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By Nanalee Nichols

We Aim To Please, But We
Need To Know What To Do.

Burl Kincaid of Deport mentioned to us the other day that he had a little trouble reading this column since we put the shaded background to it.

"These old eyes aren't as good as they used to be," he grinned.

That set me to thinking that he probably isn't the only one with that problem...so good-bye to the shading! We're really glad he took the time and trouble to let us know...he wasn't complaining, or being ugly, he just mentioned something we weren't aware of.

Along the line we make a few changes in the style of things...new headings, new type styles, different appearances on various columns.

If anyone has a problem reading them, I do wish they would let us know! Our whole purpose is to keep a certain amount of "update" to the papers, to improve the quality and readability of them. If we create something that actually makes it harder to read then we have messed up!

The same thing goes for anything else in these five publications. What would you like to see? More photos, more features, more upcoming events? Whatever it is we would be very happy to hear from you. We also would like to encourage our readers to help us provide readers with more news by turning news in to us. Company doesn't have to come from out-of-town to be worthy of a mention in the locals. We love to have color or black and white photos of weddings, engagements, anniversaries, graduates...whatever you have. And we don't charge for it, either, not a dime!

Another thing we might mention is that we do have five papers. And we try really hard to make sure that a story or item that should go in all five papers does so. But, occasionally it won't be clearly specified, and we will be unaware of the necessity of going in say, Deport when the people mentioned live in, say, Talco, and we leave it out. If that happens, all you need to do is call and tell us and we will run the article where it belongs.

Sometimes it is clearly specified and we just flat don't get it transferred from one paper to another. Again, just let us know we messed up and we'll try to fix it!

So, thanks again to a loyal reader for pointing something out to us. If you have suggestions or ideas, let us know. You can do so by calling 652-4205 at the head office, or by telling any one of our reporters or editors...Judy Screws at the Bogata office at 632-5322, Liz Irwin, Nancy Brown, Texie Gooch, or Barbara Crawford.

I've said it before and I'll say it again...this is YOUR paper. Talk to us!

People N Things

Don't forget the Pattonville dance at the Community Center/VFD on Friday night. Broadway Junction Band will play. Saturday the dance will be at the Chicota Community Center. All are welcome.

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DEPORT, LAMAR COUNTY, TEXAS

Thursday, February 27, 1997

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New evidence found in Alton Peek murder

The FBI has joined the Red River County Sheriff's Office and Texas Rangers in the investigation of the murder of Alton Peek.

New evidence has surfaced and the FBI will be using their labs for analysis. Mr. Peek was murdered south of Boxelder in Red River County on November 11, 1996. The FBI and Texas Rangers will help the

Sheriff's Office intensify their investigation into the search for Mr. Peek's killer.

Anyone having new information concerning this case should contact the Red River County Sheriff's Department. Anonymous calls may be made to the Red River County Crime Stoppers at 427-TIPS.

Deport Council approves accepts franchise from Friendship Cable

The Deport City Council held a called meeting February 18 to hear from David McDonald of Douglas Cablevision and Rodney Fletcher of Friendship Cablevision. Other visitors were Melba Ladd of Deport Housing Authority and David Falls and Michael Owen of Hayter Engineering.

The motion was passed to accept the franchise from Friendship Cable for 20 years, and the council okayed a partial payment #4 and final to Pioneer Mechanical Contractors on the TDHCA #714239 in the amount of \$24,881.54. They changed Order #1 and Final for this project also.

No action was taken at this time on application for new grant for 1998. The council tabled sewer line and street repair on Evans street at this time.

An election was called for May 3, 1997. The council agreed to purchase office furniture for the conference room and for some gravel for streets and repairs.

They okayed the construction of storage buildings on Church Street by Neil Rozell.

They also discussed the fact that there will be no Chili Cookoff this year but that the annual Community Easter Egg Hunt will be held March 29 at 11 a.m.

Letters



Ball Association to have auction and supper, workday

Dear Deport Times,

Last month I got the chance to visit your town and enjoyed it very much. I found everyone I talked to to be friendly and open.

Deport, Texas is special to me because I have heard about it all of my life. My great-grandfather Pirtle was the postmaster of Deport for two years in the late 1800's. Also the Dennison side of my family lived there.

Both the Pirtles and Dennisons moved to the Ravenna area around 1900 and on to California in 1913.

If there is anyone locally who might know about Deport of 1900 I would like to get in touch with them. If you know of a local historian or club, or if you have information at your disposal about Deport I would be very interested in seeing it.

I got the chance to visit the old cemetery and found many Dennison relatives including Dr. Erwin Dennison who died in 1888 at 37 years old. It felt really good to go back and visit my roots. Your friendly little community made it all the more enjoyable.

If you have any information for me, write me at the address below. I would be glad to pay for any postage, photography expenses, etc. I'll say so long until the next time I get the chance to visit Deport, then maybe I can come in and visit in person.

Michael L. Knight
14671 Cashew St.
Hesperia, CA 92345
619-244-8051

The Deport Baseball Association will hold an Auction and Hamburg Supper on Friday, March 21st starting at 6:00 p.m. at the Deport Elementary / Jr. High Cafeteria.

There will be a wide variety of auction items to bid on and hamburgers with all the trimmings and funds will go to support the ball association.

There will be a work day at the ball field on Saturday, March 22nd for all parents, friends, relatives and coaches. This will begin at 7:00 a.m. and is necessary to get the fields ready for the upcoming season.

Surprise Party to honor Dan Tatum

There will be a surprise 90th birthday party for Dan Tatum on Saturday, March 8 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Pattonville Community Center.

It is for all family and friends who are welcome to come and go or stay for the entire time.

No gifts, except your attendance, please.

If you cannot attend, do send Dan a card, but please don't mention the party...it is a Surprise!

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Prairiland students participate in academic meet at PJC

Several Prairiland High School students participated in the North Lamar Academic Meet at Paris Junior College recently.

Senior students Jasper Clarkson and Michael Richardson won second place medals in debate while the team of Chad Johnston and Jason Bramlett took third.

Chad Johnston received a fourth place ribbon for Persuasive Speaking.

In Number Sense, Jason Bramlett placed fifth and Jasper Clarkson placed sixth in Math.

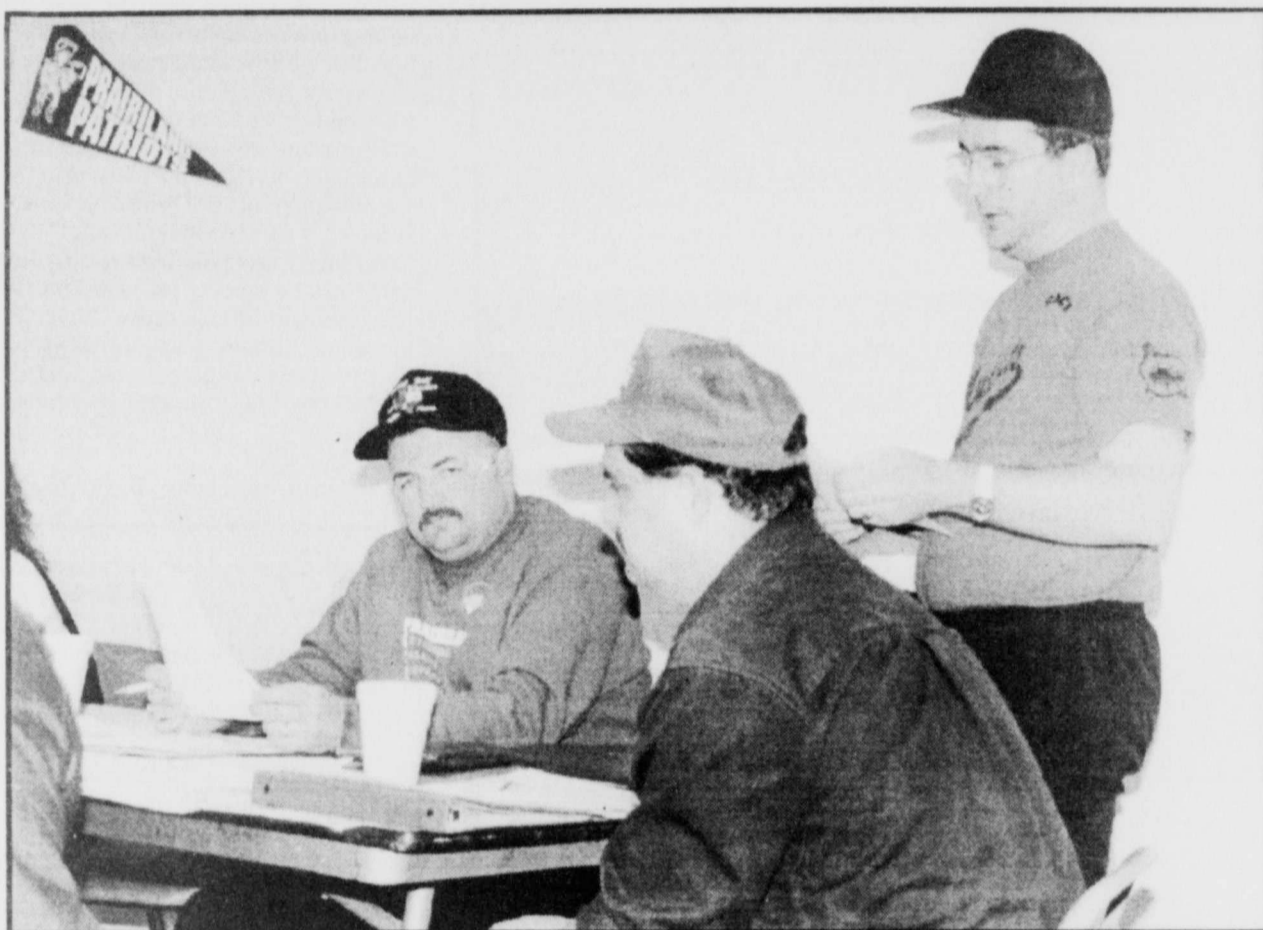
Prairiland compiled the highest number of points of all schools in the district.

Educational instruction to be given

Janie Bonham, Adult Education Instructor at Paris Junior College, encourages anyone interested in GED certificates, reading skills or any other areas of educational instruction to be in the office of the Deport Housing Authority each Monday night at 6

p.m. The office is located at the corner of Third and Beville Streets in Deport.

Instructions are open to anyone interested. For information contact Ms. Bonham at Paris Junior College, 784-9424.



DISCUSSION-the Deport Baseball Association held a chili and stew supper and signup of this year's players was held Saturday night. Afterwards a business meeting was held to elect officers, plan an upcoming auction and supper and hold a work day at the field. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



PRAIRILAND PATRIOT BI-DISTRICT CHAMPS!!! Pictured are left to right are Coach Ronnie Baker, Brandon Maroney, Trey Gifford, Justin Taylor, Jeremy Day, Drew Owens, Ben Miller, Chris Hudson and Coach Charlie Martin. Bottom is David Ford, Jackie Davidson, Cory May, Cary Langston and Todd James.

Capacity crowd cheers on Patriots

By Liz Irwin

On Tuesday night, February 25, 1997, seven young men from Prairiland High School ended their high school basketball career. I have witnessed these boys turn into fine young men, displaying their sportsmanship, respect and a true love for the sport since their "Little Dribbler" days in elementary and Junior High.

Yes, the Prairiland Patriots lost to Troup 51-53 in four quarters of hard-fought basketball. Even though they were down 8-17 at the end of the first quarter, their determination remained intact. These young men and the rest of the team remained undaunted by the score and focused in on their opponents with a firm belief that they could forge ahead and take the win. It was not to be.

By the second quarter's end, Troup still remained ahead 23-27 and the Patriots came within two points at the end of the third quarter, 40-42. As a capacity crowd in the Mineola gym witnessed the 51-53 loss of the Patriots, no one considered them losers. Everyone was proud of the job that these young men had done throughout their career.

Our hats are off to you, Todd, Jeremy, Drew, Cory, Brandon, Cary and Justin, and to you, Coach Baker and Martin for your untiring efforts displayed throughout the year. David, Chris, Jackie and Ben, you have big shoes to fill...but we know you can do it. Good job Patriots, each and every one.



NORTH LAMAR UIL Math and Science participants left-back row is Jasper Clarkson and Nikalus Clarkson. Front row is Josh Smith and Jason Bramlett.



JASPER CLARKSON, DAR Good Citizen is presented a certificate and pin from Mrs. Connie Dodd of the Joseph Ligon Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. A coffee was held in Museum of Dr. and Mrs. Hayden. The Good Citizens from each of the area schools were recognized along with their parents and a guest. Attending with Jasper were his parents, Randy and Lisa Clarkson and Daphnia Downs, Prairiland Counselor.



Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Harris
Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Harris celebrate birthdays

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Harris celebrated their birthdays together on Sunday, February 16 at their home. Mrs. Harris was 85 years old on Sunday and Mr. Harris was 84 years old on February 21. They also celebrated their 65th anniversary in September. Hosting the party were their children, grandchildren and great-grand-

children, Betty and Silas Clement, Mike and Kelly Clement, Kathy and Dava Redus, David, Mary and Brittany Harris, Steven, Jennifer and Hunter Harris, Shane and Melinda Oats, Carolyn, Katelyn and Montana Parson. Also attending were Chad Calvin, Martha Bean and Carly Scott.

THE ADVENTURES OF MUSTANG CREEK FARM

By Leslie Morton Copeland

It was almost lunchtime and Betty Butterfly was still perched on a bright yellow daffodil, fanning her large yellow wings in the garden of Mustang Creek Farm. Betty slept late today because an early morning shower had her fluttering before sunrise, and she had become drenched. Thankfully the sun was out, and her wings would dry quickly... then she would be on her way in search of some sweet nectar. Just the thought of food made Betty rub her tummy. My, she was hungry! Just yesterday, she had stopped by Mrs. Porcine's pen when the piglets were eating and there was not a scrap of food left. Having slept most of the day, Betty was sure to have missed another meal. Just then the entire flower that supported Betty began to shake. "What in the world?" Betty muttered. Half frightened and half shocked Betty called for Pepper the chocolate lab. Pepper was in charge of farm security and was eager to investigate. Pepper and Betty were distracted by Benny Bee who was all abuzz about his missing son, Chancy. Having reported the

incident to Pepper Everyone forgot about the dancing daffodil and began the search for Chancy Bee. As Betty started to fly from the flower, she noticed something strange. Down in the bottom of the flower, she saw Chancy! "Here he is, fellows!" Betty called, and everyone came running. The group gathered around as Chancy told his story of gathering daffodil treats, and then dropping off to sleep. His wings were soaking wet from the dew and he couldn't fly. Benny Bee could not carry his son, so Betty Butterfly had a great idea. She began to dance and bob about fanning her glorious wings in his direction. The entire dance took about five minutes and Chancy was finally dry. Betty had saved Chancy, but was so exhausted she forgot about being hungry and flew back to the garden for a nap. To this day, all the bees and butterflies live in harmony at Mustang Creek Farm, sharing nectar and enjoying the beauty of nature.

Keep reading Mustang Creek Adventures and find out what happens next time when Boo the kitten is missing...

Lisa Spray advances to State

Prairiland Cosmetology student Lisa Spray participated in the Cosmetology Competition in Waco on February 15.

She returned with two first place medals and ribbons. She won first place in Sculpt Nail, consisting of overlay, nail wraps and plain manicure and in Lab Skills demonstration consisting of massage techniques of a pedicure.

She advances to the state level to be held in Ft. Worth on April 16-18.

Cunningham News

By Carol Jean Williams & Lou Hatfield 652-6792

Tuesday night Clyde and Bobbye Slusher, Charles and Jackie Taylor and Bobby Hall went to Burger King to eat, then to Charles and Jackie's house to play 42. They plan to get together once each month.

Elmer Daniel visited Cunningham, talking with Clyde Slusher and Lou Hatfield. His plans were to then visit Cunningham and Halesboro cemeteries.

Billy Ray, Neva Jean Oats, Brandon and Georgeanna had lunch with Billy Joe and Georgia Oats Sunday.

Anaya Phillips ate supper with Bush and JoDell Cooper Sunday night.

Velma Cox ate lunch at the 909 Diner in Bogata Saturday then visited Joyce and Weldon Smith.

Monday Ollie Ruth, Carl Bufford and June Guthrie of Talco visited Norman and Rachel Sain. Tuesday morning Dorothy Green, Francis Thomas and Deloris Potter of Johntown visited Norman and Rachel. Sunday afternoon Virginia Bell visited them.

Courtney Currin of Powderly spent the day Saturday with John and Claudia Whitney.

Friday night Marie Watson, Brenda, Jarvis and Renea Watson and Dillon Gibson attended a gospel singing concert in Texarkana. They

spent the night and returned Saturday.

Marie Watson's guests for dinner Sunday were Brenda, Brad, Bradley, Bret and Bruce Watson, Vickie Davis, Dena Legate, Brooklyn Legate and Dillon Gibson. Jarvis and Renea Watson arrived for supper along with others of the previous group.

Melba Baker's visitors Sunday were Davy Jo Williams and Virgil Rogers.

Granddaughter of Lorette Pynes, Regina Newman and Drance Malcolm of Dallas and Blake Newman of Blossom visited Lorette Sunday. They had a birthday party for Blake and visited again on Sunday for lunch. Johnny and Fran Patterson and girls had lunch with Pete and L'Wanda McKnight Sunday.

Recently Darrell and Ida Mae Norwood took Almer and Alma Norwood to Arkansas to visit John and Corene Wester. They came back through Texarkana and visited Virginia Norwood.

Vester Crutchfield, his son from Paris and the son's father-in-law from Iowa visited in Musgrove store Monday.

Johnathan Arnold and Charles Dee Wiloliams spent the weekend with Charles and Jean Williams.

St. Joseph's, physicians to build ambulatory surgery center

Construction of a new \$5.2 million ambulatory surgery center, primarily designed for day surgery patients and those having minor invasive tests traditionally done in the hospital, is expected to begin this summer.

The joint venture involving St. Joseph's Hospital and Health Center and area physicians, will be constructed immediately east of the hospital. The hospital has recently purchased the offices of Dr. James Brunette, with that building removed to help accommodate the 26,000 square foot surgery center. Dr. Brunette has since relocated his practice of orthodontics at 707 Lamar Avenue, Suite

G. The facility, which will carry the name Red River Valley Surgery Center, will be governed by a board composed of hospital representatives as well as by physician stockholders. An interim operating committee is currently overseeing construction and startup plans.

The center will provide easy access for patients, featuring a one-story design with convenient parking. Day surgery facilities currently located on the fourth floor of the hospital and will move to the new location as will endoscopy.

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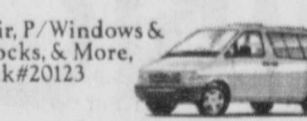
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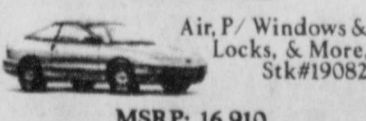
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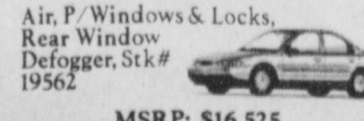
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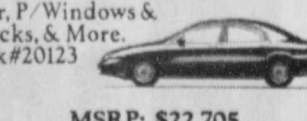
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Ode to a Chicken. . . . or Which Came First?

By Liz Irwin

Which came first? The chicken or the egg? The age-old question has been asked many, many times and still has modern man contemplating.

Where is she going with this story you ask? Well, Saturday evening as I watched my daughter Cari, "bathing" her chickens. . . yes that's right. . . "bathing" her chickens in preparation for them to be taken to the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo and be judged in competition with over 2000 other chickens from the great state of Texas, I asked myself this question.

You see, Saturday evening culminated about six-weeks of "working" her chickens and getting them ready for this particular show. I know, you are asking yourself, "Working her chickens!" You know that you can work with other show animals. Like walking a pig or steer or lamb. Even goats get more respect in the show ring than chickens nowadays.

What exactly do you do when you "work" a chicken. My thoughts exactly. But, I found out several years ago and consider myself "in the know" as it were.

My two oldest daughters had Houston broilers also. More for the fact "to get out of school for three days and have the opportunity to go to the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo and maybe get the chance to see George Straight" type of thing than anything else.

When you work with a chicken, you keep a light on them at all times so that they will eat more and therefore get bigger and hopefully yours will be the one the judge chooses and you get \$20,000 for a pen of three birds. I know of two youths in the Deport area that set an alarm to get up every hour on the

hour(24 hours) so that they could go out, stir up the chickens and keep them moving so that they would eat more.

There are a lot of tricks and different ways used to make the chickens eat more. We even had to cook for them. That's right. In the house, in the kitchen, using my pots and pans. We cooked for chickens!! Loll out Cook's Corner-I'm looking for chicken feed recipes! There again, are a variety of items that can be used. Not human stuff of course. Stuff like, corn gluten, corn chops. . . you know. . . chicken stuff! Even dog food! Dog food! That's right. . . dog food! It is high in protein and a lot of other nutrients that can be healthy for chickens. . . yea! Right!

Anyway, On with the story. The kids leave town anywhere from 8:00 to 12:00. . . p.m., that is. Each member of the group is supposed to bring one suitcase with all your essentials to last four days. Yea! Right! That probably only applied to the boys! Cari Beth left the house with one suitcase alright! One suitcase, a hanging bag, one carry-on, one bag with boots and shoes, one bag with hair dryer, hot rollers and other assorted beauty aids. . . not to mention a cooler full of coles and two bags of "munchies"! GO RIDER! Multiply this by several girls and you have a "mess of stuff"!

They travel at night because it is cooler for the broilers. After all, you have 20 boxes of these cute little critters, stacked three to a box and they do need their air! I believe they went by U-HAUL!

They arrive in Houston after driving for over seven hours and listening to all of the other members of the entourage sing(each one

thinking that they could audition for George Strait and that it was their neighbor that was off-key!) In the wee hours of the morning, tired, dirty and smelling of rather damp chicken feathers. Some sleep and some don't. When check-in time finally arrives in the early morning hours, everyone helps everyone else hold their broilers for the first "sifting". Remember, hold them by their feet, with their heads hanging down. (What do you think these poor birds are thinking, while the blood rushes to their heads. "Hey buddy, eat more beef"!)

A "sifting" is where they cull any inferior broilers and then these broilers selected get the opportunity to go through another "sift" the next day. Same routine, just a smaller amount of time you have to wait in line. Remember we are talking over 200 birds these judges have to feel and inspect. They are checked for weight, breast size, bruises and any out of the ordinary thing imaginable. Remember, there is big money at stake.

You then have the opportunity to make it to your hotel room you will share with four other members of your ag or 4-H club and crash. Smelling of shavings, chicken poop, that coke someone spilled on you or that hot dog you grabbed during a short break. Then if you make it through the second "sift" and into the top twenty, you are in the big money! Ain't it great!

Just imagine standing in line with over 2,000 broilers and several hundred kids waiting for the chance to have the opportunity to go into the ring at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo! Look out George. . . here we come!



Prairiland C.I.S.D. All Campus School Lunch Menu March 3-7

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Lunch
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 Pickles
 Peach cobbler
 Baked beans
 Milk
- Tuesday**
Breakfast:
 Fruit muffins, cereal
 Juice, milk
Lunch:
 Nachos with ground beef
 Refried beans
 Rice
 Apples
 Milk
- Wednesday**
Breakfast:
 Pancakes w/syrup, sausage
 Juice, milk
Lunch:
 Pizza with cheese topping
 Salad
 Spice cake
 Milk
- Thursday**
Breakfast:
 Sausage pattie, brown gravy, biscuits
 Juice, milk
Lunch:
 Chicken bites
 Corn
 Baked potato
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Friday 42 Club meets
 The Friday 42 Club met February 21 with Alma Scaff.
 Four visitors were present, Reba Temple, Thelma Warren, Eunice Ervin and Irene Walker.
 Myrtle Singleton made high score for members and Reba Temple was high score for guests.
 A refreshment plate was served.
 The next meeting will be March 4 with Mae Storm as hostess.

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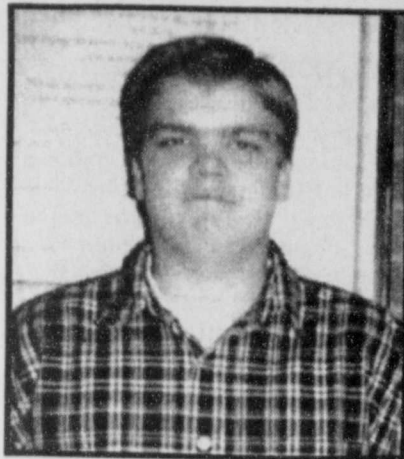
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CHRIS HUDSON of Prairiland was one of five Lamar County High School students who joined 72 other Northeast Texas participants this weekend in Rotary International Ryla Program at George W. Pirtle Scout reservation south of Carthage. Participants were challenged to an obstacle course and project goals included leadership, problem solving, communication, trust, self-esteem, decision making and teamwork.



(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)
LESLIE TAYLOR high-fives Patriot fans, friends and family in last week's victory over Waskom 61-58, for the Patriots first bi-district win since 1990.

Everybody sets out to do something, and everybody does something, but no one does what he sets out to do.
—George Moore

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Deport Nursing Home News

By JaLynda Mitchell

We started out our week with Bible Study which turned out interesting. Everyone shared different scriptures to keep our minds going. We had our Resident Council meeting where residents voice their opinion on what they like and dislike.

Wednesday we played Bulls Eye. Jewel Smith won 1st, Terry McDowra 2nd, Jane Rhoades 3rd. Later we played Bag A Bucket with Frankie Archibald winning 1st, Jewel Smith & Floy Sparks tying for 2nd, Terry McDowra winning 3rd.

Thursday we enjoyed a friendly game of Ring toss with Terry McDowra placing 1st, Jewel Smith 2nd, Frankie Archibald 3rd. Faith Baptist Church hosted our monthly birthday party with luscious cakes and punch. Dewey Ward conducted the dedication and program with Sharon Sullivan helping with the singing.

Friday Sam Campbell taught our Bible Study Class. His grandson John came along and brightened several days. We had popcorn and watched a gospel music Television video tape that afternoon.

Sunday Sam Campbell prepared the message for Sunday Service while Rab, Tim, Tina, Ryan and Aron Skidmore provided music and songs.

Monday we played dominoes and bingo. The Ladies Auxiliary Post 3990 of Reno provided the gifts and helped. Natalie Ray and Glenda Owens. Other volunteers were Sarah Mazy, Bocky Norman, Nanie Ham, Nell Wolf and Billie Mazy.

The Blossom Church of God came that evening and sang for several residents.

Betty Bolton and Jerry Moore visited E.T. Moore.

Dennis Zak visited Peter Zak.

Visitors of Patsy and Gary Curtis, Rodger and Lyne, and Tammy Aubrey.

Mamie Fletcher's visitors were Lila, Bren, Kara and Hali Screws and Becky Proctor.

Visiting Lena Powell were Sue and Corbin Hart, Darla Scott and Janie Martin.

Patsy Ward visited Edith Franklin. Don O'Dea was visited by Fred and Barbara Biggerstaff and Cecil Allen.

Visitors of Brodie Bell were Tim, Tina, Ryan and Aron Skidmore, Reecie Kelsey, Martha Glover and Sam Campbell.

Terry McDowra was visited by Cherry Walker and Cecil and Margaret Allen.

Visiting Linnie Bailey were Alice Bumgarner, Ruby Blevins, Bobbye Bailey, Pat and Debra Bailey and Mike Bailey.

Johnnie McLemore's visitors were Mack and Janice McLemore, Harrell McLemore and Nanie Bell Ham.

Russell Grant was visited by Alice Bumgarner and Nancy Murphy.

Larry and Jackie Wilson visited James and Sarah Wilson.

Pam Humphrey visited Genevieve Humphrey and Marietta Parsons.

Visitors of Milow Hume were Erbert Hume, Lleen George, Wanda Whitaker, Lindsey and Ina Ward, Paul and Weldon Hume and Weldon and Joyce Smith.

Henry Jacks was visited by W.A. and Mary Ellen Jacks.

Earlene Barnett was visited by Earl Barnett.

Visitors of Johnnie Warren were Wanda Sue Whitaker, Lleen George, Joyce Wilson, Dorothy Holt, Lucy Fowler, Lila Screws, Becky Proctor, Venice Bryson, Hettie Thomas, Nanie Bell Ham, Evelyn Roach, Weldon and Joyce Smith, Alice Bumgarner, Nancy Murphy, Ruby Blevins and Patsy Ward.

Nanie Bell Ham, Nell and George Wolf, Bocky Norman and Sherri Wolf

visited Betty Middleton.

David Geer was visited by Cecil and Margaret Allen, and William Geer.

Visitors of Dean Boulware were Juanita Boulware, Broden and Ann Howard and Kathy Ramsey.

Nina Hale and Clarence Ham's visitors were Nanie Bell Ham, Nell Shull, Wanda Bradley.

Cecil and Margaret Allen visited Ivaleta Edwards, Marshall Dunigan, Gilbert Marshall and Athel Hester.

Patti Amis visited her mother Jane Rhoades.

Visiting Sara Gilmer were Weldon and Joyce Smith and Dewey and Marline Thomas.

Visitors of Terry Johnson were Cecil and Margaret Allen, Dorothy Holt and Joyce Wilson.

Bonnie Johnson was visited by jim and Sharon Johnson and Modene Lentz.

Mary Sawyer visited Billie Sawyer.

Fay Woodard was visited by Alice Bumgarner and Jessie Marie Woodard.

Gene Hulsey visited Lora Hulsey. Visiting Floy Sparks were Ina and Nina Sparks, Peggy Parsons, Cecil and Margaret Allen, Boots Ship and Elois Sparks.

Betty Gardner's sister Pat Talley visited her.

George Powell's visitors were Sue and Corbin Hart, Darla Scott and Janie Martin.

Visitors of Jewel Smith were Larry and Shirley Haskell, Askmo and Annie Smith, Larry Smith, Perry Filkins Jr., Darrell Smith, Donald Ray and Dynetta Smith and Heather Filkins.

Jo Wrenn was visited by Pam Campbell, Dorothy Holt, Joyce Wilson and Reba Muncel.

Grace Griffin was visited by her niece Wynell Gilbreath.



MANDY BABB Babb named to Dean's List

Mandy Babb of Blossom has been notified that she has earned a place on the Austin College Dean's List for Fall of 1996.

According to Dacid Jordan, Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Dean's List recognizes the top twenty percent of those Autin College students who have completed a minimum of three full-credit courses on the 4.0 grading system. Mandy completed the semester with a 3.9 grade point average.

Academic achievement is the primary mission of Austin College and the Dean's List is one appropriate way in which they seek to acknowledge the students on their superior educational accomplishments.

Mandy is the daughter of Bill and Gayla Babb of Blossom.

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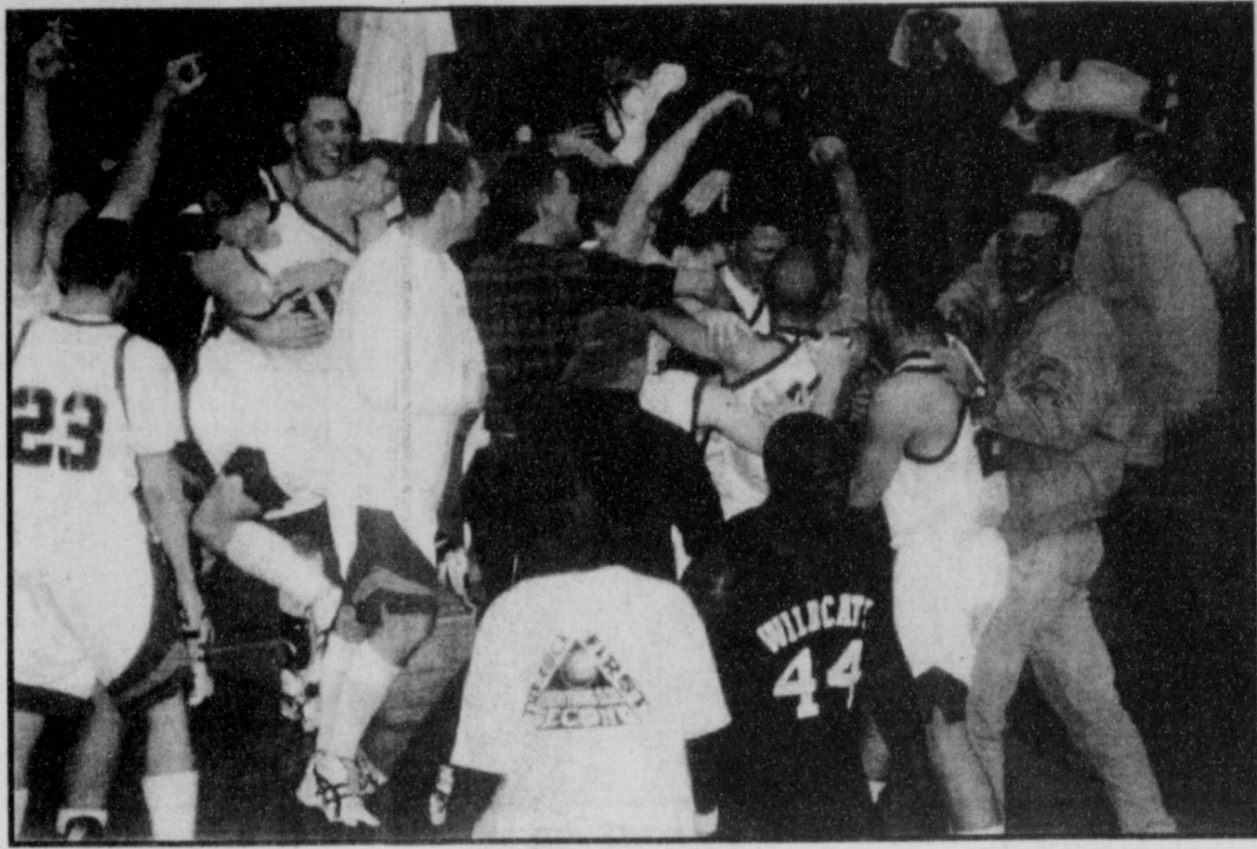
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(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)
 Patriots celebrate in Gilmer last Friday night as they take their first bi-district win since 1990. Charlie Martin and his Patriots defeated Waskom 61-58 in a heart-stopping game.

Patriots take Bi-district title from Waskom 61-58

With three-fourths of the packed Gilmer gym containing Patriot fans, they celebrated with gusto as the Pats took their first Class 2A bi-district Region III title in years. Fans came from near and far to urge their Patriots to take this win. Waskom led at the end of the first quarter 13-15 with the Pats fast on their tails showing their rebounding skills and hitting ability when it was needed. Second quarter action saw senior Jeremy Day go into halftime with 15 of the Pats 30 points and several rebounds to his credit. In the third quarter the Pats outscored Waskom 8-15 at the net. With a 13 point lead going into

the fourth quarter, the crowd breathed a sigh of relief but came to their feet again as Waskom began hitting from long range to come within 6 with 2 minutes left in the game. Key foul shots from senior Todd James with 20 seconds left in the game put the pressure on the Patriots. James missed the first of a one and one shot but regained the rebound and added another Waskom foul for two more free tries. This secured the victory for the Pats 61-58. Team members are seniors James and Day, Cory May, Justin Taylor, Cary Langston, Drew Owen and Brandon Maroney. David Ford, Chris Hudson, Ben Miller and Jackie Davidson are juniors with freshman

Trey Gifford. Managers are Lisa Corso and Bren Screws. Head Coach is Charlie Martin and assistant is Ronnie Baker. Regardless of how the rest of the season turns out, this Patriot team has brought the tradition of basketball back to the fans of Prairiland and we love them for that!

Patriots	61
Waskom	58

Jeremy Day	24
Todd James	15
Cory May	6
Cary Langston	5
David Ford	5
Brandon Maroney	4



1996-97 Prairiland Baseball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
February 21	at North Lamar	5:00
February 27-March 1	Redwater Tourney	TBA
March 4	at Detroit	4:00
March 5-8	North Lamar Tourney	TBA
March 18	*Alba Golden	4:00
March 22	*at Lone Oak	TBA
March 25	*Rivercrest	4:00
March 27	*at Honey Grove	4:00
April 1	*Cooper	4:00
April 4	*Chisum	4:00
April 8	*at Como-Picton	4:30
April 11	*at Alba-Golden	4:30
April 15	*Lone Oak	4:30
April 22	*Honey Grove	4:30
April 26	Leonard at PJC	2:00
April 29	*at Cooper	4:30
May 2	*at Chisum	4:30
May 6	*Como-Picton	4:30

JUNIOR VARSITY

February 20	at Mt Vernon	4:30
February 24	at North Lamar	5:00
March 3	at Como-Pickton	4:00
March 20	at Paris JV-2/5 innings	4:00
March 27	Paris JV-2/5 innings	4:00
March 31	Mt. Vernon	4:30
April 15	Mt. Vernon	11:00
April 7	at North Lamar	5:00
April 12	North Lamar-2/5 innings	11:00

Head Coach-Murray Riddles
 J.V. Coach-Rick Connot
 Athletic Director-Bill Scudder

Superintendent-L.C. Stout
 Principal-Gary Ballard

Pre-season tournament for Dixie Youth teams
 A pre-season tournament for any regular season, Dixie Youth team 12 and under will be held at Woodall Field in Paris on April 11 and 12. There will be a three game guarantee at a cost of \$45 per team. First, second and third place awards will be given. No All Star teams or Select teams are to play. Enrollment is to be limited to the first 24 teams to apply. For more information, call (903) 982-5999 or (903)784-5289.

Continuing education courses set at PJC
 The Continuing Education Department at Paris Junior College will offer computer classes, sessions for health care providers, child care workers, drivers, fishermen, counselors and others during the month of March. Computer classes will include

Microsoft PowerPoint 1 class, Introduction to Windows, and Microsoft Word for Windows. Defensive Driving will be offered on March 1. Driver's Education will be held March 3 through April 3.

Red River County Roots

I am researching a list of surnames: Morgan, Harp, Burris, Malloy, Griffin, Craddock, Chappell, Whitney, Tudor, LGrady, Morton, Gambill, Keyes, Cato, Brown, Rakes, Condon, Derrick, Hoover, Kelly, Sinclair and others. My address is: Lisa Kay Willard, 2440 Cottonwood, Anchorage, AK. 99508. E Mail Address is: lisakay@Alaska.net. To have a query placed in this column, please write to: Red River Co. Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 516, Clarksville, TX 75426.

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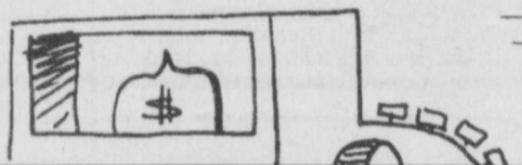


PATRIOT Justin Taylor blocks the shot of a Waskom player in last Friday night's win in Bi-District competition 61-58. Also in the picture are Patriots Jeremy Day and Cory May. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

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BUSINESSES MUST FILE PROPERTY TAX RENDITIONS

State Comptroller John Sharp has reminded Texas businesses they must render their property with the county appraisal district by April 14, 1997. To render is to list the taxable property that businesses owned or managed as of January 1, 1997.

While state law requires business owners and operators to render, any property owner—including homeowners, farmers and ranchers—may render their property with county appraisal districts.

Sharp also announced that property owners who render are in a better position to exercise their rights as taxpayers. They are ensuring that the appraisal district has their correct address so that they will receive notices of any actions that affect their property or tax bills.

If the collector cannot deliver a tax bill because of an incorrect or old address, the property owners are responsible for paying the taxes, plus late payment penalties.

State law requires anyone who owns or manages income-producing personal property on January 1 to render with the local appraisal district.

"For example, businesses must report their inventories, furniture and fixtures, machinery and equipment and other tangible personal property by filing this annual report."

"Appraisal districts use the reports to set business property values. When a business owner doesn't render his or her property, the Chief Appraiser estimates the value."

Property owners who had property damaged by a storm, flood or fire last year may file a special decreased value report that could lower their final tax bills.

Property owners may ask the Chief Appraiser for additional time—through April 30—if the owner can show good cause.

On the renditions, property owners can record opinions of their property's value. By stating their opinions, property owners make sure that the appraisal district sends them a notice before placing a higher value on their property. This notice allows property owners the time to gather information to protect the appraisal if they believe the appraisal district's value is too high.

If more than one appraisal district appraises a property, the property owner should render in each appraisal district office. Taxpayers may contact the county appraisal district office for the rendition forms, or they may call the Comptroller's property tax hotline 1-800-252-9121.

Prairiland High School Calendar of Events

Week of March 3, 1997

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

3 FFA Meeting
District Softball at Rivercrest, Varsity, 4:30
Cheerleading Practice after school
Golf, Tournament at Dodd City, Boys
4 Golf, Girls, Tourney at Dodd City
Varsity BB at Detroit
Cheerleading Practice
5 Career Day, 8-11:20
Cheerleading Try outs, 4 p.m.
6 North Lamar, V Baseball Tournament
JV BB Mt. Vernon, 4 p.m.
7 North Lamar V Baseball Tournament
8 North Lamar V Baseball Tournament
Driver's Ed

No one can be original by trying.
—W. Somerset Maugham

1996-97 Prairiland Baseball Schedule

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March 4	North Lamar Tourney	TBA
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April 26	*at Cooper	4:30
April 29	*at Chisum	4:30
May 2	*Como-Picton	4:30
May 6		

TxDOT seeks scholarship applicants

The Texas Department of Transportation is accepting applications for its Conditional Grant Program for students who are interested in a future career with the department.

The program, which is open to minority and female students, pays for tuition and fees, and includes a stipend for students who participate. Applicants are available at area high schools and local Department of Transportation offices in Cooper, Bonham, Mt. Vernon, Sherman, Sulphur Springs, Greenville, Paris, Emory and Clarksville. The grant amount varies each semester, with a maximum amount of \$2,500 per semester or \$5,000 a year. The deadline for applications is Saturday, March 1 and must be mailed to Texas Department of Transportation, 125 E. 11th, Austin, TX 78701.

The program is open to any graduating high school student who:
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*is an ethnic minority or a female;
*has an overall minimum grade point average of 3.00 or a minimum SAT score of 850 or an ACT score of 21;
*will attend an accredited four-year Texas public college or university; and;
*will pursue an undergraduate degree in Civil Engineering, Computer Science, Communications/Journalism or Accounting.

College or university students are also eligible for the program, provided they meet the above requirements and:
*have a minimum grade point average of 2.50;
*maintain a minimum of 12 hours a semester; and;
*are not in a repayment status to the Department for a previously awarded Conditional Grant.

For information, call 903-737-9362.

Prairiland J.S.D. Calendar of Events

March, 1997

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1 Softball at Prairiland 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.
Baseball team in Redwater tournament
3 Public School Week
FFA Meeting
Golf Teams in Dodd City Tournament
Softball team at Rivercrest 4:30 p.m.
Baseball JV at Como-Picton 4:30 p.m.
Cheerleader practice
4 Deport Spring Pictures
Golf teams in Dodd City Tournament
Softball NL JV at Prairiland 4:30 p.m.
Baseball team at Detroit 4 p.m.
Cheerleader practice
5 Career Day at Prairiland 8-11:30 a.m.
Cheerleader try outs
6 Literary UIL Events at Chisum for Deport and Blossom
Baseball team in North Lamar Tournament
Baseball JV team plays Mt. Vernon t 4 p.m.
7 Literary Events continue
Baseball team in North Lamar Tournament
10 Spring Break
17 Deport Book Fair goes on all week
Golf Tournament for ladies golf team
Softball team plays Sulphur Bluff at Prairiland 4:30 p.m.
School board meeting 7:30 p.m.
18 Baseball team plays Alba-Golden at Prairiland 4 p.m.
Golf tournament for mens golf team
19 Boys tennis match Culbertson Park in Paris
20 Baseball JV team plays at Paris 4 p.m.
21 High School UIL Literary events Paris Junior Collee
Junior High Track Meet at Mt. Vernon
22 Baseball team plays at Lone Oak
24 Golf tournament for teams
Softball team plays Rivercrest at Prairiland 4:30
One Act Play practice
Music Talent Show
25 Baseball team plays Rivercrest at Prairiland 4 p.m.
One Act Play practice
26 Girls tennis match Culbertson Park in Paris
27 Softball team plays at Saltito 4:30 p.m.
Baseball team plays at Honey Grove 4 p.m.
Baseball JV team plays Paris at Prairiland 4 p.m.
Blossom School Group Pictures
28 Good Friday Holiday
Blossom girls Junior High Track Meet North Lamar
30 Easter Sunday
31 Ladies District Golf Meet at Clarksville
Baseball JV team plays at Mt. Vernon 4:30 p.m.

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Who must file a rendition?

You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income—such as the inventory and equipment used by a business.

Are there any advantages to you?

The advantages of filing a rendition are:

☛ You give your opinion of your property's value. If the appraisal district believes the value is higher, it must notify you in writing of the higher value and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.

☛ You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.

☛ You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 1996. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 1997.

What's the deadline?

The last day for filing 1997 renditions is Monday, April 14. Call your appraisal district for the last date the rendition may be postmarked, if mailing. You can get an extra 15 days if you ask for it in writing by the April 14 deadline.

Where do you file?

File renditions with your local appraisal district at:
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Vegetable and fruit seminar scheduled for March 4th

Area gardeners are invited to attend a vegetable and fruit production program to be held Tuesday, March 4 at the Red River County Courthouse in Clarksville. Marty Baker, Texas A & M Associate Professor and Extension Horticulturist will present a program on the production of many of the common vegetables and fruits grown in the area.

The program will begin at 6:30 PM in the District Courtroom. All area gardeners are invited to attend the free program. Tow hours of recertification credit for private pesticide license holders will be available to participants.

For more information, contact the Extension office at 903/427-3867.

Do you feed a cold and starve a fever

Feed a cold, starve a fever. Or is it starve a cold, feed a fever??

The "old wives" might argue about when to feed, but they definitely agree on what to feed. Chicken soup - whether from the Campbell's can, the Lipton packet or Grandma's old country recipe - has been the home remedy of choice among ailing bodies around the globe for thousands of years. In the United States, most store bought chicken soup-about 60 percent - is purchased during the height of flu season. Even the ancient Egyptians used the golden liquid as a curative, says Michael Gold, M.D. a general internist at The Methodist Hospital, adding that his grandmother swore by it.

What is it about the salty broth - served piping hot with rice, matzo balls or noodles of every description - that makes it such a reliable healer of minor ills? Although he acknowledges certain other benefits (not the least of which is comforting familiarity), Gold thinks that hydration is the most important factor.

Staying well hydrated is important when we're sick and, especially feverish. Chicken soup not only offers the fluids ailing, achy bodies crave, but also provides a good amount of sodium to help us retain those all important fluids.

In addition, the chicken has protein, something every body needs to stay healthy, but very little fat. "Sick people have trouble digesting fat,"

says Gold. "Chicken soup, with the fat skimmed off, is easily digestible."

The protein in the soothing soup includes amino acids, which help our bodies repair tissues and synthesize enzymes, and hemoglobin - the major iron in meat - which aids in the transfer of oxygen throughout the body. Furthermore, the hot liquid, sipped directly from a cup or bowl (forget the spoon), has the ability to clear clogged sinuses, if only for a half hour or so.

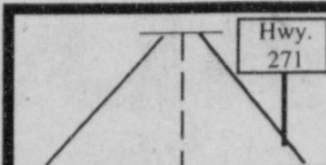
But beyond providing lots of emotional comfort along with some relief from a few physical symptoms, chicken soup's curative effects are probably all in the mind. "It has no antibiotic value," Gold confirms.

In fact, its main advantage may be that it makes us feel a little better when we're laid up and relegated to watching syndicated talk shows, too weak and dispirited even to pick up the remote control. In addition to providing the physical comforts borne of adequate hydration, iron and amino acids, chicken soup - mild, familiar and unthreatening (unlike daytime talk shows) provides, above all, food for the soul.

Even Gold, who questions the medicinal value of the nurturing liquid, inevitably turns to his grandmother's old standby when he's under the weather. "I drink it all the time when I'm sick," he admits. "I put garlic and Tabasco in it."

PATTONVILLE NEWS

By Rita Cox 784-0283 or 652-4205



Mark and Tonya Parsons, Haley and Ty of Rowlett visited Keith and Peggy Parsons on Thursday night. Haley and Ty remained through the weekend while their parents were in Albuquerque, NM. Randy and Kristi Boren, Drew and Leah, Carolyn Corso, Brent and Nathan Burden were visitors also.

Peggy Parsons attended a luncheon and meeting at PJC on Monday for the Paris-Lamar Retired Teachers Association on Monday.

Ruby Blevins and Linnie Bailey were dinner guests of Alice Bumgarner Saturday. On Tuesday Mickey Keener of Longview visited Bill and Ruby Blevins.

Visitors of James and Vivian Day were Jimmy Day of Sulphur Springs, Glen and Carolyn George and Brad and Velma Burnsed and kids.

Faye Cox' visitors Sunday were Sheila, Stanley, Stan and Timothy

Cox, Randall and Rita Cox, Paulette Smith, Angi Pyro of Powderly and Gerald Cox.

Earline Wilson's visitors this week were Henrietta Watts, Dorothy and James Cunningham, S.C. Short, Martha Porterfield and Betty, Jimmy, and Summer Slayden, Chase Blount and Alice Evans of Pattonville and Patsy Moore of Sulphur Springs.

Buster and Louise Crossland visited Mr. and Mrs. John Clever Sunday. Friday night Buster and Louise visited his sister, Ruby Ray at Blossom.

Keith and Amy, Brock and Justin McDowra, Gerald Hood had dinner with Barbara McDowra Friday night.

Don't forget, Friday night, February 28 the Pattonville dance is at the community center and VFD. Saturday night at the Chicota Community Center. Broadway Junction Band will play. All are welcome.

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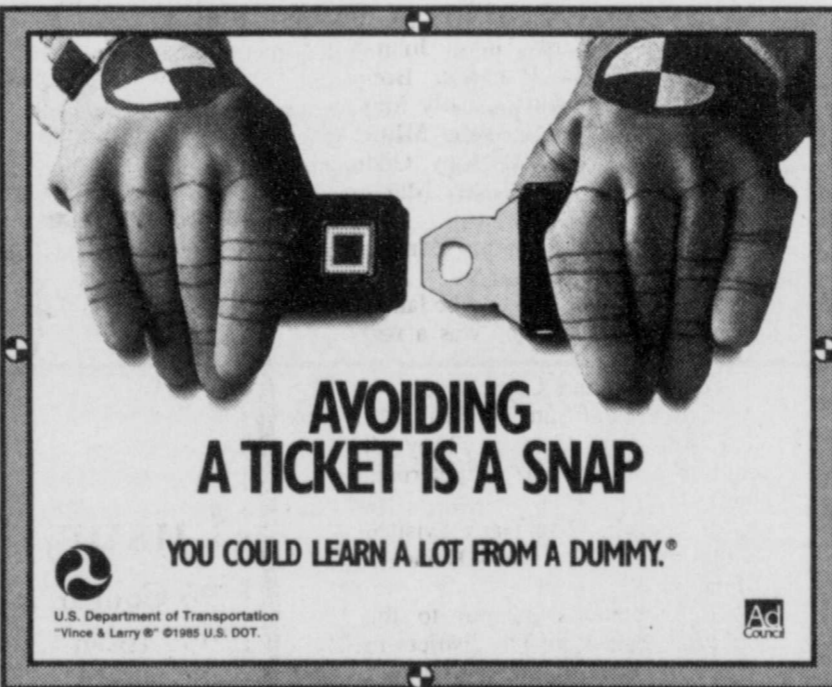
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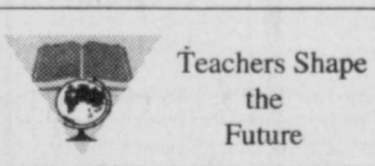


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spotlight on health

Encouraging Progress Against Parkinson's Disease

Here's good news for a change: People with Parkinson's disease—a disorder of the nervous system that leads to loss of muscular control—have a better chance of living longer and better, thanks to progress in medical research. Some of the latest developments:

- Scientists can now measure the extent of nerve damage to the dopamine-producing neurons in the brain through a process called PET scan.
A new medication called Eldepryl appears to slow the progression of the illness in the early stages.
Scientists are working to develop improved methods of diagnosis. If diagnosed early, treatment for the disease could begin much earlier and could be much more successful.

Scientists are working on different methods of delivering anti-Parkinson medication—infusion pumps, transdermal skin patches and slow-release forms of Sinemet, which contains levodopa. For more information about PD, write: Parkinson's Disease Foundation at Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center, 650 West 168th St., New York, NY 10032 or call 1-800-457-6676. In New York, call (212) 923-4700.

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Web Tracks By Dave Seber

For those who want to know more about the internet but don't know where to start!

The European Laboratory of Particle Physics (CERN) located near Geneva, Switzerland was the birthplace of the World Wide Web (WWW). The WWW began as a proposed network project if March of 1989. Some months after CERN's proposal, the National Center of Supercomputing Applications (NCSA) began a project to create a versatile, multi-platform interface to the Internet and called it "Mosaic".

The official description of WWW is a "wide area hypermedia information retrieval initiative aiming to give universal access to a large universe of documents." "Web" refers to that body of information, an abstract space of knowledge. The web is actually a sub-set of the Internet. "Internet" refers to the physical side of the network, a giant global mass of cables and computers.

The language the Web clients and servers use to communicate is called Hypertext Transmission Protocol (HTTP). This is a set of rules that govern the transfer of most documents traveling over the Web and is the beginning of addresses on the World Wide Web. For example, the address for this newspaper is http://www.1starnet.com/tpp/

The standard language the Web uses for creating and recognizing hypermedia documents is Hypertext Markup Language (HTML). HTML uses Uniform Resource Locators (URLs) to represent hypermedia links and network services within documents. You can represent almost any file or service on the Internet with a URL.

The Web is one of the fastest growing regions in the Internet because it has revolutionized the way we publish and retrieve information. Never before have we been able to combine into one document all different types of electronic data—still images, film and video clips, sound clips, animation and text—and have it easily accessible to users worldwide. In 1997, 75 million people worldwide will have access to the Internet and more than 50 million now send and receive electronic mail over the net. An estimated 6 billion email messages were sent in 1996. The Internet has grown as much as 50% a month and over 100 million internet servers will exist by the year 2000. (to be continued)

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LEGAL MATTERS

BY ATTORNEY GENERAL DAN MORALES



LAW ENFORCEMENT HELPING CRIME VICTIMS

CRIME VICTIM rights laws have helped both the public and law enforcement. Recently, my office heard from Officer Jim Gillis of the Lockhart Police Department, who wrote, "Before the passage of crime victim rights laws, police officers were often frustrated. We didn't have the time or resources to help crime victims." Officer Gillis, like many law enforcement officials,

feels that he can now more effectively serve the public.

That's a step in the right direction, and we at the Office of the Attorney General, in concert with Texas law enforcement agencies, will continue to do all we can to help innocent victims through the difficult aftermath of a crime.

Article 56.04

Since 1989, every law enforcement agency in the state has been required to provide crime victim assistance under Article 56.04 of the Code of Criminal Procedure. It is a service appreciated by victims and others in the criminal justice profession.

Police officers and sheriff's deputies now give information to victims at the scene of the crime. The law makes law enforcement officials as sensitive to the rights of the victim as they are to those of the defendant.

In addition, every law enforcement agency in the state is also required to have a Crime Victim Liaison to ensure that victims are afforded their rights when their cases are in the investigative stage.

The CVC Fund

One important resource offered is the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund, which is administered by my office. Eligible victims and their families can get help with medical expenses such as hospital and counseling bills, lost wages, or funeral and burial costs. To fund the program, court clerks in every county collect fees from criminal offenders. Additional funds come from prisoners' probation charges, voluntary donations, court-ordered payments for losses and matching federal funds.

One misconception is that an offender needs to be arrested, tried and convicted for the victim to be eligible for compensation. That is not true. To determine whether a crime victim is eligible for benefits, my staff needs just a police report showing that the crime occurred and the victim was not responsible for the crime. Every agency is mandated to provide victims a written notice informing them of their rights. These include the right to be referred to programs for assistance, and to be told about exercising their right to be notified, present and heard when their cases enter the trial stage.

Critical role of law enforcement

As the first contact with victims, law enforcement plays a critical role in getting information about crime victims' compensation applications to victims as soon after the crime as possible. My office has a number of resources to help law enforcement agencies meet this mandate, including sample written notices, training courses, brochures, applications and palm cards describing crime victims' compensation and victim rights.

As Attorney General, I know that all Texans have a lot to gain when law enforcement officials are on the front line of victim assistance. By demonstrating a concern for crime victims, police officers can motivate all citizens to report crimes and willingly act as witnesses. Your cooperation improves police capability to investigate and solve crimes and put offenders behind bars, where they belong.

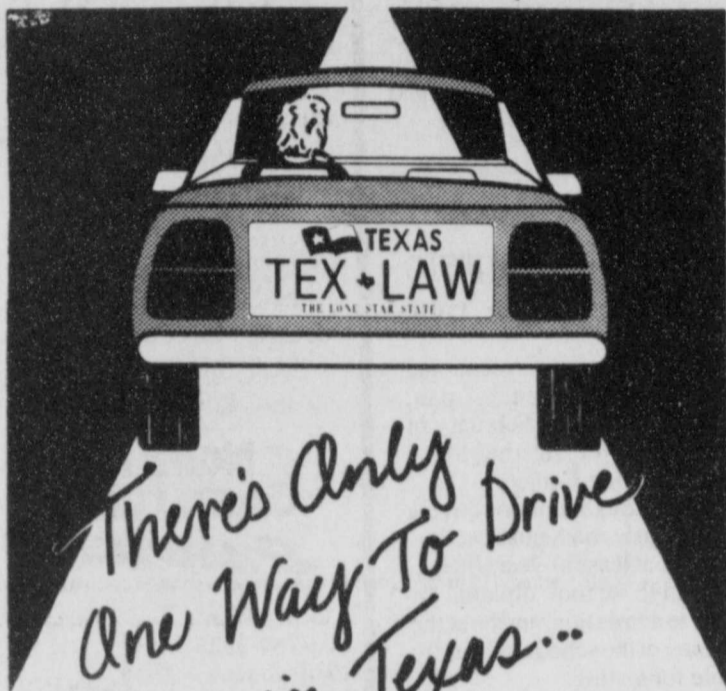
For more information

If you would like more information, contact your local law enforcement agency's Crime Victim Liaison, your district attorney's Victim Assistance Coordinator, or call the Crime Victims' Compensation Division at (800) 983-9933. You may also write to:

Crime Victims' Compensation Division
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Austin, TX 78711-2548

If you have access to the Internet, an application form is on our web site (<http://www.oag.state.tx.us>) and can be downloaded and mailed to us. (The application, which must be notarized, cannot be e-mailed to us.)

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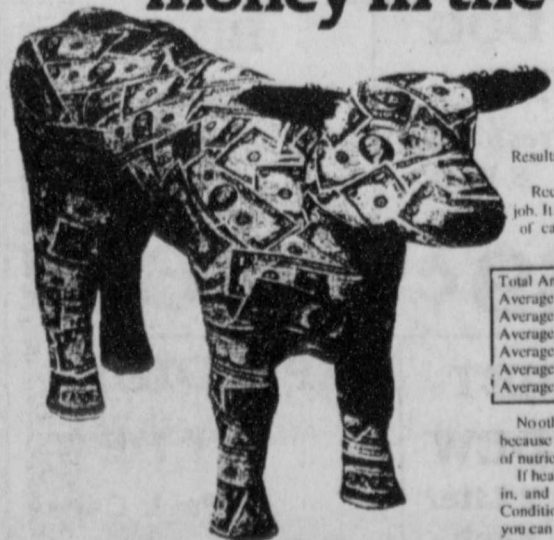
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Happy 68th anniversary Mr. and Mrs. W.O. Bonner.

Our condolences go to the family of Evelyn Bangs. She was a very sweet lady.

Kimberly and Clay Redditt of Arlington spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Garrett. They all enjoyed a meal at Furr's Cafeteria in Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Garrett visited with Gertrude and Andy Hammett Monday.

Congratulations go out to the Prairiland Patriot boy's bi-district win over Waskom Friday night in Gilmer.

Johnny Jerry of Paris visited with Mr. and Mrs. Buford Cleveland on Friday night. Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland also attended the funeral services for Mrs. Randal (Evelyn) Bangs.

There was a bi-monthly fire meeting for the Blossom Volunteer Fire Department on Monday night.

Carl Shores and son visited with Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Shores on Monday. They attended the funeral of his stepdaughter Brenda Kay of Deport.

Fay Shores attended the wedding of her granddaughter Christy Trammel to Randy Mayes on Saturday night.

Alvin Shores of Sparrow, Oklahoma spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Shores.

Donna Jones, and EMS from Paris spoke to the 8th graders on the Blossom campus on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurshal Shands and Juanita Harrison traveled to Dallas last week. Mr. Shands had a visit to the Veterans' Hospital there and received a good report.

Minnie Lee Shands visited with Ruby Huggins in Paris on Monday.

Pauline Weddle and Minnie Lee Shands visited with Thelma Galey's sister Floy at the McCuiston Hospital last week.

Members from the Blossom Church of God visited residents of the Deport Nursing Home Monday night.

Weekend visitors at the home of Jr. and Pauline Weddle were Jim and Kathy Weddle of Denton, Steven, Stacy and Jalyn Weddle of Bogata, Annette Chennault of Arlington, Danny Chennault of Paris and Newt and Linda Freelan of Pinhook.

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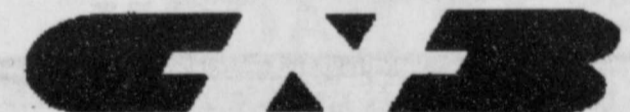
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- '97 Ford F-150 Ext.....black.....Lariat.....only 4K mi.
- '96 Ford F-150 Ext.....tan.....capt. chairs.....20K mi.
- '95 Chevy Ext.....green.....priced to sell.....33K mi.
- '95 Ford F-150.....blue.....4X4.....only 28K mi.

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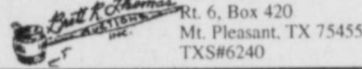
Location: Sale will be held 1-1/4 miles south of Bogata, TX city limit sign on State Highway 271 across from roadside park.

Auctioneers Note: James Dobbs has sold his place and has commissioned Brett Thomas Auctions to sell to the highest bidder all of his farm & ranch equipment. This is no doubt the nicest equipment that I have ever had the opportunity to sell, so don't miss this auction. We will also be selling a few pieces of clean, local equipment.
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CATTLE EQUIPMENT: 20+ Priefert cattle panels; single side creep feeder; feed trough; hay bunker; mineral feeder; Priefert portable squeeze chute.
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—La Rouche foucauld

The East Post Oak Baptist Church VBS workers attended a seminar in Texarkana Saturday to help them in planning their vacation bible school which will be in June.

Sallie Dale of Garland and Modie Johnson visited their aunt Louise Cagle last Friday. Modie used Louise's cotton cards to card some cotton for some pillows. Her son Rayford Cagle of Burnett came Friday afternoon and brought her some laying hens.

Bonnie Flatt visited her sister Viola Cooksey in Garland Saturday February 15 to Tuesday, February 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Vaughn visited their daughter Donna Johnigan and family in Waco over the week-

end.
We recieved over five inches of rain last Wednesday and Thursday with over 3 inches of that on Thursday afternoon. During a heavy rain Newman Low's car was hit on the driver's side. Heavy damage to the car but no one was injured.

Bro. and Mrs. J. T. McNabb attended church at New Haven MBC Sunday where he preached for their pastor Bro. Steven Hill who was ill. Clara Bates spent Wednesday and Thursday nights with her daughter Betty and Newman Low.

There will be a regular monthly meeting of the Post Oak Fire Department Monday night at the fire station at 7:00 p.m. All interested are urged to attend.



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Students applying to enter PJC's LVN program must submit pre-test scores that reveal a twelfth grade reading score and a 50 percentile score in math to be eligible to receive an application.

Applications are due to March 3 but due to the new TASP regulations late applications will be accepted on a space available basis. Therefore students are encouraged to apply as

soon as they receive their TASP scores.

Pre-tests for prospective vocational nursing students are given at 1 p.m. each Wednesday during February in the testing center in the Mike Rheudasil Learning Center.










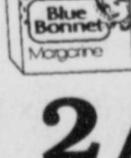
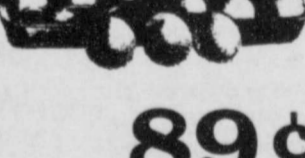




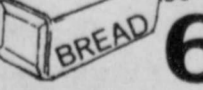



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PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF DEPORT TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
 The City of Deport will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on March 10, 1997 at City Hall in regard to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for a Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TCDP application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to Mayor Charles Foster at City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.
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MILOW HUME and Johnnie Warren were elected Valentine King and Queen at Deport Nursing Home. Everyone at the party enjoyed the cookies and punch.

Deport Locals
By Barbara Crawford
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Janie & Buddy Berry of Grand Prairie and Michelle Berry of Dallas visited her mother Ruth Cheatham over the weekend.

Visiting Richard & Clara Nance last week were Wayne & Betty Cline of Ft. Collins, Colorado. Richard and Wayne were associated in their profession from 1967 to 1982. On Wednesday evening they had dinner at the Elks Lodge in Paris.

Visiting Mervin & Colleen Slaton Sunday were Amber & Katelyn Hunter of Commerce, Kathy Holt & Renea of Milton and Amy Grissom of Paris.

The Jack Ballards of Bossier City, La. visited L. C. Ballard over the weekend. Marlena Ballard placed second in the beam competition at Ft. Worth Lone Star Gymnastics meet.

Juanita Upchurch's three sisters from Cunningham visited L. C. Ballard on Monday.

Belinda Skaggs ZanFardino of New York was in town on business and visited L. C. Ballard last week.

Ruby Dee Blevins and Linnie Bailey visited Alice Bumgarner on Saturday.

Fran Miller of Denton visited her mother Frankie Hunt on Sunday, they went out to eat and shopping. Her daughter Nancy Eason of Terrell arrived Tuesday to stay a couple of days.

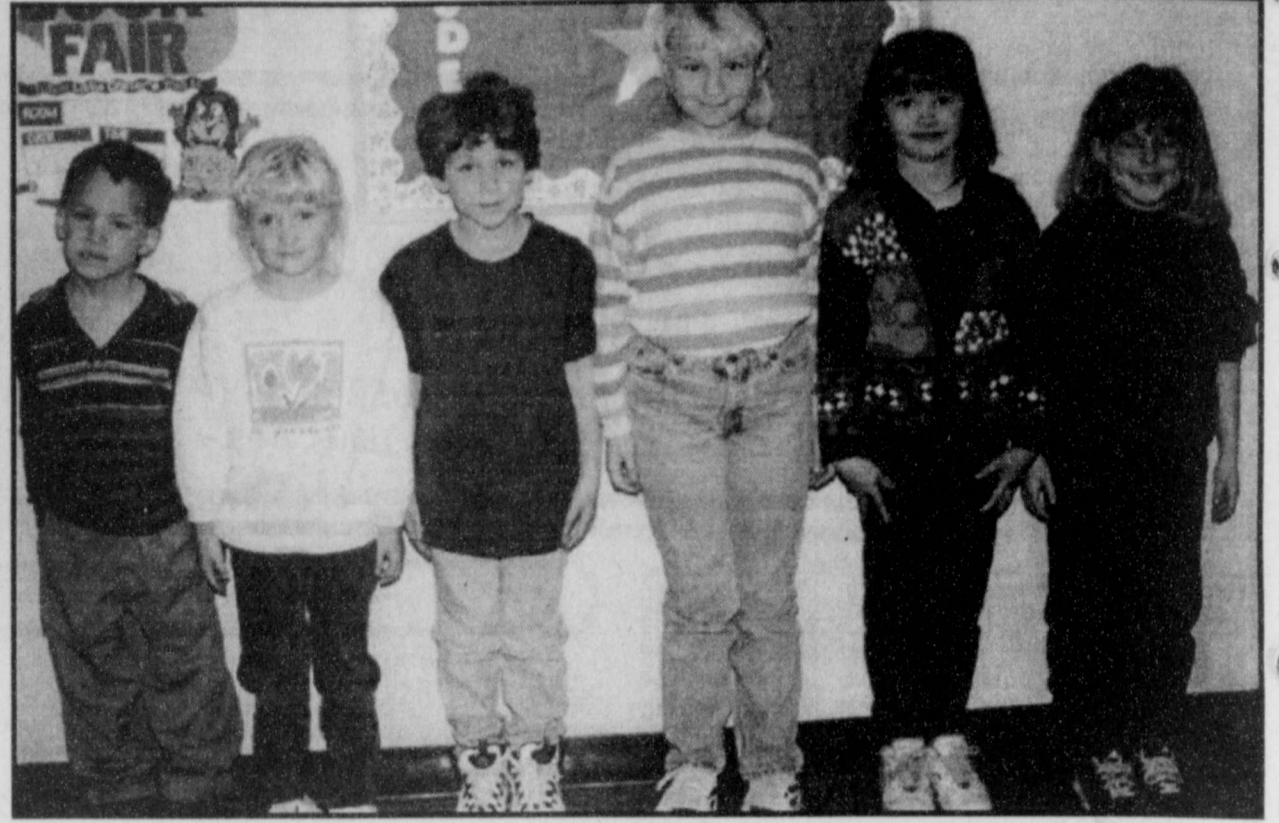
Mae Nichols was in the hospital last week, but is home and doing fine now.

Matt Morton and Leslie Morton Copeland visited Deport Methodist Church this past Sunday. They are members of First United Methodist Church in Paris.

Please call in your local news on Monday or Tuesday morning at the Deport Times office 652-4205.

Nothing happens to anybody, which he is not fitted by nature to bear.

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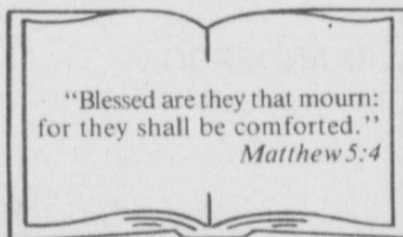
STAR STUDENTS- This six week's star students at Deport Elementary School are: from left, Kindergarten, Josey Francis, Jenna Patterson ; First Grade, Susan Anderson, Paige Martin; Second Grade, Heather Filkins and Leah Cathey. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Donations received for area cemeteries

Donations received for area cemeteries from February 18 through February 24, 1997.

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Deport School Honor Roll 4th Six Weeks

- A Honor Roll**
- First grade: Kayshia Ballard, Meghan Counts, Kelci Crawford, Ben Dickinson, John Francis, Kaylee Freeman, Erika Ham, Reagan Harrell, Megan Spann, Jerrika McKee, Nisha Mitchell, Sarah Murdock.
- Second grade: Leah Cathey, Lacie Cole, Jessilyn English, Charity Musgrove, Hali Screws, Brittney Baker, Kalee Graham, Amanda Mathews, Ashlee Waggoner.
- Third grade: Joshua Allen, Caralyn Corso, Lindsay Kelley, Amberlynn Sugg, Justin Wright, Lance Ballard, Weston Drinnon, Kyle Kinslow, Rebecca Murdock, Malloy Owens, Chassity Wilson, Shane Wilson.
- Fourth grade: Matt Dickinson, Randy Hoover, Johanna Patterson.
- Fifth grade: Timothy Cox, Miranda Weddle.
- Seventh grade: Chance Bankhead, Brad Hunt.
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- A & B Honor Roll**
- First grade: Dillon Gibson, Shane Gonzales, Anthony Hagood, Paige Martin, Hunter Burris, Danielle Holland, Erica Ince, Tyler Renfro, Landon Syrus.
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- Sixth grade: Cassie Arrasmith, Amanda Ball, Burke Burnett, David Crossland, Lacy Davis, Brittney Harris, Bryan Murdock, Melanie Taylor, Susan Whittle, Christopher Basinger, Nathan Burden, Megan Graham, Raynie Skidmore.
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Milton News
By Mattylu Upchurch

Stacy Huddleston visited her grandmother, Mildred Wright on Wednesday.

Merl and Evelyn Roach of Deport had dinner with Phillip and Susan Roach Sunday.

Nell and George Wolf visited Fred Swint Saturday afternoon.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee Sunday were Ruth Johnston and Vickie Reeves.

Eran and Mary Yoder went to the boy's basketball game in Gilmer Friday night.

Allen Dale and Stacy Huddleston visited their grandmother, Bonnie Ruth Huddleston in St. Joseph's Hospital Saturday.

Celebrating Family February birthdays with dinner at James and Dorothy Holt's Sunday were: Johnny, Kathy and Renea Holt, Amy Gressom, Kay and Billy Woodard, Tim Parks, Dale Williams, and Haley, Lorie McNeal, Brittney and Megan.

Paula Taylor had lunch in Paris, Saturday with Nancy and Lauren Crawford.

Phillip and Susan Roach were in Gilmer Friday night for the Prairiland basketball game.

Trey Lee and Dave Cash of Dallas and Dave and Stephanie Roberts of Lewisville spent the weekend with Trey's parents, Sheldon and Ann Lee. McCandace Yaross of Fulbright spent the weekend with Leslie and Paula Taylor and family.

Mamie Kennedy of Bogata Healthcare Center had dinner Sunday with her daughter and son-in-law Ruth Ann and Kenneth Harold Allen.

Allen Dale and Stacy Huddleston attended the basketball palyoffs at Gilmer Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Eran Yoder and family had dinner Sunday with his parents Toby and Delores Yoder of Paris.

The Leslie Taylor family had lunch Sunday at the First Baptist Church in Cunningham.

Eran and Mary Yoder, Shasta and Nathan and Edna Talley went to dinner Saturday night.

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Red River County Roots

This week's query is from Tom Stevens, 1203 South Fairview Road, Columbia, Mo. 65203-0809.

He is searching for two Oringerdoff brothers, possibly named James and Charles, born in Ohio in the 1850's, lived in Polk County, Mo. and supposedly moved to Red River County. One is said to have left the county and one did not. Possibly some decedents still live in the area. Thinks possibly some of the family are buried in the Bluff Cemetery, but not sure.

If you can help Mr. Stevens, please write at the above address. To have a query placed in this column, please write to: Red River Co. Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 516, Clarksville, TX 75426.

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