

## Nichols Worth



By Nanalee Nichols

**We Have Been Given a Gift**  
After suffering through the terrible drought of this summer, we have been given a gift of great beauty. This autumn the colors have been more outstanding than usual.

While it may be small consolation for the intense heat, ruined crops and severe pasture and hay shortage, it is still a delight that everyone needs to get out and enjoy because it is fast fading.

Where our oak trees frequently turn a leathery dull brown they are brilliant glowing russet.

Hackberry trees, that lowliest of "brush" and nuisance tree, is a glorious bag of coins, each one as golden as newly minted money.

The hated poison ivy is redeemed by virtue of changing into brilliant reds.

Shumak, hickories, maples, and even pecans are clothes in their final fall outfits.

Like stained glass they are gorgeous on a cloudy day...but when the sun comes through the leaves turn into shards of glittering gorgeous glass. It is truly breathtaking to behold.

Sunday afternoon we took a drive around the countryside. Cattle grazed in pastures greener now than they have been all summer. Squirrels scampered up and down, around and about.

Children ran in the cool weather, laughing and playing outside in the sunshine.

And the breeze shattered the leaves, sending them drifting downward and scurrying around over the road surface.

Passing cars suck a whirlpool of colors like a kaleidoscope behind them.

In many areas that traditionally have more colors than we do the drought has ruined them. But for some reason the autumn color aura here is exceptional.

Take a quick trip around to see them, it's more than worth the time it takes to do it, and a few rains or high winds will wipe our fall slate clean.



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## Garage sales, meal to highlight Saturday after Thanksgiving in Deport

It's almost time for the City-Wide Deport Garage Sale Day! The event is set for November 28, the Saturday after Thanksgiving, and there will be garage sales set up on Main Street as well as at various homes in Deport.

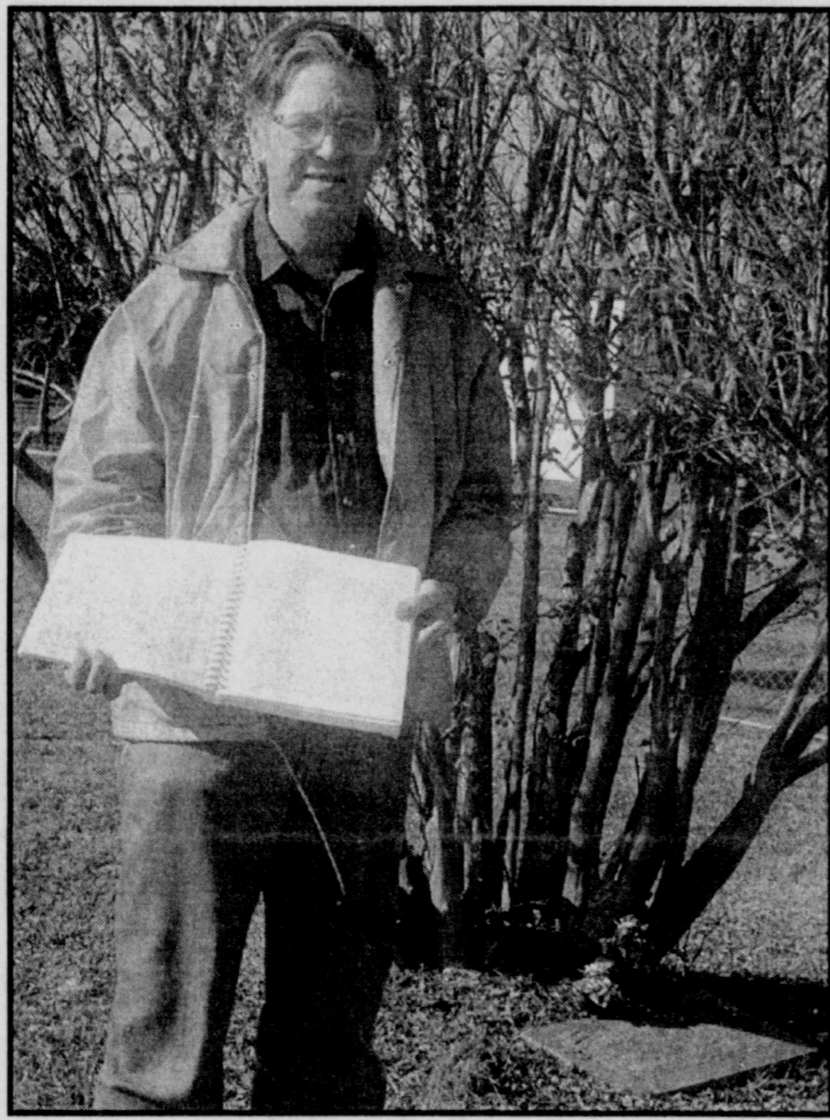
There is No Charge for having a sale, just come out that day and set up!

The day is sponsored by the Bucket Brigade, an auxiliary of the Deport Volunteer Fire Department. Early that morning the Brigade will have hot

coffee and sausage and biscuits for sale, and at lunch they will have stew, chili, beans and cornbread and hot dogs for sale, as well as soft drinks. Everyone is invited to partake as all funds will go to benefit the volunteer fire department.

The Fire Department will also have a giant garage sale on Main Street. All proceeds from that will go towards the fire department too.

Come on out, enjoy the day and do some serious bargain hunting.



(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

JOHNNIE LEE of the Post Oak area is pictured here as he displays the book he is compiling on the history of Post Oak and the outlying areas. Johnnie hopes to publish his book by spring for distribution.

## Johnnie Lee studies history of counties

By Liz Irwin

Post Oak resident, Johnnie Lee, knows a lot about his neighbors and friends. He is an avid genealogist. Genealogy is the study of ones family origin based on records of important events in the lives of individuals and their ancestors. Johnnie became interested in genealogy when his grandmother Low passed away in 1975. As he went through papers and pictures belonging to her, he wanted to know who certain family members were and one thing led to another. He has traced back to Low family to the early 1750's where they lived in Pennsylvania, but his dad's family the Lee's, only back to Jefferson Lee in 1813. How does one go about this method of tracing back one's history. He also gives credit to Bertha Gable, past president of the Red River County Genealogical Society for placing the idea of the book in his head. She saw the material on the cemeteries he did and told him that it should go into book form. He stated that if her did do a book, he would start with the schools and teachers who taught in each and also contain some history on the churches. The genealogist in him began a process of compiling stories on the people and families who were buried in the Post Oak Cemetery. As the project mushroomed, he also included the surrounding communities and their history. With the project becoming more involved, Johnnie tried to limit himself to researching the four main communities of Post Oak, Red Oak, Walnut Ridge and Cross Roads, with Post Oak being the central theme. He used the old school district boundaries were used as a gauge and in some case the boundaries were stretched to suit the information. Around twenty-five square miles was included.

Johnnie checks to local newspapers as far back as editions exists. He then looks at county records at the county clerks office and local county genealogical records. Red River County and Lamar County both have genealogical societies that offer many ways of assistance in these areas. Monthly meetings offer varied ways of tracing family lineage and many times both local historians and those from other parts of the state speak at these meetings. They teach and instruct the many types of methods used in this field. The computer and internet opens up a whole new area for enthusiasts. But, Johnnie maintains that he enjoys the "hunting" through the old records and newspapers as the most reliable for him. He knows that when records show a date of birth or other fact, that he can rely on it as fact. Also, there is the thrill of running onto records that have been lost or packed away in someone's attic.

Johnnie has been working on the early history of the surrounding counties since 1992 when he began with the idea of putting together a book. He began with notes he took on various facts about the counties. He has chapters on roads, communities, post offices, schools, etc. He has also traced families who settled in this area that is dated back to the 1840's and 1850's. It is amazing to learn that many of the small communities that are just a wispots in the road, were once thriving communities with their own banks, restaurants, stores and schools. He has tentatively entitled his book, "It Hap-

pened In Post Oak (Or Thereabouts) A Slice of Lamar and Red River County History". But don't let the title fool you. The book, of course, deals with those permanent residents of Post Oak and the surrounding areas. It has turned into a "mini county history" book, as it contains stories on every known family who lived in the area for however a short time.

Many farm families of bygone days lived in rent houses all across Lamar and Red River County and if they lived in this particular area and Johnnie knows something about each one. They will at least be mentioned and a story of each family may have been written, depending on the information available. Most of the 300 families whose stories have been compiled in this book have never had their stories written in any book. The family history section of this book is well over 180 pages, many with original photos of the family members. Included are a few stories on early settlers and land owners of over 150 years ago or more as well as families still living in the area. The remainder of the book is divided into smaller sections on various subjects. The section, "In Their Own Words", includes about 20 stories written by people who have been associated with the area in one way or another through the years. Many of those are now deceased. In one story, Rufus F. Scott, who was born in 148, tells of his early days in the country north of Detroit. He went on to become president of the First National Bank in Paris. Another is from a personal interview he did with an 102 year old lady in Clarksville. She taught school at Post Oak and Red Oak in the early 1920's.

Another section of the books reveals the histories of the early roads which were laid out in the area, some as early as 1870 and 1880's. Those histories are now available in any book and were written from research done in county road minutes and commissioner's court minutes. Also included are sections dealing with life on the farm, social life, making provisions for the family and advancements made through the years. Some topics covered in these sections include community quiltings, cutting and selling crossties, the introduction of the telephone to the area, 4-H clubs, W.H. D. clubs, etc.

Government programs such as the government cannery and the mattress making programs, both initiated during the Roosevelt administration are covered. Histories of the local schools are included, as are those of the churches in all of the communities. Histories of barber shops and blacksmith shops have also been compiled. The book relates all phases of these communities. But communities are made up of people and it deals primarily with the people who lived there through the years and made or had a part in making the area what it is and has been.

With over 300 pages and several with photos, the time period will range from the late 1830's until the 1960's. It will also be current on many people who have died as late as 1998. At least 138 counties are mentioned, as are most of the southern states. With at least 57 places in Lamar county being mentioned, among these are communities, schools, cemeteries, etc., as are at least 46 such

places in Red River County.

Over 200 sources, including books, microfilm and public records of all sorts were used in researching this book, as well as personal interviews with over 70 people and telephone interviews with almost 120 different people and correspondence with over 100 people. Johnnie states that people have been very helpful and cooperative with this project and he appreciates it very much. Along the way, some very interesting stories have surfaced which would not otherwise have been published and preserved for posterity.

Several of the families who are mentioned, later moved into Blossom or Detroit, but almost as many were associated with the Bogata or Deport area. Someone suggested in 1984, that a map of Post Oak Cemetery be worked up and Johnnie was selected and began recording information from the stones. There were a lot of unmarked graves in the years since the first burial in 1898. This happened to be Tama Jane Lee, the twin sister of Johnnie's grandfather, John William Benton Lee. She was born on March 20, 1887 and passed away on November 26, 1898. The family will be marking the 100th anniversary of Miss Lee's death on November 26, 1998. Johnnie began his search of the unmarked graves identities through county death records, birth records, funeral home records, newspaper articles and obituaries, personal interviews and other sources.

Seeing the "light at the end of the tunnel" about this time last year, Johnnie caught himself in a "Catch 22" situation, as the saying goes. He needed a full-time job to have the money to do a project of this magnitude, but yet, he could not do a project such as this with a full-time job. He told people that he was working on a shoestring, and a short one at that. If he had been able to devote his time to his computer and his book, he realized that he could have completed it ahead of schedule. But at the end, he realized that he had about 600 pages on his computer and also realized that he would have to call materials and rephrase it into fewer words, which he is in the process of doing now.

He does have his own darkroom and has borrowed many of the photos and copied them with around 400-500 that can be used. He does plan, however to limit them to around 200. He says that is this book happens to be a success, he will have information and photos for a second volume ready to start. His dream is to publish a good library quality, hard-bound book, that would be something to compare with the histories that have been done by several other counties. Working a limited budget has it's drawbacks, but he has received several donations from people. One lady even sent him a book of stamps. He will acknowledge everyone for their donations toward the book, because they have, in fact, assisted in the publication with their donations. Anyone wishing to assist in any way may contact Johnnie at Rt.#2-Box 327, Detroit, TX 75436.

Currently, he is searching for a publisher for his project and hopes to have the book ready for orders by spring. We wish you the best of luck!

## Remember The Real Reason

We Celebrate Thanksgiving

They Gave Thanks Then

We Give Thanks Now



The Pilgrims gave Thanks for very basic things. We have so much more to celebrate, but the things we should be most thankful for are still the same... Family and friends, food and shelter, and freedom to worship as we please.

## TxDot informs everyone to "Buckle Up"

During the week of November 23-29, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDot) and over 1,000 other organizations are giving their "Endorsement for Enforcement" to the more than 5,000 law enforcement agencies across the nation conducting the Operation ABC Mobilization: American Buckles Up Children," said Jolita Norris, TxDOT, Traffic Safety Specialist. "It is the largest-ever coordinated effort by law enforcement to protect children and we're proud of it."

Although only law enforcement officers can write tickets, TxDOT stand firmly behind the lifesaving message each ticket delivers. TxDOT is not only an employer, they are parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles who want to protect their children. The Operation ABC Mobilization is the kind of broad community-based movement the nation needs to save children from the leading cause

of death-traffic crashes.


While officers and safety advocates have been educating drivers about the benefits of child safety seats and seat belts for years, the Operation

ABC Mobilization takes the next necessary step. It is a serious crackdown on drivers who place child passengers at deadly risk by leaving them unrestrained




THE LEE FAMILY of Post Oak is marking the 100th anniversary of their relative, Tama Jane Lee. In Johnnie Lee's research of area cemeteries they discovered this fact. She was the first burial to be held at the Post Oak Cemetery.





**Country Cooking**  
By Liz Irwin



<http://www.1starnet.com/tpp>

By the time most of you read this column this week you will be kicked back and reclining in your favorite chair with a good football game on the TV... or you could be reclined in your favorite chair... just resting your eyes... RIGHT! But whatever you are doing... you can be assured that there will be leftovers from your Thanksgiving dinner. What to do with these?... there is an endless list of possibilities. This week I have gathered a few recipes that might be tempting to you for that leftover turkey. Everyone gets tired of the sandwiches, so try one of these and see if your family enjoys them! See you in the kitchen!

**NOTE: By the way, anyone out there know of any good Christmas cooks that might be around. Would love to have some Christmas candy recipes and other goodies!** Turkey Pot Pie with Biscuit Crust—use remaining turkey in this melt-in-your-mouth recipe that combines veggies and left-over turkey

with a biscuit crust on top. Bake to a golden brown and serve with salad... a complete meal!

**Tempting Turkey Soup**—everyone likes soup! Try this one with a variety of vegetables and chopped turkey!

**Smoked Turkey Cheeseball**—this would be great in front of the TV with your favorite football game going on or just a good movie!

**Leftover Turkey Casserole**—Chop everything up and throw it together and sit back watch for the results!

**Turkey Spaghetti**—a dish everyone will love and easy and quick to prepare!

**Sauce for Smoked Turkey**—slice up that extra turkey... warm it in the oven and slather it with this delicious sauce!

**Turkey and Dressing Casserole**—Layer the dish with leftover dressing, add a few ingredients along with turkey and pop in the oven for a super meal that everyone will think you slaved over!

**November 26, 1998  
Leftover Turkey Recipes!**

**Turkey Pot Pie with Biscuit Crust**

- 1/2 cup butter or margarine—divided
- 1 medium onion—diced and divided
- 2 medium carrots—chopped
- 2 celery ribs—diced
- 1-1/4 teaspoon salt—divided
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1/3 cup dry wine or chicken broth
- 2 cups chicken broth
- 1-1/4 cup all purpose flour—divided
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1-1/2 cup cooked turkey
- 3/4 cup English peas
- 1/8 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 cup fresh sage—minced
- 1/4 cup buttermilk

Melt 2 tablespoons butter in Dutch oven over medium heat; add half of onion. Add carrot, celery, 1 teaspoon salt and pepper; saute 5-6 minutes or until tender. Add wine; cook 3-4 minutes or until reduced to half. Add broth; bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer 15 minutes. Stir together 1/2 cup flour and milk; add to wine mixture and cook; stirring occasionally, 8-10 minutes or until thickened. Stir in turkey and peas. Pour into a lightly greased 1-1/2 quart round baking dish. Set aside. Cut 1/4 cup butter into pieces. Pulse butter, remaining 3/4 cup flour, remaining salt, baking powder and soda in food processor 4-6 times or until crumbly. Add remaining half of onion and age with processor running, gradually pour buttermilk through food chute, processing until dough turns into ball. Turn dough onto a heavily floured surface; knead 3-4 times. Roll into a 10-inch circle. Place over turkey mixture, pressing to edges of dish. Melt remaining 2 tablespoons butter and brush over dough. Make slashes with knife across top to release air. Bake at 425 degrees for 30 minutes until golden.

**Tempting Turkey Soup**

- 3 cups water
- 1 can cream of chicken soup—undiluted
- 1 can stewed tomatoes
- 2-3 cups chopped cooked turkey
- 5 small potatoes—peeled & cubed
- 3 carrots—scrapped & chopped
- 1 garlic clove—minced
- 2 chicken bouillon cubes
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon dried basil
- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon poultry seasoning—optional
- 1-1/2 cup milk
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro

Bring first 13 ingredients and if desired, poultry seasoning to boil in a Dutch oven. Reduce heat, and simmer, stirring occasionally, 30 minutes or until vegetables are tender. Stir in milk and cilantro; cook, stirring often, just until thoroughly heated.

**Smoked Turkey Cheese Ball**

- 1 cup finely chopped smoked turkey
- 1 8 ounce package cream cheese
- 3 tablespoons mayonnaise

- 1/2 cup chopped pecans
  - 2 tablespoons chopped parsley
- Combine first three ingredients well. Chill for several hours. Shape into ball. Roll in pecans and or parsley. Wrap well and serve with crackers.

**Leftover Turkey Casserole**

- 3/4 pound Velveeta cheese—divided
- 2 cups cooked turkey—chopped
- 1-16 ounce can tomatoes
- 1 cup rice
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1/2 cup chopped green pepper
- 1-4 ounce can chopped green chilis
- 1 teaspoon basil leaves
- 1 clove garlic—minced

Cube 1/2 pound cheese and then slice and reserve remainder. Combine cheese cubes and remaining ingredients in 2 quart casserole; mix lightly. Cover and bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes. Stir in cook for additional 30 minutes or until rice is done. Top reserved cheese in triangles.

**Turkey Spaghetti**

- 3 cups cooked spaghetti
- 1-1/2 cups cut-up turkey
- 1/4 cup chopped pimientos
- 1/2 small onion—chopped
- 1 can cream of mushroom soup
- 3/4 cup turkey broth or water
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1-3/4 cups grated cheese

Mix all ingredients, except cheese, into cooked spaghetti in 2 quart casserole. Toss ingredients with 2 forks and add cheese. Cover and bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes or until bubbly through.

**Sauce for Smoked Turkey**

- 2 cups ketchup
- 2 cups water
- 1 stick margarine
- dash Worcestershire sauce
- dash hot sauce
- 2 tablespoon brown sugar
- 1 large onion
- salt and pepper to taste

Combine all ingredients together in a medium saucepan. Cook over low heat until onion is done and sauce thickens. This is served best with sliced smoked turkey.

**Turkey and Dressing Casserole**

- 4 cups dressing
- 5 cups diced turkey
- 4 cups chicken broth
- 1/2 cup butter
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 teaspoon parsley flakes

Place dressing in 9 x 13 cake pan. Spread to cover bottom of pan. Top with turkey. Place broth, butter, flour, salt and pepper and parsley in blender. Blend well. Pour liquid mixture over turkey and dressing. Cover with foil and bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes to 60 minutes.

**"Light Up For Life" activities planned**

St. Joseph's Hospital and Health Center's Ella C. McFadden Hospice will host its 13th annual "Light Up A Life" program on December 3 at 6:00 p.m. at the hospital's main entrance.

Activities will include the lighting of the 36 foot Christmas tree with lights donated from the public.

If you would like to donate, contact Ella C. McFadden Hospice at St. Joseph at P.O. Box 9070 in Paris and remember donations are tax deductible.

**VFW Auxiliary to hold fish fry**

Bogata VFW Post 8187 Auxiliary will host a fish fry Saturday, December 5 at 1:00 p.m. The proceeds will go to the Ladies Auxiliary for their community projects. Donations will be appreciated. Everyone is invited to attend.

**All Breed Bull Sale is December 1**

The Red River Valley All Breed Bull Sale will be Tuesday, December 1 at 12 noon at Cattlemen's Livestock Auction in Paris.

Dr. Todd Thrift, Extension Beef Cattle Specialist, will speak at the annual chili supper and educational program prior to the sale on Monday, November 30 at 5 p.m.

**Bereaved Parents to decorate tree**

The Bereaved Parents Support Group will have a memorial Christmas Tree at Bywaters Park as part of the annual Winter Wonderland display. The tree is located in the northeast corner of the park.

The group will furnish red bows with the initial placement of the bows on Saturday, November 28 at 11:00 a.m. All parents are invited to bring an ornament in memory of their child. Additional ornaments and decorations may be placed on the tree at any time. Bows may be removed on Saturday, December 2, 1999 at 1:00 p.m.



**Nancy Jo Cawley dies November 17**

Nancy Jo Cawley died Tuesday, November 17 in St. Joseph's Hospital in Paris.

She was born January 23, 1943 in Pecos, the daughter of Gordon and Mattie Patton Arnold. She married Billy Burl Cawley in April, 1966, in Bogata.

Surviving are her husband of Bogata; sons, Pat Wheathers of Clarksville and Roy Grasty of Bogata; a granddaughter Chasity Altal of Clarksville, whom she raised; two sisters, Patsy Green of Hawkins and Jerry Denny of Pattonville; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, November 20 in the First Baptist Church of Bogata with the Rev. Park Robertson officiating. Wood Funeral Homes made burial in Cuthand Cemetery. Nephews served as bearers.

**Howard Fowler dies November 21**

Howard Fowler, age 74 of Maud died Saturday, November 21 in a Texarkana hospital.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Monday, November 23 at Restland Cemetery in Cunningham with Rev. Jon Binkley officiating. Bates-Rolf Funeral Home of New Boston made burial in Restland Cemetery.

He was born January 5, 1924 in Philadelphia, MS and was a member of the Church of Christ in Maud. He was a retired production worker for M&M Candy Company and was a veteran of World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Etheleene Fowler of Maud; a son, Doug Fowler of Lone Star; a daughter, Ann Mason of Maud; two sisters-in-law, Lucy Fowler of Cunningham and Margie Fowler of Kascuisko, MS; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

**Card Of Thanks**

The family of Nancy Cawley would like to express our sincere appreciation for the food, flowers and every act of kindness shown to us during the loss of our loved one. Special thanks to Jerald and Joan Smith for their kindness and to Wood Funeral Homes.

The Family of Nancy Cawley

Attend The Church of Your Choice This Sunday

**Obituaries**

**Terry L. Johnson dies November 21**

Terry L. Johnson of Deport died Saturday, November 21 in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Services were held Sunday, November 22 at 4:00 p.m. in the chapel of Wood Funeral Homes, Deport. Burial was made in Highland Cemetery.

Mr. Johnson was born October 9, 1907 in Spartanburg, South Carolina, the son of Samuel M. and Sue Stroup Johnson. On January 29, 1927, he married Martha Merrell Johnson in Minter. She preceded him in death on July 28, 1987. He was a member of the Deport United Methodist Church, and was a retired farmer and rancher.

He is survived by his daughters and sons-in-laws, Dorothy and James Holt of Milton and Joyce and Harry Wilson of Paris; five grandchildren and their spouses, Kay and Billy Woodard of Dallas, Barbara and Jake Maurischat of San Antonio, Johnny and Kathy Holt of Milton, Larry and Paty Wilson of Blossom and Terry and Jackie Wilson of Paris and granddaughter-in-law, Faith Wilson of Paris; 11 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and one brother and sister-in-law, Raymond and Jackie Wilson of San Bernadino, CA.

In addition to his wife and parents, Mr. Johnson was preceded in death by a grandson, Jerry Wilson.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the First United Methodist Church of Deport, P.O. Box 126, Deport, TX 75435 or Highland Cemetery Association, P.O. Box 317, Deport, TX 75435.



**Tommie Lee Hammond Redd dies November 20**

Tommie Lee Hammond Redd, age 89 of Garland, died November 20 in Waxahachie.

She was a homemaker/teacher and member of the Garland Senior Citizens Center. She is survived by her children, John H. Redd of Cedar Creek, Mrs. Earn Barnett of Lubbock, Jimmy Redd of Red Oak and Bobby Redd of Ferris; brothers, Nim Hammond of Ft. Worth and Bill Hammond of California; sisters, Mary Ervin of Ft. Worth and Fannie Camp of Pecos; 11 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Mac Redd in 1962.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, November 22 at Highland Cemetery in Deport.

Grandsons served as pallbearers. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the charity of your choice.



**Have A Great Weekend**

Wow, Everyone Wants Red Wings For Christmas!



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**Deport Trade Day and Community Garage Sale**

**November 28<sup>th</sup>**

7am-3pm

Sponsored by The Bucket Brigade, a fundraising subsidiary of the Deport Volunteer Fire Department

Come and enjoy Beans & Cornbread, Stew or Chili Flea Market downtown with Free vendor spaces

On first come basis. More info: 652 6052





**COMING DOWN**-Guaranty Bank-Deport has recently been doing some work on the old bank building which they use for storage. The awning has come down, which does much to restore the building to it's original look. (Staff Photo)

## Wild Pigs can pose dangers

For hunters, the plentiful populations of wild (or feral) wine around the state of Texas are a favorite, as their's no season on these animals. But, wild hogs can pose a serious health problem, especially to producers of domestic swine.

Feral pigs, like domestic swine, are capable of carrying and transmitting diseases, including swine brucellosis and pseudorabies. Brucellosis, a bacterial disease can cause reproductive problems and can be passed by boards during service.

Pseudorabies, which is not related to rabies, is a viral disease that can cause fever, tremors and death in young piglets, and respiratory problems in weaned pigs. Swine that show no signs or survive infection can become carriers of the virus.

Feral swine could pose trade and movement problems for Texas swine producers. If producers are not successful in keeping wild swine out of and away from domestic herds, other states or countries could consider Texas to be an increased risk of swine brucellosis and pseudorabies. All states are Swine Brucellosis, with

the exception of Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana and Florida.

If wild swine are caught for sale to slaughter, a test is not required. Trapped feral swine can be held in a TAHC-inspected and approved feral swine slaughter holding facility from the time they are trapped until they are moved to slaughter.

To arrange for a free inspection to have a facility approved, trappers or other interested persons may call their nearest TAHC office.

To be eligible for approval, the feral swine holding pens must be at least 1.5 miles away from domestic swine, and only feral swine may be placed in the pens. The facility must have double fencing, with at least four feet between the first and second fences. No animals may be kept in the area between the fences.

Records must be maintained on the animals held in the open, including the number of swine put in and removed, the dates they were placed in or removed from the pens and the site to which they were hauled.

Trapped swine may also be moved

from the premise where they were caught: directly to a slaughter plant, directly to feral swine holding facility, directly to a livestock market, where the animals will be held in isolation and under quarantine. A TAHC animal health inspector at the market will issue a VS 1-27 permit, which will restrict the destination of the animals to slaughter.

**Safety for Hunters** -When field-dressing feral swine, hunters should take precautions to avoid potential exposure to swine brucellosis or other diseases. Hunters should wear gloves and avoid getting swine blood in any open wound or skin lesion when handling the swine carcass.

If thoroughly cooked, the meat is safe to eat. The National Pork Producers Association recommends that pork products be cooked to an internal temperature of 160 degrees F.

An approved list of feral swine holding facilities can be obtained by calling TAHC headquarters in Austin at 1-800-550-8242.

You may also contact Joe T. Kelsey at 903-572-1966.

## Pattonville News

By Peggy Parsons  
Call Your News to 652-5022



Bill and Ruby Dee Blevins attended a birthday party and dinner Saturday in honor of Red Weaver at the Gordon Country Club in Paris.

James and Bernice Bell, Sandy Ring and Mickey Keener of Longview were visitors of Bill and Ruby Dee Blevins this week.

Ruby Dee Blevins had cataract surgery at McCuiston Regional Medical Center Tuesday.

Visiting Mike and Mary Bove last week from California was his cousin, Bill, whom he hadn't seen in 50 years. Their son, Charlie from Oklahoma, and Tommy and family were also visitors.

Happy birthday to Carley Dence Conley.

Jim and Ann Gatlin have returned home from Las Vegas where they visited their daughter, Laura Swallow and husband Randy from Sunday until Thursday.

Sara Higdon has returned from visiting her son and family, Harvey and Nancy Higdon and Neil in Arlington.

Randy Boren was in Dallas Friday to be with his sister, Laura Layton of Paris, who had back surgery.

Jerry and Dorothy Richey went shopping in Sherman Friday. They visited their daughter, Susan Richey in Gilmer on Saturday.

T.J. Fowler went camping and deer hunting with friends over the weekend at Halesboro.

Harry Dean and Joyce Wilson have been attending her father, Terry Johnson, who has been in the hospital in Paris. He has been moved to Paris Nursing Home.

Glen and Jo Biddle were visitors of Michael and Linda Winters and Justin Armstrong and Tara, Jessica and John Michael Winters.

There was a good crowd at the Pattonville Community Center on Saturday morning for the VFD breakfast.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Wanza Henson Hood of Reno who died at her home on Saturday, November 14. She was the wife of A.L. Hood and the sister of Barbara Pomroy of Clardy. Gerald and Lynn Hood served as bearers.

Brock McDowra, son of Keith and Ammie McDowra had surgery in Dallas Monday at Medical City.

Raymond and Frances Hoover vis-

ited Virgie Hoover in St. Joseph's Hospital and Nettie Chappell in Cherry Street Manor in Paris during the week.

Randy and Kristi Boren and Drew, Keith and Peggy Parsons were in Paris at Love Civic Center Saturday to watch Leah Boren perform with the Paris School of Gymnastics Skills Team at the YWCA Tinsel & Tidings Show.

Kristi and Leah Boren and Peggy Parsons traveled to Whitehouse Saturday afternoon to see Alisen Parsons perform with her dance class at the park. They visited with Greg and Connie Parsons, Alisen and Davis, Dorothy Copeland and Sara Beal and ate at Friday's in Tyler before returning home.

Jenny Christenson of Mesquite and Linda Shorty of Frisco spent the weekend with their mother, Alice Evans. Brandi Hall of Sherman was a visitor also.

Glen and Susie Evans spent the weekend in Dallas and Rockwall.

Peggy Davidson, Jamie Evans and Tammy Houston of Hugo visited Barbara Dawson Sunday.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Terry Johnson, who died in Paris Saturday. He was the father of Joyce Wilson of Craig and Dorothy Holt of Milton.

Canyon and Carley Conley have been participating in the young bull riders association rodeos in Oklahoma. They are the children of Sherry Conley and grandchildren of Tom and Monda Fults.

Pansy Morrow, Elois Sparks and Peggy Parsons attended a meeting and luncheon of the Paris-Lamar Retired Teachers and School Employees Association at PJC Ballroom on Monday.

Saturday dinner guests and visitors of Buster and Louise Crossland were Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Eads and granddaughters, Kara Eads and Megan Winters of Ft. Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Al Sulak and grandsons, Nick Wilson and Randle Elliott of Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Chapman and son Stacy of Nash, Bill Stout and grandson Scooter of Texarkana, Bonnie Malone of New Boston, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Crossland and David, Kristina and Ty Crossland, Mr. and Mrs. Kent Wright, Brandon and Blaine.

Mr. and Mrs. E.C. Bogard and Cecil Allen of Lamar Point were visitors of Buster and Louise Crossland during the week.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Howard Fowler of New Boston, who died Saturday. He was the uncle of T.J. Fowler, Charles Harvey and Sue Malone.

Buddy and Sue Malone of Paris visited his sister, Barbara McDowra Monday afternoon.

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Happy anniversary to JaLynda and Carl Mitchell, Shirley and Herman LaRue, Ann and Sheldon Lee, Dawne and Donny Darden, Patricia and Johnny Dawson, III.

Ina and Nina Sparks, Mary Alice Enox and daughter, Kandis Sanders of Midland were in Paris Monday for a luncheon and meeting of the Paris-Lamar Retired Teachers and School Employees Association in the PJC Ballroom.

Brent and Kandis Sanders, Kelsey and Katy of Midland are visiting her parents, Doc and Mary Alice Enox this week.

Friday, November 27 is Pattonville Community Center and VFD dance at 8 p.m. Concessions available. Broadway Junction band will play. Proceeds benefit the fire department.

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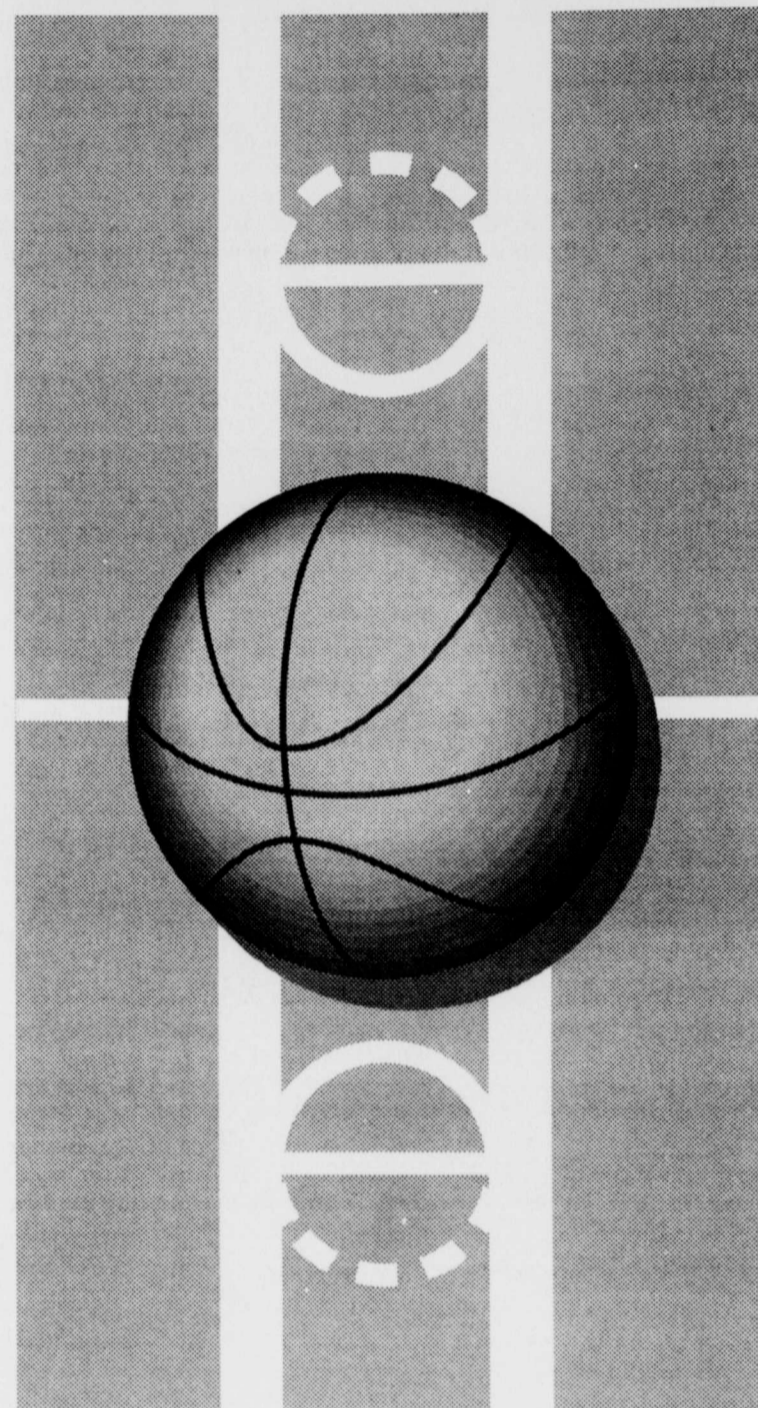




LADY PATRIOTS are pictured with the plaque they received at the state volleyball playoffs in Austin last Friday, November 19. Pictured, from left, are: Susan Singleton, Amy Hicks, Katie Mullens, Felicia Taylor, Coach Frankye Sessums, Manager Matt Moffitt and Coach Vickie Chapman. In center: Fammie Anthony, Amber Norwood, Meagan Hatfield, Christy Paterson and Crystal Davis. Kneeling is Melissa Steinkamp and Toni Clarkson.

# It's Time To Start Thinking About...

## BASKETBALL



### Patriot ladies fall to Hutto at state finals 8-15, 11-15

By Frankye Sessums

It was obvious by the look of devastation on their faces. No, the Lady Patriots did not win their bid for a state championship. Their noble and persistent fight to return to Austin ended with an 8-15 and 11-15 defeat by a young but seasoned club team, the Hutto Hippos.

The Lady Patriots started out strong gaining a 6-2 early lead, but the Lady Hippos constantly dug up nearly every ball that came to their side of the

court, slowly building momentum with their aggressive net attacks and serving. The girls obviously did not have their best game of the season, but they hung on relinquishing easily to the Lady Hippos who had not allowed an opponent to score over 5 points a game throughout their playoff run.

The girls represented the school well and ended their season 31-8. For seniors Meagan Hatfield, Katie Mullens and Christy Patterson, it was

indeed a sad ending to a spectacular season. For those of you that have not followed the Lady Patriots from the beginning of the season to the end, you have missed the growth and commitment of an amazing group of young ladies. Those of you who have been faithful fans and followers, you will agree that the rewards, accomplishments and thrills have been many as the Lady Patriot tradition continues.

	Assists	Serves	Aces	Kills	Blocks	Passes
Amber Norwood	5	10/11	2	1	-	6
Susan Singleton	3	7/7	-	2	-	6
Katie Mullens	-	5/7	-	3	2	9
Crystal Davis	-	-	-	-	-	2
Meagan Hatfield	9	7/7	-	7	-	9
Melissa Steinkamp	-	2/2	-	-	-	-
Christy Patterson	3	11/11	2	-	1	2
Felicia Taylor	-	2/4	-	11	1	5

### Lady Patriots fall to Clarksville

In Monday night basketball action, the Lady Patriots fell to Clarksville 30-55.

In their first court appearance for the season, the Lady Pats looked a little rough around the edges, but put in a much better second half performance than in the first.

Christy Patterson led the scoring

with 14 points, Stacy Harrison had 7 points and 9 rebounds, Tammy Nichols had 4 steals.

In JV action, Prairiland had a good win with lots of hustle in their 33-17 victory over Clarksville. Jordan Hunold had 13 points and 4 steals while Kelly Clarkson had 10 points and 7 rebounds.



Prairiland  
Calendar of Events  
Week of November 23

- 23 ..... Basketball, JV, V girls vs. Clarksville, Here
- ..... JV, V boys vs. DeKalb, Here
- 24 ..... Basketball, JV, Var girls vs. Mt. Vernon, 4:30
- 25-27 ..... Thanksgiving holiday

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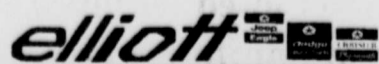
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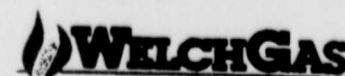
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**Headen assigned to aircraft carrier**

Navy Chief Petty Officer Mark D. Headen, a 1980 graduate of Prairiland High School recently participated in an Atlantic Joint Task Force Exercise while assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Enterprise, home ported in Norfolk, VA.

Headen was one of more than 10,000 sailors, marines and airmen who participated in the U.S. Navy Second Fleet exercise off the coast of the southeastern United States. The exercise involved the USS Enterprise Battle Group and USS Nassau Amphibious Ready Group with the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit embarked. Both groups are scheduled to deploy to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf this fall.

The exercise focused on preparing naval forces for contingencies they may encounter during the six month deployment. During the three week training exercise, sailors and marines from Headen's ship received training

in operations which included strike, mine, amphibious, underseas and surface warfare and maritime interception operations.

In addition, Headen's ship recently earned honorable mention of the 1999 Captain Edward F. Ney Memorial Award, for food service excellence in the aircraft carrier division. The dining facility on Headen's ship demonstrated a commitment to culinary excellence including nutritional programs and top operating conditions.

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**Martha Laird Chapter meets**

The November 14 meeting of the Martha Laird Chapter National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution was held at the Masonic Lodge in Mt. Pleasant.

Special guests were first place winners in the Titus County Fair Academic Rodeo Essay Contest for the seventh and eighth grades and their parents. Megan Jones, winner for seventh grade and Casey Logan, winner for eighth grade gave their essays, "What the Constitution Means to Me" for the chapter. Casey and Megan are students of the Mt. Pleasant Junior High School.

Bobby Palmer presented a most enjoyable and interesting program on descriptions and facts concerning various Civil War sites visited by

him and his family. Among those were Vicksburg and Gettysburg. He gave amusing and interesting anecdotes of events and people involved in the various battles.

A tribute to the Veterans was led by Regent, Frances Beck. Chapter members brought gift items and stamps to be delivered to Veterans hospitals and homes.

Two new members, Lynda Cobb Gibson and Nita Cobb Watson were welcomed into the chapter.

Hostesses for the afternoon were Nancy Trimble, Karen VanHovenberg, Donna Clopton, Miriam McCullah, Lucille McGuire and Frances Beck.

The next meeting will be December 12 in the home of Frances Beck.

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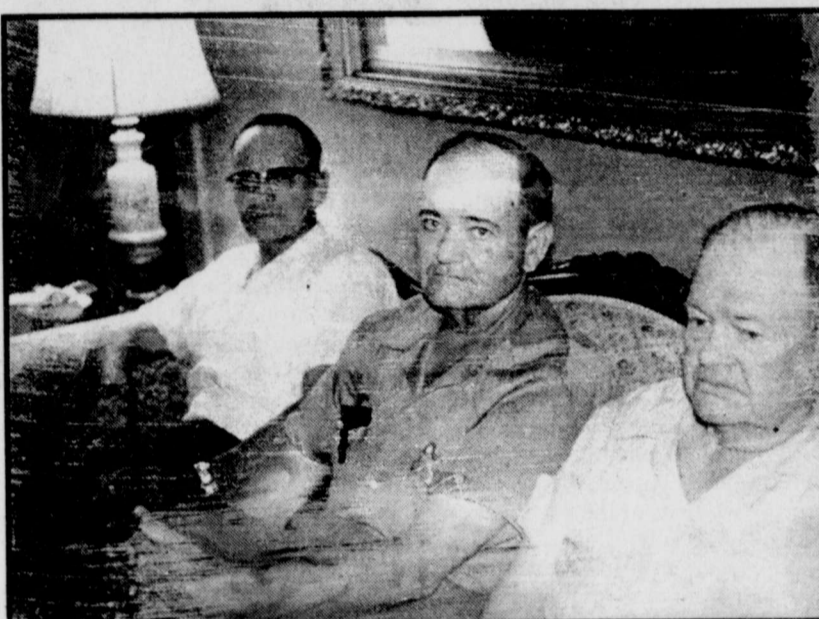
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**Cunningham News**  
 By Linda Anderson  
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A group from the Cunningham Baptist Church went on the Talimina Scenic Drive and visited Queen Wilhelmina State Park in Mena, AR. The fall colors were just beautiful with all the reds, yellows, orange and greens mixed looking off the tops of the mountains. Those taking the trip last Tuesday were James and Pat Norwood, Darold and Ida Mae Norwood, Lucy Fowler, Susie Webster, Lorette Pynes, Velma Cox and Linda Anderson.  
 Paula Taylor and Julie Norwood attended a church retreat for ladies in Texarkana this weekend.  
 Geneva, Frankie, Scotty, Treda, Trevor, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood attended the girls volley-

ball state tournament in Austin this weekend.  
 The ladies met at the Cunningham Baptist Church for their bi-monthly prayer meeting Thursday night.  
 Vicki and Lacy Davis and Jennifer Syrus attended a girls volleyball state tournament in Austin this weekend.  
 Crystal Davis and Amber Norwood played with the Prairiland girls volleyball team in the state tournament. Congratulations to all the girls this year for going as far as the state tournament.  
 Sympathy is extended to the family of Howard Fowler. He was the brother-in-law of Lucy Fowler of Cunningham.



**OLD TIMERS**-this photo was taken of Bill Evans, Phillip Grant, Dr. Brittain (dentist) on July 4, 1960.

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**FIREFIGHTER'S MONUMENT**-This monument is located in Thurmout Maryland where it stands in honor of fallen firefighters across the nation. An eternal flame burns at the base of the monument. Sheldon and Ann Lee of Milton were visiting in the area and took this picture.

**Guaranty Bancshares, Inc.**  
 declares dividends

Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. announced recently that the Board of Directors declared a semi-annual cash dividend of \$0.13 per common share. This dividend will be paid on December 15, 1998 to stockholders of record on November 17, 1998. This brings the total dividend for 1998 to \$0.24 per common share as compared to \$0.22 per common share for the same period in 1997, a 9.1% increase.  
 Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. is a bank holding company headquartered in Mt. Pleasant, which is located in Northeast Texas. The company derives substantially all of its revenue and income from the operation of its bank subsidiary, Guaranty Bank, a Texas state bank with seven banking offices located in the Texas communities of Mt. Pleasant, Bogata, Deport, Paris, Talco and Texarkana. Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. currently has 134 employees and total assets of \$259,791,000.  
 Arthur B. Scarlach, Jr., President and Chief Executive Officer reported that income for the quarter ended September 30, 1998 was \$753,000, up from \$683,000 for the quarter ended September 30, 1997. Year to date net income was \$1.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 1998, compared to \$1.7 million for the same period through September 30, 1997, an increase of 11.2%.

**Pattonville News**  
 By Peggy Parsons  
 Call Your News to 652-5022



Jerry Day of Pottsboro was in Pattonville last week visiting relatives. He repaired his brother's antenna while here.  
 Calvin and Judy Day took their granddaughter, Ashlee Waggoner, to

Dallas Monday for an orthodontist appointment.  
 Mason Dickson, grandson of Calvin and Judy Day celebrated his fourth birthday Saturday.

**SEE**  
**PAGE 7**  
**For The Way**  
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*Buckboard Annie Says.....*  
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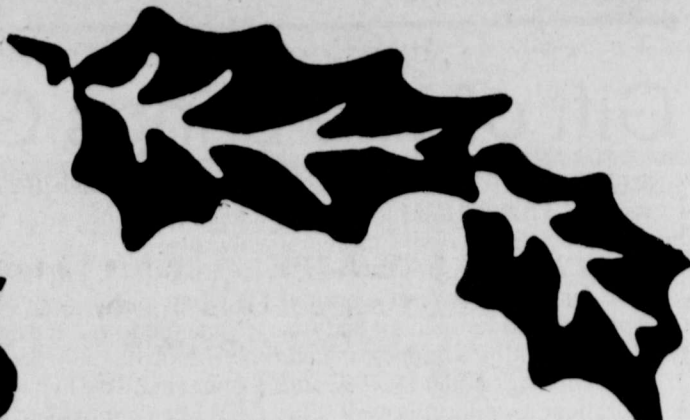
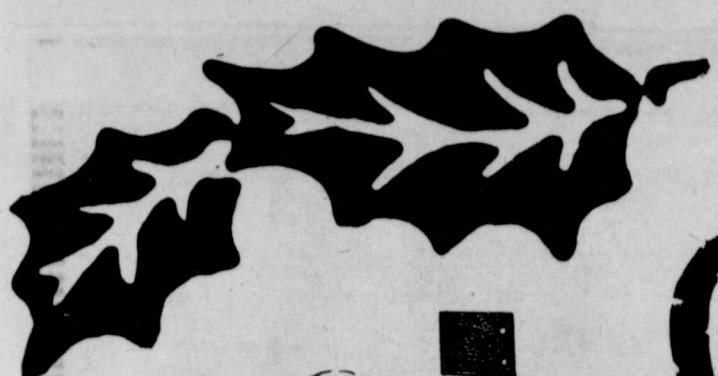
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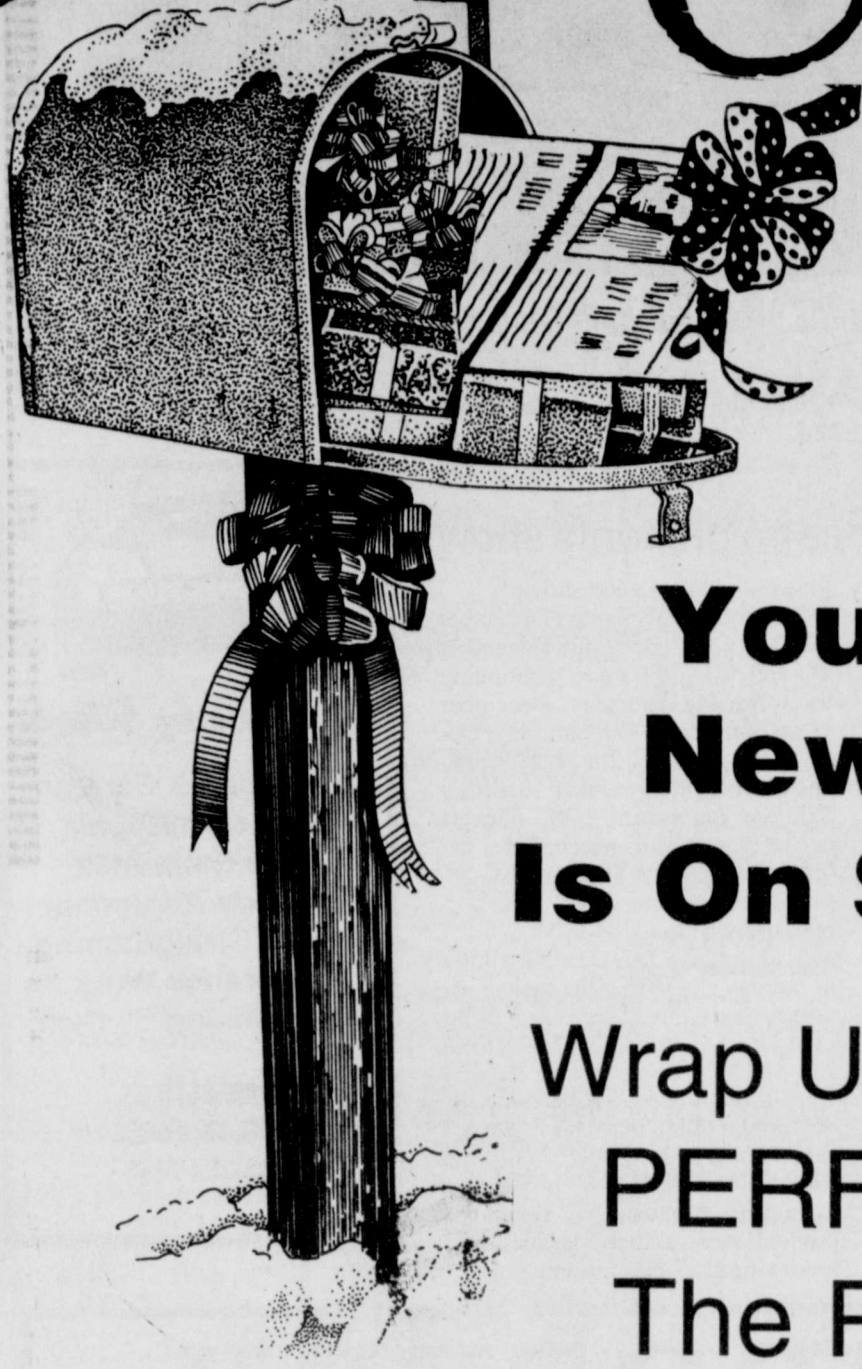
**Deport Nursing Home News**  
 By Candy Larkin

Mamie Fletcher was visited by Lila, Mike, Kara, Bren and Hali Screws, Mike Fletcher, Becky Proctor, Cecil Allen.  
 Dortha Elms was visited by Wynell Calloway, JoAnn Henson, Macky & Barbara Hayes, Cecil Allen.  
 Delma Bunch was visited by Harold norris, Melba Bunch and Cecil Allen.  
 Harold Norris was visited by Cecil Allen, David Geer, John Bunch and Melba Bunch.  
 Russell Grant was visited by Steve Grant, Cristina Murphy and Cecil Allen.  
 Cletus Thomas was visited by Faye Burns, Gene Isbell, Inez Luttrell, John Lee Dawson and Cecil Allen.  
 Lucy Blount was visited by Ann Sanders, Cecil Allen.  
 Dean Boulware was visited by Juanita Boulware, Cecil Allen.  
 Ivaleta Edwards was visited by Mrs. Wanda Rosson, Juanita Garrett, Cecil Allen.  
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# Gift of Life brings Gift of Friendship

by Nancy Brown

Anita and Butch Hood and family were host to some very special guests Oct. 23-25. Anita has fought kidney disease for the past several years and had been forced to undergo dialysis while waiting for a kidney match. The match came on July 18, 1997 and she has done wonderfully well. She immediately wanted to know who her donor was and to meet the family if possible. She promptly wrote a letter requesting this. What she did not know was the donor's family would not receive the letter for at least 1 year after the surgery and most do not care to meet or if a meeting is set it is brief and sometimes painful.

When Anita did not hear anything she wasn't sure why but in August of this year when her donor's family received her letter they responded and a meeting was set. One week before the Garcia family of the Houston area were to actually come to Talco they sent pictures of their 8 year old son, Michael (called Mikie by the family), who was Anita's donor. Seeing the precious face brought Anita to tears as she prepared to meet the family.

Michael lost his life to a rare liver disease the family was unaware of. He had had bouts of unexplained vomiting at age 1 1/2 and at age 4 1/2 but as soon as he was hospitalized and an IV put in he recovered quickly and the disease was not diagnosed until it took its toll. Michael was a happy child active with friends and school. He was a member along with his family at a local Catholic Church His family gave the greatest gift one can give at his death donating his kidneys and heart so that another

might live and a part of Michael would live also.

On Oct. 23, 1998 Ruben and Shirley Garcia and 4 year old, Daniel and 2 year old Bryan and the boys nanny, Lettie drove into the Hood's yard. Anita said, "We met them in the yard and I can not explain but it was the same as welcoming family home". The Garcia's brought family photo albums, Michael's baby book and his church membership book to share with the Hoods and the three days flew as the two families laughed and cried together. Mr. Garcia said he was proud his son is alive in Anita and does not regret their decision to donate Michael's organs.

Both Ruben and Shirley are originally from Cuba but have been in the United States since early childhood. Ruben is in environmental sanitation (his company removes and disposes of hospital waste etc.) and Shirley is the owner-operator of a beauty shop. The couple's son Daniel is deaf so the two children have the best of three worlds, according to Anita. They speak English, Spanish and sign language. After Michael's death the couple donated play ground equipment to his school in his name. They enjoy Michael's friends and the neighborhood children telling them, "We played in Michael's play ground today". Although the family pass the play ground almost daily, they have not been able to stop yet. The school erected a memorial with Michael's last school picture on it and when the time is right they will visit.

The Garcia's stayed in a local hotel but spent every day into the night and shared every meal with the Hoods.

The two families brought together through tragedy have formed a life time friendship thanks to Michael Christopher Garcia.

Sharing the Garcia's visit with the Hoods were Amber and Scott Lum, Laramie, Faden and Jace, Ginger and Richard Jones, Cawyer and Kale, Misti Richeson, Wallace and Sandra Griffin, Daniel, Jan and Jeremy Grissom, Jeff and Leann Grissom, Alley and Jack, Heath and Kendra Rester, Max Hanks, Sharon Martin and Darla Grissom.

On Saturday morning the Garcia's arrived at the Hood home bearing 1 dozen roses for Anita with a special message on the card. Anita said, "I have been so blessed not only with Michael's gift and his family's love and friendship but also with my family's support and the prayers of all my friends and the community I live in. I know I have been on nearly every church prayer list at one time or another and it has worked. Thank you sounds so small but I thank them all".

Sunday came too soon and the Garcia's time to leave approached. Anita and Butch and their family and Ruben and Shirley and their family shared lunch at Vaughan's Cat Fish Restaurant in Mt. Pleasant and while the tears had been few up until then, they flowed freely at the parting.

The families have kept in touch by phone and the Garcias plan to visit again in December if possible. Anita said, "By sharing my visit with everyone I hope it helps someone to make a life giving decision through organ donation".



Butch and Anita Hood and Ruben and Shirley Garcia

Advice is like snow; the softer it falls, the longer it dwells upon, and the deeper it sinks into, the mind.

—Samuel Taylor Coleridge

## Paris Community Theatre presents show

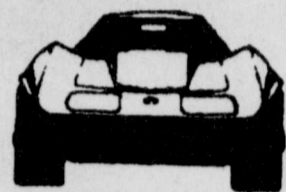
The Paris Community Theatre in cooperation with the Paris Arts Alliance will be presenting their annual holiday show opening December 3. This year the production will be "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" by Barbara Robinson, based on the popular children's book by the same name.

The touching and heartfelt show proves the Christmas spirit truly touches all of us when Grace Bradley (Mary Helen Lewis) is elected to direct the church's annual Christmas Pageant. Terror sets in as the Herdman kids, the meanest kids in town, decide to participate. Throughout the hectic situations that develop, the Herdman's teach all of us what the Christmas season truly means. "This has been a great experience." Charlie Thompson, director of the production. "It has gotten all of us into the holiday spirit, and has reminded all of us what it really means. The cast has worked hard and are going to

give the public a good show.

The show will open on December 3 at 7:30 p.m. and will run December 4th and 5th at 8:00 p.m. continuing the following Thursday, December 10 at 7:30, Friday and Saturday, December 11th and 12th at 8:00 p.m. and closing on December 13 with a Saturday matinee at 2:30. Tickets can be reserved and purchased at the Paris Community Theatre Box Office weekday afternoons from 1-5 p.m. or by calling 784-0259.

This production is part of a trilogy of holiday shows that the theatre revolves every three years, consisting of *A Christmas Carol*, *It's A Wonderful Life* and *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever*. "It is our hope to make our holiday production a tradition in Paris," said Tim Wood, Publicity Director for the theatre. "By revolving the three productions we will be able to provide Paris and the surrounding areas a means of quality family time."



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**LOST & FOUND**  
 REMEMBER, we don't charge for free pets, or for your lost or found animals, we want them to have a home! Call 652-4205 or 632-5322.  
 LOST: Pair of wire rimmed eyeglasses somewhere in vicinity of Hwy. 271 and FM1503 in Deport, on Monday, October 19. If found, please contact Mike Francies, 652-6052 or 652-4205. nc  
 LOST: 2 black motley faced cows, 1 on left hip, "3" on right shoulder; 2 red white faced cows, 1 on left hip; 1 horned cow; 1 muley; 1 Simbrah bull. 903-674-4023. MA 11-26  
 LOST: Yellow Chow, name "Bridgett", near Highland Cemetery, Deport. Please contact 652-2116. 12-3nc  
 LOST: 1 yellow white-faced horned cow; 1 red brindle crossed cow. Could still have sale tags. Lost approx. November 17 south of Milton. Please call 652-4348. 12-3nc  
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**Garage Sales**  
 CACKLEBERRY'S: Crafts, angels, gifts, lawn furniture, Adirondacks. Hwy. 271 south, six miles from Talco. Saturdays or call 577-7158 or 572-3825. MA tjc  
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 FOUR FAMILY MOVING SALE: Saturday, November 28. Clothes, all sizes, swing set, furniture, dishes, lamps, tools, miscellaneous. 334 Church St., Deport. 11-26

**Vehicles & Supplies**  
 FOR SALE: 1994 Ford Show Coach conversion van, excellent condition, clean, loaded. Must see. 81,000 miles. \$10,500. Pat. 903-537-2228 or 537-4241. MA tjcnc

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**NEW VAN-** Cunningham Baptist Church has purchased a 1998 15 passenger van to be used to transport people to and from church services and activities, take seniors on trips, for youth trips and to minister to the lost.

**Deport Locals**

*Call Your News To  
 Cindy Talley  
 652-2954*

Gilbert Arriaga won first in the Turkey Bowling on Sunday in Mt. Pleasant. He won a bowling shirt and a cap from KOOL 98.5 radio station. John and Pat Farmer of Dallas visited Alpha Barnard on Saturday. They went to lunch at the Lonesome Dove.

Dawne Darden and Nanalee Nichols report a good day at Tinsel and Tidings Saturday. They visited with many local residents who attended the event and came by their booth.

Friday night Donny and Dawne Darden, Thoams and Nanalee Nichols ate out together.

Saturday evening J.A. and Juanita Sparks, Dr. LuAnn Sparks, Donny and Dawne Darden and David Darden celebrated Thanksgiving with a meal at Magel's Grill in Paris.

Fred and Joy Allen of Temple were in the Deport and Cunningham area last week visiting friends and relatives.

Tom and Midge Foley of Hemet, California have been visiting with friends in the Deport area. They visited with Richard and Clara Nance in Paris Monday afternoon, spent the night with Thomas and Nanalee Nichols, visited with Charlie and Joyce Davidson, and many others.

Bobby and Pauline Parker of San Antonio and grandson, Brad of Crystal Beach were in Deport late Tuesday afternoon to visit with various relatives. They planned on spending a day or so in the area visiting with relatives in the Francies family they haven't seen in years.

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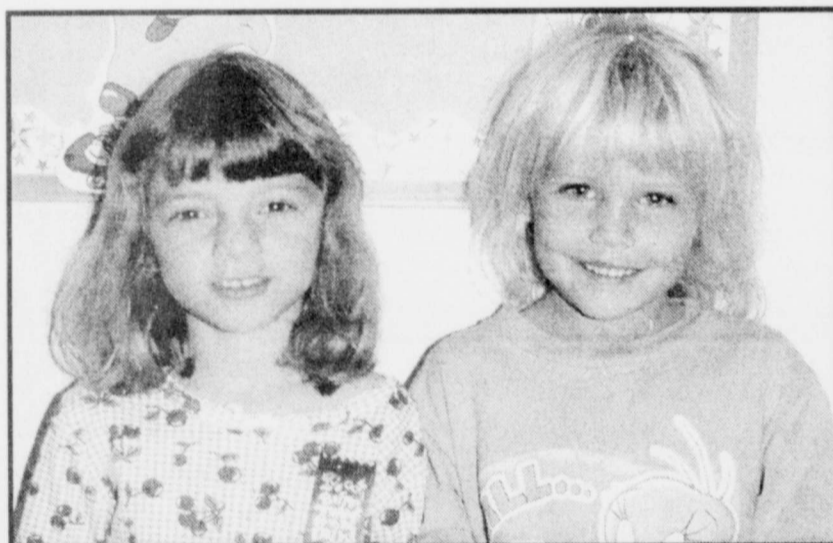
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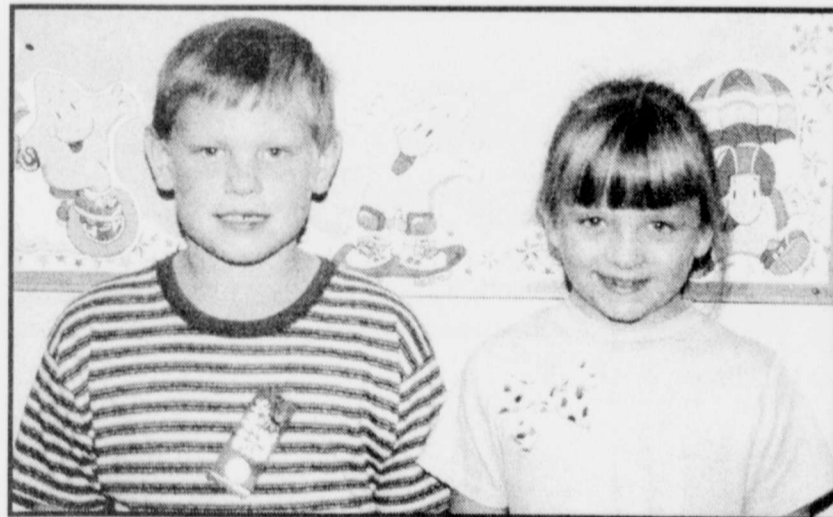



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**DEPORT FIRST GRADE STAR STUDENTS** are left to right Dylan Cathey and Nicki Malone.

**Christmas Parade December 7**

There will be four categories this year: cars, pickups, floats and miscellaneous with a first, second and third place award for each category. Judging will be held at 1 p.m. and the parade will begin at 1:30 p.m.

The annual Deport Christmas Parade has been scheduled for Monday, December 7.

All interested participants need to meet at Grant Park on the west side of the city at 12:30 p.m. on that day.

**Deport Housing Authority News**  
*call Melba Ladd*

The monthly birthday party was held at Gazebo #1 on Wednesday, November 18. Cake and bingo was enjoyed by Thelma Shelby, Alpha Barnard, Mavis Sowards, Eunice Ervin, Maud Webb, Mildred Wright, Mae Storm, Susan Scholz, Mary Lee Johnson and Phyllis Gifford. Residents that were neighbors to Floy Sparks were saddened by her passing. Friday, December 4 is the day that HUD has decided to be a good day for inspections.

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