

## Nichols Worth



*I don't know if I can take anymore!*

Monitors, hard drives, cables and modems, printer lines for image writer, printer lines for laser writer. New Adobe programs for this machine, new scanners, new everything.....wonderful, right? Wrong! Well, not exactly wrong, not in the long run, but for now my poor old mind is flat out overloaded!

Many years ago we came to the conclusion that purchasing a computer system is an exercise in futility. By the time you work the bugs out, it's obsolete, and consequently worth a fraction of what was paid for them. Instead, we lease the system, replace it with a new one when the lease is up and keep right on going.

Of course, as our needs and wants have become bigger and bigger, and the price of computers has come down, everything has become more complicated when it comes to switch out time.

They started putting in the new system last week.

We had to take all our data and put it on one machine while all the others were taken down and the new ones put up. Then we had to get each terminal's data put back to the right location.

In the meantime new software was being installed on some machines for faster photograph handling. That meant that new commands and abilities had to be discovered and learned.

That doesn't count the fact that some of our old software won't run on the new systems, and that had to be transferred to a couple of older machines that had more or less been gathering dust.

Then everyone had to be put back on the network, and communications between us re-established. That included a drive to Bogata to make sure that remote access from down there was working.

Of course, our internet software wasn't current after going on the new system, and that had to be updated too.

This doesn't even count the "Ackkkk", "Oh no", "Ehhhh", what's it doing THAT for" and other shrieks of dismay and outright horror as strange things happened.

At six that night we called it a day (and a long one it had been) but returned on Friday for yet another long day struggling to bring our system back to life. We succeeded, although portions of it were still a bit shaky. Monday, our computer guru reappeared yet again, to tidy up all our loose ends. Unfortunately, some strange intermittent error kept making things crash. We would be presented with a little bomb saying we had a system error Type 10. Being inconsistent, it was nearly impossible to chase down.

Tuesday things were better, until about 7:00 p.m. That's when the negatives canner began acting up. We finally had to set the old scanner back up. We were tooling right along catching up when bang, off went the electricity! At that point we decided that enough was enough, packed it in and slunk home to start again Wednesday morning!

I admit it has nearly taken me down. My dreams have been fraught with imagined problems, horrors and scenarios. My mind has whirled out of control. My "next" has been wrecked and is still stacked with boxes and twist ties, new instructions and warranties.

Hopefully all is well and will work as it is supposed to. But I don't know how many more of these leaps into the future my feeble brain is going to be able to take. I don't think my memory chips and technology is able to keep up anymore! Ahh, to be able to just buy a new chip and snap it into my brain!



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# Deport Times

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DEPORT, LAMAR COUNTY, TEXAS

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## Bogata Rodeo is gearing up!!

The 1997 Bogata Rodeo will be June 26-27-28 and promises to be the best yet.

With featured performers appearing nightly, in addition to the seven championship rodeo events, the Bogata Rodeo Association has put together three nights of family entertainment for northeast Texas folks.

The Rodeo Princess contest is underway, with four candidates signing up for the title at this time. The candidates are Cheyenne Williams, Jesi Navia, Ashlee Ann Waggoner and Sheree Roach.

On Thursday, the first rodeo parade will take place at 6:00 p.m. to officially kick off the activities. The second parade will be held on Saturday, also at 6:00 p.m.

Rodeo features include Bill McEnaney of Rossville, Tennessee and his partner "Famous Amos" the mule.

The Red River Riders, precision drill team from Clarksville will be

performing each evening, as well as the great rodeo band, Billy Ratliff and the Texas Express.

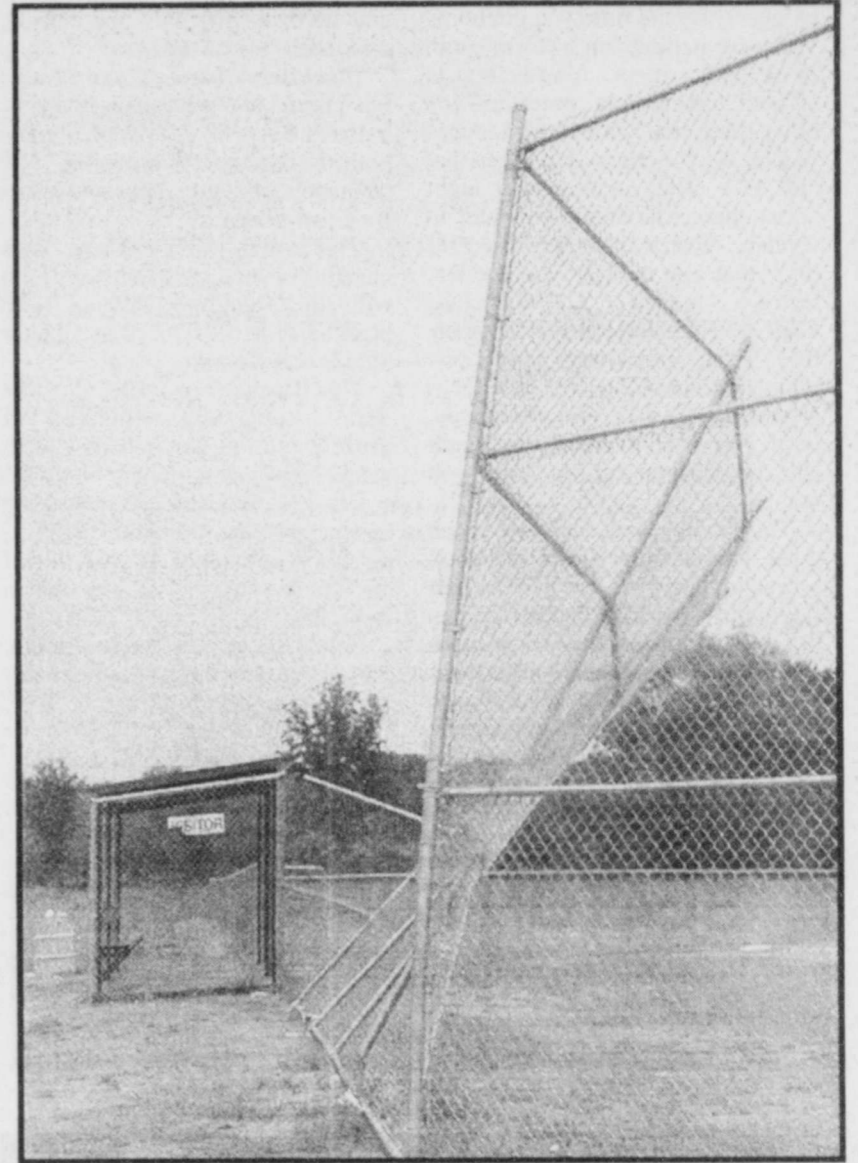
Preliminaries in the Mutton Bustin' will be held on Thursday and Friday nights with the finals being held on Saturday.

Registration for the Championship Mutton Bustin' competition will be held the preceding Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, June 23-24-25. Rickey Moore's Texaco in Bogata, at the Branding Iron Feed & Supply in Clarksville or at the 909 Diner in Bogata. Children ages six and under may sign up. The first twenty contestants will be accepted for Thursday and Friday nights of the rodeo. The best judged top ten riders will perform on Saturday night in the finals for the Championship Mutton Bustin'. Prizes and buckles will be given to top contenders in the event. Parents are asked to leave their name and phone number when registering their child, and must sign a waiver release

form at the rodeo prior to the event. The entries will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.

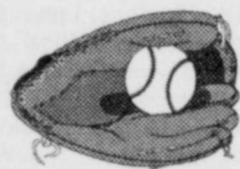
And on Saturday night, the exciting Mexican Poker contest will be held before the bull riding event.

Sponsors for the 1997 Bogata Rodeo are: bareback riding, Lonesome Dove Cafe; calf roping, Pyeatt Oil & Gas; saddle bronc riding, Deport Farm Supply; steer wrestling, Ken Harrison Enterprises, Inc.; team roping, Armadillo Kwik Korner; bull riding, Moonlight Jubilee; cowgirls barrel racing, Bogata True Value Hardware; calf scramble, Buckman Drug Store; princess contest, Guaranty Bank; band, G&S Handy Mart and Huddleston's Grocery Store; specialty act, Hometown Home Health Service; mutton bustin', Rickey Moore Texaco, Branding Iron Feed & Supply, 909 Diner; grand entry, Milano's Pizza; drill team, Bogata Parts Plus; Mexican poker, Masterpieces Salon and Big Daddy's Barbeque.



Staff Photo By Thomas Nichols

Storms that passed through the area Friday June 13 th caused damage to the backstop on Ken Hunt Field in Davis Park west of Deport. Sponsor signs were torn from the fences around the park as well. The extent of damage is unknown until an estimate for repairs can be obtained.



## Two big tournaments set for Davis Park

The City of Deport will be hosting a Dixie Girls 9-10 year All-Star tournament at Davis Park on Hwy. 271 just west of Deport. Dates are June 27-July 3rd. Also, they will be hosting a Dixie Boys 11-12 years, sub district tournament on July 11-17.

This will be a great opportunity to raise much needed money for our baseball park and bring hundreds of people to our area. We need everyone to help! On Sunday, June 15, at 3:00 p.m. everyone who can help is asked to please come to the baseball park for a tournament meeting. If you can't attend, but want to help, please call Chad Barnes at 652-4909. Please come help make this event a huge success.

## Frontier Day is Saturday, June 28

Bogata Lion's Club will present it's annual Frontier Day celebration Saturday, June 28, at the Bogata Community Center.

As always the day starts off with a bang with a free pancake breakfast at 8:00 a.m. Everyone is invited.

Events and times for the rest of the day are as follows:

- 9:00 a.m. - Coins in the Sandbox
- 9:00 a.m. - Big Bottle Hoop Toss
- 9:15 a.m. - Bobbing for Apples
- 9:45 a.m. - Sign up for Turtle and Terrapin Races
- 10:00 a.m. - Baby Crawl
- 10:30 a.m. - Turtle Race
- 10:45 a.m. - Terrapin Race
- 11:15 a.m. - Egg Toss
- 12:00 noon - Duck Race

Special events to be held from 8:00 a.m. until noon - Crafts exhibits - Lion's club Bar-B-Q Chuckwagon, Pony Rides and Children's Train Rides.

Duck Race Tickets are on sale for \$10.00 each from any Lions Club member. The winning duck will bring in a prize of \$1000.00.

The downtown parade is at 6:00 p.m. Saturday evening. Be sure to visit the concession stands at the Rodeo Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

All proceeds from Lions Club projects go to local causes and to buy eyeglasses for those who cannot buy them for themselves.

## Big Dumpster will be available during Clean Up Days in Deport June 20 & 21

The Deport City Council scheduled a Clean Up Days for June 20-21st beginning at 8:00 a.m. and going to 4:00 p.m. This cleanup is for the citizens of Deport. A large dumpster will be located on Back Street and city employees will be on hand to help with large items that people need to dispose of. Batteries, paint and old tires cannot be accepted, but other large items such as furniture, old appliances, etc. can be. Take this opportunity to clean up.

### 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.

No action was taken on the Association of Texas.

It was reported that Mayor Foster is at an NARC meeting for the Ark-Tex Council of Government in Charlotte, N.C.

The council approved the minutes, financial report and paid all bills.



The Smith and Henderson family reunion will be held July 6 at the American Legion Building in Deport. For information, call Opal Henderson at 784-1269 or Annie Smith at 652-3200.

Fingerprinting will be held for children at Big Lots in Paris on Saturday from 12 to 4 p.m. in conjunction with Child Safety Week. Other activities are planned for the afternoon.

Don't forget the sand volleyball tournament for men and mixed (4 only) Saturday, June 21. 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.

The Pattonville Community Center breakfast will be Saturday, June 21 at the center from 7-10 a.m.



OSTEOPOROSIS Program-Tania Jaeger, (standing) Program Coordinator at St. Joseph's Life-style Resource Center presented a free program on Osteoporosis, It's Effects and Treatments at St. Joseph's Family Clinic in Deport last Wednesday. There were refreshments served. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols

According to DPS officer Tim Ray this 1987 Chevy pickup driven by Bob Day of Pattonville left the roadway on the left hand side traveled down the shoulder across the road to the right hand shoulder into the ditch before flipping upside down in the ditch on the right hand side of F M 905 last Thursday afternoon. Day was taken to McCuiston Regional Medical Center with undetermined injuries while his dog was taken to the Animal Health Center in Paris. Pattonville Vol. Fire Dept. Assisted in the rescue, and cleanup.

## Good News Stampede Vacation Bible School set at Cunningham Baptist

"Good News Stampede, Telling Others About Jesus" is the theme for this year's Vacation Bible School at the Cunningham Baptist Church. The school will be held Wednesday, Thursday and Friday June 18th, 19th and 20th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Classes will be held for Preschool-

Kindergarten, First & Second Grades; Third and Fourth Grades and Fifth and Sixth Grades. Everyone is invited.

There will be light snacks, crafts, activities and Bible Study. Transportation is available, call 652-4909.



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**Country Cooking**

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Remember walking down fence rows picking blackberries, in the hot summertime, barefoot, with no cares in the world, but... those dreadful chiggers! By the time you got home you were itching "up a storm" with those little critters. You bathed in alcohol, baking soda, purex and any other thing that your mom thought would do the trick and stop that "ITCH"! The more you thought about them, the more you had to scratch. Every little spot on your body that you thought was hidden, there were CHIGGERS! CHIGGERS! CHIGGERS! But then, that fresh blackberry pie came piping hot out of the oven and it was all worth it... well, almost anyway, until you tried to sleep that night and the constant itching drove you nuts!!!

This week's column deals with those luscious little fruits that took you so long to pick, but had the best flavor in the world. Blackberries can be found on any fence row in this area and some area gardeners raise them to sell locally. There are several large patches around here and they are clean and have plenty of fruit this year, at reasonable prices.

Hope you enjoy the column this week and we will see you in the kitchen!

**Blackberry Layer Cake** uses juice and berries with nuts and raisins, optional.

**Blackberry Layer Cake #2** uses blackberry jam with sour cream or buttermilk. If you don't have buttermilk handy, put in one tablespoon of lemon juice and let set for a few minutes.

**Blackberry Wine Cake** uses blackberry wine and blackberry jello with the frosting thinned with blackberry wine. This cake is better after it sets for a day or two.

This **Blackberry Jam Cake** uses dark brown sugar instead of granulated sugar along with blackberry jam.

**Blackberry Cobbler**... Nothing better right out of the oven... so hot, it burns your tongue! Add a dollop of ice cream and Texas tradition continues!

**Blackberries and Cream Parfait.** This sounds great on a hot, summer afternoon on the front porch. This can be made ahead and kept in the refrigerator for special company!

June 19, 1997  
Blackberry Recipes

**Blackberry Layer Cake**

1 cup shortening  
2 cups sugar  
2 well beaten eggs  
1 teaspoon cinnamon  
1/2 teaspoon cloves  
3-1/2 cups flour  
2 cups blackberries with juice  
nuts-optional  
raisins-optional

Blend shortening and sugar; add eggs. Sift cinnamon, cloves and flour. Add soda to blackberries. Add to mixture alternately and flour mixture. Add nuts and raisins. Pour into two 9-inch layer pans. Bake at 325 degrees for 45 minutes or until done. Frost with favorite frosting.

**Blackberry Layer Cake #2**

1 cup butter  
2 cups sugar  
6 separated eggs  
2 teaspoons allspice  
2 teaspoon cinnamon  
2 teaspoon cloves  
2 teaspoon nutmeg  
2 teaspoon soda  
1/2 cup sour cream or buttermilk  
1-1/2 cups blackberry jam  
3 cups flour

Cream butter. Add sugar gradually; cream until light and fluffy. Add egg yolks, one at a time, beating thoroughly after each addition. Add spices; mix thoroughly. Dissolve soda in sour cream or buttermilk and add to mixture. Add jam and flour; mix thoroughly. Fold in egg whites and pour into four 9-inch layer pans. Bake at 350 degrees for 30-35 minutes. Ice cake with 7-minute frosting. Layer also with walnuts and blackberry jam.

**Blackberry Wine Cake**

1 box white cake mix  
1-3 ounce package blackberry jello  
1/2 cup oil  
1 cup blackberry wine  
4 eggs  
1/2 cup chopped nuts

Combine all ingredients, except nuts and beat for two minutes. Heavily grease Bundt pan and sprinkle nuts on bottom. Gently pour batter over nuts and bake at 325 degrees for 50 minutes. Remove from pan and glaze while still warm.

Glaze:  
1 cup powdered sugar  
1/2 cup blackberry wine  
1 stick margarine  
Mix sugar and wine in saucepan; bring to boil. Add margarine as you remove from heat and mix well; gently pour over cake. This cake is better if made a day or two before serving.

**Blackberry Jam Cake**

2 sticks margarine  
1-1/2 cups dark brown sugar  
3 cups flour  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon soda  
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg  
1 teaspoon cinnamon  
1 teaspoon allspice  
1 cup buttermilk  
3 slightly beaten eggs  
1 cup blackberry jam  
1 cup chopped nuts

Cream margarine and sugar. Sift together the dry ingredients and add alternately with buttermilk. Add eggs and blend well. Fold in jam and nuts. Pour in 2 greased and floured cake pans. Bake in moderate oven for 25 minutes to 30 minutes. Make powdered sugar icing by using a little jam to flavor sugar and make the mixture spreadable.

**Blackberry Cobbler**

1 stick margarine  
2 pie crusts  
2 cups blackberry juice  
2 cups water  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1/4 cup flour  
1-1/2 cup sugar

Melt margarine in large bowl. Cut one crust into strips and put strips on top of margarine. Mix together blackberry juice, water, salt, flour and sugar. Cook in microwave oven for five minutes and pour over pie crust. Put remaining pie crust on top. Cook in conventional oven for 30 minutes at 350 degrees or until brown on top. Peaches or other fruit may be used instead of blackberries.

**Blackberries and Cream Parfait**

1-3 ounce package blackberry gelatin  
1 cup boiling water  
1/2 cup orange juice  
1-8 ounce package cream cheese-softened  
3 tablespoon sugar  
1-8 ounce Cool Whip  
2 cups fresh blackberries

Dissolve gelatin in boiling water; stir in orange juice and set aside. Combine cream cheese and sugar; beat at medium speed with electric mixer until smooth and fluffy. Gradually add gelatin; beating at low speed until mixture is smooth. Chill gelatin mixture until consistency of unbeaten egg white; fold in whipped topping. Layer gelatin mixture and blackberries in individual parfaits or serving dishes. Chill until serving time.

To clean a scorched/burnt pan, add 1/2 cup bleach to 2 inches of standing water and boil hard for 5 minutes.



Billie Mac Foster dies June 11

Billie Mac Foster, age 66 of Deport, died June 11 at her home.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, June 13 at the First Baptist Church of Deport where she had been a member since 1953. The Rev. Glynn Renfro, the Rev. James Carson and the Rev. Freddie Burden officiated. Wood Funeral Home made burial in Marris Chapel Cemetery.

She was born July 19, 1930 in Marris Chapel to O.P. "Dick" and Clara Baugh Morris. She married Marlin Foster on February 14, 1951. She was a 1948 graduate of Bogata High School and worked as manager of Deport school cafeteria for 16 years, retiring in 1992.

Surviving are her husband; a son and daughter-in-law, Morris and Ginger Foster of Bogata; two granddaughters, Jill and Alison Foster of Bogata; brothers and sisters, Jess Morris of Paris, Oleta Reinhardt of Dallas, Roy Morris and William "Rass" Morris of Marris Chapel, Robbie Nell Wright of Bogata and John Paul Morris of Irving.

Bearers were Bill Buckman, Charley Lewis, Don Roach, Tommy Malone, Tony Malone, James Holt, Paul Jackson, Wayland Ward, Allen Huddleston and Kenneth Burks. Honorary bearers were deacons of First Baptist Church of Deport and Joe Travis Kelsey of Bogata, Tom Webb and Bob Wright of Paris and Randy Ward of Garland.

The family requests donations be made to the building fund of Deport First Baptist Church or Marris Chapel Cemetery.

from Blossom High School and married June Smith on April 2, 1949 in Paris. He served in the Merchant Marines during World War II and later served in the U.S. Army that extended into the Korean War.

He moved to Sherman in 1949, at which time he became associated with Hardwicke-Etter Company for many years as a department manager. He co-founded the CDT Industrial Supply in 1978 and retired in 1993 as CEO. He was a former member of the Sherman Evening Lions Club and a member of North Park Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, June Clark of Sherman; sons, Bret M. Clark of Sherman and Matt Clark and his wife, Connie, of Panhandle; a brother, Marshall Clark of Sulphur Springs; mother-in-law, Leta Smith of Gunter; an aunt, Rosella Carter of Blossom; two stepgrandsons; two step-great-grandchildren; nieces and one nephew.

Mickey Williams dies June 17

Mickey Williams, age 62 of Bogata died Tuesday, June 17 at his residence.

Funeral services were scheduled for Thursday, June 19 at 11:00 a.m. in the First Baptist Church of Bogata with the Rev. Park Robertson officiating, assisted by Bob Posey. Burial will be in Cuthand Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Homes.

Mr. Williams was born July 21, 1934 in the Maple community, the son of Ernest Herschel and Iva McConnell Williams. He was a welder and a rancher, owning Williams Welding Service since 1969. He was also a Marine veteran and a member of the Johtown Missionary Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Edith of Bogata; his children and their spouses, Deborah Cheryl Williams of Hawkins, Douglas Anthony and Kathy Sue Williams of Bogata, Terry Ray and Kim Williams of Marquez, Leland Gene "Joe" and Jeannie Williams of Hagansport; two stepchildren, James William Crawford of Talco and Torina House of Bogata; one brother, Lewis Williams of Bogata; two sisters, Willie Clark of Bogata and Bernice Hartman of Inchelium, WA; eight grandchildren, Brandon Williams, Brint Williams, Kevin Williams, Lynn Haggard, Gena Haggard, Wesley Haggard, Joseph Williams and Mirian Williams.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Douglas Leon Williams and D.C. "Son" Williams and a sister, Nola Blount.

Onita Palmer dies June 10

Onita Palmer, 79, died Tuesday, June 10, 1997 in Shamrock, Texas.

Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday in Shamrock Cemetery with the Rev. Kris Riggs, pastor of Eleventh Street Baptist Church and the Rev. Don Connor of Shamrock officiating. Wright Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Palmer was born April 2, 1918 in Hoovertown Community of Lamar County, a daughter of John Wesley and Cordelia Ann Lowe Hignight.

She married Leon Palmer in 1933. 8in Hugo, Oklahoma and had lived in the Shamrock area since 1948.

Survivors include her husband, three sons, Rex Palmer of Plains, Kansas, Conny Palmer of Shamrock and John Palmer of Dallas. A daughter, Nekita Mercer of Dallas, two sisters, Goldie Griffin of Lubbock and Earlene McFardridge of Paris, 13 grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Wanda Joe Palmer, two brothers, Carroll and Leon Hignight, one sister, Lois Griffin.

Zora Raney dies June 13

Zora Lee Wynne Raney, 89, of Morehead, Ken. died Friday, June 13, 1997 at the St. Claire Medical Center in Morehead.

Services were held at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 17 at the Bates-Cook per-Robinson Funeral Home. Burial will be in Nevil's Chapel Cemetery. Born Oct. 10, 1909 at Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Raney was the daughter of the late Flavy G. and Hettie Ousley Wynne. She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald Wayne Raney in 1971 and her sister, Josephine Robertson in 1997.

Mrs. Raney was a member of the First Christian Church of Beaumont and retired from Beaumont Rice Mills as a receptionist and switchboard operator.

Survivors include one daughter, Dr. Donna R. Everett of Morehead, Ken.; two brothers, F. G. Wynne Jr. of Mt. Pleasant and Thomas Howard Wynne of Euleus, one granddaughter, Melinda Everett of Austin. Mrs. Raney was the aunt of Betty Jones of Ft. Worth and Mary Lou Hall of Talco.

Northcutt & Son for Funerals in Morehead were in charge of arrangements in Kentucky.

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BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENT OF PROPOSED

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**

SPECIAL ELECTION

AUGUST 9, 1997

**PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT**

House Joint Resolution 4 proposes a constitutional amendment which would increase the school property tax residence homestead exemption from \$5,000 to \$15,000. The amendment would also authorize the Legislature to limit all or part of the exemption to political subdivisions that are the principal providers of elementary and secondary education within their boundaries.

In addition, the amendment would authorize the Legislature to allow the transfer of all or part of the age 65-and-over tax freeze to another homestead. Specifically, the Legislature would be authorized to provide that the current limitation against increasing school property taxes on the residence homesteads of persons age 65 or older, or their surviving spouse who is eligible to receive the exemption, may be transferred if the person establishes a different residence homestead.

The amendment would also allow the \$10,000 additional amount for the standard exemption to be used to lower the tax rate of persons currently receiving the 65-and-over tax freeze. Specifically, for a homestead affected by this limitation in 1996 or in an earlier tax year, the Legislature must provide for a reduction in the school property tax limitation in the 1997 tax year and subsequent tax years in an amount equal to \$10,000 multiplied by the 1997 school property tax rate.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment providing school property tax relief by increasing the residence homestead exemption by \$10,000 and providing for the transfer of the tax limitation to another qualified homestead for persons over 65 and a reduction in taxes subject to the limitation."

Este es el informe explicatorio sobre la enmienda propuesta a la constitución que aparecerá en la boleta el día 9 de agosto de 1997. Si usted no ha recibido una copia del informe en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llamar al 1/800/252/8683 a por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Texas 78711

Published by Secretary of State  
Tony Garza

Carolyn Strawn honored

Carolyn Strawn, bride-elect of Jeff Gibson, was honored with a lingerie shower Monday evening, June 16, at the home of Shirley Anderson.

The honoree received an array of lovely gifts. Guests enjoyed several games and refreshments of cookies, coffee and tea. Special guests for the occasion were Jane Strawn and Brenda Gibson, mothers of the future bride and groom.

Hostesses for the shower were Shirley Anderson, Mary Joplin, Sandra Stockton and Kathy Williams.

The engaged couple will exchange wedding vows in a garden ceremony Saturday, June 21, at 7:00 o'clock, at the home of her parents in Bogata.

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Cavender family has reunion

The children and grandchildren of Loyd Cavender had a family gathering at the Fulbright Baptist Church fellowship hall on Saturday, June 14th.

Those attending were Billy Cavender of Powderly, STanley, Melissa and Zack Cavender of Powderly, Billy Ed, Terry, Matt and Cody Cavender of Marvin, Gene Cavender of Deport, Shelia, Madison, and Samantha Lindsey of Arlington, Sandra, Don and Rachel Spray of Arlington, Marvel Hobbs of Garland, Donnie Mae Hobbs of Garland, Sue and Ray Graves of Wylie, Tracy, Candy, Josh and Justin Moore of Bluebridge, Dave moore and friend, Joanie and Amanda of Wylie, Helen Roebuck of Reno and Loyd Cavender of Fulbright,

Card of Thanks

We want to thank everyone for their kindnesses during Russell's illness. Thank you for the cards and phone calls to check on his progress. And a special thanks for your many prayers for his recovery.

Thank you and God Bless you.

Russell & Inez Gill & daughter, Collette

Card of Thanks

The Talco Baseball/Softball Association would like to express their appreciation to Cecil Bevell who donated his time and material to paint and seal the restrooms at the field.

Thank you,  
Officers, Board & Members

Card of Thanks

Thank you to all of you that have shown kindness and comfort during our loss of Lucille Ingram. We really appreciate the prayers, food and visits.

Sincerely,  
The Cogburn Family

Card of Thanks

The family of John Newton Keith would like to thank the many friends and family for the lovely flowers and plants, for their support and for their loving thoughts and prayers.

Thank you Reverend Rick Holeman, First Baptist Church of Bogata and Wood Funeral Home of Bogata for your support and help.

Thanks to Dr. Nada and the nurses and staff of Red River Healthcare Center.

A very special thanks to the men of Champion Paper who traveled a great distance to be with John.

Nylon Murray, Jr.  
Raymond Ellis  
Whitey Marrs  
David Duff  
Glen Moreland  
George Woods

Bogata Frontier Days & Championship

**RODEO**

June 26-27-28

8:30 p.m. Nightly

Featuring Billy Ratliff & The Texas Express

Specialty Act: Bill McEnaney & "Famous Amos"

Mutton Bustin' Mexican Poker

Red River Riders Drill Team

Parade Thursday & Saturday 6:00



Tickets: Adults (advance) \$4.50, at the gate \$5.00. Children (advance) \$2.50, at the gate \$3.00

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

Each honest calling, each walk of life, has its own elite, its own aristocracy based upon excellence of performance.  
—James Bryant Conant



Mr. and Mrs. Rene Castilla

**Jones, Castilla exchange vows**

Nancy Alsobrook Jones and Rene Castilla were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony Saturday, May 17, 1997 at the Doubletree Hotel in Irving, at six o'clock in the evening. Dr. Paul Magee conducted the ceremony.

The semi-formal garden ceremony took place in the gazebo in the interior courtyard of the hotel.

The bride is the daughter of Doug Alsobrook of Deport and the late Goldie Alsobrook. The groom is the son of Mrs. Rosa Castilla and Jesse Castilla, Sr. of Galveston.

The bride wore an ice pink satin, sleeveless style gown with a slim skirt, featuring an alencon lace bodice embellished with pearls and crystal beads. The gown was designed by Nancy Landers of Paris. The bride carried a bouquet of white roses.

Wedding music was provided by Sue Johnson, pianist and baritone soloist Dan Peavy.

Matron of Honor was Patsy Norrell,

The Cunningham Homecoming will be June 28 at the Cunningham Community Center. Meal is \$6.00 an deadline has been extended to June 23. Mail to Jane O'Neal, Rt. 1, Box 35-A, Deport, TX 75435.

The performance Saturday night at the Cunningham Community Center by Heavenly Purpose, Gospel Chimes and local talent was appreciated and enjoyed by everyone. The community appreciates the support and attendance of the activity.

The Cunningham community extends sympathy to the families of Ruby Rinehart Duncan, Frankie Archibald and Billie Mac Foster.

The community had a lot of storm damage Friday, mostly trees and roof damage, part of the roof was blown off a storage building at Clyde Slusher's and a shed and half the roof of a large storage building at Charles Williams. The community center received some roof damage.

Peggy Risinger spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Russel Whitney.

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

Nicki Smith, Jacob, Nathan and Michael from Oroville, CA are visiting Bush and JoDell Cooper, family and friends for three weeks. Ricky and Kay Cooper, Ryan and Khimen visited Friday night after picking Nicki and children up in Tulsa. Jacob, Nathan and Michael Smith spent the night with Ryan Cooper Saturday. Anaya, Britt, Lindy and Bonnie visited everyone at Bush and JoDell's Sunday. Ryan Cooper spent the night with all at the Coopers on Sunday.

Ollie Ruth, Carl Bufford and June Guthrie visited Norman and Rachel Sain Monday. Mary Briscoe visited Tuesday. Thursday, Mr. and Mrs. George Green and Francis Thomas visited Norman and Rachel. Virginia Bell visited them Saturday evening.

Bryan Thomas visited Ammy Hicks and they went swimming.

Lorette Pynes visited Betty Hershour in Ben Wheeler recently. They enjoyed the Canton Jubilee. Thursday Lorette returned home and Betty came with her. They went to Paris Friday for lunch and Betty returned home Friday. Saturday, Lorette attended a birthday party in Blossom honoring two great-grandchildren. Dorothy Dean Ogden of Longview visited Lorette Sunday.

Charles and Jean Williams and Lou Hatfield picked Virginia Marshall Button up at DFW Airport Monday. She is here to visit family and friends and to attend the Cunningham Homecoming.

Darrellyn, Bryan, Kathren Johnson and Glen Maddox of Sulphur Springs spent Saturday night with John and Claudia Whitney. Guests Sunday were Darrellyn, Bryan, Kathren Johnson, Glen Maddox, Bill and Belinda Dickie and Jacklyn of Sulphur Springs, Debbie and Courtney Curran, Tonya and Travis Hunter, Christian and Jermay and Gary Alison and son of Garland, who is a nephew of John Whitney and son of Virginia Whitney Allison. All attended church on Sunday. A combination Father's Day dinner for the fathers and a birthday dinner for Darrellyn was held Sunday. Father's Day gifts and birthday gifts were given. Everyone enjoyed homemade ice cream and blackberry cobbler.

Steve Slusher from Farmers Branch visited Clyde and Bobby Slusher Sunday.

Velma Cox spent Monday with Walker and Willie Devlin. Lucy Fowler visited Velma Sunday evening.

Delano Dunlap, Talma and Margret Fowler ate lunch with Lucy Fowler Saturday. Carol Dorsey spent Saturday night with Lucy.

**Westbrook reunion held June 15**

A family reunion of the late John Richard Westbrook's relatives was held Sunday, June 15, 1997 at the Deport American Legion. There were 70 attendants including four generations present for a covered dish luncheon and much reminiscing.

Those attending were: Jerry and Fairlee Westbrook, Deport; Robbie Gooch, Deport; Bertha Nations, Deport; Charles and Mary Alice Enox, Deport; Kandise and Kelsey Sanders, Midland; Karen Enox, Ft. Worth; La Verta Westbrook, DeKalb; Eddie and Janice Nations, Paris; Brenda Morton, DeKalb; Norris Hammond, Ft. Worth; Jamie and Richard Anders, Shady Shore; Gary and Shane Westbrook, Colbert, OK.; Adelene and Roy White, Lewisville; Macky and Connie McWhirter, Plains; Blake and Amber McWhirter, Sundown; Jim, Ronda and Justin Thompson, Garland; Shelia, Callie and Heather Kilpatrick, Red Water; Kathy,

Ladelle, Whitney and Sarah Hinton, Foreman, Ark.; Tawnya, Keith, Elisha and Brian Butler, New Boston; Sam Nations, Paris; Robert James Westbrook, Clarksville; Gordon and Vivian Isbelle, Deport; Jack and Joan Shelton, Pattonville; Klein Westbrook, Houston; Kathy Ramirez, Galena Park; Imogene Wilson, Paris; Boyd Westbrook, Paris; Fred and Frances Skidmore, Dallas; Randall Shelton, Cleburne; Virginia Shelton, Burleson; Eddie and Treva Shelton, Burleson; Willie Mae Speir, Deport; Dianne Shelton Urbanek, Burleson; Robert Westbrook, Dallas; Mary Lou Mantooth, Deport; Sherry Martin Collard, Red Oak; Venice Bryson, Deport; Martha Garrett, Burkburnett; Marleah Drew and husband, Clarksville; Kathy Schrader, Annona; Helen Fleming, Burkburnett; Claudie Fleming, Burkburnett; Joy and Jim Wilson of Sulphur Springs.

**Tour de Paris kickoff registration begins**

The starting gun will fire at 8 a.m., July 19 for the 13th annual Tour de Paris bicycle rally, sponsored by the Lamar County Chamber of Commerce Visitors and Convention Council.

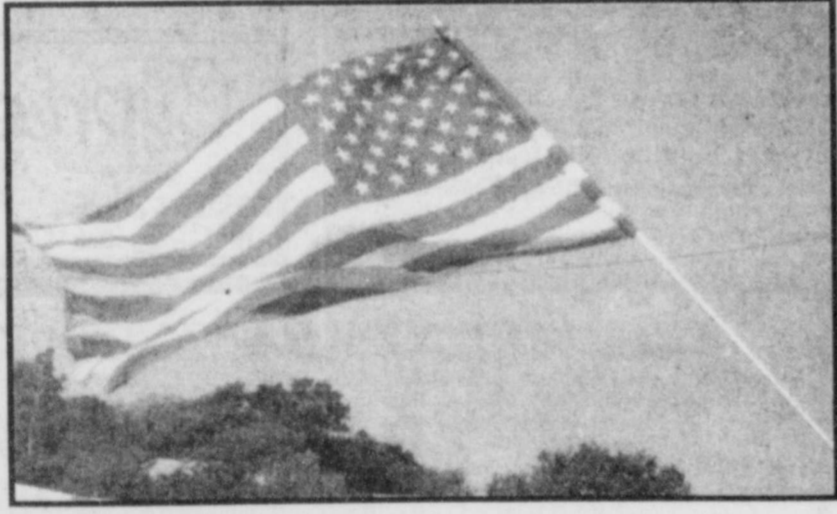
Auxiliary events which will enhance the day for participants and their families before and after the Tour.

Information concerning the event may be obtained by calling the Chamber of Commerce at 784-2501.

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Old Glory was flying last Saturday June 14th in observance of Flag Day. Service clubs and Fire Departments place the flags in subscribers lawns for a small annual fee. The funds raised from the service are used for equipment or given to charities. The next observed holiday for the service will be Friday July the 4 th.

**The office of John H. Romanow, M.D.**  
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is now scheduling patients. Dr. Romanow, specializing in diseases of the Ear, Nose, and Throat, will begin seeing patients Tuesday, July 15.

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Dr. Romanow received his bachelor's degree in chemistry and mathematics, magna cum laude, from Brandeis University, Waltham, Ma. and his medical degree was earned at Tufts University School of Medicine, Boston, Ma. He completed his internship in General Surgery and residency training in Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery at Brook Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He recently completed his Army military tour as Chief of Otolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery Services, Fort Sill Oklahoma. Dr. Romanow is board certified by the American Board of Otolaryngology, in Head and Neck Surgery.

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### Cotton producer meeting planned

A cotton producer meeting will be held Tuesday, June 24 at 10:00 a.m. at the Deport Farm Supply.

The meeting is being sponsored by Deport Farm Supply, AgrEvo and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. All area producers are invited to attend.

### Family finds success in several fields

Some families just seem to find success. Others work hard for it. That seems to be the case with Willie Mae Dowdy and her family. They have worked hard and have some very impressive achievements to take pride in.

One of the latest boasting rights is Willie's, grandson Terry Battle, who was drafted in April of 1997 to play professional football for the Detroit Lions. Terry will be in training camp starting in July. He had an incredible season last year at Arizona State. The San Diego Union-Tribune, in October, began one of their stories with the headline "Battle-tested ASU climbs past USC". Opening paragraph read "In the increasingly incredible season of the Arizona State football team, entitle Chapter 7 "Battle Cry". It then continued, "Sweetwater High grad Terry Battle ran for four touchdowns, including a 25-yarder in the second overtime that put ASU ahead for the first time and the Sun Devils stopped USC on its second overtime possession, returning what was ruled a fumble by Trojans quarterback Brad Otton 85 yards for a touchdown."

He has been featured in numerous newspaper articles, included a number of them that have been picked up by the Associated Press. He has been the star player in game after game for the Sun Devils.

Terry is one of three children belonging to Bobbie Dowdy Battle. Bobbie graduated from Praisland High School in 1972. She then moved to California, where she graduated from Nursing College. In 1977 she moved back to Denton, Texas, and was married and had three children. In 1990, Bobbie moved back to California. Patrick Battle, another son, will be a freshman this year at San Jose State University, and carries on

the tradition of playing football. As an Eastlake High School player he had an excellent record. He says that his brother Terry "pushes me to be the best I can, but I'm my own person".

Both boys love to know their mom is watching them when they play football.

But the family doesn't confine themselves to just athletic honors, Bobbie returned to National University, and obtained another degree in 1996.

Willie Mae's oldest son, Joe Lee Landers, graduated from Gibbon High School in Paris, Texas in 1958. He went to work for a cement company out of Dallas, and for the first three years he drove home every weekend. He was then transferred to Denton. When that job ran out he stayed on in Denton to become a contractor of houses, foundations, sidewalks, patios, curbs and gutters. He has been in that business for the last twenty-two years. Sadly, the day after Memorial Day, 1997, Joe lost his left arm in a car wreck on his way to work. Left handed, he admits he has lots of new skills to master...but it doesn't seem to be "keeping him down".

Ray Landers is in San Diego and has been a criminal lawyer for the last twenty-five years, and a judge for the last ten years.

Willie Mae and her family lived in Deport for many years. She moved to Denton some years ago.

And while her children and grandchildren are doing so well, what has Willie Mae been doing? Well, she's eighty-two years old now, and still works four hours a day for the state of Texas! Somehow, it's not surprising her family has done so well, after all, Willie Mae certainly instilled the work ethic in them!



### Births

A son, Drew Michael was born to Mike and Sonya Rhodes on June 13, 1997. He weighed 7 lbs., 20 ozs. and was 20 inches long. He was welcomed by his sister, Jordan Brooke. Grandparents are Duane and Virginia Rhodes of Deport, Billy and Martha Burnsed of Honey Grove. Great grandparents are Raymond and Edith Crawford.

Dan and Gerry Genung would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Breanna Lynne Genung, born in Orlando, Florida June 9 at 10:30 a.m., weighing 7 pounds, 3 ounces and measuring 20 1/2 inches in length.

The proud grandparents are Tom and Loydene DeBerry of Bogata and Pat and Roy Genung of Orlando, Florida. Great Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ogg of Bogata and Rufus and Sherly Merritt of Pattonville and Lavanda Merritt of Blossom.

**CODI NICOLE DENMAN** of Clarksville, 13-month old daughter of Al and Shelley Denman, was crowned 1997 0-15 month Girls Texas State Beauty Winner in the Sunburst USA Beauty Pageant held in Dallas on June 1. She was also crowned Queen of Western Wear and competed and placed in several other events including Costume Wear, Pro-Modeling, Most Photogenic, Swimwear and Partywear. She also won the title of Best Eyes. She competed against 31 other baby girls to win a \$100 savings bond and several crowns and trophies.

### Lamar County Sheriff's Report

**Friday, June 13, 1997:** animal complain, 911 hangup, suspicious circumstances, suspicious vehicle, stranded motorist, 2 assault, miscellaneous public, water leak, 2 transport, assist, disorderly conduct, noise disturbance, 7 arrest with 131 inmates.

**Saturday, June 14, 1997:** 13 arrest, trespassing, animal complaint, threat, suspicious vehicle, stranded motorist, violation of protective order, runaway, minor accident, reck-

less driver, shot fired, 2 telephone harassment, suspicious person, criminal mischief, welfare concern, 2 disturbance, civil matter, abandoned vehicle with 140 inmates.

**Sunday, June 15, 1997:** 3 disturbances, property damage, welfare concern, reckless driver, 2 suspicious vehicle, medical assist, 911 violation, 5 arrest, harassment, civil matter, 2 alarm, 2 assault with bodily injury, loose livestock, DWLS with 129 inmates.

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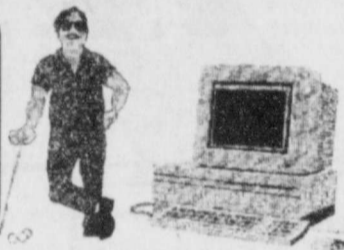
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Bobbie Dowdy Battle, recives degree



Patrick Battle, playing football for San Jose State College

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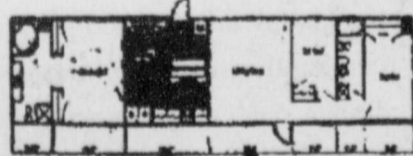
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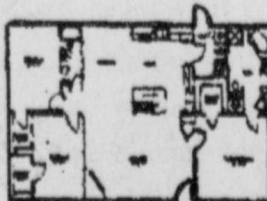


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1997 PRAIRILAND TENNIS TEAM members Roy Arrasmith, Michael Richardson, Steven Lemmon, Brandon Maroney and Dusty Pegg.



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1997 PRAIRILAND TENNIS TEAM members are left to right Amber Norwood, Shasta Riley, Dianne Sparks, Anna Thompson and Amy Bryan.

### Four ladies seek Princess title

Four young ladies have signed up to become the 1997 Bogata Rodeo Princess.

The candidates are Cheyenne Williams, Jesi Navia, Ashlee Ann Waggoner and Sheree Roach.

Cheyenne is the 6-year old daughter of Bryan and Tina Williams and the granddaughter of L.C. and Janette Williams, all of Bogata and Kathy Spence of Sweeney. She will be in the first grade at Bogata Elementary School this fall and her hobbies include playing T-ball and spending time with friends and pets.

Jesi is the 9-year old daughter of Mayra Clark of Talco and Pookie Navia of Bogata. She is the granddaughter of John D. Wright of Talco and Jerald and Joan Smith of Bogata. She will be in the fourth grade at Talco Elementary School this fall and her hobbies include riding horses and playing softball.

Ashlee is the 8-year old daughter of Kathy and Kyle Dickson of Deport and Roger Waggoner of Paris. Her grandparents are Calvin and Judy Day of Pattonville and Jerry and Clarissa Waggoner of Paris. She will be in the third grade at Deport Elementary School this fall and her hobbies in-

clude reading, roller blading, bicycling and swimming and she loves to ride horses.



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### Power outages cover large area

Two power outages have recently affected customers in the Texas-New Mexico Power Company service area. According to John Brooks at the Texas-New Mexico Bogata plant, the first outage occurred at approximately 6:00 p.m. on Friday, June 13 when a severe thunderstorm with high winds moved through the southern part of the service area, affecting Cunningham, Minter, Talco, portions of Deport, Pattonville, Johntown and Titus County, leaving about 650 customers without power.

Most Talco customers had power restored by switching the load to the Red River Substation at about 8:15 p.m. Power was restored to the northeast part of Talco at 10:55 p.m. after downed primary lines were repaired. Power was restored to Cunningham and Minter at 7:43 p.m. after several uprooted trees were removed by a chainsaw.

A wire burned in two on the feeder line from Talco-West Substation to the Talco City Substation due to a tree on the line. A pole blew over on this same line just outside the Talco West Sub. Power was restored to this line at approximately 3:30 a.m. The second outage occurred on Tuesday, June 17 at approximately 8:03 p.m. The outage affected approximately 1800 customers in Bogata, Deport, Rugby, Fulbright, Johntown and Rosalie and communities and was caused by an auto-transformer of TU Electric failure at the Rivercrest plant. The outage lasted from 8:03 until 8:20 p.m.

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Persons attending classes at the Sulphur Springs Technical Center can register at the SSTC from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. also on July 7.

For additional information, contact the Admissions Office by calling 903-782-0425.

**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.

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By Nanalee Nichols  
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them, feel free to go on to something else. Many people tell us that it's about the only way they'll ever get to travel, so we include them in these papers for that reason.

Okay, okay, the next time there's a \$222 airfare to England I'll call all of you and we'll put together our own tour! Many folks have said that they wished they had known about the bargain fare!

We began our second day in Wales at St. Fagan's Folk Life Park. It was holding a May Faire too, which added to the fun. There are many buildings there which were moved from all over Wales, stone by stone and rebuilt at St. Fagan's exactly as they had been. One old mill was run by a 96 year old woman. It was reassembled on the new location and the elderly woman then came and showed them how to operate.

There were wonderful artists on hand, carving canes, Welsh love spoons and making rocking horses with leather tack and real horsehair manes and tails.

The carver of canes had a lovely dog with him, and she was featured on many of the cane handles.

Welsh love spoons were originally given to a bride to be by her fiancé. They have various symbols on them that have meaning. A Lock means security, a keyhole a welcome, hearts mean eternal love. Celtic knotwork means life and continuity. They are hand carved from various woods, and are found throughout the country.

There is a Celtic section of the folk life park, and here, in stone and thatched huts live people as they did back when the Romans first invaded Britain.

They were busy feeding their children breakfast in wooden bowls, making leather boots, copper rings and riding in with "heads" taken in battle. The Celts were fierce warriors, and believed that after killing an enemy they had to sever the head or when their turn came to go to the next world the enemy would be waiting there for them....and he would not

After watching the May dancers in their traditional, colorful costumes, we drove on to "Big Pit" a coal museum at Blaenavon. On the drive there we saw villages and towns with long lines of small, two story homes. These were coal miner's homes at one time, and whole families crowded into their tiny spaces. If a miner was killed or injured, all too often his family would be thrown out of the house immediately.

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dence in Wales anymore, but until the early 1980's it was a major employer, and even under modern conditions it wasn't an easy job.

The tour guides at the mine were once miners, and they make fascinating guides.

Medora said there was no way she was going down in the mine, and contented herself with remaining on the surface looking at the museum and outside equipment.

Thomas and I, along with a number of others, were fitted in a large, waist belt battery pack, a self-rescuer, hard hat and head light.

All watches, cameras or anything which had a battery had to be left behind because of the danger of a spark igniting a gas pocket.

We were packed into a lift cage and descended down, down, down over three hundred feet into the mine. Stepping out was literally stepping into another world, one with dim lighting provided by our helmet lights, one with no sounds other than the ones we created.

We walked through tunnels, learning of the way coal mining was back in early days, and as what it was in contemporary times.

When mining first began children five years old were put into the mines to pull air doors open and shut, often sitting for 12 hours in total darkness except when a horse-drawn journey of coal cars came by.

Mine disasters were common, and the Davy lamp was used to check for gases, as well as the canary, which would die from gas quicker than humans. In contemporary times, our guide, Albert, told us that the noise and dust of men and machines was deafening, and the dust would make visibility impossible.

While hundreds died in mine accidents and disasters, thousands and thousands more died from the lung disease caused by the dust.

It was a mind boggling experience, walking past the stables where once 70 horses were kept, deep within the earth's skin, being shown how wood block carefully separated metal from metal to reduce the danger of sparks, hearing, from people who had done it, what living one's working life underground was like.

Back into the light of day it was a sober group that left that mine.

Back that afternoon we made a quick change for dinner. We had planned something special, a Welsh feast and entertainment at Kemys Manor House. We had run a little late, so Phil, our guide, didn't go home before taking us the 20 miles or so to the manor house.

Imagine our surprise upon arriving at the house to find no other cars, the front door open, tables set and no one about!

We finally located the couple who own the manor house, out back potting plants on their patio. It seems that the biggest part of the group that night had been a group coming over from Ireland. They ad some trouble and cancelled, and the rest of the guests had been contacted not to come. They had left a message with Phil's wife, but he hadn't had time to go home! Phil was embarrassed, but it actually turned out better. The couple gave us a private tour of the wonderful house, with its magnificent plaster work, huge stone fireplaces and deep windows, they insisted we have something to drink, then we toured the gardens. We really had a nice visit with them, admiring their gorgeous view of the Usk valley as the sun sank in the west.

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# Depart Nursing Home News

By Candy Larkin



Don't forget the Bake Sale in the lobby on June 19th. It will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will feature delicious home made cookies, cakes, candies, breads and pies.

Tuesday Freddy Burden provided Bible Study. Twenty two residents attended.

June 11th ten residents were present to play Wheel of Fortune. They played ten rounds with Rose Simpson winning first, Angie Smith 2nd, Jane Rhoades 3rd and Marietta Parson 4th.

Linnie Bailey, Jane Rhoades, Johnnie McLemore, Ina Griffin, Terry McDowra, Ivaleta Edwards, Floy Sparks, Johnnie Warren, Rose Simpson, Raymond Wright all went to Pat Mayes on a country drive and stopped for ice cream and cokes. We watched children swim. We detoured through Novice and Faught and Blossom before coming home.

Bro. Tony Corso and Bro. Sam Campbell were both present for Bible Study Friday. We all enjoyed it.

Mr. and Mrs. Faither provided a movie for the resident on Friday. Linnie Bailey and Candy Larkin provided popcorn.

June 14th Nine residents came out for cookies and punch.

June 15th Thirty-seven residents came out for Gospel Light Music and Father's Day Party. The employees made everything really nice.

June 16 Harold Norris won first place in dominoes, Johnnie McLemore 2nd place, 3rd place went to Floy Sparks and 4th to Raymond Wright.

Bingo was played by 20 residents. Mr. Whitsell came and performed on the piano for the residents who really enjoyed his performance.

Lena Powell's visitors were Dock, Sue, Corbin, Scott Hart, Dedra Smith, Rachel Cotta, Paula Duncan, Paul Duncan, Jim Duncan, Doris Brown, Faye DeMoore, Barbara Wellions form Simi, California, Dixie Bennett of Fresno, Ca., Lenaia Weaver, Patricia Johnson, Jim and Velma Ford.

Edith Franklin's visitors were Irene Walker and Vickie Turner.

don O'Dea's visitors were Cecil Allen, Fred and Barbara Alyssa.

Athel Hester's visitors were Nina

Jones, Sandy Jones and Ruby Jones.

Marietta Parsons was visited by Paula Reavis.

Genevieve Humphry was visited by Pam Humphrey.

Dean Boulware's visitors were Braden Howard, Juanita Boulware, Joey, Jody Phillips.

Grace Griffin's visitors were Pat and Banard Farmer.

Mary Amis' guests were O.D. and Dean Amis.

Estelle Chesshire's visitors were Clara Stalls, L'Eulen Nihcolas, Dot Nichols, Nanie Ham, Mavis Sowards, Margaret Allen, Cecil Allen, Pam Humphrey, Phillis Taylor, Larry Crawford, Mrs. Raymond Crawford, Claudia Whitney, Casey Grant, Ruth Cheatham, Margaret Allen, Adeline White, Jyll Bullard, Bobbye Bailey, Mark McClair, Nell Schull, Martha Felming, Garre H., Sherry Martin Collard, Claudia and Helen Fleming, JaLynda, Dakota, Dambri, Jaylon Mitchell.

Sara Gilmer was visited by Don Gilmer, Jill Burnes.

Marlene, Sarena Owens, Cory Owens visited Dewey Ward.

JaLynda, Dakota, Dambri and Jaylon Mitchell, also visited.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson were visited by Larry and Jackie Wilson.

Johnnie McLemore was visited by Harrell McLemore, Mack, Janice, Kara McLemore, Nanie Ham.

Linnie Bailey's visitors were Alice Bumgarner, Katha Crawford, Prentice Crawford, Ruby Blevins, Pat Barnard Farmer, Janus T. Bailey from Providence Ford Virginia; Nanie Ham, JaLynda, Dakota, Danbri, Jaylon Mitchell.

Chris Crawford, Joe & Prentice Crawford, Ethel Jackson, Sue Carrell, Russell Crawford and Barbara Crawford visited Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Crawford.

Gill Alman, Jarriel Bullard, of Utah, Lucy Fowler, Lila and Kara Screws, Nanie Bell Ham, Alice Bumgarner, Linnie Bailey, Joyce Wilson, John Osborn of Oklahoma City, Ok. visited Johnnie Warren.

Velma Ford and son Jim of Paris, Bonnie Johnson's was visited by Jassalyn Johnson and JaLynda, Dakota, Jaylon, Dambri Mitchell.

Lora Hulsey was visited by

JaLynda Mitchell and kids.

Mr. and Mrs. Hignight's visitors, were Candy Larkin, Jo and Prentice Crawford, Chris Crawford, Sue Carrell, Mack and Janice McLemore and daughter.

Rickey Williams, George R. Williams visited Norma Williams.

Brodie Bell was visited by Reece Kelsey, Ruth Cheatham, Peyton Chapman, George Hartinez, David Glover, Eileen Norwood, Frank Norwood, Pat Barnard Farmer and Sam.

Steve Nix, Mary Ellen, Kristin, Dianne Chambers, K.C. David, Sammie, Sally and Jr.

Cecil Allen, Jenny Moore, JaLynda Mitchell and kids, Mary Stell visited David Geer.

Our prayers are with Betty Middleton.

D. Zak, JaLynda, Dakota, Dambri, Jaylon Mitchell visited Peter Zak.

Elvis Moore's visitors were Pete Moore.

Mamie Fletcher was visited by Denny Fletcher, Glenda King, JaLynda, Dakota, Dambri and Jaylon Mitchell.

Ruby Crawford was visited by Jim and Velma Ford.

Melvina Dinwiddie was visited by Pam Humphrey, Yuna Faye DeMoore, Geneva Weaver, Patricia Johnson, Sue and Dedra, Dixie Barnett, Jim Duncan, Doris Brown, Rachael Cotton, Paula Duncan, Paul Duncan.

Milow Hume was visited by Weldon Hume.

Betty Middleton's visitor was Richard Winkler.

Floy Sparks was visited by Ty Parson, Peggy Parson, Cecil Allen, Nina Sparks, Mrs. Teecher, Irene Walker, Cecil, Margaret Allen, Mark and Tonya and Ty Parsons.

Cecil Allen visited Terry Johnson. Gilbert Marshall's son visited him on Father's Day.

Faye Woodard was visited by Paul and Barbara Igo.

Angie Smith was visited by Ronnie and Barbara Marchant, Shirley Haskell, Sue Goley, Linnie Bailey, JaLynda Mitchell and kids, Lisa, Corey, Casey Deserell, Jarry Haskell Jr. and Chris.

## Slide presentation set for June 28

Ricky Maxey, Conservation Scientist for the Endangered Resources Branch of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, will present a slide presentation at the Maxey House on June 28 at 1:30 p.m.

Mr. Maxey's program "Endangered Species of the Pineywoods" is an introductory look at several species that once made their homes in our area; ranging from the Louisiana Black Bear to the Texas Trailing Phlox. By focusing on the general background of endangered and threatened species, this program demonstrates not only the names but also the identifying characteristics, habitat specifications, general reasons for decline and what, if anything, is being done to ensure their survival.

Endangered and threatened species are an integral part of our world and individual communities. No matter where we live, we impact our surrounding. Each of our environment is, in some way, related to another. Many of the things we have done in everyday life have had such an adverse effect that many species are very close to extinction. But there are ways to help and get involved. General knowledge about the species in our community is the best place to start.

The program will be presented in the parlor of the Maxey House at 1:30 p.m. on June 28. Reservations are

required as seating is limited. A program fee of \$2.00 will be collected and will allow the visitor a tour of the Maxey House after the presentation. Call the Park Office at (903) 785-5716 for your reservation.

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At around 3:40 a.m. on Monday, February 17, unknown suspects stole a 1993 maroon and silver Z-71 Chevrolet pickup, from the Holly Street Apartments in Blossom. On Wednesday, March 12th, the vehicle was found burnt on Highway 37 near Bogata in Red River County. This vehicle valued at over \$13,500 was a

total loss. If you have information on this or any other felony crime, please call Crime Stoppers. If Crime Stoppers receives this information by June 16, an arrest and indictment is made of those persons responsible, Crime Stoppers will pay you a cash reward of up to \$1000. All calls remain anonymous and you will not have to testify in court. So lets all work together to fight crime! Call Crime Stoppers today at 785-TIPS! (785-8477)

**DEPORT LOCALS**  
By Barbara Crawford  
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Visiting Irene Walker over the weekend was Vicki Tucker of Graham, a former resident of Deport.

Bill Roberts of Asheville, North Carolina visited his parents Buck & Ann Roberts last week.

Carl & Judy Williams of Fresno, California visited Luther & Edna Earl Wright last week. Judy Wilder of Dallas and Jeanie Brennam of Garland visited them last Friday.

Visiting Alpha Barnard were William Kenneth & Ruth Barnard and Patricia Barnard Farmer all of Dallas, DeeAnn Elkins, Ashley & Miranda of Denton, Elnora & Jim Bill Ratliff of Paris, Britt Barnard & Ethan of Blossom.

Shelia Lindsey, Madison & Samantha, Sandra & Don Spray & Rachel all of Arlington visited Gene & Jo Cavender over the weekend and also attended the Cavender family reunion at Fulbright.

Grady & Kathryn Wright visited Mr. & Mrs. Buddy Greer of Paris on Friday night.

Saturday night Grady & Kathryn Wright had a cook-out attending were Kyle & Lisa Wright & Kandi, Kent & Ann Wright, Brandon & Blaine of Pattonville, Mike Wright of Blossom and Pam Hunt & Brad.

Having lunch on Sunday for

Father's Day with Claud Burks were Cindy Burks & Vicki Williams of Campbell, Murl Burks of Reno, Kenneth Burks, Kathryn & Grady Wright, Pam Hunt & Brad.

Jan Jenkins, a former student of Chapel Hill School near Tyler, visited Grady & Kathryn Wright on Monday.

Kenneth & Betty Bryson and Robert & Gerri Bryson of Shreveport, Louisiana visited Ed Bryson and Venice Bryson on Monday.

Theda Short, Eloise Rhine, Nell Pursiful, Dorothy Scott, Geneva Adams, Lonora & Albert Nichols of Paris visited the Walker Devlins of Minter, also Velma Cox and Billy Joe Oats of Cunningham visited.

Having Father's Day lunch with Hugh Jeffus, Sr. were Hugh and Vicki Jeffus and Jeff, Nanalee Nichols, Christy Dickson and Chase.

Boyd Westbrook of Paris visited his sister, Artie Westbrook of Deport on Sunday. They attended the Westbrook Reunion at the Deport American Legion Post.

Thomas and Nanalee Nichols celebrated their wedding anniversary on Saturday with dinner at the Carson House in Pittsburg.

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### Local woman part of D'liteful business

Delillia and Larry Warnack were recently featured in the Lewisville news with an article on their unusual business. Delillia, for those who may not recognize her married name, is the former Delillia Mitchell, daughter of Edith Mitchell of Deport and the late Wylie Mitchell.

The article, written by Kristi O'Flaherty, features the headline "Candlestick Maker".

The Warnacks began their business three years ago, the article says, armed with an old-fashioned work ethic and their life savings. Delillia and Larry met through a personal ad, and they were looking for some type of work they could do together.

They worked at St. Paul Hospital for a while, but when Larry was injured on the job, they changed careers. After a brief time spent with a local candlemaker, they decided to begin making their own handmade candles using candleilla wax.

D'Liteful Scents, is the name of their company, which is located on North Cowan Street in Lewisville.

The article quotes the couple as saying "We had lots of good ideas and things we wanted to try, you can't do that if you don't own the company.

It's the American way".

After many long hours over a hot stove they came up with the right mixture of wax and scented oils.

In January they moved into their new location, added ten new scents to the line and local handcrafts to their retail store. They even have celebrity customers.

Originally the couple had planned on making candles two or three days a week and then going to craft shows, but it soon became bigger than that.

They started out in a one-car garage with the only heat that from wax melting to keep them warm.

When folks walking by smelled the delicious scents form the candles cooking, the retail business was born.

They soon were working seven days a week to meet the demand.

Now they are having to cancel some craft shows to keep up with the fast growing business.

They plan for the future, hoping to have factory tours, showing how they make everything by hand, even the wicks.

"Our dream is to have a candle factory comparable or better than Georgetown's factory" Delillia says. They seem to really be making that dream come true in a hurry!

**PATTONVILLE NEWS**

By Rita Cox 784-0283  
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Leah Boren attended basketball camp at Prairiland High School this week.

Tonya Parsons, Haley and Ty visited Keith and Peggy Parsons and Jerry and June Burdine of Sylvan while Mark Parsons was in New Orleans on business this week.

Fathers Day dinner guests of Keith and Peggy Parsons were Mark and Tonya Parsons and Ty, Randy and Kristi Boren, Drew and Leah, Nathan and Brent Burden and Breanna Holly.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Billie Mac Foster of Deport who died Wednesday. She served as manager of the Deport School Cafeteria for many years.

Members of the Doves baseball team enjoyed a swimming and hot dog party at the home of Leah Boren on Saturday.

Anna Thompson and Rachel Birch, both students at Prairiland High School, are busy working two jobs each this summer. Anna is lifeguarding at the new Paris Aquatic Center and at Campbell's Aquatic Center and Rachel is babysitting and helping teach gymnastics at the YWCA. Anna will attend volleyball setters camp at Texas Tech in Lubbock later in July and both will attend cheer camp at TWU in Denton in July.

Brice Day and family are here visiting Bob Day while he is in the hospital. Bob had an accident last week and will have surgery on his neck Monday.

Barbara McDowra and Gerald Hood had a fish fry Monday. Keith, Ammie, Justin and Brock McDowra attended. Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Hood of Reno had Fathers Day dinner with Barbara McDowra and Gerald Hood.

Dorothy and Jerry Richey's visitors were Kent Richey. He spent Wednesday and Thursday. Susan Richey spent the weekend.

Buster and Louise Crossland had a hamburger supper Thursday night. Willie and Donna and Michael and David Crossland, Kent and Brandon and Blaine and Ann, Travis and Annette, T.K. and Ashley Crossland, Betty White, Kristian Patterson, Louise and Buster visited Mr. and Mrs. John Clever of Paris.

Visitors last week of Earline Wilson were Dustin and Jennifer Blount, Chase Geer, Susie Evans and grandchildren, S.C. Short, Melba Moore, Henrietta Watts, James and Dorothy Cunningham, Betty and Summer Slayden and Martha Porterfield.

Vivian and James' visitors were Brad and Velma Burnsed and children, Jimmy and James of Sulphur Springs.

Brad Burnsed's children, Amber and Randy, are visiting.

Ruby Blevins and Alice Bumgarner visited Mr. and Mrs. Buster Newsum of Paris. Ruby visited Linnie Bailey of Deport and Peggy Norris of Hugo, OK visited Ruby on Saturday.

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 #1: 13.31 acres of land situated in Franklin County  
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 Sealed bids may be turned in at the Talco City Hall, 400 West Broadway, Talco, Texas or mailed to the City of Talco, P.O. Box 365, Talco, TX 75487. All sealed bids must be received by 4:00 p.m. July 3, 1997. Bids will be opened and read at the Talco City Hall, Thursday, July 3, 1997 at 6:30 p.m.  
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**FOR RENT:** Northeast of Blossom on Pine Mill Road, 3 BR house. 1-1.5 baths with window air conditioner. \$300 a month. Call before 8:00 p.m., 785-7443. MA 6-19

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**REWARD**  
**LOST:** BLUEHEELER pup, 6 months old, answers to "Cooter. North of Deport. Call 652-2886 evenings. 6-19nc

**SALES:**  
**CRAFT SALE:** June 13-14, June 27-28. Adirondack chairs, swings and picnic tables. 903-577-7158. Six miles south of Talco on 271. MA 6-26

**GARAGE SALE:** 1.5 miles east on Highway 71 in Talco. Four families. Rain or shine Friday and Sat urday. June 20-21, 8 a.m. 6-19

**INSIDE SALE:** Thursday, June 19, South St. John St., Bogata. New and used clothes, many large and very large clothes. Will try to keep all sizes and start having sales regularly again. Pictures, clocks, what-nots, sheets, towels, jewelry, color TV, round table & chairs, toys, dolls, etc. at Lucy Davis. 6-19

**THREE FAMILY YARD SALE:** Friday and Saturday, June 20-21, 8 a.m. until ?? Furniture, dishes, boots, clothes, all sizes, some free items and lots more. 306 S.W. 6th St., Bogata, north of Rodeo Arena. Inside of raining. No early birds. 6-19

**LOST & FOUND**  
**LOST DOG:** Golden Cocker Spaniel, somewhere in Deport at 8:00 a.m. Thursday, May 29. If you find this dog, please contact 652-4039.

**LOST:** Cocker Spaniel, answers to Cocoa. Call 903-632-5048. 6-19nc

**LOST:** "Georgie", male Maltese, long white hair, 3 lbs., missing since Friday, June 13 from corner of N. Howison/N.W. 2nd St., Bogata. Cash reward. Contact Anne Randolph. 632-4861. 6-26

**FREE**  
**FREE PUPPIES:** Elvis Wright, 652-6853.

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**WANT TO BUY** used ukele, condition secondary. Call 903-785-2307. MA 7-2



DEPORT RANGERS T-Ball team for 1997 were, from I, back row: Coach Chad Barnes, Abbie Nichols, Jacob Malone, Landry Packard, Kaylee Miller, Coach Norma Miller. Front Row: Laura Larue, Karissa Woodall, Dylan Cathey.



LEXIE DANIELLE JACKSON was born Tuesday, June 3 at 2:57 p.m. to Geron and Glenna Jackson. She weighed 8 lbs. and 7.5 oz. and was 21.5 inches long. She was welcomed home by her big sister, Laney Rochelle Jackson. Maternal grandparents are Lawrence and Beverly Lane, great-grandma Juanita Brawner, and great-great-grandma Lillie Dunnam. Proud paternal grandparents are Nancy Jackson, Paul and Doris Jackson. Great-grandparents are John and Helen Whitney and Ruth Jackson.



DEPORT Sluggers 11-12 year olds for 1997 were: Back row, Coach Jerry Kincaid, Kelly Kincaid, Lindsay Peel, Meagan Merritt, Mandy Woodal and Coach Mendy Nichols. Front, Amanda Nichols, Mandy Weddle and Daniele Syrus.

Deport Junior High Awards 1996-97

Junior High Awards	
Valedictorian	Renee Moreland
Salutatorian	Tara Simmons
Best All Around Girl	Renee Moreland
Best All Around Boy	Stanley Cox
Leadership	Kyle Malone
Sportsmanship	Toni Clarkson
Citizenship	
Sixth	Raynie Skidmore
Seventh	Chris Basinger
Eighth	Jennifer Mathews
Most Improved	Brad Hunt
Sixth	Jennifer Dorsey
Seventh	Aaron Murdock
Eighth	Jesse Crawford
English	
Sixth	Amanda Ball
Seventh	Raynie Skidmore
Eighth	Jennifer Mathews
Math	
Sixth	Amanda Ball
Seventh	Chance Bankhead
Eighth	Renee Moreland
Science	
Sixth	Chris Basinger
Seventh	Brad Hunt
Eighth	Renee Moreland
History	
Sixth	David Crossland
Seventh	Chris Basinger
Eighth	Chance Bankhead
Reading	
Sixth	Susan Whittle
	Chris Basinger

Presbyterian women meet

Presbyterian women of the Deport Presbyterian Church held their annual salad supper at the home of Mrs. Chas Davidson on Monday, June 9, 1997.

The opening prayer was offered and followed by the delicious buffet meal. A devotional was given by Francis Franklin of the Least Coin and prayer of dedication. She presented the concern Norma Roach, a member of the international Committee of the Fellowship of the Least Coin, moved for peace and justice in her country of Barbados-The West Indies.

Eulene Nicholas related the interesting story of Dorcas (Tabitha). Dorcas was a woman with a giving heart, with a life entirely dedicated to the will of God. The scripture was taken from Acts 9:36-41.

The July meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Myrtle Singleton. Francis Franklin will direct the bible lesson on Lydia and Jessie Marie Woodard will discuss Priscilla.

The meeting was closed with the Mizpah benediction.

Pain And Memories

By Thomas Nichols

An Abrupt OH!..... Ho!..... My goodness.....oooooooh,brought me back to reality from my mystery novel last friday evening. As I peered over the hardbound pages I saw the anguish on my mother's face as she winched from the pain of surgery last Wednesday.

In an attempt to provide some comfort, I adjusted her pillows against the huge incision, and against her back. I thought some conversation might take her mind off of the pain until some pain killer could provide a more lasting comfort.

I asked her how this pain compared to the old days of cotton harvesting by hand? ( pulling bolls to the natives of this area) She thought about that for a minute, than offered that the pain now wasn't much worse than back then.

My mother, a farmer's wife raised six children in the cotton fields of Lamar county. Mostly in the Deport area. She reminisced about when my brother Paul was about eighteen months old in 1946, she would lay him on her cotton sack, and let him ride along as she pulled the bolls of cotton and packed them into her sack.

She recalled someone, she thought Curtis Gifford had given my oldest brother James Samuel a pet raccoon. The raccoon refused to stay at home while the family pulled bolls. He would climb up the chimney of the house and come to the field and climb aboard the cotton sack with brother Paul. Once aboard the cotton sack he would lie down, lay his paw across my brother's chest and go to sleep.

My mother explained that the extra 25-30lbs of raccoon sure made a difference on her back muscles, but she didn't have the heart to make him get off the sack he was so cute.

My father would take a switch (something I remember very well) ,and make the pet raccoon get off her sack, but the cunning pet would simply sneak back on board and assume his position as soon as my father wasn't looking.

A smile came over her face, and she drifted back to sleep. The pain medicine had taken effect.

Such a small woman, so gentle and caring, yet so strong and determined. I thought she just might be too tough for any pain from any surgeon's knife. She has faced so many things throughout her life.



Have A Nice Weekend



From The Pastor's Heart



THE ROOM Author Unknown

In that place between wakefulness and dreams, I found myself in the room. There were no distinguishing features save for the one wall covered with small index card files. They were like the ones in libraries that list titles by author or subject in alphabetical order. But these files, which stretched from floor to ceiling and seemingly endlessly in either direction, had very different headings.

As I drew near the wall of files, the first to catch my attention was one that read "Girls I have Liked".

I opened it and began flipping through the cards. I quickly shut it, shocked to realize that I recognized the names written on each one. And then without being told, I knew exactly where I was. This lifeless room with its small files were a crude catalog system for my life. Here were written the actions of my every moment, big and small, in a detail my memory couldn't match.

A sense of wonder and curiosity, coupled with horror, stirred within me as I began randomly opening files and exploring their contents. Some brought joy and sweet memories; others a sense of shame and regret so intense that I would look over my shoulder to see if anyone was watching.

A file named "Friends" was next to one marked "Friends I have Betrayed". The titles ranged from mundane to outright weird. "Books I have Read", "Lies I have Told", "Comfort I Have Given", "Jokes I Have Laughed At". Some were almost hilarious in their exactness: "Things I Have Yelled At My Brothers". Others I couldn't laugh at: "Things I Have Done In My Anger", "Things I Have Muttered Under My Breath At My Parents".

I never ceased to be surprised by the contents. Often there were many more cards than I expected. Sometimes fewer than I hoped.

I was overwhelmed by the sheer volume of the life I had lived. Could it be possible that I had the time in my 20 years to write each of these thousands or even millions of cards? Each card confirmed this truth. Each was written in my own handwriting, signed with my signature.

When I pulled out the file marked "Songs I Have Listened To," I realized the files grew to contain their contents. The cards were packed tightly, yet after tow or three yards, I hadn't found the end of the file. I shut it, shamed, no so much by the quality of music, but more by the vast amount of time I knew the file represented. When I came to a file marked "Lustful Thoughts", I felt a chill run through my body. I pulled the file out only an inch, not willing to test its size and drew out a card. I shuddered at its detailed content. I felt sick to think that such a moment had been recorded.

An almost animal rage broke on me. One through dominated my mind: "No one must see these cards! No One must see this room! I have to destroy them!"

In an insane frenzy, I yanked the file out. Its size didn't matter now. I had to empty it and burn the cards.

As I took it at one end and began pounding in on the floor, I could not dislodge a single card. I became desperate and pulled out a card, only to find it as strong as steel when I tried to tear it. Defeated and utterly helpless, I returned the file to its slot.

Leaning my forehead against the wall I let out a long, self-pitying sigh. And then I saw it. The title bore "People I have Shared The Gospel With". The handle was brighter than those around it, newer, almost unused. I pulled on its handle and a small box not more than three inches long fell into my hands. I could count the cards it contained on one hand.

Then the tears came. I began to weep. Sobs so deep that the hurt started in my stomach and shook through me. I fell on my knees and cried. I cried out of shame, from the overwhelming shame of it all. The rows of file shelves swirled in my tear-filled eyes. No one must ever, ever know of this room. I must lock it up and hide the key. Alas I pushed away the tears, I saw Him. No, please, not Him. Not here. Oh, anyone but Jesus.

I watched helplessly as He began to open the files and read the cards. I couldn't bear to watch His response. In the moments I could bring myself to look at His face, I saw a sorrow deeper than my own. He seemed to intuitively go to the worst boxes. Why did He have to read every one? He seemed to intuitively go to the worst boxes. Why did He have to read every one?

Finally He turned and looked at me from across the room. He looked at me with pity in His eyes. This was a pity that didn't anger me. I dropped my head, covered my face with my hands and began to cry again. He walked over and put His arm around me. He could have said so many things. But He didn't say a word He just cried with me. Then He got up and walked back to the wall of files. Starting at one end of the room. He took out a file and, one by one, began to sign His name over mine on each card. "No!" I shouted, rushing to Him. All I could find to say was "No, no" as I pulled the card from Him. His name shouldn't be on these cards. But there it was, written in red so rich, so dark, so alive. The name of Jesus covered mine. I was written with His blood. He gently took the card back. He smiled a sad smile and began to sign the cards. I don't think I'll ever understand how He did it so quickly, but the next instant it seemed I heard Him close the last file and walk back to my side. He placed His hand on my should and said, "It is finished".

I stood up and He led me out of the room. There was no lock on its door. There were still cards to be written. Freddy Burden

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