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I'll Bet You Have Orphans in YOUR Closet, Too!

There are orphans in my closet, and I'll bet that you have a few too!

Oh, I'm not insinuating that you are keeping parentless children hidden in there among your forgotten shoes and old tennis racket, not at all. But I'll wager that you do have "orphan" clothing.

Everyone knows what I'm talking about...that beautiful skirt that you don't have a blouse to go with, that pair of men's slacks that just don't feel right, that sweater that nothing matches up with! How about the top that has matching pants which are supremely comfortable...but the top isn't, so it stays behind as the pants get worn with other things? Sound familiar? Then there are those randomly purchased sale articles that don't work out.

I cleaned out a drawer over the weekend and discovered a green pair of slacks I must have had for five or six years.

I remember when I bought them I was sure that I could find something that they would match or blend with. After all, they were such a bargain. Wrong. No such luck. I guess they were on such a sale because they didn't match anything in the store, either.

So, they were relegated to the bottom of the drawer and soon forgotten. Then, I "outgrew" them. Now I fit into them again, but once more I don't have anything they go with!

I finally ended up with an adoption, though, when I found a new tee shirt that will blend reasonably well. Hurrah, one orphan item of clothing matched up.

Of course, that still leaves behind a perfectly beautiful embroidered blouse. I ruined the matching slacks about a year ago. Unloved and forgotten, the blouse hangs in the closet, waiting for me to find it a mate! That will probably prove impossible, because even when I could be looking for a match I don't...because I've forgotten the blouse exists!

It's not as if I had so many clothes I can afford to forget them, either...I just do.

Few of us can stand to throw out or dispose of a perfectly good, new article of clothing, so they hang around (literally) waiting for rescue.

Perhaps we could start an adoption agency for orphaned clothing. We could list what we had, and what was needed to go with it and what size. Then I suppose color photographs could be passed along, until visits could take place!

No, probably not, but it's the only solution I can come up with. If you have the answer, let me know. But, if you have orphans in your closet, you probably don't have the solution either, do you?

Cunningham Homecoming date set

The Cunningham Homecoming is scheduled for June 28th at the Community Center from 12 noon until. The meal will be \$5.00 per person and reservations must be made by June 15th. For more information call Jane O'Neal 652-6062 or Geneva Norwood 652-3141.

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Deport Council cancels Councilmember election

In their regular business at the Monday night meeting of the Deport City Council, the agenda turned rather busy.

David Beard of Hayter Engineering, Paris discussed the Proposed Water and Sewer line grant for 1997 through the Texas Community Development Fund. The council approved Hayter to apply for the grant in the amount of \$250,000.00 with the city to provide matching funds of \$25,000.00.

Proposed water lines, if the grant is awarded to the city, will be an eight inch line on Dewey street from Main to North Depot Streets; a six inch line on Kelsey Street and Milton-Minter Road with three fire hydrants; sewer lines on parts of Church, Kelsey, Beville, Monroe, North Jeffus streets, west across North First and North Second Streets.

Deport Fire Marshal Thomas Nichols presented two new report forms to be used in reports filed in relations to all types of fires that occur inside the city limits. Council approved the use of both of these

report forms.

Nor action was taken on the use of the large dumpster located on Grey Streets.

Council discussed the unauthorized use of the dumpster by citizens and non citizens of the city. The dumpster might have to be removed in the future if the problem of unauthorized use increases.

The council discussed a proposal made by Dr. Sam B. Kelsey to give a lot on the East side of the city to the city.

It was agreed to accept the lot if all legal fees were to be paid by Dr. Kelsey.

No action was taken on a sewer line to Kenneth Thomas' property just outside the city limits.

The council approved an ordinance to cancel the called election for May to elect council members because no seats on the council were contested. The election costs the city \$180 to be held whether there are contested positions or not.

Representatives of Western Geo-

physical Survey, Inc. discussed what can be expected from their company while the company's crew of 50 workers conduct a 3-D seismograph test in the Deport area. Company representative Winford Lott stated to the city council that testing could begin in two weeks. The company plans to shoot 20 square miles from the west side of the city eastward toward Bogata, according to Mr. Lott.

Approximately three miles of cable would be laid in the city, but no holes will be drilled within 400 feet of homes or gas and water lines.

Where holes are drilled a five pound charge of dynamite will be placed in the 75 foot deep hole and a cable will be attached to the charge and come out of the hole. Data will be recorded when the charge is activated.

Cable will be taped down on some streets for 10 to 12 days.

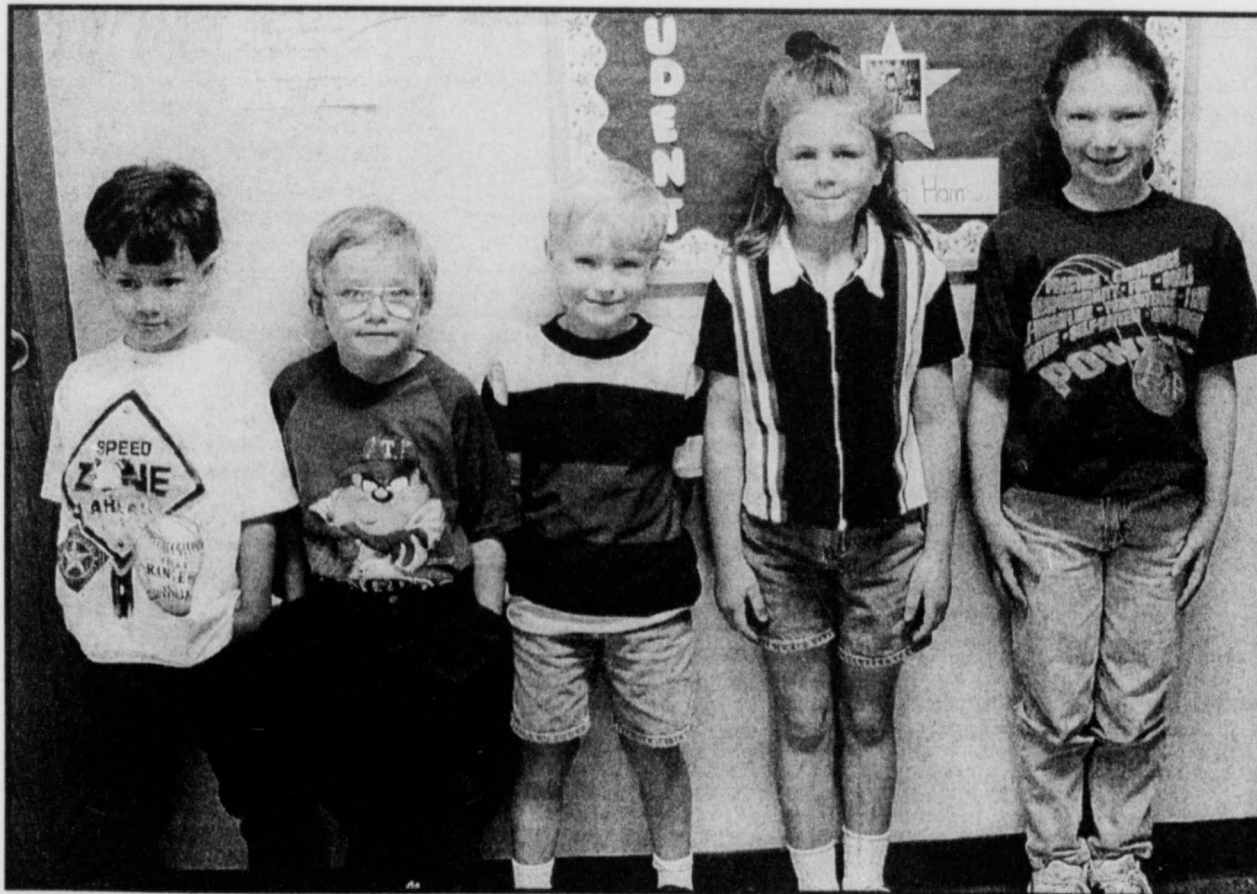
Property owners will be paid \$25 if holes are drilled or cable is laid across their property.

Minutes were approved and payment of bills approved.



Staff Photo By Thomas Nichols

Winford Lott of Western Geophysical Inc. Houston Texas pointed out to the Deport city council members the areas on a map of Lamar and Red River counties his company will conduct a 3-D seismograph shoot. Work on the testing including areas inside the city limits could begin in two weeks.



STAR STUDENTS for Deport Elementary this past six weeks are, from left: Kindergarten 1, Ty Figueroa, K-2, Joshua Wortham, First Grade, John Francis, Second-1 Lacie Coe and Second -2 Hailey Norwood. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

People 'n Things

On Saturday, April 19, breakfast will be held at the Pattonville Community Center and Fire Department, from 7:00 to 10:00. All you can eat, \$4.00. Saturday evening, April 19 at 5:30 is a hamburger supper. Hamburgers, chips, drink and dessert for \$3.50, sponsored by the Volunteer Fire Department of Pattonville.

Prairiland Baseball T-shirts are on sale now at all Prairiland campuses at \$10 and \$12 for extra large sizes.



(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

1997 LAMAR COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW QUEEN is Cari Irwin. She is a junior at Prairiland and active in the Prairiland FFA. Cari is the daughter of Liz and Jim Irwin of Red Oak.

Prairiland Board approves several items in regular meeting

Prairiland ISD Board of Trustees attended to a number of items on the agenda in their regular meeting Monday night, April 14.

They adopted the Professional Development and Appraisal System, and approved becoming a part of the Northeast Texas Regional Telecommunications Network.

The board decided to form Parent Involvement Committees. In other action they accepted a bid of \$410 for bus number 12 from Buses by Dan, and adopted the transfer list for the 1997-98 school year.

Local Policy FM was adopted and the board went into executive session at 8:45 p.m. and came out of executive session at 9:50 p.m.

They heard from Mrs. Austin on the proposed non-renewal, and from Tony Corso on Mrs. Austin's behalf.

A motion was passed to authorize a resolution for tax resale of property at Deport.

It was also decided that Western Geophysical would be allowed to conduct a geophysical survey on tract at Deport.

Payment of bills was approved, they accepted the Quarterly Investment report and approved the Financial Statement for March and accepted tax reports for January, February and March.

P.I.S.D. voters to elect three board members

Prairiland voters will select three board members in the upcoming May 3 trustee election.

In Place 3, candidates Dicky W. Miller and incumbent David Basinger, both of Deport, have filed for the position.

In Place 5, incumbent Clyde Bankhead of Cunningham is challenged by Charles Gilbert.

Chet Downs of Pattonville is un-

opposed for Place 7.

Voting places are: Prairiland High School foyer; First Methodist Church in Blossom; First Baptist Church in Deport and First Baptist Church in Cunningham.

Polling places will be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Voting by personal appearance began April 14 and runs through April 29.

First Methodist to hold Revival

The First United Methodist Church of Deport will begin a revival on Sunday, April 20, at 7:00 pm, and it will continue through April 23rd.

Speaker will be Sam Campbell on Sunday, Shannon Klinkenbeard on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Everyone is invited to attend.



Lamar County Sheriff's report

Friday, April 11, 1997: disorderly conduct, 3 loose livestock, major accident, alarm, 15 arrests, 9ll violation, aggravated sexual assault, 2 prowler, public lewdness, theft, possession of marijuana, criminal trespass, assist, threat, emergency message, burglary, animal complaint, 2 disturbance, assault, traffic hazzard, DWLS with 173 inmates.

Saturday, April 12, 1997: theft of livestock, recovered stolen property, 9ll violation, found property, overdose, civil standby, 4 arrest, 2 disturbance, 2 criminal mischief ad 177 inmates.

Sunday, April 13, 1997: animal complaint, 4 arrest, theft of livestock, suspicious vehicle, 2-9ll violation, abandoned vehicle with 172 inmates.

Federal & state agents begin raids in Lamar, Red River counties

During the early morning hours of April 15, 1997, federal and state law enforcement agents began arresting numerous individuals in the Paris and Clarksville areas who were previously charged with a variety of federal drug offenses by the United States Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Texas. On April 10, 1997, a sealed federal indictment was returned against numerous individuals in both Paris and Clarksville for various federal drug offenses including conspiracy to possess cocaine base (crack) with intent to distribute and conspiracy to distribute cocaine base (crack); establishment of a drug distribution operation; use of a communication facility to commit a controlled substance offense; possession with the intent to distribute cocaine base (crack) and distribution of cocaine base (crack); distribution of a

controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a playground; distribution of a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising a housing facility owned by a public housing authority; and distribution of a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a secondary school.

Officers and agents of the Drug Enforcement Administration, United States Marshal, Paris Regional Drug Task Force, Paris Police Department, Clarksville Police Department, Lamar County Sheriff's Office, Red River County Sheriff's Office, Bonham Police Department, Fannin County Sheriff's Office, Department of Public Safety, Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, Lamar and Red River County DA Investigators and the Tactical Narcotics Task Force participated in the arrests. Searches of several residences were conducted

following the arrests by officers and agents of these same agencies.


In November, 1996, the Paris Regional Drug Task Force and the Mobile Enforcement Team of the Drug Enforcement Administration implemented an investigation into three large crack cocaine distribution organizations based in Paris and Clarksville. That investigation led to the return of the indictments and arrests carried out today.

The indictments are sealed and will not be made public until each individual is arraigned on the charges. At that time, the names of the individuals will be released by the United States Attorney's Office in Sherman. Assistant United States Attorney Carol K. Johnson and Special Assistant United States Attorney W. Reid Witliff are prosecuting the cases.



DEBBIE HARE - of Bogata is this week's featured cook in the Country Cooking column. (Staff Photo)

Country Cooking



Liz Irwin

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Debbie Hare is always on the run. With 3 busy daughters and a busy husband this is to be expected. She admits that she enjoys every minute of it.

Debbie and husband Mark have been married 20 years. They have 3 daughters; Katie, a sophomore at Rivercrest High School, Molly a sixth grader at Bogata Elementary and Sarah, a third grader at Bogata Elementary.

The young homemaker enjoys spending time with her family, watching her children's sports, collecting antiques, browsing at antique stores and taking photographs. She has some really nice photographs displayed in her lovely home that she has taken and had enlarged and framed.

Debbie and Mark are in the Dairy and Ranching business. She keeps books for the Dairy Corporation on computer and has substituted for teachers in the Talco-Bogata CISD at

all three campuses for the last four years.

She volunteers with the accelerated reading program at Bogata Elementary. She is the president of Rivercrest Athletic Booster Club, Secretary of Fairview Cemetery Association and Vice President of RHS PTO.

The Hares are members of First Baptist Church in Bogata, where she has taught GA's for 6 years and has taught in the Vacation Bible School for 17 years.

Debbie is sharing her mother's, Black-eyed pea salad recipe, her friend, Becky Hunnicutt's fruit Salad recipe and her friend, Sue Nolen's Sausage Cornbread Recipe with us. The baked bean recipe is hers and it sounds delicious.

Debbie is a pleasant young lady, always very accommodating. She was very kind to let me interview her for this column with such a short notice and I appreciate it. Thanks, Debbie.

Obituaries

Hattie Mae Seals dies April 10

Hattie Mae Seals, age 87 of Bogata died April 10 in St. Joseph's Hospital and Health Center.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, April 12 in Wood Funeral Home Chapel of Deport with Cecil Allen officiating. Burial followed in Meadowbrook Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mrs. Seals was born July 6, 1909 in Texas, the daughter of Henry A. and Emma Underwood Thornton. On April 14, 1930 she married Robert Seals, he preceded her in death September 6, 1961. Mrs. Seals had worked for Swift & Company as an assembly worker.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Aveline and Bobby Masters of Paris; a sister and brother-in-law, Mary and James Cooper of Bogata; a brother and sister-in-law, Henry and Martha Thornton of Hawkins; four grandchildren, Dickie and Bobby Self, Ronda Maxwell and Sue Fuller; 11 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her son, Elmer Seals; a grandson, Michael Self; brothers, Bill, Joe and Buster Thornton; sisters, Gertrude Lucille Earp, Maggie Lena Armstrong and Zelma Herman.

Howard R. Hawkins dies April 8

Howard Rodney Hawkins, born March 7, 1938 in Joliet, was killed Tuesday, April 8 in Corpus Christi.

Services were held Friday, April 11 in Seaside Chapel in Corpus Christi.

He was the son of former Joliet residents the late Cleo Hawkins and Elizabeth Jenkins Hawkins, who now lives in Corpus Christi.

Surviving are his wife, Connie; daughter, Laura Hawkins Hearn and granddaughters, Lacy and Candy Hearn; stepdaughters, Robbie Rose and Dee Dee Rose and stepgranddaughter, Amber; sisters, Betty Hawkins McGregor and Frances Hawkins Crane and brother-in-law, Gene Crane; brothers and sisters-in-law, Buddy and Katherine, Jerry and Doris, Johnny and Pearl, Curtis Eugene, Patrick and Carole and Michael Joe Hawkins, all of Corpus Christi; aunts and uncles, Eugene and Lydia Hawkins and Lucille Hawkins, all of Joliet, Curtis Jenkins of Corpus Christi and Lillian Jenkins Presswood of Dallas; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

James Evert Clark dies April 11

Bro. James Evert Clark, age 81 died April 11. Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, April 14 at Bright-Holland Funeral Home in Paris with Rev. Carter Lyles, Rev. Jimmy Ellis and Clay Butler officiating. Interment followed in Woodland Cemetery.

Bro. Clark was born in Red River County on September 25, 1915 to Hugh Percy and Fannie Low Clark. His wife of 61 years, Gladys Hart Clark, two daughters, Janie McDonald and Sheila Lumley and a brother, H.P. Clark, preceded him in death.

Surviving are four children, a son, Dwaine Clark and wife Billie of Mesquite, and daughters, Dora Butler of Mesquite, Joy Kirk and husband Jim of Garland and Debbie Weber of Lewisville; granddaughters, Dee Ann Center, Kae Lyn Geyman, Tia Rae Stone, Shannon Weber and Tara Weber; 10 great-grandchildren; one sister, Edna Hoskins of Paris and a sister-in-law, Helen Clark of Dallas; many cousins, nieces, nephews and countless friends.

He was a faithful minister, serving as pastor of Pioneer Baptist Church, Mesquite, Central Baptist in Bald Knob, AR, Boxley Baptist in Boxley, AR, First Baptist in Blossom, and Fulbright Baptist at Fulbright. He was active in the ministry until his 80th birthday.

Pallbearers were Rod Butler, Bret Butler, Joe Butler, Rex Butler, John Cody, David Geyman and Richard Stone.

Card Of Thanks

The family of *Hattie Mae Seals* would like to thank the neighbors and friends who so generously gave of their time in visiting and preparing food for the family during the loss of our sister. Thanks to the Bogata Care 1st Home Health, St. Joseph Hospital Staff and Nurses, to Dr. Salas, Dr. McLemore and Dr. Garcia, to Cecil Allen for his kind words at her service, and to the bearers for honoring her, to James and Tim Wood for the help they gave us in making our final decisions.

May God Bless all of you,
Mary & James Cooper
Henry & Martha Thornton

Royce Mitchell Aust dies April 11

Royce Mitchell Aust, age 72 of Detroit died Friday, April 11 at his residence.

Services were held Sunday, April 13 at 3:00 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church in Clarksdale, MS with the Rev. John Moore officiating. Interment followed in Oak Ridge Cemetery.

Mr. Aust was born March 15, 1925 in Blytheville, AR, a son of Richmond and Bonnie Gully Aust. He served in the U.S. Air Force during World War II and was a farmer and rancher.

Surviving are his wife, Ruby Smith Aust; sons Kenneth M. Aust of Conroe and William R. Aust of Greenville, MS; a sister, Julia Lewis of Jackson, MS and one granddaughter, Jessica Rae Aust of Conroe.

Jackie K. Snodgrass dies April 10

Jackie Kenneth Snodgrass, age 58 of Detroit died Thursday, April 10 in McCuiston Regional Medical Center.

Wood Funeral Home handled direct cremation with no funeral services.

Mr. Snodgrass was born July 9, 1938 in Lee County, VA, a son of Leonard and Laura Martin Snodgrass. He was a woodcutter.


Surviving are his children, daughters Ursula Ward of Kingspool, TN and Diane Snodgrass of Detroit; and a son, Kenny Snodgrass, also of Detroit.

Card of Thanks

We would like to say thank you to the Deport Volunteer Fire Department and everyone who so kindly helped us when our house burned.

Thank you to everyone for the clothes, furniture and money given to us. Also for the phone calls and prayers said on our behalf.

Sincerely,
Buford & Mary McMikel
Health & Tammy Elrod
and Kids



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Card of Thanks

The family of Ken Hunt wishes to express our sincere appreciation for the prayers, cards, food, flowers and comfort during the time of his illness and after his death. It means so much to know that you cared enough to help us in every way possible during our time of sorrow.

A special thank you to Bro. Buddy Greer and Laurie Cathey for a beautiful service, and to Kyle, Lisa, Nancy and Mic for making it possible for Ken to see one of his dreams come true. Also, thanks to the members of the New Hope Baptist Church and members of the Deport churches that sent food to our home.

Special thanks also to the Deport Pony League team for the beautiful sign on the new baseball field.

Again, thanks to all of you for your support in our time of need.

Pam and Brad Hunt
Frankie Hunt and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Grady Wright

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Debbie Hare

Rachel Winkle's Black-eyed Pea Salad

2 cans jalapeno black-eyed peas, drained
1/2 cup chopped onion
1/2 cup chopped celery
1/2 cup chopped bell pepper
1 small jar pimento
1/2 cup vinegar
1/2 cup salad oil
2 Tbsp. sugar
1 tsp. salt

Combine all ingredients. Cover and refrigerate 24 hours, stirring once or twice. Drain if desired and serve with meat dishes. This is a good way to serve peas for New Year's Day.

Becky's Fruit Salad

1 can Peach Pie Filling
1 can Pineapple chunks, drained
1 can Mandarin Oranges, drained
2-3 ripe bananas
3 cartons of frozen strawberries (already sweetened)

Mix all together and chill. This is very good with pound cake or ice cream.

Baked Beans

3 cans pork and beans
3 Tbsp. Brown Sugar
1 Tbsp. Mustard
1/2 cup Picante Sauce
1/2 cup ketchup
3-4 slices bacon
Mix beans, brown sugar, mustard, Picante sauce and ketchup together

and place in large, deep baking dish. Fry bacon in skillet. Add drippings to bean mixture, stirring well. Place bacon on top and bake slowly in 275 oven until done.

Sue's Sausage Cornbread

1 lb. sausage
4 oz. can chopped green chilis, drained
1 small can sliced black olives
1 can cream style corn
1 c. crushed corn chips
1 c. cheddar cheese, grated

Bread Mix
1 cup cornmeal
1 cup flour
1 cup milk
1/4 cup sugar
1 egg
2 Tbsp. baking powder
1 tsp. salt


Brown sausage in skillet and drain. Blend olives and green chilis; set aside. Combine cornbread makings, corn, and corn chips. Pour 1/2 of batter in casserole dish. Top with sausage. Then place olives and green chilis over sausage. Cover with cheese. Top with remaining batter. Bake 30-40 minutes at 400 degrees or until brown.

*Jalapeno peppers may be added to the olives and green chilies. Onions may also be used. Mozzarella cheese or velveeta may be used with the cheddar cheese.

EXPERIENCE "THE WALL"

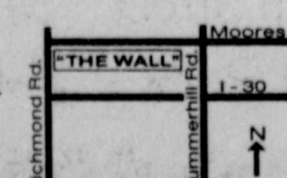
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Cunningham News

By Carol Jean Williams & Lou Hatfield
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The Cunningham community is preparing for Homecoming on June 28. On Wednesday, a 60' slab was poured to be added to the present building. James Winters, Michael Winters and Berry poured, and with the help of Ricky, Rusty Anderson, Jackie Fox and other men, they finished the concrete foundation, put up the steel frame and covered it with a metal roof. James Norwood and Frankie Norwood spent most of the day mowing. Others worked on the grounds and several visited.

Thursday, work was done with tractors and several men worked on the shed. About 40-60 persons worked or visited and several children played. James Norwood disced and worked with a blade preparing the ground for a walking trail. Ronald Hicks built on a new merry-go-round. The swings were enjoyed by the children after school. That night the men cooked fish furnished by Rick's Propane. Clint Davis furnished a pot of beans and tea, other foods were furnished by several people. Everyone enjoyed the fish fry. On Saturday more work was done on the merry-go-round.

The Landrum reunion was held Saturday at Life Tabernacle Church with a large group attending. Goldie Watson was presented a floral arrangement furnished by Mrs. McGahan for being the oldest family member present. A drawing was held for a crocheted afghan made by Christine Landrum. Kathy Miller was the winner. Everyone had a good time.

Notices will not be sent out for the homecoming this year. To help have a successful event, everyone should notify their friends and family. The date is June 28, the catered meal is \$5.00, deadline for payment is June 15. Mail to Jane O'Neal, Rt. 1, Box 63-A5, Deport, TX 75435 or call Jane at 652-6062 or Geneva Norwood at 652-3141.

Construction on the shed was completed Monday. Charles Williams is wiring the lights and fans donated by

Mike Borders.

Clyde and Bobby Slusher visited Charles and Jackie Taylor over the weekend.

Bush and JoDell Cooper attended a birthday party for Khemen Cooper, given by Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Cooper.

Velma Cox spent two weeks with Gordon Cox in Alvarado. They visited Vera Cox, David and Helen Taylor and attended a tennis tournament of Dusty and Meredith Cox, Gordon's children. Meredith won third place in district. Returning home they visited Gene and Charlene Fedder in Ft. Worth.

Easter dinner with Gordon Cox family included ten couples and children and Morris Cox of Dallas and Velma Cox of Cunningham. An egg hunt was held in the afternoon.

Monday Ollie Ruth, Carl Bufford and June Guthrie visited Norman and Rachel Sain. Norman and Rachel returned home with them and spent Monday night. On Tuesday they visited Mr. and Mrs. George Green, D.C. and Francis Thomas in Jothtown. On Friday, Larry and Virginia Bell visited Norman and Rachel.

Susie Norwood's cousin from Spokane, WA spent the week. They shopped in Jefferson, Canton and Dallas.

John and Claudia Whitney's guests Sunday were Debbie and Courtney Currin, Tonya and Travis Hunter and boys Jermy and Christian of Powderly and Maurine Womack of Reno.

Bill and Shirley Page spent Tuesday night in Richardson with their daughter and son-in-law, Terry and Sandra Brehem and children. They returned home Wednesday.

Barbara and Delano Dunlap of Mesquite visited their home in Cunningham Friday through Sunday. Delano and Barbara, Carol and Jennifer Dorsey, Talma and Margaret Fowler, Ricky and Melanie Moore and children visited Lucy Fowler

Saturday.

Lowell Ford visited Leonard and Billie Ford this week before leaving for Lubbock. Saturday, Leonard and David went to Gilmer for church activities. Kay Lynn Ford spent Thursday and Friday in Dallas taking Sears University classes.

Billy Ray, Neva Jean, Brandon and Georgeana, Frankie, Julie and boys, Scottie and family, Denna Murrell and Amanda Durock visited Geneva Norwood Sunday.

Mendy, Kelby, Lacie Cole, Jase, Erika, Brenton Norwood had lunch with James and Pat Norwood Sunday.

Saturday, Sue and Lorette Pynes visited Dean Ogden in Longview. That night they attended a performance by the Pine Tree Precision Dance Team. Dean's granddaughter, Alisha Hawkes is a member. Sue and Lorette returned home Sunday.

Jeff, Zack, Garret, Taylor, Heath and Laytner Kennedy had lunch with Shelby and Bobby Kennedy Sunday. Pete McKnight is reported to be doing great after heart surgery.

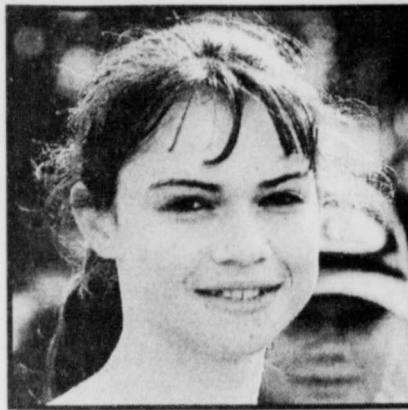
Charles and Sue Davis spent the weekend with Kathren Sugg, Jo Gordon, Charles and Sue Davis and Kathren Sugg visited Ruby Ailes on Sunday.

Lisa Drinnon and Weston, Carla, Kara, Andrea and Arron Palme visited Jane O'Neal Sunday. Dewayne Drinnon and O'Neal visited William and Nina Drinnon in Frogville, OK on Sunday.

Brenda, Brad, Jarvis and Renea Watson, Dena and Brooklyn Legate and Dillon ate lunch with Marie Watson Sunday.

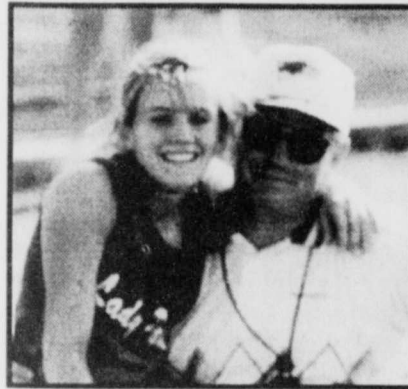
Johnathan Arnold spent the weekend with Charles and Jean Williams. Jennifer Williams and friend Cassandra spent Saturday night.

Restland Cemetery in Cunningham now has a new chain link fence on the west side and one-half on the north side.



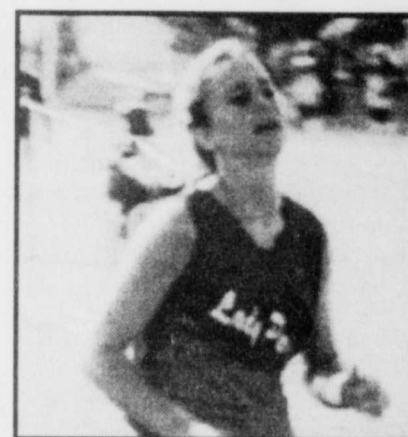
(Staff Photo)

SUZIE SUTTON smiles after winning 1st place at the district 17-AA track meet last week and qualified for the regionals to set a new school and district record. She will compete in the regional meet in Palestine.



(Staff Photo)

BREAH SESSUMS is pictured with her dad as she sets the new school record for the 300 meter hurdles. She will compete in the regionals in Palestine.



(Staff Photo)

SUSAN SINGLETON races to the finish line enroute to second place and qualify for the regional meet in Palestine next week.

Man comes as a novice to each age in his life.

—Nicholas Chamfort

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QUEEN AND PRINCESS NOMINEES-These girls from Prairiland FFA and Blossom Prairie 4-H vied for the title of Lamar County Junior Livestock Show Queen and Princess last Thursday night at the Lamar County Fairgrounds. Pictured from left is Alyssa Lang, and Kristi Sexton of Blossom Prairie 4-H and Cari Irwin and Brittney Ballard of Prairiland FFA.

Joint genealogical meetings to be held

This is a reminder of the joint meeting of the Red River County and Lamar County Genealogical societies at the Martin Memorial United Methodist Church in Detroit on Monday night, April 21 at 7:00 p.m.

This is a meeting which should be of interest to both beginner and advanced genealogist. A representative of the Dallas Genealogical Society will be there to speak of the up-

coming Federation of Genealogical Societies 1997 conference. It will be held in Dallas on September 3-6. There will be something for everyone at the conference and the speaker at the Detroit meeting will provide details on the various aspects of this meeting. The meeting will be attended by genealogists from across the nation.

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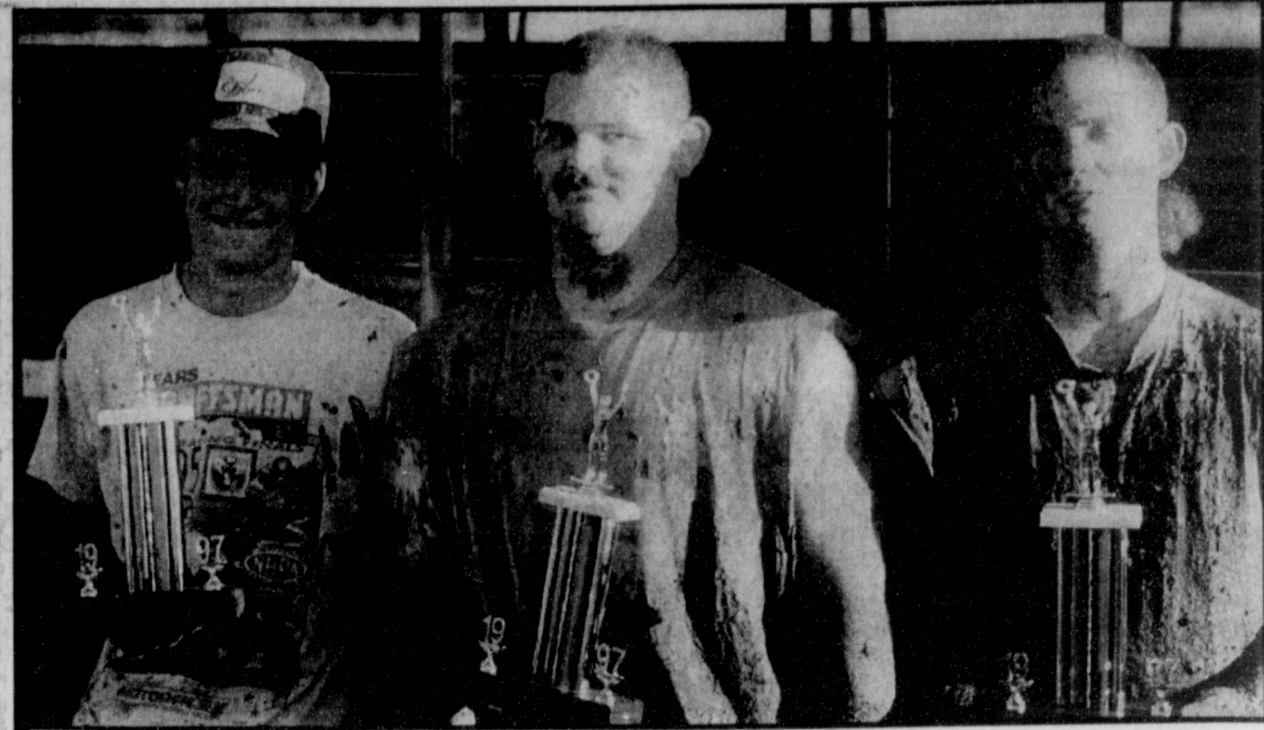
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PRAIRILAND FFA OFFICERS take to the mud as they try to wrestle the pig down and put him in the barrell at last week's livestock show on the Prairiland campus. From left is Dustin Allen, Christy Campsey, Kortnie Barrentine, Cari Irwin, Lee Bland and Duncan Gordon.



(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)
1997 PRAIRILAND FFA BOYS PIG WRESTLING CHAMPS are from left Dustin Brumbley, Tommy Spray and Duncan Gordon.



**Deport Nursing
Home News**
By JaLynda Mitchell



We have had a busy week. Harold Norris did our Tuesday Bible Study Class.

We played several games. In ring toss Frankie Archibald was 1st, Nina Hale 2nd, & Norma Williams, Jewel Smith and Floy Sparks 3rd. In Lawn Dice, Johnnie McLemore 1st, Nina Hale 2nd, Terry McDowra and Floy Sparks 3rd.

The Baptist Women came and did manicures. A group of us headed to Paris for an afternoon of shopping.

We reminisced Thursday morning. Since it is Spring we talked about how they gardened as kids. Plowing with mules or a push plow and using hoes. They told how they canned everything because there were no freezers even meat. How it would be nice to have smoke houses with wonderful flavors of all kinds of meat. A lot of them talked on how the flavor of meat. A lot of them talked on how the flavor meat now is not as tasty of years earlier.

Dewey Ward came and sang. Later Leon Whitsell serenaded us through lunch. Sam Campbell taught Friday Bible Study and Fred and Barbara Biggerstaff shared their new Bill and Gloria Gaither tape "In the Camp" with us. Freddy Burden held Sunday Services while Rab & Timie Skidmore provided the music.

We enjoyed dominoes and bingo Monday with Sara and Billie Mazy and Nannie Bell Ham volunteering.

Visitors of Grace Griffen were Helen Barron, Alene Carter, Denzil Lair, Rachel and Bob Leeman all of Sherman and Wynell Gilbreath.

Nina Hale and Clarence Ham were visited by Nannie Bell Ham, Nell Shull, Wanda Bradley and Lucille Morgan.

Mike & Juanita Boulware visited Dean Boulware.

Raymond and Edith Crawford's visitors were Russell Crawford, Clarence Crawford of Grant, Ok., Earl Crawford, Dewayne & Virginia Rhoades, Bocky Norman, Alice Bumgarner, Larry Crawford, Shirley Gifford, Donald Crawford, and Barbara Crawford.

Visiting Johnnie Warren were Dorothy Holt, Joyce Wilson, Nancy Murphy, Lila, Mike and Hali Screws, Becky Proctor, Mamie Fletcher, Bocky Norman, Peggy Parsons, Virginia Farris, Sam Campbell, Alice Bumgarner, Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Byrd.

Ruby Blevins, Nanie Bell Ham, REba Munselle, Jo Wrenn, Lucy Fowler, Barbara Dunlap, Danbri and Jaylan Mitchell, Lynda Ballard, Sarah Mazy, Kara Screws and Kamey Hudson.

Visitors of Ima Griffin were Moesha, L.C., Sue and Regina Capps, Ray and Lyn Eton, Flona Harris and granddaughters and Tammy Aubrey.

George Williams visited his wife, Norma Williams.

Sara Gilmer was visited by Dewey and Marline Thomas.

MJane Rhoades' daughter, Patti Amis visited her.

Brodie Bell's visitors were Bocky Norman, Clara Stalls, Pam Humphrey, Sharon Lewis and Josimine, Linnie Bailey, Reecie Kelsey, Martha Glover, Peyton and Betsy Chapman and Ruth Gray. Alma Scaff, Lucille Morgan and Bocky Norman visited Raymond and Aubrey Hignight.

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

Visiting David Geer were Cecil Allen, Gay Eaton, Stephanie White, Robin Frazier, LaWanda Cherry and William Geer.

Sue Hart visited her uncle Mutt Powell.

Terry McDowra was visited by Cherry Walker, Danbri Mitchell, Cecil Allen and Sue Salter.

Pam Humphrey visited Geneive Humphrey.

Jo Wrenn's visitors were Pam Campbell, Chance Crawford, Kara Screws, Kamey Hudson, Reba Munselle and Danbri Mitchell.

Don O'Dea's visitors were Fred and Barbara Biggerstaff, Cecil Allen and Jaylan Mitchell.

Visitors of Linnie Bailey were Pat Bailey, Ruby Blevins, Alice Bumgarner. She spent the day with Bobbeye Bailey and had lunch and also visited with Reba Temple.

Sue Farris visited Ruby Crawford.

Milow Hume was visited by Weldon Hume.

George Kelley spent the weekend with his sister, Mary Lou Colson.

Visiting Mamie Fletcher were Mike, Bren, Kara and Hali Screws, Becky Proctor, Denny Fletcher, Kamey Hudson, Danbri and Jaylan Mitchell.

Floy Sparks visitors' were Cecil Allen, Peggy Parsons, Willie Mae Speir, Artie Westbrook, Lucille Morgan, Eunice Ervin.

Dennis and Michael Zak visited Peter Zak.

Terry Johnson's visitors were Dorothy Holt, Joyce Wilson, Evelyn Roach and Cecil Allen.

Pat Talley visited Betty Gardner. Mary Sawyer visited Billie Sawyer.

Visitors of Estelle Cheshire were Ruth Gray, Marilyn Glover, Mary Barnard, Eunice Ervin, Jessie Marie Woodard, Mavis Soward, Clarice Vaughn, Artie Westbrook, Imogene Wright, Lloyd Ray, Willie Mae Speirs and Gaylee, Carol Ladd, Adele White, Larry Crawford, Barbara Crawford, David and Denise Harbison, Sue Gast, Joanne Haney, Marie Franks, Alice Bumgarner, Ruby Blevins, Lynda Ballard and Jaylan Mitchell.

Bonnie Johnson was visited by Jim and Sharon Johnson.

James and Sarah Wilson were visited by Larry and Jackie Wilson.

Betty Middleton's visitors were Richard Winkler, Steve Middleton, Lucille Morgan, Nannie Bell Ham, Bocky Norman, Jaylan Mitchell, Lila, Kara and Hali Screws, Kamey Hudson and Nancy Murphy. MInez Luttrell visited Mary Mathews. MNancy and Christina Murphy visited Russell Grant.

MVisiting Lena Powell were Sue and Corbin Hart, Dedra Smith, Darla Scott and Janie Martin.

Visitors of Jewel Smith were Darrell and Karen Cherry and children, Larry and Shirley Haskell, Gertie Marshall, Billy Ray Smith, Larry, Dale and Don Smith, Donald Ray and Dynetta Smith, and Danbri and Jaylan Mitchell.

Dean and Glenda Watson visited Audie Reed.

Mamie Thompson was visited by Fay Simmons and Pat Towers.

Visiting Lovetta McMurray were Tony and Kathy Corso, LaWanda Cherry, Gay Eaton, Robin Frazier, Betty Jean, Lynda Ballard and Jaylan Mitchell.

Rose Simpson's visitors were Cheryl O'Brian and granddaughter.

Johnny McLemore's visitors were John & Perry McLemore, Harrell and Lois McLemore and Nannie Bell Ham.

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1997 PRAIRILAND FFA GIRLS PIG WRESTLING CHAMPS are Prairiland juniors from left Kortnie Barrentine, Lee Bland and Cari Irwin.

Project Graduation plans Springfest

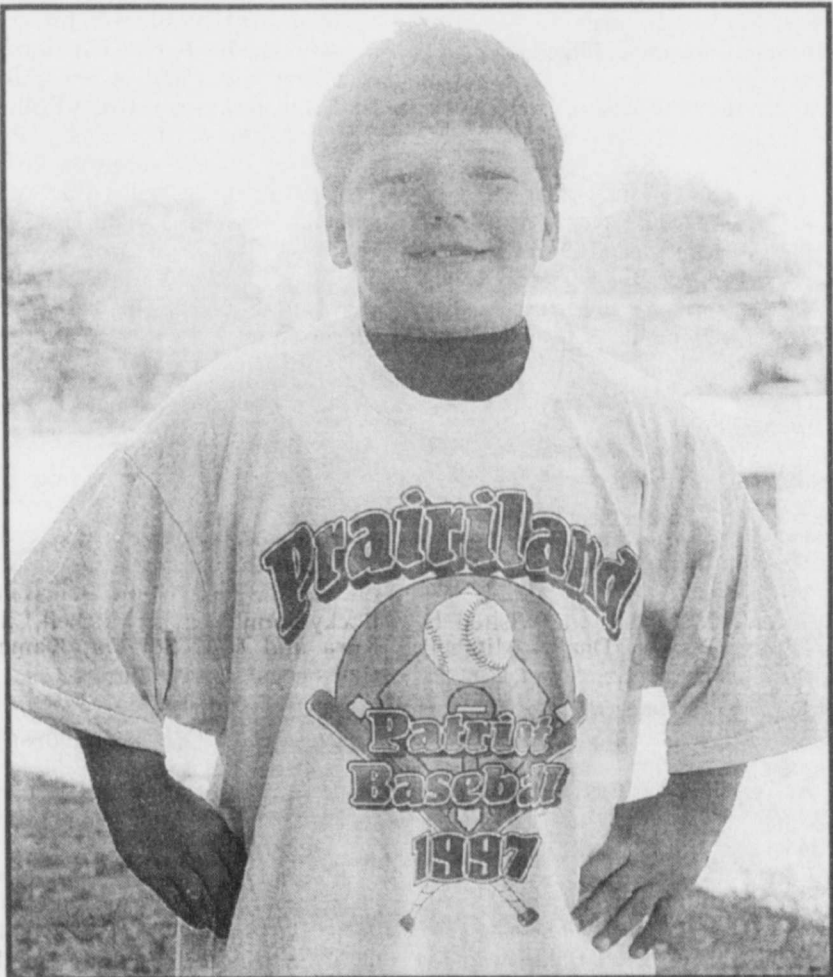
The Project Graduation Committee is planning a Springfest Carnival for Saturday, April 26 beginning at 5:00 p.m. on the Prairiland campus. There will be food, games and entertainment for all ages.

The Committee is also sponsoring a raffle for \$1.00 donation. Tickets are on sale at all three of the Prairiland ISD campuses and offers a variety of ten items for a \$1.00 donation.

The committee is also selling Prairiland Patriot baseball shirts for \$10 and \$12 for extra large sizes. These shirts can be ordered on any of the campuses.

Parents and family are urged to lend their support to this endeavor. The committee will be hosting an all night graduation event after graduation exercises at the Love Civic Center in Paris on May 23. All seniors and guests will be honored with games, food and lots of fun for the entire night with a drawing for a jet-ski early Saturday morning.

Anyone wishing to help or make a donation can contact any of the three campuses in the district. A special account has been set up at Guaranty Bank in Deport for anyone wishing to make a contribution by mail.



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A.J. SYRUS, a 2nd grader on the Deport campus models the Prairiland Baseball T-shirts that are now on sale on the campus. A.J. is 8 years old and the son of Janet and Drew Syrus of Cunningham.

All Police Rodeo is June 6 & 7

The Lamar County Crime Stoppers eighth annual All Police Rodeo is scheduled for Saturday, June 6 & 7 at 7:30 p.m. nightly at the Paris Rodeo & Horse Club Arena at the Lamar County Fairgrounds.

Advance tickets for the rodeo are \$4.00 and gate tickets are \$5.00. Children under 12 years old will be admitted free.

Proceeds will fund/benefit the Lamar County Crime Stoppers program. All contestants are full time peace officers and the rodeo is a 12

event rodeo.

In addition to the regular rodeo events, calf scrambles, Mexican poker, bullfighting, clowns and a live band will be featured.

Tickets are available at Cavender's Western Wear; Paris Police Department; Bo-Mart; North Star Super Stop; P&G Grocery, Hopewell; First Federal Savings & Loan; Waga Bag #3 in Blossom; and Lamar County Sheriff's Office.

For more information, contact Todd Varner at 737-4111.

Patriots pound Mustangs 14-0

By Mike Yaross

Jeremy Day provided the defense and the Pat's bats did the rest of the pounding as they defeated the Chisum Mustangs 14-0.

Senior Day would throw his first high school no-hitter, going the five inning distance.

Day kept the ball low all day and Chisum could not hit the ball solid.

Day did not strike out any, but he had some good defense behind him. Quinn Sessums would go 4-4 with an in-the-park grand slam in the fourth.

Leading hitters were Sessums 4-4 (HR), Mike Yaross 1-2 (3B), Day 1-1, Adam Walker 1-1, Micha Jones 1-2, Eric Whitley 1-3.

Patriot bats cool off against Cooper

By Mike Yaross

After scoring 4 runs in the first inning against the Cooper Bulldogs with 2 doubles from Yaross and Malone and a mammoth homerun from senior Jeremy Day.

The Pats cooled way down and could not score another run in the last 6 innings.

Cooper would go on to win with the help of five Prairiland errors.

Mike Yaross would get the loss, going seven innings, striking out 8, walking 3, 7 runs and 2 earned run.

The Pats would drop their first district game 7-4.

Leading hitters were Yaross 2-4, Day 2-4 (HR), Dustin Allen 1-3, Quinn Sessums 1-4, Malone 1-4 (2B).

Encore! is April 25-26-27

One of the spring highlights at Paris Junior College is the annual Encore! show. This traditional favorite is April 25-26-27.

Directed by Patricia Fowzer, the shows will be held in the PJCC Theater for the Performing Arts at 7:30 p.m. on April 25-26 and at 2 p.m. on April 27. There is a \$3.00 admission charge, but PJCC students will be admitted free with proper identification.

The sixth annual show by the award winning Encore! group will be saluting some popular aspects of American music in a segment titled "The Beat Goes On". It will emphasize the music of the Beach Boys and Jan and Dean.

It promises to be a night of surprises with special Encore! take-offs on Tom Jones and even the Oak Ridge Boys.

Sound technician for the troupe is Marcus Davis of Bogata.

To my extreme mortification, I grow wiser every day.
—Lord Byron

Smith Family Reunion Held

The family of the late W. H. & Lillie (Land) Smith held a family dinner on Sunday, April 13th at the Blossom School Cafeteria. Family members attending were Melvin & Iris Smith of Paris, Edith & Raymond Crawford of Deport, Bessie & Tom Garrett, Gertrude & Andy Hammet and Kathryn Smith all of Blossom. Troy & Dixie Smith of Puyallup, Washington were unable to attend.

Others attending were David & Terri Smith, Mike Smith, Paul Garrett, Chad Garrett & Melissa, Kenny Smith, Madge & Bill Lane, Phyllis Bounds, Wanda Smith, Russell & Pat Crawford, Rusty Crawford, Kelci & Brock, Rebecca Pierce, Donald & Phyllis Crawford, Teena & Chris

Sparks & Courtney, Larry Crawford, Barbara Crawford, Kaci, Kara & Dakota Ryan, Charles & Sue Matlock, Kenneth Matlock, Estes Ritchey, Dorothy And Margaret Ritchey.



The earth is not perfectly round. Distances measured through the poles are shorter than those at the equator.

Former resident to speak at luncheon

Dr. Nancy N. Jones, the former Nancy Alsobrook, a native Lamar County resident of Deport will present the program at the YWCA of Paris and Lamar County Friday Forum Luncheon at noon on Friday, April 13.

Jones will provide guests with a poetry reading while they enjoy a catered meal.

Reservations for the luncheon are necessary due to limited seating. Make reservations by contacting the YWCA at 785-5221 or 308 S. Main. The YWCA office is open Monday through Friday between 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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TWO MEMBERS OF the Prairiland Men's Ensemble are introduced to the First Lady of Texas, Laura Bush at the Literacy Lamar County Luncheon at Love Civic Center. Pictured are Shane Chennault, Mrs. Bush and Jonathan Newman.



(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

LITERACY LAMAR COUNTY LUNCHEON held at the Love Civic Center was attended by Prairiland ISD faculty, guests and students. Pictured from left is Jan Tyson, Karen Hargus, Brenda Fendley, Daphnia Downs, Meagan Filkins, Cindy Bolton, Jenita Baker, Ashley Doyal and Sandra Burnett. In front is Darren Lane.

Lamar County Literacy luncheon held at civic center

A special week of fun-filled activities were kicked off Monday, April 14, 1997, on the Prairiland campuses with several faculty members, students and guest attending a luncheon with special guest First Lady Laura Bush.

With pre-luncheon music provided by the Paris High School Jazz Band, luncheon was served buffet style. Several Paris dignitaries and school officials played a part in the program with the Prairiland Men's Ensemble singing the National Anthem. Ashley Doyal and Meagan Filkins were door greeters along with other students from area schools. Meagan and Ashley represented Blossom's top readers in the Accelerated Reading Program. Darren Lane, a third grade student on the Blossom campus was recognized for his 2nd

place poster in the Literacy Lamar County poster contest.

Faculty from Prairiland attending was Jan Tyson, Jan McKinney, Jenita Baker, Daphnia Downs and principal Dr. Gary Ballard. Students from Prairiland attending was Shane Chennault, Jonathan Newman and guest Dustin May.

Blossom faculty attending was Brenda Fendley and Karen Hargus along with principal Sandra Burnett. Students attending were Ashley Doyal, Meagan Filkins and Darren Lane along with guest Liz Irwin.

Activities that the students participated in during the week Monday being designated as "Stuck on Reading" day, giving each kindergarten student a lollipop to signify that they were stuck on reading. Monday

also saw a lot of strange headgear as students and teachers alike donned their caps and hats to let everyone know that they gave their "Hats Off to Reading".

Tuesday was "Sock it to Reading" day with everyone wearing their craziest socks.

Wednesday was "Orange You Glad You Can Read". Students and faculty wore orange clothing and the lunchroom ladies cooked orange food.

Thursday was "Reading is Basic/Denim is Basic". Everyone was encouraged to wear some type of denim clothing to show their basic need for reading.

Everyone enjoyed the week of festivities and look forward to next year's Lamar Literacy Week.



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FIRST LADY OF TEXAS-Laura Bush(center) first lady of Texas is pictured her with the Blossom students and principal who attended the Lamar County Literacy Luncheon. From left is Meagan Filkins(door greeter), Sandra Burnett(Blossom principal), Mrs. Bush and Ashley Doyal (door greeter) and in front is Darren Lane (2nd place poster winner).

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A message from this newspaper and the Texas Department of Public Safety

Gardening workshop is May 3 at Maxey House

The Maxey House State Park is proud to co-sponsor a gardening workshop with the Lamar County Master Gardeners Association. The Maxey House and grounds will be the site for a three hour workshop on Saturday, May 3 from 9 a.m. until 12 noon.

Six areas of discussion will be held on various garden topics. The sessions will last approximately 30 minutes and participants will be able to select four of the six sessions to attend. Topics are: composting; container gardening; lawn care; landscaping with trees and shrubs; roses and their diseases; and tomatoes and vegetables.

Fee for the workshop is \$10.00 and pre-registration is requested, which begins at 8:45 a.m. in the Book House/Gift Shop on the grounds.

East Post Oak MBC to have revival

The East Post Oak Missionary Baptist Church will host a revival from April 21-25 beginning at 7:30 p.m. nightly. Evangelist will be Bro. Neil Clark.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Mens and Womens Program to be held

The Men's and Women's Program will be held on the 4th Sunday of April at the Mt. Caanan Baptist Church in Paris.

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22 V Baseball vs. Honey Grove, Here, 4:30

23 Youth for Christ, 7:50 a.m., Library

25 Junior/Senior Prom, Artistic Endeavors, 8:00

26 V Baseball vs. Leonard at PJC

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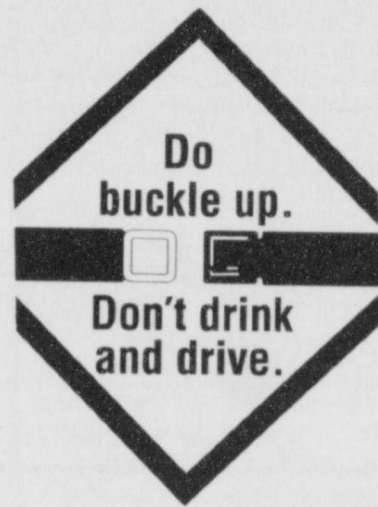


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PRAIRILAND LADIES GOLF Team district winners- From left is Brandie Upchurch, Meagan Hatfield, Susan Singleton, Kendra Hicks, Shasta Riley and Amber Norwood. Front row is Paige Lyon, Kenlea Jones, Katha Crawford and Brea Sessums.

Girls takes 1st-2nd at district meet

By Frankye Sessums
The Lady Patriots garnered 57 points in the district 17-AA track meet last Thursday. Como-Pickton won the meet with 122 points, while Chisum was second with 109 points. Three Lady Patriots qualified for the regional track meet. Suzie Sutton won first in the discus with a throw of 102' 2", setting a new Prairiland and district record. Susan Singleton placed second in the 400 meter dash and Brea Sessums was second in the 300 meter hurdles, also setting a new school record. Below are the results of the meet:
Discus-1st-Susan Singleton-102' 2".
Long jump-6th-Brea Sessums-15' 1-1/2".
Triple jump-3rd-Brea Sessums-32' 11-3/4".
400 meter relay-4th-Brea Sessums, Susan Singleton, Meagan Hatfield and Laura Oliver-52.71.
100 meter hurdles-4th-Meagan Hatfield-17.41.
800 meter run-3rd-Shasta Riley 2:43.37 and 5th-Stacy Harrison-2:49.80.
800 meter relay-5th-Sarah Hooge, Brandie Upchurch, Meagan Hatfield and Laura Oliver-1:59.34.
400 meter dash-2nd-Susan Singleton-62.48.
300 meter hurdles-2nd-Brea Sessums-48.91.
1600 meter relay-6th-Brea Sessums, Brandie Upchurch, Laura Oliver, Susan Singleton-4:42.70.



School Menu

Prairiland C.I.S.D. All Campus School Lunch Menu April 21-25 Monday

Breakfast: French toast strips, Maple syrup, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Fish stick w/ketchup, Cole slaw, French fries, Hushpuppies, Pineapple chunks, Milk

Tuesday

Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, sausage, toast, Juice, milk
Lunch: Ham and cheese sandwich, Vegetarian beans, Potato crisps, Brownies, Milk

Wednesday

Breakfast: Oatmeal, cooked, English muffins, Juice, milk

Lunch: Chicken tetrazzini, Tossed salad, Bread, Milk

Thursday

Breakfast: Fruit muffins, Juice, milk
Lunch: Nachos with ground beef, Tossed salad, Spice cake, Milk

Friday

Breakfast: Pancakes w/syrup, sausage, Juice, milk
Lunch: Hamburger on bun, Mustard, lettuce, tomato, Oatmeal raisin cookies, French fries, Milk


Ramsey announces fire protection measure

On Thursday, April 3, the Texas House gave final approval to a measure relating to fire suppression in rural areas of Texas. House Bill 1602, sponsored by State Representative Ted Kamel and jointly authored by State Representative Tom Ramsay, encourages greater usage of dry fire hydrants in rural areas by providing a ready and accessible water supply that fire agencies, including volunteer fire departments, can utilize in suppressing fires. A dry fire hydrant is a non-pressurized pipe installed at a pond, lake, water storage take or irrigation well. The pipe is connected to a hydrant where fire trucks may connect water pumps to access a water supply in the event of a fire. Water to suppress rural fires usually has to be transported many miles. House Bill 1602 provides land-owners protection from liability from injury to persons or damage to property arising from the installation, maintenance or use of the hydrant, or if the hydrant ran dry while fighting a fire.

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—Earl of Chesterfield

PATTONVILLE NEWS

By Rita Cox 784-0283 or 652-4205

Mark and Tonya Parsons, Haley and Ty of Rowlett, Brent Burden and Kandi Wright of Deport, Chad Larkin, Randy and Kristi Boren, Drew and Leah were visitors of Keith and Peggy Parsons over the weekend. Keith took the younger ones fishing Sunday.

Cecil Allen of Lamar Point visited Buster and Louise Crossland.

James and Vivian Day's visitors were Brad and Velma Burnsed and kids. Also Jimmy Day of Sulphur Springs.

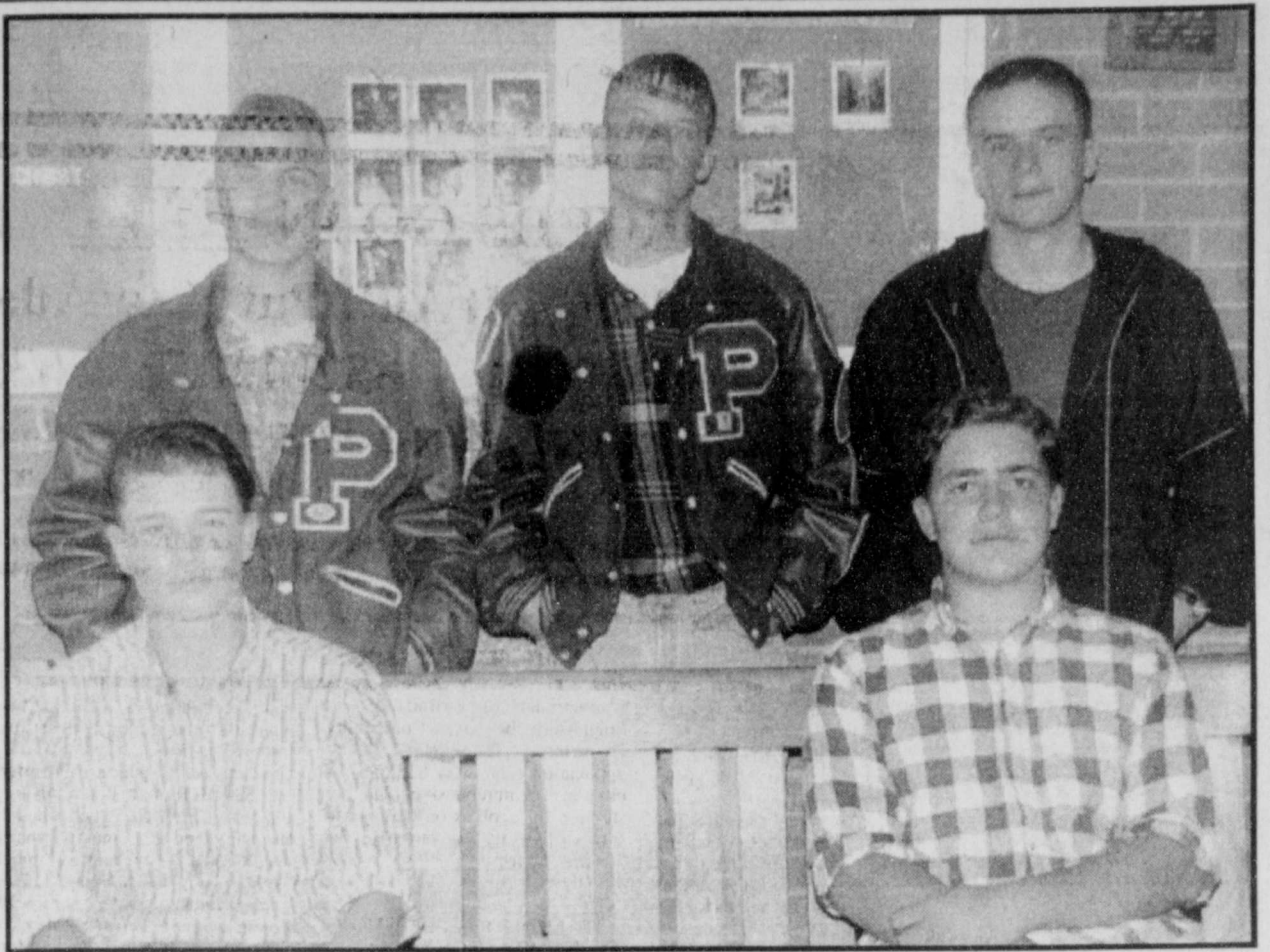
Earline Wilson's visitors were Cherry Walker on Saturday, S.C. Short and Henrietta Watts, Dorothy and James Cunningham, Betty Slayden and Martha Porterfield on Sunday.

Keith and Ammie McDowra and boys had supper Sunday with Barbara and Gerald Hood.

Angie Pryor, Gerald Cox, Josh Green, Jeremy Green, Justin, Ashley, Jennifer, Judy Mounce, Stanley, Sheila, Timothy, Stan, Glen Cox, Randall and Rita Cox, Paulett Smith all had dinner Sunday with Faye Cox.

Saturday, April 19, breakfast will be held at the Pattonville Community Center and Fire Department, from 7:00 to 10:00. All you can eat, \$4.00.

Saturday evening, April 19 at 5:30 is a hamburger supper. Hamburgers, chips, drink and dessert for \$3.50, sponsored by the Volunteer Fire Department of Pattonville.



(Staff Photo by Jan Tyson)

PRAIRILAND MEN'S GOLF Team district winners-From left back is Brent Bostic, Matt Wright and Billy Springer. Front row is Leslie Mullins and Tom Bramlett. Not pictured is Bryan Gifford.

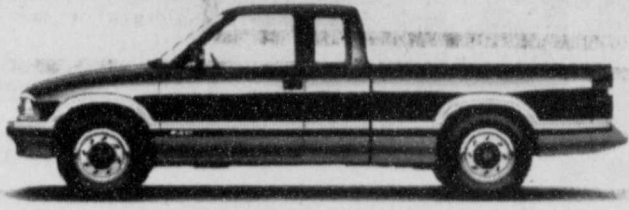
The important thing is not to stop questioning.
—Albert Einstein

March for Parks to be April 19

An Earth Day March for Parks will be held Saturday, April 19, to improve the Maxey House State Park. The march will begin at 9:30 a.m. with participant registration at 812 S. Chuirch, followed by a walk through downtown Paris. The event will conclude with snacks for all at the starting point. The march is sponsored by the National Parks and Conservation Association. NPCA hopes the March for Parks

will raise approximately \$1,000 for the Friends of the Maxey House who are assisting the state park staff with grounds improvements and work on the Book House gift shop. Last year, \$132.00 was raised to help with electrical installation in the Book House. Join the Sam Bell Maxey House State Park staff and Friends of Maxey House on Earth Day. Call today for you Marcher's Pledge Form.

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Public Notice Planning and Capacity Building Fund grant from the Texas Community Development Program. The grant application request is \$23,650 for citywide comprehensive planning studies. The application is available for review at City Hall during regular business hours. 4-17

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New members honored at luncheon

New members of the First Presbyterian Church in Deport were honored with a luncheon on Sunday in the fellowship hall of the church. The event was held following the morning worship services. Preceding the meal, Midge Foley read a poem which she composed. In the poem, she gave certain facts about each of the honorees and the group guessed whom she was describing. The Rev. Tom Foley gave the invocation in which he expressed thanks for the new members. The tables were laid with white cloths and napkins in vivid spring colors. The centerpieces were pots of silk greenery. Lynn Nixon, Carole Nixon, Laura Wright and Marla Kutzer were in charge of arrangements.



David Beard of Hayter Engineering Paris discussed with council members areas to build new sewer and water lines. The lines can be built if a grant of \$250,000.00 is approved by the Texas Community Development Fund for 1997.

Book Club Captures six District Awards

The Bogata Book Club met Thursday, April 10 at the home of Mary Kathryn Cotten with Gail Hervey as Co-hostess. Fifteen members and two special guests, Key District President, Joyce Powell and her mother, Mrs. Maw were present. Betty Puckett reviewed the book "Twelve Golden Threads". This book told of a grandmother using the steps of piecing a quilt to relate important principles of life to her granddaughters. President Juanita Sparks reported that the club had received five district

awards. They are: First Place, Public Affairs and Issue Awareness, presented by Charles Don Lewis, Teresa Smith and Randy Kennedy. First Place, Conservation and Resources, presented by Linda Hodges and Mary Ann Williams. Second Place, Historians District Report, Mary Margaret Vaughn. Third Place, International Affairs, Egypt, presented by Nanalee Nichols. Fourth Place Historical Places and things, Dawne Darden. The meeting was dismissed and refreshments were served.

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Peggy & Durwood Wims of Grand Prairie visited her mother Ruth Cheatham last weekend. Ina & Nina Sparks, Virginia Kirkland, Thelma Warren, Mavis Sowards and Ruth Murrell spent Sunday thru Thursday last week at Beavers Bend Park. JoAnn Haney of Wake Village visited her mother Estelle Cheshire Monday night and took her to the doctor on Tuesday. Kathryn Anderson of Post Oak spent last Wednesday with her daughter Colleen & Mervin Slaton. T.J. & Kay Hill of Paris visited them Saturday night. Liberty & Randy Huddleston & Charity spent Sunday with her grandparents Jimmie & Yuba Sparks.

Alice Bumgarner & her sister-in-law Pauline Parker of Lake Cypress spent Thursday thru Saturday with Alice Ruth Gravatt of Reno. Ruby Dee Blevins & Alice Bumgarner visited Jessie & Buster Newsom of Paris on Monday. They received word Friday that their sister-in-law Mrs. Debbie (J.B.) Newsom of Pendleton, Oregon had died. Visiting Willie Mae Speir over the weekend were Robert Westbrook & Mary Pepper of Dallas. Jayne & Dicky King of Reno had supper with Thomas & Nanalee Nichols Saturday night. Christy Dickson of Paris visited Thomas & Nanalee Nichols Sunday. Aileen Penry of Dallas visited her mother Mae Nichols last week. Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Barrett of Harrison, Ark. visited Reba Temple on Saturday.



LACIE & KELBY COLE competed in the All Star Kids Pageant in Sulphur Spring March 28, 1997. Kelby won the All Star Beau, Playwear and Photogenic. Lacie won First Runner Up and Talent. Lacie & Kelby are the children of Todd and Mandy Cole. Grandparents are James and Pat Norwood and Danny and Jency Cole.

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Milton News
By Mattylu Upchurch

Weekend visitors of Ann and Sheldon Lee were Evelyn and Barry Davis of Miami Lakes, FL, who were enroute to Florida after a motorhome trip to California. The two couples had not visited since the early 60's when the men were stationed at Ft. Detrick, MD with the U.S. Army. Mabel and Mary Ann Pearson of Marshall visited Elizabeth and Holland Bell Tuesday afternoon. Darrell Farris and Pam Eppar of Greenville visited his mother, Edna Talley Sunday. Leslie and Paula Taylor had dinner with Allen and Stacy Huddleston Saturday night. Billie Goheen of Arlington spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Upchurch. Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Dodson of Dallas visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Marshall Saturday evening. Ruth, T.J. and Danielle Johnson of Paris spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee. Stacy Huddleston visited her

grandmother, Mildred Wright of Deport on Thursday. Yoder and Talley friends and relatives met at the home of Pat Smith on Friday night for cards and games. Tim Parks of Faught had dinner with his grandparents, James and Dorothy Holt on Sunday. Phillip and Susan Roach went to McKinney Saturday to visit her sister and family, Janet and Butch Stone and Rhett. Frances Davis and grandson John of Saginaw spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Upchurch. Charlie Turner and Helen Temple played in the Lamar County women's bowling tournament over the weekend. Edna Talley, Eran and Mary Yoder, Shasta Riley and Jody Nolan went to dinner in Paris Saturday night. Buddy Taylor was a dinner guest of Leslie and Paula Taylor Sunday. Stacy Huddleston took her grandmother, Mildred Wright, shopping Saturday.

Donations received for area cemeteries

Donations received for area cemeteries from April 9-14:

Highland Cemetery: From Mr. and Mrs. John Starks, Mrs. Marvin Gibbs, Mrs. H.H. Dickson, Faye Jennings, Mrs. Paul Denison, Mrs. A.T. Edzards, Claudine Holder, Charles R. Jones, III, Mary and Charles Enox, Sarah Dennie, Dr. and Mrs. John R. Kelsey, Jim and Clara Oldham, Earlene Stuck, Mrs. C.A. Sparks, Anita W. Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Weaver, Ruth L. Haberle, Geraldine and Charles Weems, John W. Phillips, Mrs. W.C. Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Blanchett, E.L. and Inez Weaver, Vernon Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Wright, Jean Payne, H.G. Legate, Ruth M. Bell. In memory of Farris Read from Mrs. Ouida B. Read. In memory of Kuykendall family from Patsy A. Williams. In memory of Al and Larry Parks from Mary Parks and family. In memory of Mr. and Mrs. S.A. Tidwell from their children. In memory of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hulett and relatives from Sarah and Jesse Anderson. In memory of the Brown family from Mildred Gehrman.

In memory of Ollie, Willie, George and Addie Legate, Will and Cora Walker from Anita Legate Butler. In memory of Patricia and Bobby Burks and the Parks family from Eulalah and C.D. Hosey. In memory of Mrs. Virgie McLemore from Johnnie E. McLemore. In memory of Charles Kenneth Hunt from Billie and Robbie Wright, Talma and Geraldine Powers, John and Mary Morton, Marshall and Ruby Wright, Grady and Kathryn Wright. In memory of Berniece, Earnest and Lily Wyatt from Ruby Dougless. In memory of James Threadgill from D.M. and Oleta Floyd. **Mt. Pleasant Cemetery:** From Imogene Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. U.H. Bailey, John W. Phillips, Alene Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Harry D. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Lawler, Inez Clowdus, Essie Mae Kerbow, Jean Payne Vernon Wright. **Old Deport Cemetery:** From Sam H. and Charlene B. Moore, John W. Phillips, Dr. and Mrs. Mavis P. Kelsey, Mary and Ira Norman, Edna E. Hudgens, Jean Payne, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd H. Mobley.

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