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Save the forest....leave the cards out of the magazines

I think that we could probably save a forest the size of the state of Connecticut if we could just talk magazine advertisers into NOT putting those little paper cards into their product. And it would save worlds of litter on the streets.

Don't get me wrong, I believe in advertising.

But have you ever noticed the post office when magazine arrival time comes up? The floor is littered with brightly colored little squares of light weight cardboard.

They fall from magazines like autumn leaves from trees in a high wind.

They advertise wonderful garden machines, training and vocational schools, free catalogs, oh, a whole world of things.

But, most of them wind up on the floor.

I know that I hate to pick up my magazine, be it a photography publication, "Southern Living" or a newspaper trade journal and find my lap filling slowly with clutter.

First page, out will fall a subscription card to send a friend a subscription.

Flip three or four more pages, some eye-searing neon pink card exhorting me to try for thirty days free something or other falls out. Few pages more....another card.

This goes on throughout every single magazine I look at, and the trash can by my chair slowly fills up!

I don't like it. I don't mind the advertising pitch...I mind the loose cards.

The folks who really get my attention are those sensible people whose cards are attached inside the pages of the publication! Now that's a good idea!

Of course, having sounded off about this, I realize there isn't a single thing we can DO about it. There isn't a place to protest!

So, we can live with flutter rain of cardboard pouring from our pages...and fuss!

If you left a message recently, we didn't get it!

We aren't getting the message! We would like anyone who has called and gotten the Thunder Prairie Publishing answering machine at Deport to know that although the recording is working, and fax transmissions are coming through, messages aren't being recorded.

The machine sounds as if it is working, but the messages aren't saved. We are in the process of getting a new answering machine and fax, but for the meantime, if you left a message between the dates of May 19th and May 27th, we did not receive it. Please contact us at 652-4205.

Deport Methodist kids to have bake sale

The Deport Methodist Children will hold a bake sale at two locations this Friday, May 30th from 10 a.m. on. They will be at Guaranty Bank-Deport and at Allen's Food Mart with goodies to be purchased.

VFD plans fish fry

The Deport Volunteer Fire Department will have a fish fry on Friday night, May 30 at 7:00 p.m. at the fire station.

Wood Funeral Home of Deport is providing the ingredients for the meal. All fire department members and their families are invited to attend.

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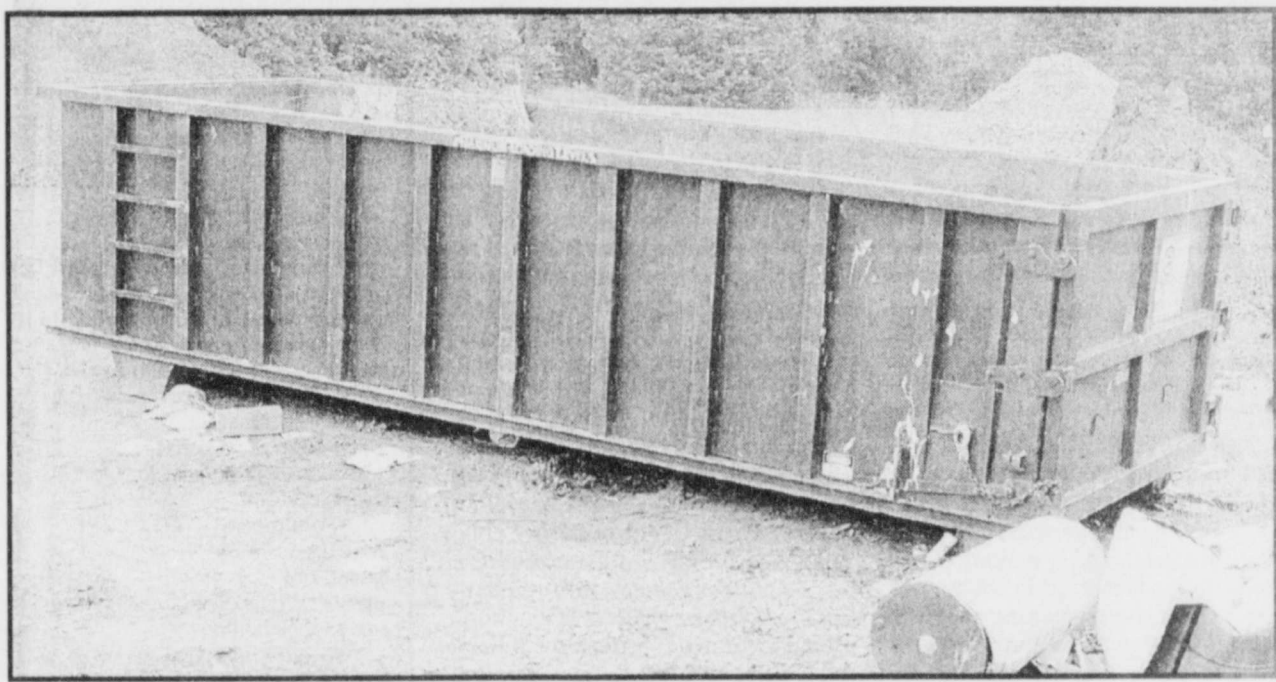
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Dumpster is available for Precinct 1

Precinct 1 Commissioner Mike Blackburn of Lamar County is providing a dumpster for residents of his precinct to dispose of their old appliances.

The dumpster is located behind the County Barn in Pattonville. Residents are encouraged to take their old appliances to the dumpster and place them on the ground by the dumpster. County personnel will place the items in the dumpster, and see that they are disposed of properly.

The service is provided for residents of Precinct 1 in an effort to assist residents in disposing of the items, and not illegally discarding them in creeks and ditches in the precinct. Blackburn states "the service saves time and effort on the county employees' behalf because they don't have to go out and remove discarded items from our creeks and ditches. The service also helps make our county roads more appealing to view".



THIS DUMPSTER is located behind the County Barn in Pattonville for residents of Precinct 1 to dispose of their old appliances, furniture, etc. The service is provided to encourage citizens to dispose of these items properly. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



VOLUNTEERS JOE LADD of Deport and James "Pinky" Griffin of Sulphur Springs helped place 197 flags on Veterans graves in Highland Cemetery on Saturday morning. A total of 200 flags were placed on graves in Highland, Mt. Pleasant and the old Deport cemeteries in honor of Memorial Day. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



Deport Methodist Church sets Bible School for next week

The Deport United Methodist Church will hold their Vacation Bible School next week from June 2nd through the 7th, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The theme is "Celebrate Jesus" and there will be lessons, crafts, activity period, music and snack time. All are invited.

If anyone needs a ride they may call 652-5017 or 632-5489 and a ride will be provided.

Youngsters, come enjoy the event.

Milton Homecoming is June 1

The first Sunday in June is the date set for the annual Milton Homecoming, June 1.

Everyone is invited to come, bring your lawn chairs and a covered dish.

Lunch will be spread on the tables in front of the cemetery with eating to begin at 12:30. There will be an alternate place in case of rain. This year the alternate is Deport Elementary School cafeteria.

Some family reunions are being planned along with the homecoming.

For information, call 652-6572 or 652-3261.

Duo of snakes create power outage

Texas New Mexico Power Company reports that on Sunday, May 25 two snakes got on top of the OCR 2262 at the Red River Substation, which caused the circuit switcher feeding the station to open up. The outage was from approximately 8:05

p.m. until approximately 8:45 p.m. and affected approximately 1600 customers in Titus County, Red River County and Lamar County.

Texas New Mexico Power managed to reroute circuits and by-pass the affected OCR to restore power.

Volleyball camps to be held at Prairiland

Prairiland will have a freshman volleyball camp on May 27-30. The camp will run from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and the cost is \$35.

On June 2-6 Prairiland will host a junior high volleyball camp for students entering the 6th, 7th or 8th

grade. This camp will run from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and the cost is \$50.

For more information on either of these camps, contact Coach Frankye Sessums at 652-5681 or 982-5935.

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Basketball camp is June 9-12 at Prairiland

Prairiland will host a girls basketball camp June 9-12 from 1 to 4 p.m. for third through ninth grade girls.

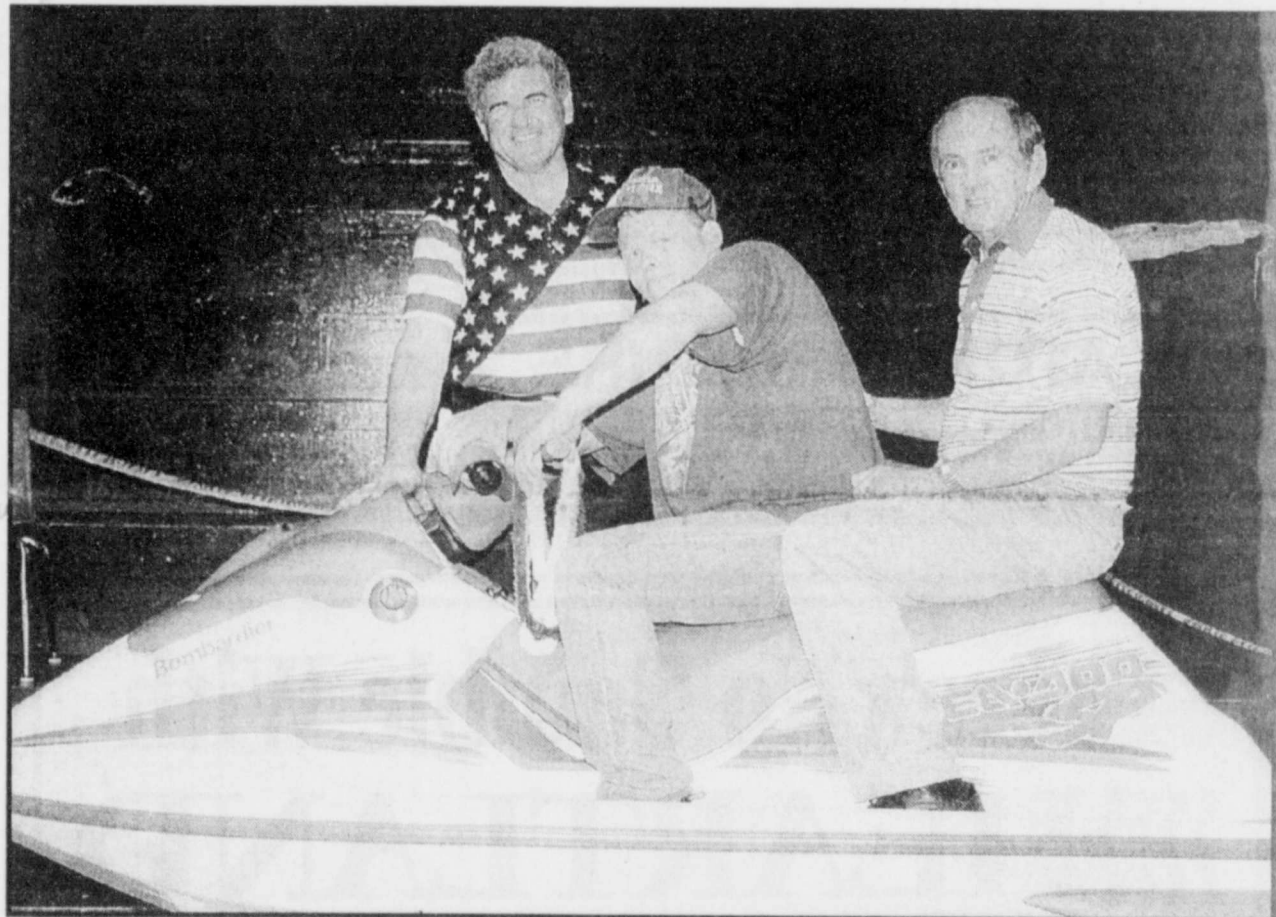
Camp T-shirts and awards will be given. Cost of the camp is \$35.00. For information, contact Frankye Sessums at 652-5681 or 982-5935.

EDITOR'S QUOTES

It is well to think well; it is Divine to act well.
AHorace Mann

People 'n Things

Don't forget the sand volleyball tournament for men and mixed (4 only) Saturday, June 1. Money will go for the Plainview Clardy Community Center. The games are \$10.00 a head. To sign up contact David Skidmore at 785-1058.



PRAIRILAND PROJECT GRADUATION GRAND PRIZE GIVE-A-WAY went to Jason Brown of Deport. Also pictured in the background is Dr. Gary Ballard, principal of Prairiland and foreground is Dr. L.C. Stout superintendent. Jason's name was drawn from 38 other seniors as the winner of this new Kawasaki jet ski from Paris Susuki-Kawasaki.

(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



IT'S WABBIT SEASON!- Deport Postmaster Joe Thompson displays the new Bugs Bunny stamp, poster and ties that the Postal Service released May 22nd. This is the first time an animated character has appeared on a U.S. postage stamp. Bugs has also been appointed to serve as ambassador for Stampers, a youth stamp collecting program. Bugs Bunny will be the first of a whole series of Looney Tunes Stamps, done in conjunction with Warner Bros. (Staff Photo by Mike Francies)

Emergency loans available from farm service agency

Emergency loans for farmers, ranchers or aquaculture operators are available through County offices of the Farm Service Agency, Sheila L. Osbourne, FSA Ag Credit Manager, said recently.

Those who need farm credit as a result of damages and losses caused by high winds, hail, tornadoes, excessive rain and flooding conditions that occurred in 48 Oklahoma counties and contiguous counties including Red River from July 9 through December 31, 1996 make their need known at the FSA office at 1809 W. Ferguson, Suite A, Mt. Pleasant.

Applications for assistance in the disaster stricken counties will be accepted by FSA through January 2,

1998 for physical and production losses.

FSA loans covering actual physical and production losses may be used to replace installations, equipment or buildings, including homes, lost through this disaster. Funds may be used to buy feed, seed, fertilizer, livestock or to meet interest and depreciation payments on current real estate and chattel debts.

Applicants who certify that other credit is not available may receive loans covering actual losses at an interest rate of 3.75 percent and are scheduled for repayment as rapidly as feasibly consistent with the applicant's ability to pay.

Letter to the Editor:

Thomas & Nanalee,
This is an open letter to say thank you and this area for standing behind us in our endeavor to create a safe and protected event for our graduating seniors. Project Graduation was a dream that saw reality on Friday night. Out of 58 seniors, 38 attended (not one senior left) with a total of 97 students, parents and friends participating throughout the night.

Each time one of the kids came up to us and said thank you for giving us this, it was worth every hour's work and worry. We can rest and sleep any time, but we can't bring back a child's life caused by alcohol, drugs or unsafe driving. You allowed us the use of the paper as a tool for advertisement and spreading the word of this special occasion. The people of this area came across with their hard work and donations that enabled us to bring this project to its creation. Prairiland Board members and parents came out at 5:00 a.m. Saturday morning to prepare breakfast for the kids and Jason Brown of Deport was the winner of the jet ski. Also the staff, students, board members, Dr. Ballard and Dr. Stout for their full 110 percent support. Plans are already in the works, planning for next year! Thanks again

Cunningham Homecoming scheduled

The annual Cunningham Homecoming will be held June 28, 1997. The meal will cost \$6.00 and the deadline for payment is June 15. Please mail checks to Jane O'Neal. No notices will be mailed.

Please notify everyone you know about the homecoming. For more information call Jane O'Neal at (903)652-6062 or Geneva Norwood at (903) 652-3141.

Obituaries



Liz Irwin

Country Cooking

If there is someone you'd like to see in the Country Cooking column, call 982-5829. Look for us on the internet!

http://www.1starnet.com/tp

What is more tempting than opening the oven to find an iron skillet filled with piping-hot, golden brown, steaming corn bread! The perfect touch to any meal. . . especially red beans, fried potatoes, maybe add some fried okra, fresh green onions and iced tea! To a homegrown Texan. . . nothing better! Bet you know what this week's recipes are. . . you are right. . . cornbread! Since the time for gardens to start producing is soon. There will be beans to snap, peas to shell and okra ans squash to fry. Add that extra touch. . . fresh cornbread! Hey, it is even good cold, crumbled into a glass of sweet milk or as some prefer, buttermilk! What a way to end a day!

The main ingredient of any cornbread recipe is cornmeal of course. Cornmeal is made by grinding or milling the kernels of the corn plant. It can be used in making baked foods and is also used in such products as adhesives, cleaning products and soaps. Manufacturers refine cornmeal to make laundry starch and sizing for fabrics and paper.

Scientists cannot trace the ancestry of modern corn to a wild plant, as they can other grains such as rice and wheat. They do know that Indians living in what is now Central and Southern Mexico gathered and ate corn from wild plants about 10,000 years ago. The oldest known fossil corn cobs are about 7,000 years old.

Corn can be eaten in many ways. From corn on the cob to grinding and making cornmeal for baked goods such as the cornbread, tasmals and tortillas.

The United States is the largest producer and exporter of corn. We produce around two-fifths of the world's supply, mostly in the Corn Belt in the midwest.

Enough of the lessons today, let's get on with our recipes. First is the **Almost Crackling Corn Bread**. The pan is lined with bacon and the mixture is poured on top and baked until golden brown.

Broccoli Corn Bread is a meal by it's self. Be sure to have lots of butter handy!

Cowboy Cornbread has a little bit of everything in it and would be great with a pot of stew or beans!

Hot Water Cornbread probably brings back a few old memories to a lot of our older generation. I remember eating them with lots of ketchup, piping hot out of the grease! Cholesterol City!

Mexican Cornbread is another recipe that needs little else. Cut a slice piping hot out of the oven and sit back and enjoy!

Everyone has a recipe for the perfect cornbread, but here is another to add to the list, **Perfect Cornbread!**

We hope you enjoy these recipes and we will see you in the kitchen!

There's a mighty big difference between good, sound reasons and reasons that sound good. —Burton Hillis

May 29, 1997
Cornbread Recipes

"Almost Crackling" Corn Bread

- bacon slices
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1/2 cup yellow cornmeal
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1 beaten egg
- 2 tablespoons Crisco-melted

In an iron skillet line bottom with bacon slices cut in half. Place in 425 degree oven to heat skillet and start bacon cooking to grease skillet well. Combine flour, cornmeal, sugar, salt and baking powder; set aside. In a separate bowl, blend together milk, eggs and oil; add this to dry ingredients and mix together. Pour over bacon and continue baking until browned on top. Serve at once.

Broccoli Corn Bread

- 1-10 ounce package frozen chopped broccoli
- 2 boxes Jiffy cornbread muffin mix
- 2 sticks margarine-melted
- 1 medium chopped onion
- 2 slightly beaten eggs
- 1-8 ounce package cottage cheese

Prepare broccoli according to instructions on package and drain. Mix next 5 ingredients and add broccoli. Bake in 13 x 9 inch greased pan at 350 degrees for about 40 minutes or until brown.

Cowboy Cornbread

- 1-1/2 cups cornmeal
- 1/2 cup flour
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups sour cream
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 1 beaten egg
- 2 cups sharp cheddar cheese-grated
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 2 cloves garlic-chopped
- 1-10 ounce can yellow hominy-drained
- 2-4 ounce cans chopped green chilis

Mix dry ingredients together. Combine sour cream, milk and eggs; add to dry ingredients along with cheese, on-

ion, garlic, hominy and green chilis. Stir extra well. Pour into 10-inch skillet, greased with shortening or meat rind. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes or until brown on top.

Hot Water Corn Bread

- 1 cup cornmeal
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup water
- cooking oil

Blend dry ingredients. Bring water to a boil and pour over dry ingredients in a medium bowl. Mix thoroughly. Allow to cool slightly and then pat into 6 medium patties. Fry in just enough heated oil to cover bottom of skillet. Fry until golden brown.

Mexican Corn Bread

- 1 chopped onion
- 1/4 cup butter
- 1 package Mexican cornbread
- 1/3 cup milk
- 2 drops hot pepper sauce
- 1 can whole kernel corn
- 1-8 ounce container sour cream
- 1 cup grated cheddar cheese
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 pound drained browned ground meat

Preheat oven to 425 degrees and saute onion in butter and set aside. Combine cornbread mix, eggs, milk, corn, meat and pepper sauce. Pour into buttered 8 onch pan. Add sour cream, salt and half of cheese to onions. Mix and spread over batter. Sprinkle with remaining cheese. Bake 25-30 minutes.

Perfect Corn Bread

- 1 cup cornmeal
- 1 cup flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 cup milk
- 2 beaten eggs
- 1/4 cup oil

Mix cornmeal, flour, salt, sugar and baking powder in a large bowl. Mix eggs, milk and oil in a separate bowl; add to dry ingredients and mix well. Pour into greased muffin tins and bake at 400

William Eugene Smith dies May 21

William Eugene Smith, age 69, formerly of Fulbright, died Wednesday, May 21 in Red River Healthcare Center, Bogata.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, May 24 in Wood Funeral Home chapel in Deport with Rev. Ray Evers officiating. Burial was in Bethel Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home, Deport.

Mr. Smith was born November 7, 1927 in Hopkins County, the son of William Riley and Edie Caron Thomas Smith. He was retired from Phillips Industries.

Surviving are five daughters, Carron Herring of Bogata, Lina Skinner of Paris, Patricia Buckley of Tennessee, Cathy Furr of Mt. Pleasant and Pam Smith of Detroit; one son, Stanley Smith of Detroit; five sisters, Louise Rodgers of Dallas, Ruth Watts of Oklahoma, Mary Cox of Saltillo, Martha Massingill of Shreveport and Regina Knowles of Lake Tawakoni; three brothers, Dick Smith and Clark Smith of Saltillo and Tommy Smith of Paris; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Card Of Thanks

The children of William G. Smith wish to acknowledge the flowers, food, cards and kindnesses that were extended to us during the loss of our father. Thanks to Reverend Ray Evers and to the song leader, Joy.

Thanks again.

Carron Herring
Linda Skinner
Patricia Buckley
Kathy Furr
& Stanley Smith

Billy Frank Mitchell dies May 26

Billy Frank Mitchell, age 66 of Blossom died Monday at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Bright-Holland Funeral Home conducted graveside services Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. at the Mitchell family cemetery with Rev. Carl Weaver officiating.

Mr. Mitchell was born August 8, 1930 in Hopkins County, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mitchell. He married Jean Felkner, who survives.

He was a member of Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church.

Other survivors include three sons, Tommy Mitchell of Blossom, Isidro Cortes of Paris and Carl Weaver of Blossom; one daughter, Magdalena Cortes of Paris; eight grandchildren; one sister, Nadine Carroll of Gilmer and a host of Godchildren.

Card Of Thanks

The family of Vernon D. Harville would like to thank the many friends and family for the flowers, food, support, loving thoughts and prayers.

Special thanks to Reverend Bob Bush; the choir; pianist, Shirley Earley; and Wood Funeral Home. Your support helped us beyond words.

Thank you to the doctors, nurses and staff at Regency Nursing Home for taking care of Pop, and a special thank you to the care givers in the Alzheimer's Unit and Life Net Ambulance Service.

Wootie Harville
Morris & Donna
Bo & Neva Dell
Larry & Christy
& the grandchildren

Fulbright reunions scheduled

The annual Fulbright School Reunion will be held on June 7, from 11:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at the Rocking W Bar-B-Que in Paris. Lunch will be served from the menu. Any former student of the Fulbright School is invited to attend.

On June 8 the annual Fulbright Homecoming will be held at the Fulbright Community Center.

Malone-Jopes-Phipps Family Reunion To Be Held Sunday

The Malone-Jopes-Phipps family reunion will be Sunday, June 1 at the Malone Lake Ranch at Vasco in Delta County. Bring a covered dish for the noon meal. The Mulberry Creek Band will provide music. For more information call 395-4371 or 785-1592.

Hunter Safety Course set for June

There will be a Hunter Safety Course on June 2, 3, 5, 6 at the Blossom School Cafeteria.

Donnie McHam will be the instructor. Jeff Wilcoxon will be a speaker.

YWCA offers piano lessons

The Continuing Education Program of the Paris YWCA will sponsor the "Chord Approach to Piano" workshop on Saturday, June 21 from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. followed by the "Piano by Ear" workshop from 1:45 to 4:45 p.m.


Terry Maddock, instructor, will share techniques that reveal how the pros play.

Ability to read treble clef recommended. Students will learn how to read the chords in music instead of the traditional note for note music reading.

You must pre-register due to limited enrollment. Contact 785-5221 to register and for information.



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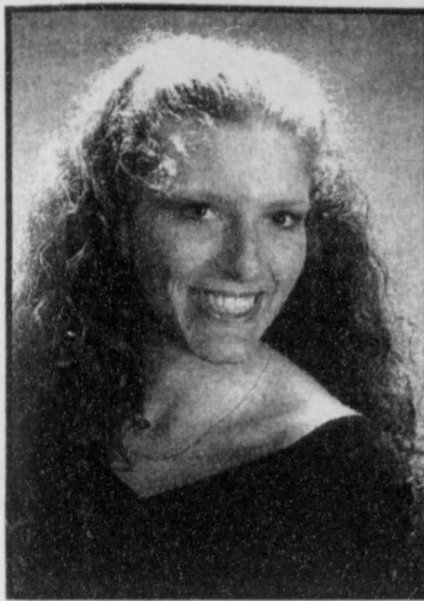
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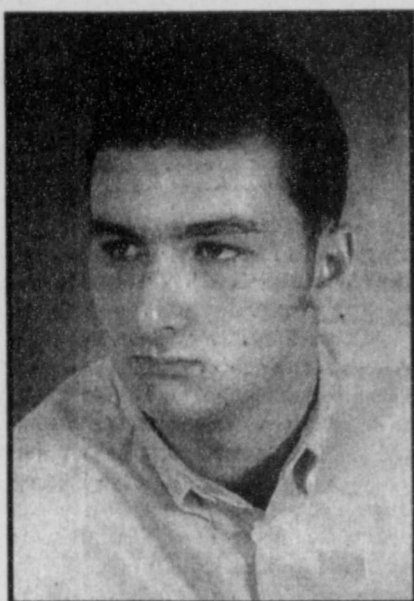
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This book will sell for \$29.95 plus sales tax. Please contact Martha Sue Stroud, 1004 West Broadway, Clarksville, TX (903)427-5738 to order your copy.



Jennifer McGill
Valedictorian



Brian McGill
Salutatorian

McGills take top honors

Jennifer McGill has been named Valedictorian and Brian McGill the Salutatorian at Daingerfield-Lone Star High School in Daingerfield. Parents are Mr. and Mrs. Johnny McGill of Daingerfield and Mr. and Mrs. Kenny McGill of Lone Star, respectively.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gaylon McGill of Daingerfield, formerly of Deport. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Mamie Kennedy of Bogata and the late Mack Kennedy and the late Pat and Sammie McGill of Deport.



Angela Wilson
with fiance Craig Pennington

Wilson-Pennington to exchange vows in Houston

Craig Pennington and Angela Wilson will be married in the Oaks Presbyterian Church at 6:00 p.m. on July 19.

Angela is the daughter of George and Patricia Thomas and the granddaughter of Mrs. Fern Cox. She graduated from Waltrip High School and is pursuing a career in Speech Pathology.

Craig is the son of Bill and Joyce Pennington and the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Pat McGill of Deport and the A.F. Penningtons of Mineola. He graduated from Waltrip High School and is working on an accounting degree.

After a wedding trip to Ruidoso, NM, the couple will reside in Houston where both are employed.

Kincaid family holds annual reunion

The family of the late Bud and Lola Kincaid held their annual family reunion on May 18 at the American Legion Hall in Deport. There were 56 present.

Those attending from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Grinstead; James Grinstead; Wanda Sue Grinstead of Dallas; Pam Haden and Jack Thorn of Forney; Mr. and Mrs. Bud Jr. Kincaid of Denison; Kathy Mayfield and Amy of Kaufman; Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Kincaid of Gun Barrel; Paula Smith and Chance of Huntsville; Mrs. Lura Gann of Paris; Kay Ward and Kristi of Dallas; Lorene Kilgore of Paris; Joan Kincaid of Paris; Mr. and Mrs. Steve Helm and

Daniel, Kimberly and Kayla of Paris; Debbie Smith of Post Oak; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson, Brandon, Allen and Larry of Pattonville; Mr. and Mrs. Dale Burris, Hunter and Adron of Pattonville; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Nichols of Minter.

From Deport were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Johnson; Cindy Sugg and Ashley; Mrs. Pat Talley; Burrell Kincaid; Mr. and Mrs. Burrell Dean Kincaid and Amy; Jerry Kincaid and Kelly; Mrs. Lillian Kincaid; Vita Bratton; and Mike Kincaid.

Everyone had a wonderful time taking pictures and enjoying being together.



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



(Staff Photo)
MARLENA BRYANT graduated from Texas A&M-Commerce recently with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business. She also received the Outstanding Achievement in Leadership by the Business Fraternity Sigma Phi Epsilon. Marlena is the daughter of Irene Bryant of Blossom.

Cunningham News
By Carol Jean Williams & Lou Hatfield
652-6792

Homecoming signs have been posted at the Musgrove Store in Cunningham and on a tree in Bogata, and one will be placed near the Prairiland school sign after school dismisses. Homecoming will be June 28 at Cunningham Community Center. Meal is \$6.00 and deadline for payment is June 15. Mail to Jane O'Neal at Rt. 1, Box 63-5A, Deport. Call Jane at 652-6062 or Geneva Norwood at 652-3141. Bring chairs.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cunningham of Alabama and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Cunningham of Mesquite visited Restland Cemetery Sunday. They visited Clyde Slusher, Lou Hatfield and Jean Williams enjoyed looking at the Cunningham history pictures and viewed the Cunningham senior pictures at the community center. Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Cunningham plan to attend homecoming.

Lucy Fowler visited Carol Dorsey this weekend. Barbara and Delano Dunlap were in for the weekend.

Jeff and Cindy Kennedy, Zack and Garrett had lunch with Bobby and Shelby Kennedy Sunday. T.L. and Carol Ladd and their new daughter, Briggett, Steve and Carolyn Ladd, Taylor Ladd and Melba Baker and Scooter Bills visited Bobby and Shelby Sunday afternoon.

Tuesday evening, Larry Bell and Stacy Bell visited Norman and Rachel

Sain. Virginia Bell visited Norman and Rachel Thursday morning. That evening Olie Ruth, Carl Bufford and June Guthrie visited and Olie Ruth spent the weekend with Rachel.

Silas and Juanita Taylor returned from vacation, visiting Capt. and Mrs. Allan Wright in Falls Church, VA, spent time with Mr. and Mrs. Vern Williamson in Richmond, Va, visited Mr. and Mrs. B.R. Richardson in Danville, VA and spent the last week sightseeing in Top Sail Island, NC.

Ruby Sanford of Sumner and Lillian King of Deport spent Sunday night with Leonard and Billie Ford and they had a family cookout. Those present were Ruby Sanford, Lillian King, Tracy and Danny Kindle and children of Cunningham, Bobby and Carol Arrington and children of Gilmer.

Travis Hunter and boys visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Hunter in Greenville Sunday. On Monday, Travis and Tonya Hunter, Jermay and Christian, Debbie and Courtney Currin had dinner and supper with John and Claudia Whitney.

Bruce Watson, Vickie Davis, her children Crystal, Lacy, Roy Boy and Jesi Davis and friend Lacy Gresham and Jock Williams met other friends from the valley at Garner State Park where they camped for the weekend and floated the Frio River.

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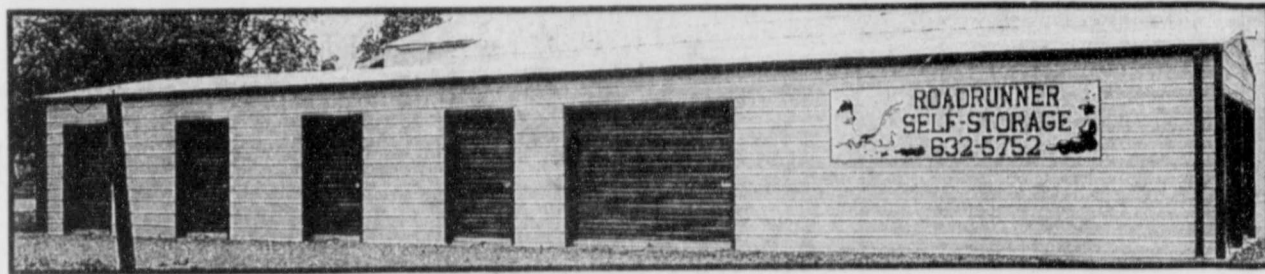
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Sessums honored with graduation parties

Breah Sessums was honored last Wednesday with a spaghetti supper at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Roy Castlebury. Hostesses were Mrs. Castlebury, Mrs. Bobbi Gifford and Mrs. Marilyn Crawford.

Guests were served spaghetti, french bread, strawberry pie, salad and drinks. Each guest was presented with graduation mementos and party favors.

On Friday, Breah was honored by her cousins at Sandwich, Etc.

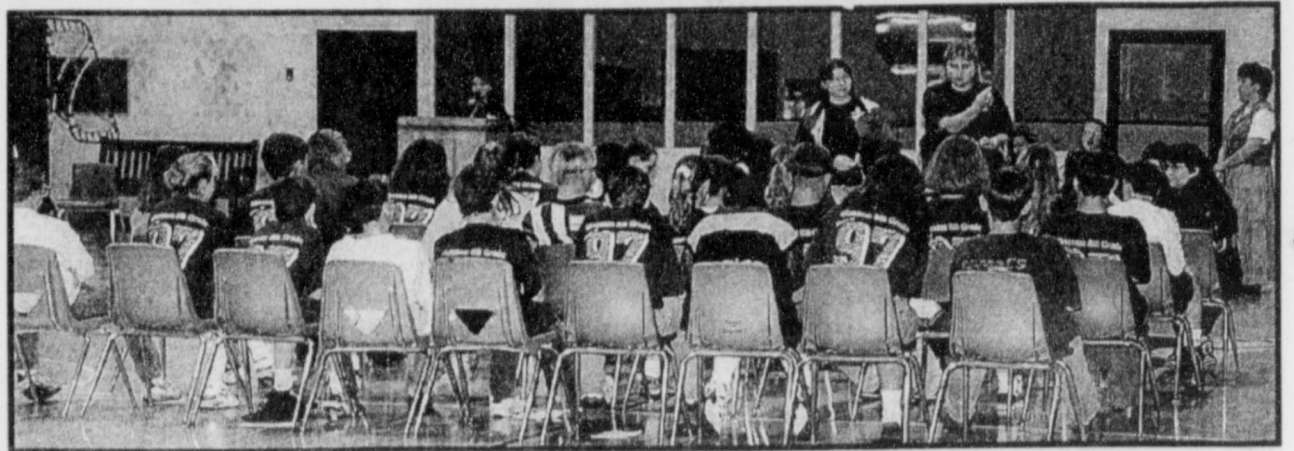
YWCA offers piano lessons

The Continuing Education Program of the Paris YWCA will sponsor the "Chord Approach to Piano" workshop on Saturday, June 21 from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. followed by the "Piano by Ear" workshop from 1:45 to 4:45 p.m.

Terry Maddock, instructor, will share techniques that reveal how the pros play.

Ability to read treble clef recommended. Students will learn how to read the chords in music instead of the traditional note for note music reading.

You must pre-register due to limited enrollment. Contact 785-5221 to register and for information.



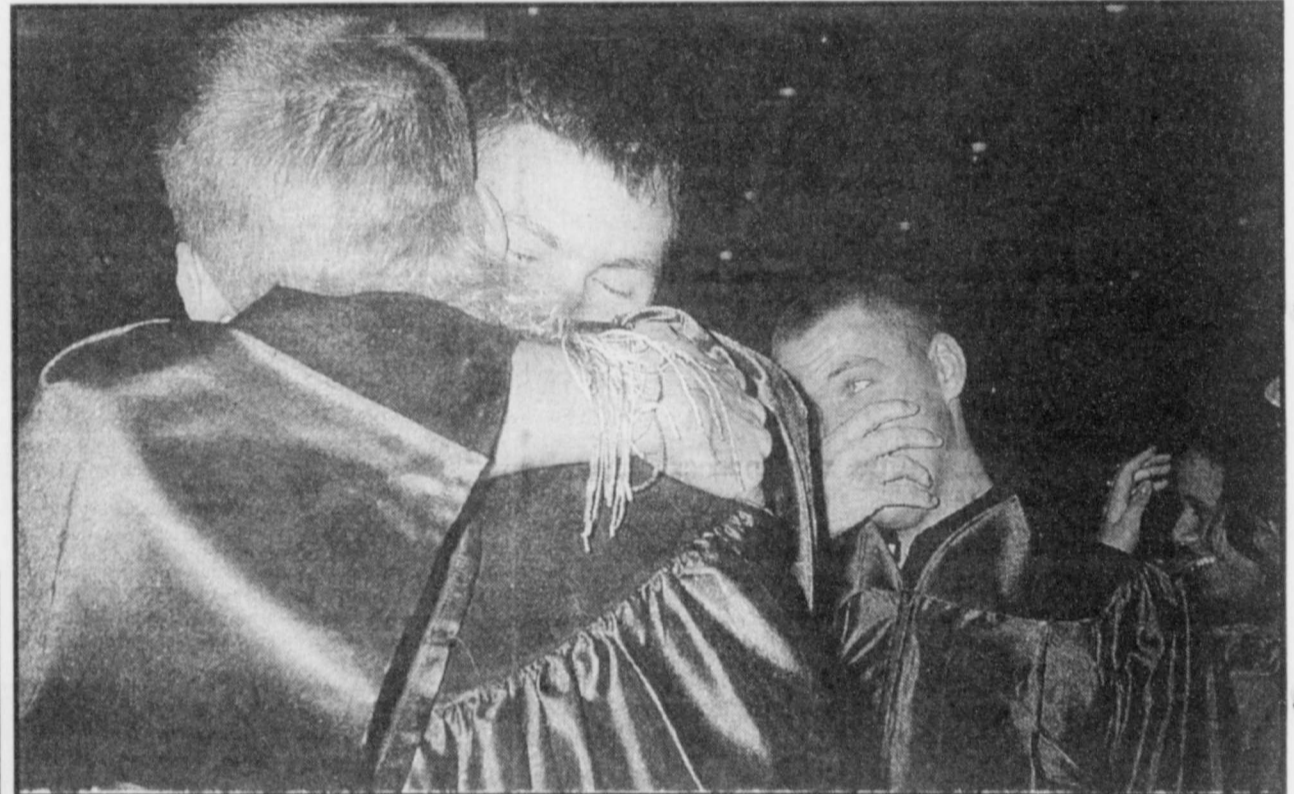
(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

PRAIRILAND 8th graders from the Deport and Blossom campuses gathered at Prairiland to practice their graduation ceremony last week. The group is looking forward to coming to Prairiland in August to begin a Freshmen.



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BREAKFAST ANYONE? From left is Dr. Gary Ballard, David Basinger, Virgil Jones, Chuck James and Chet Downs as they prepare breakfast for over 60 folks at the 1st annual Prairiland Project Graduation around 5:30 a.m. Saturday morning, May 24. Seniors were treated to sausage, bacon, eggs, biscuits, scrambled eggs and all the trimmings while they awaited the grand prize-drawing of the jet ski.



(Staff Photo)

PRAIRILAND SENIORS bid farewell at Friday night's graduation at Love Civic Center while some get teary-eyed and others laugh with joy. Pictured from left to right is Jeremy Day, Adam Walker, Drew Owen and Melanie Griffin.

"New Arts Six" to perform at PJC

New Arts Six, the highly acclaimed women's ensemble, will perform at the Paris Junior college multicultural event at 7:30 p.m. on June 19. The group will present "A Joyful Noise", an original performance piece utilizing the spiritual and literature, in the PJC Theater for the Performing Arts.

Tickets are available by calling 785-9574.

The concert is sponsored by the Paris Junior College Multicultural Events Committee with funding from the Texas Commission on the Arts and the Paris Area Arts Alliance.



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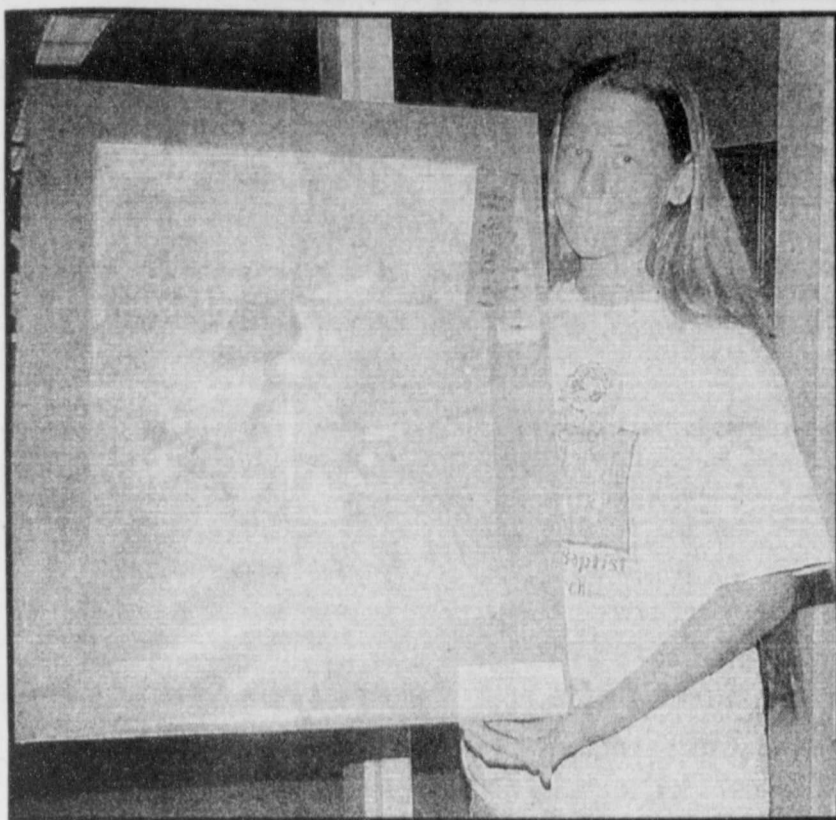
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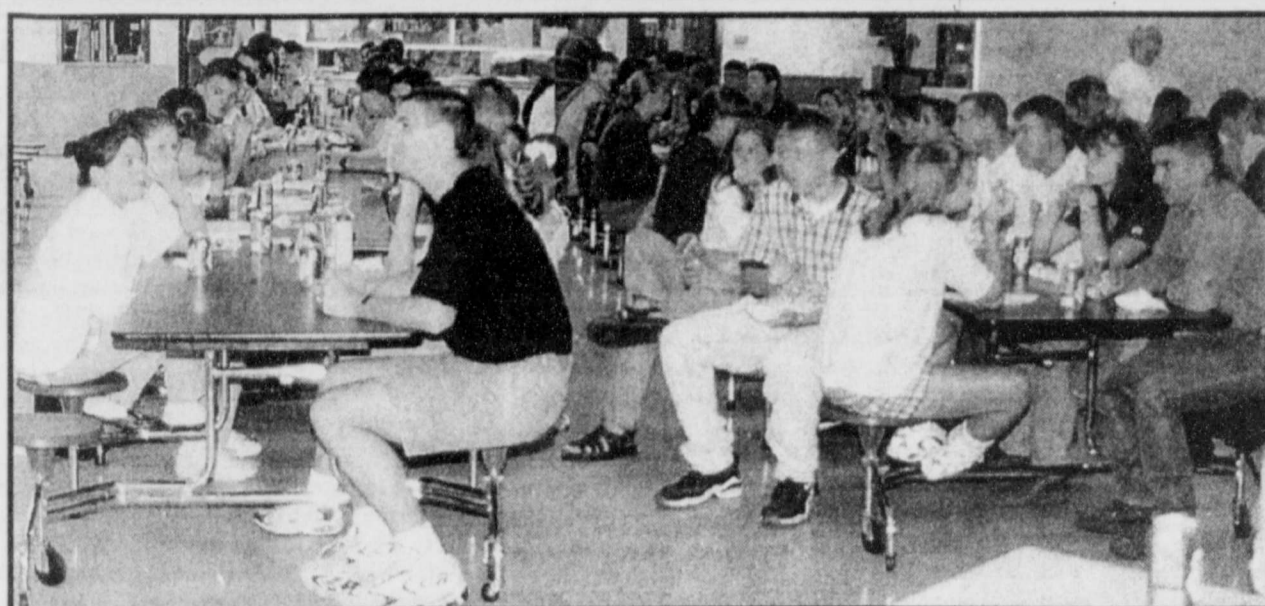
ANGELA GORDON, 10th grader at Prairiland entered this color design at the Paris Art Fair recently. She took home an honorable mention.

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STUDENTS ON THE PRAIRILAND campus enjoyed pizza on Wednesday if they were exempt from their final tests the last week of school. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



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DOROTHY HURST, senior student at Prairiland won 1st place for her color entry in the Paris Art Fair recently.

Prairiland announces art fair winners

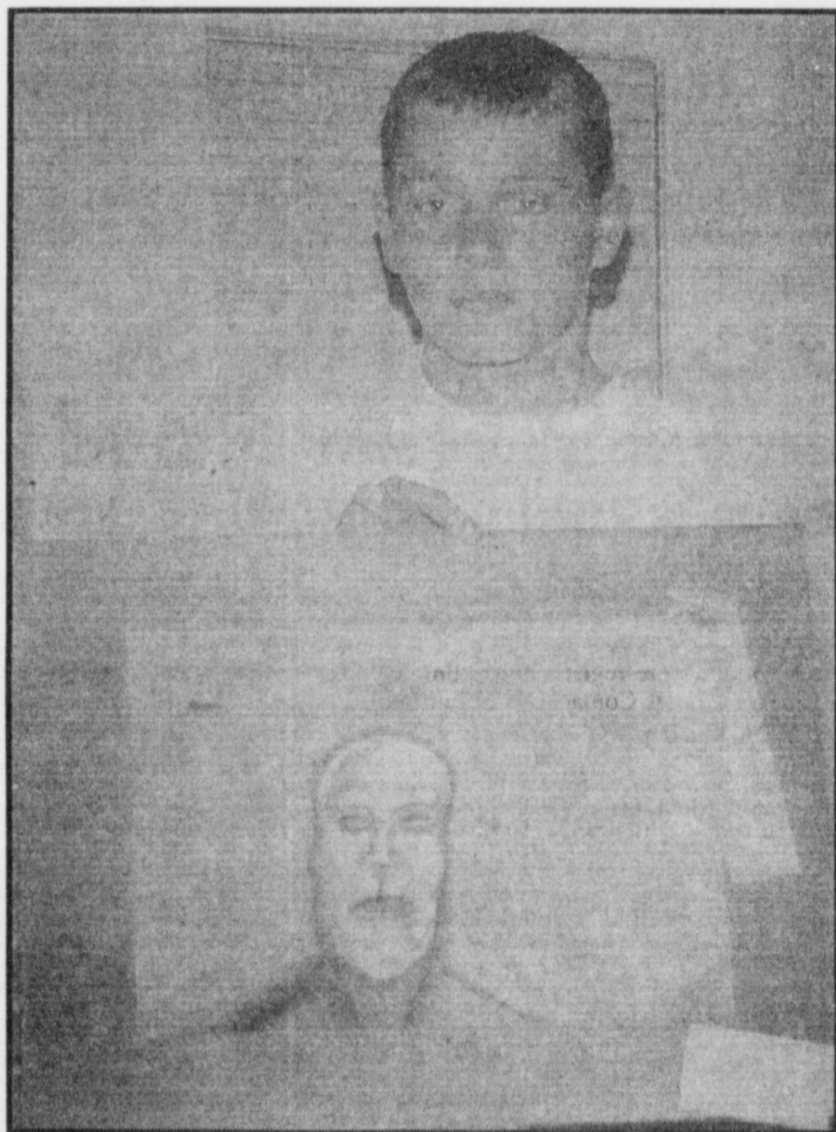
Several of Monda Fults art students were very successful at the Paris Art Fair last weekend. Senior Dorothy Hurst placed 1st for her color entry and a 2nd place red ribbon for her black and white. Also Miss Hurst received a \$900 art scholarship to Paris Junior College. Angela Gordon, sophomore student garnered honorable mention for her color design. Senior Sam Money also won honorable mention for his color design. Other Prairiland students were Cody Phillips with a blue ribbon in wood carving, Buck Sutton, honorable mention in color design and Angie Bounds, honorable mention in 3-D.

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PRAIRILAND SENIOR SAM MONEY submitted this color design which took honorable mention in the recent Paris Art Fair.

Local agricultural lenders join forces

The North Texas and Paris Federal Land Bank Associations recently merged to become one lending association, the FLBA of North Texas. The merger of the member-owned lending cooperatives, effective May 1, is the result of overwhelming approval by members of both associations. The new association holds approximately \$108 million in loans outstanding to more than 1,750 local farmers, ranchers, agribusiness and rural homeowners in 13 northern Texas counties. The association is under the direction of a six-member board of directors composed of three members from each of the former association boards. Board members are Chester C. Calhoun of Valley View, Bruce Lane Duncan of Avery, Wallace E. Kraft II of Paris, James I. Pickering of Texarkana, Bert Pruett of Slidell and Ben F. Wible of Sherman. No office or staff changes are anticipated as a result of the merger. Office headquarters are located in Denton, with branch locations in New Boston, Paris and Sherman. The association also maintains contact offices in Bonham, Decatur and Gainesville and plans to open a new contact office in Mt. Pleasant. The FLBA of North Texas serves Bowie, Camp, Cass, Cook, Delta, Denton, Fannin, Grayson, Lamar, Morris, Red River, Titus and Wise counties.

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 Fifth grade: Aron Arrasmith, Heather Barnes, Timothy Cox, Shanna Draper, Sarah Tubbs, Christopher Brunson, Jr, Erika Norwood.

Milton News

By Mattylu Upchurch

The annual Milton homecoming will be Sunday, June 1. All interested persons are invited.
 Bobbie Hill of Little Rock, AR and Billie Goheen of Arlington have been here this week to help out while their father, Bill Upchurch, is in the hospital.
 Richard and Grace Wolf of Talco visited Mr. and Mrs. George Wolf Sunday afternoon.
 Chris and Tracie Chipman celebrated their sixth anniversary this weekend with dinner out.
 Mabel Pearson of Marshall spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister and husband, Elizabeth and Holland Bell.
 Charlie Turner and Helen Temple spent Saturday and Sunday in Terrell

for a bowling tournament.
 Allen and Stacy Huddleston attended church and lunch with her parents, Donny and Laura Wright at the Presbyterian Church in Deport on Sunday.
 Nick Maudsley of Benbrook and Devin Newman of Ft. Worth visited their grandparents, Bill and Mattylu Upchurch over the weekend.
 Edna Talley returned home this week after a two week visit with her sister in Pampa and brother and aunt and uncle in Amarillo.
 The family of George and Nell Wolf had dinner with them Sunday.
 Kay Woodard of Faught visited her parents, James and Dorothy Holt Sunday.

Deport Locals

By Barbara Crawford
 CALL 652-4205

Frances Franklin spent Wednesday to Saturday with her daughter Deloris & Canard Norwood of Katy, Texas. They brought her home and spent the weekend.
 Bobbye Bailey and Reba Temple were in Houston last week visiting Kandi Krietz & family and to attend the graduation of her grandson Brian Krietz, he was in the top 10 of his class at Eisenhower High School. Her daughter Kandi Krietz returned home with them and spent the weekend.
 Kathryn Rodgers and Willadean Bless of Homer, Louisiana spent last weekend with Ina & Nina Sparks.
 George Parks of Irving spent Thursday to Saturday with his mother Mary Parks.

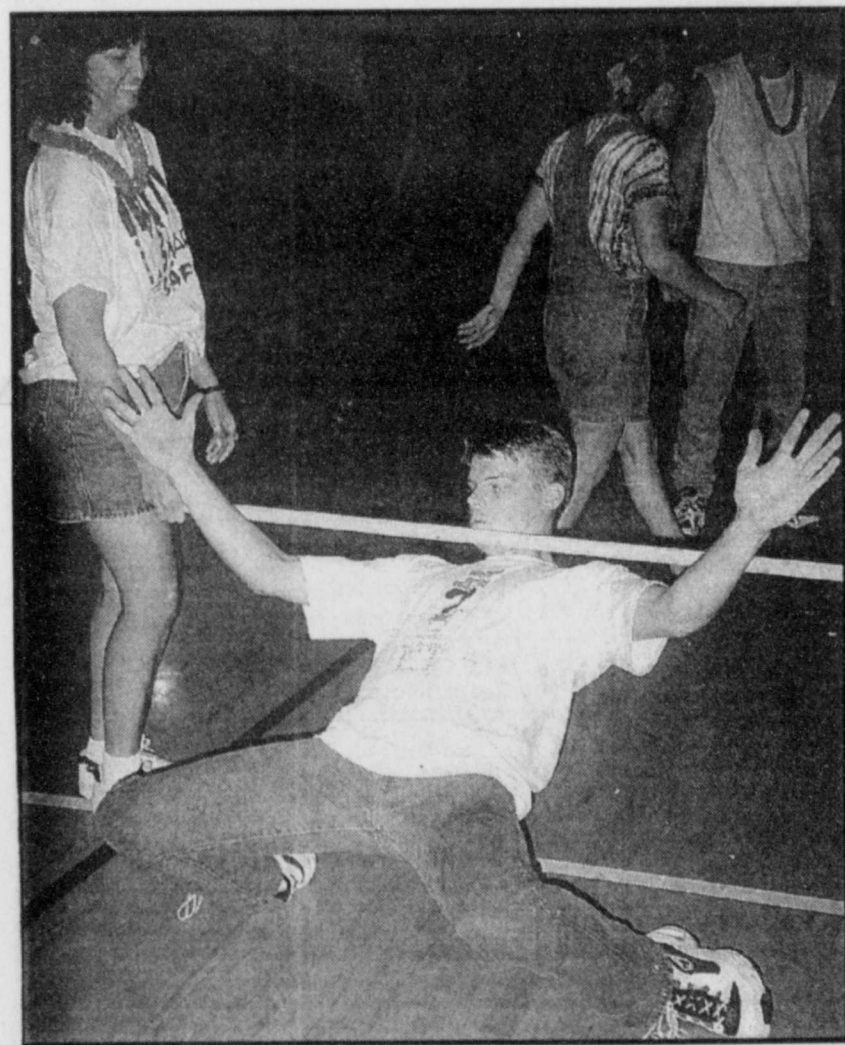
Alice Bumgarner & Ruby Dee Blevins visited Jessie & Buster Newsum of Paris on Wednesday.
 Alice Bumgarner & daughter Alice Ruth Gravatt of Reno attended the 8th Grade Graduation at Prairiland Thursday night and had dinner with Ruby Dee & Billy Blevins of Pattonville.
 Jennifer Dorsey graduated from the 8th grade Thursday night at Prairiland. Attending were her mother Carol Dorsey, grandmother Lucy Fowler, T. J. & Margaret Fowler, Billie & Tosha Dorsey, Ricky & Melanie Moore & Colt. After graduation Carol, Lucy, Bille & Tosha, Jennifer & Stan Cox ate at TaMoley's in Paris. Jennifer & Stan attended the 8th grade dance.
 Carol Dorsey & Jennifer, Margaret Fowler and Barbara Dunlap of Mesquite attended the graduation of Christy Fowler at Reunion Arena in Dallas Saturday. She is a graduate of Mesquite High School.

PATTONVILLE NEWS
 By Rita Cox 784-0283 or 652-4205

Nina Sparks and Peggy Parsons attended the RSVP banquet in Paris at the Love Civic Center on Tuesday night. Robert Baugh and his swing band played during the banquet.
 Greg and Connie Parsons and Alisen of Whitehouse visited Keith and Peggy Parsons over Memorial Day weekend. They attended Drew Boren's baseball games Saturday.
 Sunday dinner guests of the Keith Parsons were Greg, Connie and Alisen Parsons, Randy and Kristi Boren, Drew and Leah and Ina and Nina Sparks.
 Ina and Nina Sparks and Peggy Parsons attended the Paris-Lamar Retired Teachers meeting and luncheon at PJC on Monday. They enjoyed the music presented by Mrs. Jan McKinney and Jayme, Dustin May and Shane Chennault of Prairiland.
 Mark and Tonya Parsons and Ty of Rowlett visited the Parsons on Memorial Day.
 Ruby Blevins visited Alice Bumgarner and Linnie Bailey. Ruby and

Barbara McDowra was visited by A.L. Hood on Thursday.
 Don't forget the sand volleyball tournament for men and mixed (4 only) Saturday, June 1. Money will go for the Plainview Clardy Community Center. The games are \$10.00 a head. To sign up contact David Skidmore at 785-1058.
 Visiting Mrs. Earline Wilson were Pam Rodgers, Susie Evans, Sammie and S.C. Short, Summer and Betty Slayden, Martha Porterfield, Henrietta Watts, Dorothy and James Cunningham, Jenife, Dustin and Chase Blount and Betty Joe Taylor.
 Grady and Carol Reid, Perry Stowers, Mick and Clay of Fayetteville, Arkansas and Marily and Madison Bolton of Paris visited Jesse and Frances Anderson.

Bill's visitors were Mickey Keener and Alice Bumgarner.
 Louise and Buster's visitors were Mr. and Mrs. E.C. Bogard, Cecil Allen of Lamar Point and Bill Geer.
 Willie and Donna, David Crossland and Betty White, Donna's mother visited Betty's family in Ft. Worth.
 Raymond and Francis Hoover went camping at the lake.



(Staff Photo)

PRAIRILAND SENIOR Doug Loven tries his hand at the limbo bar while parent Ola Himes adjusts the bar. Seniors were treated to a night of fun, food and activity at Prairiland's 1st annual Project Graduation event. School Board members and parents prepared breakfast Saturday morning for the group.

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