What a week it was!
The holidays are over, and The holidays are over, and
here at Thunder Prairie Pub-
lishing lishing we are back into our routine. We're even happier
about this than our readers. about this than our readers.
The week of our big Crist-
mas edition is always hectic mas edition is always hectic,
but this year it was more so than usual. Our printer has
reduced the width of the eages reduced the width of the pages
we use, and every singleChrist-
mas ad had to be redone at the mas ad had to be redone at the
new size. Folks, that's a lot of redoing!
We wo We worked the week before
all day every day. We worked all day every day. We worked
on Saturday. We worked some on Sunday. We worked until
8:30 Monday night, and then 8:30 Monday nigh
Tuesday dawned. Believe me, it takes a con-
scious effort not to run screaming out the door Christmas
Edition Week on Tuesdays! Edition Week on Tuesdays!
But, we were working on But, we were working on
Santa letters, memories, regu-
lar news copy and the last of our ads. Things were chugging along pretty well. I had done a
nice ad, which had children's nice ad, which had children's
photographs in it.
I sat down ti the light table photographs in it.
I sat down at the light table
to cut out the "ornaments" I wanted to fit the children's photos into, and looked at the blade
of my Exacto knife. It was of my Exacto knife. It was
covered in black gunk and

looked dull, so, Idecidedto put a nice, bright shiny new blade | in there. |
| :--- |
| Being tired and in a hurry, I | Being tired and in a hurry, I

didn't put the end of the knife
on a nonslip surface... I used on a nonslip surface...I used
the glass topped light table.
Well you Well, you can see where this is going. The knife slipped and
there I was with a nice view of there I was with a nice view of

the bone in my left forefinger! | the bone in my left forefinger! |
| :--- |
| There were plenty of First Re- | sponders on hand, and after

somediscussionit some discussion it was decided
that somestitches were needed I called a good friend, Dawne I called a good friend, Dawne
Darden, to take me to Paris
for some attention. Iwouldn't Darden, to take me Io Pardis't
forsome attention. Iwouldn't
let any of our paper gang off work long enough to drive me. All I could do was keep
saying "I can't believe I did saying "I can't believe I did
this on the busiest day of the year!",
Since I have knee replace-
. ments, deep wounds or medical procedures require antibi-
otics, and of course, I got a otics, and of course, , got a
handy-dandy tetanus shot to goalong with them. It all took a while.
Back at work, we slaved,
away until nearly midnight,
sluk unt away until nearly midnight,
slunk home for a few hours
rest and Themas rest and Thomas was back at
work shooting pages at 7 the next morning. We made up pages...shot
pages...made up pages..shot pages...made up pages..shot
more pages. It was like trying to make up the Dallas Morn-
ing News (Tm NOT coming News (I'm NOT com-
plaining, mind you). After plaining, mind you). After
sending Deport and Blossom on to be printed, we set to

work on Bogata and Talco. | work on Bogata and Talco. |
| :--- |
| Finally, we did Detroit...and | that's when we discovered that

somewhere along the line we had missed shooting page 7
in Bogata and Talco. For those in Bogata and Talco. For those
who don't understand, that means we had already taken
the copy, photos and ads off the copy, photos and ads off
to "rebuild" the page for Detroit

WRAPPING IT UP-Several law enforcement officials work on wrapping up paperwork after a chase that ended in Blossom Sunday with the apprehension of two suspects involved in an armed robbery in Grant Oklahoma. Pictured are a Texas DPS Trooper Deputy Bryan Golden who first
spotted the suspects Captain Steve Hill and Deputy Ronald Parks all of Lamar County Sheriff's spotted the suspects Captain Steve Hill and Deputy Ronald Parks all of Lamar County Sheriff's
Department. Both suspects were apprehended after they abandoned the pea green Ford T-Bird used in the robbery. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols
Two apprehended in Blossom after armed robbery in Oklahoma

A routine Sunday afternoon
fic stop. The vehicle did not stop.
turned hectic for a short while as
Lamar Cospects pulled into Home Lamar County law officers ap- Tepot and officers observed them
prehended two suspects in an prehended two suspects in an throwing an object out of the ve-
armed robbery fleeing from Grant,
hicle. Paris Police recovered the Oklahoma. Oklahoma.
A Be On A Be On The Lookout mes-
sage was received by Lamar County to the effect that a black male in a light green car had just
held up a convenience sto in held up a convenience store in
Grant, Oklahoma. The call came from Choctaw County Sheriffs Department.
Within
Within a minute or two Deputy
Bryan Golden Bryan Golden noticed a car fit-
ting the description ting the description and noticed
that the back license plate was missing on Hwy. 271 North and Lake Crook Road. Deputy
Golden called for backup and fol lowed the vehicle.
At Collegiate and the Loop of-
ficers attempted to conduct a traf-


PROGRAM-David Abernathy of the Texas Forest Service pre-PROGRAM-David Abernathy of the Texas Forest Service pre--
sented a program Monday night to the Lamar County Firefighter's sssociation. The program dealt with incident com-
mand and accountability. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols) mand and accountability. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)
Prairiland 8th graders The Prairiland eighth grades will present their UIIL play, "The
Happy Scarecrow" this Saturday Happy Scarecrow" this Saturday
night at $7: 00$ p.m. at the Prairiland High School Gym.
There will be a $\$ 2$ admission
charge. Children eryone is invited to come see this play. Philpot members include Andrew
to present play
Corso, Darren Lane, Jessica
Chapman, Amanda Neel, Chase
Smallwood, Bridget Ray, Blake Smallwood, Bridget Ray, Blake
Woodall, Leah Boren, Dusty Cheney, Cody Flatt, Lucas Morgan, Chelsey Anderson. Crew members include Lindsey Sugg, Jackie Miller, Mallory Owens
Cole White, Ricardo Cantera and Michael Middleton.
 forthcoming out of Choctaw
County, Oklahoma, of armed rob-
bery-bery-
Repo Reports indicate that the rob-
bery netted the robbers 4150 . Cery netted the robbers 4150 .
Captain Steve Hill of the Lamar Captain Ste eve Hill of the Lamar
County Sheriff's department said "this is what it's all aboutment, a major team effort on everybody's part. It
didn't matter if it was Oklahoma didn't matter if it was Oklahoma
or Texas, county or city, we just or Texas, county or city, we just
worked together to get the job worked logether to get the job
done". Assisting in the efforts in addi-
tion to Lamar County yfficers was
Pct. 1 Constable Randy Boren, Pct. 1 Constable Randy Boren,
Texas Department of public Texas Department of public
Safety, Reno Police Department
and Paris Police.


A MAJOR DRUG BUST IN RED RIVER COUNTY-Danny Powell of the Regional Drug Task A MAJOR DRUG BUST IN RED RIVER COUNTY-Danny Powell of the Regional Drug Task
Force Red River County Sheriff Jerry Conway Chief Deputy Larry Spangler and Investigator
Jimmy Grove of the Sheriff's Dept. confiscated these materials used in a drug lab located in Red Jimmy Grove of the Sheriff's Dept. confiscated these materials used in a
River county North of Bagwell last Friday. (Photo by Thomas Nichols)

## Drug lab near Bagwell seized Friday

Red River County Sheriff Jerry
Conway, along with Chief Deputy Lonway, along with Chief Deputy Perkins and Investigator Jimmy Groves teamed up with Danny Powell and Rick Teer of the Drug
Task Force to bust a major drug ask Force to bust a major drug
ab located north of Bagwell on Friday, January 4th. The lab was operating in a residence off of County Road 2120 , and had the capability of produc
ing a large portion of the "drug of ing a large portion of the "drug of
choice" Methamphetamine, according to Danny Powell of the
Regional Drug Task Foce Regional Drug Task Force. According to Powell, the lab
was supported by surveillance
cameras and a police radio. Recovered from the lab were pills,
marijuana, a tank of anhydrous marijuana, a tank of anhydrous of methamphetamine that had just been cooked. Powell estimated that the street value of meth after
being cutcould be inthe neighbor being cut could be in the neighbor-
hood of $\$ 9,000$ to $\$ 10,000$ dollars. Two Red River County men
were arrested in were arrested in connection with the lab. Sam Black, a 48 years old
male from Bagwell, and Joe Queen, a 36 year old male from Avery, were arrested and charged
with a first degree felony, punish with a first degree felony, pungish
able with 25 to 99 years in prison. able with 25 to 99 years in prison.
Black was alsocharged with the
endangerment of a child since an ight year old child resided at the residence
located. Apickup and a. 22 caliber semi-
utomatic rifle were seized automatic rifle were seized at the scene. According to Agent Powell and
Sheriff Conway, ablack book con aining names and phone number f prospective customers was also seized at the lab.
According to Sheriff Conway T'm hopeful that this kind of cooperation of all area law enforce ment agencies will make a rea ment agencies win make a real
difference in all types of crime in
Red River County".


Now that things have slowed and lots of fat! Good luck!
down with the holidays and every-
3-Mustard Deviled Chick 3-Mustard Deviled Chicken
$\begin{aligned} & \text { down with the holidays and every- } \\ & \text { one is back into their "daily rut" Legg-they are baked in the }\end{aligned}$
mode, most people have one thing oven mode, most people have one thing
on their minds............diet! Sure, oven..............ees that help!
Old-Fashion Potato Salad-t on their minds...........diet! Sure, $\begin{aligned} & \text { Old-Fashion Potato Salad-the } \\ & \text { everyone needs to lose a few }\end{aligned}$ recipe does state that it is oldeveryone needs to lose a few recipe does state that it it old-
pounds and fashere
here pounds $\quad \begin{gathered}\text { here }\end{gathered} \begin{gathered}\text { and } \\ \text { there.............ome more here than } \\ \text { fashioned.........none of those pre- } \\ \text { servatives back then! }\end{gathered}$
there.........but you need one last
Company Baked Beans-you hurrah! Kind of like the final wouldn't feed your company anymeal, before you start that long thing that you wouldn't
road "back to your fighting eat.......right! road "back to your fighting
weight" type attitude! Well, here we go!
One of the readers requested a
menu menu, complete with each course
recipe, so that they would know recipe, so that they would know $\begin{aligned} & \text { Freeze-Then Bake Biscuits- }\end{aligned}$ exactly what to purchase and how what is a good meal without bread much to purchase..........so, here or biscuits!
Butter Pecan Turtle Bars-the we go! Granted is it not for the best part dessert..........seems to
foolhardy, because the recipes are always ruin a good diet! foolhardy, because the recipes are
loaded with calories, cholesterol


Support group
to meet
Jim and Joann Faulkner of Clarksville will be speakers for the
January 14 meeting of January 14 meeting of the Be-
reaved Parent Support Group. reaved Parent Support Group.
The gropu meets the second The gropu meets the second
Monday of each month at the TU
Electric Building in Paris at 7 p.m.

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Thussay and Friday from 3.00

 are open to enjoy all the time. ${ }^{\text {TThn L Ladies Auxiliary }}$ will meet the 2nd Monday of each
month at 7.00 Do Members month at $7: 00 \mathrm{p}$.
urged to attend.
${ }^{\text {urged The }}$ VFW men will meet the 2nd and 4th Monday of each
month at 7:00 p.m. Members are urged to attend.
Thursday night were tournament Thursday night were: Ist Wanza 2nd Donald Roy O'Donnell and Brenda Vickers.
${ }^{*}$ Get Well Wis Cora Tidwell, Betty Mullin and George Smith.
*Happy Birth
*Happy Birthday to: Tricia Bra-
dley, Bill Farris, Earl Grisha dley, Bill Farris, Earl Grisham, Corey Martin, Do
Sharron House.

## Fulbright

 NewsBy Betty Rodgers


One of the community land-
marks was demolished this wat marks was demolished this week.
The old gas station and domino
parlor was torn down due to dete rioration.
Tioration,
The daughters of J.D. and Char-
ity Halbert visited relatives durity Habbert visited relatives dur-
ing the school holidays.
Marla Crump visited Betty Rodgers Sunday evening. Monte Rodgers and Stephanie
and Melissa Kelly fixed lunch for and Melissa Kelly fixed unch for
Betty Rodgers and Melissa Arriaga Betty Rodg
Sunday.
Connie a Connie and To Phosay and chil-
dren had thanksgiving dinner at dren had thanksgiving dinner at
their home for relatives. Dick King visited his mother
Jimmie King, and is doing fenc ing around his property here.
We didn't have any rain We didn't have any rain Sunday
evening but Detroit and north had

## RED RIVER COUNTY

COUNTY
ROOTS
I am trying to get in touch with whoever left the flowers
on J.W. Brown and Joanna D.
Brown's grave at the Stone Brown's growne at the Stone
Brapel Cemetery outside of
Chapel Col Clarksville in the Cherryy Com-
munity. am looking for infor. on my great grandfather Jonathon P. Brown. And there was a Jonathon living with a J.
W. Brown in Red River Co. . Brown in Red River co.
1880 Census. And the age for
Jonathon was right, and My Jonathon was right, and My
Jonathon did own land outside Jonathon did
of Clarksville.

## Thanks, Linda Keesee

Linda Keesee
2017 Whispering Oaks
Burleson
Burleson, Tx. 76028
Keesee@imagin.net
This week's query is from Donna
Crabb, e -maildocrabb@ @elepath com She is researching, Greenen Flowers
Blankenship and wife, Mattie Melvania, who lived in Red River County and raised these children,
Minnie, Ada, Louise. Lovie, Eva and
Velma. Minnie and Ada moved to Minnie, Ada, Louise, Lovie, Eva an to
Velma. Minnie and Ada moved to
Oklahoma but the other girls lived in Oklahoma but the other girls lived in
Red River County all their lives. Red River County all their lives.
Io have have a query you would like
to haved in this column, please send it to the Red River County Genealogical Society, P.O.
Clarksville, Texas 75426
Laughter abounded from your comedic style.Linda and Bonnie miss their fun-loving dad.I believe God called you from life's trial,Possibly to watch over the rest of us.

Always, we talk of you and smile.
Brit, we miss you! Anaya
(Written by Mrs. Deryl Cooper)

## Same Mare Christmas Memaries 7 rom The Christmas Contest <br> My Christmas Wish

Christmas is a time for families o get together and make special memories. When I was young, time. We ate lunch at my fathers

hildren did not get as many had our gifts with $\begin{array}{lll}\text { children did not get as many gifts } & \text { them. We ate supper and had a } \\ \text { as they do today. Igot one special } \\ \text { tree at my mothers brothers home }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { gift, also an apple, orange, nuts } \\ \text { and maybe something to wear. }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { in Cherry. Then we went to Bag- } \\ \text { well to my husbands family gath }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | :--- | Ond maybe something to wear.

Onelhristmas all I wanted was to my husbands family gath-
ering. My children were always a hamburger. My mother would ering. My children were always
araid we would not be at home
never let me have one when we and asleep before never let me have one when we
were in Bogata. It was always too Were in bogata. was aways
soon after lunch, it would ruin my
supper or some other excuse. I supper, or some other excuse. I
knew Santa would bring me one and he delivered. I ate that cold onion filled ham-
burger for breakfast burger for breakfast and it was
delicious. I don't know why we delicious. I dont know why we
didn't go to my grandparents that
year. Iwonder if maybe my grandyear. I wonder if maybere my grandmother didn't want that smell in her kitchen Christmas morning.
After I was grown and had a

## Chistmas memories

at 4245 Barbara Ro

## inF. Wouth


 string that us girls made, peppertar wrapped in aluminum foil and cicles, apples, oranges, pepperalways present
ing Christmas.
Daddy worked for the City of
Fort Worth, keeping the roads Fort Worth, keeping the roads
drivable was his responsibility. It
snowed hard that night and parksnowed hard that night and park-
ing the car close to the house ing the car close to the house
hadn't helped, for it was buried up in the snow.
So, Daddy walked four blocks
to catch a bus. The thought of not to catch a bus. The thought of not
going in to work didn't even cross his mind.
It was dark when daddy re-
turned home, Mama had worried all day.
That
That year for Christmas we each got a big green bicycle with
a passenger seat. We realized how a passenger seat. We reailized how buy us those bicycles.
We always shad good Christmas!
But the feeling of importance the But the feeling of importance, the
security we felt, the teachings (the gifts of life) we received on an everyday basis, proved to be an eternal gift.
Helen Roberts
Bogata 1949 class reunion planned The Bogata High School gradu-
ating class of 1949 is planning a reunion at the April 13, 2002
homecoming homecoming.
Acommittee Acommittee met for aplanning
session recently, All graduates session recently. All graduates,
students that attended at any given year and teachers of this class will be sent an information sheet to
complete. The sheet will be used complete. The sheet will be used
to compile a booklet to be given at to compile a book
the class reunion. All attending the homecoming
are reminded that a 12:00 noon are reminded that a 12:00 noon
catered luncheon will be held and all activities are held during the day. Please make plans to attend and spend a wonderful day of good food and fellowship.

PEOPLE WHO READ NEWSPAPERS ARE

## BETTER

 AND MOREEFFECTIVE PARENTS
get ogether and make special time. We ate lunch at my fathers

Irene Williams Abbott dies January 3 Irene Williams Abbott, 87, a
loving wife, mother, grandmother and homemaker, died Thursday, January 3, 2002 in Ft. Worth at home. Funeral services were held
Tuesday at $11: 30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. in Greenwood Chapel with burial at Greenwood Memorial Park in Ft. Worth.
Mrs. Abbott was born October 25, 1914 in Fulbright. She was a long time member of Travis Av-
enue Baptist Church, Ft. Worth. enue Baptist Church, Ft. Worth.
She was preceded in death by her She was preceded in death by her
husband, Weldon B. Abbot forhusband, Weldon B. Abbot for-
merly of Clarksville, Red River
County. County.
Suvivors include: one daugh-
ter, Linda Pack of Plano, ter, Linda Pack of Plano, grand-
sons, Kevin Pack, Springfield, Virginia and Ryan Pack, Plano, Texas, one brother and sister-inlaw, Ray and Camilla Williams of
Ft. Worth,one sister, Bonnie HudFt. Worth, one sister, Bonnie Hud-
dleston of Bogata and former son-in-law, Tom Pack..

Cand of Thanks
Thanks to all who helped ease the pain by being there for
my family. Thanks for all the beautiful flowers and donations to Mrs. Robert E. King

Cand of Thanks
Our sincere thanks for the prayers, cards, flowers and calls, ladies of Missionary Church who brought food since I have been
home from the hospital at a time hike this we know the love and caring of people in a small town and our church friends.
Charles and Cora Tidwell

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ROLL OVER Accident-this roll over accident happened on FM 1501 near Deport Friday
morning. Roland D. Allen was taken to a Paris hospital to be checked over after the accident. He
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PRAIRLAND LADY PATRIOTS defeated the Hughes Springs ladies in both varsity and junior varsity actions last week. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)


BLOSSOM SIXTH GRADE CLASS OFFICERS pictured left to right are president-Lauren Ausmus, vice president-Stephen White, secretary-Laura Robertson, treasurer-Haley Trammel and reporter

## Post Oak News By Gemosaco

 982.5309A good crowd attended the News Year's Eve party at the Post
Oak Baptist Church on December 31 when they watched the old year out and the new year in. They had singing and game for different ges. All enjoyed it. Bro. and Mrs. Randy Cloud of Texarkana atended church here
sunday. He is the secretary-treasurer of the American Baptist Associatin Missions. He gave are-
port on different phases of the port on different phases of the
mission work and brought the morning message.
Lunch was served at the church
at noon and the pastor, Bro at noon and the pastor, Bro. message. No night service. Mrs. Bonnie Flatt was able be back in church Sunday after a few days illness. Ted and Sandra Flatt drove to Lubbock over the weekend and
took their son, Stephen Paul, back to college after spending the Christmas and New Year's holidays at home.
T.I. Goble
T.I. Goble of our community
was involved in a car wreck at 82 was involved in a car wreck ioing
and 1502 Saturday. He is dol alright except for bruises. Bro. and Mrs. J.T. McNabb spent part of last week in Carthage
where they helped their daughter, where they helped their daughtor,
Kathy, whose house burned before Christmas. Her church Murval Missionary Baptist, has given them their parsonage they now
have no need for. Her family will have it moved on to their property.

AARP driver
safety
program
The AARP Driver Safety re-
fresher course for drivers 50 and fresher course for drivers 50 and
older will be held at the Federal Savings and Loan in Clarksville
on January 14 and 15 from 1.00 on January 14 and 15 from 1:00
p.m. to $5: 00$ p.m A second class will begin on
January 28 and 29 from 5:00 p.m. January 28 and 29 from 5:00 p.m. to $9: 00$ p.m. at the Detroit Com-
munity Center. munity Center.
Cost of the class is $\$ 10$. The Course covers age related physical change in perception and re driving problems. Those complet ing the course may be eligible for
discounts on their insurance discounts on their insurance.
For preregistration call Rus For preregistration call Russ
Dorrough in Clarksville at 903 -
$427-2491$ or $427-2975$; or Detroit $903-674-5111$ or the AARP Driver Safety Program at 1-888
$227-7669$. 227-7669


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President's and JV girls corral Brahmans Patriots fall in two at Detroit Classic

Dean's List 2001 The Texas A \& M University
Commerce has announced it President's Honor Roll and Dean's List for the 2001 Fall Semester To be eligible for the President's reint a atent must earn erage on a minimum of 12 semes er hours. The Dean's Listrequires least a 3.25 grade point aver

Students from the area are: Deanwell: Stephanie M. Gist. Blossom: Randi L. Hunt, Kris in Lynn Johnson, Jeania Raque Smith-Dean's List. Bogata: Susan M. Schmidt-
President's Honor Rollt; Kristi
Michelle Couch, Jared Shane Pattonville: Martina D,
Kennedy-President's Honor Roll;

Detroit: Scotty G.Coleman, Mary L. Hart and Faye Lene
Marshall-President's Honor Roll.

Genealogical society to meet January 14
Eeguular monthly meeting tur reguular monthly meeting of the Red River County Genealogical
sociciy on Monday, January 14 at 7:30 in the Red River County Li-
The speaker for the month will be Gene Simmons of Annona, who will speak on his recently
published book, The Simmons Family Genealogy, in which he All persons interested in researcing their family history yre
encouraged to come and enjoy the


The JV girls from Prairiland the Pewitt team to only four points
raveled to Paul Pewitt to take on in the first quarter as they landed the Lady Brahmans and the win 1-34 on Thursday, December 20 or the night with 9 points fol lowed by Whitney Brook, Mallory rice and Amanda Nichols with Rachel Murdock Johnna Patted had 6 and The ladies had entire control of scoring against Pewitt. They held

## JV boys upset Yantis

The Prairiland JV boys took ter action had the young Pats be
their game to Yantis on Monday night, December 17,2001 and brought home a big victory of 39 -
35. Drinnon O'Neal once again
was the big hitter for the nigh was the big hitter for the night
with 14 points. Dustin Applegate was close behind with 9 . Cody
Hicks hit for 6 from Justin Burchinal and Seth Walker and Jake Daugherty added
wo. Both teams were tied at the end
of the Ist quarter 10 to Drinnon drilling in 4 clean free

## Lady Pats take Yantis

The Prairiland Varsity Lady Pa- it 24-11. Both teams added 16 in
triots met Yantis on their turf is the second quarter, but with Yantis on Tuesday, December 18, Prairiland's first quarter lead, the Three ladies were in double fig. Lady Pats still retained a huge lead ures with Jordan Hunold on top 27 . Hunold hit another trey shot with 12 and Jodie Bybee had 1 Sara Bolton added 7, Britney Martin and Nikki Bybee added 6 Graham Brittany Ballard 4, Megan each.
Fir Lacy Beaty with 2 cooled down with. The ladies
Prairland off in a shot with 24 points with $\quad 44$. 9 to make the game end 69 . Hunold adding her trademark from the free line while Yanits three-point shot and Davis adding managed 67 percent.
4 baskets and a free shot to make

JV girls overpower Yantis The Prairiland JV girls took a to make the halftime score 31-10.
big win over Yantis on Tuesday, Several of the Patriot points wer big win over Yantis on Tuesday, Several of the Patriot points were
December 18,2001 in the Patriot made with free shots, $5-5$ in the December 18, , 2001 in the Patriot made with free shots, $5-5$ in the
Gym 57-18. Amanda Nichols was 1 st quarter and $6-18$ in the second
high point for the night with high point for the night with 21
points points followed by Mallory Price
with 11. Johnna Patterson hit for with 11. Johnna Patterson hit for
7 7, Rachel Murdock and Whitney 7, Rachel Murdock and Whitney
Turner each scored 6 . Whitney Yurner each scored 6. Whitney
Brook added 4 and Courtney
Nichols a basket. Nichols a basket.
The Lady Patrio The Lady Patriots took matters second quarters scoring 13 and 18 points in each an
to only 6 and 4
Lady pats take first district win

| The Lady Patriots enjoyed their | Davis, Sara Bolton and Brittany | The girls enjoyed 57 percent or |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| first district win of the season to | Ballard to make the halftime score | 20-3 |
| Hughes Springs on Friday night, | read 19-10. | 22 of these coming in the |
| January 4, 2002 as they played | Graham added | Hugh |
| team. The game began with |  |  |
| ladies scos | re baskets. | of these committ |
| st quarter to Hughes Springs | had a basket and Davis landed |  |
| They held the visiting team to only | 2-2 at the free line to recor | Davis had a |
| four in the second quarter while | other ll points on the scoreboard | poi |
|  |  |  |
|  | actio |  |
|  |  |  |


ated in the Detrotriots partici December 28,2001 as they fell to Detroit in the first round $42-48$
nd to Fannindell in the seco round 21-88.
Detroit outscored Prairiland 13
7 in the first quarter with in the first quarter with Blake kets while Bryan Murdock hit 1 at the free throw line. The Pats came back in the second quarter hitting 14 big points to add to the
boardm but still remained behind 1-24. Chance Bankhead added three-pointer with the team hit ing a poor 3-7 from the foul line
Eleven points from the Patriot

## Varsity boys

aced Yantis on Tuesday, Decemfaced Yantis on Tuesday, Decem
ber 18,2001 at Prairiland and los points for a game-high nigh Chance Bankhead and Jared Gage each had 5, Eric Berry and Blake
Smith each had 4, Bryan Murdock Smith each had 4, Bryan Murdock
added 3 and Stoney Musgrove had
Varsity travels to Pewitt
The Varsity boys from Prairiland
took on the Paul Pewitt Brahmans ook on he ay Pecember 20, 2001
on Thursday, Dem at Plow start in the first quarter only managing 7 to Pewitt's 11, the
team missed two of their the ream missed two of their three
free shots. They hit better in the second quarter but still remained behind in the second $18-23$ going 11-Patriots and 12 -Brahmans.
They closed the ap somew They closed the gap somewhat
in the third, but still remained be-

Ladies fall to Pewitt
The Prairiland Lady Patriot Var sity girls fell to the Lady Brah-
mans from Paul Pewitt on Thursand
day, December 20, 200143 -58- three point shooting. In the fourth day, December 20, 2001 43-58. she added another. In trey shout, but,
The ladies were cold in the first Pewitt answert two quarters with their shooting points to end the game 43-58. er and five in the second quarterPewitt ran the gamut with 15 in. With Lacy Davis and Brittany
the first and 19 in the for the second place go into the locker room at half- had 5 and Jdoie Bybee, Britney
time 11 l.he time 11-34.
Prairiland came back in the third Martin and Lacy Beaty all adde

Patriots lose first district game
The Prairiland Patriots fell in
their first district game of the sea-
favor. Leading three-point shooter
for Prairiland, Chance Bankhead,
heir first district game of the sea
Hughes Springs on Friday night,
January 4, 2002 53-63. The Pats
wanuare favored for the win, but
could not regain the shooting lead
could notregain the shooung lea
as they trailed in each quarte.
In the first quarter, Hugh
Spings came out with 22 to the
Patriot's 11 and added ten more
in the second quarterto te te Patriot
nine to go into halftime $20-32$.
nine to go into halftime $20-32$.
Third quarter was a big quarter
for the Pats with 17 points with hopes of taking over the lead, but
Hughes Springs answered with 12 to keep the 7 point lead in their Norwood
Girls participate in Martin Mills Tournament The Prairiland girls participated $\left.\begin{array}{c}\text { Martin Mills came back strong } \\ \text { in the Matin Mills Tournament on quarter to hit a trey shot along } \\ \text { in the third and fourth quarters hit- } \\ \text { with three baskets to aid in the }\end{array}\right)$
 First round action was against Brittany Ballard was high for this down some as the ladies managed $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Ming the win } 42-58 \text {. } & \text { grahe with } 13 \text { points followed by } & \text { only } 8 \text { points. Fourth quarter saw } \\ \text { Prith }\end{array}$ Prairiland held the lead in the had 6, Britney Martin 5 and Jodie ham along with two baskets and first two quarters scoring 11 and Byb
16 to MM's 613 to end the half- each $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { time buzzer with a score of 21-19. } & \begin{array}{c}\text { In the second round against }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { Davis and Boiton. } \\ \text { Davis was high for the night }\end{array} \\ \text { Megan Graham and Brittany } & \text { Lone Oak, the girls fell in a tough } & \text { with } 16 \text { points. Martin had } 6 \text {, Gra- }\end{array}$ Ballard each added a three-point battle by one point, $39-40$. They $h a m 6$ and Ballard and Bolton
shot in the first quarter with the tied the game in the first quarter each hit for 4 each. Nikki ybbee



Relatives visit Reminiscences $\mathcal{F}$ reflections

## Mac Webb sh gobby yadalor

 John Cannon, son of Tommie of wanderlust in my nature.Bell Cannon and the late E.L. There's nothing I enjoy more than Cannon of Dallas, recently retired driving down the country roads in
after 30 years of service with the the Red River Valley, just to see after 30 years of service with the the Red River Valley, just to see
Dallas Ppolice Force. Approxi-what I can see and perhaps meet mately 150 people attended the and talk to some people about the retirement ceremonies at Dallas way this part of the country once
Headquarters on January 4 was. On Saturday, January 5, John When my wife, Sherff, and I other family members also visit- ago, I considered the journey more ing were Roger and Patricia Can- important than the destination. 1 on, James and Cheryl Gregory, don't enjoy traveling on the freeMelbourne, Florida, Carlo Can- to get there. My dislike of free non of Dallas, Karen Walker of ways is not without reason. When Grapevine, Tom and Andrew we visited my daughter and sonWebb of Paris and Abby in-law in Dallas, we had no problem until we hit the LBJ Freeway.
Everyone of enjoyed looking at old Construction caused us to spend family pictures, refreshments, tak- an hour to travel about two miles. ing pictures, reminiscing and lis- On the way to San Angelo, we ening to Mr. Webb tell stories on were forced to face the same situeveryone as they grew up. Kristen ation on IH2O because of an acci-
and Megan enjoyed a tour of De- dent. he stories took place from travel the lesser used roads where Mammaw's Cafe, a story book we can actually go through some written by David Cannon. They of the small towns. On the way and Edna Bell and nieces and on Highway 67. We ate at a little nephews of Bocky Bell Norman care and had a very good, old fash and Regina Bell Webb.
Depart Gift Subscription. To Mrs. Ben McCloud from acqu


Attend The Church of Your Choice ioned. greasy hamburger. It wasn as good as the burgersis made by
roeer bell in inis affe in Deporn in
 are around Deport wherere dive 1 was
 visit Deport without lookingat our
odd home place. We lived nexi doo tomy aunt and uncle

Raymond and Mary Elien Nobles | and $\begin{array}{l}\text { spent many happy hours } \\ \text { playing in Raymonds secd ham. } 11\end{array}$ |
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 cotton seed. A few weeks ago, I walked
down in the pasture to take another
Flashes look at this onsture to take anothe
Flashes........on sayings
Those two young kids in their Clarksville and "up" to Bogata?
mid-twenties looked at me as if I It will drive you nuts. When had just dropped in from another planet. All I said was that my Taurus sedan was running roughly House". As if with a hammer one more time with the realization that I was born and bred in Deport, Lamar County. Those kid
from the big city of Houston) didn't have a clue what I meant by the "Ford House". After a long discussion, I convinced them tha he Ford House and the Ford Deal
ership were one and the same. Then there was the episode wi my expression "blinky milk". hought everyone in the world knew spoiled, sour milk was in your flapjacks (pancakes). Guess you could "slop the hogs"
with it. Why do we "slop" the with it. Why do we "slop" the And do you "make" breakfast or up" the bed and "put on" their makeup. Go figure. If you are cleaning and tidying around the house, don't you pick up the
house?'That is heavy lifting! Are your cakes cooked from "scratch" or are they "store bought"? Those boxed, Duncan Hines cakes were the "best thing since sliced bread"
What was the best thing before What was the
sliced bread?
If you live in Deport or Blos som, you always "go up" to Paris to Bogata. Why do we never go eeded to share a ride by car, do you usually ask someone to "carry arive, about ou "run down to the
tore"? Confused yet? How about why, as kids, if you give a buddy
ride'on your bike you are "pumping" him? Sounds serious, yuh? Instead of the movies, do you wear your "overalls" or your bibs" or your "duckins"
Older folks around only knew "grammar" school and "middle" or "elementary". Also for many of the seniors, it ways a "place". The homeplace of Tally Place. For you, is it a "gas" station, a "service" station or a or or the "foot feed") Some have a storm shelter, but most have a
torm "house" or a storm "cell even though the shelter is neither a house nor in the cellar of a house. Weird. Does your soft
drink usually go by "soda", "pop",
"Ce", drink usually go by "soda", "pop",
"Coke", or "sodie water"? Is it a
"Frigadaire" "fri"" "refrigera" "Frigadair"","frig"," "refrigerator" "stockings" or "hose" with those earrings" or "earscrews"? Do from the "couch", "sofa" or the "divan" eating Chex Mix or "trash"?
Is it lunc
Is it lunch and dinner or dinner fish from a lake or a pond or a tank

## Cunningham Neus

Happy Birthday to: Liz Baker, Carol Anderson Newberry, Donnie Bazhaw and Billy Ray Oats.
Happy Anniversary to: Liz and Dewayne Baker.
Johnny and Nelta Musgrove were host at he Musgrove Counry Store for a New Year's Da eating and playing games. Those attending were: Marie Watson, Billie Musgrove Smith, Geneva Norwood, Branlon Ray and Neva Braydon Oats, Kaylee Lane, Brad and Georjeana Nutt, Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Scotty, Treada, AmCharity Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove, Shane and Renee Watson, Bruce Watson and Vickie Davis. dren home for Christmas. Lowell and Deborah Ford from Florida got to be with them. They visited
with Lillian King Sunday afterPete Pete and L'Wanda McKnight
were in Detroit Saturday to watch
their granddaughter, Patterson play basketball.
James and Pat Norwo in Detroit Saturday to watch their granddaughter, Hannah Norwood play basketball.
Sunday guest of Bobby and
Shelby Kenedy Thelby Kennedy were Geneva Norwood had all her children and grandchildren for Sunday dinner. Chance guest also.
$\qquad$ tended a New Year's Eve party at Mendy and Kenny Dority's home in Paris. Friday night they ate
with Ronnie, Raylene and Jeff Nutt at the Fish Fry in Paris. Josh Osburn spent Saturday
night with Spur Norwood. night with Spur Norwood.
Linda Anderson was in Temple with her brother-in-law, Jim We Monday as he had surgery. McKnight presented a concert at
Life Tabernacle Sndal Life Tabernacle Sunday night. Different singers will be in con
cert every Sunday night during January. a run for its money. by frogs.
From the there is a contest in order between
myself and this which can stand longer. I may not
win, but I intend to give that barn Just east of the barn is a small
pool that was once full of crawfish and might still be. It's water
is more clear now than I remembered and it seems to be inhabited
From there I drove to Fulbright an renewed my acquaintance with
Clovis VanDeaver. He introduced
me to his wife, Katy and the three of us had a very enjoyable and
interesting visit. We are all former school teachers, Clovis and I hav-
ing taught together in Paris at Travais Middle School in the tate
70's. Katy was kind enough to drive down to the Community
Center and bring me a picture of
the Guaranty State Bank of Fulbright as it was in 1915 .
The VanDeavers seem to be thoroughly enjoying their retire-
ment. They are active, high spir-
ited, energetic ited, energetic and were certainly
a pleasure to visit with. If either a pleasure to visit with. If either
of them fears life's sundown and
evening star, the fear dit show. star, the fear doesn't
Before leaving Fulbright, I took Before leaving Fulbright, I took
a last look at the old bank. I no-
ticed that the roof of the build had grown tired of protecting the
interior from the elements and just gave up. I thought that people, like
buildings, barns and houses, also guildings, barns and houses, also
grow old an deteriorate. When a
woman begins to age she loses her woman begins to age she loses her
beauty, but that's not so bad be-
cause beauty is in the eyes of the cause beauty is in the eyes of the
beholder. She is still beautiful to beholder. She is still beautiful to
her husband, children and grandchildren. It's worse for a man to
grow old because he loses his dream, a dream that has always


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Memorial marker placed for
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A memorial marker from the Gerald's brothers were adopted
Veterans Affairs office has been
placed in Highland Cemetery to families in the area that same
day. placed in Highland Cemetery to
honor Gerald Warren Isbell. Hav-
ing the marker placed after 57 ing the marker placed after 57
years was accomplished by Virgenia Isbell Schell, Brenda Schell
Williams and Gordon Isbell Williams and Gordon Isbell.
Gerald was born on a sm farm in upstate New York on Septenmber 17, 1922, one of
senen children. His mother died seven children. His mother died in childbirth when Gerald was realized he could not take care of the children so Gerald and two of his brothers, Leo and Lee were put on the Orphan Hain in New many stops on its way to the south. This information was taken from Lee Nailling's (his brother) Aook, The Wrarren Aerald and his
on the train for nearly a week when it stopped in Clarksville. Of
the 50 childen who left New he 50 childen who left New York,
about half were still on the train A crowd gathered to meet the train and Gerald and his brothers were taken to an old hotel on Main Street. When the children
were viewed, George and Frances Isbell stopped to speak to Gerald Frances Isbell spoke to Gerald and he opened his arms to her The adoption papers were signed
in the back of the room Georg and Frances Isbell had no chil dren at the time of the adoption.

Frances died November 4, 1929 Ghen Gerald was seven years old.
Gerald graduated
Clarksvill Clarksville Hraduated from and received an appointment to
West Point, however, he was upset because his father had remarried. He enlisted in the Army on
August 27,1941 and the Philippines and was sent to 1941.
He

He was stationed at Ft. William McKinley and was in the 31st
Infantry. He was eventually capured by the Japanese and was a
survivor of the Bataan Death March in April, 1942.
Gerald was placed on a Japanese ship with 1,770 other pris-
oners of war during the Batte oners of war during the Battle of
the Letye Gulf on October 23, the Letye Gulf on October 23,
1944. The next day the Japanese ship was torpedoed by an American submarine about 200 miles
from the China Coast from the China Coast. The Ameri-
cans did not realize that POW's cans did not realize that POW's
were aboard the ship. Gerald lost his life that day.
He received many medals for
his bravery including the Brater his bravery including the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart and has
a memorial marker at the Tablets of the Missing at Manilla American Cemetery in the Philippines.
The marker has been The marker has been placed
next to his dad's grave in High land Cemetery.

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## Blossom Locals

By Liz Irwin
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Happy Birthdays this week too: Josh White, Matt Hostetler, Jusof Gilmer. They all attended the
Ballard Reunion held at Prairilond Ballard Reun
on Sunday. in Ebbs, Lori Pitcock, Hope Pety,
Victoria Gribble, Kate Robertson,
Jackie Chennault, James Gray, Mickie Chennault, James Gray,
MiGiovanni, Ethan Tillery, Johnny Farmer, Randal Sessums, Jack Kindle, Ariel Tyler,
Lindsey Peel, Skipper Chapman,
Jordan Chapman, Alisa Lane, Jordan Chapman, Alisa Lane,
Angel Decker, Brett Berry, Gwen Lerro, Sherri Patterson, Rhett Fendley.
Remem ning at $7: 00$ a.m., the Blossom lady Fire Belles will be hosting ne of their delicious all-you-caneat breakfast for everyone to en-
joy! Plan to come out and visit joy! Plan to come out and visit
with them and feast! Enjoying Christmas at the home
of Bessie Garrett was Paul Garrett of Paris, Jamilyn Garrett, Jerry Tawokani, Kurt, Christy and Landon Garrett of Reno and Chad and Melissa Garrett of Paris. Janie Ballard of Gilmer and
Ryan Alyssa Lindsey of Hughes Syan Alyssa Lindsey of Hughes Saturday night with Mary Jane Lowry. Coming on Saturday and spending the night was Bill and
Ginnifer Linsey and Carter of Hughes Spring and Mike Ballard


Prairiland High School
Week of January 14 Week. Monday
Breakfast:
Breakfast b
Breakfast burrito
Fruit juice, milk

| Lunch: |
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| $\begin{array}{l}\text { Pizza } \\ \text { Corn }\end{array}$ |

Pizza
Com
Salad
Puding
Milk
 Emma Willard and Kaleb Long Thursday to the home of Rhonda, Randy, Ethan and Sandra
Rasberry and visited with Nell Rasberry and visited with Nell
Deese of Dothan, Alabama and Deese of Dothan, Alabama and McKinney. They took Mrs. Deese o the airport on Saturday where
she returned to her home in she returned to her home Jo and Mib Myers of Post Oak visited with Emma and Lloyd Willard and Kaleb Long on Thursday.
Irene Bryant and her mother
Margaret Akal Washington along with Marleena Proffer and Landree of Dallas spent the New Years ho
Beavers' Bend State Park. Here for the holidays visiting with Randal and Sue Clarkson, Ivy Mae Fendley and Randy and Lesa Clarkson were Micah
Fendley of Camp LeJeune, North Carolina, Jasper Clarkson of Purdue University in Indiana and
Nikalus Clarkson of Nikalus Clarkson of Magnolia,
Arkansas and LeCrestia Clarkson Arkansas and LeCrestia Clarkson
and Jasper of Columbus, Mississippi.
Jane Roddy hosted Christmas
Eve dinner at her home. Those Eve dinner at her home. Those
attending were Ronald and Beverly Roddy, John and Alishia Bratcher and Caleb, Tonya Roddy,
Mike, Carol and Jessica Roddy, Erik and Cheryl Roddy and
Hayley, Lucas and Kortnie Roddy, Hayley, Lucas and Kortnie Roddy,
Grag Conrad, Bazzle and Mary Grag Conrad, Bazzle and Mary
Coker, Joe and Georgia Oats, Coker, Joe and Georgia
Billya nd Neva Oats, Marsha and Brandon Oats, Kaylee and Bradon.
Sunday guests were Kathy Conley and Jane Sloan-Cooper.
Nine ladies of the Blossom
Church of God held their monthly fellowship supper at Magel's Grill in Paris on Monday night, JanuBridges, Melissa Bridges, Cobi Bridges, Aimee Driggers, Sheila Cox, Melissa Shipman, Deanna Dollins, Jeanna McFadden and
Francis Goodman. From Detroit Francis Goodman. From Detro
was Eloyce Davis.

Deport Campus

> Week of January 14 Monday | Breakfast: |
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| $\begin{array}{l}\text { Pancakes, syrup } \\ \text { Juice }\end{array}$ | Pancak

Juice
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Lunch: Lunch:
Barabeque on bun
Fries Fries
Pickles
Cookies Cookies
Milk Breakfast: $\quad$ Tu
Biscuits, bacon Biscuits, baco
Juice, milk
Lunch: Juice, milk
Lunch: Spaghetti wi
Salad
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Breakfast pizza Breakfast pizz
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Chicken Chicken nuggetsw
Creamed potatoes Gravy
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Bread
Milk Breakfast: Thursday
Apple pie
Juice. milk
Lunch:
Ham and cheese sandwiches
Baked beans
Potato chips
Apples
Milk $\quad$ Friday
Breakfast:
Cereal, Trail mix
Juice, milk

Juice, milk
Lunch:
Hot ogegs
Pork and
Pork and bean
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pers with the information that will lead to the arrest of the person or persons responsible for commit-
ting the following felony ting the following felony crime.
Sometime during the weekend of December 1 , unknown sus pects took the tennis nets down from the courts at Culbertson Park
in Paris. The suls in Paris. The suspects then playground equipment and set it on fire. The fire destroyed the equipment resulting in over

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Kenneth Burks, 903-652-5161, Kenneth Burks, $903-652-5161$ leave message
p.m. MA 1-24

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UNDER THE GOAL-the Prairiland lady Patriots are
ready for a rebound as they play the Hughes Srings girls ready for a rebound as they play the Hughes Springs girls
last Friday night. The Lady Pats defeated the Hughes Springs team. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)


Same Mare Christmas Memories from The Christmas Contest

## My letter from Santa...

 know now that my foiks were
struggling just to get by and
Christmas must have been hard struggting must have been hard
Christmas to face.
for them ther My Mama's oldest sister lived in Lubbock where her husband
was a doctor and they were weath was a doctor and they were weath-
ering the Depression better than ering the Depression better han
we were. I don't know if Mama wrote her or not, but imagine the
utter delight of this redhead to get utter delight of this redhead to get beod to him too, If you will both
a letter straight from Santa (I mo in Bogata Christdidn't know the postmark was
Lubbock instead of the North Lubbock instead of the North
Pole!) Then on Christmas morning, sure enough, the sweetest
little red iron doll bed was under little red iron doil bed was under
the tree with a little mattress made
by Mama Clause, my favorite old by Mama Clause, my favorite old If you suspect a man, don't
doll, Ruth Baby, in a little feed employ him, and if you employ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { sack dress! That little bed lasted } \\ \text { for years of playing house and } & \text { him, don't suspect him. } \\ & \text {-Chinese proverb }\end{array}$ for years of playing house and
outlasted many baby dolls. . ears
later, Daddy and Dickie built me later, Daddy and Dickie built me
a little log playhouse and that little bed held a special spot.
During World War II, it, along
with my skates and litte cast iron
doll cook stove, joined the scrap iron drive
When iron drive.
When I look back on thos
days I know we were never days, I know we were never re-
ally poor for we were rich in fam
illy, friends and ally poor for we were rich in fam-
ily, friends and a Saviour whose
birthday we celebrated with love iry, friends and a cebrated with love
bind thankful hearts for His bless-
and then and thankful hearts for His bless-
ings, even as my family does toings, even as my family does to
day.
Mary Jane DeBerry Lowry Postmarked Decen
Dear Mary Jane, Dear Mary Jane,
I was sassing through Lubbock
yesterday and swa a cousin of
yours, her name was Ruth She yesterday and saw a cousin of
yours, her name was Ruth. She
toldme what a good girl you wer told me what a good girl you were
and for me to be sure and rememand for me to be sure and remem-
ber you Christmas. Then she told me about a doll bed. She said
when she was a little girl like you, when she was a little girr like you,
she had a pretty wite doll led and
the last time she saw you she told

Bulky item trash pickup is January 12 in Blossom Bulky item trash pickup is hearec, of limbs no more than four scheduled for Saturday, January
12 beginning at $7: 00 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.
feet long. 12 beginning at $7: 00$ a.m. $\begin{gathered}\text { The annual schedule to pick up } \\ \text { Teet long. } \\ \text { Thentractor will not pick u } \\ \text { large items from Blossom resi- } \\ \text { commercial or construction de }\end{gathered}$ lences is the second Saturday in bris, tires, batteries or refrigeraJanuary, April, July and October.
Bulky its without discharge should be placed
For additional information, Bulky items should be placed at corbside and are limited to three Blossom City Hall at 982large items, such as one hot water 5900 .

Prairiland High School Week of January 14, 2002 Deport PIP Practice JVB, VG, VB, Chapel Hill, 5 p.m.......................ere PIP Performance
7:50 a.m., Library Youth for Christ, 7:50 a.m., Library ...Chisum, There, JVG, VG, VB


THE PRAIRLAND VARSITY boys lost to Hughes Springs in basketball action last Friday

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