

Nichols Worth



By Nanalee Nichols
The Crash of NN Flight 49

Well, I've finally crashed. A little over a week ago I stood at a wreck scene for about two hours taking photos.

Next morning I could barely move. I was going to fix a friend's a super shrimp dinner for her birthday that night...but things got so bad I had to cancel. About 4 in the morning I gave up and went to emergency where they gave me a pain shot that would "fix me right up". It didn't faze a thing. Neither did the injection of muscle relaxers help. Finally, after refusing to enter the hospital, I went home to take massive doses of painkiller and muscle relaxers until I could see a neurologist.

Now, neurologists have some really neat little tests. There's the one that involves taking what amounts to a cattle prod and shocking you up and down various muscle groups to make your reflexes jump. Then there is the one in which they take long needle probes, jab them into to nerve groups and record on the computer screen the nerves and muscle fiber's reactions. They don't bother recording YOUR reactions to being jabbed. That's probably for the best!

Being told that I had a lot of old damage and a new crop of damage they tried to admit me to the hospital once more. Again I refused. But by Friday night I was back at ER, where they gave me about fourteen injections throughout my lower back to try and block the pain, then admitted me. I was promised a good night's sleep, something I hadn't had in a week.

They gave me pills of various natures, then a nice shot that would "let you get at least 8 hours of sleep, guaranteed"

I was right next to the nurses station. This gave me access to such sleep inducing things as the fax machine, telephone and calls coming in up and down the hall. Some poor, poor old man called every 30 minutes. "Please, please bring me my shot". As sweet and patient as they were, he had no concept that he had just had his shot and 30 minutes later would call again. At 1:30 a.m. I went to sleep, only to come wide awake at 3:30. They gave me yet another dose of medicine. At 5:00 a.m. I went back to sleep. It was the first good, deep, pain free sleep I had achieved in seven nights.

And, in typical hospital fashion what happened? At exactly 6 a.m. the door BANGED open, a hearty voice boomed "Good morning" and a package of clean towels and sheets was slammed down on the table next to me! End of sleep.

They doped me some more for my MRI. Nothing like being in a tiny plastic coffin for 45 minutes while a machine gun sound rattles in your ears. But, that's the test that revealed the herniated disk.

My neurologist is a kind and caring person. I really like him. But he's probably still wondering why I burst into semi-hysterical laughter when he tried to keep me in the hospital so I could "get some rest."

All I could tell him was "can YOU sleep in an airport terminal?"

So, I'm home. I'm told that to avoid major back surgery I'm going to be home for not a few weeks, but perhaps MONTHS!

I can't sit straight up, only reclined. So, here I am with my computer keyboard in my lap, tapping away.

And, making a decision. If I am going to be helpless, I think the time has come to have my worst knee joint replaced.

So, folks, Nanalee Nichols flight 49 is grounded for a while. I'm going in for a total overhaul. And when I come out of this, I hope to be able to blow and go once more like I could a few years ago. In the meantime, be patient which any problems in the papers. My crew is short handed and I'm not much help!

In 21 years I've never been off work two publication weeks in a row...how am I going to stand being off for weeks and weeks! AHHHHH, I'm going to be crazier than ever!



ALICIA LANG, 4-H member from Prairiland, exhibited the first place winner in the Junior Shorthorn Heifer Show at the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show held in Ft. Worth on Sunday, January 24.

FFA members to exhibit animals at Houston

Twenty FFA members from Prairiland High School will join other FFA and 4-H members from throughout Texas for show ring competition at the upcoming Houston Livestock Show February 19 through March 7 in the Astrodome.

These FFA members showcase their animal projects during the second week of livestock competition, the junior show. The first week of the show, professional breeders and ranchers compete for top dollars and global recognition in the livestock industry.

Entries in both the open and junior shows combine with horse show entries to make the Houston Livestock Show the world's greatest.

Representing approximately 930 Texas FFA chapters, the junior show

will have close to 15,000 entries this year. Market steers, market barrows, market lambs, market poultry, beef and dairy heifers, breeding gilts, breeding sheep, goats, commercial steers and breeding rabbits will be shown during the competition.

Exhibiting beef heifers will be Brittany Ballard, Brent Bostic, Brad Hunt and Larry Smith.

Market steers: Ashley Doyal. Market Broilers: Dustin Allen, Hollie Allen, Tammie Anthony, Heather Anthonie, Jeremy Cunningham, John Dunn, Trey Gifford, Greg Griffin, Brad Hunt, Larry Johnson, Logan Norwood, Matthew Oliver, Jennifer Syrus, Chris Unruh, Trey Unruh, Casey Upchurch.

Beef scramble: Brent Bostic.

Students to participate at Houston

Prairiland High School students will participate in the upcoming Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo beginning February 20, 1999.

Casey Upchurch, 15 years old, will be competing in the calf scramble. He is the son of Marsha and Randy Upchurch of Blossom.

Brad Hunt, 14 years old, will be

competing on February 21. He is the son of Pamela Hunt of Deport.

Justin Brewer, 16 years old, will be competing on February 20, is the son of Frances and J.T. Brewer of Blossom.

Each of these students are members of the Prairiland FFA.

RRC Genealogical to hold meeting

Everyone is invited to attend the regular monthly meeting of the Red River County Genealogical Society on Monday evening, February 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the Red River County Library.

The speaker for this month will be Clarksville mayer, Wilson Hill, who

will relate his proposal for the restoration of Clarksville's oldest cemeteries. The abandoned burial ground has been neglected for generations and is no longer recognizable as a cemetery.

All interested persons are encouraged to come and enjoy the program.

People & Things

There will be a meeting of the *Deport Bucket Brigade Auxiliary* February 4 at 7:00 p.m. at the Deport Times office. All members are encouraged to attend.

Monday, February 8, 1999

Regular monthly meeting of the Red River County Genealogical Society at the Red River County Library.

Friday, February 12, 1999

The Pattonville Community Center and VFD dance will begin at 8:00 p.m. with Broadway Junction Band playing. Concession will be available with proceeds to benefit the fire department.

Monday, February 15, 1999

Pattonville Volunteer Fire Department meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 20, 1999

Pattonville Volunteer Fire Department breakfast from 7:00-10:00 A.M. Gravy, eggs, bacon, sausage and pancakes. All you can eat for \$4.00.

Friday, February 26, 1999

Prairiland ISD will be out of school due to staff development for teachers and faculty. Students will return to school on Monday, March 1, 1999.

The Deport Methodist Church will hold high impact aerobic classes on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8:00 a.m.; low impact aerobics on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. and Thursday at 6:30 p.m. On Thursday at 6:00 p.m., a massage therapist will be there to present techniques on preventing and treating varicose and spider veins and for relaxation. Exercises will follow at 7:30 p.m. All classes will be held in the fellowship hall of the church. Youth activities will be held on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. for boys and on Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. for girls. For information, call 652-4925 or 632-5489.

Chili Cook Off is March 6

The annual Blossom Prairie Kiwanis chili cook off will be held Saturday, March 6 at the Blossom Civic Center.

The event will be held from 5 until 7 p.m.

Prizes will be awarded as follows:

first place, \$100.00; second place, \$50.00; third place, \$25.00.

Entry requirements include: \$25.00; one gallon of chili to be judged and one gallon of chili to sell.

To enter the competition, contact James Crawford at 982-5588.

Prairiland Academic Trust Banquet & Auction is fast approaching

Tickets are on sale now for the second annual Prairiland Academic Trust Foundation Banquet and Silent Auction.

The tickets are being sold by Prairiland High School Seniors, of can be obtained by contacting the Prairiland Administration office at 652-6476.

Cost of the ticket is \$25 and all proceeds go towards scholarships for

Prairiland Students or to further better the educational process in the Prairiland School System.

The event will begin at 6:00 p.m. on February 18, 1999 in the Prairiland High School gym. New and better seating arrangements have been made for this year's meal. In addition to the meal, entertainment and a silent auction is a big feature to this

fund raiser.

This year's auction items will include several hand painted pictures by talented local artists, hand made wood works, hand made sculpture and stained glass, certificates for gasoline and feed and other useful items and even a few "surprise" items.

Everyone is urged to attend this fun and worth while event.



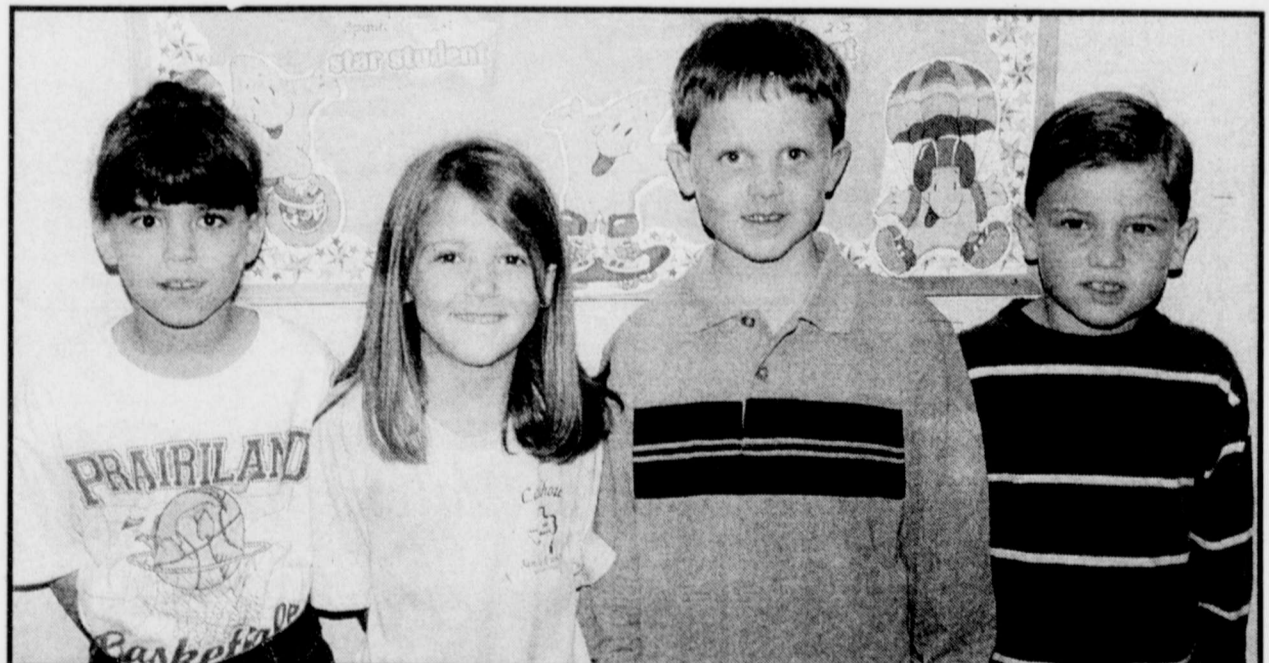
(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

DEPORT STAR STUDENTS-Pictured left to right is Colt Moore and Laney Jackson(K-1), Casey Haskell and Makynzi Watson (K-2)



(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

SECOND GRADE DEPORT STAR STUDENTS-Pictured left to right is Blake Barnes, Monica Hagood, Hailey Spann and Steven Allen.



(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

FIRST GRADE DEPORT STAR STUDENTS-Pictured left to right is Marissa Kindle, Kaylie Hines, Chase Stogsdill and Dustin Elrod.

Benefit to be held for Cochran family

Ray and Sylvia Cochran whose home was destroyed by fire Wednesday, Jan. 20, 1999 will be honored with a benefit stew supper on Saturday, Feb. 6, 1999 at the Titus County Extension Building located on Industrial Rd. in Mt. Pleasant. Stew and chili with all the trim-

mings will be served. A pie and cake auction will be held and live entertainment will be provided by Deep South a country band from Paris.

All proceeds will go to the Cochran family. For more information or to make donations contact Wanda Vandever at 379-5871.

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Country Cooking
By Lig Irwin

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This week's column promised to be a "doozy"! We have compiled a list of recipes from the newly published First United Methodist Church of Blossom, Texas. It is entitled "Our Cookbook #2". It was hard to decide which recipes to choose from, so we took the ones from the officers and the cookbook committee. Listed below is their recipe and their office held.

Compiling a recipe book is no easy task. It takes many hours of gathering and typing even before it is sent to the printer. There is also proofreading to be done before printing. There was a couple of mistakes that got by the ladies and we have also included them. They are:

The book is filled with recipes that you will be able to use and is bound in a handsome, plastic cover with a colorful cover depicting fruits and vegetables.

Also included is a complete index, suggestions for lowering fat con-

tent in your diet, "heart healthy" substitutions, food labeling definitions and much, much more located in the back of the book.

For more information on the book or if you would like to contact the organization about purchasing a book: write too or call: Mae Crawford

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

Southwest Snack Pizza-Linda Buck gives us a new and delicious way to serve pizza on a pie crust!

Tortilla Soup-There are many recipes for this dish, but James and Mae Crawford assure us that this one is the tops!

Apricot Salad-Marylon Huml serves up this salad topped with a cooked mixture of egg, sugar, flour and fruit juice. It is sure to be a big hit!

Southwestern Salad by Rachel Whitney is a quick, easy recipe when you are in a hurry and makes a load

for a crowd. Ground meat can also be added to this dish.

Chicken Spaghetti-Janell and Mike Topliff. Two great cooks! I have tried to get Janell featured in this column, but she always tells me no! I won't give up, Janell!

Wonderful Chicken Enchiladas-Amanda Barnard says this secret to this recipe is the whipping cream. I have tasted these and they are very good!

Enchiladas Acapulco-Jan Woodall this recipe and if you can't take a vacation to Acapulco, try the next best thing... this recipe!

Deep Butter Cake from "Pete" Wright sounds like a "calorie killer"! Fast and easy and loaded with just the right stuff... sugar!

Peanut Butter Rice Krispies from Kay Allen is the perfect after-school treat for your youngsters... for anyone in fact! I have been looking for this recipe forever... I had lost it and thanks Kay for finding it for me!

Obituaries

Josephine MacDonald dies at age 71

Josephine O'Brien MacDonald died recently in Tierra Verde, FL, at her home.

She was the daughter of Josh and Mary O'Brien, born in Lamar County Feb. 27, 1927, near Roxton.

Surviving is her husband, Ray MacDonald and the father of her children, Hal C. Nelson; two sons, Dr. Tim Nelson, Port St. Jo, Fla.; Terry Lee Nelson of Grosse Point, MI; and two daughters, Tamara McCormick and Toni Walsh, both of Florida; grandchildren Ryan McCormick, Chris and Jeff Nelson, Casey and Collin Walsh; also two brothers, Stanley O'Brien of Garland, Claiborne O'Brien of Mineola, sisters, Murray Derbaldo, Ct. and Agnes Mackey of Oklahoma.

She was preceded in death by her parents, several brothers and sisters, a daughter-in-law, Terry Ann Nelson and two granddaughters, Jill and Tracy Ann Nelson in 1990.

Brett Funeral Home was in charge of cremation and memorial services were held in Florida.

She had resided in Michigan many years before moving to Florida.

James Hollis Mathena dies January 27

James Hollis Mathena, age 79, of Blossom died January 27, 1999 at his home. Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, January 30, 1998 in the Bogata Church of Christ. Burial was in Bogata Cemetery.

He was born on October 29, 1919 in the Glendale Community in Red River County, the son of George and Hester Young Mathena. He married Wilam (Sally) Meacham on December 22, 1941, in Deport. He operated a service station, grocery store and butane/propane business for several years in Bogata and retired from UARCO of Paris. He was a US Army World War II veteran, where he earned a bronze star and served in Okinawa and Korea. He was a member of the church of Christ, being baptized in Bogata in 1960. He was a 32nd degree Mason, serving from 50 years and twice as past member of Blossom Lodge and once at Rosalie Lodge in Bogata. He was the recipient of the Golden Trowel Award from the Blossom Lodge.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Wilam (Sally) Mathena of Blossom; his three daughters, Sandra Adams of Garland, Roxie Massey and her husband Roy of Blossom; and Evelyn Tillman and her husband Ed of Beckville; his grandchildren, Jeff Adams of Garland, Jim Massey of Denison, Andy and his wife, Crystal Tillman; Eddie and his wife, Tracy Tillman, all of Beckville and Monica Massey Price and her husband, Brett of Detroit; his grand-grandchildren, Mallory, Kenneth and Kaleb Price and Meagan Jo Tillman; two brothers, Wiley Mathena of Pasadena and Dr. Harold Dean Mathena of Bethan, Oklahoma; two sisters, Cecelia Fortner of Odessa and Gladys Moore of Houston. He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Arlie B. Mathena, a sister, Alva Lee Harbison and an infant sister.

Dewey Presswood dies at age 78

Dewey D. Presswood of New Caney, Texas died at a local hospital on December 28, 1998, after a lengthy and courageous battle with cancer.

He was born on December 5, 1926, in Red River County, Texas and lived his childhood and teen years in the communities of Pine Branch and Cuthand. He was the youngest of the surviving children of Frank Presswood and Ellen Talitha Cumi Crow Presswood.

Mr. Presswood served in the United States Army in World War II.

He married Lucy Mae Martin and they lived in the Houston area until their move to New Caney.

Mr. Presswood had worked as a machinist for Offenhauser Co. and retired from Leland Lincoln Mercury in 1986 after fifteen years of service.

He is survived by his wife, Lucy Mae; three sisters, Irene Hall of Bassett, Ca., Katy Lytton of Long Beach, Ca and Swan Cunliffe of Medford, Or. and extended family of nieces, nephews, in-laws and many friends he was preceded in death by four brothers, Garvin, Johnny, Gathan and Harry Presswood and two sisters, Ever Parnell and Myrtle Burnett.

Services were held December 31, 1998, at Rosewood North Funeral Chapel with Rev. Jack Countryman officiating. Burial was in Rosewood Park Cemetery.

Gerald Wayne Prince dies at age 34

Mr. Gerald Wayne Prince, age 34 of Dallas, died Friday, January 22 in Dallas.

Graveside funeral services were held on Saturday, January 30 at Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

He was born May 2, 1964, the son of Gerald Wayne and Goldie Lee Porter Prince. He was a machinist with Humantetics, Inc. of Carrollton.

He is survived by a number of aunts and uncles.

Card Of Thanks

The Pat Crawford family would like to thank all the friends and neighbors for all the calls, cards, visits, prayers, flowers and food, Wood Funeral Home family, ICU staff at St. Joseph Hospital, and Vivian Isbell, Dorothy Renfro, Maxine Foster and Mary Alice Enox for serving dinner at the First Baptist Church. Thanks to everyone for the kindness shown to all of us during the illness and loss of our loved one.

**Russell Crawford
Lori and Rodney Parvin
Christie and Greg Noone
Rusty and Rebecca Crawford**

Mrs. Ann Walker dies at age 82

Mrs. Ann Walker, age 82 of Bogata, died Wednesday, January 27 in Red River Health Care Center Nursing Home.

Funeral services were held Friday, January 29 in Bogata United Methodist Church with Rev. Kenny Dickson officiating. Burial was in Bogata Cemetery, under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mrs. Walker was born February 19, 1916 in Red River County, the daughter of Joseph Robert and Versie Hazel Smith Wilson. She married Jess Lambert Walker October 10, 1945 in Bogata. He died April 1, 1975.

She was a longtime member of Bogata United Methodist Church and was an LVN working at Red River Haven Nursing Home for a number of years.

She is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Elise and Jimmy Parker of Paris and two grandchildren, Scott Ball of Midland and Amy Scholl of Paris.

Pallbearers were Dr. E.E. Brooks, Jeff Puckett, Bill Buckman, Monte Randolph, Randy Randolph and Danny Eudy.

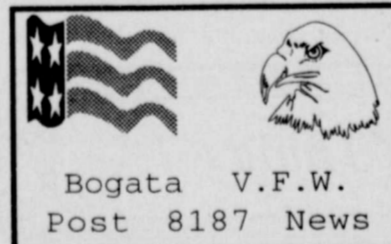
Hubert Coggins dies January 2

Hubert Seabron Coggins, age 84 of Bogata died Tuesday, January 2 in Meedical Cities Hospital in Dallas.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Thursday, January 4 in Cuthand Methodist Church with Rev. Kenny Dickson officiating. Burial was in Cuthand Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mr. Coggins was born December 5, 1914 in Red River County, the son of Lee and Maggie Mauldin Coggins. His first wife, the former Mollie Mayes Coggins, died in 1982. He married Sylvia Baird on November 18, 1983. He was a farmer and rancher and worked for the Texas Department of Corrections for 14 years.

Surviving are his wife, Sylvia of Bogata; a brother, Johnnie Coggins of Bogata; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; and a stepson, Bobby Provence of Freeport. His son, Doyle Coggins, died in 1996.



Meeting time is 2nd and 4th Monday night at 7:00 p.m.

Post is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 12:00 midnight, and Saturday from 12:00 noon until 1:00 a.m.

Thursday at 7:00 p.m. is 42 playing time and Pool and shuffleboard are open all the time.

Card Of Thanks

We would like to thank all our friends and relatives for their thoughtfulness at the loss of our loved one, **Walter Martin**. Thanks for the phone calls, cards, food, flowers, donations and especially the prayers. We were grateful for the offerings brought not only to the home in Clarksville, but also to those at the Theford Homes in Bogata. May God richly bless each of you.

The family of Walter Martin

Bereaved Parents Support Group will meet

The Bereaved Parents Support Group will meet Monday, February 8 at 7 p.m. in the TU Electric Building in Paris. A discussion will be held on the signs and symptoms of physi-

cal, mental and emotional changes that are experienced by grieves.

Everyone is invited to join in the group. For information, call 982-6176 or 785-7781.



Attend The Church of Your Choice

February 4, 1999
Blossom UMW Cookbook

**Southwest Snack Pizza
Linda Buck**

- 1 frozen deep dish pie crust-thawed
- 1 package cream cheese-softened
- 1/2 cup picante sauce
- 1 rip avocado
- 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- 1/2 cup seeded tomato or cherry tomatoes
- 1/2 cup ripe olive slices
- 1 green onion with top-sliced

On large baking sheet, pat crust to 11 inch circle; prick with fork. Bake in preheated oven to 425 degrees about 5 minutes or until lightly brown. Cool thoroughly. Transfer to serving plate. Combine cream cheese and 1/4 cup of picante sauce; mix well. Spread over crust to within 1/2 inch of edge. Spoon remaining sauce to center of crust, spreading to form circle. Peel, seed and thinly slice avocado; gently toss with lemon juice to coat. Arrange slices spk-fashion in the center of the crust. Arrange remaining ingredients on crust; chill up to 2 hours before serving. Cut into wedges and serve with additional picante sauce. Makes 8-10 appetizer servings

**Tortilla Soup
James & Mae Crawford**

- 1 can beef broth
- 1 can chicken broth
- 2 cup water (you may use 2 chicken and 2 beef bouillon cubes with 4 cups water as alternate)
- 1 average chicken-cooled, cooked & deboned or use 1-2 large cans boned chicken)
- 1 can Hunt's Mexican tomatoes
- 1 small can whole corn
- 1 teaspoon cumin
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 1 ripe avocado
- shredded Mozzarella & Cheddar cheese
- 1 sack regular tortilla chips

Cook chicken, cool and debone; saving broth for soup (or use alternate). Mix next four items and simmer; will be thin. Use no salt. The tortillas will provide salt. Take tortillas and crush some in bottom of bowl; place grated cheese on top of tortillas. Pour soup over this and add chopped avocado.

**Peanut Butter Rice Krispies
Kay Allen**

- 5 cups Rice Krispies
 - 1/2 cup crunchy peanut butter
 - 1 cup sugar
 - 1/2 cup white Karo syrup
 - 1/2 cup dark Karo syrup
- Bring syrups to boil. Mix Rice Krispies, peanut butter and syrups together. Spread on a cookie sheet. Cut into bars when cool.

**Apricot Salad
Marylon Huml**

- 1 large can apricots
- 1 large can crushed pineapple
- 1 large package Apricot Jello
- 1 cup miniature marshmallows

Drain apricots and pineapple; save 1 cup mixed juice to cook with topping. Mash apricots and add pineapple. Mix 2 cups hot water with Jello; cool. Add fruits, Jello and marshmallows. You can add 1/2 cup pecans.

Topping:
1 whole egg
1/4 cup sugar
3 tablespoons flour
1 cup fruit juice

Cook until thick and then cool. Fold in 1/2 pint whipped cream. Grate 1 cup American cheese and spread on top.

**Southwestern Salad
Rachel Whitney**

- 2-1/2 cups corn chips
- 1/2 head lettuce-torn
- 1 cup shredded cheese
- 1 can pinto beans-drained
- 1 small tomato-chopped
- 1/4-1/2 salad dressing of choice
- 2 tablespoons chopped green onions
- 2 tablespoons chopped green chilies
- 1 small avocado

Mix as salad and serve with picante sauce.

**Chicken Spaghetti
Janell & Mike Topliff**

- 1/4 cup butter or margarine
- 1/2 cup diced green pepper
- 1/3 cup chopped onion
- 1/4 cup fresh mushrooms
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/4 cup cream
- 1/4 cup Swiss cheese
- 1/4 cup Monterey Jack cheese
- 1 can cream of chicken soup
- 2 cups cubed, cooked chicken breast
- 1/4 cup shredded Italian cheese blend
- 1/4 cup diced pimento
- 1 small can sliced black olives

spaghetti noodles for 6 servings
In large skillet over medium heat in hot butter, cook green pepper, onion and mushrooms until onions are tender, stirring occasionally. Stir in milk and cream; blend well. Stir in meat, cheese, pimento and olives. Cook until cheese is melted. Serve over cooked noodles or mix together and serve.

**Wonderful Chicken Enchiladas
Amanda Barnard**

- 2 cups cooked chicken-cut up
- 1 cup bell pepper-chopped
- 1/2 cup chopped green onions
- 1 package cream cheese-softened
- 2 cups grated Monterey Jack cheese-divided
- 1 cup grated Cheddar-cheese-divided
- 1 cup flour tortillas
- 2 cartons whipping cream
- salt and pepper to taste

Combine first 4 ingredients in large mixing bowl. Add 1 cup cheeses; mix thoroughly. Using a spoon, fill tortillas and roll. Spray baking dish with Pam before placing enchiladas inside. Pour whipping cream over enchiladas (sometimes it takes more than 2 cartons-they need to be completely covered). Sprinkle with remaining cheeses. Bake covered at 350 degrees until they bubble, usually about 45 minutes.

**Enchiladas Acapulco
Jan Woodall**

- 1 pound ground beef
- 3/4 cup chopped green pepper
- 1-8 ounce can tomato sauce
- 1 can kidney beans-drained
- 1/2 pound Velveeta spread with jalapeno
- 8 tortillas
- 1/2 cup chopped tomato

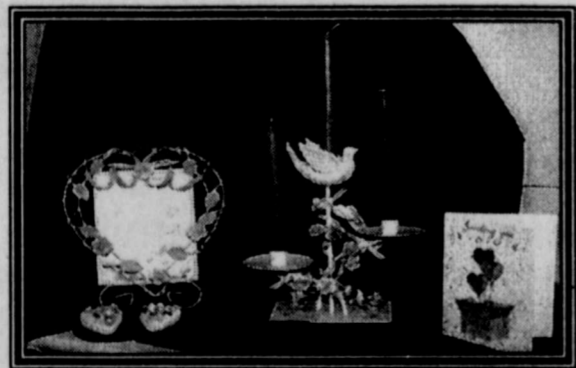
Brown meat and drain. Add tomato sauce and 1/2 cup peppers; cook over medium heat 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add beans and 1/4 pound cheese spread; continue cooking until cheese is melted. Dip tortillas in hot oil; drain. Fill each with 1/4 cup meat mixture; roll up. Place seam down in baking dish. Top with remaining meat mixture; cover. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes; top with remaining cheese spread. Continue baking, uncovered 5-8 minutes or until cheese is melted. Top with remaining peppers and tomatoes.

**Deep Butter Cake
Pete Wright**

- 1 pudding plus cake mix
- 1 stick margarine
- 1 egg
- Mix and press into 9x13 inch pan. Then prepare:
1 package cream cheese
2 eggs
1 box powdered sugar

Pour this over first mixture and bake at 350 degrees for 35 minutes.

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Pat Crawford

Pat Crawford dies at age 64

Pat Crawford, age 64 of Deport and formerly of Euleus, died on Tuesday, January 26 in St. Joseph Hospital and Health Care Center.

Funeral services were held on Friday, January 29 at 2:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church of Deport with the Reverend Glynn Renfro officiating. Burial was made in Highland Cemetery. Wood Funeral Homes had charge of the arrangements.

She was born on September 29, 1934, in Minter, Texas, the daughter of James and Eunice Love Irvin. On February 14, 1953, she married Russell Crawford in Dallas. She was a retired Sergeant from the Euleus Police Department, was a past member of the Euleus Police and Fire Association and was an active member of the PTA during her children's school years.

She is survived by her husband, Russell Crawford of Deport; her children and their spouses, Lori L. Parvin and her husband, Rodney of Keller, Rusty Crawford and his wife, Rebecca of Deport, Christie Noone and her husband, Greg of Saginaw; her mother, Eunice Irvin of Deport; sisters, Betty Andrews and Kay Zachary of Deport and Sue Hancock of Denton; mother and father-in-law, Raymond and Edith Crawford of Deport; her grandchildren, Ashley Stewart of Keller and Keith Parvin of Ft. Worth, Chad Crawford of Arlington, Kelci Crawford, Broc Crawford and Robert Cox, all of Deport, Patrick McLendon, Christopher McLendon and Brandon Noone all of Saginaw.

Mrs. Willie (Bill) Pinkham dies at age 95

Mrs. Willie (Bill) Pinkham, age 95, formerly of Bogata, died Friday, January 29 in Decatur, Texas.

Graveside funeral services were at 2 p.m. Sunday, January 31 in Bogata Cemetery.

Mrs. Pinkham was born July 6, 1903, in Bogata. She resided in the Parkhaven Health Care Center of Bridgeport.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Pinkham in 1972. She is survived by a daughter, Sue Pinkham Carter of Boyd, Texas and a son, John Perry Pinkham of Texarkana, six grandchildren and thirteen great grandchildren.

Ronnie L. Allen dies at age 54

Ronnie L. Allen, age 54, of Powderly, died on Thursday, January 28, 1999 at McCuisition Regional Medical Center.

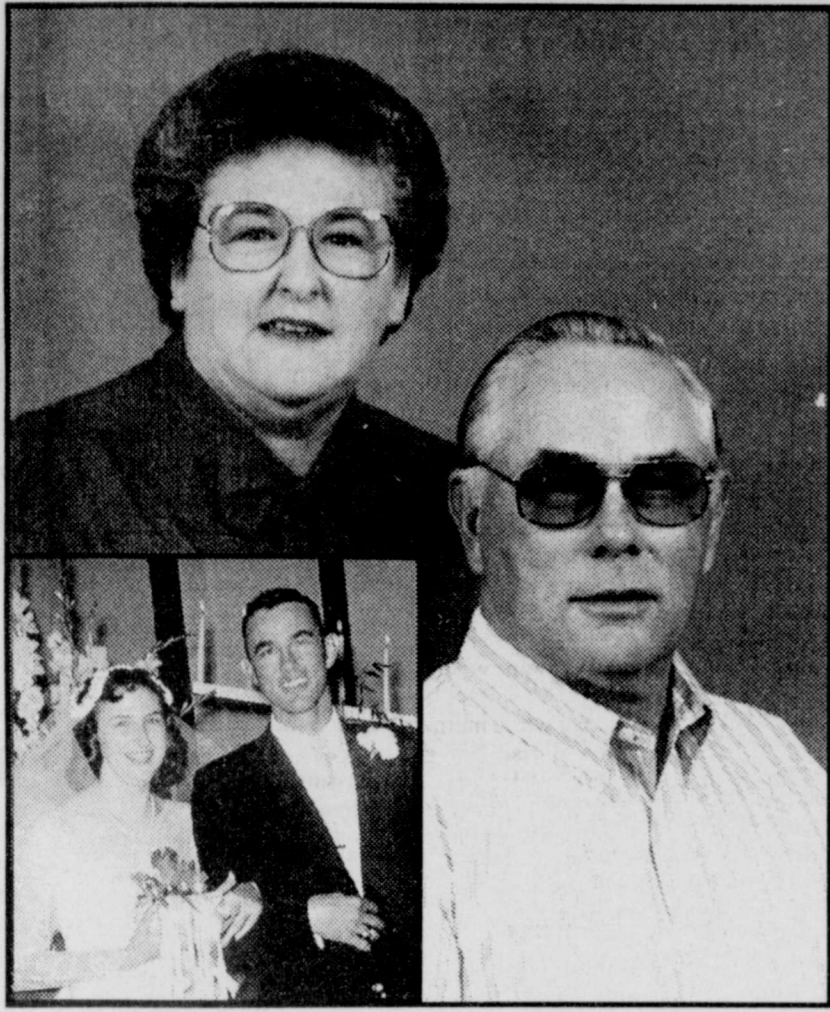
He was born on April 17, 1944 in Plainview, Texas, the son of Weldon Bailey (Shorty) and Alice Salter Allen. On July 6, 1964, he married Georgia Thompson. Mr. Allen worked as a truck driver for a number of years and was a member of the Seth Ward Baptist Church of Plainview.

He is survived by his wife, Georgia Allen of Powderly; his mother, Alice Allen of Plainview; two daughters and sons-in-laws, Shawn and Hubert Clark of the Keller-Ft. Worth area, and Sandie and Tommy Quisenberry of Roanoke; a sister, Jan Young and a brother, Jack Allen, both of Plainview; 5 grandchildren, Joey Allen, Ryan and Keith Inabnet, Jenny Lynn Clark and Scotty Joe Quisenberry.

He was preceded in death by his father, Shorty Allen in 1985 and a brother, Jerry Allen, in 1981.

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Mr. and Mrs. Silas Taylor

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Taylor to observe 40th wedding anniversary

Friends and family are cordially invited to attend a reception February 22, 1999 from 2-4 at the First United Methodist Church in Deport of honor Silas and Juanita Taylor.

Juanita Wright, daughter of Elvis and Pauline Wright, and Silas Taylor, son of Harold and Pearl, were married February 15, 1959 at the Minter Methodist Church in Minter, Texas. The happy couple is now retired and reside in Cunningham,

Texas.

Silas and Juanita have one daughter and son-in-law, Lynda and Tilman Reagan of Plainview, Texas; and one son and daughter-in-law, Larry and Stacy Taylor of Tulsa, Oklahoma. The couple has four grandchildren, Stephanie Reagan, Laura Dee Taylor, Robert Taylor and Luke Taylor.

The couple requests no gifts, please.



(Staff Photo)

HALEY PARSONS celebrated her 8th birthday at the home of her grandparents Keith and Peggy Parsons. Her birthday is on February 2. She is the daughter of Mark and Tonya Parson of Rowlett and also the daughter of Jerry and June Burdine of Sylvan.



(Staff Photo)

TY PARSONS celebrated his 5th birthday at the home of his grandparents Keith and Peggy Parsons. His birthday was January 28th. He is the son of Mark and Tonya Parsons of Rowlett and also the granddaughter of June and Jerry Burdine of Sylvan.



Mr. and Mrs. Pete Taylor, married 45 years

Taylors to celebrate 45th anniversary

Pete and Lillian Taylor will celebrate their 45th anniversary on February 6. They were married February 6, 1954.

The couple will be honored with a dinner party at the Fish Fry in Paris. Their children, Alan and Sherrie Boyd of Paris, Larry and Gail Taylor of Red Oak and Clint and Misty Gage of Paris will host the party. Also attending will be Pete and Lillian's grandchildren, Lance, Lindsey and Logan Taylor of Red Oak and Shannon and Allison Boyd of Paris.

Pete and Lillian are 31 year residents of Bogata. Born and raised in the Paris area, the Taylors have lived in Corpus Christi, San Francisco, CA, Commerce and Lockett.

Pete began his career by serving in the U.S. Navy and then pursued his education at East Texas State University where he received a Masters Degree in Agriculture. He retired from Rivercrest High School where he taught Agriculture for 22 years. Pete is currently employed with the State as a meat inspector. Lillian retired from Rivercrest High School where she served as secretary for 24 years. She now enjoys her work with Stanley Home Products.

The couple enjoys spending time with their children and attending their grandchildren's activities. They are members of Lamar Avenue Church of Christ in Paris.

Community Club meets February 1

The Fulbright Community Club met February 1 in the home of Katy VanDeaver. There were five members present.

Channel gravel has been spread on the circle drive at the center. It has improved the parking greatly.

Jerrell Kelly, former Fulbright resident, donated a new microwave to the center.

A short business as held and the members began to work on the community improvement program books.

Each year area communities compete for the Community Improvement Award. The books are based on

improvements made at the community centers as well as in the communities. Citizen involvement is also a big factor. The production of crops, stock of ranchers, vegetables from gardens, home canned goods from the community kitchens and just everyday life all combined to make an interesting portfolio of the life and improvement of the small community.

Fulbright Community Center was second in the contest last year.

The next scheduled meeting is the first Monday in March at the center.

UMW meets

The United Methodist Women met at the home of Juavane Carpenter on Monday night, February 1.

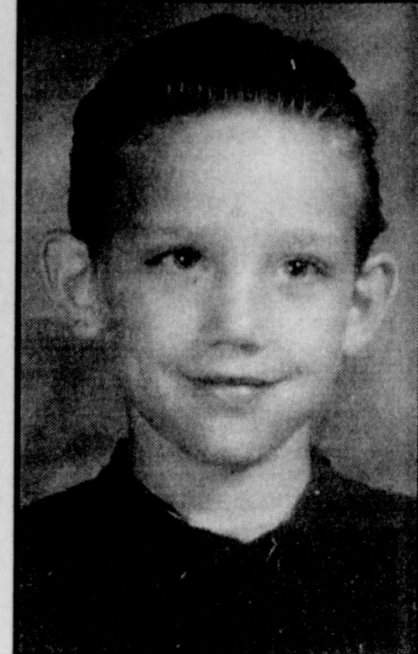
Juanita Sparks, president, began the meeting by relating the story of Joseph and his brothers as it pertains to "Forgiveness". Nell Shull, program leader, presented a film featuring the history of three of the most familiar and beloved hymns in the Christian world, "Amazing Grace", "Just As I Am", and "All Is Well With My Soul". The film depicted the life stories of the writers and the circumstances leading to the creation of the music. The meeting adjourned with the Mizpah. During the social hour, the hostess served refreshments to 11 members.

The next meeting will be February 15 with Melba Ladd as program leader and Marianne Ladd as hostess.



(Staff Photo)

TIFFANY WINTERS celebrated her 11th birthday at the home of Keith and Peggy Parsons. Her birthday was on January 5th. She is the daughter of Doug and Tonya Winters of Bryan and also the granddaughter of Bobby and Betty Winters of Pattonville.



COLTON WINTERS celebrated his 8th birthday at the home of his grandparents Keith and Peggy Parsons. His birthday is February 17. He is the son of Doug and Tonya Winters of Bryan and also the grandson of Bobby and Betty Winters of Pattonville.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct a public meeting on Thursday, February 18, 1999 at Rivercrest High School in Johntown, Texas. From 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. there will be an Open House and at 7:00 p.m. the presentation will begin. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the need for and suggest alternatives for the proposed improvements to US 271 from US 82 in Paris, Texas to FM 1734 in Mt. Pleasant, Texas.

Proposed Improvements: Widening of US 271 from two to four (2-4) lanes with possible new location relief routes around Deport, Bogata and Talco.

Project Limits From: US 82 in Paris, Southeast

To: FM 1734 in Mt. Pleasant

Franklin, Lamar, Red River and Titus Counties.

All interested citizens are invited to attend this meeting to express their views and to discuss the project with representatives of TxDOT. Persons interested in attending the meeting who have special communication or accommodation needs are encouraged to contact Rick Mackey at (903) 737-9375 at least two (2) days prior to the meeting. Since the public meeting will be conducted in English, any requests for language interpreters or other special communication needs should also be made at least two days prior to the public meeting. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

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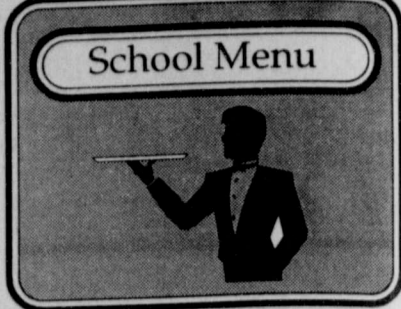
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PATTONVILLE NEWS
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Happy Birthdays to Sherry Denison, Haley Parsons and Buddy Malone.
 Happy Anniversaries to Bobbi and Allen Gifford.
 Jerry Bob and Linda Eatherly Stephens have been inducted into the National Hot Rod Association Hall of Fame. The Stephens opened the Paris Drag Strip on Highway 82 35 years ago and it is nationally known as the longest, continuous running track in Texas.
 Phyllis Mazy is a new member of the Big Brothers-Big Sisters Board of Directors.
 Sammy Morrow visited Keith and Peggy Parsons Tuesday afternoon. Pansy Morrow was in Dallas playing bridge with friends.
 Doug Winters, Colton and Tiffany of Bryan, Mark and Tonya Parsons, Haley and Ty of Rowlett and Leah Boren spent the weekend with Keith and Peggy Parsons. Saturday visitors included John Nash of Paris, Myrtle Singleton, Ina and Nina Sparks of Deport, Randy and Kristi Boren and Drew.
 Several families of the community enjoyed the Little Dribblers basketball games between Deport and Blossom on Saturday in Blossom.
 Sympathy is extended to the family of Grace Griffith Parker of Paris who died January 28 at St. Joseph. She was the wife of Edwin Parker.

former post master of Pattonville.
 Carrie Gibson daughter of Tommy and Sue Gibson and Tammie Gibson Bassano daughter of Brenda and Larry Gibson both made the President's Honor Roll at Texas A&M at Commerce with straight A's for the Fall '98 semester.
 Vivian Day and Robert Sawyer were honored with a birthday party Saturday night by family members Brad and Velma Burnsed, Roxy and Victoria, Jimmy Day, Kathleen Dennehy, Jamie and Brandi Day and Calvin and Judy Day.
 Kerry and Sandy Murdock and children were in Longview Saturday to watch Rebecca compete in the Elk's Hoop Shoot contest where she won third place. Aaron Murdock attended and participated in a UIL practice contest at PHS. Rachel played on the 6th grade Little Dribbler's team at Blossom on Saturday.
 Grady and Carol Ann Reid of Fayetteville, AR spent the last two weekends with Jesse and Frances Anderson. They spent last Monday night and Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hulet in Dallas. Jesse entered Presbyterian Hospital last Tuesday where he had angioplasty. Helen Northam, Roger and Ann Anderson of Paris visited him awhile.
 Jesse and Frances and Carol Ann returned home from Dallas Saturday. Marilyn Bolton and Helen Northam

of Paris, Ruth Burke, Brenda Gibson and L.C. Stout visited them since they have been home. Grady and Carol Ann returned to Fayetteville Monday morning.
 Betty Wilson Slayden of Paris had surgery at McCuiston Wednesday and she was dismissed Sunday afternoon.
 Allene Short of Tyler called and visited with Martha Wilson Porterfield Saturday afternoon.
 Visitors of Bill and Ruby Dee Blevins were Dalton Gibson, Jerry Willingham, Rita Cox, Harold Blackburn, James Earl Bell, Barbara McDowra, Sandy Ring, Ashleigh and Heather, Jayce Merritt, Al Ricardi, Red and Inez Weaver, Pam Sulsar, Alice Ruth Gravatt and Mike Wright.
 Billy Blevins attended a Super Bowl party Sunday afternoon at the home of Michael Lee Blackburn in Sylvan.
 Sandy Ring, Ashleigh and Heather and Ruby Dee Blevins enjoyed the 5th Sunday singing at the Baptist Church in Fulbright that night.
 Christen Stout of Cooper High School is participating in State Band competition in San Antonio Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Stout, Lance and Brittany will attend the concert Saturday. Christen plays the French Horn.
 Dr. L. C. Stout has been in Austin on school business this week.



School Menu

Prairiland C.I.S.D.
 All Campus
 School Lunch Menu
 February 8-12

Monday

Breakfast: Biscuits, gravy
Juice, milk
Lunch: Salisbury steak
 Potatoes
 Okra
 Rolls
 Milk

Tuesday

Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls
 Juice, milk
Lunch: Tacos
 Salad
 Refried beans
 Pineapple chunks
 Milk

Wednesday

Breakfast: French toast strips, syrup
 Juice, milk
Lunch: Fried chicken
 Mashed potatoes
 Green beans
 Rolls
 Milk

Thursday

Breakfast: Cereal, toast
 Juice, milk
Lunch: Chicken spaghetti
 Green salad
 Corn
 Crackers
 Milk

Friday

Breakfast: Biscuits, sausage
 Juice, milk
Lunch: Sloppy Joe on bun
 Chips
 Pickles
 Cherry Crisp
 Milk

Cemetery donations received

Donations for area cemeteries received December 16 through February 1:

Highland Cemetery: From Ida Lou Read, Dorothy Gill and Maxine Foster.

In memory of Terry Johnson from Linda and Brant McDaniel.
 In memory of the Redd family from Pat Redd Barnett, daughter of John M. and Tommie Lee Redd.
 In memory of Mr. and Mrs. H.O. Hignight, Malcolm Hignight, Roger Hignight, Mr. and Mrs. Will Gifford, Larry, Linda Kay and Amanda from Grady and Jane Hignight.
 In memory of Houston Chappell from Sam Whitney, Nettie Lois Powers from the family of Floyd and Fannie Whitney.
 In memory of Harold W. Griffin from Ruth Skaggs.
 In memory of Pat Crawford from Phoebe and Ray Rhodes, Mary and Ira Norman, Ann and Buck Roberts, Juanita and Senny Davis.

Vehicle theft is Crime of the Week

Crime Stoppers is seeking your help and will help and will pay a cash reward of up to \$1000.00 for any information that will lead to the arrest and indictment of the persons responsible for committing the following felony crime.

Sometime during the weekend of Saturday, January 23, unknown persons stole a red 1999 Pontiac Firebird from the James Hodge Motor Company on the loop in Paris. The stolen vehicle was valued at over \$19,000.00 and was located wrecked the following Monday on FM1497 at the Rockford Cemetery.

If you have any information on this, or any other felony crime, please call Crime Stoppers.

If Crime Stoppers receives that information by August 24, an arrest and indictment is made of those persons responsible, Crime Stoppers will pay you a cash reward of up to \$1000.00. All calls do remain anonymous and you will not have to testify in court. So lets all work together to fight crime! Call Crime Stoppers today at 785-Tips! (785-8477)

Carter places first at Fort Worth

Jennifer Carter, a 4-H member from Blossom, exhibited a first place winner in the Junior Charolais Breeding Heifer show at the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show in Fort Worth on Friday, January 22, 1999.

The 103rd edition of the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show presents a 17-day extravaganza with international appeal for exhibitors and visitors alike. This year's entry list is a record 22,000



Fulbright News
 By Betty Rodgers
 652-6051

Mrs. Kyle King of Reno spent Wednesday night with Jimmie King. Dick King of Paris visited his mother, Jimmie King Saturday. They rode around, went to Crystal Lake, Avery and Annona areas and had lunch in Clarksville.
 Saturday afternoon Bernie Huddleston of Bogata and Kerry King of Bells visited with Jimmie King.
 Sunday, Jimmie King had lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Kyle King of Reno and watched the Super Bowl.
 Visiting Worth and Karen Baker were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fielding of Tyler and Howard Reeves of Paris.
 Visiting Betty Rodgers over the weekend were Elva Lee Parrish of Wills Point, Mickey Parker and daughter Jennifer of Midlothian,

Shelley and Monte Rodgers of Tigertown, Melissa Arriaga of Deport and Dee and Jody Newberry of Shady Grove.
 Worth and Karen Baker visited Eva Coleman of Clarksville.
 Marl and Preston Crump have been ill with the flu.
 Marcella Wright visited Betty Rodgers on Monday.
 Betty Rodgers, Elva Parrish, Shelly Rodgers, Mickey and Jennifer Parker had lunch Saturday and visited Lucy Mae Franks in Clarksville.
 Some of the members of the community met and cleaned the community center Monday.
 Beryl Miller attended a craft show in Sherman Monday.
 Marl and Preston Crump visited her parents, J. T. and Lois Lane of Alvarado to celebrate their 63rd anniversary. Also attending were James Lane of the home, Nina Gatlin of Grandview, Judy and Tony Ramsey of DeKalb and Bobby Watkins of Lavon.

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Deport Nursing Home News

By Candy Larkin

Visiting Raymond Hignight were Prentice and Jo Crawford, Claudie Dudley, Sammy and Suzy Kelsey and Cecil Allen.

Visiting Lillian Dunam were Royce and Winona Johnson, Eileen Lahman, Shane, Kelli and Eralene Lahman, Cecil Allen and Juanita Brawner.

Visiting Raymond and Edith Crawford were Gary and Sharon Crawford, Prentice and Jo Crawford, John and Marian Crawford.

Visiting Angie Smith were Larry, Don and Dale Smith, Eskmo Smith, Sue Goley, Barbara Merchant, Dynetta Smith, Larry and Shirley Haskell.

Visiting Jesse Lane were Pat Matlock, Nelia, Taylor and Ryleigh Davidson.

Visiting Cletus Thomas were Faye Burns, Lucy Cooper, Micki Freeling, James Freelin, Lee Ann Freeling, Jean and David Isbell and Purna Haydock.

Viola Barham was visited by Donnie, Candy, Donnie Ray and Chad Larkin, Ella Titsworth, Kare Titsworth, Courtney Holliday, Marlo Scott and Cecil Allen.

Billie Gantt was visited by Mr. Gantt, Cecil Allen, Candy, Donnie, Donnie Ray and Chad Larkin, Ella Titsworth, Kare Titsworth and Courtney Holliday.

Ann Austin was visited by Charles Austin, Cecil Allen and Nanie Bell Ham.

Jo Wrenn was visited by Becky Proctor, Lila, Kara and Hali Screws, Pam Campbell, JoAnn Henson and Wynell Calloway.

Milow Hume was visited by Weldon and Joyce Smith and Weldon Hume.

Mr. Hargus was visited by Karol Dyer and Karen Hargus.

Juanita Brawner's visitors were Eileen Lahman, Shane, Kelly and Earline Lahman and Cecil Allen.

Anna Dale was visited by Cecil Allen, Nanie Bell Ham and Purna Haydock.

Visiting Sara Gilmer were Marline and Dewey Thomas, Weldon and Joyce Smith and Cecil Allen.

Visiting Audie Reed were Amy Hicks and Glenda Watson.

Visiting Purna Haydock were Red and Inez Weaver, Paul and Sue Garrett, Russell Garrett, Rejeane and Tom Tatum, Evelyn Roach, Johnnie Warren and William Geer.

Visiting Brodie Bell were Sammy and Suzy Kelsey, Carter Kelsey, Payton Chapman, Connie and Philip

Dodd, Martha Glover, Duane Glover, Purna Haydock and Cecil Allen.

Reecie Kelsey was visited by Sammy and Suzy Kelsey, Carter Kelsey, Peyton Chapman, Connie and Phillip Dodd, Martha and Duane Glover, Purna Haydock.

Betty Gardner was visited by Cecil Allen, Pat Talley and Purna Haydock. Jeanne Womack was visited by Doshe Fox, Bobbie Gifford and Sara.

Russell Grant was visited by Red and Inez Weaver, Cecil Allen and Purna Haydock.

David Geer was visited by William and Ann Geere, Weldon and Joyce Smith, Red and Inez Weaver, Purna Haydock, Harold Norris and Johnnie Warren.

Johnnie Warren's visitors were Weldon and Joyce Smith, Evelyn Roach, Rejeane and Tom Tatum, Candy Larkin, Robbie Head, Lawanda Cherry, Bobbi Gifford, Cecil Allen, Purna Haydock, Donnie Larkin, Prentice and Jo Crawford, Margaret Spencer, Linda Rose, Bobbye Bailey and Shirley Smith.

Annie Roberts was visited by Buck Roberts, Hazel Relford and Purna Haydock.

Patricia Hollje was visited by E.J. Newberry, Dot Newberry, Keith Hollje, J.L. Bridges, Pat Talley and Cecil Allen.

Nora Barnett was visited by Katy, Vernon, Rita and Rhonda.

Edna Gifford's visitors were Cecil Allen, Purna Haydock and Kenneth Gifford.

Lois Dudley was visited by Cecil Allen, Claudie Dudley and Jerry Dudley.

Virginia Bryan was visited by Robert and Pam Gibson.

Terry McDowra was visited by Cherry Walker and Cecil Allen.

Don O'Dea was visited by Fred and Barbara Biggerstaff.

Athel Hester was visited by Fred and Barbara Biggerstaff.

Verta Lynn's visitors were Ruth Chipman and Purna Haydock.

Edith Franklin's visitors were Ruth Chipman and Patsy Ward.

Ima Griffin was visited by Dortha Jensen, JoAnn Henson, Wynell Calloway, Patsy and her grandchildren.

Dortha Jensen was visited by Ray and Becky Jensen.

Virginia Carrell was visited by Larry Carrell, Donna Vaughan and family.

Mary Mathews was visited by Purna Haydock, Rejeane and Tom Tatum, Fay Burns, Inez Luttrell and

Cecil Allen.

Melvina Dinwiddie was visited by Purna Haydock, Rejeane and Tom Tatum, Inez Luttrell and Fay Burns.

Mamie Fletcher was visited by Mike, Lila, Bren, Kara and Hali Screws, Jimmy Fletcher, Becky Proctor, James Crawford and Cecil Allen.

Ruby Crawford was visited by James Crawford, Lila Screws, Becky Proctor, Cecil Allen and Purna Haydock.

Dorthea Elms was visited by Wynell Calloway, JoAnn Henson and Candy Larkin.

Harold Norris was visited by Wynell Calloway, JoAnn Henson, Cecil Allen, Becky Neilson and Candy Larkin.

Alma Montgomery was visited by Cecil Allen, Monda and Tom Fults.

Happy Birthdays to Jean Pendleton, Sara Gilmer, Johnnie Bell, Ken Murphy, Becky Neilson, Velma Westbrook, Merle Young and Johnnie Warren.

A Valentine's Dance will be held February 15 at 7:00 p.m. Please come join us and dance with one of your family members.

February 24, Faith Baptist will be here at 7 p. m. Come join us.

DVFD to hold hamburger supper

The Detroit Volunteer Fire Department will have a hamburger supper on February 6 at the fire station.

There will also be a cake walk and door prizes with all proceeds going to the department.

This meal will be all-you-can-eat for \$4.00 and \$2.00 from 4:30-8:00 p.m.

Anyone wishing to bake a cake or anything for the cake walk and unable to bring them to the department, you may call 674-6342. It will be arranged to be picked up.



Prairiand Calendar of Events Week of February 8



- 9 Softball scrimmage, 4:30 at Paris, JV, V
- ASVAB, Srs., 8:30 a.m.
- 10 CX District Meet
- Youth for Christ, 7:50 a.m., Library
- 11 Blossom PIP Practice, 7:00 p.m.
- 12 Softball scrimmage at Bonham, JV, V, 4:30

Guaranty Bancshares reports 4th quarter earnings

Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. (NASDAQ:GNTY), the parent company of Guaranty Bank, today reported a fourth quarter profit of \$735,000 or \$.25 per share of common stock, an increase from 4615 or \$.24 per share in the same quarter one year ago. This represents a 20.2 percent increase due, in part, to a continued strong loan demand and in increase in deposits.

Art Scharlach, President of Guaranty Bancshares, commented, "Guaranty Bancshares recorded another year of increased loans, deposits and profits. The Company is fortunate to have continued strong loan demand that enables it to book higher yielding assets over today's securities market. By achieving the goals and objectives adopted in the strategic plan, the company was able to attain a good earnings performance for 1998. Underwriting standards will continue to increase its customer base and diversity its markets, providing strong value to shareholders. Franchise value is enhanced through this type of growth by not incurring the premiums paid in an acquisition growth environment."

As of December 31, 1998 loans increased 18.1 percent to \$185.9 million, from \$157.4 million a year ago. Assets increased 11.2 percent to \$272.9 million, from \$244.2 million as of December 31, 1997. Deposits increased 8.7 percent to \$242.3 million, from \$223.0 million as of Dec. 31, 1997. Nonperforming assets to total loans and other real estate totaled \$1.3 million, or 0.67 percent at Dec. 31, 1998, compared to \$1.9 million, or 1.22 percent at Dec. 31, 1997. The company added \$383,000 to allowance for loan losses during 1998 primarily as a result of the significant increase in loans. "The bank's loan portfolio is diverse, with approximately 58 percent secured by real estate, 31 percent commercial and 11 percent consumer. The major sectors of the Northeast Texas economy continue to reflect an overall healthy environment" state Scharlach.

The 1998 net income available to common shareholders was \$2.6 million of \$.95 per common share for the year ended Dec. 31, 1998, compared to \$2.3 million or \$.91 in 1997.

For 1998, the Company realized a return on assets of 1.05 percent and return on equity of 12.34 percent versus 1.05 percent and 14.09 percent for the same period in 1997.

Net interest income for the year increased \$600,000 or 6.8 percent to \$9.4 million. The increase is primarily attributable to the growth in loans for the year but partially offset by a 17 basis point decrease in net interest margin to 40.07 percent. Non-interest income increased \$1.2 million, or 65 percent for the year primarily attributable to a \$293,000 increase or 21.8 percent, in service charges on deposit accounts and \$950,000 increase in other non-interest income made up partially from the gain on sale of loans of \$674,000 recorded in March 1998.

Non interest expense increased \$1.0 million or 14 percent to \$8.5 million for 1998. This increase was due primarily to expenses related to the company's growth such as additional staff, occupancy expense, depreciation on new technology throughout the organization and the loss on sale of other real estate.

The efficiency ratio will be high because of the de novo approach to entering new markets, however, each new location is ahead of projection, and additional new locations are present being studied," Scharlach explained.

Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. is a bank holding company headquartered in Mt. Pleasant, Texas, which is located in Northeast Texas. The Company drives 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 (two offices), Bogata, Deport, Talco, Paris and Texarkana.

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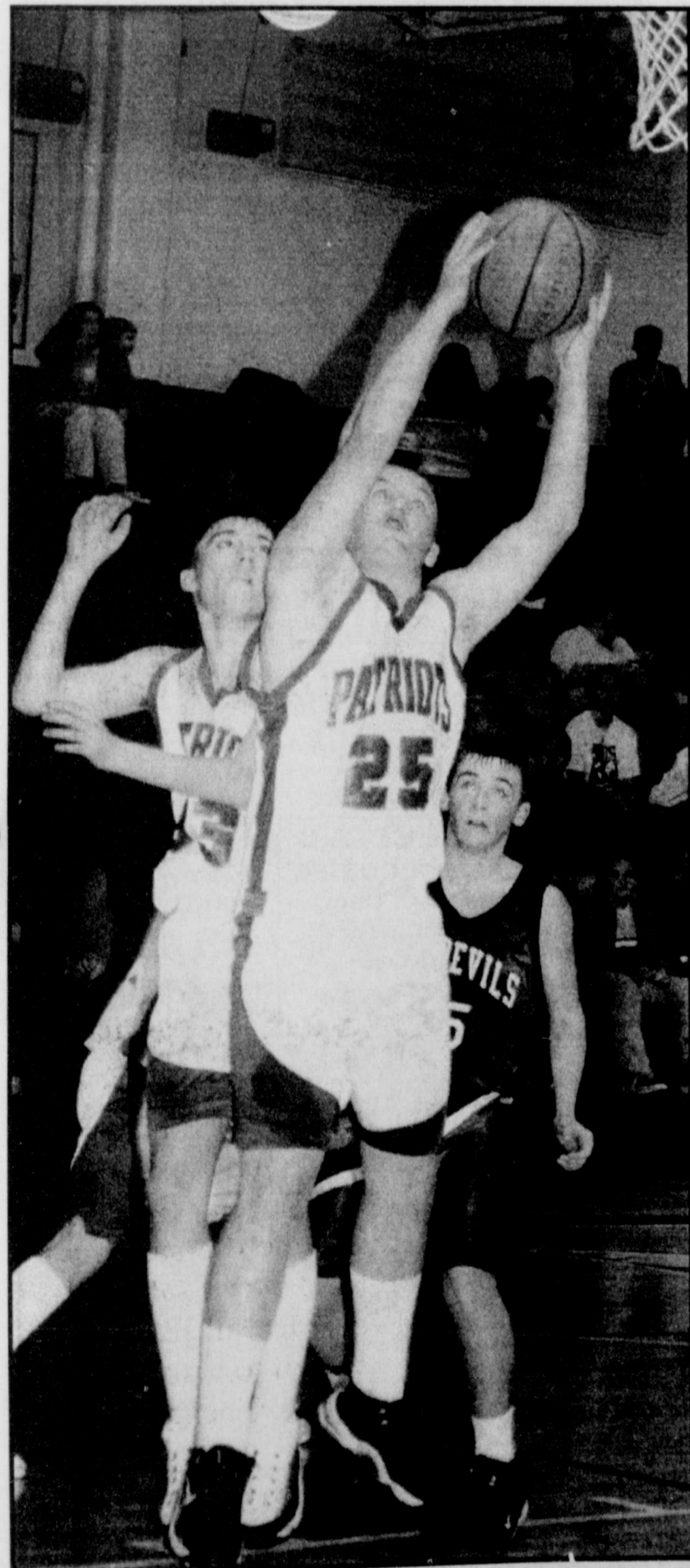

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JV PATRIOTS (background) Chris Berry backs up (Foreground) Jonathan Martin as he goes for the basket in recent basketball action against the Chapel Hill Red Devils.

East Texas Medical Center- Clarksville is pleased to announce that the Bogata Rural Health Clinic will now be staffed with a Physician 5 days per week. Pulkit K. Patel, MD, is the newest addition to the Clinic, as a full-time Board Certified, Primary Care Physician. He joins Mary Wagner, Certified Family Nurse Practitioner, Debbie Schneyder, LVN, Diana McGuire, Office Manager, and Gaylen Hayes, D.O., Clinic Director, in offering you the best in medical care, with a friendly, caring atmosphere. We appreciate Dr. R.R. Millikan for assisting us at the Clinic on an interim basis, until Dr. Patel and his family could relocate to Bogata. We invite you to call for an appointment, if possible, but "walk-ins" are welcome.

Bogata Rural Health Clinic:
213 N. Howison, Bogata, TX 75417
903-632-5632

Office Manager: Diana McGuire
Pulkit K. Patel, MD, IM: Mon. thru Fri.
Mary Wagner, FNP-C: Thurs.


Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
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DeKalb Rural Health Clinic:
203 N.E. Front St., DeKalb, TX 75559
903-667-4900

Office Manager: Aliesa Raulston
Mary Wagner, FNP-C:
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Milton News
By Mattyly Upchurch

Tim Salter of Paris had dinner with John and Velma Temple on Monday night.
Jake Maurischat of San Antonio is spending time working on their new home here.
Ollie Lee of Paris visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee on Saturday.
Irene Black of Mobley visited her sister, Edna Talley Thursday and they had dinner in Paris.
Richard Winkler, nephew of George and Nell Wolf, spent Tuesday night with them.
Dale Williams, Johnny Holt and Jake Maurischat visited James and Dorothy Holt Sunday night.

Billie Goheen of Arlington spent the weekend with her mother, Mattyly Upchurch.
Ann and Sheldon Lee and Sammie and Susie Kelsey of Deport had dinner in Clarksville Thursday night.
John and Velma Temple visited Helen Temple in Paris Sunday.
Sheldon and Ann Lee visited Silas and Juanita Taylor of Minter Wednesday.
Edna Talley and Irene Balck went to a singing at the church in Fulbright Saturday night.
Tim Parks of Faught had dinner with his grandparents, James and Dorothy Holt, Sunday.



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PATRIOT DANIEL SEPULVEDA is guarded closely by a Rebel during recent basketball action at the Rebel gym. The Pats will host the Rebels this Friday night at home.

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Happy Anniversary to Bobbi and Allen Gifford and Georgia and Joe Black.

Betty Warden visited Ina and Nina Sparks last Tuesday.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Pat Crawford who died Tuesday, January 26. She was the wife of Russell Crawford.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Daniel Wayne Allen 13 of Greenville who died tragically Sunday, January 24 near his home. Inex Luttrell is his great-grandmother.

Virginia Kirkland, Ruth Murrell and Reba Temple treated Ina and Nina Sparks with lunch in Paris Saturday in honor of their birthday.

Virginia Farris was honored on her birthday at TaMolly's in Paris Wednesday night by Robert and Chad Farris and Randi Hunt.

Saturday night Roger and Greta Hunt, Randi Hunt, Chad Farris, Robert and Virginia Farris ate at Lonesome Dove.

Ruth Murrell, Virginia Kirkland, Reba Temple, Mavis Sowards, Thelma Warren and Bobbie Bailey joined Ina and Nina Sparks in their home Sunday night to watch the Super Bowl game.

Candy Kreitz from Houston visited her mother Bobbie Bailey over the weekend.

Sam and Margie Rice visited Thomas and Nanalee Nichols Saturday in the hospital.

Jayne and Dicky King visited Thomas and Nanalee Nichols Saturday night and brought several casseroles of food.

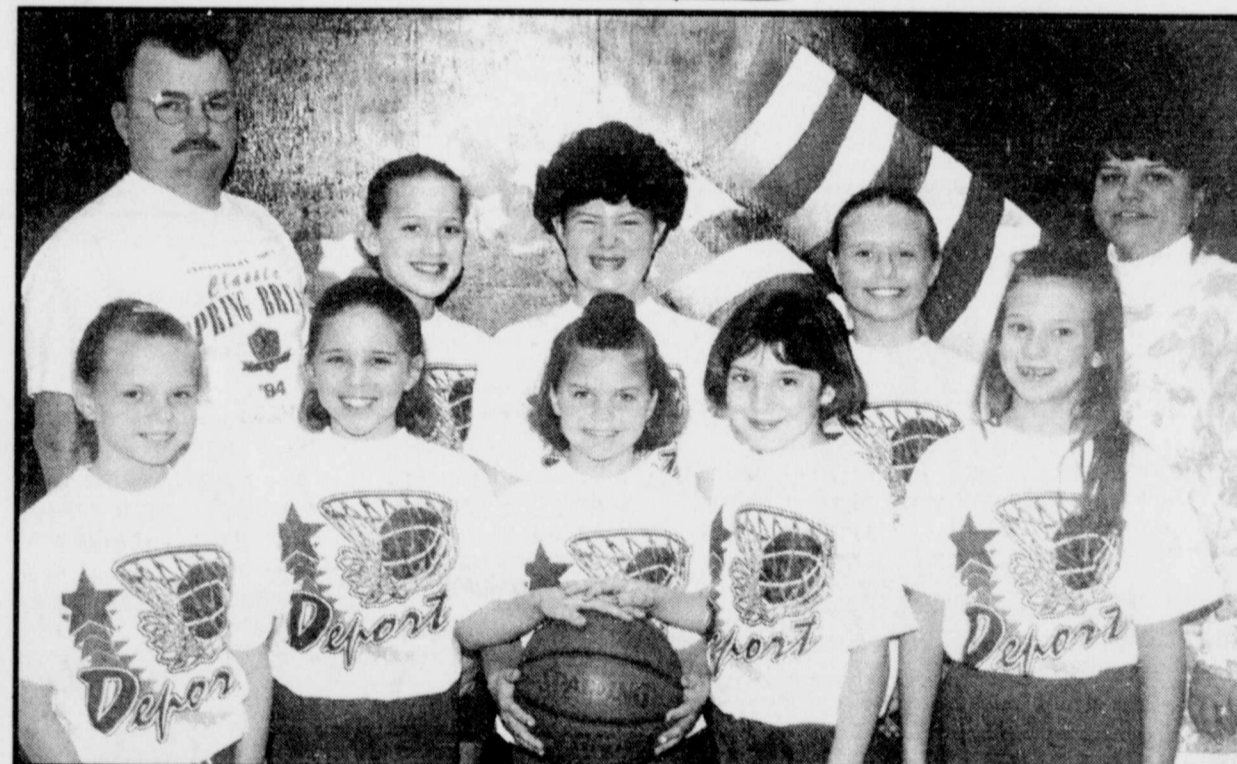
Dawne Darden visited Nanalee Nichols, as did Hugh Jeffus and Jeff Jeffus at various times.



DEPORT 6th grade Little Dribblers-Back row left to right is Johnna Patterson, Rachell Yarbrough, Britany Martin, Whitney Brook, Rachel Murdock and Casey Rodgers. Center Coach Brook. Front row is Whitney Turner, Elizabeth Porter, Angel Mantooth, Jessica Winters, April Lester and Kandi Wright.



DEPORT 4th grade Little Dribblers-Back row left to right is Coach Todd Cole, Nikki English, Danbri Mitchell, Haeley Norwood, Jessica Fox, Tenesa Brown, Lacey Cole, Charity Musgrove and Coach James Norwood. Front row is Leah Cathey, Brandi Swint, Kaylee Graham, Kandace Miller and Hailey Screws.



DEPORT 5th grade girls-Back row left to right is Coach Randy Boren, Morgan Searls, Amber Sugg, Rebecca Murdock and Coach Kristi Boren. Front row is Ashley Ebarb, Caralyn Corso, Leah Boren, Brittney Filkins and Alicia Lang.

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The concert is being hosted by the DeKalb First Baptist Church. Tickets for the event are \$14 for Artist Circle and \$10 for general admission. Tickets can be purchased at the church office, Pathway Christian Store, Baptist Book Store and John 3:16 Book Store all in Texarkana, Solid Rock Book Store in New Boston and Living Water Book Store in Paris. For more information, contact the church office at 903-667-2523.

Families honored for January birthdays

Ina and Nina Sparks of Deport, Haley and Ty Parsons of Rowlett, Colton and Tiffany Winters of Bryan, Jerry and June Burdine of Sylvan and Karen Sparks of Sulphur Springs were honored at the family birthday dinner and party at the home of Keith and Peggy Parson of Pattonville on Sunday, January 31.

Haley and Ty were celebrating her 8th and his 5th birthday. They are the children of Mark and Tonya

Parsons, Colton and Tiffany were celebrating his 8th and her 11th birthday. They are the children of Doug and Tonya Winters.

Others attending were Ralph and Lois Kennett of Cooper, John Nash of Paris, Keith Burdine and Ashley of Reno, Savanna Sparks and Zachery Horton of Sulphur Springs, Elois Sparks, Randy and Kristi Boren, Drew and Leah.

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