Franklin gave the Least Coin devotion, "Christ Our Living Hope", a voice from Ghana. The coins were collected and dedicated with prayer.

In the study of Psalms, Mame Cutshall directed the sixth lesson, "Create in Me a Clean Heart; Psalms of Confession". Key idea: When we confess our sins, God listens and offers forgiveness.

The meeting closed by repeating the Mizpah benediction.

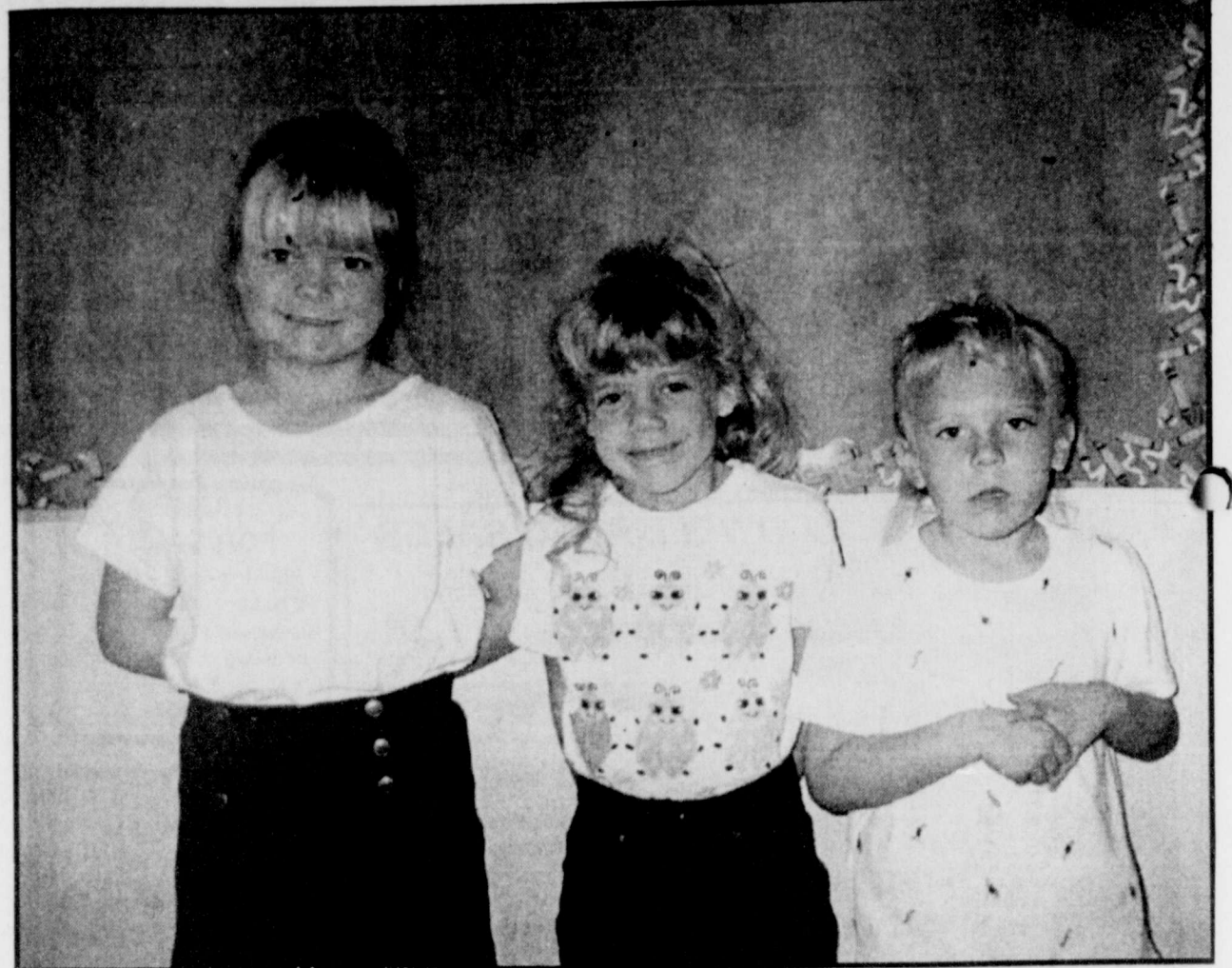
Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Senior luncheon held at church

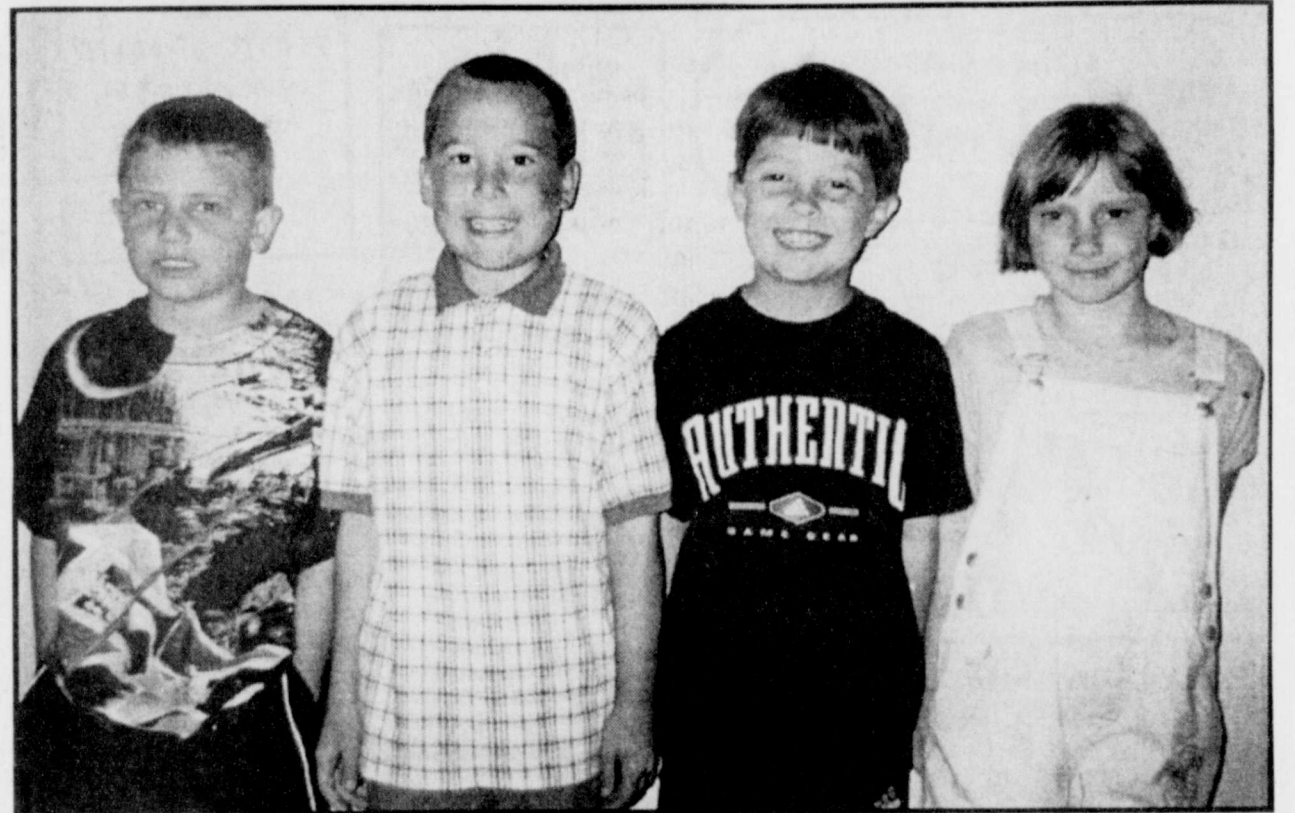
A covered dish luncheon was held at Deport First United Methodist Church on Tuesday, March 14 with fifteen attending.

The noon meal was followed by table games.

The date of the next luncheon will be Tuesday, April 11. All seniors are invited to attend.



DEPORT STAR STUDENTS in Kindergarten are left to right Kaylyn Patterson, Macee Mabry, Magen Bove and not pictured is Caleb Norwood. (Staff Photo)



DEPORT STAR STUDENTS in second grade are left to right Dustin Elrod, Christian Hunter, Payne Schuelke and Laura Brooks. (Staff Photo)

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Dear Nanalee and Thomas,
Saturday is a great day for me because The Deport Times arrives! It is good to read about activities and people. Sometimes I have to call Reba to check on certain things. You do a great job and I especially enjoy your "Nichols Worth".
I love Deport, so many good memories, I've always felt that I was fortunate to have grown up there, had "Miss" Regina and Mac Webb for teachers.
My best to you,
Sybil Griffin Evans

Deport Housing Authority News

call Melba Ladd

Monthly luncheon was held in the Community Room at the Glover Units. Those enjoying all the good food and fellowship were Eunice Leona Sugg, Alpha Barnard, Mavis Sowards, Estelle Chesshire, Venice Bryson, Lucy Fowler, Hazel Relford, Willie Mae Speir, Mae Storm, Eunice Ervin, Alma Scaff, Frances Franklin, Lucille Morgan, Eulene Nicholas, Beulah Shipp, Hunter Bratcher, Kenneth Gifford, Phyllis Gifford, Betty Andrews. Juavane Carpenter stopped by after all the food was put away. Juavane placed required HUD notices in the community room and was to discuss those notices with the tenants.
Spring break for the schools means a trip to Paris Family Fun Center in Paris for the children that do not have other plans. The trip was made Tuesday, March 14 but not in time to list the names of those attending to be published.
Melva and Juavane were in Jefferson on Wednesday, March 15. HUD representatives were there to train on one of the new programs that has been given local management. With this program, we will report all activities to HUD. HUD will grade the authorities from the scores that are made from these reports.
Some residents have received their census packages. Melba and Juavane will be available to assist any and all tenants who have a need. We stress the importance of all packages being completed and returned.
Melba and Carlos will be out of Saturday through Thursday. The office will be open by Juavane 9 til noon on those days.

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