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Just how easy to own is it?  
We were visiting with friends Saturday night when the subject of advertising slogans came up.

My friend Jayne said "Have you noticed the exercise machine ad on television that says 'and it's easy to own'?" "Just what does that mean...it's easy to own?"

"Well," I speculated, "perhaps they mean they take time payments".

"No" that's the next line, they clearly say in the next breath that they take easy time payments".

So, we began to bounce this idea back and forth. How IS something easy to own. As opposed to what? Something that is difficult to own? Does this mean that the machine won't fall over on you, jump out of the closet and attack you are what? Small dogs may be easy to own (or difficult as the case may be). Homes may be easy to own because they are low maintenance and have easy yards to keep. But how can a machine be easy to own?

After hashing that over I mentioned that I had picked up some pimiento cheese spread that had a bright sticker affixed to the label that read "Made with real cheese!"

Wow, what else would you make pimiento cheese out of? Well, actually they make a dreadful processed cheese food that doesn't bear much resemblance to the real thing. But I still think it is stating the obvious.

That's like the many products out there that say things like, "Now, better flavor". Does this mean it didn't taste good before?

Or there's is that old stand by "New and Improved". Does this mean that the old product wasn't any good? Obviously there was room for improvement!

My personal favorite though is the one that is heard everywhere.

"And it really works!". That's good to know. I'm not too keen on buying products that DON'T WORK, are you?

It really works? Have you ever bought a product that you didn't expect to work? I know I haven't!

There are worlds of other stupid statements out there, thought up by marketing specialists that I really do wonder and worry about. How about you. Have you any products in the home that are "Easy To Own"?

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### Red River Youth Football to hold signups

Red River Youth Football will have signups on Tuesday, August 17th at the Prairiland Practice field at 6:00 p.m. for grades 3rd through 6th.

Sign up sheets will be given out at Blossom and Deport Schools. New officers will be elected on Sunday, August 8 at 2:00 p.m. at the Blossom walking track. All parents and coaches are encouraged to attend. For further information contact Jeff White at 903-982-6793.

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### \$2,000 reward being offered in connection with arson fires

A \$2,000 reward has been offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for setting hay fires in the Pattonville-Deport area between the weeks of July 9, 1999 and July 30, 1999.

Anyone with information concerning these fires should contact with Investigator Tuttle at Lamar County

Sheriff's Department at 737-2400 or if one wishes to be anonymous they may contact Lamar County Crime Stoppers at 785-TIPS.

To date, over 400 rolls of hay and some structures have been lost to arson in the area. The last fire was on Friday, July 30, on County Road 15700, and destroyed almost 200 rolls of hay.

### Classes begin August 12 at Prairiland

Prairiland ISD students will report to class on Thursday, August 12. Buses will run at regular scheduled times. Breakfast and lunch will be served on all campuses and school will dismiss at the regular scheduled times.

Teachers will report for Staff Development on Monday, August 9-10 with a teacher workday on Wednesday, August 11.

For information concerning any

campus, call the principals or secretaries. Blossom and Deport principals and secretaries will be in their offices on July 26.

School supply lists have been posted at stores in the surrounding shopping area. Most of the stores have packets made up which include all necessary supplies.

For additional information, call 652-6476.

### \$500 scholarship funds available

The YWCA of Paris and Lamar County will accept applications for its Kay Harris Brooks Scholarship, valued at \$500 through Monday, August 9.

The scholarship, named in memory of longtime YWCA supporter Kay Harris Brooks, is awarded annually to a female Lamar County resident planning to attend PJC.

Ms. Brooks was an active member of the YWCA Board of Directors, as well as many other community organizations. She was the 1987 Art Fair Chairwoman and 1987 Board Vice President. She was an integral part of the YWCA for many years, impacting all with her enthusiasm, wit, humor and dedication to helping others.

Any course of study may be chosen by the recipient of the

scholarship. Preference is given to a woman returning to school after an absence from her formal education.

The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of financial need, reasons for returning to school and perceived ability to successfully complete the course of work.

Finalists for the scholarship are interviewed individually by the scholarship committee and interviews will be held at the YWCA on August 13.

Application forms may be picked up at the YWCA, 308 S. Main, Paris and are also available at the registration office at PJC.

Applications must be received by Monday, August 9.

The recipient will be named Friday, August 15.

### Public meeting slated for waste management programs

The Ark-Tex Council of Governments will hold a public meeting for input into the FY2000/2001 funding plan for solid waste management in the counties of Bowie, Cass, Delta, Lamar, Morris, Titus, Red River, Franklin and Hopkins counties.

Topics to be discussed are current solid waste management program activities of Ark-Tex COG, coordination and implementation budgets,

changes to the program for the new biennium, schedule of pass through grant funding availability, process by which private industry concerns about a project will be considered by ATCOG and draft funding plan developed by ATCOG.

The meeting will be held Friday, August 13 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. at the Southwest Center, 3222 West 7th Street, Texarkana, Room 4.

### Stew Cookoff will be September 11

The annual Red River County Stew Cook Off will be held Saturday, September 11 at the fairgrounds in Clarksville.

The Stew Cook Off is a major fundraising activity for the County Fair. It is open to all organizations, clubs or individuals residing in Red River County. Trophies and cash prizes will be awarded to first, sec-

ond and third place winners. Plaques will be awarded in the Showmanship Division and also for the best skit.

If you would like a copy of the Stew Cook Off rules or would like to register to cook a pot of stew, please contact the County Extension Office located in the courthouse or call 427-3867.

### Dr. Kelsey featured in Houston newspaper

An article in the Houston Chronicle published Tuesday, July 6, 1999 featured a look back by Dr. Mavis Kelsey.

In part the article reads: The year was 1949 and Dr. Mavis Kelsey had just moved to Houston to start his medical practice.

In those days, house calls cost \$5, and the young internist logged 2,000 miles on his car each month seeing patients as far away as Channelview and Missouri City.

Today, the 86-year old founder of the Kelsey-Seybold Clinic spends his time writing books on a variety of topics and reflecting on his role in what he views as the golden era of medicine.

His most recent book, *Twentieth Century Doctor*, is an auto-biographical account that provides a glimpse into the days when doctors knew their patients by first names, never asked for cash up front and sometimes received baby pigeons and artwork for payment.

The article continues with further insight into the book and more infor-

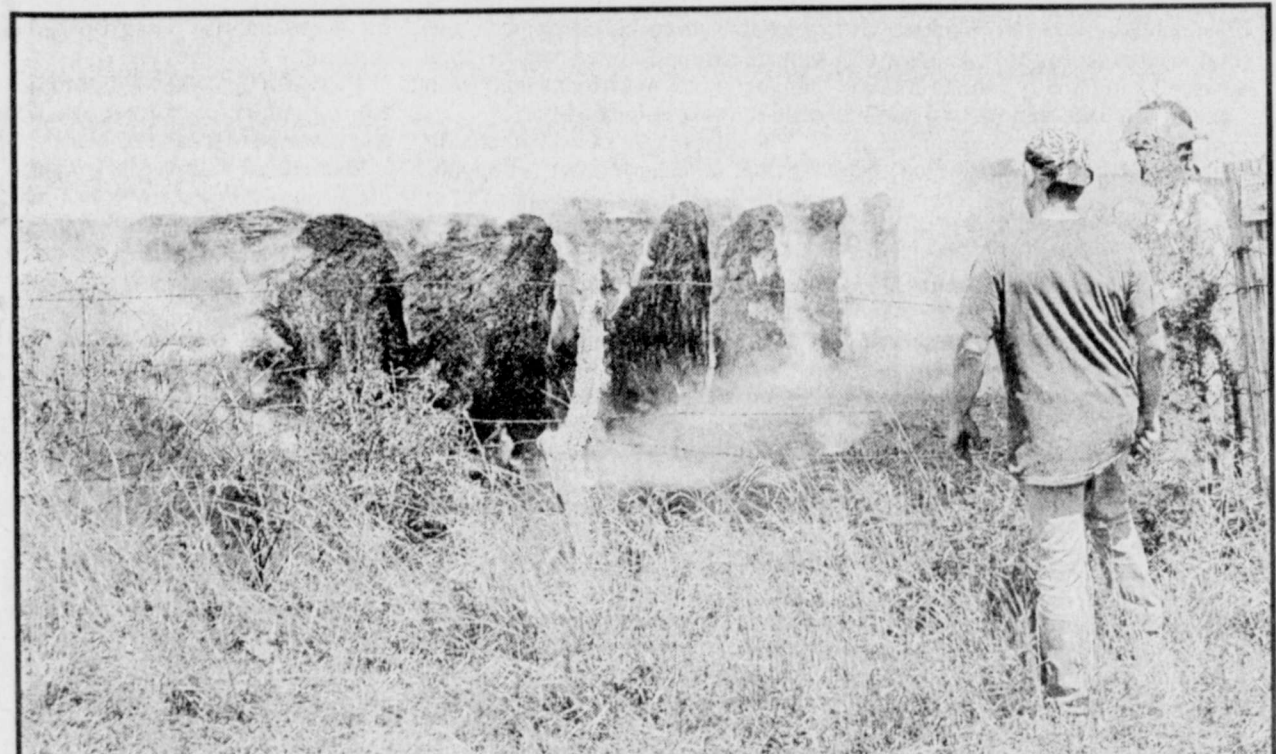
mation about Dr. Kelsey. The article states that "by all accounts, Kelsey built his clinic on a reputation of thoroughness and competence, mixed with compassion. He chose his staff carefully.

Seventy year old retired pediatrician Dr. Earl Brewer says "He had a great ability to pick people. He was looking for people patients would like. He was looking for people who cared. He had a folksy approach, which was very effective. He had this marvelous ability to get to the core of the problem in just a few minutes."

Accustomed to 16 hour days, Dr. Kelsey still rises at dawn, napping only if he "remembers" between activities. He is learning to use the computer, corresponds with friends, studies genealogy and serves on the Kelsey Research Foundation.

He is the author of more than a dozen books. He has started another one, a collaboration that involves engravings and prints of early Texas.

Dr. Kelsey is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Kelsey, long-time Deport residents.



**MORE HAY DESTROYED** by an arsonist. Almost 200 round bales of hay were destroyed by fire last Friday, July 30 on FM 15700. Deport Volunteer Firefighters could only keep the fire from spreading to an adjacent barn and field. The hay fires are under investigation by the Lamar County Sheriff's Department, and a \$2,000 reward is being offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

### RRV Fair to sponsor library program

The Red River Valley Fair will sponsor in conjunction with the Paris Public Library and "Read a Book and Win" program. Every child in grades 1-6 will qualify for this program.

Students will receive three gate passes, a cold drink, ice cream cone, two carnival rides and two wrist band discounts for participating in this program.

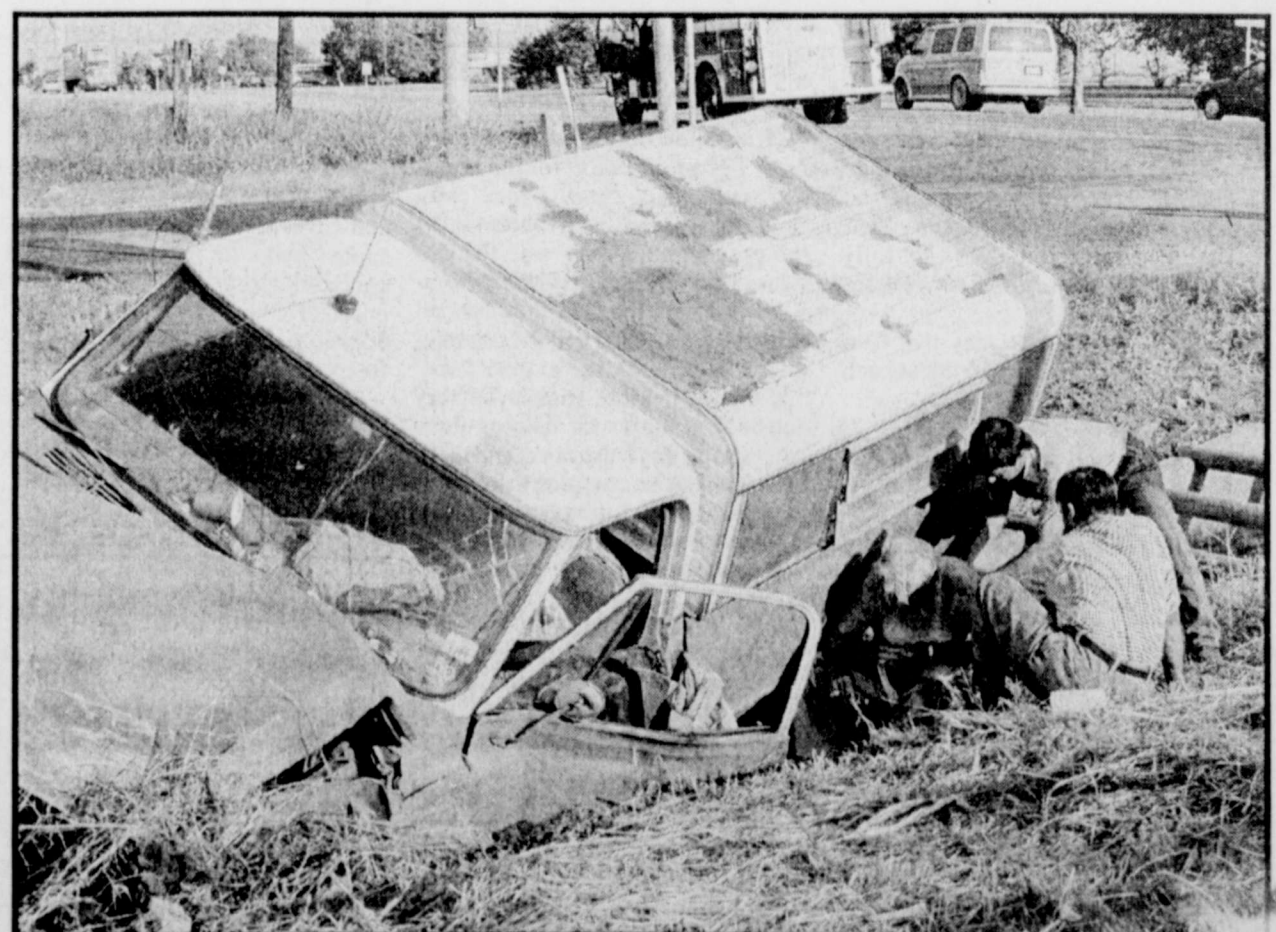
For more information on this program, contact the Paris Public Library.

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Things

The Deport American Legion will meet on August 12, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. at the post home. They will install officers and have a fish fry. All members are invited to attend.

Prairiland Booster Club will meet in the Prairiland Cafeteria on Thursday, August 19 at 6:30 p.m. to elect new officers and plan for the 1999-2000 school year. All faculty and parents are encouraged to attend.

**Editor's Quote**  
Silence isn't always golden...  
sometimes it's just plain yellow!

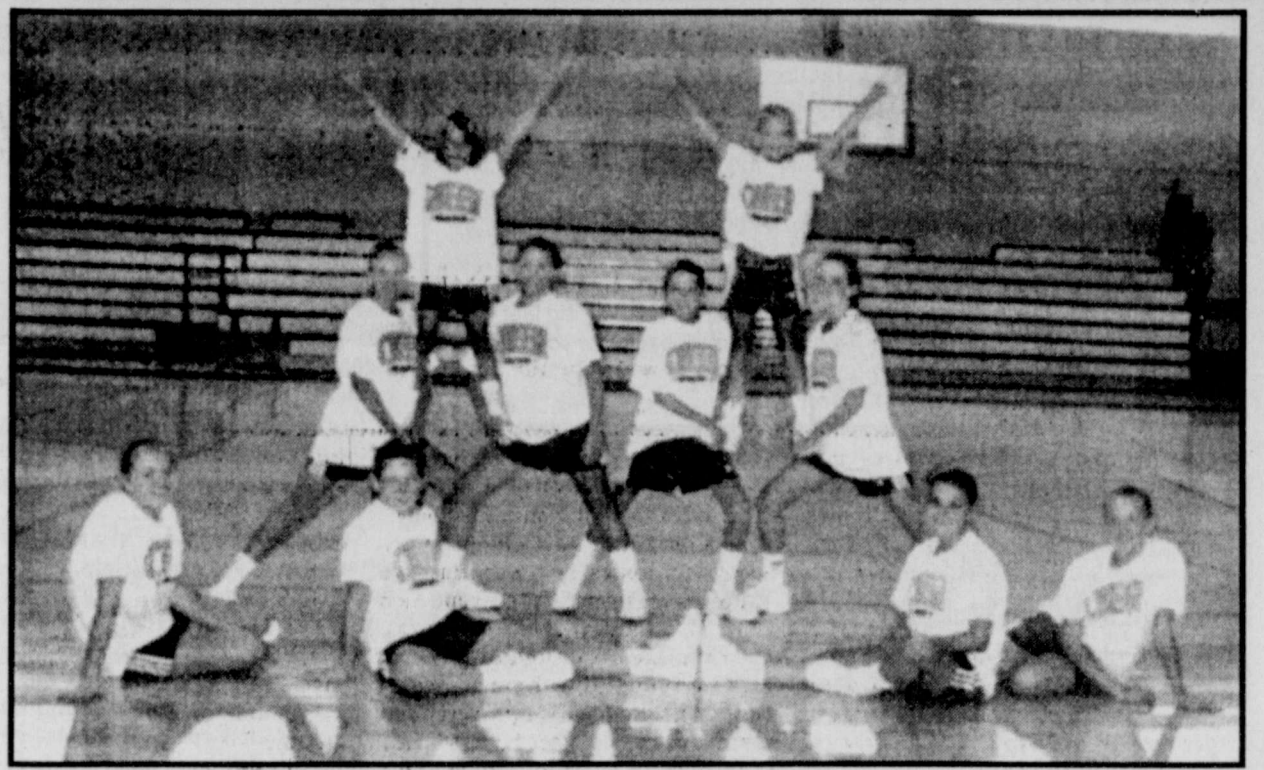


**THIS 1968 Chevrolet Pickup**, driven by Travis Dennie of Paris wound up in the drainage ditch on FM 1503 at the intersection of 1503 and Hwy. 271 in Deport after a major collision Monday morning. Mr. Dennie was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital in Paris where he was admitted. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



**Schedule of Events for Red River Valley Fair  
August 24 thru August 28**

Sun., August 22	9:00-7:00	set up day
	11-3:00	check in Creative Arts, Country Crock & Baking
Mon., August 23	11-3:00	Check-in Creative Arts
	9-5:00	set-up exhibits, carnival, food, concessions
	7:00	Merle Haggard Show
Tues., August 24	8:30-11:30	check-in flower show
	3:00-4:00	check-in bread, pie, party sandwich, etc
	6:00-6:30	check-in Little Britches events
	6:00	carnival opens
	6:00-10:00	commercial, creative & community exhibits open
Wed., August 25	6:00-11:00	Mr. Karaoke, pedal-power tractor, Kingsmen Quartet
	9:00-11:30	pre-school activities
		candy and party dip check-in
	4:00-5:00	goat show check-in
	6:00	goat show, carnival opens, exhibits open, Mr. Karaoke
	8:00	All "Little Fats" Jackson
Thurs., August 26	3:00-4:00	cookies, brownies & party tray check-in
	4:00-5:30	check-in junior & open rabbit show
	6:00	rabbit show, carnival opens, exhibits open, Mr. Karaoke
	6:30	Gymnastics Power House, Little Britches Talent check-in
	7:00	Little Britches Talent Show
	8:00	Local Youth Bands
Fri., August 27	9:00-1:00	senior citizens activities
	9:00-4:00	junior show animals arrive
	1:00-10:00	chili cook-off check-in
	3:00-4:00	cake, cup cake, hor D'oeuvres & snack check-in
	3:00-5:00	check-in all open livestock
	4:00-6:00	junior & open poultry check-in
	6:00-10:00	Boy Scout demonstrations, Mr. Karaoke, exhibits open
	8:00	Rockin' H Opry
Sat., August 28	7:00-7:45	jackpot pig check-in
	7:00-8:30	junior dairy show check-in
	7:30-9:00	junior beef check-in
	8:00	jackpot pig show
	9:00	junior dairy show
	10:00	junior beef show
	10:00-12:00	check-in club lamb
	1:00	club lamb show
	1:00-3:00	arm wrestling kcheck-in
	2:00	chili judging
	3:00	arm wrestling tournament, exhibits open, Boy Scout demonstrations
	5:00	Blue Grass Bands
	6:00	Paris School of Gymnastics
	7:00	Mr. Karaoke
Sun., August 29	9:00-5:00	check-out commercial exhibits and other exhibits
	9:00-1:00	check-out community exhibits
	10:00-2:00	check-out flower show
	11:00-2:00	check-out creative arts



PRAIRILAND JUNIOR HIGH Cheerleaders attended the NCA Certified All Star Athletics Summer Cheer Camp recently. Pictured, front row: Jessica Smith, Mallory Price, Heather Barnes, Katie Hall. Standing: Johna Patterson, Kayleigh Connot, Jennifer Martin, Erica Norwood, Courtney Nichols, Whitney Brnok. The girls received ribbons for outstanding rating on team performance and a large team trophy for excellent rating on team chant. Courtney Nichols won the Spirit Stick and Erica Norwood won All Star Cheerleader.

**Deer Calling Seminar will be August 18**

The Pioneer Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation is sponsoring a deer calling seminar on Wednesday, August 18 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ben Black cabin at the Clarksville Country Club. Gary Sefton of Woods Wise Game Calls will lead the seminar. Gary won

the World Championship Deer Calling Contest in 1999 and is on many of the outdoor shows seen on the outdoor channel.

Hamburgers and sodas will be available. For information, contact Lee Lindeman at 427-2244 or Jimmy Meals at 427-5280.



**August 6 is earmarked as annual "tax holiday"**

**McCuiustion Gala is filled with "Intrigue"**

"Innocence and Intrigue-The 50's" is the theme of the 13th annual McCuiustion Regional Medical Center Endowment Fund Gala set for Saturday, October 2. Arvin Starrett is chairing the event. Guests will dress in theme costume ranging from Bobbie Sox, Poodle Skirts, rolled up blue jeans

and white T-shirts to formal attire. Each year more than 200 volunteers are involved with the preparation of the gala. According to Raymond Armstrong, development manager for McCuiustion, underwriting for the gala has begun. For information, call 737-1161.

According to Carole Keeton Rylander, Comptroller of Public Affairs, the new sales tax holiday for clothing and footwear, will begin this year at 12:01 a.m. August 6 and continue through until midnight, August 8. The tax break, which is expected to save Texas consumers \$69.2 million in state sales taxes, and up to another \$15.5 million in local sales taxes over the biennium, was approved by the 1999 Texas Legislature.

alterations.

Tax free items include: baby clothes, bathing suits, belts with attached buckles, boots, cowboy, niking, bras, bridal apparel, not rentals, caps/hats, baseball, fishing, golf, knitted, choir robes, coats and wraps, costumes, diapers adult and baby, dresses, formal clothing, gloves, gym suits and uniforms, hooded shirts and hooded sweatshirts, hosiery, jackets, jeans, jerseys, baseball and football, jogging apparel, such as bras, suits and shorts, lingerie, neckwear and ties, pajamas, pants and trousers, raincoats and ponchos, robes, shirts, shoes, sandals, slippers, sneakers, tennis, walking, socks, shorts, suits, slacks and jackets, sweatshirts, sweatsuits, swim suits and trunks, tuxedos not rentals, underclothes, work clothes and uniforms.

Taxed: accessories generally barrettes, elastic pony tail holders, wallets, watches, backpacks, baseball cleats and pants, belt buckles without belts, climbing, fishing, rubber work, ski and wader boots, buttons and zippers, cloth and lace, knitting yarns and other fabrics, dry cleaning services, football pants, golf gloves, handbags and purses, handkerchiefs, hard hats, helmets, bike, baseball, football, hockey, motorcycle, sports, ice skates, jewelry, laundering services, leather goods except belts and wearing apparel, football, hockey, soccer, elbow, knee and shoulder pads, personal flotation devices, rented clothing including uniforms, formal wear and costumes, roller blades and skates, safety clothing, glasses, bicycle, bowling and golf shoes.

Here are some highlights about the sales tax holiday: The tax holiday will be held every year on the first Friday, Saturday and Sunday of August. This year, both state and local sales taxes will be waived. In future years, however, while the state sales tax will continue to be waived, cities, counties and other local taxing entities will have the choice of participating in the holiday or continuing to impose the tax.

Most clothing and footwear priced at least than \$100 will be exempt from sales taxes. Customers will receive the break on individual items, regardless of the amount they buy. Clothing and footwear that are used primarily for athletic activities or for protective wear are not eligible for the exemption. Customers buying golf cleats and football pads, for instance, must pay sales tax. Also not included in the sales tax holiday are accessories, such as jewelry and watches, items that are carried rather than worn, including handbags, briefcases and wallets and clothing rentals, such as formal wear and costume rentals, and repairs and

both singles and doubles games, is open to men, women and children, 12 years and over. Future tournament dates are September 25, October 30 and November 6. For more information contact Ed Harris at 562-1208.

**Horseshoe tournament to be held**

A horseshoe tournament will be held August 7 at Spring Park, 2nd and Ward, in Hughes Springs. Sign up will be at 10:30 a.m., with pitching beginning at 11:00 a.m. The tournament which will include

**Housing directors asked to consult**

Melba Ladd, Director of the Deport Housing Authority and Donna Rozell, Director of the Bogata Housing Authority, have been asked to serve on a team of HUD personnel, software vendors under contract to HUD and representatives of local housing authorities. This committee is being asked to complete a reporting program that will be used by East Texas Housing Authorities included in the litigation suit Young vs. Cuomo. From the 84 authorities, four directors were chosen; Melba Ladd from Deport, Donna Rozell from Bogata, Leanna Dickson from Port Arthur and Andy Davis from Tyler. The first meeting was held in Dallas on July 19-20-21 at the office of

the software vendor, Computer Program Services, Inc. Progress was made as members of the committee were given the opportunity to give input to the needs of all committee members.

Subsequent meetings are planned for the near future to address needs that will allow reporting by housing authorities that will serve the requirements of the court of Judge William Wayne Justiss.

The committee included one member from HUD Washington, D.C., four members from Ft. Worth office of HUD, seven members from Computer Programs Services, Inc., and the four housing directors.

**Wal-Mart donates to Project Graduation**

The Paris Wal-Mart presented Prairiland Project Graduation with a \$200 grant recently. This donation was raised with the help of Wal-Mart Associates and Prairiland Project Graduation members as part of the Wal-Mart Community Matching Grant program. "Our associates were thrilled to partner with Prairiland to raise funds for a worthwhile cause," said Linda Tosh, store manager. "The money will be utilized for programs in the local community and we are glad to support this organization. This is just a small part of Wal-Mart's ongoing commitment to the communities in which we operate."

The funds will go toward the operation of the 1999-2000 Project Graduation event.

Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. operates more than 2,400 stores and 450 Sam's Clubs in the United States and 725 units internationally. Globally, the company units are in Argentina (13), Brazil (14), Canada (152), Germany (95), Mexico (416), and Puerto Rico (15) and under joint venture agreements in China (5) and Korea (4). Wal-Mart employs more than 780,000 associates in the United States and 130,000 internationally. In 1998, the company raised and donated more than \$127 million in charitable organizations

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Texas-New Mexico Power Company ("TNMP"), which is an electric utility, and TNP Enterprises, Inc. ("TNP"), which is a public utility holding company and the parent corporation of TNMP, wish to inform you that on July 15, 1999, TNP and TNMP filed a Notice of Proposed Merger of TNP and ST Acquisition Corp., a wholly-owned subsidiary of SW Acquisition, L.P., as set out on the Application filed with the Commission, a copy of which is kept at our office at: 4100 International Plaza, Fort Worth, Texas 76109. The proposed transaction will not involve any change in ownership of the stock of TNMP and will not involve the transfer of TNMP's assets, or a transfer of any of TNMP's Certificates of Convenience and Necessity ("CCN"). No modification to TNMP's rates or services is being sought as a result of the proposed transaction. As a result of the proposed transaction, TNMP's capital structure will change from approximately 40% equity and 60% debt to approximately 38.4% equity and 61.6% debt. The capital structure of TNP, will change from approximately 39.7% and 60.6% debt, to approximately 17.3% equity and 82.7% debt.

Any persons wishing to intervene in this proceeding must file a written request with the Public Utility Commission, 1701 North Congress Avenue, P.O. Box 13325, Austin Texas, 78711-3326, no later than Monday, September 2, 1999. This case has been assigned as PUCT Docket Number 21112.

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Family Care Network welcomes Dr. Rick E. Erickson as a new member. A native of Pasadena, Texas, Dr. Erickson completed his internship and residency at the University of Oklahoma's Health Science Center in Oklahoma City. He received his medical degree from the University of Texas Health Sciences Center in Houston, while his undergraduate degree in biochemistry is from Texas A&M University. He and his wife, Shanon, have three children, Kara, Sam and Grant. Dr. Erickson will begin seeing patients on July 15.

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**Fulbright News**  
By Betty Rodgers  
652-6051

Clovis and Katy VanDeaver attended the 50th anniversary of Charles and Wanda Guest in Dangerfield recently. The annual Fulbright Community ice cream supper will be held at the community center Monday night, August 16. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the fellowship and ice cream. Clovis and Katy VanDeaver attended the funeral for Dugan Varner in Bogata Sunday. Several people from Fulbright Baptist Church are attending revival services this week at Bethel, Cunningham, Faith, Fulbright and Pattonville Baptist Churches.

I would like to announce the closing of Lorry's Hair Designs effective July 31, 1999. In order to facilitate a smooth transition, Suzanne Taylor will be taking over the business effective August 1. I hope all of my customers will give Suzanne the same opportunities you have given me. I would like to apologize for the subtlety of this decision, but it was necessary for me to take advantage of this opportunity.

It has been a pleasure living and working in this community. I would like to thank all of my customers who have supported me over the last nine years. I can not begin to express my gratitude to all of you for your loyalty and support. I will miss all of you very much.  
Thanks again **Lorry Randolph**

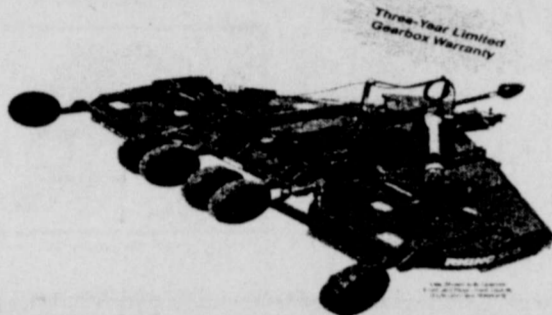
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'97 Chevrolet Cavalier P883 \$9,995	'97 Chevrolet Monte Carlo 6535A \$10,995	'97 Ford 3/4 Ton Pickup 6812A \$14,995	'97 Chevrolet Lumina 6621A \$10,995	'96 Dodge Stratus 6737A \$7,995
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## Milton News

By Mattylu Upchurch

Kasie Bowling was honored with a birthday party Friday at the home of her great-grandparents, Frank and Edna Lee. Friends and relatives attended.

Bob and Buena Marshall and John Pettit of DeSoto spent the weekend with Callie and Rudy Carrasco of San Antonio.

Stacy Huddleston visited her grandmother, Mildred Wright, Thursday and had lunch.

Helen Temple and Hattie Hobbs of Paris visited John and Velma Temple on Friday.

Visiting Nanie Ham and Harold and Nell Shull the past weekend were Wanda Bradley and Nina Hale from Red Oak, Pat and Ken Copeland from Jacksonville and Phyllis and Matt Covington from Reno.

Evelyn Roach of Deport had lunch with Dorothy and James Holt on Thursday.

Ann Ford of Paris had dinner with

Mattylu Upchurch on Friday.

Richard Winkler spent Friday and Saturday with George and Nell Wolf.

Tim Parks of Faught spent Sunday with his grandparents, James and Dorothy Holt.

Cindy and Bert Filkins and Joseph went to Cash on Sunday to visit Bobbie Chambliss.

Ronny and Ellen Pettit of Irving spent the weekend at their home here.

Charity Huddleston spent Friday and Friday night with Stacy and Allen Huddleston. They enjoyed swimming.

Fred Swint, Jr. visited George and Nell Wolf Thursday.

Stan and Shirley Schofield of Danville, Illinois visited Monday with James and Dorothy Holt. James and Stan were based together in England with the 8th Air Force in World War II. They had seen each other twice in 54 years. James and Dorothy met them in Paris later for lunch.

### Wedding shower to honor couple

Georjeana Oats and Brad Nutt will be honored with a wedding shower on August 14, at 7:00 p.m. at the Life Tabernacle Church in Cunningham. All friends and family are invited to attend.

Her selection is at Spangler's.

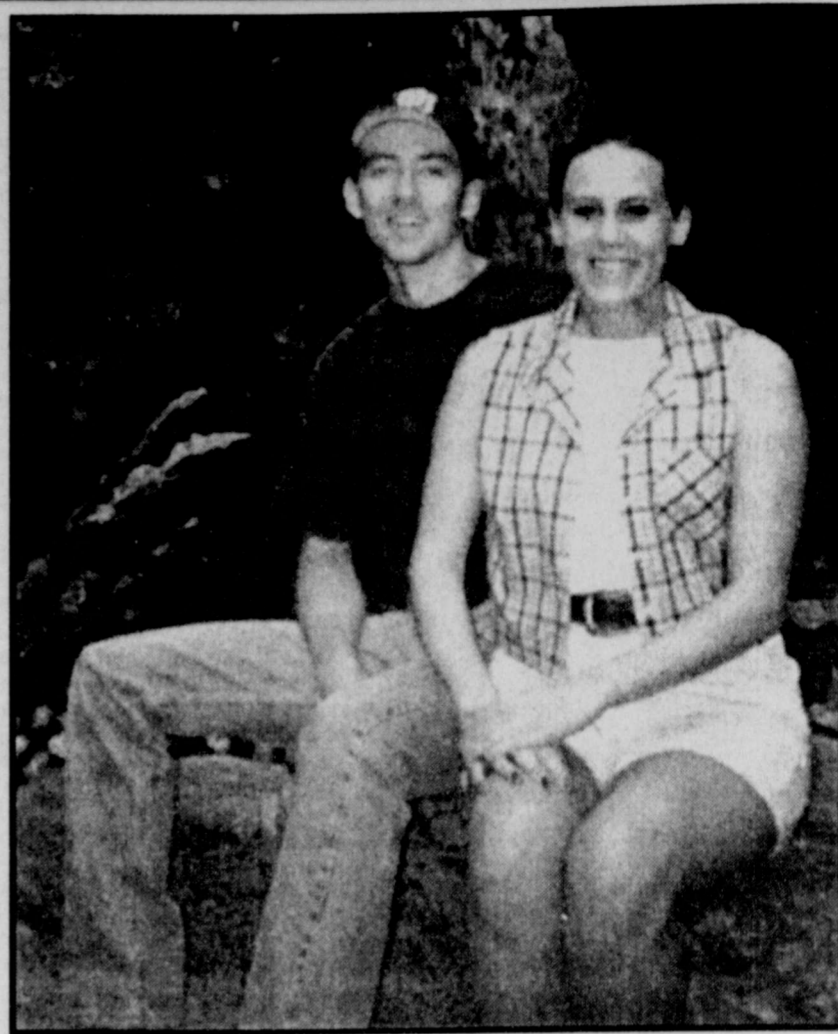
### Deport Housing Authority News



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Children enjoying the cool retreat of the computer lab has been Josh and Sara Benfer, Joel Searls, Chris and Johnny Farmer, Richard and Amanda Denman, Lindsay Kelley, Mandy Weddle, Josh Brown, Jace Short, Joseph Filkins, Dustin and Bradley Frazier. They tell me school will start August 12.

The monthly birthday party was held on Thursday, July 28. The weather was so hot there were not as many able to attend. Those who did were Alpha Barnard, Mavis Sowards, Eunice Sugg, Maud Webb, Mae Storm, Mildred Wright and Phyllis Gifford.



Lindsay Danielle Wright with fiance Jason Ty Anderson

### Wright-Anderson to exchange wedding vows

Donnie and Laura Wright of Deport proudly announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Lindsay Danielle Wright to Jason Ty Anderson.

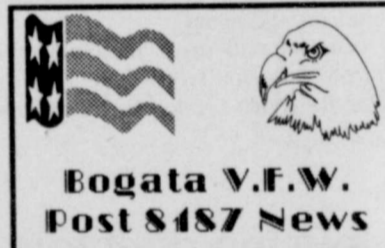
The couple will be married at five o'clock in the evening on Saturday, August 14, 1999 at the Presbyterian Church of Deport. The Rev. Ed Dodson will perform the ceremony.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of Mildred Wright of Deport and the late Johnnie Wright and Vivian Enloe of Paris and the late Stanley W.

Enloe. She is a graduate of Prairiland High School and is employed by McCuiston Regional Medical Center in the Purchasing Department.

Her fiance is the son of Cecil Anderson and Nancy Matthews. He is the grandson of Dorothy Anderson and the late W.V. Anderson, and the late Roy and Josephine Fults. He is a graduate of Paris High School and is employed by Martin Sprocket and Gear in the Engineering Department.

Friends and family are invited to attend.



Bogata V.F.W. Post 8487 News

### EMT programs to begin in fall

The EMT-Basic and EMT-Intermediate emergency health programs will begin at PJC this fall.

Both programs will begin September 7 in the Alford Center at PJC. Classes will meet two nights per week.

The programs include curriculum

that is required by the Texas Department of Health. A college entrance exam is not required for these courses.

Enrollment is limited to 15 persons in each of the programs. Call 782-0445 for information.

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Knowledge may give weight, but accomplishments give luster, and many more people see than weigh.

—Philip Dormer Stanhope

### Hulsey family reunion is planned for September

The 15th annual Hulsey reunion will be held September 2-5 at the Red River Bible Camp, northwest of Paris, Texas. Overnight accommodations are available.

saturday, September 4th is Family Day. Everyone is invited to come and bring food for their family to be shared by all. Events for the day will include a family portrait, auction, white elephant sale and a business meeting.

anyone wishing information about the reunion may contact Margaret Allen at home at 903-784-2973 or Ernestine Halston, Dallas, Tex. 214-391-9879.

They will break camp early on Sunday, September 5th. Please plan to attend.

### Legal Secretary associate degree offered at PJC

The Office Technology program at Paris Junior College has added a new associate degree opportunity to its curriculum.

Students can now follow the professional secretary curriculum but specialize in legal secretarial procedures to earn an Associate of Applied Science Degree as a legal secretary.

The program follows the policies prescribed by the National Association of Legal Secretaries (NALS). Upon completion of an associate degree, students can take additional courses to earn an advanced skills mastery certification that is recognized by the NALS.

Also within the Office Technology Department, students can earn an Associate of Applied Science Degree as a professional secretary without the legal option. There are also certificate programs in medical transcription and medical assisting, as well as in word and information processing.

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Criteria for the district selection included media representative's efforts to get to know the superintendent, board president, and the district's mission and goals; report school news in a fair, accurate, and balanced manner; give a high profile to positive news about schools; visit the schools; and maintain a policy of no surprises by sharing information with school officials.

In most cases, local school boards passed a formal resolution to add names of media from their communities. The Media Honor Roll will appear in the August/September issue of TASB's Texas Lone Star, and certificates were created for presentation at the local level.

TASB is a voluntary, non profit association established 50 years ago to serve local Texas school districts. It includes 1,046 school districts and county school boards, 44 junior colleges, 48 tax appraisal districts, 156 cooperatives, and 20 education service centers. The districts they represent have a combined annual budget of \$21 billion and employ more than 500,000 people.

## Bereaved parents group to discuss grief

All people at one time or another have contact with someone who is grieving the death of a loved one. Death and grief are a part of life and living. At the Bereaved Parents Support Group everyone has experienced a loss, usually of their child. Death, however, is not fair, it is not spread around so everyone gets their share. It often comes in two's and three's to some persons and families. Members of the support group will share their life experiences and the differences in the grief processes when faced with the loss of a child, a spouse, two children, a parent, sibling and other loved ones whose loss impacted their lives. Sometimes these losses were close together, at the same time or spread among years and often they revived or heightened previous grief experiences. Martha Duke, a member who lost her daughter, Leah, through murder and about three years later lost her husband, will assist Irene Bryant. Irene lost her son through a vehicle accident after losing her brother and father, each impacting her life and changed how she grieves.

Come, join us as we share our experiences in an effort to help others. The meeting will be Monday, August 9, 1999 at 7 p.m. at the TU Electric Building located at 635 Clarksville Street, Paris.

For more information call Jayne Anderson at 903-785-7781 or Irene Bryant at 903-982-6176 or Ginger Dudley at 580-326-2896.



**ENJOYING THE BUTTERCUPS:** Mollie and Macy Malone, twin granddaughters of Carroll Wayne and Betty Malone, are enjoying the buttercups this year. They are the daughters of Barry and Dawn Malone.

## Bogata couple loses horses in Cruelty complaint

Red River County Justice of the Peace J.R. Lewis ordered on Monday morning, August 2, that three horses and two mules belonging to Chris and Wendy Albritton of Bogata, TX be sold, concluding the 9:00 a.m. hearing to determine what would be done with the animals.

Earlier in July, the couple had been cited for violation of a Bogata city ordinance concerning animals being housed inside the city limits. The couple had asked for a trial by jury concerning this ordinance.

This citation was followed by a complaint of animal cruelty being filed against the couple by the Lamar County Humane Society.

Upon the cruelty to animals charge being filed, both Chris and Wendy Albritton were arrested by Red River County officials and placed in Red River County Jail last week for violation of a Class A Misdemeanor until they posted bond for their release. Bond for each was set at \$1,000.00.

The original complaint to the City of Bogata was lodged against the Albrittons last year by Bogata citizens concerned with the animals' welfare.

The complaint alleged that five animals were being kept in the couple's back yard, three of which were chained to trees, making it impossible for them to reach food and water, had it been available to them.

Following testimony from Bogata Police Chief Charles Clegg, Mrs. Georgia Fergen representing the Lamar County Humane Society, Dr. Hardy Stewardson, D.V.M., and Bogata citizen Donna Rozell, Judge Lewis heard testimony from Chris Albritton, refuting the claims made against himself and his wife, Wendy.

Chief Clegg gave an update on dates of complaints filed and his investigation into the charges from the City of Bogata's standpoint.

Georgia Fergen from the Lamar County Humane Society, stated

through documented reports of her investigation of the complaints and her on site visits, found that the animals were in poor physical condition and that adequate food, water and shelter was not offered to the animals. Three of the animals, Mrs. Fergen continued, were chained to the trees in such a manner that they could not even lay down to sleep or rest. She testified that the animals were not given access to water or food, even though temperatures had soared over the 100° range.

She also stated that a round bale of hay had been donated to the Humane Society for these particular animals by Roy Marris and that he had personally delivered the hay to the animals. When that bale of hay was gone, the Albritton's called the Humane Society again for assistance, and she and her husband donated their personal hay to the animals, which was delivered by her husband.

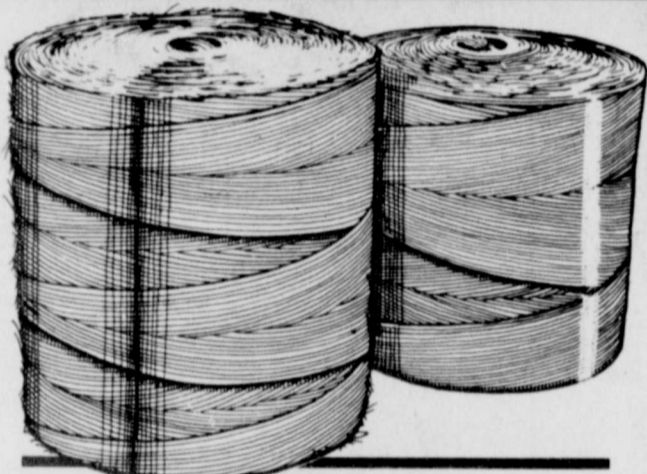
Dr. Stewardson testified that upon his inspection of the animals, and he stated that all five animals were in similar physical condition, that "on a scale of 1 to 10; 10 being obese, 1 being a walking skeleton, and 5 being in good physical condition, the condition of the animals was about a 1 1/2."

In their defense, Chris Albritton presented feed bills to the court, and their plans to obtain more property for the animals in question. He stated that they did indeed feed and water the animals, but usually at such a time that no one was aware of it.

Concluding the testimony and upon Judge Lewis' determination of the facts presented, Lewis ruled that the animals, now in the custody of Dr. Stewardson, be sold, with proceeds from the sale going first toward the expenses incurred by the animals, and the remainder being forwarded to the Albrittons.

Charges are pending with the Red River County District Attorney.

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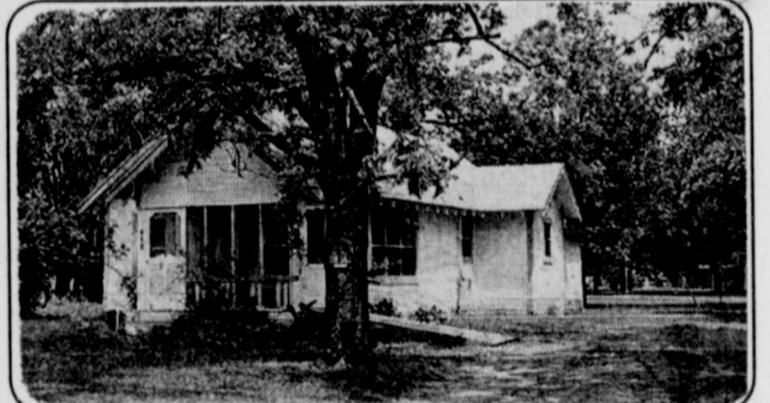
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New and returning full-time students who take at least six credit hours of radio related courses will be eligible for the scholarships, according to Fine Art Department Chairman Ray Karrer. Students receiving these scholarships will have assigned responsibilities in the operation of the college's radio station, KGDD, 1250 AM.

"The purpose of the scholarships is to provide opportunities for students to work on-air and learn first hand how a radio station operates," Karrer said. "They will actually be part of the daily operating staff".

These work scholarships will amount to \$500 per student for the fall semester, and \$500 for the spring semester. The Summer I and Summer II semester scholarships will be \$250 each. There will be eight awarded each semester.

Radio courses being offered this fall include COMM 2120 (Media Lab); COMM 2331 (Radio Announcing); COMM 2339 (Writing for Radio). Students taking any of these courses must also take COMM 1307 (Intro to Mass Communications) if they have not completed that course.

Persons interested in applying for these scholarships can call Karrer at 903 782-0242 or come by his office in the Administration Building on the PJC Campus.

## Deport Nursing Home News

By Cletta Mathis



Visiting Dow South Jr. was Pat Porter and Jean Goforth.

Visiting Cletus Thomas was Chuck and Rose Matthews, Irene Bryant, Brian and Marleena Proffer, Michelle Bryant.

Visiting Ethel Elrod was James and Tiara Elrod, Lori and Dylan Lee.

Visiting Loveta McMurray was Charles and Linda Borzer, Amy, Holly and Rachel.

Visiting Alma Montgomery was Monda.

Visiting Reecie Kelsey was Peyton Chapman. Visiting Sara Gilmer was Marline, Peggy Margie and Lynda and Dewey.

Visiting Ray Wells was Mary Miller, Linda Inn, an, James Wells and Glenn Wells.

Visiting Lillie Durham was Royce and Nona Johnson.

Visiting Mamie Fletcher was Hali and Lila Screws, Glenda King, Dennis Fletcher.

Visiting Bill Powers was MOrris and Ida Lamkin of Onalaska, Tx.; Robert and Cheryl Royall of Highlands, Tx., Justin Royall of Highlands.

Visiting Milow Hume was Weldon Hume and Jean Richards of Campbell.

Visiting Mary Helen Long was Barbara Walters.

Visiting Angie Smith was Heather and Clista Filkins, Shawna and Karen Cherry, Shirley Haskel, Dale Smith, Don and Larry Smith, Darrell Smith and Sue Goley.

Visiting Johnnie Warren was Glenda King, Lila Screws, Hali Screws, Barbara and Fred Biggerstaff, Etheline Jean Richard of Commerce, Nanie Ham, Evelyn Roach and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Allen.

Visiting Purna Haydock was Barbara and Fred Biggerstaff, Linda Spears, Mr. Earnest Ham of Red Oak, Nanie Ham, Evelyn Roach, Belinda Zanfordino, Martha Glover.

Visiting Raymond Hignint was Wenell Callaway, Nanie Ham, Purna Haydock, Belinda Zanfordino, Glenna Fendley, Patsy Curtis, Ray Fry.



BLOSSOM LIBRARY volunteers presented Chris McKinney a T-shirt for his volunteer work with the summer library program this year. Pictured are Peggy Johnston, Chris McKinney and Sue Clarkson.

## News From The Past

Taken from a August 6, 1959  
Deport Times

A search had been made in an area east of Talco when a Talco couple said they thought they heard an airplane radio in on Tuesday. The pilot, a Columbia, Mo. doctor and the plane had not been found. The couple reported hearing a plane and "it's radio working" the night the craft disappeared.

Four cases of polio had been reported in Red River County within the last month.

G.C. Doolin had been named as the new high school principal and coach of Deport High School. LHe had come to Deport from West Delta and had 13 years in the teaching profession.

Contiguous rains that had harassed insect-ridden cotton had resulted in many cropdusting planes coming into the area to poison by air.

Clovis VanDeaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. T.M. VanDeaver of Fulbright, had assumed the duties of principal of the Hempstead High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sparks of Pattonville had order teh Deport Times sent to their son-in-law, Bobby Winters at Huntsville. He was attending SHSTC.

From the 10-20-30-40-50 years before were these items. from 1949- a shipment of 20 carloads of watermelons grown at Blossom had been shipped out by rail.

From 1939-Miss Lois Harvey had gone to Schroon, N.Y. to study voice at Oscar Seagle's Colony.

From 1929-An X-Ray machine had been installed at the Deport Sanatorium.

A barn on the Jesse Smith place at Cunningham had died.

From 1919-John Thompson and Merle Anderson had married.

The first land sale in this area for \$300 per acre had been made.

The Minter grader-with 16 mules hitched to it was busy grading the Minter-Clardy road.

Mrs. Phillip Grant and niece Marijo Kirkland had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ed Helleny and family in Herrin, Ill.

Mrs. R.W. Cooley and Mrs. Robert Brackeen had visited Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gardner. Mr. and Mrs. James Holt and children Kay, Barbara and Johnnie, left for Rio Hondo for a ten day visit with Rev. and Mrs. Byron Holt and son.

## Environmental Crimes Workshop cancelled

The Environmental Crimes Workshops scheduled for August 9, 1999 from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and August 10, 1999 from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 in the Paris Jr. College Ballroom has been cancelled. If you have any questions or need further information, please call Diane Atkinson or Glenda Simpson at 903- 832-8636.



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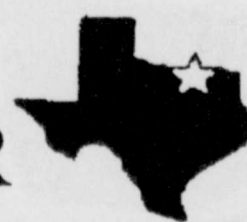
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## Horses can serve as warning signs of mosquito-borne encephalitis

Mosquitoes, as standard operating procedure, can make life miserable for humans, poultry, horses and livestock. This summer, there is a small chance that in East Texas a common garden variety mosquito bite can lead to death.

Texas Department of Health officials have reported incidences of eastern equine encephalitis in East Texas. Eastern equine encephalitis (EEE) is a disease that can be fatal to both horses and humans. In Louisiana, the disease has been cycling for more than two months, killing 40 horses and an uncounted number of emus. Most recently, two humans in Louisiana have been infected, with one man still in a coma. The eastern variety does not just kill those with weakened immune systems like the other varieties do. It can strike down a man in the prime of life. It is something to be concerned about.

Recently, the disease has spilled over to the East Texas counties of Jasper, Harrison, Cherokee and Hardin. Though no East Texans have

yet to become infected, 30 to 40 emus have died of the disease in Jasper County, while in Harrison, Cherokee and Hardin counties there are reports of horses either killed or diagnosed with the disease.

Entomologists don't know which mosquito species transmits the disease, but they do know that Western Louisiana and East Texas are home to the same species. This week, Dr. Jimmy Olsen and members of his staff collected mosquitoes in East Texas counties where horses and emus were infected. They hope to determine exactly which species of mosquito is the vector. If identified, it will be possible to predict which counties are at risk. Until then, it would be wise to consider any mosquito suspect.

Once infected, horses begin to show clinical signs of EEE in about 5 days while symptoms in humans take 7 to 10 days to appear. The mortality rate in horses infected with EEE is from 50 to 90%. The fatality rate in humans is 65 to 80%, according to a

Texas Department of Health release.

There is an EEE vaccine for horses but not for humans. People are urged to lower their risk by wearing long-sleeved shirts and pants and using mosquito repellent. The most effective products will contain Deet, but the strength of the active ingredient will vary. Look for Deet or N,N diethyl-m-toluamide on the list of ingredients and choose a product with the highest concentration.

Because horses show symptoms quicker than humans, they can act as sentinels for EEE activity in an area. Symptoms in horses include: fever, irregular gait, wandering, circling incoordination, yawning, grinding of teeth, pendulous lower lip, the inability to swallow, paralysis and occasional convulsions.

In humans, the symptoms include: fever, headache, vomiting, lethargy, neck stiffness and coma. Again, everyone is urged to use mosquito spray as self protection.

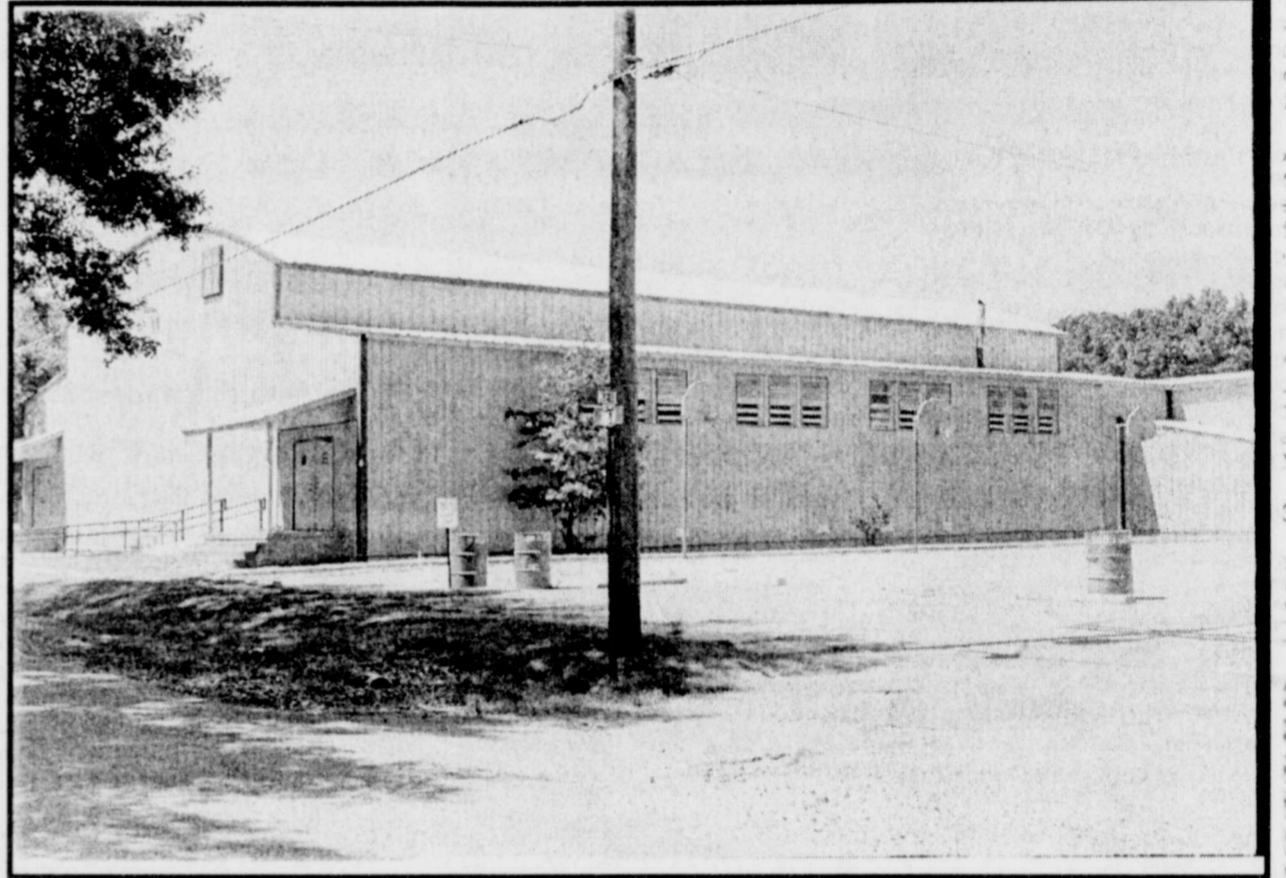
### Fake food workshop scheduled at Maxey

The ginger cake, plum pudding, petit fours and candies that grace the dining table during special days at the Maxey House are fake.

A fake food workshop will be held at the Maxey House on Wednesday, August 18 from 19 a.m. until noon. Registration and materials cost \$10.00. Space is limited and pre-registration is recommended.

Call the Maxey House at 785-5716 for reservations.

The class will make ginger cake/plum pudding, petit fours and candy canes.



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BLOSSOM GYM get a new face lift over the summer. James Winters and crew out of Paris renovated the outside of the Blossom Gym over the summer and gave it a new look for the upcoming school year that begins on August 12.

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**PIZZA AND MOVIE**-The Children's Sunday School Class at First Baptist Church of Deport was treated to pizza and a movie on Thursday, July 22. Those enjoying the activities were Erika Ham, Ethan Ham, Susan Anderson, Charity Huddleston, Jordan Williamson, Justin Williamson, Chancy Williams, Angela Morrell, Destiny Anderson, Kaitlyn Alexander, Matt Merritt, Kandace Denison, Leah Boren, Drew Boren, Stacy Huddleston, Candi Williamson, Linda Williams, Beverly Ham and Kristi Boren.

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Happy birthday to Cindy Benfer, Edith Davis, Lillie Mae Frazier, Randa Riddle, Sharon Lutch, Laurie Cathey, Elizabeth Brunson, John Gifford, Kevin Reily, Mavis Sowards, Mabel Dean Harvey, Matthew McEntyre, Purna Haydock, Susan Morris, Betty Andrews, Evelyn Roach, Amy Beth Strickland, Billy Davis, Lillie Dunham, Keith Perry,

Belinda Ebarb, Carol Jean Gullede, Doug Winters, Jonathon LaRue, Karenb Kincaid Pritchard, Kathy Whittle Bice, Katherine Ann Farmer, Jennifer Thomas, Joyce Berry, Michael Houston, Paul Jackson, Amy Talley, Billee Smith, Buster Crossland.

Happy anniversary to Kay and Kelly Ellis and Marie and Jim Kunkel. Dora McEntyre, Martha Goines, Mike and Debbie McEntyre, Julie Davis attended the McEntyre family reunion on August 1 at the Paris fairgrounds. Dora will be spending 3 days in Oklahoma to attend the Indian Dance Festival.

Marilyn Glover and Ruth Skaggs were dinner guests of Christine Skaggs in Mt. Pleasant on Friday. They visited Tonya and Joe Hill Taylor while there.

Curt Upchurch from Amarillo, Jack and Glenda Ballard of Texarkana, Tony Corso of Minter and Belinda Antone of New York visited Shorty Ballard in the past week.

Meeting Mavis Sowards and helping her celebrate a birthday with breakfast Saturday at the Holiday Inn were Reba Temple, Thelma Warren, Ruth Murrell, Virginia Kirkland, Ina, Nina and Elois Sparks.

Mable Lynn had as houseguests Sunday and Monday, her niece and husband, Barbara and Jim Best from San Diego. They are on their way to Indiana.

Having lunch Saturday with Virginia Kirkland were Kelly Kay Gifford of Dallas, Marijo and Shelby Bono of Paris, Brandon Oats of Cunningham and Ruth Murrell.

Robert and Melody Bailey have purchased the Chad Barnes house in Deport and are now residing here.

Tina and Daniel Strain and son Colton have moved from Deport to Reno.

Spending Wednesday and Thursday with Carlos and Melba Ladd were Lynn and Daniel Moses from Plano.

Having dinner with Thomas and Nanalee Nichols Saturday night was Dicky and Jayne King.

Sunday night dinner guests of the Nichols' were Donny and Dawne Darden.

**Depression**

Feeling "depressed" may be a fleeting mood of a few moments to several days--what is usually referred to as "feeling blue" or "being down." This is not diagnosed as depression, medically speaking, and, in most cases, can be self-treated. Each of us knows what diversions will lift our spirits, and we usually seek that sort of distraction to dispel the temporary depressed feeling. In addition, it is natural for people who have had a recent loss, for instance, to feel grief, sadness and other symptoms of "depression" for even a longer period of time. This kind of grief reaction is also not considered a medical problem unless it persists.

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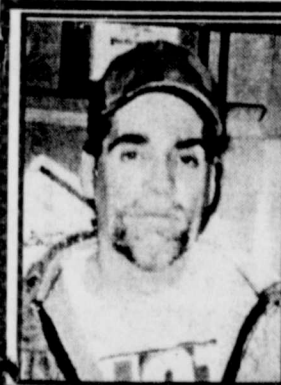
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Rural Development through the Rural Housing Service, makes loans to low and very low income rural families for the purchase or construction of modest, energy efficient homes. In addition, they work with lenders throughout the state to provide guaranteed loans and leveraged financing to low and moderate income

come families to make loans available with no down payment requirement and minimal out of pocket expenses for closing costs. Home Improvement loans at 1% interest are available to very low income homeowners, with the possibility of some grant funds for applicants over 62 years of age.

Rural Development, formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, strives to provide decent, safe and sanitary housing in rural communities in rural communities. The Mt. Pleasant Office of Rural Development serves the ten counties in northeast Texas. For more information about the programs offered, please call Jacki Brown or Darlene Stephenson at Mt. Pleasant Area Office at 903-572-5411 extension 4. It is requested that anyone with an existing loan or application on file should call the Mt. Pleasant office in advance of the office day they plan to attend, so that the representative can have their file available for the conference.

## Kennedy/Deweese reunion held

Descendants of Hiram Kennedy/Sarah Jane Deweese held a reunion on June 26 at Life Tabernacle Church in Cunningham.

Born in the year 1811 in Kentucky, Hiram Kennedy came to Lamar County in the mid 1850's and settled near what is now Cunningham.

On Friday, June 25, an informal get together was held at the Holiday Inn in Paris. On Saturday, 89 relatives and friends assembled at Cunningham to share a day of visiting, sharing photos/memories and learning about the Kennedy heritage.

An award was given to Imogene Kennedy Crossland for her extensive genealogy research and for planning the first family reunion. An award was also given to Roxie Kennedy Thomassen for overseeing the input of the family genealogy on computer and for dedicated service as secretary.

Gifts were presented to the oldest present, Daulty Bell, age 90; youngest present, Anna Marie Kennedy, 5 months; traveled most miles, Kai and Roxie Thomassen, Torrance, CA. Bobby Ray Kennedy won the traveling family quilt.

Attending were Kenny Kennedy, Wesley, Karen, Lauren, Alexandra and Esther Tarpley, Houston; Jack and Nita Spear Williams, Temple; Kai and Roxie Thomassen, Torrance, CA; Deveral and Elaine Kennedy, Sherman; Geral and Joy Kennedy, Sulphur Springs; Butch and Jan Nichols, Wills Point; Phil, Karol,

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Those attending from Paris were Heath and Laytner Kennedy, Larry and Virginia Bell, Lonnie, Betty, Billy and Jade Kennedy, Colt Redus, Benny and Doris Kennedy.

Date for the next two year reunion is June 16, 2001.

## Burglaries are Crimes 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 crimes.

Sometime during the night of Friday, June 25, unknown suspects forced entry into the coin operated machines and money changers at the three car washes in Reno and Blossom. These burglaries resulted in over \$7,000 in lost and damaged property. Then again on Monday, July 5, two more car washes in the same area

were broken into, resulting in over \$5,000 in lost and damaged property.

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

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**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Youth Group has returned from a trip to Hesperus Baptist Encampment in Hesperus, Colorado. Eleven youth and five adults made the journey together. According to Pastor Freddy Burden, this was a very successful trip. Those making the trip were Marty Anderson, Brent Burden, Nathan Burden, Joel Searles, Drew Boren, Leah Boren, Kandi Wright, Kandace Denison, Heather Anderson, Lacie Davis, Leslie Davis, Randy Boren, Kristy Boren, Kyle Wright, Lisa Wright and Freddy Burden.**

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Everyone is invited to attend the revival services this week through Friday night at the 7:00 p.m. nightly at the Post Oak Baptist Church.

After last Wednesday night services at the Post Oak Church Betty and Newman Low hosted a fellowship at their home. Refreshments were served and they practiced some new songs.

Bro. and Mrs. E.R. Reynolds had their daughter, Vanessa Potter and family of Houston visit them a few days last week.

Frank Lee fell in his pasture one day last week and cracked his collarbone.

Rayford Cagle of Burnett was here visiting his mother, Louise Cagle over the weekend, and moved the hay while here and other things that needed doing.

Newman and Betty Low went sight-seeing in Arkansas last Thursday. They report that their grandson, Jerald Williams, who is in the Marines and is in school in San Antonio will graduate this Thursday and will be leaving in a few days to go to North Carolina.

Modie Johnson visited her aunt Louise Cagle last Friday afternoon.

Buford Cleveland has returned home from Dallas and is doing well following heart surgery at Presbyterian Hospital early last week.

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**Blossom Locals**

Happy Birthdays this week to: Rocky Latham, Charis Hyde, Alyssa Miller, Jerika Langston, Cassie Cullum, Michael Madewell, Jay Oliver, Douglas Abramski, Leigh Stone, Justin Pricer, Sherry Gibson, Dustin Bangs, Shelby Stewart, Toni Baker, Michael L. Smith, Clifton Hughes, Bud Pool, Carly Scott, Philip Cato, Bessie Garrett, Chris Tuern.

Congratulations to Davonna Brumley and Troy Jackson. They

were married Friday night at the Blossom Church of God.

Our condolence to Pat Williams and family on the recent loss of their mother.

The Jack Ballard family visited with Mary Jane Lowry. Jack and Glenda Ballard and Marlina and Jordan spent the day, they are from Texarkana.

Rhonda Rsberry of Plano and Karen Kraft of Dallas came Thursday to celebrate Ethan Rsberry's 3rd birthday to Floyd and Emma Willard's

Steven and Renea Long and Nell Dell spent Saturday with Floyd and Emma Willard. Mib and Joe Myers of Post Oak and Juanita and R.L. Garret also visited Saturday evening.

Oak Hill Baptist Church is having a bake sale and Barbecue Sale Saturday, August 7th in Blossom on Front St.

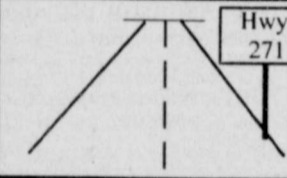
Several area boys played in the Dixie Pre-Majors World Series in Euless over the weekend as members of the Paris Pre-Majors Baseball Team after winning the state championship last weekend. They are: Jonathan Martin and Chris Berry of Blossom and Matt Cavender and Kyle Malone of Deport. Congratulations to them all!

Special get well wishes go out to Pam Wood who was hospitalized last Thursday.

The Blossom Library held their closing ceremony on Wednesday as part of the summer reading program. Area children received pizza, cookies and soft drinks.

Thelma Gardiner of Dallas was here a few days last week to attend the wedding of Davonna Brumley and visit with Pat and Clarence Hintz.

**Pattonville News**  
 By Peggy Parsons



Happy anniversary to Michael and Kristina Crossland.

Happy birthday to Buster Crossland and Doug Winters.

Congratulations to Jeremy and Ashley Day on the arrival of their daughter, Madison Lane. Donald and Lynn Day and Tina Gibson are grandparents. Belle Day and Dalton and Brenda Gibson are great-grandparents.

Elois Sparks called and visited with Mary Evelyn Meek of Tyler to check on Vada Mae Hoover last week. We are happy to report that she continues to improve daily.

Judy Ellington of Huntsville, Doug Winters, Tiffany and Colton of Bryan spent the weekend with Keith and Peggy Parsons. Eating and visiting with them Saturday and Sunday were Ina and Nina Sparks of Deport, Mark and Tonya Parsons, Haley and Ty of Rowlett, John Nash of Sanders Cove, Randy and Kristi Boren, Drew and Leah.

Doug Winters attended his 1979 class reunion of Prairiland High School Saturday at the Paris Golf and Country Club. He joined classmates Ben Holland, Tony Malone and Downy Downs for a round of golf Saturday afternoon.

Raymond and Frances Hoover, Judy Ellington and Peggy Parsons were visitors of Nettie Chappell at Paris Crescent Center.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cleaver of Paris, Bobby Chapman of Nash, Pat Farris of Deport, Clyde and Helen Brown of Reno, Ruby Ray of Blossom and friend Jean of Detroit, Howard Higdon and Bill Geer were visitors of Buster and Louise Crossland.

Having Sunday lunch with Harry and Joyce Wilson were Faith Wilson and Curtis Blake and Savannah of Paris, Terry, Matt and Natalie Wil-

son. A.L. Hood of Reno was a Sunday visitor of Gerald Hood and Barbara McDowra.

Nick McDowra, grandson of Barbara McDowra competed and won first place in the 11-12 male 50-yard backstroke race at the TAAF 1999 Games of Texas Recreation Swimming Championship in Waco, July 23-24. Jakob McDowra also competed and improved on his time.

Megan Graham is a member of the Paris Quicksilver Softball Team that played in Irving this weekend in the National Amateur Softball Association 16 and under Area National Fastpitch Softball Tournament.

Mickey Keener of Longview, Sandy Ring and Ashleigh visited Bill and Ruby Dee Blevins. Ruby Dee was sick over the weekend.

Randy and Kristi Boren, Drew and Leah and Heather Anderson, Kandace Denison, Leslie Davis, Lacy Davis, Marty Anderson, Joel Searles, Freddie Burden, Nathan Burden, Brent Burden, Kyle and Lisa Wright and Kandi of First Baptist Church of Deport were in Hesperus, CO last week attending and helping with church camp. They returned Saturday.

L.C. and Jerry Nell Stout were in Telico Plaines, TN and Murphy, NC for the Lee's family reunion last week.

Having lunch with Debbie Currin and Travis and Tonya Hunter and children, Christian, Jeremy and Courtney Danielle on Sunday were James and Sunny Whitney of Deport, Graydon and Beverly Whitney of Royce City, Bill and Belinda Dickey, Brian, Darrell Lynn, Katherine Johnson, Glen Maddox, Daniel and Elaine Winn, all of Sulphur Springs and John and Claudia Whitney of Deport.

**Genealogical society to meet**

The Red River County Genealogical Society will meet Monday, August 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the Red River County Library.

Speaker will be Faye Chism of Grand Prairie, whose subject is "2 1/2 hours at the Texas Archives."










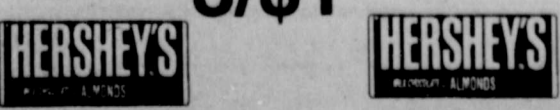

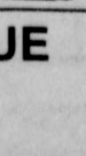
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