



By Nanalee Nichols
Having Our Faith Renewed
In Our Fellowman

Sometimes it's easy to let the rude and crude spoil our perspective on humanity. Twice lately I have been disturbed and disgusted by a lack of manners and common courtesy only to have my faith renewed ten fold!

A week or two ago I went to the scene of an accident in which an asphalt truck jackknifed and burned. Traffic on Hwy. 271 was backed up in both directions for a long, long way. About fourth in line was a black pickup truck with a young woman in it. When a volunteer informed her that she could not proceed she became very angry, honking and giving people an obscene hand gesture. (What class!) Fuming, she sat glaring at everyone, while people suffered in the horrible heat trying to contain a major fire! A lot of us at the scene were upset about this. She didn't know how badly the driver of the rig was injured, she didn't know what it was like to try and deal with this accident, all she knew is that SHE had to be somewhere right then. After taking my photos I began the long, long walk back to my vehicle. I limp, it always hurts to walk. I guess I must have looked pretty pitiful, because as I walked past a vehicle a voice said "get in". It was Sandy Murdock with her new baby. She insisted that she would turn around and take me back to my vehicle. This meant that she would lose her place in line and increase her wait tremendously! I couldn't thank her enough. In that moment her act of kindness outweighed someone else's thoughtlessness.

During the past few months we have been looking for a new Bogata Office location. Wanting on Main St., our choices have been very limited. Main St. space is pretty scarce. During the course of our search we have come in contact with a man who has puzzled us, not to say eventually irritated us. At every turn in our dealings we have been treated as if we were criminals intent upon stealing from this gentleman! We learned from others that they felt the same way when they had to deal with him. Never having cheated anyone deliberately in our lives, the attitude that we were not to be trusted finally resulted in us becoming extremely irritable with him. We were hot, tired and sweaty and had just had enough!

Then rides Robbie Marshal to the rescue! We are now installed in the back room of Masterpieces Hair Salon, due to Robbie's extreme kindness. This woman overheard us discussing painting the walls and immediately comes in with paint, rollers and a tray and begins putting on paint to help us out! Over the two weeks we have been readying the new location Robbie has stayed late to help, offered every resource at her disposal and generally been a blessing.

The folks next door at City Hall have welcomed us, others have stopped by with offers of help and best wishes. It has completely overshadowed our bad experience with one man.

So, instead of being soured by contact with two rude people, we have found ourselves uplifted by the kindness of others.

Once again, I am reminded that actions speak much louder than words, and that Christian testimony is better expressed by acts of kindness than lots of talk. I only hope I can someday repay these people who have been so kind.

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Prairiland ISD to hold budget hearing

The Prairiland School Board will meet on Thursday August 12th to hold a public hearing concerning the 1998-99 budget. At 8:00 p.m. the Board will conduct its regular monthly meeting at which time the 1998-99 budget will be approved. The projected budget for 1998-99 will be \$6,103,955 which is an increase of \$71,784 over the current budget.

In March of each year, budget worksheets are distributed to the Principals and various departments within the school system. Those responsible for the budget worksheets seek input from teachers and others as to the needs for their programs. The information is then reviewed by the principal or person responsible for the budgeted items in that department. The worksheets are then given to the superintendent who with the School

Board President puts together a preliminary budget. This is then reviewed by the School Board in budget workshops.

The Prairiland district receives revenue from three sources: State, Federal and Local.

The State dollars received by the district are determined; for the most part, upon the Average Daily Attendance of the students (ADA). This is why it is so important for students to be in school every day possible. The State money is broken down into various funds such as Regular Block Grant, Special Education, Migrant, English as a Second Language, Transportation, Career and Technology, Gifted and Talented, Compensatory, and Bilingual. The total amount of money the State has appropriated to the Prairiland district, at this time, for the 1998-99 school year is \$3,934,550.

The Federal dollars received by the district help supplement the School. Again, it is extremely important for every child that qualifies for the Free-Reduced Lunch program to apply. This benefits the students and the school. For the last two years the Prairiland district has had a School-Wide Title program. This entitles the district to receive Federal monies to provide additional services to our students. Some Federal dollars are also received for Tech-Prep programs which help prepare our students for the World of Work. The anticipated amount of Federal dollars for the 1998-99 school year are \$470,239.

Local money is received primarily from the property tax that our citizens pay. Proposition 1, which was approved last year by the voters, gave property owners an extra \$10,000

Homestead exemption. The Taxable Property value of our district is \$81,216,203. The current property tax rate for our district is \$1.17 per \$100 value. At this rate and considering a 95% collection rate, the school district will receive approximately \$902,718 in local tax dollars. The budget also reflects money at the local level from such things as driver's education fees, athletic gate funds, interest and investments and taxes from prior years. Also, flow through money generated by student activity accounts, and student pictures are shown which gives a total local level fund of \$1,610,795.

The following is a breakdown of budget appropriations to various programs.

FUNCTION	FUNCTION NAME	APPROPRIATIONS	% OF BUDGET
11	Instruction	\$3,342,336.00	54.76
12	Inst. Resource/Media Services	127,503.00	2.09
13	Curr. & Inst. Staff Development	31,400.00	.52
23	School Leadership	297,935.00	4.88
31	Guidance & Counseling Service	158,901.00	2.60
33	Health Services	39,450.00	.64
34	Pupil Transportation	255,977.00	4.18
35	Food Service	286,940.00	4.71
36	Cocurricular/Extracurr. Activities	304,755.00	4.99
41	General Administration	529,030.00	8.67
51	Plant Maint. & Operations	452,193.00	7.42
52	Security & Monitoring	500.00	.01
53	Data Processing Service	42,246.00	.69
71	Debt Service	45.00	.00
81	Facilities Acquis. & Const.	19,600.00	.32
93	Payment to Fiscal Agents	210,244.00	3.44
95	Juvenile Justice Alternative	4,600.00	.08
		6,103,655.00	100%

The Prairiland School Board works diligently to provide our students with good facilities and an excellent educational program. This week the School Accountability ratings were released. Two of the Prairiland Campuses, Blossom and the High School were rated as Recognized Campuses. The Deport Campus missed the Recognized rating by 1% in one category. We are proud of our schools and the education that our students are receiving.



ROLL OVER-Pattonville Volunteer fireman Thomas Crossland pried the hood open on this late model Ford Ranger pickup to prevent a possible fire. The vehicle was driven by Joel Smith of Bogata on FM196 East of mined injuries.

Scharlach named Vice-chairman

Art Scharlach, President and CEO of Guaranty Bank, has been named Vice-Chairman of Texas Independent Bank-Dallas Board of Directors.

Mr. Scharlach has over 30-year's experience in the banking industry. He serves as President, CEO and director of Guaranty Bank. He joined the bank in 1970 as a Vice President and Loan Officer and was elected to the bank Board of Directors in 1971. He was elected Senior Vice President in 1974, President in 1979, Chief Operating Officer in 1983 and Chief Executive Officer in 1989. Scharlach has served as a director of Texas Independent Bank since April 1992.

He has attended Texas A&M University, the University of Texas and has a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Texas Christian University. He is also a graduate of the Graduate School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin.

Through the years, Scharlach has been very active in the community. He is currently serving as a member of the Mt. Pleasant Industrial Foundation and a member of the Administrative Board of Tensison Memorial Methodist Church.

Art and his wife, Jane, have three children and two grandchildren. They are members of Tensison Memorial Methodist Church.

Deport's Fire number being eliminated, residents should use 911

"Call 911" is a term that has been around for emergencies almost everywhere for a long time. In Deport, though, residents have had an option to call the Deport Volunteer Fire Department for fire emergencies on the local fire phone.

At the regular meeting of the Deport Volunteer Fire Department Monday night, members voted to discontinue the use of the fire phone system. Most of the Deport volunteer firemen now have pagers that are activated by

the 911 operator through Lamar County Sheriff's Department and if a rest of the firemen using the beeper system.

Simply calling 911 will eliminate an extra step, and accelerate the process of getting help in an emergency.

Residents are urged to start using 911 for all emergency calls now so that they can already be placing emergency calls properly when the Deport VFD phone number is eliminated.

People 'n Things

A baby shower will be held at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall on August 9 from 2 until 4 p.m. for Leslie and Pat Travis. Everyone is cordially invited.

Candy Larkin has been off work and is supposed to have back surgery soon. The family has said anyone wishing to make a financial contribution to help cover their expenses may do so to their account at Guaranty Bank-Deport. It is in the name of Donny or Candy Larkin.

Anderson certified to stand trial as an adult

Mikel Don Anderson, age 15, has been certified as an adult to face capital murder charges.

Anderson has been transferred to Lamar County Jail from Hunt County Juvenile Facility and been placed at \$250,000. He now awaits trial as an adult. He has been charged with capital murder, capital attempted

murder, murder, attempted murder, burglary and two counts of injury to the elderly.

Anderson is accused of the murder on June 16th of stabbing Arnetta Rogers age 78, to death, and stabbing J.D. Rogers at the couple's home in Blossom. Mr. Rogers is still recovering from the attack which left him in intensive care for several days.

Deport Clinic to have free glaucoma screening

What is more important than your eyesight? An upcoming program with a Free Glaucoma Screening will give people a chance to help safeguard their sight.

St. Joseph's Clinic-Deport Senior Series will present "Glaucoma" with Lydia Johnston, Program Director of Prevent Blindness Texas on Thurs-

day August 13 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the clinic on Main Street in Deport.

Everyone is urged to come for the program and free screening.

More information can be obtained by calling 652-4040.

PISD to begin classes Aug. 14

Prairiland Independent School District will begin classes on Friday, August 14 on all three campuses.

Buses will run at regular scheduled times. Breakfast and lunch will also be served on all three campuses. School will be dismissed at the regular scheduled times also.

For more information on any of the three campuses, the principals can be contacted at: Prairiland-Ronnie Baker at 652-5681 or 982-6233; Blossom-Sandra Burnett at 982-5230 or Deport-Larry Salter at 652-3325.

If you have moved into the district or have children that have not registered for school, contact the office where your child will attend as soon as possible.

If your child will be eligible for free or reduced meals, the district encourages you to fill out the necessary papers as soon as possible. If you cannot come by the campus before school begins, the forms will be sent home with all students on the first day of school.

School supply lists have been posted in K-Mart, Wal-Mart and other stores in the surrounding area. Most of the stores have made up packets which include all necessary supplies. If you have other questions, please contact the Superintendent Dr. L.C.

Stout at the administration office at 652-6476.

Letters to the Editor

I received my April 9 issue last week. Since the delivery is always irregular, I had not been aware that I had not received it until it came. Up until a year or so ago I usually received the Deport Times on Saturday of the week it was published. It then began to come on Monday, then Tuesday, and now it rarely gets here before two weeks. On occasion I get two weeks' issues at one time. I had not written you because I assumed it had been lost somewhere in the post office.

I enjoy your paper very much. I grew up in Cunningham, graduating from Cunningham in 1951. I attended Paris Junior College. East Texas State and then Transferred to West Texas State where I received my degree and then did graduate work. Later I graduated from International Bible Seminary. I have preached for Churches of Christ for the past forty-plus years. I have preached for the Dalhart Church of Christ for the past 13 years. I rarely get back to the area. I occasionally am there for a funeral and occasionally for the Kennedy reunion. My mother was a Kennedy, the daughter of Dan and Mary Kennedy of Cunningham. My father was Earl Cook, who died when I was eight years old. Mother returned to school at East Texas State and taught for many years, retiring at Amarillo. She died in 1991.

I had not intended to write an autobiography, but once started thought I would let you know some of the reasons I enjoy your paper. Though I no longer recognize many of the names mentioned in the Cunningham News, many I do know and I am able to keep up with them and with deaths through your paper.

Gaylord Cook,
Dalhart, Texas

One of the most difficult things to give away is kindness, it is usually returned....
Positive Outlook by Vera Hill

Red River girls defeated at World Series

by Nancy Brown

The Red River All Star team in the 16-17-18 year old girls division won the State Championship in Terrell recently and traveled on to represent Texas in the World Series at Sulphur Springs this past weekend. This is the first time the Dixie League World Series for this age group has been held in Texas and it was an honor for the team to represent the state.

Play began on Saturday, Aug. 1 with the team meeting Tennessee. The two teams went three innings with a 0-0 score. Joanie Swarts of Talco was the first Texas girl to get on base for the team on a perfect bunt. Katie Hare did a fine job on the mound for the Texas team. In the 4th inning 4 Texas errors saw the Tennessee girls score 4 runs but the Texas girls answered with 2 runs on a score by Katie Hare and Carmen Conder.

Candace Yaross came to the mound for the Texas girls and in the 5th inning the Tennessee ladies again scored 2 runs on a home run hit. In the 5th Joanie Swarts scored for Texas on a 2 base hit from Candace Yaross to bring the score to 6-3. Tasha Brown took over on the pitchers mound for Texas and the Tennessee girls were held 3 up and 3 down. Tennessee returned the favor in the bottom of the 6th holding the team to no score.

In the 7th and final inning and Tennessee batting in the top a bunt got the runner on and a fielder's choice saw her score. Two outs followed and the Texas team were at their last

bat. Courtney Caraway led off taking her base on a walk, Kendra Hicks hit a fielder's choice as did Joanie Swarts. A one base hit from Candace Yaross scored Hicks and Swarts. Katie Hare got on a one base hit followed by Carmen Conder who got on from a second base error and scoring Hare. With the score up to 6-7 and 2 outs Leslie Spangler hit a fielder's choice to the shortstop who started to go after Carmen Conder going to third. She hesitated then threw the ball to first base and Spangler was called out. Fans could not have felt worse since everyone felt Spangler had made the base by two steps. Final 7-6 Tennessee.

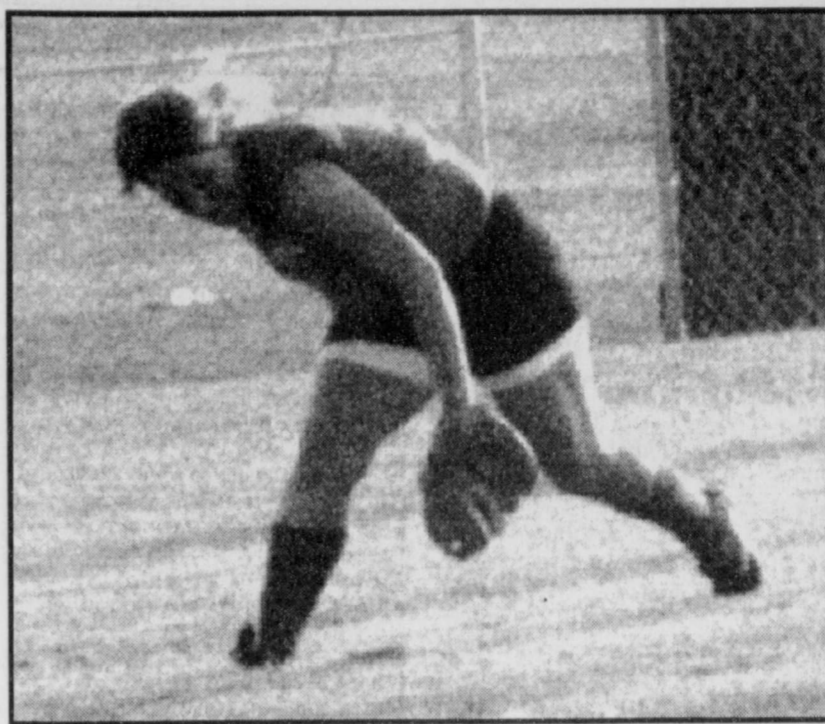
On Sunday the girls returned to play Virginia.

In the first inning Virginia, who was the visiting team scored one run on 3 base hit and a steal home. The Texas team answered with a score from Candace Yaross knocked in by Leslie Spangler. In the 2nd neither team scored. Katie Hare did a great job on the pitchers mound and fielding performance was great from the team. Melissa Brown of Detroit did an impressive job in center field. In the 3rd the Virginia ladies scored on a 3 base hit once more. Score 1-2 Virginia. In the 4th neither team scored. In the 5th neither team scored but at the bottom of the 5th the score still 1-2 Virginia the Texas coach had a confrontation with a player and parent which resulted in the player

leaving the field. Following rule checks and a 10 minute delay the Texas girls took the field to begin the 6th inning. The upset was apparent. The team who had no errors made 8 errors which gave Virginia 6 scores. Score 8-1 Virginia. In the bottom of the 6th the Texas team hit 2 flies out, 1 player walked and the final out came on a pitcher to first base throw.

The disruption had done its damage but the Texas team tried to regain control. In the 7th they allowed only one player to make the base and it was on a base hit. A fly to Melissa Brown, a throw from Leslie Spangler at catcher to Joanie Swarts at second gained an out and a fly to Kendra Hicks gained an out. The Texas team came to bat Kendra Hicks led off with a one base hit followed by Joanie Swarts who hit a fielder's choice to the pitcher who got Hicks out on second. Candace Yaross got made the base on an error and Katie Hare flew out leaving Swarts and Yaross on base for the 2nd out. Carmen Conder made base on an error and Swarts crossed the plate to score. The final out came on a hard hit ball by Leslie Spangler fielded by the first baseman. Final 8-2 Virginia.

These girls took some tough breaks at the tourney but they must be proud of being the State Champions as their families, friends and fans are. They will return for another try next season. Congratulations girls on a good year.



AWESOME-Leslie Spangler of Deport makes a clutch catch as the Texas (Red River All Stars) team met Tennessee in the Dixie League World Series in Sulphur Springs Saturday, Aug. 1. The girls were defeated 7-6 on what fans thought was a bad call. They lost to Virginia on Sunday putting them out of the tourney but they are still the Texas State Champions and are the Red River All Stars. Great job ladies!



Deport Legion to hold Fish Fry

The Deport American Legion will hold a Fish Fry on Thursday, August 13th.

All members are urged to attend.

Matter of Fact

Rick Perry
Texas Agriculture Commissioner

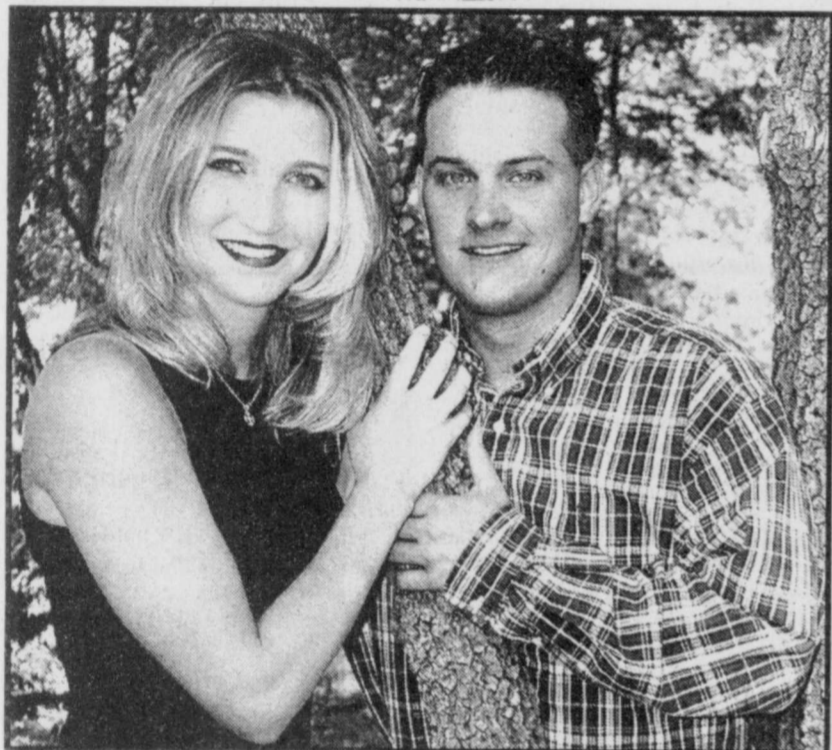
What's your favorite type of food? For most people, the answer to that question has changed dramatically over the past 20 years.

Only 34 percent of Americans surveyed in 1976 acknowledged a preference for Tex-Mex cuisine. Two decades later, half of those questioned love sitting down to a plate of enchiladas or fajitas (and I would suspect that number is even higher among Texans).

Similar growth in popularity can be seen in everything from Italian entrees to Chinese dishes. And while some folks remain your basic "meat and potatoes" type, our expanding culinary tastes can only help Texas agriculture.

The global recipes making their way on to our dinner table translate to more varied uses for our food products. Texas beef, chicken, pork, lamb, produce, grains and nuts are all benefiting from the love of new dishes and consumers looking to try something different.

So with that in mind, it doesn't really matter what's your favorite type of food — as long as you're using Texas products to whip it up.



Lana Dru Pirtle with fiance Matthew Edward Buchheit

Pirtle-Buchheit exchange wedding vows

Mr. and Mrs. H. Drue Pirtle of Bogata announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Lana Dru Pirtle, to Matthew Edward Buchheit.

The ceremony will take place Saturday, October 10 at three o'clock in the afternoon at the First Baptist Church, Longview. Rev. Bill Voss will officiate the double-ring ceremony. A reception will be held at the Rose Room in Longview immediately following the ceremony.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Charles and Mary Shelton of Clarksville, the late E.V. and Ruby Pirtle, and the late M.E. and Lore

Roach. She is a 1992 graduate of Rivercrest High School, and a 1996 graduate of Texas A&M University, Commerce with a Bachelor of Social Work degree. She is employed by Eastman Estates in Longview as Marketing Director.

Her fiance is the son of Ms. Rita Buchheit of Longview and Mr. and Mrs. Jabez Buchheit of Big Sandy. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Reincke of Longview, and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Buchheit of Shreveport, LA. He is a 1993 graduate of Longview High School and is employed by LSi in Longview as Warehouse Manager.



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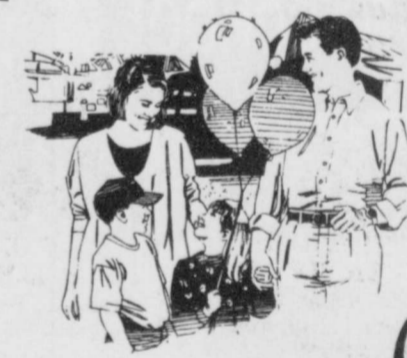


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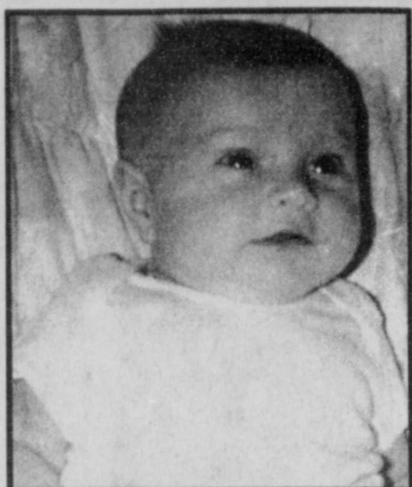
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Deport Nursing Home News
By Candy Larkin



Candy is still in St. Joseph's Hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery. She is in Room 413 and is scheduled for back surgery on Thursday.

Visiting with Terry McDowra was his sister, Cherry Walker from Paris and Barbara Fambro from Dallas.

Purna Haydock visitors were Jerry dudley, Nancy Gresham, Karon Grossman, Myrtle Singleton, Jana Smith, Claudie Dudley, Glenna Guest from Sulphur Springs, Mable Dean Harvey, Martha J. Anderson, Paris, Wilma King, Maybank, Nannie Lou McAlister, Karen and Julia Grossman, Lila Screws and Evelyn Roach.

Visiting Mary Mathews was Faye Burns, Faye also visited her mother Cletus Thomas.

Pamela and Robert Gibson from Paris visited her mother Virginia Bryant.

Milow Hume's visitors were Weldon Hume, Paris, Bill Page and Weldon and Joyce Smith.

Lila Screws and Hali Screws and Becky Proctor visited their mother, Mamie Fletcher.

Jerry Westbrook visited with Russell Grant.

Thomas Braxton from Oklahoma

Oklahoma, Ok. visited his aunt, Melvina Dinwiddie.

Visiting Virginia Carrell was Ester Malone and Tonya Henderson from Paris.

Raymond Hignight's visitors were Doris Ruff, Sara Starks and Thurman and Marie Franke all from Paris.

Ray Jensen visited his mother Dorthea Jensen.

Visiting with Brodie Bell and Reecie Kelsey was Sammy and Suzie Kelsey, Connie and Phillip Dodd.

James and Tiara Elrod visited Ethel Elrod.

Visiting Floy Sparks was Haley Parson, Leah Boren, Morgan Seals, Peggy Parsons, Tye Parsons and Kristi and Drew Boren.

Weldon and Joyce Smith visited Kathleen Goldsberry.

Monda Fults visited her mother Alma Montgomery.

Visiting Angie Smith was Dale Smith, Don Smith, Larry Smith, Darrell Smith, Shirley Haskell, Desuree Hashell and Sue Goley.

Juanita and Jodie Boulware vistied with Dean Boulware.

Lucille Lenore and Cleo Heflin visited Ann Austin.

Visiting with Juanita Brawner and

Lillie Dunnan was Janay Wood, Randy Lahman, Shane Lahman, Kelli Lahman, Earline Lahman and Eileen Lahman.

Visiting Edith and Raymon Crawford was Mrs. Ann Jackson, Gober, Texas; Winnie Steele, Leonard Texas; Ethel Jackson, Blossom and Kaci, Kara, Dakota and Barbara Crawford.

Weldon and Joyce Smith and Evelyn Roach visited Johnny Warren.

Roy Wells visitors were Joe Joe Potter and Jessica Potter from Burleson. Mary Ann Miller from Deport, James and Glen Wells from Joliet, Lois Wells from Mt. Pleasant and Ed Miller from Deport.

Cecil Allen visited Athel Hester, Cordell Grizzle, Terry McDowra and several other in the nursing home.

Happy birthday wishes to Purna Haydock and Lillie Dunnan.

Also our employees, Owen Davis and Lillian Kincaid.

Our sympathy goes out to the family of Hattie Young. She was 102 years old.

We welcome Joe Ben Henderson back home form his stay in the hospital.

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In memory of Ned Hurley from Myrtle Singleton, Melba and Carlos Ladd.

In memory of Bill Talley from Edna Talley.

In memory of Siplinger family from Ann Sanders.

In memory of Murl Roach from Ruth Cheatham, Melba and Carlos Ladd, Vivian and Gordon Isbell, Reba Temple, Juanita and Sonny Davis, the Deport United Methodist Women.

In memory of Linnie Bailey from the children of Mamie and Oscar Rhodes.

In memory of Arthur and James Elder Barnard from Alpha Barnard.

The memorial listed on last report for Cleo Jeffus from Leslie and Olga Temple should have read from the children of Leslie and Olga Temple.

Old Deport Cemetery: From the Ben Griffin reunion.

Integrity has no need of rules.

—Albert Camus

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Blossom Locals

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Happy Birthdays this week too: Megan Berry, Jerry Johnson, Freddy Anderson, Justin Williams, Chasey Nethery Head, Rocky Latham, Michael Madewell, Jay Oliver, Douglas Abramski, Dakota Jones, Cassie Cullum, Brian Rigley, Abbie Smith, Sherry Gibson, Justin Pricer, Shelby Stewart, Toni Baker, Dot Wilson, Sheila Sanders, Angela DeLaRosa, Clifton Hughes, Judy Hilliard, Ola Himes, Bud Poole, Carly Scott, Leroy Burchinal, Carolyn Rigby.

Mary Jane Lowry spent from Friday to Sunday in Gilmer visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Mike Ballard. She also visited with Bill and Ginnifer Lindsey and Ryan Alyssa of Gladewater and attended the baby dedication at the Calvary Church in Longview.

Kim and Clay Redditt of Arlington spent Thursday thru Saturday with Bessie Garrett.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Bonner this week was Dorothy Gay of Hurst and Rita Miears of Bedford.

The Blossom Library held their last summer reading program on Wednesday with a picnic meal for those who participated.

Marie Kennison of Paris is visiting with Ruby Crawford.

From Albuquerque visiting with the David Hick's, Todd Denny's, Hursul Shand's, Jr. Weddle's and Haskell Booth's and other relatives were Beatrice Shelly, Virgie Howard and daughter Lisa Clifford and her children Shaline and Christina, Lillian Montgomery and son Charles and his two children. They all enjoyed a fish fry at the home of Haskell and Judy Booth during the week and visited with other relatives and family and friends in the area.

Minnie Lee Shands enjoyed a trip to Texarkana on Friday with Linda Edmonds of Pine Branch.

Myrtle Chumbley, Marty Booth and Haskell and Judy Booth traveled to Utah to bring home Gunner, Geron and Gage Booth. They had been there visiting their mother.

June Barber and Nancy Couch of Blossom and Judy Latimer of Dallas traveled to Washington D.C. recently for four days on vacation and toured the various sites there. They really enjoyed the capitol tour and the Viet Nam Memorial.

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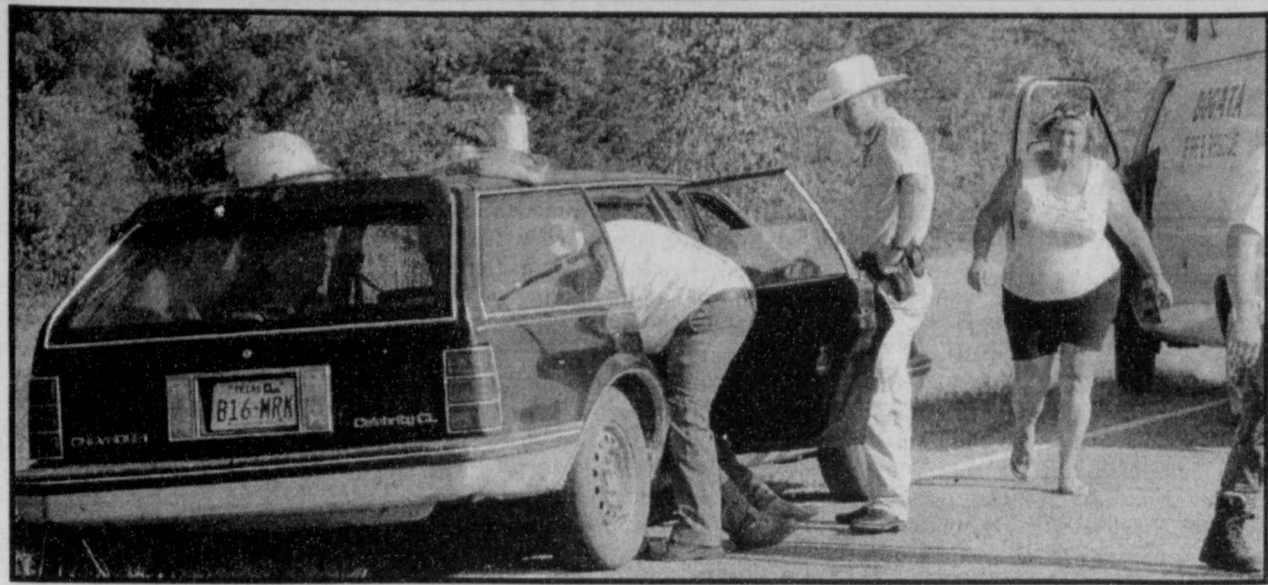
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This workshop includes lunch and a \$50 stipend for registered teachers who attend. For general information: call Theresa Rohloff 713 941-2590



DEPORT & BOGATA Volunteer Fire Departments responded to a house fire just south of Rugby Wednesday afternoon. An empty house burned down. Bogata First Responders also treated a man at the scene before he was taken to the hospital. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



LAURA FRANCES celebrated her 7th birthday on July 25, beginning the day with Kaylee Miller spending the day. They swam in the morning, had pizza for lunch and greeted guests David and Lisa Barnes, Lindsay Kelly, John Mark, Jera and Karen Francis, Jean Burk, Betty Warden, Joan Langley, Rena Good and Jerry and Denise Brooks, her parents. Cake, ice cream and punch were served and Laura opened many wonderful gifts. Favors were handed out and the children tried their hand at busting a pinata. That evening her parents hosted a hamburger supper. Attending were Bobby and Hazel Brooks, Stephanie Cashions, Jerry, Denise and Laura. Laura and Stephanie ended the day by swimming.

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Cunningham News

By Linda Anderson
652-3502 or 652-2059



Lorette Pynes of Cunningham and Sue Pynes of Paris visited Dean Ogden of Longview Saturday night. A family vacation was enjoyed in Galveston by Lorette Pynes of Cunningham, Sue Pynes of Paris, Dean Ogden of Longview, Mike and Janie Hawkes and Alicia Hawkes of Longview.

Carol and Jennifer Dorsey had lunch with Lucy Fowler Sunday.

Jane O'Neal had lunch for her family Sunday.

Sunday afternoon Jane O'Neal, Dwayne, Lisa, O'Neal and Weston Drinnon, Karla, Andrea, Kara and Arron Palmer visited Murray and Sue Jackson of Paris and enjoyed swimming and ice cream.

O'Neal and Weston Drinnon and Arron Palmer spent Sunday night with Jane O'Neal.

Velma Cox has returned from an extended vacation in Virginia and a visit in Dallas with her son, Morris Cox. While in Virginia, Velma attended her granddaughter, Monica Villagrams wedding. She is the daughter of Morris Cox. The wedding was July 4 at the Red Fox Inn in Middleburg, VA. Other family members attending were Gordon, Jan, Shelly, Meredith and Dustin Cox of Alvarado, Raymond and Mary Ann Gaylord of Baytown and Lecel Baxter of Jacksonville, Florida. Festivities other than the wedding, they participated in were the rehearsal and rehearsal dinner at the Middleburg Country Inn. While in that area they toured sites in Washington, DC, the Viet Nam wall, Korean War, Jefferson and Lincoln Memorials to name a few. They went to Baltimore, Maryland and toured the USS Underwood. William, Lecel's husband, gave them a personal tour of the ship. Points of

interest that Velma and Morris visited were the Museum of the Appalachians near Knoxville, TN, the Biltmore Estate in Asheville, NC; Appomattox Courthouse and Battlegrounds, Monticello, the Skyline Caverns in the Shenandoah National Park and Manassas Battlefields in Virginia. They also visited the Gettysburg Civil War Museum and Cemetery. While at Gettysburg they attended the re-enactment of Picketts Charge at the Battle of Gettysburg. Especially enjoyable were the scenic drives, tours, picnics and hikes through the Smokey Blue Ridge and Appalachian Mountains. The last two weeks, Velma has been in Dallas with her son, Morris, who has recuperated from surgery. While in Dallas, she visited her sister, Vera Cox and Helen and David Taylor in Ft. Worth.

Velma Cox and Mary Ann Gaylord of Baytown visited with Kathy Baxter and Betty Kints of Allen on Wednesday.

Over the weekend guests of Velma Cox were Gordon, Jan, Shelly, Meredith and Dustin Cox of Alvarado and Raymond and Mary Ann Gaylord of Baytown. They all spent the day with Dora Hester in Paris on Saturday along with Wayne and Floy Williams of Deport. While there they celebrated Meredith's 19th birthday with cake and ice cream.

Velma Cox and Mary Ann Gaylord spent the night Thursday with Dora Hester in Paris.

Raymond Gaylord returned home Sunday afternoon, Mary Ann is staying for a week visit with her mother, Velma Cox.

Mary Ann Gaylord and Velma Cox visited Sunday afternoon with Walker and Willie Devlin in Minter.

Prairiland to hand out Schedules Aug. 7

Prairiland High School Principal Ronnie Baker has announced that Student Schedules will be handed out Friday, August 7 10 a.m. at Prairiland High School Gymnasium.

Pointers For Parents

Vision Days May Improve School Days

(NAPS)—By identifying and correcting early vision problems, parents may be able to help children avoid unnecessary academic problems.

The American Foundation for Vision Awareness indicates that as many as one out of four school-aged children have vision problems significant enough to negatively impact academic performance.



"All too often it is the teacher who first recognizes problems when a child has difficulty reading the board. Unfortunately, by that time, it may be well into the school year and the child may have suffered academically. Therefore, it is important to screen students' vision before school starts," said Dr. Stephen Miller, Clinical Care Center director of the American Optometric Association.

To help children get needed visual screenings, Fisher-Price Eyewear—the leading brand of children's eyeglass frames distributed by ClearVision Optical—is teaming up with local optometrists, ophthalmologists and opticians to launch Vision Days, free "back-to-school" vision screenings for children.

While these vision screenings are not intended to replace a more comprehensive visual examination, they are expected to identify potential vision problems.

For a free Parent's Guide and information on where you can purchase Fisher-Price eyewear, call ClearVision at 1-888-228-3739.

Hulsey reunion to be September 3-5

The 14th annual Hulsey reunion will be held September 3-5 at the Red River Valley Bible Camp, northwest of Paris.

Overnight accommodations are available Saturday, September 5 is the main family day. Everyone is invited to attend and bring food for

your family to be shared by all.

A family portrait, auction and white elephant sale will be held along with a business meeting.

For information, call Margaret Allen at 784-2973 or Mary Hart at 785-7718.

Norwood receives degree

Nick Norwood received a doctorate in English from Arizona State University recently. He is the son of Robert V. and Joanne Haney of Wake Village and the late Gaylon Norwood and the grandson of Estelle Cheshire and the late Floyd Babe Cheshire and Virginia Harvey Norwood and the late Roscoe Norwood, and is a 1980 graduate of Texas Senior High School in Texarkana. He also holds a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Texas-Arlington and a master of arts from the University of North Texas. Norwood has been awarded a Ten-

nessee Williams Scholarship to attend the Sewanee Writer's Conference at the University of South in Sewanee, Tennessee. His first book of poems, *Laments for Ludwig II*, is scheduled to appear next year in the James Dickey Contemporary Poetry Series with the University of South Carolina Press.

He currently resides in Mesa, AZ but has accepted a position as Assistant Professor of English at McMurry University in Abilene and will soon move there with his wife, Leslee and their two children, Graham and Natalee.

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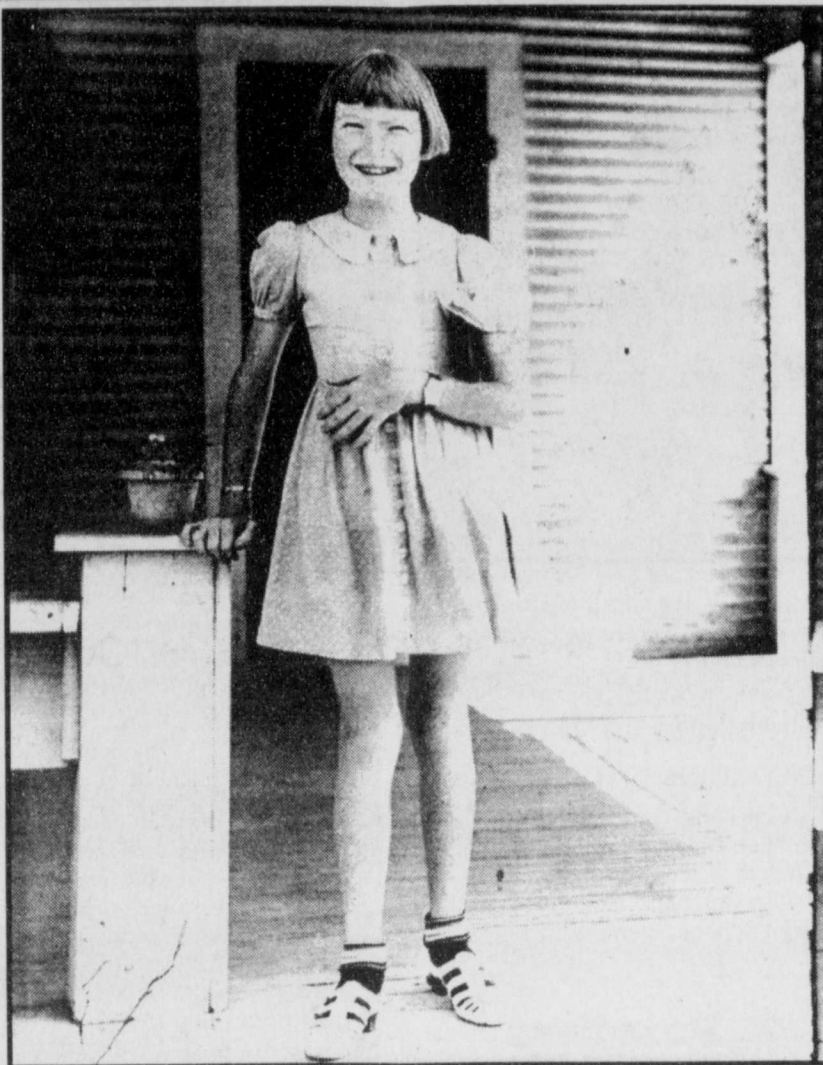
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(Staff Photo)
 MARY JANE LOWRY, wife of the late Wilford Lowry is pictured here as she models one of "momma's" special feed sack dresses. This picture was around 1936 on their front porch in Bogata.

Flower sacks and the depression

By Mary Jane Lowry

During the depression years, all feed (cow, chicken, horse, etc.) came in brightly colored cotton sacks. Also flour, sugar and sometimes salt also came in these cotton sacks. My mother, along with neighbor ladies would pool their sacks to have enough of one kind of print to make dresses and shirts. Up until I started to school, she also made my underwear. These were bloomers to match the dress attached to a soft white top which buttoned onto the bloomers.

She also made sheets from white sacks sewed together and they were so so to sleep on! Pillow cases and dish cloths were made from the smaller sacks. Tablecloths and napkins from solid colors or prints made a simple meal look festive and taste

Emergency farm loan applications being accepted

Applications for emergency farm loans for damages and losses caused by drought temperature conditions that occurred on June 1, 1997 through July 8, 1998 and continuing in Red River County are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency office at 1809 W. Ferguson in Mt. Pleasant and 313 N. Locust in Clarksville.

These counties are included in Texas named by Secretary of Agriculture, Dan Glickman, eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from the drought temperature conditions.

Farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 80% of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue in business or \$500,000, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest is 3.75%.

Applications for loans will be accepted until March 23, 1999, but farmers should apply as soon as possible. Delays in applying could create backlogs in processing and possibly over into the new farming season.

FSA offices are open from 8 to 5 Monday through Friday.



ALMA LOWRY of the Red River Healthcare Center in Bogata would like to announce the births of her great great grandson, Caleb Mitchell Fuller and her great great granddaughter Ryan Alyssa Lindsey. Caleb was born on June 12, 1998. Parents are Gary and Amy Fuller of Riverside, Texas and grandparents Bert and Diana West of Marshall, Texas. Also great grandmother Leon Shoffner of Jefferson, Texas. Ryan Alyssa was born on May 30, 1998 to parents Bill and Ginnifer Lindsey of Gladewater, Texas. Grandparents are Mike and Janie Ballard of Gilmer, Texas and great grandmother Mrs. Wilford Lowry of Blossom, Texas. Ryan was named after her uncle Ryan Ballard. Caleb and Ryan are also great great nieces of Vivian Westbrook also of Red River Healthcare Center.

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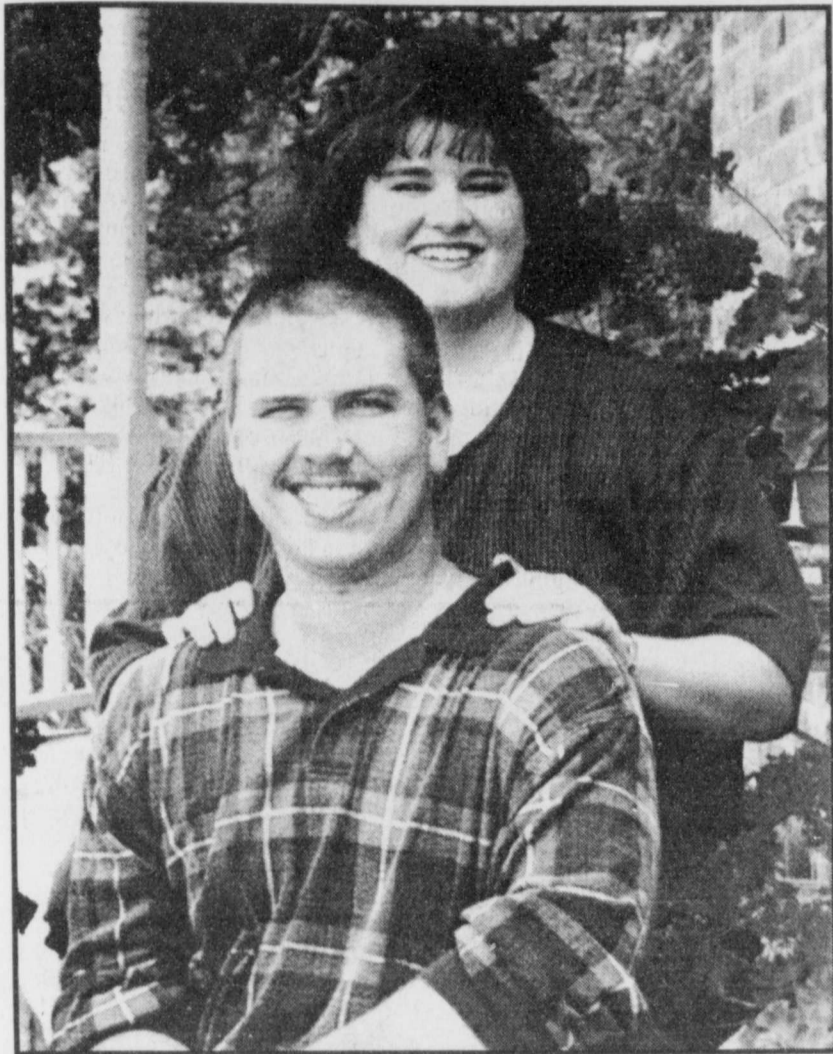
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Latonya Ann Bell & Jarrod Anson Miller

Bell-Miller engagement announced

Mr. and Mrs. Regan Bell of Bogata are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, LaTonya Ann Bell to Jarrod Anson Miller of Talco, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller, Jr. The couple will be married Saturday, August 29, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Bogata. Reverend Bryan Baggett of Linden will officiate the formal ceremony. LaTonya is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar A. Slaton of Quitman and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bell of Clarksville and the great granddaughter of Lucy Slaton also

from Clarksville. She is a 1993 graduate of Rivercrest High School and a 1996 graduate of Texas State Technical College in Waco. Jarrod is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller, Sr. of Talco. He is a 1991 graduate of Rivercrest High School and also a 1996 graduate of Texas State Technical College in Waco. He has a degree in Air-conditioning and Refrigeration and is employed at Jon-Wayne Air-conditioning in Mount Vernon. Friends and family are invited to attend

Producers suggested to cull cow herd

As the drought worsens, beef producers should consider culling not only older cows but cows that remain unbred or open. Dr. Todd Thrift, extension Beef Cattle Specialist at Overton, recommends producers begin culling now. Although scattered showers have provided relief for some areas, it will take as much as five inches of rain over a wide area to alleviate the effects of the drought. With the evaporation rate of one-half inch per day and no major storms in sight, the costs of buying feed to support cows could financially topple many operations.

Thrift says the sooner stocking rate adjustments are made, the less severe the herd reductions will be. The common management strategy during drought is to early wean calves. This is a good strategy to reduce the nutrient requirements of cows with the hopes of getting the cows to regain condition. However, a 300 pound calf does not consume a significant amount of forage. Use early weaning as a management tool to improve cow body condition before calving next year, not to decrease forage demand. Producers must consider culling cows in order to reduce forage demand.

Teachers attend conference

Rhonda Bangs and Sandra Graves, members of the Vocational Home Economics Teachers Association of Texas and Home Economics teachers at Prairiland High School attended the Texas Education Agency's 1998 State Professional Development Conference for Home Economics Teachers, July 21-24 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Dallas/Forth Worth Airport Complex. Participants received transitional resource materials for use in implementing the new content of the Texas

Essential Knowledge and Skills for Home Economics Education. Emphasis is placed on occupational skills helping students to enter a competitive workforce and effectively integrate work, family and other life roles. The Vocational Home Economics Teachers Association of Texas provided an educational exhibits show with over 100 companies represented that offered supplemental teaching materials and products relating to the Home Economics curriculum.

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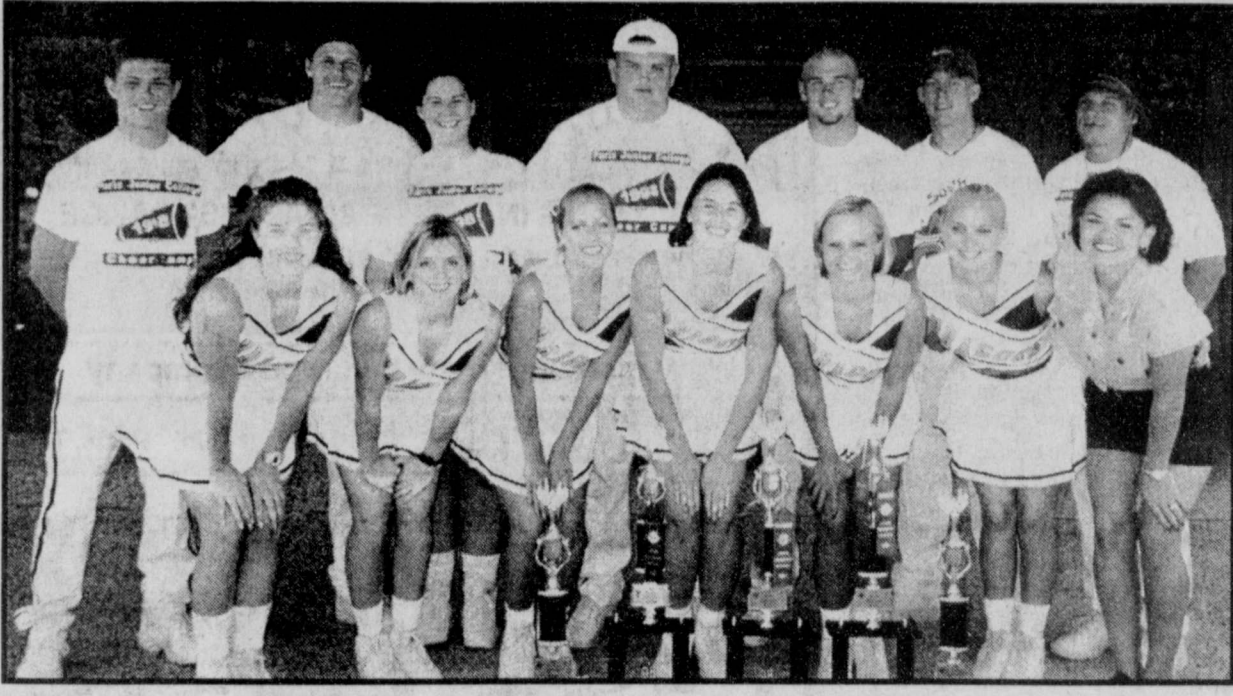
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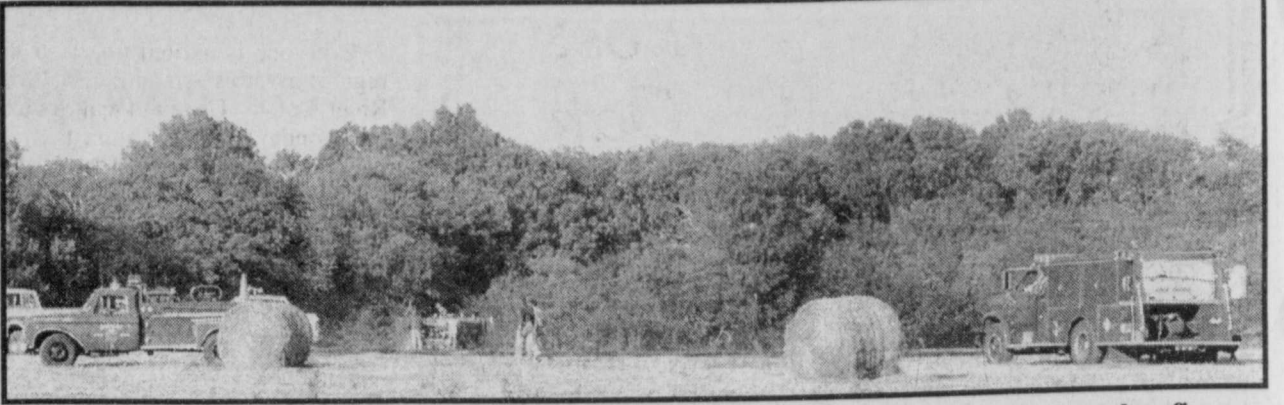
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YET Another grass fire. Pattonville Volunteer Fire Department responded to a hay meadow fire twice one day over the weekend. The showers that fell Monday night and Tuesday have reduced fire danger only slightly, as soon as the grass is dry fire danger will be high again. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Pattonville News

By Peggy Parsons
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Happy birthdays to Doug Winters. Peggy Parsons attended a steering committee luncheon and planning meeting Wednesday for the McCuiston Gala to take place Saturday, October 3 at Love Civic Center. Drew and Leah Boren spent Thursday night with Matt and Brandy Swint.

Ty and Haley Parsons spent the week with Keith and Peggy Parsons, Randy and Kristi Boren, Drew and Leah. Mark and Tonya Parsons spent Saturday night with Keith and Peggy.

Emily Hood and James Harper are spending the week with Barbara McDowra and Gerald Hood.

A.L. Hood of Reno, Thomas, Alec and Chris McDowra visited Barbara McDowra and Gerald Hood on Sunday.

Brad and Velma Burns and children visited Vivian Day. Brad took his children back to their home in Abilene.

Jimmy Day of Sulphur Springs visited his mother.

Happy birthday to Buster

Crossland. They ate lunch at Catfish King on Saturday. The Crosslands have been doing some work on their house. Their son, Travis came and helped them one day.

Ann and Jimmy Gatlin, Talma and Margaret Fowler ate at Lonesome Dove restaurant Saturday night.

Jerry Richey has not been feeling well lately. Susna Richey of Gilmer spent Monday night with Jerry and Dorothy.

Margaret Fowler, Ann Gatlin and Dorothy Richey had lunch in Paris last Friday.

Mike Sparks attended a party at the home of Mark and Nancy Hudson.

Neil Higdon of Arlington spent the week with his grandparents, Howard and Sarah Higdon. His mother came to get him during the weekend.

Elois and Nina Sparks attended a bridal shower honoring Amy Grissom, bride-elect of Chris Holt on Saturday, August 1.

Elois Sparks visited Nettie Chappell at Cherry Stret Manor Nursing Home on Monday.

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By Geneva Lee
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The East Post Oak Baptist Church had "Family Day" at the church Sunday with regular morning services followed by lunch in the fellowship hall. They gathered back in the auditorium about 1:15 where the young people put on a puppet skit followed by singing and testimonies. Sarah Mansfield joined the church Sunday morning on profession of faith and her mother joined on the promise of letter. There was no night service. Revival services start Monday night August 3 and go through Friday night, August 7. The message will be brought by Bro. Gene Smith of Texarkana and Bro. E.R. Reynolds is the pastor.

The church bus was carried to the revival at Austin Chapel Missionary Baptist Church Monday and Thursday nights with several of the youth and sponsors attending. Bro. E. R. Reynolds went with them Thursday night.

Alma Stevens has been released from St. Joseph and is in Room 2 at Paris Nursing Home. Bertha Boren is also in room 7 there. She is in very serious condition and has been in the

nursing home several years. Viola Cooksey of Garland returned home with her sister Bonnie Flatt who had visited her over the weekend. They returned to Bonnie's Tuesday and they went to Clarksville Nursing Center Wednesday afternoon and visited Marie Stevens. Mrs. Cooksey returned to her home in Garland Thursday.

Bro. and Mrs. Wilbourne Lee visited Marie Stevens in Clarksville Thursday afternoon and found her much improved.

Betty Low has her cousin and husband from Arizona visiting her and husband, Newman. They are here for the funeral of Betty's uncle James Wilson who passed away Thursday night at McCuisiton. Funeral is Tuesday morning at 10:00 in Fry-Gibbs with burial in Spring Hill Cemetery. He is survived by his wife Sarah and son Larry and wife Jackie.

Faye Waterman of Blossom and daughter Juanita Vickers attended church here Sunday morning.

There were several families and children went to Dallas Saturday to the Ranger game.

RRC G Society to hold problem solving

Everyone is invited to attend the regular monthly meeting of the Red River County Genealogical Society on Monday evening, August 10 at 7:30 in the Red River County Library.

The program for this month will include a Problem Solving session. Also present will be Lawrence Dale of Blossom, who is involved in entering Red River County death and burial

records on the computer. His project, now numbering many thousand names, is reaching a point that he wishes to discuss with the society, the goal of which is to make these records available for those researching Red River County individuals.

All persons interested in researching their family history are encouraged to come and enjoy the program.

Courthouse Squares



(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

BLOSSOM LIBRARY in conjunction with the Paris Public Library presented reading programs, skits and entertainment to area students during the summer. Pictured is Beverly Lewis and Linda Orr reading a story along with puppets. The final program was held on Wednesday, July 29 with a picnic for all students.

Feeding kids right isn't always easy

"Clean your plate." "No dessert until you eat your vegetables." "If you behave, you can have a piece of candy." For most parents these phrases sound familiar. Food should be used for nourishment, not as reward or punishment. In the long run food bribery causes more problems than it solves. Happy encounters with food at any age set the stage for sensible eating habits. Handle eating situations positively to encourage healthy food choices.

Parents and caregivers have the responsibility of "Gatekeepers", controlling what foods come into the house. Having lots of healthy choices available eliminates the need for food wars at mealtimes. Limit the less desirable foods you have in your home. This helps children to understand that healthy food choices are a way of life. Youngsters are too smart to heed the old saying "do as I say, not as I do." Children learn by imitating what they see. Adults who eat poorly can't expect their children to eat well. Set a good example by eating regular meals and making healthy food choices.

It is important to keep in mind the division of responsibility when it comes to feeding your child. Children are the best judge of how much

they should eat. Parents are the best judges of what the youngster should eat. Adults are not responsible for how much a child eats or even whether a child eats. Adults often view a child's odd food and eating behaviors as a problem. Childhood food binges, food strikes and other unusual habits are usually part of normal development. Children often use the table as a stage for showing their independence. Sometimes, food isn't the issue at all. The eating process is just one more way children learn about the world. Well meaning parents often think the worst if a child skips a meal or won't eat any vegetables but you should keep the big picture in mind. Offer nourishing healthy meals on a daily basis. Over time the child will get everything they need to grow and develop normally. Plenty of variety and a relaxed happy atmosphere at meal times are the ingredients for a well fed child.

Consistent food messages encourage children to eat and help to prevent arguments over food. Try these simple steps:

- * Buy only the foods you want your child to eat.
- * Let children make their own choices from the healthy options you

- provide.
- * Serve regular meals and snacks.
- * Make mealtimes pleasant.
- * Teach good manners at the table.
- * Set a good example by eating healthy foods.
- * Don't worry if your child skips a meal.

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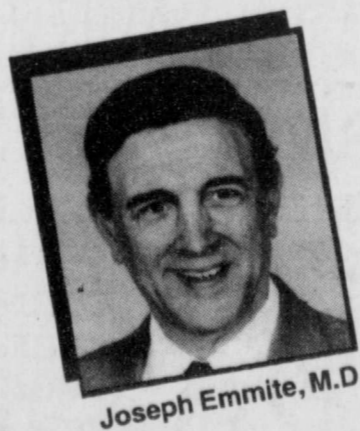


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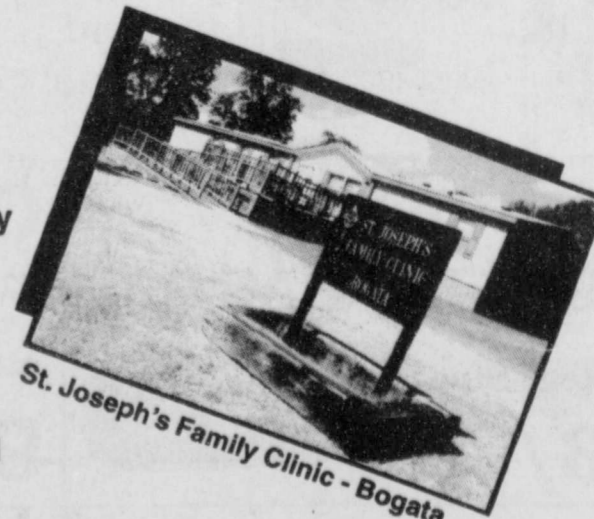


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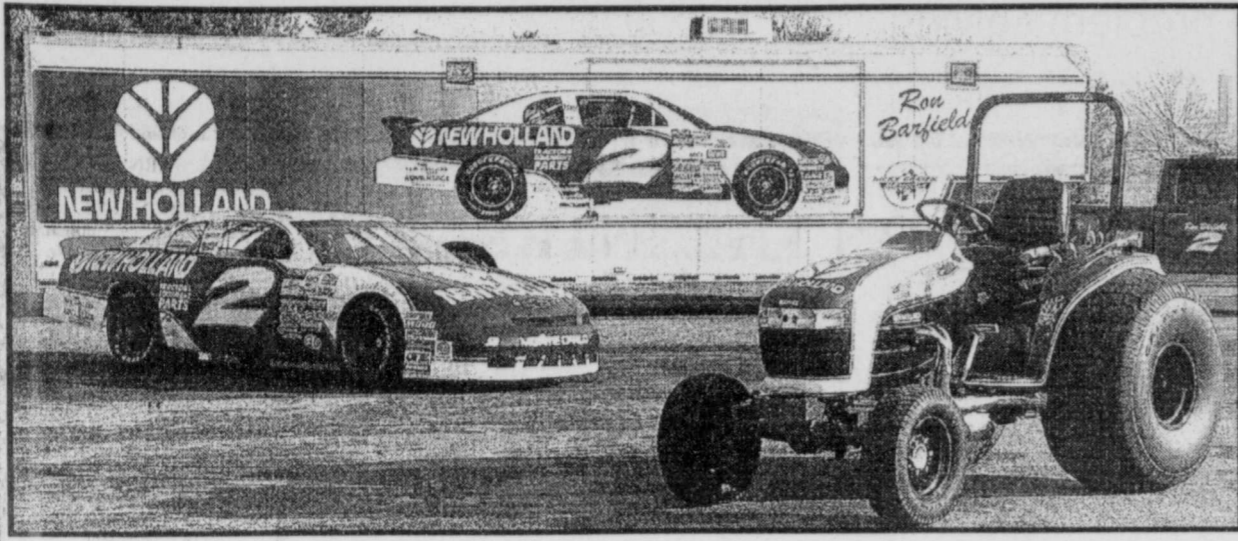
Many ranges and pastures are not providing adequate grazing, and producers are rapidly depleting carryover hay stocks. In addition,

many pastures and hay fields have not had sufficient regrowth following the first hay cutting. In some parts

of the state, producers were not able to get a first cutting.

Producers with hay can call the toll-free number and be put on list of suppliers. Farmers and ranchers

who need hay can call and request a list of hay suppliers. An up-to-date will be mailed to them the day they call. In addition, TDA will put the list of suppliers on its website.



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NEW HOLLAND RACING TEAM - The New Holland Racing team is coming to the Red River Valley Fair Saturday Aug. 29th. The NASCAR display is sponsored by LaRue Ford Tractor of Paris.

New Holland racing team coming to Red River Fair

This year during the Red River Valley Fair, LaRue Ford Tractor company in Paris will be sponsoring the New Holland 1998 Racing Program.

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The New Holland Racing Program is in its third season and are sponsoring the New Holland race cars and super truck in 57 televised races during 1998 and has associated itself with two role model drivers: Ron Barfield and Ricky Craven.



Milton News

By Mattylu Upchurch

Tabatha Purcella of Paris spent Thursday night with Velma and John M. Temple.

Ann and Sheldon Lee met their son, Trey Lee of Wichita, KS in Plano Saturday for lunch, joining them were friends, Dave and Jeannie Cash of Dallas. Ann and Sheldon visited her brother and family, Jerry and Pam Harvey and girls of Plano, before returning home.

John Manley and Velma Temple attended the Temple family reunion at the American Legion Hall in Deport on Saturday.

Visiting for the weekend with her mother, Mattylu Upchurch was Billie Goheen of Arlington.

Visiting Sunday with Frank and Edna Lee was Ruth, T.J. and Danyell Johnston, Steve and Ricky Reeves, all of Paris, Annette and Kasie and

Ruby Lee spent Sunday and had lunch with Frank and Edna Lee Sunday.

Stacy and Allen Huddleston, Bryan and Kim Early were in Red River, NM for a week vacationing.

Allison, Stephanie, Joseph visited George and Nell Wolf Friday and Sunday.

Paula and Jennifer Taylor and Nancy and Larn Crawford were in Arlington Saturday and Sunday visiting Michell Faucett.

Visiting Thursday afternoon with Nell Wolf was Nell Shull and Nannie Ham.

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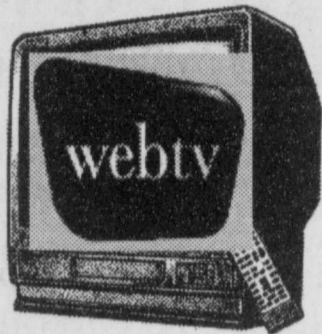
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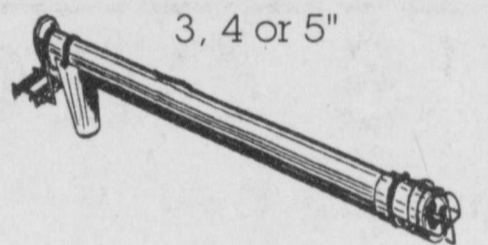
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HOLE PROJECT-Texas New Mexico Power donated their labor to dig holes for the Downtown Deport sign which is being placed at the end of Main Street at Hwy. 271. (Staff Photo by Mike Francies)

IDENTITY THEFT

I DENTITY THEFT IS quickly becoming the crime of the '90s. It occurs when one person uses another's identification - name, address, social security number, mother's maiden name - to obtain lines of credit, open checking accounts, rent apartments, or even obtain jobs.

Because of the nature of the crime, many victims are unaware of what has happened until they are denied credit. By that time, their credit history may have been ruined.

As your Attorney General, I am prohibited by law from giving legal advice to private citizens, but I can offer some general tips on how to protect yourself and what to do if you ever become a victim.

How it works

Identity theft begins with a lost or stolen purse or wallet. Rather than risk using a check or credit card that may have already been reported as lost or stolen, identity thieves will use a victim's credit cards and ID to open new accounts.

With the information from your driver's license and social security card, a thief can also open a checking account and write bad checks in your name.

With a few exceptions, most states treat the party that has lost money (the merchant who honors a stolen credit card) as the victim. Because of this attitude, many victims of identity theft have spent months, even years, attempting to

restore their names and credit records.

Congress is considering legislation that would make it a federal crime to use someone's identity without permission.

How to protect yourself

If your wallet or purse is lost or stolen, immediately call and cancel your credit cards. If you have a number of cards, you may want to consider enrolling in a credit card registry service. Such a service will notify all of your creditors after one call from you.

As soon as possible, file a theft report with the police. Many banks and credit agencies require such a report before they will believe that a theft has occurred.

Be sure to call your bank and cancel your ATM card. Additionally, you should put a "stop payment" on your lost checks. Be aware, however, that many banks require your signature or a signed affidavit to initiate a stop payment order and a fee may be imposed.

If you are a victim of theft, you may get a call from someone posing as a bank representative or law enforcement official. The caller will say that information is needed to expedite a replacement card. Do not give out any of your account information. You have no way of knowing who is really on the other end of the phone.

You should contact the three big credit reporting bureaus - Equifax, Experian (formerly TRW) and Trans Union - to have them place a fraud alert on your report. Such an alert instructs creditors to call you personally to verify applicant information.

Periodically check your credit reports and write to creditors if they have not removed closed-out accounts from the files.

For further information

While we hope this never happens to you, knowing how to protect yourself can save you a lot of headaches. For more information on ways you can protect yourself, call your bank, local police department, or local prosecutor.

Protect yourself - and your reputation.



GOING UP-James Whitney, new resident to the Deport Area, helped erect the Downtown Deport sign which has been a project for the town recently. With the help of lots of volunteers, the sign will soon be completed with a big arrow pointing to downtown Deport, and will then have downtown businesses listed. (Staff Photo by Mike Francies)





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Deport welcomes James and Sunny Whitney who have bought the Roberts house on FM 1501.

Lamar County 4-H was well represented at the recent State 4-H Horse Show held in Abilene. Members participating were Dustin Clement, Katha Crawford, Courtney Hopper and Jennifer Carter.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Temple of Dallas spent the weekend with his mother, Reba Temple. They attended the Temple reunion at the American Legion Hall on Saturday.

Happy birthdays to Elizabeth Brunson, John Gifford, Mable Deean Harvey, Mavis Sowards, Susan G.G. Morris, Evelyn Roach, Amy Beth Strickland, Keith Perry, Belinda Ebarb, Carol Jean Gullede, Karen Kincaid Pritchard, Kathy Whittle Bice, Katherine Ann Farmer, Amy Talley, Jennifer Thomas, Michael Houston, Paul Jackson, Carol Dawson, Lucas Chipman.

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