YOU got your electricity back? I'm working on the assumption that most of our readers suffered an electricity loss during the Christmas Ice Storm of 2000. We were out about five days. Friends were out for two weeks, others still are out of

But it all served as an excellent lesson. We learned how to survive without television. I did fine without that, but I missed reading myself to sleep. A small flashlight hung from the bedpost by a long string worked fairly well, but it's not the same.

We learned how to conserve flashlight and lantern batteries, and how smoky kerosene lamps can be. We learned how quickly cheap candles burn down (that means they aren't cheap, doesn't it).

Folks learned to use the same bath towel over and over instead of pitching it on the floor or in the dirty clothes basket.

All of us learned that doing laundry in a bathtub or sink isn't much fun, and hanging it out to dry is not only quaint but a royal pain....if you could get enough heat to dry it hung on the line!

And how about cooking? People had various options. Some had propane or natural gas stoves, other two burner camp stoves, others fireplaces and still others had nothing...absolutely no way to cook or heat water. It was a tad chilly to have to use the charcoal or gas grill, but they work in a pinch.

Do you appreciate your hot water heater a little more now? I know I do. I luxuriate in neck deep hot bathes nightly...and a sponge bath in a sink full of stove-warmed water just doesn't do the trick.

How many days did it take to quit slapping light switches off and on? How much food did you lose when the refrigertor and freezer quit working?

Our digital cameras were quickly full of digital images for the papers....and we couldn't download them.

We reported to the old 35 millimeter cameras, but couldn't process that film either.

It worked out great for us, downtown had no electricity all week, but we weren't scheduled to publish that week anyway. Otherwise, we would have been trying to find a friendly newspaper somewhere with electricity to get a paper out through.

No, we live in an electrified society....and now that we've had lights again for a few more days I'm already forgetting just what a hassle life without electricity is.

But, I haven't forgotten so quickly that I can't be glad they are back on, that i can't hope that there will be no more ice storms, and that I don't appreciate all the hard work the power crews put in to get the lights back.. I DO APPRE-CIATE MY LIGHTS!

10001 Editor's Quotes Joy is not in things; it is in us. Wagner

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DEPORT, LAMAR COUNTY, TEXAS

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Deport residents can put limbs in special location for disposal

tree limbs downed due to the ice storm on the west side of Mustang Creek across from the Lonesome Dove Cafe during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. City personnel will

According to Texas-New Mexico

Power Company manager, Gary

Petty, the power outage over the holi-

days affected as many as 5,000 cus-

Petty stated that poles were bro-

ken and transformers were blown, but

95-98% of the damage came from

damaged trees falling on power lines.

In this region, 11 contract crews, 12

contractors and 12 tree trimming

crews from West Columbia, Texas

City and Lewisville were brought in

tomers at some time.

to help with the crisis.

City of Deport residents can put be on hand at the site to accept the limbs.

No metal or junk of any kind will be accepted. Please put your limbs in this location only.

As of last week, all Texas-New

Mexico Power Company customers

were back in service, except for those

who needed repairs in their own con-

nections before service could be re-

service, he has never been involved

with a situation as bad as this ice

storm has been.

Petty stated that in his 40 years of

Petty voiced his thanks to all

Texas-New Mexico customers for

their patience and understanding dur-

Prairiland Freshmen appreciate electricity

in Mrs. Frankye Sessums class certain that they had experiwere assisgned to write on enced life without electricity "Why I Will Never Take For recently. Granted The Use of Electric-

The Prairiland Freshmen ity" after the ice storm made

First, second and third

placewinners wer announced, but Mrs. Sessums said that "all of them were good".

THIRD PLACE-TIE

Why I Will Never Take For

Granted The Use Of

Electricity

by Amber Philpot

horrible! I almost couldn't handle it.

Wow! Not having electricity was

FIRST PLACE

The Night The Lights Went Out Outage affects 5,000 customers

By Heath Connot

storm greatly questioned my level of sanity. As ice formed and trees fell, the electric veins of Northeast Texas sparked to the ground and darkened my world. Untamed hair, cold showers, the smell of candle wax and kerosene, moodiness and five hundred and sixty-four games of "chicken foot" ensued.

I learned that the stress that people felt without electricity was enough to transform the everyday family member into a savage beast. Conflict was a major problem among people who had to cohabitate in the crowdedness of a few warm gathering places. Parents sprouted horns as they had no patience for cooped-up and energetic children. The children had no patience for lifeless Play Stations and grouchy parents. Games on the internet were replaced with rousing games of Torment the Little Sister, Drive Grandma Bonkers and Who Can Yell the Loudest. Let's face it, most households could have been declared natural disaster areas all by themselves.

The rush to buy up batteries, lanterns, and kerosene created chaos at Wal-Mart similar to their "day after Thanksgiving Christmas sale".

Not too long ago, a terrible winter People were pushing and arguing over who had what first. They rushed from store to store. Generator sales hit an all time high. When I found out that the stores were sold out of 18 hour computer backup batteries, I realized that there is no true substitute for my beloved electricity. My new computer was useless to me.

However, messy hair, cold showers and grouchy people were a small price to pay as the lack of electricity threatened to be a powerful tormentor to some families. Children could not get there daily breathing treatments. A gas water heater blew up and severed a family. Elderly pelple could not find their medicine. Generators were a false sense of security for those who inhaled carbon monixide poisoning. Smoke and fire engulfed homes and hidden live wire threatened electrocution. Fire fighters, law enforcement officers and EMT's worked overtime to repair damages to families. Electric company workers still continue to work 20-hour days, leaving behind their own families, in order to restore what was once considered a luxury. These are the real reasons that I will never take for granted the use of electric-

SECOND PLACE

The Night The Lights Went Out

By Mandy Weddle

I will never take electricity for granted again for as long as I live because I went way too long without it. Just like most things in our lives, we don't know how much we need something and depend on it, until it is actually gone. It didn't take me but a few hours of darkness to come to this conclusion.

Time seems to stand deadly still without electricity! And not because the clock has stopped working. It feels like I went from modern day civilization to a cabin in the hills in a matter of minutes. I felt out of place and had this inner sense of boredom like I've never experienced before. We, like many families, were also without phone service, so with a teenager in the house, you can imagine the tension. We would sleep until noon just to put half of the day behind us.

I know now how other people feel who live like that all the time. However, we did have the privilege of the hope that our electricity and a normal life as we knew it, would soon be restored. Luckily for us, it did, and now I have a slight sense of the way teenagers my age feel who live their lives in the perpetuality of the gruesome week I experienced. Believe me, I now appreciate the simple luxuries of life.

Normal entertainment did not exist, no television, radio, movies, nintendo or computer. We created our own entertainment such as reaching or playing board games by candlelight. For lack of a better way, we hooked up a car tape player to a 12 volt. Needless to say, it worked, but if it had been my choice, we wouldn't have listened to Willie Nelson.

These are just a few of the reasons I will no longer take electricity for granted, and if any of you were in this situation, I'm sure you feel the same way.

computers, telephones or TVs. These are our connection to the world. For one week I was completely alienated from the people of planet Earth. I was a prisoner in my own home. You can't communicate, or watch the news. All you can do is sit and patiently wait. Waiting for the power to light up your television, or make the phone ring. Electricity keeps us connected,

without it, we would be clueless. You also cannot have a decent hot meal unless you cook it over a fire or a grill. Your food in your freezer thaws out. Everything spoils, and becomes rotten. I wont' take electricity for granted again because I couldn't take a shower, curl my hair up or eat

my favorite foods hot from the oven. A world without electricity would be extremely boring. We wouldn't have any source of entertainment, communication or personal enjoyments. For one week I was without it. I never want to go through that again. Enjoy your light, your warmth and your entertainment, it could be gone tomorrow;

and it wasn't even the worst thing that could've happened to me. I mean, we could've been hit by a tornado, or had a flood, or some other disastrous event! Instead, we had our most unknown prized possession taken away from us. The effects were devastat-When our electricity went off

Monday afternoon we figured it would only be a few minutes before it came back on. After a few hours we called the electric company and were told that it could be a few weeks before we were up and running again. The first thought that came to my mind was that I wouldn't be able to shower for weeks. I wanted to die!! Since our house is all electric, we spent most of the time our electricity was out at my Uncle Geary and Aunt Sonya's house where there is a gas water heater. Even though I was very grateful to be able to take showers I still couldn't dry my hair. Which was just about as frustrating as being dirty. When you're already freezing you don't want to have to walk around with a wet head. So I would pull my hair up in a ponytail, which would make my scrunchie smell all mildewy. Not being able to take showers and dry my hair were probably the things that caused me the most stress.

Also, I don't know about "ya'll", out at my house we huy groce Saturdays. So, on Monday there was still plenty of food left in the refrigerator. When the electricity went out, we did our best to preserve the al-

ready spoiling food. We put it in an ice chest and put it outside. That is, once we found a store that actually hadn't run out of bags of ice yet. Every meal we ate consisted of sandwiches and chips. Since you couldn't use your electric stove that was all you had. I think you can understand that that meal gets old pretty fast, and with nothing else to do, all you could do was gorge yourself with what was there. It's hard to always eat the same thing, but it makes me think about those families who never have enough to eat on a regular basis.

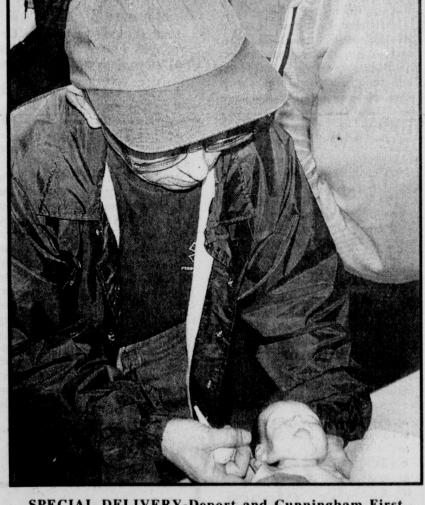
Not being able to take showers and not being able to cook are bad enough, but when you don't have any heat, now that's just plain scary! It's a miserable feeling that makes you pray for warmth. You start worrying that you'll get really sick due to the cold. We dragged out every blanket, and it still didn't seem to be enough. When you're cold it puts you in this dull state that makes you want to just sit there and not move. Not that there was anything to do anyway. I don't know how people of long ago survived the long winters without heaters. I went only three days without it. and over the course of those three days I wanted to cry 99.9% of the

In conclusion, all these things that I've mentioned in this essay are terrible effects of no electricity. At least for me they are. Some people go without my "necessities" on an every-day basis. Which really shows me how spoiled most of us are. I think this was a wake-up call for those of us who take electricity for granted. I know it sure grabbed my attention! Even now that it's been several days since my electricity came back on, I still enjoy walking into a room, flipping a switch and having light.

Bucket Brigade to meet this Thursday

The Deport VFD Bucket Brigade will meet this Thursday, Jan. 11 at 7:00 p.m. at the Deport Times Office. All members are urged to attend as there are some items of business that need to be voted on.

Anyone who is interested in helping raise funds for the fire department is welcome to attend a meeting, and perhaps join the group.



SPECIAL DELIVERY-Deport and Cunningham First Responders class members got to deliver "babies" Friday night during their childbirth class. Mike Francies cradles the head of the newborn "infant" (actually part of a training mannikin) as part of a realistic learning experience. Childbirth, pediatrics, wound care, fracture care shock treatment and many more things have been in the curriculum of the First Responders, who began the course last July and hope to finish up in March or April. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



AED USAGE-Jarred Bankhead, Jeremy Day and Charles Reavis work over "victim" James Whitney during a recent First Responder Class. The group of twelve volunteers is working towards the end of a long, involved medical course they have been taking in order to better serve their communities when medical help is needed. They also practiced traction splinter of the femur during the class that night. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

THIRD PLACE-TIE Why I Will Never Take For Granted The Use of Electricity By Codie Kohler

In 1892 Benjamin Franklin discovered electricity. Before that there were dark houses, cold water and no TV, phone or computer. Food spoiled easily, and there were no refrigerators. Would the people then take for granted our privilege of electricity? Since a recent ice storm that shut down all power for a week, it's a new dawning of the power of electricity, and why I'll never take it for granted

Electricity keeps our homes warm on even the most bitter of winter days. It provides lights, so we can guide ourselves to and fro. Without it, we would have to take freezing cold showers. We would have no hairdryers curling irons or any of these day to day items we unknowingly take for granted.

Furthermore, we would have no

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Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

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Our cook this week comes to us from Blossom and she is Ruby Latimer. She has lived in the Blosom

area for many years. Ruby prepares lunch at the Nazarene Day Care Center in Blossom at the Nazarene Church, that

recently opened. Thanks Ruby for your recipes and they will be enjoyed.

German Chocolate Upside-Down Cake-take my word for this one. . . . it is a great dessert!

Sweet Potato Souffle-I have also tried this one and forgot about the recipe. . . if you like sweet potatoes, it is well worth trying!

Ground Meat Casserole-this is

German Chocolate Upside-Down

Cake

cup flaked coconut

cup chopped pecans

3 large eggs

1-1/4 cup water

1/4 cup cooking oil

1/2 cup margarine

discard wax paper

teaspoon vanilla

l cup brown sugar

1/3 cup margarine

for 30 minutes

l large onion

chicken

pound ground meat

1-2 ounces egg noodles

can tomatoes-optional

pound Velveeta cheese

I large bell pepper

2 eggs

l cup sugar

pinch salt

stick margarine or butter

1/2 cup chopped pecans

8 ounce cream cheese

German chocolate cake mix

2 cups powdered sugar-sifted

Line a 13x9 pan with wax paper and

grease. Sprinkle coconut and pecans on

bottom of pan. Set aside. Combine

cake mix with eggs, water and oil in

large bowl. Mix and spoon over coco-

nut and pecans. Combine cheese and

butter in saucepan; cook over low heat

stirring often, until mixture is smooth.

Stir in sugar and spoon evenly over

batter. Bake at 350 degrees for 40-45

minutes. Cool in pan on rack for 10

minutes. Transfer to serving plate and

3 cups cooked mashed sweet potatoes

Mix first five ingredients well and

pour into oven-proof dish. Beat re-

maining with electric mixer and pour

on top of souffle, Bake at 350 degrees

Ground Meat Casserole

I can cream of mushroom or cream of

Brown and drain onions, pepper and

meat. Add noodles, soup and tomatoes.

Mix well. Begin to layer meat mixture

and then top with cheese. Bake at 400

degrees until golden brown or bubbly.

Sweet Potato Souffle

Thursday, January 11, 2001

Ruby Latimer-Blossom

one of those quick and easy recipes that can be assembled and into the oven in a hurry! Great for these cool days and nights or should I say cold days and nights!

Chicken Casserole-what better combination could you have than noodles and chicken and then add some broccoli and this is a dish fit for

Ruby Cake-this recipe sounds like it would be a hit anywhere. . .add some Cool Whip on top and wow what a cake!

Pink Salad-this quick and easy

salad recipe is great to take to dinners and to just sit around and eat by

Chicken Casserole

I can cream of celery or cream of chicken

Cook noodles and broccoli separately

and drain; set aside. Combine soup

milk, mustard and cheese together

Cook until cheese is melted; set aside

Place noodles in baking dish and add

chicken and then broccoli. Pour soup

mixture over all and bake at 350 de-

Ruby Cake

Sift dry ingredients. Add bananas

oil and pineapple and juice, vanilla and

eggs to dry ingredients. Stir to blend

mixture; do not beat. Pour into greased

angel food cake pan and bake at 350

degrees for I hour. Set aside to cook on

rack without removing from pan. Serve

plain or with whipped topping.

Pink Salad

I can crushed pineapple-drained

I cup chopped pecans-optional

Combine milk and Cool Whip and

stir thoroughly. Add pie filling, pine-

apple, coconut and pecans. Mix well

I can Eagle Brand milk

l can cherry pie filling

I can coconut-optional

medium size Cool Whip

grees for 15 minutes are until hot.

2 cups medium wide noodles

2 cups cut-up cooked chicken

1/4 pound frozen broccoli

1/4 teaspoon mustard-dry

I cup grated cheese

3 cups sifted flour

2 cups sugar

l teaspoon salt

I cup cooking oil

l teaspoon baking soda

l can crushed pineapple 1-1/2 teaspoon vanilla

2 cups mashed ripe bananas

I teaspoon cinnamon

1/2 cup milk

vided by the East Texas Review Band. Come out and join the fun! *Sympathy is extended to Glen McKeggan during his loss of Deon.

She will be missed by all. *Get Well Wishes are extended to Mildred Eudy, Jean Smith, Jean Mullins and June Kellen.

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News

day night at 7:00 p.m.

noon until 1:00 a.m.

are open all the time.

the evening.

*Meeting time is 2nd and 4th Mon-

*Post is open Tuesday, Thursday

and Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 12:00

midnight and Saturday from 12:00

ing time and Pool and shuffleboard

*Thursday at 7:00 p.m. is 42 play-

*Earl Grissham will be honored

with a birthday party at the post on

Saturday, Jan. 13 beginning with a

barbecue meal and pool tournament

at 4;00 p.m. Everyone is invited to

come out and wish Earl a Happy

Birthday, enjoy the meal and pool

tournament and stay for the dance in

beginning at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday,

January 13, 2001. Music will be pro-

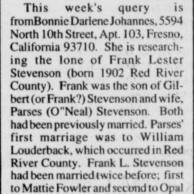
*Everyone is invited to a dance

* Happy January Birthday to: Dorothy Smyth, Jocye Proctor, Earl Grissham, Bill Farris and Tricia Bra-

*Gerald Miller was the winner of the Food Basket chances were sold on by the Ladies Auxiliary

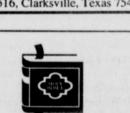
*Winners in the Semi-Final 42 Tournament held January 1, 2001 were; First place-Shannon Rhoades and Bill Carrand Second place-Zelma Mauldin and Phyllis Duffer. Congratulations winners!

Red River County Roots



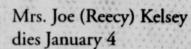
Loretta Smith If you would like to write Ms. Johannes, please write her at the above address.

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



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Mrs. Joe (Reecy) Kelsey, age 98 of Deport, died at 6:10 a.m. Thursday, January 4 at Deport Nursing Home. Services were held at 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 6 at the First United Methodist Church of Deport with the Rev. Jim Benfer officiating. The eulogy was delivered by Joe T. Kelsey. Fry and Gibbs Funeral Home made burial in Highland Cemetery.

Mrs. Kelsey was born August 15, 1902 in Deport to Sam H. and Iris Grant Bell. She was a graduate of Deport Schools and was a longtime member of the First United Methodist Church of Deport where she had been active in the church choir and had taught Sunday School.

She married Joe B. Kelsey on March 28, 1925 in Deport. He preceded her in death December 12,

Surviving are a son, Dr. Sam B. Kelsey and wife Suzy of Deport; a daughter, Martha Glover and husband Duane of Deport; five grandchildren, Connie Dodd of Paris, Joe T. Kelsey of Bogata, Marilyn Kelsey Glover of Deport, Betsy Glover Chapman of Deport and David Glover of Dallas; four great-grandchildren, Ty Merritt of Deport, Philip Dodd of Paris, Carter Kelsey of Bogata and Peyton Chapman of Deport; and a sister, Brodie Bell of Deport. She was preceded in death by a son, James B. Kelsey in 1932; three sisters, Cora Bell, John Grant Bell and Doris Norwood and a great-grandson, Joseph Braydon Dodd.

Serving as bearers were Fred Swint, Jr., Tom Webb, Jorge Martinez, Morris Foster, Bill Chipman and Charlie Davidson, Jr.

Card of Thanks

I just want to thank the people at St. Joseph's Hospital, Red River Healthcare and to all of my friends for all of the care, gifts, prayers and visits during my illness and recovery the past few months.

We greatly appreciate all you've done

Card of Thanks

members for the help and support

shown us during the loss of our loved

one, Paul Reynolds. A special thanks

to the Wood family, Dr. and Mrs. E.E.

Brooks, Randy Miller, Bogata First

Responders and to all who called,

sent food, flowers and donations in

his memory. God bless each and all.

Dean and D'Lene Leggett

Bob and Patsy Martin

Fred and Jane Swint

Carleen Harkrider

Ruth Revnolds

Thanks to all friends and family

John Cherry & Family

Ovie Patterson

Thanks,

Card of Thanks

The Cherry family would like to give great thanks to all who helped us through our time of need. A special thanks to Wood Funeral Home and everyone who was there for us.

Services were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, January 7 with the Rev. Buddy Hines officiating. Burial followed in Highland Cemetery in Deport under the direction of Wood Funeral Homes.

Mrs. Picklesimer was born August 20, 1923 in Argilite, Kentucky, the daughter of Albert and Hazel Barnhart Riley. She was preceded in death by

her husband, Columbus Picklesimer.

Obituaries



Norma Sue Cherry

dies January 2

Norma Sue Cherry, age 56 of Deport, died at her residence on Tuesday, January 2.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Friday, January 5 in the Life Tabernacle Church of Cunningham with the Rev. Freddy Burden officiating. Burial followed in Restland Cem-

Bearers were Leon Barton, David Stewart, Bobby Miller, Mark Spray, Benny Spray, Tommy Spray, Rick Spray and Marshall Wheatley. Wood Funeral Homes had charge of arrangements.

She was born in Burnet, TX on January 21, 1944, the daughter of Grean Leaf and Lucille Reynolds Faubion. On January 19, 1966 she married John Cherry in Dallas. She was the manager of the T's Mart Truck Stop in Paris.

Surviving are her husband, John Cherry of Deport; her children, Letris Stewart and husband David of Irving, Juanita Barton and husband of Irving, Walter Y. Woolard and wife Sabrina of Sunset, Lawanda Cherry of Deport and Regina Miller and her husband Bobby of Deport; a brother, Gary Faubion of Irving; eight grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, Gary Owens in 1982 and her

Dortha Picklesimer dies January 5

Dortha Picklesimer, age 77 of Deport, died Friday, January 5 in McCuistion Regional Medical Cen-

Surviving are a son, John Milton Picklesimer of Knox City; a daughter, Barbara Trussell of Bogata; seven grandchildren, Deborah Picklesimer, Cindy Talley and Peggy Benedict of Deport, John Trussell, Jr. and Jimmy Trussell of Bogata and Rodney Picklesimer of Seymour; five greatgrandchildren; one brother, Leonard Kiser of Michigan and one sister, Ella Mae Stevens of Flatwood, Kentucky; and a sister-in-law Marie Donnelly.

Willie Dee Devlin dies January 7

Willie Dee Devlin, age 93 of the Minter community, died at 11:50 a.m. Sunday, January 7 in the Paris Nursing Home.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 9 in the chapel of Fry & Gibbs Funeral Home with Rev. Chief Warden and the Rev. Jim Benfer officiating. Burial was in Woodard Cemetery near Minter where she was placed along with five generations of her family. Fry & Gibbs Funeral Home had charge of the services.

Mrs. Devlin was born June 30. 1907 on Independence Prairie near Minter to J.C. and Mary L'Nora Webb Ring. She joined the Minter Methodist Church on August 15, 1922. Mrs. Devlin graduated from Cunningham School in May, 1929 and attended Paris Junior College. She married John Walker Devlin on June 7, 1930. The couple celebrated their 70th anniversary in June, 2000. She was a member of the Deport Methodist Church. Willie Dee was an ancestor of the Worthingtons who came to Texas in 1826 with the Wrights at Jonesboro on the Red River. She belonged to the first 4-H Club in Lamar County and was a member of the Minter Women's Home Demonstration Club. Willie was also a charter member of the Eastern Star and was Farm Woman of the Month of December in 1950. She was a member of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas and was a retired saleslady from Stores.

She is survived by her husband, John Walker Devlin of Minter; a sonin-law, Ledford Kelly of Georgetown; two granddaughters, Kathryn Anne Kelly of Austin and Sarah Frances Kelly of Ann Arbor, MI; three nieces, Dorothy Scott of Paris, Theda Short of Paris and Alison Anne Ring of El Paso; a nephew, Byron Wicker of New Boston. She was preceded in death by a son, John Dee Devlin in 1932 and two daughters, Mary Sue Devlin in 1940 and Nancy Carol Kelly

Serving as bearers were Waylon Norrell, Gerald Norrell, Carlos Denison, Johnny Whitney, Billy Ray Oats, Chance Whitney and J.E. Brown. Honorary bearers were Howard W. Sparks, Billy Joe Oats, Jackie Elmore, Pete McKnight, Russell Whitney and Warren Denison,

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ous Association is looking for all amphibious personal for reunions.

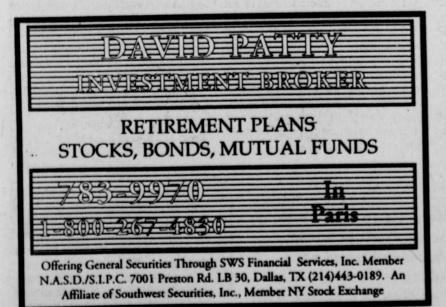
The next reunion will be held in Fort Worth, Texas April 26-27-28, 2001 at the Holiday Inn South of I-35W. Contact Bob Garner LST 461, HC 52 Box 362, Hemphill, Texas 75948 or e-mail Texas Lsts@AOL.com



STAY NICE AND WARM THIS WEEKEND



COOK OF THE WEEK from Blossom is Ruby Latimer. She is pictured here with Blossom Nazarene Church Day Care Center Director, Debbie Jackson. She prepares hot meals for the pre-schoolers each day. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



We can only use the best digital photographs, please We have a problem. We are begin-

ning to receive digital photographs from people who want them used in the newspapers. However, if they are not of the best quality, they do not turn out well.

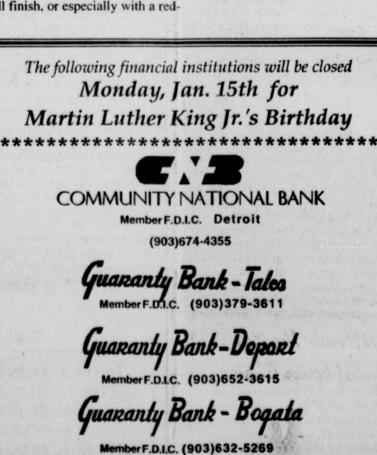
For us to use digital photographs they MUST be printed at highest quality setting on a good printer, and they must be on photo type paper, not copy paper. If we receive digital photos with blurry or jagged edges, or dull finish, or especially with a reddish tinge, they are not going to re-produce well. We must scan these photographs and add a "screen" or dot pattern so that the press ink will pick it up. We must have a good quality photo for this.

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Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Hayden Freeman

Watkins-Bishop to wed January 27

Amy Lyn Watkins and Randal College in Mt. Pleasant. hawn Bishop will be united in marage Saturday, January 27, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. in the Ramseur Baptist Church in Paris, Texas.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Tony and Terry Watkins of Bogata. Her grandparents are Floreice Nicholson and the late Reid Nicholson and Eva Watkins and the late Tom Watkins. She is a graduate of Rivercrest High School and is currently attending Northeast Texas Commuity

The prospective groom is the son of Randy and Debbie Bishop of Mt. Pleasant. His grandparents are Ed and Ann Bishop of Mt. Pleasant, Elton Randall of Antlers, OK. and the late Bettie Randall. He is a graduate of Chapel Hill High School and is employed at Lone Star Steel.

No formal invitations will be sent. All family and friends are cordially invited to attend

Grant-Francis exchange vows

were united in marriage on December 26 in a ceremony performed in Las Vegas, Nevada.

During a week's wedding trip, the

Jeanie Grant and James Francis couple traveled through California and also visited other points of interest including Hoover Dam and Tombstone, Arizona.

Students named to honors list at Texas A&M-Commerce

Childbirth classes scheduled

7 p.m. at the Lennox Health Resource five weeks, You must attend all five

Cookie sale begins January 5

Texas A&M University-Commerce announced its Presidents Honor Roll and Dean's bist for the

2000 Fall Semester. To be eligible for the President's Honor Roll, a student must earn a

straight A or 4.0 grade point average on a minimum of 12 semester hours. Dean's List students must post a minimnum of a 3.25 grade point average on a minimum of 12 semester

Below are students who have been named to the two honor rolls, listed

IS

according to hometowns.

Childbirth preparation classes will

begin Monday, February 7 from 5 to

Center, 1143 North Walnut in

bor, delivery, exercises, breathing and

pushing techniques, anesthesia, Ce-

sarean section and postpartum and

cookie sale on January 5, by taking

orders from customers through Janu-

ary 21. The cookies will be delivered

February 23 through March 11.

Booth sales will also take place dur-

ing that tinme at locations through-

Consumers will have eight variet-

es to choose from at \$3.00 per box.

New this year is the Aloha Chip with

For those who like the old favor-

ites, other cookies available will be

out the community.

macadamia nuts.

Stages of pregnancy, phases of la-

Clarksville.

Bagwell: Pamela D. Smith,

Blossom: Jason Michael Garrison,

Michelle A. Parker, Deans' List. Bogata: Marla Gayle Williams, President's Honor Roll; Gary W. Cheatwood, Jr., Crystal N. Davidson, Kristi M. Perkins, Jared Shane

Detroit: Scotty G. Coleman, Mary

Talco: Kimberly L. McGee, Jonathan H. Taylor, Deans' List.

newborn care will be covered.

and seating is limited.

Smith, RN, Nurse Educator.

All classes meet once a week for

classes. Pre-registration is required

by calling 428-8500. Classes are free

Classes will be taught by Cindy

President's Honor Roll; Stephanie M. Green, Deans' List.

Watson, Deans' List.

L. Hart, Deans' List.

Students graduate Texas A&M-Commerce

Amy Lyn Watkins and Randall Shawn Bishop

Wooldridge-Freeman united in marriage

Amy Denese Wooldridge and Dou-

glas Hayden Freeman were united in

marriage Saturday, July 29, 2000 at

memorial Church of Christ in Hous-

ton, Texas. Minister Nick Hamilton

and Terrie Wooldridge of Yukon,

OK. Her grandparents are Hersell

and Virginia Cox and Obed and Betty

Wooldridge of Snyder. She is a gradu-

ate of Yukon High School and Okla-

homa Christian University. She is

employed as a kindergarten teachers

at Northland Christian School in

June Freeman of Mesquite formerly

of Mt. Pleasant. He is the grandson of

Maxine Topping and the late Ray-

mond Damron of Bogata and Mrs.

A.C. Jones of Grapevine formerly of

Mt. Pleasant. He graduated from Mt.

Pleasant High School and the Uni-

versity of Oklahoma with a BS/MS.

He is a geophysicist with Exxon/

Given in marriage by her father,

the bride wore an elegant gown by Spring, Texas.

Mobil in Houston.

The groom is the son of Don and

The bride is the daughter of Tom

performed the 2 o'clock ceremony.

Ceremonies were held at winter commencement on December 16 for students at Texas A&M University, Commerce.

During the day, a total of 561 graduates received diplomas, 344 with bachelor's, 204 with master's

and 13 doctoral degrees. Local students receiving degrees

Bagwell: Pamela D. Smith, BS. Bogata: Crystal N. Davidson,

Alfred Angelo of ivory bridal satin

with a portrait neckline and basque

waist, ballgown skirt and cathedral

length train. The bodice was enhanced

with rice and seed pearls and sequins.

The skirt and train featured cutwork

lace and tiny self-covered buttons

extending full length of back. To

complete her enxemble, the bride

wore an elbow length veil with rib-

bon edging flowing from a beaded

comb. Her bouquet was white roses,

Wooldridge, sister of the bride. Deby

Hawkins, long time friend of the bride,

was matron of honor. Rachel Harris,

student of the bride, was flower girl

and Evan Laman, also student of the

bride was ring bearer. Kevin Krenik

served as best man and groomsman

was Alvin Barber. Soloists at the

ceremony were Carla Wells, Wes

Hanson, April Wooldridge, Terri

Wooldridge, Amy Wooldridge,

Stephanie Ward and Mike Sheaffer.

Orleans, the couple are residing in

Following a wedding trip to New

Maide of honor was April

freesia and miniature white irises.

Paris: Ragina Lyn Flenniken, BBA; Amy Lyne Philpot, BS; Daniel Benjamin Plata, BS.

Talco: Kimberly L. McGee, BSIS.

Crime Stoppers crime of the week

Crime Stoppers is seeking your help and will pay a cash reward of up to \$1000.00 for any information that will lead to the arrest of the persons responsible for committing the following felony crime.

Sometime during the night of Monday, January 1st, unknown suspects entered the residence of Mr. Paul Anglen at 3740 Pine Mill Road in Paris. Once inside the home, the suspects stabbed and killed Mr. Anglen.

If you have any information on

this, or any other felony crime, please call Crime Stoppers. If Crime Stoppers receives that information by January 15th an arrest is made of those persons responsible, Crime Stoppers will pay you a cash reward of up to \$1000.00 All calls do remain anonymous and you will not have to testify in court. So lets all work together to fight crime and double your reward during the month of January. Call Crime Stoptoday at 785-TIPS! (785-

Right now, Stewart needs all do-

nors to donate. If unable to attend any

of the mobile blood drives this week,

please donate at one of Stewart's six

locations in the east Texas area. If you

are over 17, weight at least 110

pounds and are in general good

Stewart is still in need of blood

out at the center.

health, please donate.

With the new year comes the resolution and renewed commitment to do the right thing. Stewart Regional Blood Center is asking all blood donors to resolve to make a difference in the life of patient in need of blood. Stewart saw an increase in blood donations, but a more significant increase in blood usage during 2000.

Blood usage in January is always up because more surgeries are performed this month than any other month. The ice, snow and power outages here caused blood types to run

Garrett graduates from ACU

Jamilyn M. Garrett graduated from Abilene Christian University on Friday, December 15, 2000. She received a BS Degree in Integrated Marketing Communications.

She is the daughter of Paula nd Sue Garrett of Paris and the granddaughter of Edna Cunningham of Paris and Bessie Garrett of Blossom.

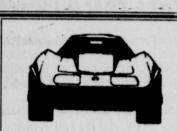
Miss Garrett is a 1995 graduate of North Lamar High School.

Attend The Church





ETHAN BRYAN MULLINS celebrated his first birthday on December 2. Those helping him celebrate were his parents, Jamie and Misty Mullins, Kyle, Lisa and Kandi Wright, Katie and Payton Williams, Laurie Bell, Jeremy and Stacy Bell. Ethan had a "farm animal" birthday cake and one small cake all to himself. He received many nice gifts.



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> Paris Junior College has announced students named to the presidents and Deans list for academic achievement during the fall semes-

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Students named to the President's

list include:

Rena Cagle, Lloyd Edward Fry, Brian Heath Howie, Lory Melissa Hunt, Billee K. Molarte, Summer Ann Slayden, Serina Marie Taug, and Justin Shane Trammell

Bogata: Elisabeth Sanders Clarksville: Matthew T. McCollister and Jessica Dereece Tay-

Girl Scouts will begin their annual with 30% lower fat. Eighth-one percent of the proceeds from the sale remain locally to provide programming, training, supplies and communication to girls and volunteers as well as financial assistance to attend events and other opportu-

If you are not contacted by a Girl Scout and wish to order cookies, call 784-0803 or the cookie manager in your area: Melanie Tidwell in Blossom at 982-6076; Donna Stewart in Bogata at 632-4970; Carla Filkins in Deport at 652-4702 and Ruth Smith

in Detroit at 674-7703.

PJC announces honors lists

list, students must earn a 4.0 grade point average (straight A's) on a minimum of 15 semester hours. Those on the deans list must have a minimum of 3.5 grade point average on at least 15 semester hours and have no grade

Paris: Jimmy R. Barnes, Sonya

Students named to the Deans honor list are:

Paris: Christin K. Allison, Bhagya L. Alloju, Reagan Michelle Barham, Henry Bizzell, Courtney D. Caraway, Crystal Elizabeth Cole, Seema Kamlesh Dayaldasani, Melony R. Foster, Stephen Wesley Hale, Jessika L. Hardy, Lisa M. Hignight, Rachel Ellen Hill, Daniel C. Hocutt, Adam Drew Jones, Kirk Douglas King, Lisa M. LeFever, Ryan Harold Little, Kelly Erin Lout, Jeremy Lynn Parnell, Christopher Alexander Peel, Joshua Paul Shurbet, Julia Elizabeth Taggart, Mechanda Nicole Tracy, Edward OiBrien Wallis, and Crystal Carol Wood

Deport: Jeff Jeffus and Mark Douglas Jones. Mt. Pleasant: Jodi Lynn Logan. Pattonville: Stephanie Ellen Hag-

Pats take Pewitt in OT 64-56

The Patriots took the win over Paul Pewitt on Tuesday, January 2, 2001. Junior D.J. Loveless led the night with 17 while senior Heath Sessums followed with 16.

Chris Berry would add 13 to the game. Kyle Malone had 7, Stoney Musgrove 6, Aaron Murdock 3 and Eric Berry 2.

The game started out in the first quarter with a score of 19-14, Pats. It remained hot and heavy for the Patriots in the second as they hit the boards for and other 16 points and held Pewitt to 8 to make the halftime score 35-22.

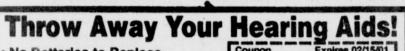
Third quarter saw the Pats cool down some as they could only hit for seven points to Pewitt's 18. The game would tie at the final buzzer 54-54. In overtime, the Pats would come

up with ten points while the Pewitt bunch could only make another basket to end the game 64-56.

On Friday night, January 5, 2001, the team took on Hughes Springs and lost 45-50. Loveless was once again high point with 13 while Chris Berry came in second with 12. Sessums added 9, Malone 6, Murdock 3 and Musgrove 2.

The Pats started out slow with a quarter score in the first of 6-13. The second quarter saw a smaller lead of 20-22 for the Pats.

Only one point kept the Pats from taking the third quarter lead with a score of 29-30. Hughes Springs came back in the fourth though and hit 20 points to the Pat's 16 to take the game



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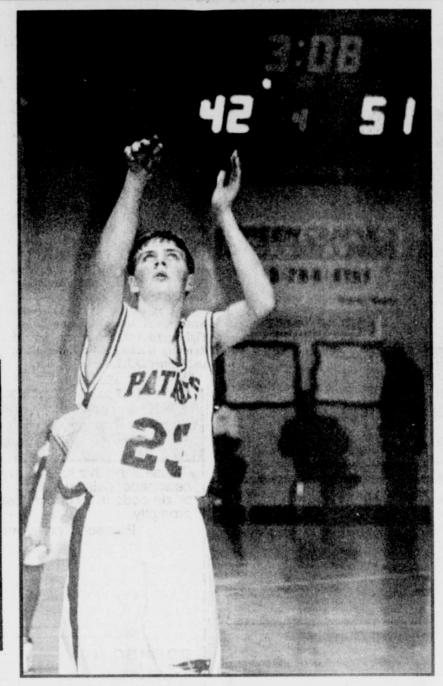
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PRAIRILAND'S #23, AARON MURDOCK goes in for the shot in a recent game against Detroit. Prairiland fell to Detroit 51-62, but came back and won over Paul Pewitt in OT 64-56. (Staff Photo)

Patriots fall to Detroit 51-61

The Prairiland Patriots hosted the the third by scoring 15 to the Eagles Detroit Eagles on Saturday, December 30, 2000. The previously scheduled game was to be at Detroit, but die to electricity problems from the ice storm was moved to Prairiland.

Eric Berry hit a three-point in the Ist quarter to tie the game with De-

The Pats fell short by three points in the 2nd 18-21 again with Berry hitting a bucket and 2 free shots. The Pats gain some momentum in 16, but still remained behind 33-37. D.J. Loveless was high in the 4th

with five points, but the Pats still remained behind at the buzzer 51-62. High for the night was Heath

Sessums with 10. Eric Berry had 9, followed by Chris Berry and Loveless with 8 each. Aaron Murdock followed with 6, Kyle Malone 5, Stoney Musgrove and Jonathan Mar-

JV Pats shake the Eagles 48-42

kept the win at home 48-42.

The game was tied at the end of the first quarter 9-9 as the JV Pats were determined to keep the win at home. But the JV Eagles came back in the second to outscore them 10-13 at the halftime buzzer with a score of 19-

Third quarter action was in slow motion for the Pats as they could only

The JV Patriots hosted the Detroit find two baskets while Detroit would JV Eagles on December 30, 2000 and hit for 9. In what could only be described as a triumpant comeback. the Pats hit an amazing 25 points to Detroit's 11 recover the win 48-42.

Shawn Steinkamp was high with 12 as Nathan Burden followed with 10. Chance Bankhead had 7 with Robby Nichols and Bryan Murdock each having 6 each. Five points came from Casey Johnson and Jared Gage

"B" girls defeat Detroit Hr. High

The Blossom Lady Patriots took the win over the "B" Lady Eagles on Monday, January 8, 2001 at home.

Rose Bishop was high for the night with 19 while Ashley Anderson hit for 11. Angela Noblitt had 6 and Casie Cullum had 2 points. Other team members adding to the game were Jessica Chapman, Amanda Neel and Lindsey Sugg.

Trailing in the first quarter with a score of 4-10 and in the second quarter 14-16, the ladies came back in the 3rd by scoring 15 points to Detroit's

In the fourth quarter, the ladies held Detroit to only 2 points while they scored nine to end the game 38-





Prairiland High School Honor Roll

A HONOR ROLL 3rd Six Weeks

Brittany Bailey, Amanda Ball, Chance Bankhead, Tabitha Baxter, David Beyleryan, Ryan Brook, Jennifer Brown, Amber Buster, Jaci Chaney, Heath Connot, Stanley Cox, Micheal Flatt, Megan Graham, Becky Hamm, Angela Harbuck, Brittany Hart, Casey Jhnson, Kelly Kincaid, D.J. Loveless, Kyle Malone, John Merrill, Renee Moreland, Matt Morgan, Bryan Murdock, Amber Philpot, Trista Reves, Drew Riddles, Robert Robertson, Tara Simmons, Raynie Skidmore, Catherine Smith, Michael Tallant Cesar Tinajero, Lacy Vincil, Mandy Weddle, Lance Westbrook, Mitch Whitaker, Stephanie Wolf, Lucas Miller, Wade Moore.

> A & B Honor Roll 3rd 6 Weeks

Hollie Allen, Patty Anderson, Dustin Applegate, Cassie Arrasmith, Ashley Athas, Brittany Ballard, Aaron Barnes, Heather Barnes, Sue Ellen Barnes, Chris Basinger, Josh Benfer, Thomas Bishop, Tiffany Bishop, Sara Bolton, Jory Briggle, April Broad-



Some people believe that when a horse yawns, the weather is going to change.

Post Oak News

By Geneva Lee 982-5309

The East Post Oak Baptist Church held only one service on Christmas Day with the evening service being dismissed because of the ice and no electricity. There was also no Wednesday night service. Sunday,

The community was without electricity from 8-10 days and everyone had heavy damage from fallen limbs and trees. The worse ice storm ever seen by most people, but all survived. All will remember Christmas 2000.

December 31, had a preaching ser-

vice at 11:00 a.m. in the community

center where they had heat.

Janis Reynolds, Donna and Hooter Johnigan and sons and Carl Vaughn and his family all had Christmas dinner with Don and Phylis Vaughn. Mrs. Reynolds stayed with them until her electricity cam back on because she had no heat. One of the Johnigan grandsons stayed a few days with his grandparents before his mother came and took him home.

Louise Cagle spent several days in Longview with her daughter Sue and Norman Farris. They brought her home this past weekend, but took her back with them since her daughter

Kathy Wood had bronchial Pneumonia and not able to take care of her.

Newman and Betty Low had all their family with them for Christmas dinner. They were daughter Terri and husband Jerry Williams and daughter Katie of Paris and their son Jerald and April William of LeJeune, N.C. They left Tuesday, December 27 to return to NC and Katie had returned to A&M College.

Wallace and Frieda Lee of Ft. Worth came last Friday to the home of Alvis and Billie Ruth Bates, Wilbourne and Geneva Lee visited in the afternoon. They went by and visited his mother, Rhoda Lee in Paris Nursing Home before returning to Ft.

Bro. Henry Blackmon and family was sick over the weekend. He wasn't able to be at church Sunday night but all are reported better Monday.

Ollie Sims of Colonial Retirement Center in Paris celebrated his 100th birthday Sunday and he seems in good health. He lived in our community a long time several years ago. We wish for him many more healthy

way, Chris Bunson, Nathan Burden, Nikki Bybee, Cody Cavender, Kelli Clarkson, Kayleigh Connot, Melinda Corson, David Crossland, Crystal Davis, Amber Dawson, Josh Dawson, Amanda Denman, Ashley Doyal, O'Neal Drinnon, Elizabeth Dunn, Justin Ebbs, Jason Elrod, Josh Fendley, Megan Filkins, Carlene Fox, Andi Gillie, Christina Glossup, Leslie Gordon, Tandy Green, Elana Hafter, Colt Hatfield, Amy Hicks, Charles Hicks, Shanna Hicks, Brad Hunt, Amanda Hyde, Holly Jones, Codie Kohler, Matt Larkin, Ben Lemmen, Amie Love, Cheslie Loveless, Jennifer Martin Jonathan Martin, Jennifer Matthews, Jemilynn McKee, Dakota Mitchell, Matt Moffit, Cody Morris, Aaron Murdock, Stoney Musgrove, Josh Nation, Tammy Nichols, Tiffanie Osborn, James Osterbuhr, Lori Pitcock, Brian Ray, Kara Screws, Jessica Semple, Harley Skidmore, Julie Smith, Lacy Spray, Jessica Stapleton, Melissa Steinkamp, Shawn Steinkamp, Bo Sutton, Seth Walker, D.J. Watkins, Susan Whittle, Natalie Wilson,

School Menu

Mallory Woodall, Bill Robertson.

Prairiland Menu Week of January 15 Monday

Breakfast: Breakfast burrito w/salsa Juice, milk Lunch: Beef fingers Mashed potatoes Green beans Rolls

Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy, sausage Juice, milk Lunch: Pizza

Wednesday

Breakfast: Cereal, toast Juice, milk Lunch Salisbury steak Mashed potatoes

Fried okra Breakfast:

Pancakes, toast, sausage Juice, milk Lunch: Chicken fried steak Mashed potatoes Gravy Com Rolls

Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast Juice, milk Lunch: Hamburgers Pork and beans Potato chips Fruit cocktail



A graduate of Paris High, Dr. Cannon received his undergraduate degree from Abilene Christian University, and earned his doctor of osteopathic medicine degree, from the University of Health Sciences-College Osteopathic Medicine, Kansas City, MO. He completed his internship at the University of North Texas Health Science Center, Fort Worth, and residency at Texas A&M Health Science Center, Scott & White Memorial Hospital, Temple. Dr. Cannon is board certified by the American Board of Family Practice. He and his wife. Laura have one son, Jonathon.

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PRAIRILAND ELITE-Pictured are Prairiland football players making the 2000 17-AA All District Superlative list. Seated is Jorry Briggle, Jason Elrod, Stan Cox and Stoney Musgrove. Standing in back is Coach Glenn Scheulke, Phillip Elder, D.J. Loveless, Brad Hunt, Josh Williams and Drew Riddles. Not pictured is Heath Sessums. Chris Hock, Chris Brunson. Pictured on the table is the playoff trophy the team won and will be placed in the trophy case in the hall. (Staff Photo by Liz

Community resource association

This month's speaker will be Amy Lebus, donor recruiter for Stewart Regional Blood Center.

Huddleston

DRAWING \$50 in

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Saturday,

5:00 p.m.

cies/organizations who cover Red River County and have an interest in the health and well being of county residents. There are no membership fees, meetings are kept casual and

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CORRECTION:_____

The announcement was recently made on the 2000 17-AA All- District Football Superlatives. These

MVP-Chris Ganaway-senior from DeKalb and Offensive MVP Lee Shavers-senior from DeKalb.

Defensive MVP was Otis Cobbinsenior from Paul Pewitt and Sophomore of the Year-Steven Hendrickson of Hughes Springs.

Special Teams Player of the Year was Adrian Coffey senior of Paul Pewitt and Coach of the Year Buddy

Ray of DeKalb.

Making 1st team from Prairiland was guards Josh Williams junior. Tight End Heath Sessums senior. Running Backs Phillip Elder junior and Punter D.J. Loveless junior.

promptly.

Making the 2nd Team Offense

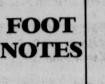
from Prairiland was: Tackle Chris Hock junior and Quarterback Jason Elrod senior. Running Back Stoney Musgrove junior.

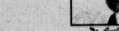
1st Team Defense honors went to senior Stan Cox for the Defensive Line and Linebacker Philip Elder jun-

2nd Team All District Team Defense went to Chris Brunson freshman for Defensive Line and Defensive End D.J. Loveless junior.

Honorable Mentions went to Brad Hunt-center, Chris Berry-Receiver, Jorry Briggle-Guard, Heath Sessums-Line Backer, Stoney Musgrove-FS and Drew Riddles-Kicker.

Academic All-District honors went to senior Drew Riddles, juniors D.J. Loveless and Brad Hunt.





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to hold monthly meetings

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Pattonville News

By Peggy Parsons

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Happy anniversary to Michael and Pam Fry, J.A. and Juanita Sparks. Sympathy is extended to the family of Willie Devlin, who died Sun-

day morning. Sympathy is extended to the fam-

ily of Sandra Wood of Clardy who died Sunday. She was the sister-inlaw of Yvonne Gray and wife of James Wood. Congratulations to Prairiland Lady

Patriots volleyball players Melissa Steinkamp, Emilee Bolton and Megan Gragham who were named to the Class AA Texas Sports Writers Association All State Volleyball Team. Congratulations to Dr. L.C. and

ment from the Prairiland ISD. Tony and Charlotte Veslasco of Austin visited Gordon, Helen and James VanDeaver the weekend of

Jerry Nell Stout on their recent retire-

Christmas. James Earl and Berniece Bell, Ann Geer, Sandy Ring and Ashleigh were

visitors of Bill and Ruby D. Blevins. Ruby D. Blevins, Sandy Ring and Ashleigh visited Jessie Newsom in Parkview Nursing Home in Paris Sunday. They picked Heather Anderson up at McDonald's where she

Barbara McDowra and Gerald Hood attended the Hood family Christmas in the home of Lynn and Mallie Hood and family at Shady

Blossom Locals

By Lig Irwin

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Happy Birthdays this week too:

Kate Robertson, Jackie Chennault,

James Gray, Ethan Tillery, Michael

DiGiovanni, Randal Sessums, Jack

Kindle, Patricia Bass, Mike Edzards,

Lindsey Peel, Dane Benson, Skip-

per Chapman, Liz Alexander, Alisa

Lane, Angel Decker, Gwenn Lerro,

Sherri Patterson, Stephen Hale, Rhett

Fendley, Jacqueline Covington,

Margaret Parks. She was a wonder-

ful lady and will be missed here in

Our condolences to the family of

On Monday, January 15, PISD

will hold regular classes for all stu-

Jeanna Mitchell, Courtney and Zachery of Lakeland, Florida were

her for several days for the holidays.

John Nagy. She is temporarily un-

Best wishes and get wells to Mrs.

Art Honea of Hartshorne, Okla-

homa and Jim Irwin traveled to

Hillsboro to attend a 90th birthday

party for Harold Hunter at the Peoria

Mary Jane Lowry spent Christ-mas and the holidays in Gilmer with

the Mike Ballard family, Ryan

Ballard family of Johntown, Bill

Lindey family of Hughes Springs and the Jack Ballard family of Tex-

Mary Jane Lowry spent Friday

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Grove Friday before Christmas.

Saturday night, December 23, Thomas and Anna McDowra, Jacob and Alex, Chris and Rebecca McDowra and Mathew Lance, Buddy and Sue Malone, Tommy and Micah Malone of Paris, Reggie McDowra, Nick and Pam, Keith and Ammie McDowra, Brock and Justin, Barbara McDowra and Gerald Hood had their Christmas

Brian Long of McKinney visited grandparents, David and Sue Shelton while his mother, Ann Long, made a trip to Wisconsin during the holidays. Brian broke his foot after being run over by a forklift at work.

Peggy Parsons spent Wednesday night in Rowlett with Mark and Tonya Parsons, Haley and Ty. Thursday morning, she met Lois Kennett at DFW to take her to her home in Cooper after her visit in Florida.

Roland Ballard celebrated his 85thj birthday at Colonial Lodge in Paris Saturday with a birthay party hosted by his family. Among those attending were Robert and Sis Ballard of Midway, Max and Carolyn Ballard and Geramy of Sumner, Randy Ballard of Mt. Pleasant, Keith and Leann Mitchell, Deanna, Kim and Kelli of Blossom, David Ballard, Joey and Jenni of Pattonville, Jimmy and Leslie Ballard and daughters of Reno, Jeff and Patti Ballard, Brittany and Bailee of Blossom, Tim and Ginger Stine, Erin and Tyler of Paris. L.C. Ballard of Deport and Tony and Karen

Ballard, Lance and Kayshia of Clardy. Leah Boren spent Friday night with Jenni Ballard. David Ballrd, Joey, Jenni and Leah enjoyed bowling in

night and Saturday with Margie

Myers of Bogata. Mary Jane also

visited with Orene Bonner last week

by phone and she is doing well. She

says hello to all her friends here in

Blanchard, Oklahoma spent Satur-

day night with Ruby Crawford.

Among those enjoying dinner on

Saturday night with them was Carol,

Kenny and Crystal Wood of Atlas,

Keith Wilson and Jana and Chuck

Lemire and Marie Kennison all of

Emma and Lloyd Willard on Satur-

day. Also visiting them last week

was Jo and Mib Myers of Post Oak

and Juanita and Joe Garrett of Wood-

Paris visiting with Paula nd Sue

Garrett during the bad weather. She

has also received word that her son

Jerry who is a patient at Baylor has

undergone another surgery. He is

doing very well.
Several folks in Blossom would

like to take this opportunity to thank

Tracy Crawford and his staff at Paris

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Bessie Garrett spent some time in

Renea and Kaleb Long visited with

Joel, Trish and Jody Crawford of

Paris with other Prairiland students

and faculty members. Alice Evans stayed with Glen and Susie Evans during the ice storm and power outage. Ada Brook's daughter, Tina of Florida, Linda Shorts' daughters, Tammie Smith and Jennifer Cody of Frisco visited Alice during the holiday.

Lorene Gibson of Blossom visited Tommy and Sue Gibson during the power outage.

Elois Sparks and Nina Sparks of Deport were visitors of Keith and Peggy Parsons during the week.

Leslie Davis, Brittany Harris and Raynie Skidmore went bowling in Paris Friday. Leslie and Brittany spent the night with Raynie and watched

Randy and Kristi Bortern, Drew and Leah were in Avery Thursday night for the basketball game with Deport.

Buster and Louise Crossland went to Texarkana for Louise's family Christmas party.

Having Christmas dinner with Buster and Louise Crossland were Willie and Donna Crossland and David, Michael and Kristina Crossland, Blake and Ty, Kent and Ann Wright, Brandon and Blaine, Travis Cropssland and family were in Ohio, Travis visited Monday and helped Buster trim trees.

David Crossland was home sick

Keith Parsons mother, Irene Parsons of Paris was taken by EMS to Christus St. Jopseph's Hospital Tuesday morning after falling in her apart-

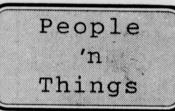
ISO Ratings meeting set for Lamar Co. Fire officials

Lamar County Fire Chiefs and Assistant Fire Chiefs and Fire Marshals are invited to attend a meeting of the Independent Insurance Agents of Paris on January 18th at 6:30 p.m. at the Paris Golf and County Club.

Christopher T. Lummus, a Field Manager for the Fire Prevention and Engineering Bureau of Texas and Chairman of the National Fire Protection Association Technical will present a one hour program on ISO

Mr. Lummus also conducts pubic classification surveys, building code effectiveness, grading surveys and food mitigation surveys in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri and

The topic of ISO ratings should be of interest in area insurance agents and fire departments to learn how to improve their city or community's ISO ratings. Any improvements could possibly save all residents money on their insurance premiums.



Friday, January 12-Pattonville Community Center, 8 p.m., dance, live music. Proceeds benefit VFD.

Monday, January 15-Pattonville VFD meeting, 7 p.m.

Saturday, January 20-Pattonville Community Center, AYCE breakfast, 7-10 a.m., \$4.

CUNNINGHAM NEWS By Neva Jean Oats

The community extends sympathy to the Willie Devlin family. Willie Died Sunday, January 7th. She was married to Walker Devlin and their celebrated their 70th wedding anni-

Jane O'Neal, L'Wanda McKnight and Julie Norwood went to Chickasha, Oklahoma to a church conference.

Sunday dinner guest of James and Pat Norwood.

Darold and Ida Mae Norwood attended a baby shower honoring day. Marlin Foster had lunch with

Billy Ray, Neva, Brad and Georjeana ate lunch with Billie Joe and Georgia Oats Sunday. Lessie

Jeff Kennedy and his children, Heath Kennedy and his son Laytner

"Ladd Hill" Friday night. Saturday they ate breakfast and lunch with Bobby and Shelby Kennedy.

Sunday dinner guests of Johnnie and Nelta Musgrove were Stacy, Linda and Stoney Musgrove, Brenton Norwood and Brad Hunt. Joining them for supper were Charity Musgrove, Alice McPhearson and Lynn and Betty Holman.

Billie Ford took her mother, Lillian King to eat at the Lonesome Dove in Deport Saturday and after lunch they went shopping.

Amber Norwood is attending North Central Texas College in Gainesville where she will be on the volleyball

Craig and Andrea Slakey, Jeff Nutt and Beth Wikoff were guests of Brad and Georjeana Nutt Friday night. Ronnie and Raylene Nutt visited them Saturday.

Geneva Norwood had her family for Sunday dinner and supper.

versary this year.

Mendy, Lacy and Kelby Cole were

Darold and Ida Mae Sunday.

Stuart visited in he afternoon.

and Cole Kennedy camped out at

Deport Locals Cindy Talley 652-2954

Happy birthday to Bill Farris, Greg Parsons, Nancy Murphy, Roy Joe Wells, Earl Gresham, Mark Dennis, Bryan Gifford, Olivia La Vonn Couch, Bailey Robbisn, Curt Phillips, Jessie McFatridge, Joe Gage, Bobby W. Elmore, Connor Ellington, Arther (Pete Jack) Barrett, Victoria LaRue.

Happy anniversary to Juanita and J.A. Sparks, Cynthia and Chad Robinson and Sue and Arther Barrett. friend.

Sunny Whitney visited with Thomas and Nanalee Nichols several times. She was doing some laudnry. The Whitney, Hams and Shulls didn't get electricity back until Sunday. Others in the area are still out.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Willie Devlin. We all mourn the passing of a long-time citizen and

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The silence often of pure innocence persuades when speaking -William Shakespeare, The Winter's Tale

Beth & Cory Spray and Daughters Kaitlyn & Kayla had dinner with her parents Susan and Phillip Roach Sun-

The Holt family had dinner together Thursday evening celebrating Dorothy and Johnny's birthdays.

Harvey and Jean Bell of
Winnsboro spent Monday with Elizabeth and Holland Bell.

Kay Preston of Minter and Tim Parks of Faught and Barbara

Maurischat of Lone Oak visited James & Dorothy Holt Sunday.

A family get together was at the home of Mark and Dana Keys Satur-day night They had a big bon fire and fixing hot dogs and marshmallows.

Due to the bad weather and no telephones there wasn't much news

Public Notices

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR WATER QUALITY TPDES PERMIT RENEWAL FOR MUNICIPAL

WASTEWATER PERMIT NO. 10741-001 APPLICATION AND PRELIMI-NARY DECISION. City of Deport, P.O. Box 354-A, Deport, Texas 75435, has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for a renewal of TPDES Permit No. 10741-001, which authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 183,000 gallons per day. Issuance of the proposed Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. 10741-001 will replace existing TPDES Permit No.

10741-001. This application was submitted to the TNRCC on July 7, 2000. The facility is located approximately 1000 feet south of U.S. Highway 271 and 1400 feet west of the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 1149 and U.S. Highway 271 in Lamar County, Texas. The treated effluent is discharged to Mustang Creek; thence to the Sulphur/ South Sulphur River in Segment No. 0303 of the Sulphur River Basin. The unclassified receiving water uses are no significant aquatic life uses for Mustang Creek. The designated uses for Segment No. 0303 are high aquatic life uses and contact recreation.

The TNRCC executive director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The executive director recommends issuance of this draft permit. The permit application, statement of basis/technical summary and executive director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Deport City Hall, 201 Main Street, Deport, Texas 75435.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public hearing about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit written or oral comment or to ask questions about the application. The TNRCC will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

Written public comments and requests for a public hearing should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of the notice.

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TESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who requested to be on a a mailing list for this application. If comments were received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the executive director's decision. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

A contested case hearing will only be granted on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn. Issues that are not raised in public comments may not be considered during a hearing. The TNRCC may act on this application to renew a permit without providing an opportunity for a con-

tested case hearing if certain criteria

are met.
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AC-TION: The executive director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or a timely request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the executive director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and re-quest to the TNRCC Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled ommission meeting.

MAILING LIST: In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices mailed by the Of-fice of the Chief Clerk. You may request to be added to: (1) the mailing list for this specific application, (2) the permanent mailing list for a specific appli cant name and permit number; and/or (3) the permanent mailing list for a specific county. Clearly specify which mailing list(s) to which you wish to be added and send your request to the TNRCC Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. Unless you otherwise specify, you will be included only on the mailing list for this specific applica-

INFORMATION: If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process (such as being added to the mailing list), please call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040 or write to them at MC 105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas, 78711-3087. General information about the TNRCC can be found at our web site at

www.tnrcc.state.tx.us. Further information may also be obtained from City of Deport at the address stated above or by calling the Honorable Charles Foster, Mayor, at

Issued December 27,2000 LaDonna Castanuela, Chief Clerk Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission

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the tree basically healthy and vigorous? If the tree is basically healthy, is not creating a hazard and did not suffer major structural damage, it will generally recover if first aid measures are applied immediately after the

Are major limbs broken? The larger a broken limb is, the harder it will be for the tree to recover form the damage. If a majority of the main branches are gone, the tree may have little chance of surviving.

Has the leader been lost? In species where a leader is important to upward growth or desirable appearance, it may have to be a judgment call. The tree may live without its leader, but at best would be a stunted or deformed version of the original.

Is at least 50% of the tree's crown still intact? This is a good rule of thumb on tree survivability. A tree with less than half of its branches remaining may not be able to produce e enough foliage to nourish the tree through another season. How big are the wounds where

branches have been broken or bark has been damaged? The larger the wound is in relation to the size of the limb, the less likely it is to heal, leaving the tree vulnerable to disease an pests. A two to three inch wound on a 12-inch diameter limb will seal over with a new bark within a couple of

Are the remaining branches that can form a new branch structure? The remaining limbs will grow more vigorously as the tree tries to replace its missing foliage. Look to see if branches are in place that can even-

tually fill out the tree's appearance.

Is the tree of a desirable species for its location? If the tree is in the wrong location, or an undesirable species for the property, it may be best to remove it if it has serious dam-

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DEPORT 4TH Grade Class Favorites pictured left to right is Jesi Davis, Layton Norwood, Jenna Pattersona nd Derek Tesch. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Reflections on Wade's Park. . . . a Paris Landmark

By Bobby Maddox

I was born in Deport, Texas in 1934 and lived there until 1949. I think that I was very fortunate to have spent these impressionable years in Deport. Times there then were slow and easy. We seemed to enjoy the simple pleasures of like and didn't have television to waste our time watching. There was a rumbling coming from Europe, but many people didn't believe that the war, because of the distance and all that water, could ever reach us here. They were right. The war didn't reach us, but we reached it.

In the late 1930's and early 1940's there was one outing that we especially looked forward to. That was a trip to Paris where we could go swimming at Wade Park. The finest swimming pool in the area was located at the west end of this park. Added later, just to the south of the pool, was a wading pool for children my age. During the summer months capacity crowds filled both pools from after-

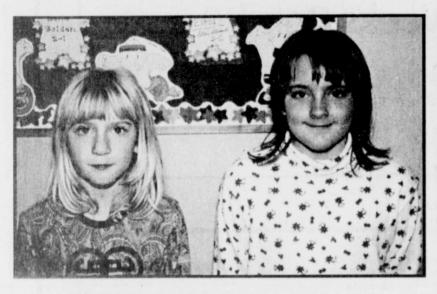
noon until late at night. Wade Park dates back to 1886 and is Paris' oldest park. For years, it was named Warlick Park. In the early 1900's the Paris Transit Company acquired the wooded tract from the P.M. Warlick family and developed it into a recreation and entertainment center. This property was sold to Thomas W. Crouch on June 12, 1902 and later in 1921 to the wife of then deceased J.W. Wade.

Before his death, J.W. Wade had wished to purchase and donate this property to the City of Paris for park purposes. It is one of the finest gifts Paris has received. One of the conditions agreed upon by the city was to fix a natatorium (indoor swimming pool) which may be used by the public and to light the park at night in the city's discretion. At this time the name Warlick Park was changed to Wade Park.

Since this time, there have been many changes in the park. Some

things have disappeared and others have been added to replace them There is a lot of difference between the new devices and the rope swings and wooden whirl-arounds of old Warlick Park. Now the park contains modern restrooms, new play equipment and meets safety guidelines, fenced tot-lot for pre-schoolers, a roller blade court, new backstops, new picnic facilities, water fountains and additional fencing.

Recently, I stopped by Wade Park. There was a school busload of children playing there and enjoying the new facilities. I walked down to the west end of the park and looked at the area that was once the swimming. pool. It was filled in many years ago. Its outline and parts of the sidewalk around the pool can still be seen. The wading pool, or what is left of it, is still there. As I stood by the old wading pool and looked north I could almost see the ghosts of a long lost time now disappeared.



DEPORT FIRST GRADE Star Students are Sarah Golden and Tessa Steffenson. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

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MEMORIES OF WADES PARK-Bobby Maddox is pictured here in the summer of 1940 as he takes advantage of Wades Park then. He tells of the many changes that have taken place since then. (Staff Photo)

Deport School Third Six Weeks Honor Roll

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Fifth grade: Joey Ballard, Tanya Cave,

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Cole Smallwood, Blake Stogsdill, Brandi

Seventh grade: Leah Boren, Ashley

Ebarb, Michael Middleton, Mallory

Owens, Amber Sugg, Jenni Ballard, Brit-

tany Filkins, Kelcey Howington, Kyle Kinslow, Alicia Lang, Jay Curt McKee,

Eighth grade: Drew Boren, Brent Bur-

den, Matt Dickinson, Kacey Rodgers, Whitney Turner, Jessica Winters, Kandi

Wright, Rachelle Yarbrough, Laura

Barnes, Jeffery Dale, Megan Hargroves,

Allison Hinkle, Ashley Lehman, Angel

Mantooth, Britney Martin, Rachel

Murdock, Spur Norwood, Brandon

Shane Wilson

Sixth grade: Hailey Norwood, Kellye

First grade: Kate Benfer, Magen Bove, Leedon Burnett, Kastley Greer, Dustin Martin, Steven Melvin, Tessa Steffenson, Alecia Bailey, Dakota Davidson, Sarah Golden, Jacob Harris, Maggie Minter, Colton Reynolds, Janet Smoot.

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Jackson, Jessica Nichols, Shelby Richey. Third grade: Dylan Cathey, Wesley Murdock, David Barnes, Reana Burnett, Molly Minter, Lily Norwood.

Fourth grade: Layton Norwood, Tyler Young, Ryan Austin, Jeremiah Howington, Kaylee Miller, Hanah Norwood, Jenna Patterson

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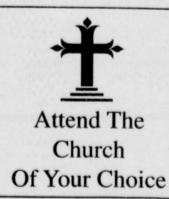
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Fourth grade: Monica Hagood, Jesi Davis, Josey Francis, Courtney Hargroves, Lindsay Hoover, Hielly Owens, Jeffery Steffenson, Ryan Ford, Ethan Ham, Corey Haskell, Joshua Ju-





WADES PARK NOW-Wades Park has taken on a new look since the summer of 1940 when Bobby Maddox was a youngster. Pictured here are his 8 year old twin granddaughters Casey and Kelli Jones standing where the old swimming pool was back then.

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BLOSSOM 4-B class of Michelle Gillie's are pictured here with some of the toys that they donated for the Angel Tree. The class donated their money that they would have used to exchange gifts in the classroom for the needy children on the Angel Tree. Pictured back row is Chase Moore, Zach Cullum, Seth Connot, Katy Garrison, Josh White, Kaylon Merrill, Juana Zermeno and Kaleb Whitaker. Middle row is Rickey George, Cade White, Jacob Lee, Stormy Easley, Kaci Burchinal, Kaleb Price and Casey Fendley. Front row is Tonya Fry, Dayne Sessums, Roxy Sawyer, Rachell Procella and Britney Patterson. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



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