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Worth



Why aren't we all 22?

I want to know why we aren't all firm skinned, smooth skinned, un-wrinkled, smooth skinned, you name it. And all of them claim to renew, revitalize, un-wrinkle, un-age and totally restore your skin to its original, dewy youthfulness.

Why would I think we should be? Simple, just watch television for a while, or open up a magazine, especially a "woman's" magazine. Then, look through the ads.

There they are, ad after ad after ad for creams, treatments, surgery centers, you name it. And all of them claim to renew, revitalize, un-wrinkle, un-age and totally restore your skin to its original, dewy youthfulness.

Some creams only "plump up" smaller wrinkles. Others make the grandiose claim that they actually remove wrinkles.

Others fight wrinkling, age spots, enlarged pores, lack of skin tone, on and on and on.

The one thing that they all have in common is simple. They little cost a lot.

Tiny little jars and vials and tubes cost anywhere from \$50 up to hundreds of dollars!

Of course, no one ever told us that the fountain of youth would be free, did they?

Well, I suppose it would be worth it if they did all that they claim to do.

But, I suspect they don't do nearly so much as they claim.

There is another aspect of this, too. I cannot imagine going in for chemical face peels. I have enough trouble dealing with real, physical problems such as torn rotator cuffs, replaced knees, etc. I can't imagine subjecting myself to a harsh chemical that would literally strip the outer surface of my skin off!

Even more amazing to me is the idea of a face lift. If it is that important to you and affordable, do it by all means.

For myself, I'm too big of a chicken to be anesthetized and cut on in order to pull out my crow's feet!

No, I'm afraid that my many years in the sun, my many hours spent on tractors and my stresses and worries show in my face. And that is the way it has to stay.

I can't afford hundreds of dollars in wrinkle removers, preventers or peels. And, I'm always the skeptic.....if it sounds to good to be true, it probably is. Ponce De Leon never found the fabled fountain of youth....and I doubt we'll find it in the bottom of a jar!

Still, if one believes all the ads one reads we could buy about five different products and come out actually getting younger every day. Believe it if you will....I think I'll pass.

## Letters to Editor

Dear Nanalee,

I would like to say I am very glad to be getting the Blossom Times and wish to thank Paul Duncan, my brother-in-law, for having it sent to me, as he lives in Salina, OK.

I am one of Pete and Mabel Rinehart's daughters and have been away from Cunningham since 1943. To read the paper, it takes me back. I don't know but a very few there now, but I look at the names of some and remember the name. I read the paper and then give it to my brother, Robert and he enjoys it.

There are still four girls and three boys still living all here in California. The paper means a lot as I am alone and enjoy it very much.

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# Deport Times

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DEPORT, LAMAR COUNTY, TEXAS

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## New mayor, council members take office, Deport council attends to business

Brady Fisher of Paris attended the Deport City Council meeting Monday night and performed the swearing-in ceremony for newly elected council members and mayor.

Fisher expressed the importance of serving on city council and holding the mayor's office.

Fisher stated that as a notary he has the authority to swear in the mayor and council members. He also shared a bit of history stating that President Calvin Coolidge was sworn in as a notary who was his father.

The new mayor, Gilbert Arriaga told those in attendance that "I would like to thank you all for coming tonight, and for choosing me as your new mayor. The citizens of Deport have sent a message to the city government to move ahead into the 21st Century; to fix our city's infrastructure like the water system, the sewer, the streets and to have recreational opportunities for our city's children. The future development of

our city is important to keep Deport alive and growing. I will need the help of the city council, the community and city employees to carry out the desires of the citizens of Deport and accomplish these goals. I believe in the team concept, and that if we all work together as a team and cooperate with each other we can go a long way toward achieving these objectives. I would like us to become known as a city of progress and opportunity.

Under the direction of Mayor Gilbert Arriaga the council heard a report from Alan Vanderburg concerning purchasing and installing a chlorination station for the city's water supply.

Vanderburg also reported on a letter he had mailed to Barney Cray concerning street repairs on April 30th.

Ruth Skaggs quizzed Vanderburg about what is being done to correct the water situation at her home on Clarksdale Street. Vanderburg replied that every-

thing that can be done has been done right now, and it is up to TNRCC.

Skaggs warned that charges "will be filed on the city soon" according to a letter she has received from TNRCC.

Mayor Pro Tem Mike Francies asked to see the letter, since no one at city hall has heard of any pending charges. Mrs. Skaggs responded that the city would be hearing from TNRCC real soon!

Council accepted a bid from Charlie Clark Construction Co. of Clarksville, Tx. to demolish old building north of Main Street and remove all rubble for a total of \$9,000. Other bids were \$13,600, submitted by Jessie's Dozer; \$17,300 by HRH Enterprises and \$19,875 submitted by Dan Zackary of Deport.

John Lee Roach requested that the bridge on South Kelsey Street be repaired. All council members agreed.

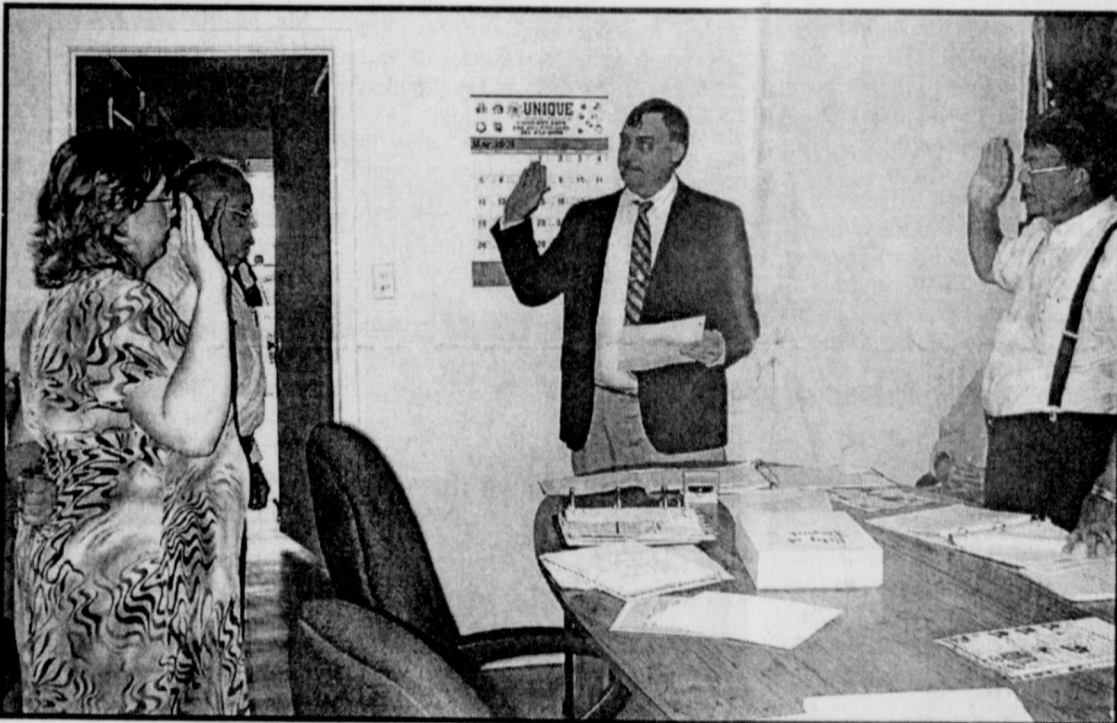
The council discussed applying for upcoming grants.



FORD FUND RAISER-Sissy Nation of M&M Food Mart in Pattonville is pictured here with Leonard Ford. They are displaying the diamond tennis bracelet that M&M donated to raffle off and raise funds for David Ford's medical fund. The raffle brought in around \$1000 for David. (Staff Photo)



LOADING-Paris EMS Blossom and Pattonville firefighters load a wreck "victim" into a Paris EMS ambulance at the accident scenario at Prairiland last Thursday. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



NEW MAYOR-Brady Fisher of Paris performed the swearing in ceremony for the newly elected Mayor of Deport, Gilbert Arriaga, and council members Monday night. Fisher expressed the importance of serving on city councils and holding the mayor's office. Mayor Arriaga thanked everyone for coming, and for electing him. He promised to help the city "move into the 21st century". (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



WATER BILL DISCUSSION-Lamar Co. Fire Fighters Association Thomas Nichols, Chicotta asst. Chief Clark Pugh, Vice President Lamar Co. Fire Fighters Association Verlon Vaughn and Alton Dockery, Manager of Lamar County Water Supply met last Friday morning to discuss a \$2.25 per month water bill donation that would benefit the volunteer fire departments of Lamar County.

## Lamar County Water Supply, Firefighters Association meet

Members of the Lamar County Firefighters Association met with Alton Dockery, Manager of the Lamar County Water Supply last Thursday.

Plans are being made to implement a program that will allow Lamar County Water Supply customers to donate \$2.25 per month to the county's nineteen volunteer fire departments.

The county is divided into nine-teen districts.

Plans are for Lamar County Water Supply customers to pay the \$2.25 as a donation. The money will go to the fire department that the customer's residence or meter is located in.

The program is in the planning stages, and the county's Volunteer Fire Departments will provide a list of Lamar County Water Supply customers in their fire dis-

trict. Lamar County Water Supply is in the process of modifying their computer program to process the information.

The program is a result of the Lamar County Water Supply Board of Directors voting to give the program a two year trial period to see if enough funding can be raised to help the county's volunteer fire department raise much needed funds to provide fire protection and medical assistance to county residents.

Most county departments will still have to have fund raisers throughout the year to raise money for operation, but if water supply customers donate the \$2.25 each month, many departments will have some hope of updating their equipment.

At least the additional funding can provide the necessary funding to maintain present equipment..

## 4-year old children being surveyed for Pre-K class

The Prairiland I.S.D. is making a survey of four year old children, must be four by September 1, 2002, who reside in the Prairiland school district to determine the need for a Pre-Kindergarten class in the 2002-2003 school year.

If this class makes, it may be a full day or half day program depending on the number of students qualifying. The children could ride the bus to school in the morning, but the parents would have to pick them up at 11:30. The breakfast program would be available to the children but they would not be eligible to eat lunch at school.

Children may qualify for the Pre-K class by meeting any one of the following requirements: Income: children from households eligible for the Free/Reduced

lunch program; and Language: A language other than English must be spoken in the home most of the time.

In order for the district to have the Pre-K class, there must be a minimum of 15 students qualify. If there is a total of 15 or more students, the class will be held.

If 15 to 22 students meet the eligibility requirement for Pre-Kindergarten, they will be able to have an all day Pre-K. If 22 to 44 students meet the eligibility requirement for Pre-K, two half-day Pre-K classes will be held.

Copies of the survey form may be picked up at either the Blossom or Deport campus or be obtained by calling 652-6476, 982-6233 or 652-3738.

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## Mini-football camp set June 3-5

The 2002 Patriot football mini-camp will be held June 3-5 from 8:30 a.m. until 12 noon at Prairiland High School at a cost of \$40.00.

The camp is conducted by Coach Glen Schuelke and Rick Connot. Incoming grades 1-9 are allowed to attend.

Cleats or sports shoes, T-shirt and shorts are needed. All camp-

ers will receive a camp T-shirt. Drinks will be sold.

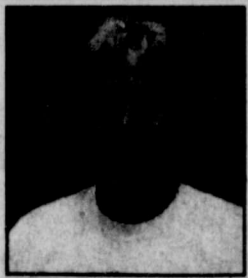
This is a non-contact camp designed to introduce young players to the basics of football. Campers will learn fundamental techniques that apply to all levels of play.

You may call 783-9107 or 652-5681 to reserve a spot.

Some people seem as if they can never have been children, and others seem as if they could never be anything else.

-George Dennison Prentice

*Country Cooking*  
By Liz Irwin



Our cook this week is Donny McHam from the Blossom area. Donny is an avid hunter and is one of those that only kills what they can eat. Speaking of eating.....his family is not his biggest fans when it comes to the dishes he prepares. A lot of the times his neighbors come by and help themselves to his culinary delights!

He tells the story of his bear hunt in Canada and how he prepares Bear Roast. It is not for the weak of heart or appetite! Bear is loaded with fat and if cooked properly, can taste a lot like beef.....certainly not chicken. He does give the hint that it is high in cholesterol, but he enjoys it anyway.....after all it was his first bear!

Donny is the owner/operator of the Red Oak Gun Shop located on Highway 82 between Blossom and Detroit. He restores older guns and also builds them for other folks, along with being able to do any type of gun repair. He enjoys his work and enjoys visiting with his many customers and hearing their hunting tales as well as telling a few of his own! Up until a few weeks ago, he was a host on a

local radio station doing a weekly show for the outdoorsman or outdoorspeople.

Donny is married to Sheila and she works for the Clarksville ISD. They have three daughters, Leslie, recently married and living in New Mexico, Kelley and Hailey are both students at Detroit.

Although our recipes are a little different this week, we hope you enjoy them and we will see you in the kitchen.....or perhaps in the woods!

**DONNY'S FAVORITE VENISON**-he started using bacon grease to fry his venison in several years ago when someone told him that it helped to take the wild taste from the meat!

**BEAR ROAST-CANADIAN STYLE**-this recipe was given to him by a Canadian friend's wife when he was hunting recently up there!

**CHICKEN FRIED VENISON**-deer meat with a little Cajun flavoring added makes it just right!  
**SPANISH RICE CASSEROLE**-this one he cooks on top of the stove in a skillet.....no microwave or oven for him!

Thursday, May 16, 2002  
Donny McHam

**Donny's Favorite Venison**

1 pound deer steak-cut in approximately 2"-3" pieces  
salt and pepper to taste  
garlic powder to taste  
1/2 cup diced onion  
1/2 cup diced bell pepper  
1 small can mushrooms  
1 cup water  
1 tablespoon flour

Roll each piece of venison in flour with garlic powder added. Heat skillet with small amount of bacon grease. Brown each piece on both sides and remove and place on a plate. Put onion, pepper and mushrooms in same pan and stir for four to five times to coat and add the one cup of water and simmer for two minutes. Place venison back into pan with mixture. Add 1 tablespoon flour to 2-3 more cups of water shake in glass to keep mixture from lumping. Pour this mixture on top of steak and turn to medium and place lid on skillet for about five more minutes.

**Bear Roast-Canadian Style**  
1 small bear roast to fit into crock pot  
1 package dry onion soup mix  
Place roast into crock pot and cover to 1/4 tp 1/3 full of water and pour in dry soup mixture. Cook all night.

**Chicken Fried Venison**

1 pound venison-tenderized salt and pepper to taste  
garlic to taste  
2 eggs  
1/2 cup flour  
2 cups Cajun Batter  
oil to fry

Break eggs into bowl and mix well. Combine flour and Cajun batter in small bowl and set aside. Heat oil until small amount of batter and egg mixture boils. Dip each piece of venison in egg and fry mixture and place in pan and fry until brown. Mix any egg and flour mixture together and roll in the shape of hushpuppies and fry. They are delicious!

**Spanish Rice Casserole**

1-1/2 cups rice  
1 pound veison or hamburger salt and pepper to taste  
chili powder to taste  
1/2 cup diced onion  
1/2 cup diced bell pepper  
1 regular can tomato sauce  
1 regular can diced tomatoes  
Prepare rice until done. Cook hamburger in skillet and brown. Season with salt and pepper and chili pepper. Stir in onions and peppers only until mixed. Add rice, tomato sauce and diced tomatoes. Place lid on pan and simmer for five minutes and serve.



**COOK OF THE WEEK** this week is **Donny McHam** of Paris. Donny the owner and operator of the Red Oak Gun Shop where he does custom work on guns of all types and is also a great cook. He is pictured here with one of the guns he is currently working on. He and wife Sheila live in the Blossom area. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

  
**Bogata V.F.W. News**

\* The Post is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 12:00 midnight and Saturday from 1:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. Pool tables and shuffle board are open to enjoy all the time.

\*The Ladies Auxiliary will meet the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Members are urged to attend.

\*The VFW men will meet the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Members are urged to attend.

\*The Post has a shuffle board tournament every Saturday beginning at 3:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come out and share the fun. The board has recently been renovated and is ready for play.

\*May 18 there will be a benefit "Cook Out" at 12:00 noon. All proceeds from the lunch will go to Betty Mullin. Come out and eat lunch, spend the afternoon and attend the dance in the evening.  
\*Make plans now to attend a dance at the VFW on May 18, 2002. The N2K Band will provide music for the occasion. Come out and shake a leg or just enjoy listening and visiting with friends.

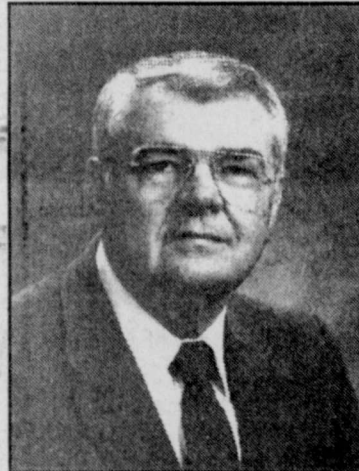
**I THINK THE NEXT BEST THING TO SOLVING A PROBLEM IS FINDING SOME HUMOR IN IT.**  
---FRANK A. CLARK  
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**Cunningham Fire Department having Sale and Trades Day**

The Cunningham Fire Department will have a Farm Equipment and Trade Day at 10:00 a.m. on June 8th at the Cunningham Center to help pay for the new Fire Station. There will be a concession stand. Everyone is invited to set up a booth, donate items for the Fire Department Garage Sale or Sale Farm Equipment items. For information call James and Pat Norwood at 652-2672.

**Parks Reunion set for June 2nd**

The Parks Reunion will meet Sunday, June 2nd at the American Legion Building in Deport. All relatives and friends are urged to attend.  
Lunch will be served at the noon hour and the afternoon will be spent visiting and some of the relatives may sing and make music, which everyone enjoys. Plan to attend.



Dr. James Brunette, gala chairman

**Dr. Brunette named chairman for Christus St. Joseph gala**


James Brunette, D.D.S., community leader and retired Paris orthodontist, has been named chairman of the 2002 CHRISTUS St. Joseph's Health System gala, planned Saturday, Oct. 5, at the Love Civic Center.

"We're looking forward to the 2002 gala," Dr. Brunette said, "since this will be the first since the consolidation of St. Joseph's and McCuiston." Preliminary planning is already under way, he added, and committees are in the process of being formed.

Sandy Keith, retired McCuiston patient representative, has been named gala coordinator.

Dr. Brunette, former mayor and Paris city councilman, was the Paris Education Foundation's 1995 honoree at the annual "I Love Paris" gala. He is also a Paul Harris Fellow, an honor bestowed upon him by the Rotary Club of Paris, and is recipient of the Lion's Club's Melvin Jones Fellow award, the highest honor bestowed by Lions International for service to the community. He is a past president of the First District Dental Society, was named in 1974 as Dentist of the Year by the Paris Dental Assistants' Association, and in 1991 was awarded a life membership from the Texas Dental Association. He is an active member of the Lamar County Chamber of Commerce, having served as its president in 1985-86. The Chamber has also honored him as Outstanding Small Business Person of the Year in 1993.  
Dr. Brunette, an active member of the Paris Founders Lions Club since 1951, has held every office in the local club with the exception of "tail twister." He has also held several district offices during the time.  
He and his wife, Flo, have four children: Cathy Niles of Celina, Tom Brunette and Leah Pursifull both of Paris, and Hardy Brunette of Tyler.

The annual gala serves as a major fundraiser for the CHRISTUS St. Joseph's Foundation, with proceeds from this year's event going to scholarships for local nursing students.

  
**Attend the Church of Your Coice**

*Thank You!!*  
The Pattonville VFD would like to thank everyone that supported our fish fry and auction. We hope everyone got plenty to eat and had a good time.  
We also would like to thank everyone who donated items and worked so hard to make the fish fry and auction a success. Kevin Jenkins of Sumner won the trailer and approximately \$3,500 was made at the auction.  
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**Obituararies**

**Mrs. Martha Thornton dies May 10**

Mrs. Martha Almeda Thornton, age 81 of Jacksonvillle died May 10 in Jacksonville.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 15 at Beaty Funeral Home Chapel in Hawkins with Bro. Gene Lofton officiating. Burial followed in Hawkins Cemetery under the direction of Beaty Funeral Home.

Mrs. Thornton was born October 19, 1920 in Jothntown, daughter of Alton Scarborough and Decie Hinton Scarborough. She was a retired exercise technician from the Univesity of Texas Health Center and a member of Big Sandy Church of Christ. She lived in Hawkins until 2000 when she moved to Jacksonville.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Henry "Son" Thornton; a son, Jerry Wayne Thornton; three brothers, Wilson Scarborough, Buster Scarborough and Jack Scarborough; and one sister, Nan Gibbs.

Surviving are a son, Dale Thornton of Mesquite; a daughter, Charlotte Kern of Jacksonville; a sister, Billie Fleming of Tyler; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Milton Soward, Max Archer, Norman Stokes, Keith Stevens, Doug Kendall and Jim Slover.

Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association or the Big Sandy Church of Christ.

**Helen Iris Tucker dies May 8**

Helen Iris Tucker, age 57, of Bagwell died Wednesday, May 8 in Baylor Hospital, Dallas.

Services were held Saturday, May 11 at 11 a.m. in Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home with Rev. Don Shovan officiating. Burial followed in Blanton Creek Cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Mrs. Tucker was born March 27, 1945 in Red River County, the daughter of Troy and Bertha Hutson Lee. She was a housewife and a Baptist. She was preceded in death by her mother and one brother, Dan Lee.

Surviving are her husband, Donald Tucker of Bagwell, whom she married October 19, 1963 in Red River County; her father, Troy Lee of Clarksville; daughters, Christy and husband Michael Manning of Ft. Worth; and grandchildren Brittney, Michael and Dakota.

Pallbearers were James Hastings, Bobby Hastings, Ray Hastings, Gaylon Rogers, Clint Morgan and Victor Wells.

**Mary Lucille Bailey dies May 9**

Mary Lucille Bailey, age 85 of Bagwell, died May 9 in Christus St. Joseph North.

Services were held Saturday, May 11 at 2 p.m. in Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home with Rev. Pat Travis officiating. Burial followed in Detroit Cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Mrs. Bailey was born May 21, 1916 in Red River County, the daughter of Fred and Mary Caldwell Freeze. She was a retired nurses aide and was a Baptist.

Surviving are her husband, L.C. Bailey of Bagwell; a son, Leonard Bailey of Detroit; daughters, Jean Clark of Bagwell and Mozelle Dean of Detroit; 14 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren.

Bearers were James Elrod, John Elrod, Willie Griffin, Kenneth Bailey, Wayne Parker and Jimmy Dean.

**A.F. "Nig" Martin dies May 12**


A.F. "Nig" Martin, age 82 of Bogata died May 12 in Christus St. Joseph North.



Services were held Thursday, May 16 in Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home with Rev. A.B. Kellam officiating. Burial followed in Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Mr. Martin was born January 22, 1920 in Red River County, the son of Robert and Margaret Martin. He was a World War II veteran, serving in the U.S. Army. He was preceded in death by two daughters, Margrette Ann Mays and Mairlynd Jan Martin.

Surviving are his wife, Margrette Tiffie Martin of Bogata, whom he married November 1, 1942; sons, Alfred Dale Martin of Winnemucca, NE, Earl Wayne Martin of Clarksville, Kenneth Martin of Clarksville and Ernest Lee Martin of Branson, MO; daughters, Cairlynn Jean Nation of Bogata and Loice Laverne Bullock of Mt. Pleasant; sisters Mattie Tiffie of Bogata, Pearl Spencer of Bogata, Mary Fitzgerald of Powderly, Mamie Spencer and Opal Houden of Lubbock; brothers Bobby Martin and Earl Martin of Clarksville; 18 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

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# National EMS Week



## Some thoughts on Emergency Medical Services

By Nanalee Nichols

For those of you that don't know, I am a member of the Deport VFD and a First Responder. I've also been covering wrecks, accidents, fires and other terrible events for 25 years now as a journalist.

May 19th through the 25th National Emergency Services Week. Just one more in a long line of "Weeks"? Yes and No. Because emergency medical services both professional and volunteer are more important than the average citizen realizes. I will use the word professional to designate a paid EMS worker, and volunteer to designate a non-paid EMS worker. But make no mistake...they both know what they are doing, and often volunteers are professionals who serve as volunteers in their time off.

I have shared a few of my sentiments about EMS personnel with readers in the past, and I want to share a few of them once more, both old and new memories and opinions.

I have seen volunteers and professionals alike with ice coating their bunker gear, exhausted and falling for the tenth time on glaze ice as they go to the fourth or fifth

auto accident of the day. I have seen professionals and volunteers alike weep over the body of a beautiful child who is past all help, or work frantically to save the life of a child who is almost dead.

I have used and seen people use the AED, giving a heart attack victim the only hope of survival they have. And, sometimes it works! Even when it doesn't, I have seen the comfort and care that EMS personnel extend to the families undergoing the terrible loss of a loved one.

I have watched as volunteers break out body bags and I have searched for sheets to help cover the dead and lend dignity to a corpse.

I watched an elderly patient who was so scared her vitals were "off the charts" relax and settle down because of a kind hand staving off the blackness of a night without company.

I have watched EMS on ambulances practically stumbling in weariness during a flu epidemic, but still managing to give excellent care to their patients.

The jolt of a beeper going off

becomes so ingrained that the deepest sleep is instantly shattered by it's shrill. Clothing is donned by volunteers in seconds, and within only a minute a truck will be rolling to offer comfort and aid. Only a few minutes after that, an ambulance will be on hand also.

I know from personal experience that EMS personnel in the areas our newspapers serve is fast, efficient and caring.

Volunteers struggle to obtain as much training as possible, and they struggle to raise money for both training and equipment.

EMS faces challenges with contracts and pay, but it never stops them from doing their very best for their patients.

EMS weeks doesn't get a lot of publicity. It should.

Because if emergency medical services aren't around to keep a patient viable until they get to ER, all the physicians and hospitals in the world can't help.

The Blossom Times, Bogata News, Deport Times, Detroit Weekly and Talco Times, along with myself, personally, salute the volunteers and the paid professionals of Emergency Medical Services. Keep up the exceptional job!

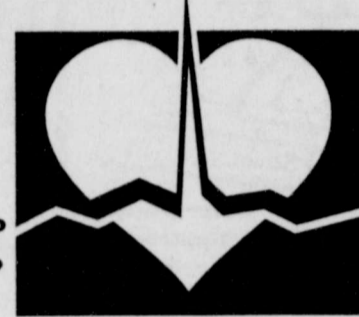
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Quincy Blount, EMT-P  
Bryan Yosten, EMT-P  
Cliff Brooks, LP  
Paul Stansell, Spt. EMT-P



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### Proclamation

To Designate the Week of May 19-25, 2002 as Emergency Medical Services Week

Whereas, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and  
Whereas, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and  
Whereas, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and  
Whereas, emergency medical services providers have traditionally served as the safety net of America's health care system; and  
Whereas, emergency medical services teams consist of emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators, and others; and  
Whereas, approximately two-thirds of all emergency medical services providers are volunteers; and  
Whereas, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and  
Whereas, Americans benefit daily from the knowledge and skills of these highly trained individuals; and  
Whereas, it is appropriate to recognize the value and accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week; and  
Whereas, injury prevention and the appropriate use of the EMS system will help reduce national health care costs, and

Now, therefore, I, Gilbert Arriaga, Mayor of Deport, Texas, in recognition of this event do hereby proclaim the week of May 19-25, 2002 as

*Emergency Medical Services Week*

and encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.  
Gilbert Arriaga, Mayor  
May 9, 2002

In Recognition of the First Responder Organizations I would like to publicly thank all of the personnel of the Lamar County First Responder Organizations who volunteer as a service to their neighbors. I respect and admire these men and women who so freely give of their time, talents, energy and compassion to others in need. The Lamar County FRO's are an integral part of the Paris-Lamar County Emergency Medical System. I firmly believe that these groups make a difference and that lives have been saved because of their involvement.

There are 12 registered volunteer First Responder Organizations (FRO) currently serving Lamar County. I encourage everyone to make an effort to recognize and support these groups.

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I hope that all the citizen of Lamar County will join me in saying, "Thank You" for a job well done.

Kent Klinkerman, Director, Paris EMS



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Tonya Houchins with fiance Audie Earley  
**Houchins-Earley to wed**

Miss Sydney Earley announces the engagement and approaching marriage of her daddy, Audie Earley, to Miss Tonya Houchins. Miss Houchins is the daughter of Weldon and Sharon Houchins of Paris. She is the granddaughter of Recil and Margie Moss of Paris and the late Wendell Houchins and Joe and the late Helen Charles of Bonham.

Audie is the son of Ray and Shirle Earley of Bogata. He is the grandson of the late Oscar and Nora Smith and the late Lewis and Betty Earley.

The couple will be married on May 18, 2002 at 3:00 p.m. at the home of the groom's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Steve (Kathy) Hawkins of Bogata.



**HAPPY 20TH ANNIVERSARY**-Pictured are Glenda and Pastor Larry Bridges of the Blossom Church of God. The couple were recently honored for their 20 years of service to the church. (Staff Photo)

**Bridges honored on 20th anniversary**

Pastor Larry and wife Glenda Bridges were honored recently by members of the Blossom Church of God for their 20 years of pastoral services. They were given a grandfather clock, a pictorial video including pictures of church activities and personal moments over the last 20 years.

A reception was held in the fellowship hall and a wonderful day was recorded by everyone. Brother and Sister Bridges came to the Blossom Church of God in February 1982.



**JALEAH FOX**, age 14 and eighth grade student at Deport School, won first place at the Paris Art Fair last week in the Watercolor Division. She is the daughter of Mike and Jan Fox of Cunningham and enjoys painting very much. She has been taking lessons from PWCA for over a year.

**Fulbright News**  
 BY BETTY RODGERS  
 652-6051

Monte and Stephanie Rodgers and Melissa Kelley honored Betty Rodgers on Sunday with lunch in their home. Melissa and Gilbert Arriata also ate lunch with them.

Weldon Campbell is in St. Joseph's South having tests.

Pete and Hazel Yberra had their granddaughter of Paris visited on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane King of Pat Mayse Lake, Mrs. Kyle King of Reno and Mrs. Stan Hurley and Mikel of Bonham visited Jimmie King Wednesday. Dave and Kay German of Whitney came Friday and stayed through Monday. Saturday Jimmie, Kay and Dave visited Duane and Bobbie King of Pat Mayse Lake and ate at the fish Fry that night.

Betty Rodgers, Stephanie Rodgers, Melissa Arriaga and Melissa Kelley attended the swearing in of Gilbert Arriaga as Mayor of Deport at the City Council meeting.

Bonnie Huddleston and Billie Pirtle of Bogata visited Jimmie King, Kay and Dave German on Sunday.

Lacy and Kelby Cole spent Saturday night with James and Pat Norwood. James and Pat went to Detroit Friday night to watch kelby play baseball.

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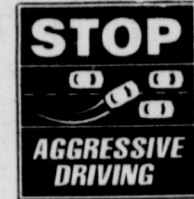
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**Chaney graduates from Texas A&M**

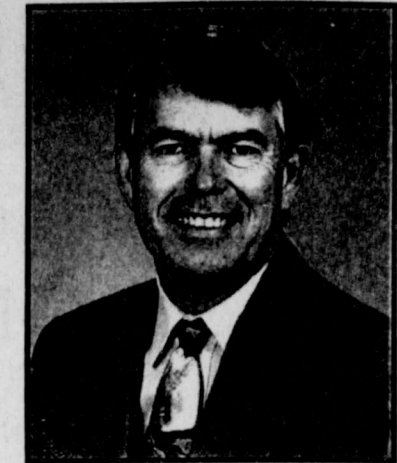
Staci Risinger Chaney of Minter graduated from Texas A&M, Commerce on May 11. Stacy is the daughter of Peggy and Kenneth Risinger of Paris and the granddaughter of Russell Whitney of Minter and the late Mary Helen Whitney and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Risinger of Paris. She is the mother of Jayci Whitney of Minter and the wife of Keith Chaney of Minter.

Those attending the graduation were Peggy and Kenneth, Jayci and Keith, Billie Ruth Pirtle of Bogata, Mrs. Claude Lollar of Paris and Traci Harris of Hopewell.

A party at the home of Ken, Kathy and Kati Miller of Commerce was given in honor of Staci following her graduation.



**Bro. Ronnie Danielle**



**Bro. Michael Danielle**

**First Baptist of Deport to be in Revival**

First Baptist church of Deport will be in Revival Sunday, May 19th, through Wednesday, May 22nd, 2002. Sunday morning service will begin at 10:55 a.m., Sunday night at 6:00 p.m. and Monday through Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Evangelists will be Bro. Ronnie Daniell of Canton, Texas and Bro. Michael Daniell of Spring, Texas. Bro. Ronnie Danielle has pastored

and served as staff in churches in Texas and Mississippi. His last pastorate was Oak Grove Baptist Church, Canton. Bro. Michael Daniell has pastored in several churches in Texas. His last pastorate was Spring Forest Baptist church in Spring, Texas, where he served for nine years. They will share their ministries through preaching and singing.

Everyone is invited to attend and a nursery will be provided.

**PJC presents GEDs to students**

The Adult Education Department of Paris Junior College recently held graduation ceremonies for the eighty-five students who successfully completed the GED program.

In his commencement address Mel Price, speech and radio instructor, reminded each graduate that "You do make a difference." Price challenged them to maintain the "can do attitude" they have shown as they achieved their GED diploma.

Janie Bonham, Adult Education and Literacy Consortium Director, presented Cynthia Koehn with the Paris Junior College scholarship.

Bonham presented Betty LaRue

with the Daon Wall Memorial Scholarship to Paris Junior College. This scholarship is designated for a student who has put forth extra effort and overcome extraordinary barriers to gain an education. LaRue is present a student at PJC.

Paris Junior College Bobby Walters and Bonham presented diplomas to the follow local students.

Bagwell: Mary Barnes and Linda Phillips.

Blossom: Heather Boyett, Oscar Gibson, Kathy Henry, Kristi Love and Angela Wilkinson.

Deport, Lloyd Jones

Detroit: David Powell and Julie Tucker

**CUNNINGHAM NEWS**  
 By Neva Jean Oats

Happy Birthday to Jennifer Dorsey and Quentin Baker.  
 Happy Anniversary to Tom and Bea White.

Linda Anderson attended a mother's Banquet at Lakewood Baptist church in Powderly Friday night with Pat West and Cathy Cole. Sunday night she and Rickey had rusty, Cindy, Marty, Susan and Carrie Anderson and Wendy, Carlos and Cord Ordorica for supper.

Cindy and Charles nichols spent several days touring San Francisco last week. They accompanied Bill Martin, Jr., a children's author to the International Reading Association Conference. They met John, Torrie, Erika and Chance White at their home at Lake Bob Sandlin for the weekend. Torrie was playing in a softball tournament at Pittsburgh.

Sunday dinner guest of Bobby and Shelby Kennedy were Jeff, Cindy, Taylor, Asa, Heath, Missy, Laytner and Laytner Kennedy, T.L. Carol and Briggette ladd and Taylor Ladd.

The Cunningham Baptist Church honored their mothers Sunday morning. Susie Webster was recognized as the oldest mother, Cindy Kennedy as the youngest mother and Shelby Kennedy as the mother with the most children present.

Sunday guests of Johnny and Nelta Musgrove were Stacy, Linda, Stoney, and Charity Musgrove, Shane and Zarinska Morton, Brenton Norwood, Rick Mannis and James and Faydell Cooper.

Lacy and Kelby Cole spent Saturday night with James and Pat Norwood. James and Pat went to Detroit Friday night to watch kelby play baseball.

Mendy and Todd cole honored their mothers with a dinner Sunday. Attending were James and Pat Norwood and Danny and

Jency Cole.  
 Sunday guests of Darold and Ida Mae Norwood were Del, John and Zak Walker.

Geneva Norwood and L'Wanda McKnight presented Mother's Day Programs at the Mission Manor in Mt. Vernon Thursday and the Sterling House in Paris Friday. Geneva did programs for the Parkview Nursing Home Wednesday, the Paris Health Care Friday and the Paris Nursing Home Monday.

Marie Watson has spent the past week in the hospital. Her family has been visiting her all week. She had a room full Mother's Day bringing her cards and gifts.

Sunday dinner guests of Talma Norwood were Pam, Jimilyn, Jay Kurt and Jerika McKee, Jamie, Teresa and Set Smith, Kelly Mowery, Henry and Margie Ford, Sonya and Doris Elmore and Julie Norwood.

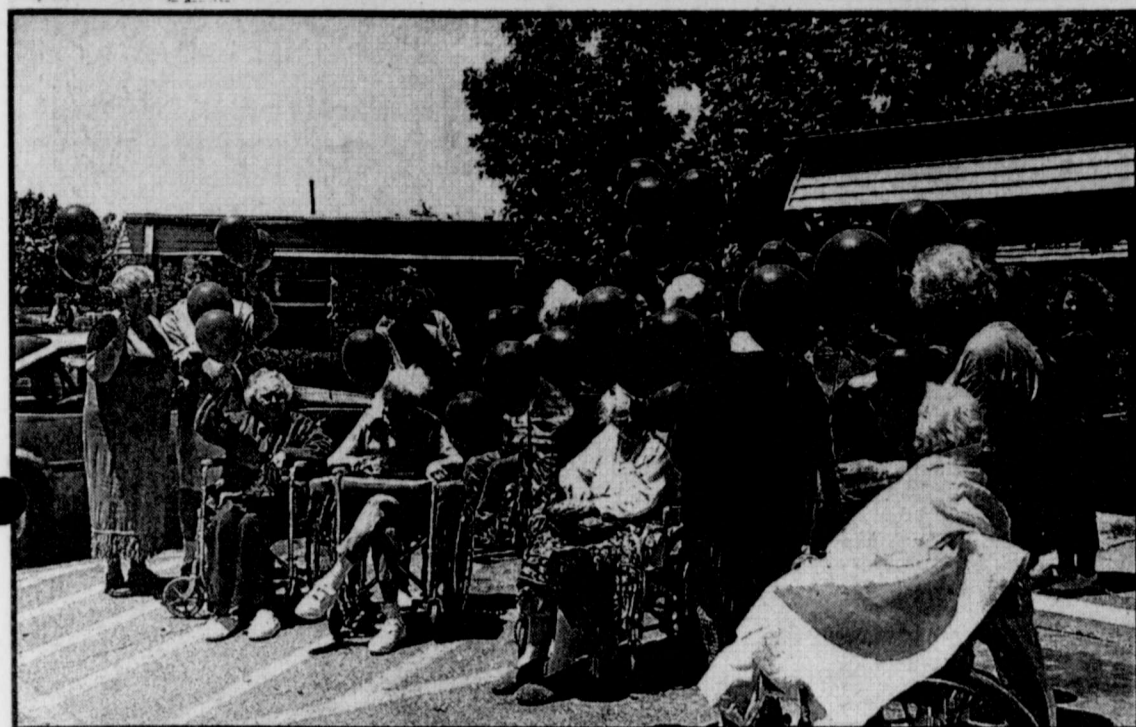
Georjeana Nutt honored Neva Oats, Raylene Nutt, Geneva Norwood, Georgia Oats and Marsha Oats with a Mother's Day Luncheon Saturday. Also attending were Brayden oats, Kaylee Lamb and her friend Heather.

Neva Oats attended the 20th Class Reunion of the 1982 Class of Rivercrest Saturday afternoon. This was her first class when she began teaching at Rivercrest in 171.

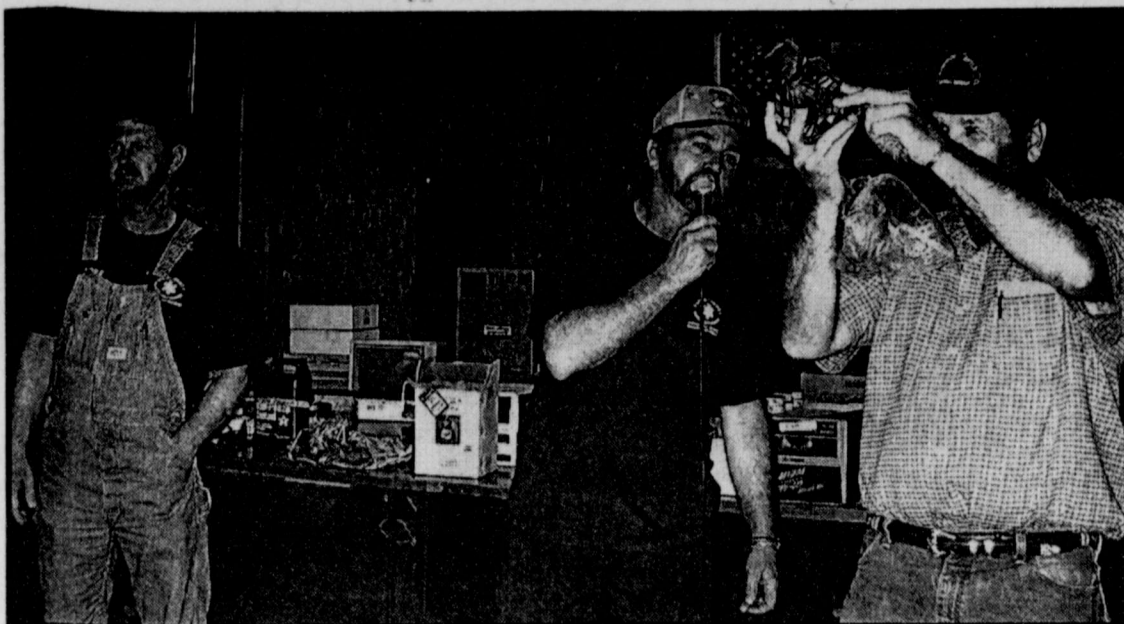
Life Tabernacle Church honored their mothers with a catered meal Sunday. They also gave gifts to the oldest mother, Geneva Norwood, the youngest mother, Rachel Watson and the mother with the most children, Julie Norwood.

The Cunningham Fire Department and Community Center met Monday night. Plans were made to have a Farm Equipment and Trades Day Sale on June 8th and a Fish Fry on June 22.

Everyone has talent. What is rare is the courage to follow the talent to the dark place where it leads.  
 -Erica Jong



**MY BEAUTIFUL BALLOONS**-residents of Deport Nursing home kicked off National Nursing Home Week Monday by releasing over sixty bright red balloons inot sunny skies. Tuesday they will have ice cream sundaes, Wednesdays is the Nursing Home Healthfair, open to the public, Thursday is Tacky Day, Friday is Jeans and Tee Shirt Day and a Hot Dog Picnic. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



**WHAT AM I BID** on this beautiful elephant lamp? Ed Ring solicits bids at the Pattonville VFD fish fry and auction Saturday night. Wes Davis holds up the lamp and Mike Rector scans the crowd for bidders. The fund raiser was a huge success. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

## PATTONVILLE NEWS

By Peggy Parsons

## Milton News

By Mattyly Upchurch

Happy birthday to Mitchell Winters, Duwayne Ham, Rhonda Bangs, Jerry Day, Audrey Faires, Billie Penn, Ella Mae Bristow, Reggie McDowra, Cody Creighton, Virginia Reed, Jennifer Dorsey, Garrett Horton, Renee Moreland, Erik Roddy.

Happy anniversary to Rod and Lisa Sims, Jesse and Frances Anderson, Don and Peggy Gentry, Jill and Wayne Couch, John and Lorene Butler.

Glen and Jo Biddle have been visiting Michael and Linda Winters and family.

Spending the weekend with Larry and Brenda Gibson was Kimberly Gibson of McKinney and her fiancé, Brian Boaz of Royce City.

Mary Moss reported that daughter Marla Farmer of Houston was back at work after major surgery

Carley and Canyon Conley are playing baseball at woodall Field again this year. Sherry Conley and Tom and Monda Fults have been attending their games.

Robert and Glenna Baugh visited relatives in Arlington. Robert plays favorite songs on the piano for Deport Nursing Home residents twice monthly.

David and Sue Shelton and her cousins, Charlotte Murphy of California and Shirley Jean Taylor of Paris spent the weekend in Breau Bridge, LA at the Crawfish Festival.

Keith and Peggy Parsons visited Greg and Connie Parsons, Alisen, Davis and Karyn and Dorothy Copeland Tuesday and attended Alisen's soccer game in Tyler.

Peggy Whitney has returned home after spending two weeks with her son's and families Aubrey and Shannon Allen & Alyssa of Flower Mound and Gary and Nelda Allen of Arlington.

Ruby Lee of Dallas spent the weekend with her parents Edna and Frank Lee.

Visiting Dorothy and James Holt on Mothers Day was Kay & Ronny Preston of Minter, Dale, Laurie and Alexes Williams of Paris Tim Parks of Faight, Barbara Maurischat of Lone Oak and Johnny and Kathy Holt of Milton.

Tim Salter of Paris took his mother Velma and John Temple out to eat at the Fish Fry Saturday night for Mother's Day.

Charles & Sarah Ham and son

Monty of Palestine is visiting Nell Shull, Nanie Ham and Dawayne and Pat Ham this week.

Kaytlan and Kayla Spray of Blossom spent Friday night with their grandparents Phillip and Susan Roach

Don Upchurch of Paris came down Sunday and fixed Mother's Day dinner for Mattyly Upchurch and Mary Elaine Lawler.

Barbara Maurischat and Dorothy Holt went to Rockwall Monday for lunch and shopping.

John and Velma Temple visited Salena and Jeff Bell and Aaron of Paris Sunday night.

All of Edna and Frank Lee's children came and took them out to eat at the Fish Fry Saturday night to celebrate Mother's Day.

## Deport Ball Association has play day

The Deport Ball Association held their annual Play Day Saturday at Davis Field.

Activities included face painting and ball games where the parents played against the kids. The day concluded with a Home Run Derby for kids ages 4 to 40! Winners were as follows: 4-6 year olds, 1st Justin King, 2nd Aaron Burris. 7-8 girls, 1st Kerri Anderson, 2nd Jennifer King.

7-8 Boys, 1st place tie, Keton Perry and Hunter Bratcher, 2nd Tyler Plemmons.

9-10 girls, 1st place April Wesley, 2nd Jessica Nichols.

9-10 boys, 1st Place Dakota King, 2nd Garrett Plemmons.

11-12 girls, 1st Place Abbey Nichols.

11-2 boys, 1st place Hunter Burris, 2nd Matthew Ford.

13-15 girls, first, Amy Loftin.

13-15 boys, 1st place Caleb Pitcock, 2nd Brandon Helms.

16 and up, 1st place Danny King, 1nd Clint Ford.

Everyone had a good time and looks forward to the next time.

### Deport Housing Authority News

call Melba Ladd

The housing office treated tenants and friends to a special luncheon to celebrate Mother's Day on Wednesday, May 8. Those attending were Frances Franklin, Emilene Sturdevant and friend Tommy, LaVerta Westbrook, Juamita Prinmm, Eulene Nicholas, Willie Mae Speir, Eunice Ervin, Irene Walker, Hazel Relford, Lucy Fowler, Alpha Barnard, Eunice Sugg, Estelle Chesshire, Ruth Murrell, Mavis Sowards, Ruth Cheatham, Evelyn Roach, Gladys Reid, Phyllis and Kenneth Gifford, Maud Webb and Juavanee Carpenter.

The birthday/bingo party will be the next meeting on Wednesday, May 22.

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## Car Seat Check-up is June 5

A car seat check-up will be held June 5 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Paris Wal-Mart parking lot. The event is being sponsored by the Paris EMS.

The Car Seat Check-up Program was developed by the Department of Transportation and the Department of Health due to the growing number of injuries and deaths of infants and toddlers. National studies have discovered that infants and toddlers were restrained improperly in car seats.

Those same national studies reflected that at least 8 out of 10 car seats are incorrectly used. The studies revealed that correctly installed car seats are 71% effective in reducing deaths for infants, 54% effective in reducing toddler deaths, and reduced the need for hospitalization by 69%.

Paris EMS became involved with the Child Safety Seat Program last year when the studies were brought to the attention of local Paramedics. One of the goals at Paris/Lamar County EMS is injury prevention. Citizens need to know that injuries are prevented if infants and children are properly secured when riding in a vehicle.

A 32-hour training program was developed through the efforts of the DOH & the DOT to educate individuals to become Child Passenger Seat Technicians. This 32-hour training program consists of learning: Basics of injury prevention, Crash Dynamics, Federal Safety Standards, Identifying Vehicle Occupant Protection Systems, Correct Installation of Car Seats, Selecting and Securing the right car seat for each child, and how to set up a Car Seat Check-Up Event. The Car Seat Check-up events are held to educate parents and others on how to select and install the proper child restraint for their child.

Paris EMS sent Paramedic Mike Goss to Child Safety Seat Class in Tyler to become a Child Passenger Safety Seat Technician. Paris EMS sponsored their first Car Seat Check-Up event in May of 2001. During the event, 53 car seats were checked in which 46 of the seats were incorrectly installed.

Paris EMS is planning many more such events to assist citizens in preventing injuries to infants and children.



**CAREFUL NOW**-the wreck enactment at Prairiland was a sobering lesson in what can happen in automobiles, especially when alcohol is involved. Blossom and Pattonville Fire fighters work on a "victim". Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

### Blossom Locals

By Liz Irwin  
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Happy Birthdays this week too: Darla Hart, Holly Townsend, Jessica Tidwell, Rebecca Hamm, John Huff, George Straight, Joe Bonzall, Lesa Thompson, Jacob Martin, Samantha Ethridge, Lillie Ducharme, Renea Moreland, Jeff Jones, Jennifer Dillard, Lorene Ramsey, Ozella Prince, Christopher Phippen, Garrett Horton, Jennifer Dorsey, Codie Koehler, Will Wood, April Broadway, Jesse Gaskell, Reggie McDowra, Arturo Peralta, Billie McHenry, Shane Crites, Wyatt Vickers, Erik Roddy, Jeania Jackson McFadden, Alyssa Pitcock, Amber Buster.

Enjoying Mother's Day with Sally Mathena was Roy and Roxie Massey, Kenneth and Kaleb Price and Sandra Adams of Garland.

Lloyd Willard of Ft. Worth was here over the weekend visiting with Charles and Carolyn Whelchel. Nellie Morgan of Houston was also here visiting with them along with Ozella Prince.

Marvin Henry and Samantha of Amarillo are here for a few days staying with his mother Billie Gene Henry. Also visiting with Billie was Bradley, Branderious and Laquisha Thomas of Paris.

George and Nancy Wood of Sherman spent Saturday night with Pam and George Wood and Amanda. They all enjoyed Sunday lunch with Elaine and James Wood. Nancy also visited with her parents in Powderly Mr. and Mrs. Donald Byas.

Enjoying Sunday lunch at the

home of Jane Roddy was Mike, Carol and Jessica Roddy, Erik, Cheryl and Hailey Roddy, Lucas and Kortnie Roddy, Ronald and Beverly Roddy, Alisha, John and Caleb Bratcher, Tonya Roddy, Greg Conder and Mary and Bazil Coker.

Ruby Crawford enjoyed Mother's Day in Atlas with Carol and Kenny Wood and Crystal and Keith Wilson of Pattonville, Jana Lemire, Annae Sugg and Marie Kennison all of Paris.

Rhonda, Sandra, Ethan and Sandra Rasberry of Plano, Karen and Rodney Kraft of McKinney and Renea, Steven and Kaleb Long of Paris and Juanita Garrett of Woodland visited with Emma and Lloyd Willard on Sunday.

Faye Shores and Minnie Lee Shands visited with Inez Luttrell who is a patient at St. Joseph-North in Paris on Sunday. She is being transferred to Dallas on Monday for treatment.

Jim Irwin spent Sunday at the home of his parents in Hartshorne, Oklahoma, Verna and Aubry Irwin.

Pauline Weddle spent Friday night in Van Alstyne with Teri, Blake and Carly Moody. She attended a Mother-Daughter Banquet with them.

Jerry and Patty Garrett of Lake Tawokani spent Friday night and Saturday with Paula and Bessie Garrett in Paris. They all enjoyed an early Mother's Day lunch on Saturday.

## Adopt a wild horse or burro

The U.S Department of the interior Bureau of Land Management will have wild horses and burros up for adoption on June 22-23, 2002 at the Arkansas State Fairground in Little Rock, AR.

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A great selection with lots of color are expected. Animals may

be previewed on June 21 between 1:30 p.m and 5:00 p.m. Applications are required and animals will be adopted by competitive bid the minimum being \$125.00. Admission is free. For more information call 1-88-274-2133 or (601) 977-5400.

**Pet Week observed**

In celebration of National Pet Week, May 5-11, Red River Healthcare had some special guests. The staff and residents were visited by Pepper and Taco, the cool chihuahuas; Spike the bird and others. The extra special guest was Buttons, the miniature pony. Residents enjoyed visiting with all the animals and a big thank you is extended to their owners for bringing them. Pictured with Buttons is resident, Susie Ferguson.

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-Albert Einstein

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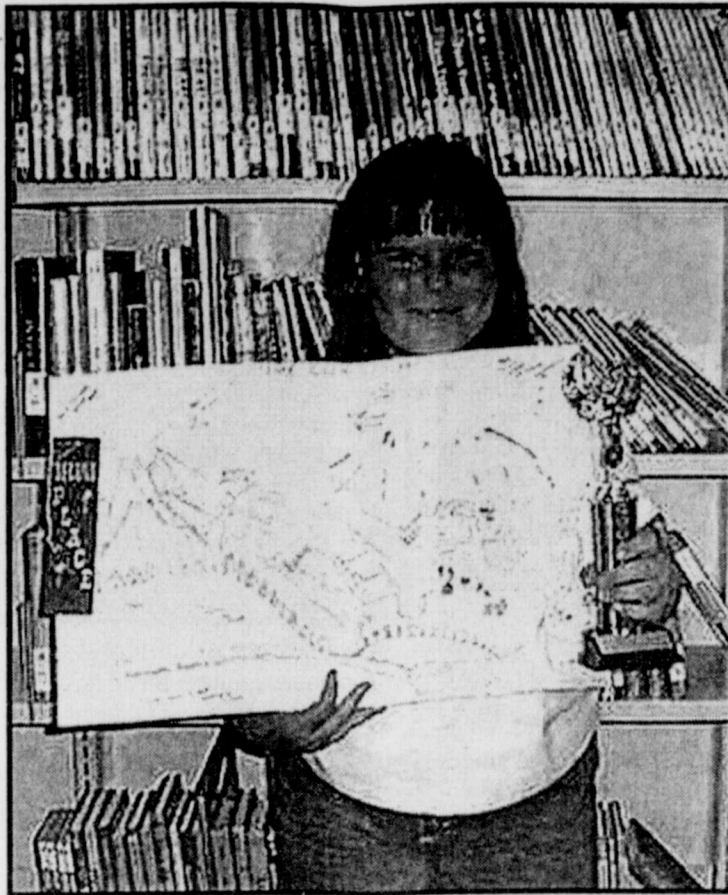
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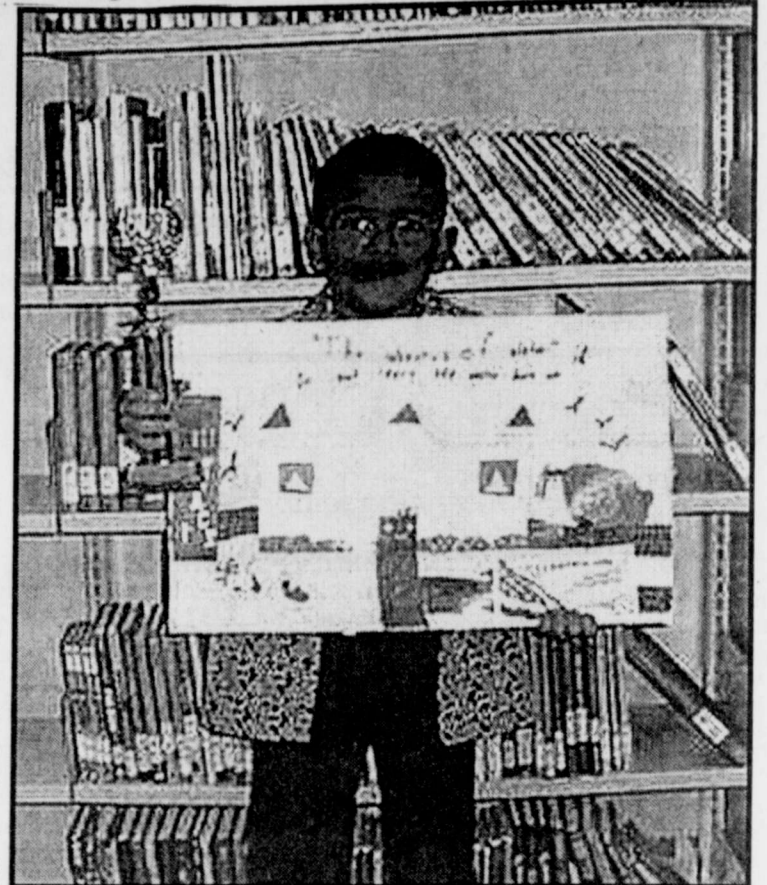
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ARIEL TYLER won second place in the Water Awareness Week poster contest for students in grades 3, 4 and 5. Ariel is a student in Mrs. Smith's class at Blossom School.

## Water Awareness Week recognized at Blossom campus

May 5-11, 2002 was designated as Water Awareness Week. In conjunction with Water Utilities Awareness Week, the City of Paris Utilities Department and Lamar County Water Supply District sponsored a poster contest for students in grades 3, 4 and 5 on a county-wide basis. The poster contest allowed students to become more aware of our most precious natural resource-WATER. There were two winners from the third grade on the Blossom campus. Ariel Tyler, a student in Mrs. Smith's class won second place and Saleste Malpass, a student in Mrs. Connot's class won third place. They both received a trophy and a ribbon. There were also two winners from the fourth grade, both from Mrs. Huffman's class. Jhonathan Cervantes won first place and received a \$100 savings bond, trophy and ribbon. Kyle Upchurch won third and received a trophy and ribbon.



JHONATHAN CERVANTES won first place and received a \$100 savings bond, trophy and ribbon in the Water Awareness Week poster contest for students in grades 3, 4 and 5. Jhonathan is a student at Blossom School.

## Prairiland Board canvasses election returns

The Prairiland ISD Board met in Special Session on May 7, 2002. They canvassed the election returns and declared the results of the bond election held May 4 as being 436 votes for and 350 votes against.

They canvassed the board election and declared the result as the winners being: Place 2-Michael Sessums; Place 3, David Basinger; Place 6 Johnny Patterson and Place 7 Shad Day.

No action was taken on on old business and there was no executive session.



## Prairiland High School Week of May 20

- 21 ..... NHS Dinner, 6 p.m.
- 22 ..... Youth for Christ, 7:50 a.m., Library
- 24 ..... Awards Assembly
- ..... Yearbook Assembly

## Property Tax Protest and Appeal Procedures

The law gives property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

- \*the market or special appraised value placed on your property.
- \*the unequal appraisal of your property.
- \*the inclusion of your property on the appraisal roll
- \*any exemptions that may apply to you
- \*the qualification for an agricultural or timber appraisal
- \*the taxable status of your property
- \*the local governments which should be taxing your property
- \*the ownership of property
- \*the change of use of land receiving special appraisal
- \*any action taken by the chief appraiser, appraisal district or appraisal review board that applies to and adversely affected you.

Informal Review: 903-427-4181  
Red River Appraisal District  
101 West Broadway  
Clarksville, Texas

Review by the Appraisal Review Board  
If you can't resolve your problem informally with the county appraisal district, (CAD) staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board. (ARB).

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the CAD to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You'll receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening, Saturday or Sunday. Prior to your hearing, you may ask to review the evidence the CAD will

use to uphold their determination. The CAD may ask you for a copy of the evidence you plan to present. The hearing will be informal. You or a designated agent may appear in person to present evidence or you may send notarized evidence for the ARB to review at your hearing. The CAD representative will present evidence about your case. You may cross-examine the CAD representative. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. The CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest from the appraisal district office at 101 West Broadway, Clarksville, Texas.

Note: You shouldn't try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they haven't talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

Review by the District Court  
After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision you have the right to appeal to district court. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 45 days of the date you receive the ARB's order.

Tax Payment  
If you appeal and your case is pending, you must pay the lesser of the amount of taxes due on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute or the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which the appeal is taken.

More Information  
You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at 101 West Broadway, Clarksville, 903-427-4181. You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district or from the State Comptroller's Property Tax Division at P.O. Box 13528, Austin Texas 78711-3528.

## Deadline for Filing Protests with the ARB\*

Usual Deadline  
On or before May 31 (or 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later)

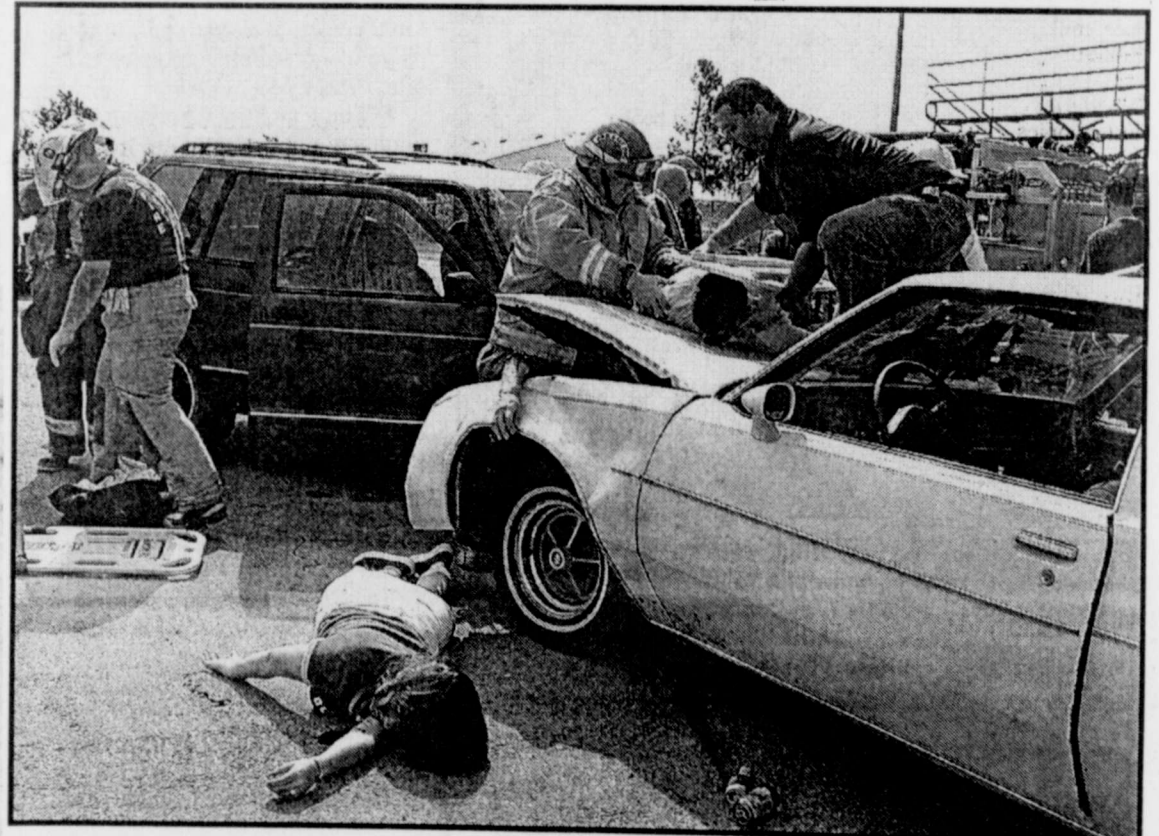
Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency, the ARB decides whether you have a good cause.

Late protests are due the day before the appraisal review board approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more information.

Special Deadlines  
For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually February 1). The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

\*The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or holiday.



THE DEAD AND DYING-Members of Blossom and Pattonville Fire Departments and Paris EMS were on hand for a "Mock Wreck" at Prairiland last Thursday. Lying on the ground is the "body" of a Prairiland student, while firefighters work on a second "victim". (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

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# 15AA District softball players named

Megan Graham of Prairiland High School, a junior, was named the unanimous choice as District 15AA Softball Offensive Player of the Year. Named Defensive Player of the Year was Molly Hare, a Rivercrest High School junior.

First team selections included: Kara Screws, Prairiland, pitcher; Erica Williams, Rivercrest, catcher; Brittany Ballard, Prairiland, first base; Ashley Beers, Rivercrest, second base; Ashley Athas, Prairiland, short stop; Tina Carder, Rivercrest, out-

field. Second team selections included: Jordan Hunold, Prairiland, second base; Lacy Beaty, Prairiland, outfield; Britney Martin, Prairiland, designated hitter. Honorable mentions went to Sarah Bolton and Amanda Nichols of Prairiland and Rachel Case from Rivercrest.

Academic teams were named as: Brittany Ballard, Megan Graham and Lacy Beaty, Prairiland; Molly Hare, Erica Williams and Shari Wisinger, Rivercrest.

## Prairiland High School Library Book Dedications

**Journeys Through Paradise:** Pioneering Naturalists in the Southeast from Carlos and Melba Ladd.

**Books in memory of Mary Ann Wright:** *Troubleshooting Your PC* from Todd, Mendy Cole and Family.

**Breaking Windows** from Fern S. and Patsy J. Rees, Micheal and Lisa (Rees) Sims and Glenn and Lori (Rees) Tubbs.

**The Internet for Dummies** from Jerry and Dorothy Richey, *The Everything Cover Letter Book* from Charles and Jenita Baker, *J.K. Rowling: A Biography* from Tom and Monda Fults.

**Black House** in memory of Lennon Bailey from Tom and Monda Fults. **Spanish for Dummies** in memory of Dorothy Ellen Gray from Tom and Monda Fults.

**The Birds of Texas** in memory of Rufus Merritt from Glynda Woodall.

**The Perennial Gardens for Texas** in memory of C.O. Williams from Staci Chaney Patsy Rees and Sharyl Thompson.

**Books in memory of Monda Childres:** *Teen Love: On Relationships* from Jackie and Linda Gray

**Robert's Rules of Order** from Johnny, Fran, Johnna and Jenna Patterson

**Every Day's a Party: Louisiana Recipes for Celebrating With Family and Friends** from Conard and Deloris Norwood.

**The No spin zone and Holy War, Inc.** from Bobby, Shelby, J. Jeff, Cindy, Heath, Missy Kennedy and Families.

**The Merck Manual of Medical Information** from Fern and Patsy Rees, Peggy Sexton, and Mary Moss.

**Perfect Plant Perfect Place** from Charley, Donnie, Charles Don, Shaunda Lewis and Donita Embrey.

**Mr. Food's Quick and Easy Diabetic** from Harold and Dana

Neeley. **Ambling Into History** from James and Pat Norwood.

**Lazy B: Growing Up on a Cattle Ranch in the American Southwest** from Charles and Barbara Smith

**Shock** from Ronnie and Linda Baker.

**Books in memory of Mona Childres** from Andy, Nikki, Jake, Nate and Michael Smith:

**K-I-S-S Guide to Organizing Your Life, Germs: Biological Weapons and America's Secret War, Teens Talkin' Faith: A Christian Perspective, Back to the Table: The Reunion of Food and Family, A Matter of Dignity: Changing the World of the Disabled, Betty Crocker's Slow Cooker Cookbook, Memoirs of an Unfit Mother, Great Letters for Every Occasion, Life Strategies for Teens, Gods Stores: They're So Amazing, only God Could Make Them Happen, The Summons, Emily Post's Etiquette, The Music of Silence: A memoir in memory of Rudy Carasco** from Johnny, Cathy and Chance Whitney.

**Call of Duty: The Sterling Nobility of Robert E. Lee** in memory of Larry Dean Salter from Ronnie and Linda Baker.

**Mrs. Paine's Garage and the Murder of John F. Kennedy** in memory of Larry Dean Salter from Ronnie and Linda Baker.

**Chicken Soup for the Soul of America** in memory of Joe Bailey Williams from T.J. and Margaret Fowler.

**The Texas Aggie Bonfire** in memory of Fred Skidmore from T.J. and Margaret Fowler.

**Books in memory of Jeff Smallwood:** *Weekend Projects* from Northeast Texas Travelers.

**The Practical Woodworker** from Sonny and Juanita Davis

**Books in memory of Chris Sturch** from Mr. and Mrs. Harold Blackburn: *Discover the Wealth Within You and Last Man Down*



Depart Campus Week of May 20 Monday

**Breakfast:** Biscuits, scrambled eggs  
Milk  
**Lunch:** Pita pockets  
French fries  
Pineapple chunks  
Milk

Tuesday

**Breakfast:** Cereal, toast, jelly  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Corny dogs  
Pinto beans  
Macaroni and cheese  
Applesauce  
Milk

Wednesday

**Breakfast:** Coughnut cake  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Steak fingers  
Creamed potatoes, gravy  
Blackeyed peas  
Rolls  
Milk

Thursday

**Breakfast:** Biscuits, sausage  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Fish  
French fries  
Hush puppies  
Pears  
Milk

Friday

**Breakfast:** Cereal, muffins  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Hot dogs  
Pork and beans  
Corn chips  
Milk



Prairiland High School Week of May 20 Monday

**Breakfast:** Breakfast burritos  
Fruit juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Chicken nuggets  
Potatos, gravy  
Okra  
Biscuits  
Milk

Tuesday

**Breakfast:** Sausage, cheese, biscuit  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Hamburgers  
Lettuce, tomatoes  
Chips  
Pork and beans  
Milk

Wednesday

**Breakfast:** Cinnamon rolls  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Chicken fried steak  
Potatoes, gravy  
Green beans  
Biscuits  
Milk

Thursday

**Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Soft tacos  
Mexican beans  
Salad  
Cake  
Milk

Friday

**Breakfast:** Cereal  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Hot dogs on bun  
Chili  
Cheese  
Pork and beans  
Corn hips  
Milk



JUST WATCHING 'EM play-sisters Stephanie Davidson and Crystal Folse watch their teams play ball at the Davis Field Saturday when the Depart Ball Association held a Play Day. (Staff photo)

## Sign-up time for Bogata Rodeo Queen contest

The 53rd annual Bogata Rodeo will be held June 27-28-29, 2002 with action beginning at 8:00 p.m. nightly and it is time for all the young ladies to sign-up for competition in the annual Bogata Rodeo Queen Contest. Serving as a coordinator for this year's contest is Tina Williams.

This year's winner will receive a "Twister" trophy saddle and contestants will receive "Red Bluff" buckles which will be sponsored by James Hodge Motor Co.

For more information or to enter the race call Tina at 903-632-4922 or 632-9972. Deadline for entries is May 27, 2002. Young ladies within a 75 mile radius of

Bogata are invited to enter. Those outside the radius but having a parent, step-parent or grandparent within a 10 mile radius of Bogata may also enter.

## Termite swarming season

Spring is the time when many homeowners discover they have termites because winged forms appear and swarm. Winged termites outdoors are a natural occurrence, so usually there is no problem. But if they are found indoors, usually on a window sill, chances are good that an infestation has established in your home.

Termites can cause extensive damage to wooden parts of your home, so take some precautions.

Carpenter ants swarm in the springtime and can cause structural damage to wood. Termites are much more destructive and require different control measures.

Termites have a broad waist, ants have a narrow, constricted waist. Termite wings are the same size and shape, winged ants have a front and back pair of wings of different lengths and shape. Termites have straight antennae, ants have elbowed antennae.

If termites or damage is found, contact a pest control operator. This is one insect pest that should not be handled by a do-it-yourselfer. Commercial pest control companies have the necessary equipment and experience to effectively rid a home of termites.

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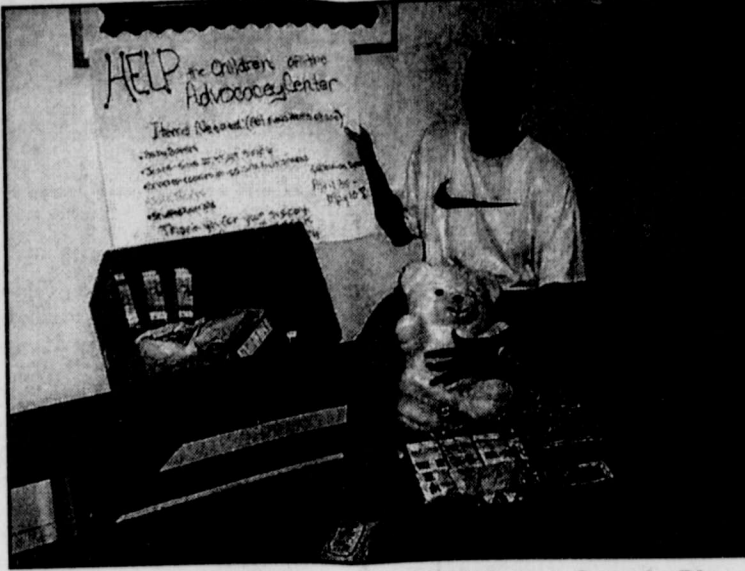
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Sixth grade: Lauren Ausmus, Ashley Ballard, Kyle Blanton, Nathanael Bush, Colby Chapman, Shane Gonzales, Dakota Henderson, Morgan Hostetler, Kori Hulen, Zachary Jester, Alisa Lane, Matthew Lovelady, Angelica Moss, Sierra Radford, Laura Robertson, Meranda Sessums, Joseph Stevens, Leigha Stone, Lindsey Terrelli, Cody Upchurch, Lee Ann Warren.

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Eighth grade: Chelsey Anderson, Dane Benson, Erica Bishop, Ricardo Cantera, Laura Cervantes, Jessica Chapman, Dusty Cheney, Cassie Cullum, Courtney Curry, Cody Flatt, Jessica Harrell, Matt Hostetler, Lori House, Darren Lane, Brandon Mauldin, Taylor Mauldin, Jackie Miller, Lucas Morgan, Amanda Neel, Ashley Outland, Andrew Philpot, Colby Reavis, Victoria Sawyer, Heather Scott, Daniel Smith, Cody Upchurch, Cole White, Kim wilson, Cody Withers, Blake Woodall.



**BRYAN MURDOCK** is pictured with his bounty from the Blossom School drive for the Children's Advocacy Center. Items collected included new clothes, toys, juice, cookies, crackers, chips and fruit snacks. Children also donated close to \$30.00 so Bryan could buy more items for the children. He placed boxes on all three Prairiland campuses as his Honor Society project.

**Harbuck graduates from UT**

Alecia Harbuck of Blossom graduated Cum laude from the University of Texas at Arlington School of Architecture with a Bachelor of Science degree in Interior Design on May 11. She was a member of Alpha Chi Honor Society, the International Interior Design Association and the International Association of Architecture Students. She is serving her internship with architect Richard B. Ferrier of Firm X Architects in Arlington.

She received her Associate of Science degree from PJC in 1999 where she was active in the drama department and a member of the

first Lady Dragon softball team. She was awarded the 1998-99 Bobby R. Walters Cup for Overall Outstanding Academics of the PJC Athletic Department, a member of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society and served as its historian. She is a 1997 graduate of Prairiland High School.

She is the daughter of Buster and Jocasta Harbuck of Blossom and the granddaughter of Dr. and Mrs. J.R. Jackson of Paris and the late Joan Jackson and the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harbuck. She is the great-niece of Edith Stephenson of Reno.



Alecia Harbuck

**Presbyterian men honor ladies**

In observance of Mothers Day, the men of Deport Presbyterian Church honored the ladies of the church with a breakfast on Sunday morning.

The meal consisted of pancakes, ham, sausage, bacon, fresh fruit, orange juice and coffee. It was served in the Fellowship Hall preceding the Sunday School and Church services.

Preparing and serving the delicious meal were John Newman, Stewart Dodson, Tracy Jones, Donnie Wright, Raymond Nixon and Gary Nixon. Joe Daniel also assisted.

**Post Oak News**  
By Geneva Lee  
982-5309

Louise Cagle had her 94th birthday on Sunday, May 5. Her daughter Sue and husband Norman Farris of Longview and Kathy Wood had her a birthday cake. Her visitors in the afternoon were her neice Elma Chalonder of Bogata and Bro. and Mrs. Wilbourne Lee and son Johnie. Her son Rayford returned home to Burnett Saturday after spending the week here.

Bonnie Flatt did not have galbladder surgery last week as expected. She will have more tests to be sure of her problem.

Ora Blasingame returned to her home in Ft. Wort Saturday after spending the week here wit her sister Nora Tyler.

Tim Dudley is out of the hospital and back at home but still in lots of pain.

There was a wedding shower Saturday afternoon at the church fellowship hall for Angie Wilson and Steven Brown. Their wedding will be here at the East Post Oak MB church Saturday, May 18 at 1:00.

We had more rain last week but not as much as some communities around us.

A small crowd attended the fellowship at the Post Oak Baptist Church Saturday night. The mothers were honored at church Sunday morning by giving all a

carnation. The oldest mother there was Clara Bates and the youngest was Kay Bowling with 2 children. Nancy Smith was the one with the most children.

Willie and Frank Lee visited the Wilbourne Lee's a little while Monday afternoon, May 6. Ruby, daughter of Frank and Edna Lee brought them out Saturday to visit the cemetery.

Claude Tyler's daughter Lois visited them over the weekend. Stephen Paul Flatt was here from Lubbock over the weekend. He is in college there.

Ellen Tuck who has had lots of health problems was able to be at church Sunday morning. She still has some pain in her knee but has had treatments in Tyler and is much better.

Alvis and Billie Ruth Bates had all their family at their home for lunch Sunday. Also his mother Clara Bates of Paris Nursing Home. She also attended church with them Sunday morning.

Five members attended the Post Oak Fire Department regular monthly meeting last Tuesday night.

Angie Wilson and Steven Brown both of Blossom will be married here at the Post Oak MBC Saturday, May 18 at 1:00 p.m. Bro. Henry Blackmon will be officiating.

**Ritchey and McCool exchange vows**

Neil Ritchey and Sandra McCool were married at 6 p.m. on May 11, 2002. The maid of honor was Barbara Horton and the bset man was Don Horton, Sandra's father and mother and several familymembers were present. mPete and Dottie and family were present also.

The ceremony was performed by Mark Ritchey, the groom's brother.

**Leesville Cemetery Association to meet**

The Annual meeting of the Leesville Cemetery Association is set for June 2, 2002 at 2:00 p.m.

It will be held at the Leesville Baptist church and anyone interested is urged to attend.



**DEPORT TITANS T-Ball** team this season consists of: Coach Danny King, Colton Strain, Dylan Tesch, Justin Jones, Justin King, Aaron Burris, Kristen Patterson, Ethan Borders, Stephanie Davidson-coach. Crystal Folse, Johnathon Folse, Bridgette Ladd, amy Loftin, asst. Coach. Not pictures are coach Kay Bowling, Kasey Bowling, Julia Grossman and Dallas Bibb.

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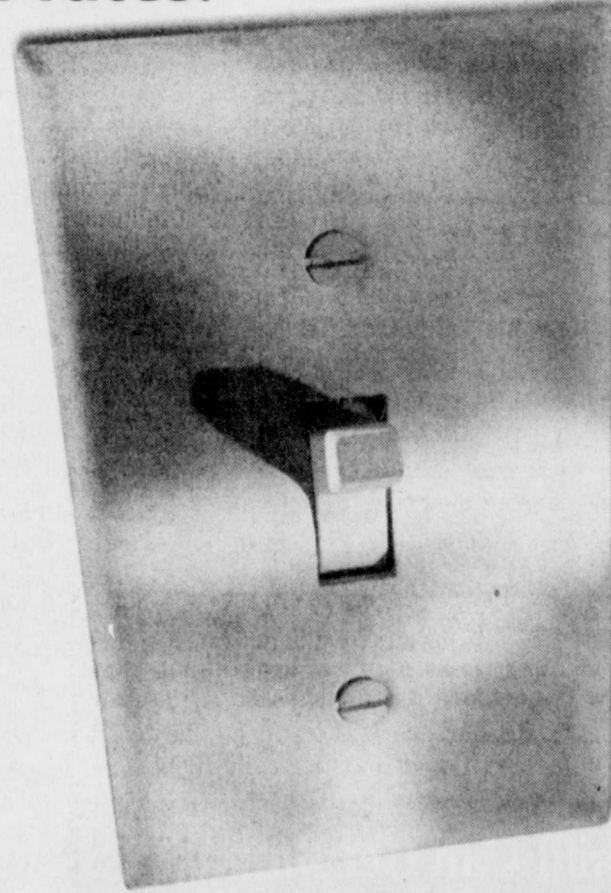
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**  
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<b>2001 CHEVY CAVALIER</b>	<b>2001 CHEVY MALIBU</b>
Blue Book ..... \$11,325	Blue Book ..... \$14,550
Sandlin Price ..... <b>\$9,995</b>	Sandlin Price ..... <b>\$12,900</b>
Stk #1627A	Stk #C2011
<b>2001 OLDS ALERO GL SEDAN</b>	<b>2001 PONTIAC GRAND AM</b>
Blue Book ..... \$14,715	Blue Book ..... \$14,115
Sandlin Price ..... <b>\$12,900</b>	Sandlin Price ..... <b>\$9,650</b>
Stk #L2002	Stk #N1007
<b>1997 OLDS CUTLASS</b>	<b>1998 CHEVY SILVERADO XCAB</b>
Blue Book ..... \$9020	Blue Book ..... \$16,370
Sandlin Price ..... <b>\$5,895</b>	Sandlin Price ..... <b>\$13,900</b>
Stk #1514A	Stk #1549A
<b>2001 FORD MUSTANG</b>	<b>1999 CHEVY SILVERADO X CAB</b>
Blue Book ..... \$15,125	Blue Book ..... \$21,020
Sandlin Price ..... <b>\$13,900</b>	Sandlin Price ..... <b>\$17,900</b>
Stk #P2013	Stk #P2004
<b>2000 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN</b>	<b>2001 CHEVY SILVERADO XCAB LT</b>
Blue Book ..... \$18,265	Blue Book ..... \$24,330
Sandlin Price ..... <b>\$14,900</b>	Sandlin Price ..... <b>\$20,900</b>
Stk #1586B	Stk #2436B
<b>1999 FORD TAURUS</b>	<b>2001 CADILLAC DEVILLE</b>
Blue Book ..... \$10,725	Blue Book ..... \$31,210
Sandlin Price ..... <b>\$8,450</b>	Sandlin Price ..... <b>\$28,900</b>
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**Miscellaneous**

**THE GARAGE SALE:** 310 E. 9th @ N. Washington, Mt. Pleasant, 903-572-3700. Tues-Sat, 8:30-5:30. Used & new furniture (household & office) plus lots of other good stuff. Great low prices. Used merchandise shipments weekly. *MA tjc*

**JOHNNIE'S USED FURNITURE and Appliances:** We buy, sell or trade anything of value. We pay top dollar for good used furniture and appliances. Will buy all or portions of estates. West side of Market Square in Paris, TX, 330 Second SW. Phone 903-737-0979. Paris or 903-652-2084, Cunningham, TX. *MA tjc*

**BACKROOM FLORAL DESIGN:** Plants, funeral and wedding flowers. 903-632-2003 or Touch of Country, Mt. Vernon, 903-537-2042, next door to Sonic, come by and visit. *MA tjc*

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**MATTRESS SALE:** Twin set, \$19 down; full, \$29 down; queen, \$39 down; king, \$49 down. Instant credit, no interest or finance charges and free delivery. Save-More Furniture, 1806 W. Main, Clarksville, TX. M-F, 9-6; Sat, 9-5. *MA tjc*

**271 MOTEL-**Open 7 days a week, reservations appreciated, walk-ins welcome. 903-379-5411. *MA tjc*

**D&D COLLECTIBLES:** 303 Monroe, Deport. Open first and third Thursday, Friday and Saturdays of each month. 8 a.m. 'til 2 p.m. *MA tjc*

**THE GARAGE SALE, 310 E. 9th @ Washington in Mt. Pleasant, is closed on Mondays.** 903-572-3700 *MA tjc*

**FOR SALE:** Proforma Crosswalk MX treadmill with heavy duty motor, like new. \$600; half bed, excellent condition, \$50. 903-632-0141 or 632-5198. *MA 5-16*

**"BLUE STUFF"** now at Blossom Superette. Pain relief guaranteed, arthritis, tension & stress, sports related pain, lower back pain. 903-982-5444. *MA 5-16*

**Real Estate**  
**For Sale:** Meadowbrook Gardens Cemetery, Lot 90, Section F, spaces 3 and 4. Both lots for \$500.00. 903-652-6052. *tjenc*

**FOR SALE:** 25 acres, 3 miles east of Deport on FM410. Road frontage, 903-784-2870 or 982-5270. *MA tjc*

**NEWER BRICK apartment for rent.** 2BR, 2B, CH/CA, range and microwave, laundry room in apt. No pets. Rent \$350 per mo, \$300 deposit. Call 903-379-4793 or 379-9161. *MA tjc*

**FOR SALE:** 2BR, 1B house in Talco. 903-572-4024 or 572-2992. *MA 5-23*

**FOR SALE IN DETROIT:** 9 1/2 acres with pond, good neighborhood. Great building site. 674-2229. *MA 5-23*

**FOR SALE BY OWNER:** 3BR, 2B, 2 car carport, large sunroom, lots of ceramic tile, covered patio, in-ground pool, 20x30 shop. On 1.9 acres in Bogata. 903-632-4709. *MA 6-13*

**FOR SALE BY OWNER:** 3BR, 2B frame & brick on 3 lots in Bogata. Hwy. 271 frontage. Also chest type freezer and Star Spinnet piano. June Stanley, 903-632-5441, please leave message. *MA 5-20*

**Livestock**

**HAPPY JACK SKIN BALM:** Relieves hot spots & scratching. Promotes healing & hair growth on dogs & cats without steroids. Available at Buckman Drug, 125 N. Main, Bogata, TX. *tjc*

**FOR SALE:** 300 gallon diesel fuel tank with stand. 903-652-5823 or 652-4205. *MA tjc*

**GRAVEL FOR SALE:** Ag lime and fertilizer sales and spreading. Dan Kelley, 903-632-1700. *MA tjc*

**CHESTNUT STALLION:** AQHA Dry Centralia, own son of Dry Doc. Stud fee \$350 plus \$4 per day mare care. Very gentle disposition. Mark Hare, 903-632-5150. *MA 5-16*

**FOR SALE:** 8hp Snapper mower, good condition, \$500. 903-632-5424. *MA 5-23*

**FOR SALE:** Good, gentle, 4-year old Limousin bull. 903-674-5718. *MA 5-23*

**16 COWS & BULL for sale:** Some pairs. 903-652-2477, leave message. *MA 5-30*

**Business Services**  
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**ROZELL TREE SERVICE:** Tree trimming/removal, 70' bucket, stumps ground. Free estimates. Insured \$2 million. David, Neil & Russell Rozell, 903-632-5617. *MA tjc*

**ROADRUNNER SELF STORAGE:** Call Neil Rozell, 903-632-5752. Now 3 locations to serve you! A size to meet your needs. *MA tjc*

**CHARLIE'S HOME REPAIRS:** Small job specialist and trim carpentry, all types of wood fencing. 30 years experience. 903-784-3737. Pager 903-783-8608. *MA tjc*

**TRI-COUNTY CONTRACTORS:** 20 years experience in carpentry, painting, roofing and other types of contract work. Owners Terry & Josh Brown, 903-652-9805, home; 249-3456 or 249-3457 mobiles. *MA tjc*

**JACK'S TREE SERVICE:** Insured with reasonable rates, trees trimmed or removed. Brush clean-up and stump grinding. Edna & Jack Tucker, Detroit, TX. Home 903-674-4945, mobile 903-491-8321. *MA tjc*

**J AND L LAWN EQUIPMENT** at Rugby, Snapper mowers, Briggs-Stratton, Tecumseh engines, Shindaiwa saws & trimmers, Murray, MTD. 903-632-5377, Monday-Thursday. *MA tjc*

**CALL BOOTS PLUMBING** for all your plumbing and air conditioning needs. 903-632-5366, please leave message. M8341TXB004717. *MA 5-23*

**DANNY'S DOZER SERVICE:** Rt 1, Box 36A, Pattonville, TX. Free estimates. 903-632-3003 or 903-249-0981. Danny Lester, owner/operator. *MA 6-20*

**Wanted**  
**IMMEDIATE OPENINGS:** Wanted: Certified Nurses Aides, 2-10 p.m. shift or 10 p.m.-6 a.m. shift. Call or come by Red River Healthcare, 632-5293, ask for Gloria or Vicki. *MA 5-23*

**WANTED** 10-20 acres, preferably with trees, paved road, no restrictions, sandy soil, priced reasonable. 281/354-6896. *MA 5-30*

**I WOULD LIKE TO RENT** a house in Pattonville, Deport or Blossom. 3 bedroom preferably or would take 2. Please call Cindy, 903-784-6911 or 903-784-1365. *MA 5-30*

**Sales**

**CAKLEBERRY'S:** Crafts, angels, gifts, lawn furniture, Adirondacks. Hwy. 271 south, six miles from Talco. Open Thursday through Saturday or call anytime 577-7158 or 572-3825. *MA tjc*

**PRESTONWOOD Flea Market,** inside and outside spaces. Open Th-Fri-Sat-Sun, 8 to 6. Paris' newest flea market. Hwy. 19&21 S across from Chisum School. 783-1656. *MA 7-4*

**GARAGES SALE:** 307 S. Howland, Bogata. Two families. Friday, May 17, 8 to 5. Furniture, lots of what-nots. Billie Northcutt. 5-16

**SPECIAL MISCELLANEOUS AUCTION:** Tuesday at Stanley Store in Hagansport, May 21, 6 p.m. We've cleaned out our sheds, furniture, old glassware, books & more, also lots of new items, tools, dishes & more. For more info call 632-0956. Norwood Auction Co. #7994. 5-16

**GARAGE SALE:** Saturday, May 18, 8 to 5; Sunday, May 19, 8 to 3. 381 Clarksdale St., Deport. Lots of tools, furniture and building supplies, carpet, wood trim, chainsaws and generators. Too much to list. 5-16

**Lost & Found**

**REMEMBER,** we don't charge for free pets, or for your lost or found animals, we want them to have a home! Call 652-4205 or 632-5322.

**LOST DOG:** Black Lab female, missing since Saturday, answers to "Sadie". Call Michael and Kim Fields, 632-2024 or 632-5834. 5-30nc

**Automobiles**

**FOR SALE:** Morris Minor, body only, \$125.00 obo. 903-652-9986.

**FOR SALE:** 2000 Ford F250 Super Duty crew cab 4x4 Lariat. 62k miles, \$21,500. 632-4616. *MA 5-23*

**FOR SALE:** 1983 Ford F250, heavy duty 3/4 ton, one owner, 61k miles, \$3,500. Randall Mayes, 903-632-5466. *MA 5-30*

**FOR SALE:** 1993 Holiday Rambler camper. 33', good condition. 903-379-4121. *MA 5-30*

**Free**

**FREE** to a good home. Neutered Male Cat, declawed, loves kids, must go because of allergies. Call 652-3520 ask for Kay Rector.

**WANT TO SELL YOUR STUFF-** one call does it all. Call 652-4205 to place your classified ad in all five of these newspapers!

**FREE PUPPIES:** Six week old Border Collie cross. 632-9700. 5-16

**Notice**

**TO THE LANDOWNER/OVERSEER** of Lennox Lease and Sheriff. "May God show the same forgiveness and mercy to you that you show to others (II Cor. 2:10). *MA 5-23*

**CAR WASH SATURDAY,** May 18 on Faith Baptist parking lot in Deport, 8:30 to 2:30, \$10.00. 5-16



**BLOSSOM LADYBUGS**-Pictured left to right back row are coaches Glen Berry, Chris Berry and Clifton Hughes. Front row left to right are Jessica Ebbs, Carsen White, Lexie Naughton, Morgan Berry, Trinity Drake, Ashley Burdine, Courtney Womack, Kristen Ross, Hailey Chappell and Logan Upchurch. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



**PAT GOLF TOURNAMENT WINNERS**-The recent PAT (Prairiland Academic Trust) Golf Tournament was held and pictured are the winners of the match. Left to right are Randy Huddleston, Jack Kindle, Craig Blackburn, Trey Streety, Homer Garner and in front is Allen Norton. (Staff Photo)

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Happy birthday to Dylan thomas and Nanalee Nichols Cathey, Mitchell Winters, Pat visited with Sam and Margie Najaro, Sam Campbell, Chance Rice Sunday afternoon.

Diana Pryor and husband of Ft. Worht visited her aunt, Lucille Pickering last week. Boyce and Angie Dawson, Martha Foster, Lynlee Kopriva, Denise Brooks, Duwayne Ham, Renea Wims, Tina Davis, Chad Farris, Venice Bryson, Becky Hamm.

Happy anniversary to Elaine and Larry Milam, Trina and Paul Ray Keys and Jill and Wayne Couch.

Sam and Margie Rice have returned from Dallas where Sam had surgery last Friday at Baylor hospital.

Jeff jeffus had lunch with Thomas and Nanalee Nichols Saturday.



**SENIOR STUDENT**-Harley Skidmore works on a lap top computer. Lap tops are becoming a familiar sight around Prairiland High School.

<p>Huddleston DRAWING \$50 in Groceries Saturday, 5:00 p.m.</p>		<h1>HUDDLESTON'S GROCERY</h1> <p><b>SPECIALS GOOD EVERY DAY</b> Thurs., May 16th thru Wed., May 22nd</p> <p>OPEN Mon.-Sat. 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. SUNDAY 9:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.</p> <p>BOGATA 632-5624 7 Days A Week</p>				<p>We Honor Manufacturers COUPONS</p>					
<p><b>COUNTRY STORE</b> SPLIT CHICKEN BREAST 3 Lb. Bag <b>\$3.99</b></p>		<p><b>T-BONE STEAK</b> <b>\$4.99</b> Lb. FRESH GROUND CHUCK <b>\$1.99</b> Lb.</p>		<p><b>OWEN'S SAUSAGE</b> 2 Lb. Roll Reg. &amp; Hot <b>\$3.49</b> OWEN'S SMOKED SAUSAGE 1 Lb. Pk. <b>\$1.99</b></p>		<p><b>IMPERIAL SUGAR</b> 4 Lb. <b>\$1.39</b> <b>CRISCO</b> COOKING OIL Veg. &amp; Puritan Gal. Jug <b>\$3.99</b></p>					
<p><b>PORK RIBS</b> <b>\$1.29</b> Lb.</p>		<p><b>DECKER FRANKS</b> Jumbo Pk. 1 Lb. <b>79¢</b></p>		<p><b>DECKER BOLOGNA</b> Thick Slice 1 Lb. <b>99¢</b></p>		<p><b>NABISCO PREMIUM CRACKERS</b> 1 Lb. <b>\$1.69</b></p>		<p><b>PARADE MARGARINE</b> 3 Lb. Tub <b>99¢</b></p>		<p><b>DEL MONTE</b> CORN Cream Style 15 Oz. CUT GREEN BEANS 14.5 Oz. SWEET PEAS 15 Oz. FRENCH CUT GREEN BEANS 14.5 Oz.</p>	
<p><b>CHARMIN TISSUE PAPER</b> Double Roll 4 Pk. <b>\$1.99</b></p>		<p><b>OAK FARMS ICE CREAM</b> 1/2 Gal. All Flavors <b>\$2.99</b></p>		<p><b>DEL MONTE TOMATO SAUCE</b> 8 Oz. <b>4/\$1</b></p>		<p><b>PRICE'S PIMIENTO &amp; CHEESE</b> 7.5 Oz. <b>\$1.29</b></p>		<p><b>OZARKA WATER</b> 1/2 Liter 8 Pk. <b>\$1.99</b></p>		<p><b>PARADE BUTTERMILK BISCUITS</b> <b>4/\$1</b></p>	
<p><b>EGGS</b> Grade A Large <b>59¢</b> Dozen</p>		<p><b>GOLDEN ROYAL MILK</b> Gal. 2% &amp; Homo <b>\$2.99</b></p>		<p><b>TOWN TALK BREAD</b> Large Loaf <b>69¢</b> Wheat &amp; White</p>		<p><b>NABISCO OREOS &amp; DOUBLE STUFF OREOS</b> 1 Lb. 4 Oz. <b>\$2.69</b></p>		<p><b>DEL MONTE KETCHUP</b> 24 Oz. <b>89¢</b></p>		<p><b>TOWN TALK HAMBURGER &amp; HOT DOG BUNS</b> 8 Pk. <b>69¢</b></p>	
<p><b>LAY'S POTATO CHIPS</b> Reg. \$1.49 All Kinds <b>99¢</b></p>		<p><b>DORITO CHIPS</b> All Kinds Reg. \$3.29 <b>\$2.69</b></p>		<p><b>FRITO LAY BEAN DIP</b> 9 Oz. <b>\$1.79</b></p>		<p><b>TOSTITO QUESO SALSA DIP</b> 10 Oz. <b>\$1.79</b></p>		<p><b>TIDE LAUNDRY DETERGENT</b> 31-40 Ld. <b>\$6.59</b></p>		<p><b>MIRACLE WHIP SALAD DRESSING</b> 32 Oz. <b>\$2.29</b></p>	
<p><b>BANANAS</b> 49¢ Lb.</p>		<p><b>PRODUCE POTATOES</b> 10 Lb. Bag <b>\$2.49</b> SWEET &amp; MILD 1015 YELLOW ONIONS <b>39¢</b> Lb.</p>		<p><b>ORANGES GREEN ONIONS</b> 49¢ Lb. <b>3/\$1</b></p>		<p><b>KELLOGG'S RAISIN BRAN</b> 20 Oz. <b>\$2.49</b></p>		<p><b>KELLOGG'S FRUIT LOOPS</b> 11 Oz. <b>\$1.99</b></p>		<p><b>DASANI WATER</b> 16 Oz. 6 Pk. <b>\$1.99</b></p>	
<p><b>TOMATOES</b> 99¢ Lb.</p>		<p><b>COKE, DIET COKE, SPRITE</b> DR. PEPPER, DIET DR. PEPPER</p>		<p>2 Liter <b>99¢</b> 12 Pk. <b>\$2.99</b></p>		<p>3 Ltr <b>\$1.79</b></p>		<p>6 Pk. 16 Oz. Btls. <b>\$1.99</b></p>		<p><b>CINNAMON TOAST CRUNCH CEREAL</b> 14 Oz. <b>\$1.99</b></p>	