At Least They Let Us Out! Thomas and I seem to have the most amazing tourist experiences. I think it's because we constantly seek things off of the beaten path...and boy, did we succeed this time!

We decided to seek cooler climes, and headed for Red River, New Mexico, last week.

On the way back, I picked up a brochure for the Dorsey Mansion, between Springer and Clayton, N.M.

We turned at the appropriate sign which told us that the unusual log cabin/Victorian mansion was twelve miles down a gravel road. I think they are a little premature in calling the washboarded surface a road. It was almost impassable in place, but we kept going slow mile by mile. We crossed the remains of the Santa Fe trail twice, and it was in better shape.

Finally, we arrived at a hand painted, faded sign announcing the "Dorsey Mansion.

We wandered around the unmowed yard, looking at the commanding views of absolutely nothing...no mountains, no grass, just arid plains. A few llamas gave us a faintly condescending look. There was a weird fountain with a bobcat holding a rattlesnake in it's jaws, quite dry.

I climbed up on the rickety, peeling porch to read a sign that read "Ring bell HARD". I grabbed the string on an old bell and rang desperately, already having second thoughts. Thomas has me on video whispering "If we never get out of this alive, I hope this tape makes it back to give someone a clue

what happened to us" The door creaked open, and a barefooted, pony-tailed man would be with us in a moment and vanished upstairs. Sandra, also barefooted, arrived to collect \$3 each and begin our tour.

The Dorsey mansion was

built by Senator Stephen Dorsey, who was embroiled in a massive scandal to do with postal funds back in the 1800s. The man and his wife built the log cabin section first, then added the other part, creating an odd look with the two side by side. The house has 10,000 sq. feet, and some wonderful antiques, cherry staircases, and light fixtures.

It also was the couple's home. We toured their bedroom (they didn't make up the bed that morning), and their kitchen, where food was cooking. We also got to see the holes in the ceilings, the ancient, dusty, faded fabrics hanging rotting from the curtain rods, and the steps that were a little squishy!

Thousands of books were stacked in dusty piles on the floors. Hundreds of "Barbie" dolls were stacked everywhere, Sandra's personal collection. Paint thinners, strippers and paints were stacked in corners. Molting pelts from the Senator s era in the 1800s shed hair

slowly upon creaking floors. In the once magnificent dining room, our guide switched on a fabulous gilt light fixture. As we exclaimed in admiration, it began to sizzle and blink on and off! Calmly, she switched it back off and preceded to show us the bath rooms....thank goodness they

were not occupied at that time! These folks are, to say the least, odd. They have managed to put a new roof on the place, and have actually done a lot of work. But it is an absolutely incredible distance from being open to the public!

The state of New Mexico tried having it for a while, but sold it because so few tourists were willing to make the 12 miles trek. The previous owner was stranded during the winter, and had to chop up the antique billiard tables for fire

Would I do it again? No. Am I glad we did it? You bet. Once we weren't murdered and our bodies stashed in the 1800-era swimming pool, it was a blast! Serving Local Businesses and Local People

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DEPORT, LAMAR COUNTY, TEXAS

Thursday, August 8, 2002

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Special meeting called by Prairiland ISD

On Monday, August 12, the Board of Trustees of Prairiland listed below: Independent School District will in the administration building at for 2002-2003.

Subjects to be discussed are

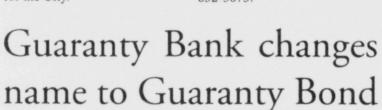
In non-action items: school hold a special meeting at 7 p.m. board training: budget workshop

City to hold public hearing on water rate increase

The City of Deport will hold a 12 at 6 p.m. at City Hall to discuss a possible water rate increase for the City.

All interested persons are enpublic hearing on Monday, August couraged to attend this public hearing.

For further information, call



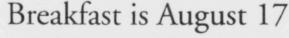
stitution of eleven banks headquartered in Mt. Pleasant, has announced that it sname will change to Guaranty Bond Bank.

or other large scale occurrence," explained Chairman Art Scharlach, jr. "It's simply because there is another banking institution in Texas bearing a name simiconfusion for customers of both ers. banks. "This bank is a community.

Guaranty Bank, a financial in- in the best interest of our customers to eliminate the confusion."

GuarantyBond Bank is a full service banking institution with banks located in Mt. Pleasant, "The name change does not Pittsburg, Texarkana, Sulphur stem from a change of ownership Springs, Paris, Commerce, Deport, Talco, Bogata and Ft. Stockton. With a strong capital base and assets close to \$500 million, Guaranty Bond Bank is the large small town bank that continues to meet lar to ours, which has caused some the changing needs of its custom-

No actions are required by bank with plans to remain inde- Guaranty Bonk Bank customers pendent; therefore, we felt it was as a result of the name change.



sor their monthly breakfast on Satuarday, August 17 at the VFD each first and third Friday Pattonville Community Center.

The breakfast is all you can eat concessions are available. for \$4.00. Proceeds go to help

The Pattonville VFD will spon- fund the Pattonville VFD

The dance is sponsored by the nights. A local band performs and

New students need to pre-register

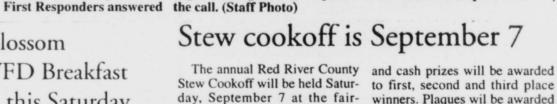
New students to the Prairiland Independent School District need campus offices.

vaccination records, birth certifi- 652-5681. cate and social security card.

K-8th grade students will register at the Blossom campus at to pre-register at the apropriate 982-5230 or the Deport campus at 652-3325. Students in grades 9-School campus office hours are 12 will need to register at the 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please bring Prairialnd High School campus at

Blossom VFD Breakfast is this Saturday

The Blossom Volunteer Fire Department will have their monthly breakfast on Saturday August 10th from 7 to 10 a.m. at the Blossom School Cafeteria. Come out for a good breakfast and a good cause.



day, September 7 at the fairgrounds in Clarksville. The cook-off is a major

gust 12 at 6 p.m.

ROLLOVER ACCIDENT-This accident occurred on FM1503 on July 31, approximately 3

miles south of Deport. Pam Hughes of Bogata was injured in the accident. Deport VFD

fundraising activity for the County Fair and is open to all organizations, clubs or individuals resid-

tact the County Extension office ing in Red River County. Trophies at 402 N. Cedar or call 427-3867.

winners. Plaques wil be awarded

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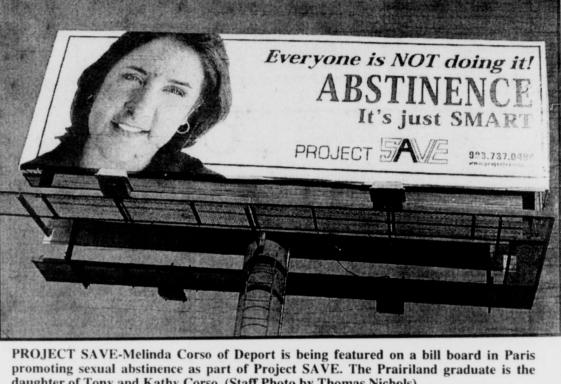
would like to register to cook, con-

Project Graduation meeting scheduled Project Graduation meeting will be held at the Prairiland High

All seniors and parents are urged to attend. Seniors must earn School cafeteria on Monday, Au- Patriot Bucks to purchase prizes at Project Graduation.



LAPTOP COMPUTER-Brandon Savage was presented a Toshiba Laptop computer to assist him with his college studies by the Deport American Legion Post 199. Commander Gilbert Arriaga presented Brandon with the computer. Brandon will attend East Texas Baptist University in Marshall on a football scholarship this fall. He is a 2002 graduate of Detroit High School, the son of Jeff and Angela Savage and the grandson of Dorothy O. Savage of Detroit. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



daughter of Tony and Kathy Corso. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



BUSY FIRE FIGHT-Cunningham, Deport and Pattonville Volunteer Fire Departments worked hard to contain a large grass and brush fire that threatened several houses in Cunningham Monday afternoon. The departments managed to extinguish the fire before any serious harm was done. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Editor's Quotes

We must not give only what we have; we must also give what we are. **Cardinal Mercier**







HOT! HOT! HOT! Why can't lizrwin@hotmail.com we grow gardens in the winter time when it is cooler. Wouldn't it be nice to have cool weather for canning and preserving. Which brings me to this week's column. Several of you have requested some different canning and preserving recipes for the great vetables and fruits that we have this summer! So here we go!

A couple of tips first. When canning tomatoes, because of their acid content, need to be processed in a water bath solution. Cleaning and slicing or chopping hot peppers with your bare hand can cause you some severe burning and pain even after removing seeds, so be sure to wear rubber gloves for this venture. See you kitchen!

Jalapeno Sauce

5-6 hot jalpeno peppers

gallon tomato-peeled

3 onions

4 bell peppers

3 cloves garlic

1/4 cup canning salt

cup white vinegar

l tablespoon black pepper

tppub@1starnet.com JALAPENO SAUCE-great on

anything!
TOMATO CONSERVE-another great recipe that goes with

so many dishes! TOMATO MARMALADEthis produces another great condiment for various dishes!

GREEN TOMATO SWEET PICKLES-takes a little more time for this recipe but is well worth

PICCALILLI-this one is made with green toamtoes instead of cucumbers.....try it!

FRIED TOMATO FRITTERSuse wither green or ripe tomatoes.....recipe suggest the small Porter variety!

Thursday, August 8, 2002 Preservation Recipes

> Slice tomatoes. Sprinkle with salt and allow to stand overnight. Next morning, drain and pour 2 quarts of boiling water with 1/2 tablespoon alum over tomatoes and let stand 20 minutes. Drain and cover with cold water; drain. Combine vinegar, water, sugar and spices that have been tied loosely in bag, and bring to a boil. Pour this over tomatoes. Let stand in solution overnight. Then drain and bring solution to boil and pour over tomatoes. Let stand over-

Tomato Conserve 18 cups tomatoes-cut in chunks 3 teaspoons ginger 6 cups sugar

Peel and cut-up tomatoes.

Chop other ingredients and

combine all together and bring

to boil. Simmer for 1-1/2-2

hours. Makes 11-12 pints.

3 lemons-slice thin Cook tomatoes 45 minutes.

Add sugar, lemon and ginger. Cook until thick and smooth. Pour into jars and process in water bath for 10 minutes. Makes 8 pint jars.

Tomato Marmalade 3 quarts tomatoes 2 oranges 2 lemons

10 cups sugar 2 tablespoons whole cloves 6 tablespoons broken cinnamon sticks

Remove peel from tomatoes and cut in small pieces. Slice oranges and lemons very thin and quarter slices. Pour uice off tomatoes and sugar. Stir until sugar is dissolved. Add oranges, lemons and spices which have been tied loosely in cheesecloth. Place mixture over high heat and boil rapidly; stir often. Cook until clear and thick about 50 minutes. Pour into jars and process for ten minutes. Makes 8 pint jars. **Green Tomato Sweet Pickles**

l gallon green tomatoes 1/4 cup salt 1/2 tablespoon powdered alum

3 cups vinegar l cup water 4 cups sugar

l tablespoon mixed spices 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon I tablespoon celery seed 1/2 teaspoon allspice

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I tablespoon mustard seed

night. On the third morning, bring pickles and solution to boil. Pack in jars and process for 10 minutes. Makes 8 pints.

Piccalilli 4 quarts green tomatoes-finely chopped 1/2 head cabbage-finely chopped

1/2 cup pickling salt enough water to cover vegetables quart cider vinegar 1-1/2 cups brown sugar 1/2 tablespoon mustard seed 1/2 tablespoon cinnamon I tablespoon black pepper 1/8 teaspoon red pepper 1/2 tablespoon allspice

Combine vegetables and salt; cover with water and soak overnight. Drain and rinse. Combine the remaining ingredients in large pot and bring to boil; add drained vegetables and return to boil. Reduce heat and simmer until the vegetables are tender. Pack in jars.

tablespoon ginger

Fried Green Tomato Fritters 10-12 small Porter tomatoesgreen or ripe 1/2 teaspoon sugar l teaspoon salt I teaspon cider vinegar 1/4 teaspoon black pepper 1/8 teaspoon garlic powder or on-ion flakes

1/4 cup flour 1/4 cup crushed corn flakes I tablespoon crumbled crisp bacon 1/3 cup butter or corn oil

Cube or chunk tomatoes and add remaining ingredients. Shape and press walnut size mixture to 1/2 inch thickness. Cook until desired brown and turn once.

Support group to meet

The Bereaved Parents Support Group will meet August 12 at 7 p.m. at the Calvary United Methodist Church in Paris.

Jeff and Jennifer Christian will be the speakers. This is the last meeting for the

group to meet at the church. The eptember meeting will be at the TU Electric buildfing.

The gorup meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m.

Restland Cemetery donations received

The following donations have been received for the Cunningham Restland Cemetery:

In memory of Marie Watson from James and Pat Norwood, Canard and Deloris Norwood, Janie and Theresa Smith, Darold and Ida Mae Norwood, Billie Joe and Georgia Oats, Leslie Taylor, Bobby and Shelby Kennedy, Taylor Ladd, Ray and Phoebe Rhodes, Dwayne and Virginia Rhodes, James and Juanita Davis, Dean Ogden, Janie and Mike Hawkes, Ira Norman, George and Maureen Richardson.

Other donations have been received from Roy and Skeeter Davis, Larry and Virginia Bell and the Otto Baker family.



* 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.

* Get Well Wishes are extended to: Reesie Crow, Marie Carr, Randy Spencer, Rich Keillen, Daphne and Melvin Pointer, Georgia Hudson, Steve Knowles and Betty Mullins. * Happy Birthday to: George

Smith, Earlene Miller, Bill Carr, Dana McClendon and Jimmy

Sympathy is extended to the Carl House family.

Curator to speak at genealogy meeting

regular monthly meeting of the Red River County Genealogical Society, Monday evening, August 12, at 7:30 in the Red River County Library.

The speaker for this month will be Keith Tolman, curator of the Oklahoma Historical Society's Ft. Towson Historical Site. His sub-The History of Navagation on the tive program.

Everyone is invited to attend the Upper Red River". He has been involved in the attempt to locate the remains of steamboats in the waters of the Red River and the discoveries the team has made have been widely publicized for loss of our mother and grandthe knowledge that has been mother, Netha B. Garrett. gained about steamboat travel in early Texas.

ject will be "Teakettle on a Raft, couraged to attend this informa- Bogata First Baptist Church for





New controller & loan officer join Pilgrim Bank

loan officer have joined Pilgrim Bank as the locally-owned institution adds staff to stay abreast of growth and customer needs.

Rachel Rosas-Miner brings additional bi-lingual to the lending department along with new innovations to serve the Hispanic community. Rachel holds a masters degree in economics from the Univesity of Texas and has just held her first banking seminar specifically for the Hispanic commu-

A former president and CEO of the First National Bank of Newton, new Vice President and Con-

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A new controller and a new troller Rexx Behring joined Pilgrim Bank in may after months assisting the bank as a consultant. Rexx began his career 35 years ago in the mail room of a San Antonio bank. In that span of time he's worked as a bookkeeper, a teller and served as a cashier and loan officer before moving into administration and management positions 15 years ago.

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Obituaries

Akin Loyd Fain dies July 31

AkinLoyd Fain, age 65 of Mt. Pleasant died July 31, 2002 in

Services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, August 2 at Bates-Cooper Chapel in Mt. Pleasant with Ricky Logan and Wesley Vandever officiating. Burial followed in Deshields Cemetery in Talco under the direction of Bates-Cooper Funeral Home.

Mr. Fain was born in Dallas County on May 14, 1937, a son of Edgar and Myrtle Fain. He was Titus County Road Commissioner Precinct #3 and was retired from C&S Service & Supply. He was a member of the Army National

Surviving are a son and daughter-in-law, Terry and Holly Fain of Dallas; daughters and sons-inlaw, Cindy and Tracy Brockman of Humble, Vickie and James Foster of Omaha and Sharon and Neal Hutchings of Mt. Pleasant; a daughter, Karen Sykes of Mt. Pleasant; 10 grandchildren;3 great-grandchildren; a sister, Ann Terry of Jacksonville; brothers Paul Fain, James Fain and Dennis Fain, all of Dallas; and his motherin-law, Maurice Bell of Mt. Pleasant. He was preceded in death by his wife, Patricia Logan Fain and his parents.

Pallbearers included Charlie Young, Chub Brown, Ellis Paul Allen, James Crawford, Michael Sykes and Chris Sykes.

Card of Thanks

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the many family and friends who paid their respects after the Special thanks to James Wood

and family for a toughtful, beau-All interested persons are en- tiful service and to the ladies of the wonderful luncheon they served to the family and friends.

God bless you, Wade Garrett Tonya Ford Wesley Damron

Cunningham Fire Department wants to express their sincere appreciation to the Deport and Pattoanville Fire Departments for their assistance Monday afternoon in fighting the large grass fire.

Harold Jean Williams dies August 3

Harold Jeean Williams, age 62 of the Maple community of Red River County died Saturday, August 3 in Clarksville.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, August 6 in Cuthand United Methodist Church with Rev. Wayne Ramsey and Rev. Rick Holeman officiating. Burial with full military honors was held in Cuthand Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home of Bogata. The family received friends at the church one hour prior to services.

Mr. Williams was born July 12, 1940 in Cuthand, the son of J.L. 'Buddy" Williams and Norma Lee Bankston Williams. He married Jerry Shupp on March 13, 1961. He was a truck driver and a member of Cuthand Methodist Church. He was a Vietnam veteran.

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He is survived by his wife, Jerry Williams of Bogata; a son, Darl Williams of Maple; three brothers, Doyle Williams of Maple, Dalton Williams of Clarksville and Danny Williams of Birmingham, Alabama; two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Timothy Williams in 1982; a daughter-in-law, Mary Williams in 1999 and an infant son.

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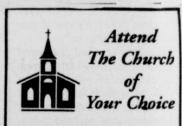


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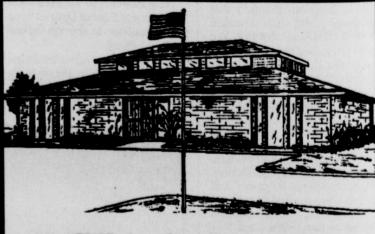
Card of Thanks

I want to thank each and everyone who came to my retirement celebration; for your attendance and well wishes. A special thanks to my co-workers Ruth Ann, Marsha, Amy and Virgil for a farewell party I will always remem-

My retirement is an end to a chapter in life and the beginning of the rest of our lives. Jane Swint







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1958 EAST LAMAR REUNION-The Class of '58 held their reunion July 20th. From left, first row are: pat norwood, Marylyn Cope, Troyal Barker, Kenneth Craig. Second row: mary Elizabeth Brockway, Anna Gale Follis, Teacher Barbara Martin, Reva Stout, Bobby Harrell, James Stansell. Back row: Geraldine Weaver, Nancy LaPrade, Glenn Keener and Max Ballard.

Thank You

I would like to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, phone calls, food and flowers sent to me during my illness.

May God Bless You T.H. Glover, M.D.

Irwin-Reynolds marry

Cari Beth Irwin and Gary Dean Reynolds were married on Mon- munity and Gary is the son of Lee and Rosemary Madewell of Paris. day, August 5, 2002 in Las Vegas at the Little White Chapel at 3:30

Cari is the daughter of Jim and Liz Irwin of the Red Oak Com-

There will be a reception for the couple on Saturday, August 10 at the Blossom Civic Center at 4:00

p.m. Everyone is invited to attend

to congratulate the couple.

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held their 44th Class Reunion July

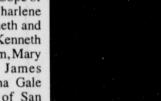
Bobby and Nelda Harrell were the hosts at their home in Jennings. They served a delicious BBQ lunch with all the trimmings.

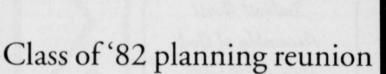
Everyone enjoyed visiting and looking at old pictures and old

They were honored with two of their teachers joining the celebration, Barbara Martin of Paris and Bonnie Huddleston of Bogata.

Class members attending were: Pat (Winters) and James Norwood of Cunningham. Marylyn

The East Lamar Class of 1958 (McDowra) and William Cope of Burkburnett, Troyal and Charlene Barker of Blossom, Kenneth and Linda Craig of Blossom, Kenneth and Linda Craig of Blossom, Mary Elizabeth (Day) and James Brockway of Paris, Anna Gale (Scott) and Bill Farris of San Angelo, Reva (Anderson) Stout of Paris, Bobby and Nelda Harrell of Paris, James Stansell of Mt. Pleasant, Geraldine (Weaver) and Charles Weems of Rockwall, Nancy (Ingram) and Shag LaPrade of Hurst, Glenn Keener of Nashville, Tn. and Max and Carolyn Ballard of Blossom.





of 1982 is planning a 20-year reunion for September 13-14.

If anyone has information or addresses on the follow classmates, please contact Sherry Roberts Yeatman at 632-4727, Denene Johnson Taylor at 739-2829 or Michelle Klinkerman Wilson at

Classmates are Ricky Bestul, Yvette Briscoe, Keith Burdine. Stanley Cavender, Lisa Clements,

The Prairiland graduating class Felix Cobb, Arlie Ebbs, Larry Edmonson, James Frazier, Billy Froelich, Denise Good, John Harris, Dina Jackson, Cheryl Johnson Brooks, Theresa Johnston, Ernest Long, Joseph Lowry, Tammie Malone, Bobbie McDowra, Pendleton, Susan Pickering, Debra Rozell, Daryl Salter, Nicky Smith, Charlotte VanDeaver, Jeff Weddle and Lisa



COWBOY-Michael Martin Murphey has dedicated his life to 'preserving the songs and the way of life of the cowboy". He performed at the Mineshaft theater in Red River New mexico last week. Thomas and Nanalee Nichols attended the concert. Murphey was happy to visit and have photos made. (Staff Photo

You can earn up to \$1000.00 in cash, by providing Crime Stoppers with the information that will lead to the arrest of the person or persons responsible for commit-

ting the following felony crime. Sometime during the weekend supects pried open a safe and stole an undetermined amount of cash.

If you have any information on this, or any other felony crime, please call Crime Stoppers. If Crime Stoppers receives that information by August 12, an arrest is made of those persons responsible, Crime Stoppers will pay you of July 20, unknown suspects a cash reward of up to \$1,000.00. forced entry into Valley Feed Mill All calls do remain anonymous at 315 W. Center Street, Paris. and you will not have to testify in Once inside the business, the court. So lets all work together to fight crime! Call Crime Stoppers today at (785-8477).

Red River Healthcare Business burglary is Crime of Week enjoys "Celebrate America" week During the "Celebrate America" USA, Vickie Bryant and Sue Tho-

week last week at Red River Healthcare one of the festivities was a July 4th Parade. Winners in the wheelchair category were: 1st place-Gladys Garretson; 2nd place-Bob Massey and 3rd place-Shelia Gibson. In the walker category the winners were: 1st place-Maxine Topping; 2nd place-Willie Mae Topping and 3rd place-Charline Harris. Float winners were; 1st place-Picnic for Two, Alice Scales and 2nd place-Born in the

mas and 3rd place-God, Country Apple Pie-Bobbie Cawley and Becky Rolen.

Receiving Most Original was Gladys Garretson and Grand Champion winner was Maxine

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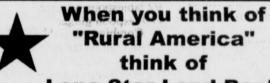
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Kindergarten

- 2 boxes (16 count only) small crayons 1 white Elmer's glue-meium size
- I glue stick 1 pair safety-cut sissors
- 4 #2 pencils I box water colors with brush I package construction paper-
- I package manila drawing paper-12x18
- I primary writing tablet 1 package index cards (small size) 2 folder (pockets at bottom-no
- side pockets or brads) 1 box kleenex
- I small braided rug for nap time I package ziploc bags-any size Label all supplies with permanent markers

First Grade 2 packages #2 yellow pencils-20

- in all 2 large erasers 6 plain colored pocket folders I small plastic school box
- 2 boxes of 24 crayons each 4 glue sticks l pair Fiskars pointed sissors
- 2 boxes kleenex 1 container handy wipes I box ziploc bags-snack or sandwich
- I box Prang water colors I package of 4 dry erase (wipe off) markers NO MARKERS OR TRAPPER
- KEEPERS Second Grade pair Fiskars sissors I bottle Elmer's glue 1 packages of 24 crayons I large box kleenex

I small plastic workbox-6x9

- 4 folders w/bottom pockets l package #2 yellow (10 each pen-
- 1 large erasers I box gallon ziploc bags 2 spiral wide rule notebooks-70
- 1 box primary color markers-8 count washable 2 highlighters
- I ruler in inches and centimeters NO TRAPPER KEEPERS NO TRAPPER KEEPERS **PLEASE**
- Third Grade 2-2 pocket folders with brads 1-1 inch plastic notebook 4 packages wide ruled notebook
- 1-8 ounce Elmer's white glue 2 red ink pens
- 2 packages #2 pencils-10 per package I ruler with inches and centime-
- 2 large erasers 1 box 24 count crayons l pair Fiskars sharp pointed sissors 2 packages 9x12 manila paper
- I package construction paper assorted colors I school box 2 large boxes kleenex

I box water colors

2 highlighters I box markers I large spiral theme book I box map pencils I black flair pen

poster paints and paint brush

PLEASE Fourth Grade 6 two pocket folders with brads 4 packages #2 pencils-10 count 2 combination standard/metric 1 box kleenex

- I box map colors 1 Sharp painted sissors I red ball point pen I black ball point pen 5 packages wide ruled notebook paper-no college rule 2 large boxes kleenex 1 box crayons-24 count I box zipper bags I spiral notebook I Elmer's glue stick
- Fifth and Sixth Grade 3 pocket folders I-l inch three ring notebook I package map pencils 2 wide ruled packages notebook 1 zipper bag
- 2 spiral notebooks 1 package #2 pencils-10 count I pair sharp pointed sissors I Elmer's school glue I box crayons-24 count 2 red ball point pens I black ball point pen I plastic ruler-metric/standard
- I large box kleenex I highlighter markers I zipper bag I small package dry erase mark-
- Seventh and Eighth Grade 2-#2 pencils 2 black pens
- 2 red pens 6 pocket folders with brads 2 packages standard notebook NO TRAPPER KEEPERSpaper-no colored l zipper supply bag
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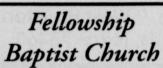
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PATTONVILLE NEWS

By Peggy Parsons

Happy birthday to Monda Fults, ner with them and Inez and Ruby Dustin Bangs, Ko Kagawa, Dick Gray, Carly Scott, Chris Turner, Paris. udy Day, Dale Brown, Canyon onley, Jan Woodall, Kandace Denison, Nanalee Nichols, Travis Ball, Jill Hodgkiss, Amy Zant, Carol Dawson, Colleen Slaton, Dot Nichols, Sam B. Kelsey.

Happy anniverary to Bob and Jud Ellington, Skip and Connie Dodd, Keith and Leann Mitchell, Tom and Deb Odell, Edd and Sandra Burnett, Donnie and Laura Wright, Jason and Lindsay Ander-

his sisters, Marcy Campbell and Elaine Roberts in Paris for lunch Tuesday to celebrate Marcy's

Kristi and Leah Boren, Nancy and Jenni Ballard, Kathy and Caralyn Corso shopped Thursday in Ft. Worth at Ridgmar Mall. Jay Kurt and Jerika McKee joined them during the day.

Ira Norman of Edmond, OK, Randy and Chelsea Norman of San Antonio, Mickey Keneer, Bernice Bell, Inez Weaver and Sandy Ring visited Bill and Ruby day. D. Blevins. Inez ate Sunday din-

visited Jessie Newsom Sunday in

Jerry and Dorothy Ritchey vacationed in New Mexico and Colorado for ten days.

Greg and Connie Parsons, Alisen, Davis and Karyn Leigh of Commerce visited Keith and Peggy Parsons, Randy and Kristi, Drew and Leah Boren Saturday. Karyn leigh was honored on her second birthday with a swimming party and cookout followed by horseback riding.

Steve and Carolyn Ladd spent Keith and Peggy Parsons met last week in Asheville, NC at the Biltmore Mansion and Gardens and Pidgeon Forge, TN where they enjoyed several shows including the Louise Mandrell Show.

> Monday visitors and dinner guests of Keith and Peggy Parsons were Bobbie Sparks and Madeline Dunn of Murchison, Judy and Jennifer Linera of Albuquerque, NM, Lois Kennett of Paris, Elois Sparks and Nina Sparks of Deport.

> Elois and Mike Sparks visited Jerry and Dorothy Richey Mon

Post Oak News By Geneva lee 982-5309

Several from the Post Oak Church attended the revival at Bogata Missionary Baptist Church recently.. Some attending were Alvis and Billie Ruth Bates, Bro. Henry Blackmon, Sue Ingram, mike and Susan Ingram, Claude Tyler and possibly others. Bro. And Mrs. Wilbourne Lee and Johnie attended Friday night.

Holly Blackmon and children, Libby and Adam spent some time recently with her mother in Gar-

Bro. and Mrs. Calvin Permenter had dinner with Bro. and Mrs. Welbourne lee and Johnie Sun-

The Fire Department was called to a grass fire at the home of Dr. Jon Plummer at Walnut Ridge. Some hay was lost.

The Fellowship Ice Cream Supper was well attended at the Post Oak Baptist Church Saturday night. There were about 30 that

Three were baptized Sunday

night in the Baptismal Service after the evening message.

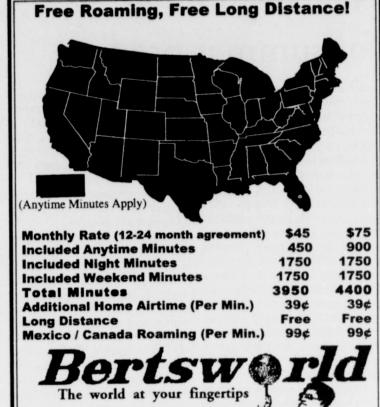
Wilbourne, Geneva and Johnie Lee visited Wilbourne's brother, Wallace adn Frieda Lee in Ft. Worth Tuesday, July 30. They went through a lot of heavy rain between Ft. Worth, Denton and McKinney on the way home.

We extend our sympathy to the family of Douglas McCoin, who died July 26 of a heart attack in North Platte, Neb. and was buried here Wednesday, following the funeral in Paris.

Word has been received of the death of Von Reynolds in Hermileigh. He was a former member of the Post Oak Baptist church.

Chris Smith reports the death of her sister-in-law, Fannie poor Smith. She was the wife of the e late Horace Smith, raised in the Woodland area.

Bonnie Flatt and son Ted and family attended the reunion over the weekend of her family and her sister. Viola Cooksey's family in the Dallas area.



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Conley, Jo Harbuck. Ten days before school be-

Oak Hill Baptist Church had a heat and wishes to thank everyone for their support at their bake

Happy Birthdays this week to and barbeque sale! The next one Rebecca Tweedy, Shelby Stewart, is the first Saturday in September! Mib and Jo Myers of Post Oak

and Renea and Kaleb Long of

Paris visited with Emma and

Lloyd Willard on Monday. Evelyn Tillman of Beckville visited with Sally Mathena on

Wednesday. Carol and Kenny Wood of Atlas

and Ruby Crawford traveled to Blanchard, Oklahoma to visit with Joel and Trish Crawford over the weekend.

George Wood of Sherman was great day Saturday despite the here on Sunday to see his family, George, Pam and Amanda Wood.

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Tim Salter of Paris had dinner Elizabeth Bell Friday. with Velma and John Temple Thursday night.

Barbara and Jake Maurischat Dorothy Holt Wednesday. Charles and Sarah Ham of Pal-

estine spent several days last week tended the Temple / Bell cousins

reunion Saturday at Deport. Edna Lee attended her church district auxiliary meeting in New Boston Tuesday night.

Don Upchurch of Paris visited

Susan and Phillip Roach spent

Saturday in Canton. Paul Temple of Keller visited of Lone Oak visited James and John and Velma Temple Saturday and attended the Temple / Bell

Mary Elaine Lawler and with Nell Shull and Nannie Ham. Mattylu Upchurch returned home John and Velma Temple at- Sunday after spending a week in Little Rock, Arkansas visiting Bobbie and Ed Hill and family.

Dorothy and James Holt and Kay Preston of Minter spent Wednesday in Dallas.

Bolin family to be honored A household shower will be formation about the families needs

held in honor of Kathy and Robert please call Christy Kennedy at Bolin who recently lost their home 632-0749 or Carolyn Gibson at to fire on Saturday, August 10, 652-5016. The hostesses also plan 2002 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

home of Mr. and Mrs. Randy invited to attend. Kennedy in Bogata. For more in-

to prepare a money tree for the The shower will be held at the family. All family and friends are

below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS

BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Prairiland Independent School District will hold a public

in the Administration Building meeting at 8:00 PM, August 19, 2002 . The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation

in the discussion is invited. The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out

Co	mp	arison of	Prop	osed I	Rates	wit	h Last Yea	r's Rates		
		Maintenance & Operations		Interest & Sinking Fund*			Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student	
Last Year's Rate	\$	1.42	\$			\$	1.42	\$1,303.90	\$4,410.51	
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue &										
Pay Debt Service	\$	1.3828	\$.30	*	\$	1.6828	\$1,295.32	\$4,294.55	
Proposed Rate	\$	1.42	\$.30	٠	\$	1.72	\$1,332.87	\$4,294.50	
* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue The bonds and the tax rate persessary to							pment, or both.			

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

Average Market Value of Residences	<u>Last Year</u> \$ 34,264	This Year \$ 36,824
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 19,946	\$22,503
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 1.42	\$ 1.72
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 283.23	\$ 387.05
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ 103.82

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$ 1.7427 . This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt

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Zucchini and tomatoes are high in versatility and nutrition, whether raw or cooked. Zucchini can be steamed or broiled with a bit of olive oil, grated parmesan cheese and an herb like oregano or basil. It's also one of the best vegetables to throw on the grill.

Zucchini is a source of lutein, a cousin to beta carotene that may protect against certain cancers, vision loss in the elderly, heart attack and stroke. The most concentrated sources are dark green, leafy vegetables like spinach, kale, collard greens and chard.

Tomatoes are a major source of lycopene, an antioxidant. Some studies suggest people who eat food high in lycopene may have ea lower risk of prostate and other cancers as well as a lower risk of other chronic diseases.

Use the following recipe to add new flavor to your summer meals. **Zucchini** and Tomatoes

Canola or olive oil cooking spray small zucchini, sliced 1/4" thick 1 small onion, sliced into 1/4"

1-2 Tbsp. water as necessary 2 small tomatoes, cut into wedges 1/2 tsp. garlic powder Salt and freshly ground black pep-

per to taste oz. pasta, cooked

Spray large non-stick skillet with oil and heat over medium heat until hot. Add zucchini and onion and saute, stirring frequently. Add water if vegetables start to stick to the pan. When zucchini and onion are partially tender, add tomatoes and garlic powder, reduce heat to low and cook, stirring frequently for 3 minutes or until zucchini has reached desired tenderness. Add salt and pepper to taste and serve over hot pasta. Makes 2 servings.

Attempts being made to secure 10 million signatures

Wepledge.com says it is beginning a drive to secure ten million signatures at its on-line petition in support of the proposed Constitutional Amendment protecting the Pledge of Allegiance and the National Motto.

The amendment is being sponsored by Congressman Chip Pickering.

"The on-line petition gives easy access to those who support this amendment to express their opinion", said Donald E. Wildmon, chairman of American Family Association which is sponsoring the Wepledge.com drive. We expect this to be the most signed petition in history." Individuals can sign the petition by going to Wepledge.com.

The proposed legislation would protect the Pledge and Motto from action like that taken by the 9th Circuit Court in San Francisco which said the Pledge was unconstitutional because it contained the words "under God". The amendment will write the Pledge and Motto into the Constitution. making it impossible for two judges to rule it unconstitutional. The three-man court made the

ruling following a suit by an athe-

The proposed amendment read: "The first article of amendment to the Constitution of the United States shall not be construed to prohibit the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, which shall be," I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stand, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

The first article of amendment to the Constitution of the United States shall not be construed to prohibit the recitation or use of the national motto, which shall be, "In God we trust"

Again, this proposed Constitutional Amendment will protect our Pledge of Allegiance and our National Motto and will prohibit liberal judges from declaring them illegal. For those who are unable to go on-line and sign the petition, a copy is available at the Bogata News. For businesses who would like to offer the petition, copies Office.

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Happy anniversary to Judy and Bob Ellington, Connie and Skip Dodd, Carol and Bill Gulledge, Laura and Donnie Wright, Lindsay and Jason Andeson Marie and Jim Kunkel.

Kay and Joy Read of College Station visited his mother, Ida Lou

Monday visitors of Nina Sparks ere Bobbie Sparks and Madeline Dunn of Murchison, Judi Linera and Jennifer Smith of Albuquerque, NM and Peggy Parsons. They visited Elois and Mike Sparks.

Reba Temple returned Saturday after spending two weeks visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Bruce and Debbie Temple of Corinth. Mike and Carla Temple of Lubbock joined them for a weekend visit. Bruce and Debbie accompanied her home and they attended the Temple family reunion on Saturday.

Thomas and Nanalee Nichols have returned fromvacation in Amarillo and Red river New

They visited in Amarillo with Bob and Medora Williams and John Miller, than went to Red River N.M. and Taos. They saw many of the sights and went to a Michael Martin Murphey Con-

Nanie Ham spent the night with her sister, Martha Smith, July 11th, then went on to attend the wedding of her great-grandson, Michael coke and Christina Beam in Grand Cane, La. She visited the rest of the week with her daughter, Kathy and Joe Bruno. Kathy brought her home on Thursday, July 18th.

You and Rover - do you walk are available at the Bogata News together, play together, travel together...scratch together? If your dog is scratching relentlessly and seems to have passed the itch on to you, it may be a case of sarcoptic mites, also known as "scabies.

> "Lots of things can cause itching for dogs, but sarcoptic mites cause some of the worst," said Dr. Robert Kennis, a veterinarian in the College of Veterinary Medicine at Texas A&M University. "This microscopic mite can be transmitted by either animal to animal or animal to human contact and results in a violently itchy rash."

In dogs, the rash typically begins around the ears, elbows and hock (or ankle) areas, eventually spreading to the abdomen and chest. Trauma-induced hair loss usually accompanies the rash, which means the hair falls out due to the scratching rather than the rash itself. Kennis says this type of hair loss is called "traumatic induced alopecia."

Dogs that are exposed to wildlife and/or stray animals have a higher likelihood of contracting scabies, Kennis adds. Mites are very host-dependent and are unlikely to be picked up from the general environment, such as the lawn or pasture.

So even if your pet is diagnosed with scabies, there is no need to "treat" the home or surrounding areas.

Your veterinarian may be able to detect the presence of sarcoptic mites by examining skin scrapings under a microscope, but this can be difficult,' Kennis explains. "He or she may choose to treat on

'index of suspicion' (based on clinical signs) if the mites are not located. Locating the mites may rule out other common causes of itching, including food, flea and inhalant allergies, ringworm, and infection, but it is possible more than one problem is causing the rash and itching," said Kennis.

Kennis says the violent scratching

associated with scabies can often result in a secondary bacterial infection. However, treating scabies is relatively simple and requires topical medication and, in cases of a bacterial infection, an antibiotic as well. Typical treatment with the correct product is once every two weeks for six weeks.

To help relieve the itch at home during treatment, Kennis recommends the use of corticosteroids or other applications suggested by your veteri-narian. Treatment for the condition can take up to six weeks or longer, depending on the severity, and pet owners should be aware the itching will persist even as the mites are being eliminated.

"It is important to note that overthe-counter treatments are usually ineffective to treat this condition," said Kennis. "Only a proper diagnosis and treatment prescribed by your veterinarian can reliably remedy scabies."

"So if an itchy rash creeps up on your dog, forego the hugs and show your affection with a trip to your veterinarian instead."

People Things

There will be a baby shower honoring Kenda Allen Blackburn on Saturday, August 10 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the First Baptist Life Center. Everyone is invited to at-



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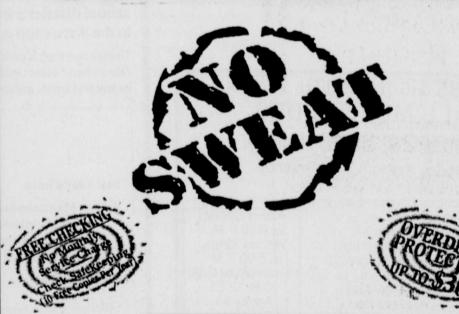
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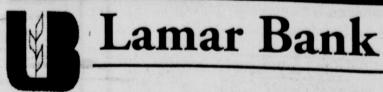


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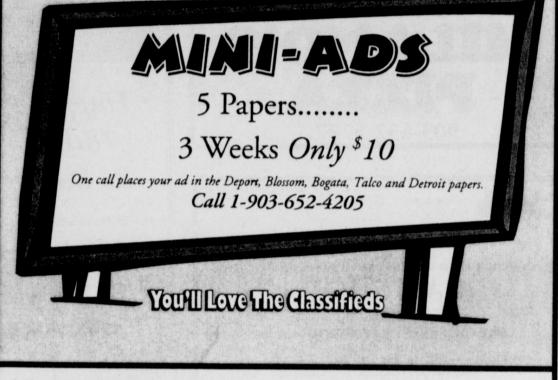
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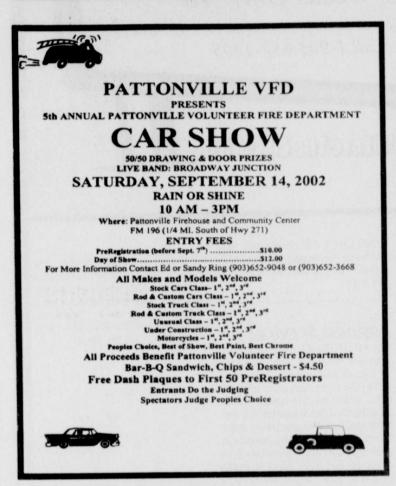
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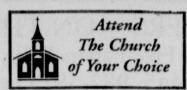
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"The past year has presented many challenges for CHRISTUS St. Joseph's as we have merged two cultures, two medical staffs, Associates and volunteers into one challenges have come many positive opportunities to maintain the quality of healthcare our community has come to expect over the

past 90 years. Effective September 3, all surgery, with the exception of Cesarean sections and gynelogical and breast needle localization surgery, will be consolidated to the South

During their July 31 meeting, Campus. On October 15, North tion of agency nursing should rethe Board of Directors of Campus adult inpatient medical CHRISTUS St. Joseph's Health units will officially close. Pediat- lion. The hospital will maintain System approved a series of ac-rics will relocate to the Women's tions recommended by hospital Center, and to ICU in times of high census. The North Campus ER operations will cease and the services presently offered by the ER will be converted to an urgent "Fast Track" on the 1st Floor of the South Campus will help reduce some strain created by this

Collectively, these changes will centralize all medicine, surgery and intensive care services within one location.

With these modifications in our ity will be preserved to support delivery of service to our patients, our first and foremost goal is quality patient care," said Chief Executive Officer, Monty McLaurin. It is our desire to gain efficiencies by our actions while affecting as few Associates as possible." These changes will require a number of Associates to relocate their normal workstation from the North campus to the South. This move will result in a reduction of approximately 5% of the current hospital workforce. Persons affected by position elimination will be determined according to the hospital reduction in force policy.

McLaurin noted these changes will entail potential operational challenges as they are implemented, particularly in periods of high patient census which occurs annually in the winter, but have been deemed necessary in preserving the viability of this longstanding health ministry. Annual organization," stated Jo Ann savings of \$1.3 million are esti-Parkman, board chair. With these mated from these consolidation efforts. The development of the long term acute care hospital, Dubuis Hospital of Paris, is estimated to result in \$1.6 million annually in cost avoidance to the System. Additionally, departmental reorganizations are projected to create over \$420,000 in savings. Most immediately, the elimina-

sult in annual savings of \$2.1 milappropriate nurse/patient staffing ratios within the limitations of the available number of CSJHS nursing staff. This could, on occasion limit the number of patients which care center. The area created as a will be admitted to the hospital the coming months. Inpatient capacity will be expanded only based on the number of available nursing and support staff employed by the health system.

Collectively these efforts are expected to have a positive bottom line impact of \$5.5 million. In addition to these changes, efforts are being made to reduce resource consumption and length of stay through a variety of performance improvement initiatives which will allow the system to reduce overall costs. CHRISTUS St. Joseph's net operating losses for FY 2002 totaled approx mately \$8.3 million. CSJHS Medical Director

Arthur Tijerina, M.D., stressed, "It is the goal of the Medical Staff to meet the needs of our patients. The rich history of the mission of this System has survived difficult times and will be even better as a result of these challenges which secures our long-term viability.' In addition to savings and revenue enhancements anticipated from undertaking the previously-stated initiatives, CHRISTUS St. Joseph's will be reclassified into the Dallas/Fort Worth MSA for Medicare reimbursement beginning in October of 2003 with an estimated positive fiscal impact of nearly \$7 million per year.

"The Board of Directors of CHRISTUS St. Joseph's fully supports the recommendations of the Executive Staff and recognize the difficult decisions\ that must be made to maintain the viability of an organization which truly cares for the needs of all persons," said Mrs. Parkman.

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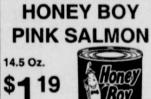
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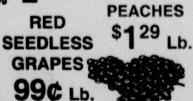
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