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It's a National Conspiracy I hate to write this column, but it has to be done. For years I have believed all the bear stories readers and friends told us about. Long-time readers may recall that Thomas and I have tried everything to see a bear in the wild. When I commented on that fact I was deluged with stories, photos and tales of all the bears people have seen.

Well, I've decided that it's a nation-wide conspiracy.

Thomas, his sister Mary, and myself took a quick trip to the Great Smoky Mountains this past weekend.

First, I read in the park guide about the extremely large number of bear cubs born this past year. Park sightings are way up, and they estimate there is now a bear per square mile of the park. Hooray, we thought, a good chance to see a bear.

Over the weekend as we diligently toured the park here are a FEW of the bear stories we heard.

One couple we talked with at a gorgeous scenic overlook told us all about seeing a mother bear in a hickory tree at Cades Cove ripping off chunks of branches and throwing them down to her two cubs.

Another woman told us about how she was standing in the dark filming the lights of Gatlinburg below when she heard a rustle in the leaves and looked into the eyes of a bear not three feet from her.

"We looked into one another's eyes and each respected the other," she gushed.

At a visitors center we heard form a mother and daughter who had seen a bear at Cades Cove. They were local residents and also swore that if "you went to Bennetts BBQ in Gatlinburg there was a bear that came down behind the restaurant at 9 p.m. every night".

We heard other bear stories, but won't continue.

We spent three nights in an isolated cabin in the middle of the woods. We drove every remote back road in the park, hitting areas where we saw no other cars for hours on end. We hiked trails, we went to Cades Cove.

We saw a huge flock of wild turkeys. We saw beautiful deer. We saw woodchucks and birds. We stopped and looked at large black rocks in the bushes, thinking they might be a bear. No bears. Big surprise.

I have come to a conclusion. Either we are the only two people in the entire United States who have NOT seen a bear in the wild...or (and I think this is the case) everyone else is a liar.

That's it. Everyone says they have seen bears. They haven't. There aren't any. I don't care how many photos you send me. I don't care how many stories you tell me. I don't believe that there are any bears in North America in the wild. So there!

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WET BUT STILL FUN-in spite of heavy rain, the Deport Trades Day had a good day and lots of fun. Sales were brisk in garage sale items and food sold by the Deport Bucket Brigade. (Staff Photo by Mike Francies)

Time to submit veterans stories, photos for special edition

It is almost Veterans Day and it is time to turn in your memories of time spent in the armed services.

Please submit your stories, and any interesting photographs or documents that we could copy for use in the yearly Veterans Edition.

Please take time to send in your memories. Mail to Thunder Prairie Publish-

ing, P.O. Box 98, Deport Tx., 75435, or drop by the Deport Times Office, Blossom Superette, (marked for the Blossom Times), Detroit City Hall (marked for the Detroit Weekly), or the Bogata News Office, located in the back of Masterpieces Hair Salon.

These stories are important, please share them with readers.

If you have any questions just call 652-4205 or 632-5322.

1st Methodist Bazaar is this Saturday

Don't miss the First United Methodist Church of Deport's annual Celebrate the Harvest. The festival and bazaar will be held this Saturday, Nov. 6 beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Deport Elementary School Cafeteria.

Turkey and dressing dinner with all the trimmings, price \$5 for adults, \$3 for children under 12.

There will be a silent auction, several quilts to be given away and many more items for sale.



"THINK CHILD SAFETY" FAIR WINNER! The winner of the bicycle and helmet sponsored by the National Junior Honor Society of Blossom was Brian Murdock of Pattonville. Pictured with Brian is Stuart Dodson, originator of the "Think Child Safety" slogan, that is now state-wide. Brian is the son of Sandy and Kerry Murdock. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Spaghetti supper benefit to be held at Mt. Olive

There will be a spaghetti supper and auction on November 6, from 5 to 10 p.m. at the Mt. Olive Baptist Church on Pine Mill Road in Paris. All proceeds will go to help Joe Singleton, who is need of a bone marrow transplant. Fellow employees at Earthgrains are sponsoring the event and welcome anyone who wants to come.

Tickets are available ahead of time, or at the door and cost \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

Sandra Couch of Deport will deliver tickets within this area. Call her at night at 652-5980.



Deport OES to hold annual Turkey Dinner

The Deport Order of the Eastern Star will hold their annual Turkey Dinner Fundraiser on November 13 from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Deport School Cafeteria.

Trukey, dressing and all the traditional trimmings, including drink and dessert will be available for a \$6 donation and children under 12 years of age can eat for \$3.

Saturday, November 20, Pattonville Community Center and VFD breakfast, 7 until 10 a.m. Eggs, bacon, sausage, gravy, biscuits and pancakes for \$4.00.

Rummage sale all day on Saturday, November 20 at Pattonville. \$1 donation on Sunbonnet Sue quilt to be given away that day. 2 p.m. pie and cake auction. All proceeds to go Barbara Dawson, Pattonville Postmaster.

Deport Legion to host breakfast

The November 11 breakfast of the Deport American Legion will begin at 6:30 a.m. at the Legion Hall.

The breakfast is held in commemoration of Veterans Day.

A short business meeting will be held to discuss the 2000 membership.

Anyone not paying their dues is asked to do so at this meeting. Dues are \$20.00 and will increase to \$22.50 on January 1, 2000.

The menu will consist of ham and eggs and Red Eye gravy. You don't want to miss it!

Prairiland FHA to hold bazaar

The annual Future Homemakers Bazaar at Prairiland High School has been scheduled for Thursday, November 18, 1999. As usual there will be Christmas ornaments as well as baked items for sale made by the homemaking students.

Along with the bazaar, homemaking students are also preparing for competition. Each student will have an entry in the food competition or arts and crafts competition. Some students choose to enter in both categories.

All their entries will be on display for the public.

Future Homemakers have been working hard and are excited about the bazaar. Many have been working since the beginning of the school year in preparation for this event. The Home Economics building will be open from noon until 7:00 p.m. on November 18 for the public to walk through and get all types of ideas for the holiday season and buy whatever they choose.



BESSIE LEWIS of Prairiland FHA is pictured here as she displays a few of the Christmas ornaments that will be on display for sale at the Future Homemakers Christmas Bazaar that is scheduled for Thursday, November 18.



WINNER-Dot Nichols of Deport won the 31 inch color tv in a drawing held during Saturday's Deport Trades Day. A \$5 donation to the Deport Fire Department earned people a chance to win the TV. She is shown with her grandson, Logan Nichols. The Bucket Brigade made \$1,985, which will go towards the Fire Department's needs. (Staff Photo by Mike Francies)

There will be a wedding shower, for Cody and Tamara Jones on Sunday, November 7 from 3 until 5 p.m. at the Cunningham Baptist Church. Everyone is invited to attend.

A baby shower will be held for Allen Dale and Stacy Huddleston and their baby girl, Ally Paige, on Saturday, November 6 at the First Baptist Church of Deport at 2:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

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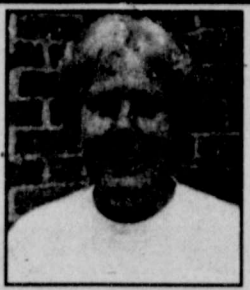
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Country Cooking

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Did you ever wonder who put the "jiggle" in Jell-O? Who comes up with the various different flavors? Who invented Jell-O Pudding? Who is the spokesperson for Jell-O?

Did you know that Jell-O made space news in June of 1996. According to a report, Shannon Lucid, an astronaut on a 140-day mission to the Russian Mir space station, revealed that she kept track of time by allowing herself to wear pink socks and eat Jell-O on Sundays. When she found that Mir had a refrigerator, Lucid, a 53 year old mother of three, asked NASA to package Jell-O in drinking bags. She added hot water and put the bag in the refrigerator. After Lucid served her Russian crewmates their first Jell-O as a special Easter treat, they decided to share a bag every Sunday night!

In 1984, Sugar Free Jell-O made it's debut along with Jell-O No Bake Desserts and Chocolate Mousse Pie.

In 1974, comedian Bill Cosby became spokesperson for Jell-O and has been selling the product in many various ways since then.

The 60's were a time for flavor

expansion and experimentation for Jell-O gelatin. Many new flavors were tried and discovered during this period.

Jell-O sales reached over 250 million packages a year with instant puddings going national during 1953. No longer promoted as a food-stretcher, Jell-O took a light-hearted approach, positioned as a treat and festive dessert to be served with pride.

The 30's and 40's saw the advent of automatic refrigerators giving Jell-O a real boost, making it easier and twice as fast to create family favorites.

In 1925, the Postum Company acquired the Jell-O Company, forming the nucleus of what was to become the General Foods Corporation.

The first Jell-O recipe book appeared in 1904, stating that the product was approved by food commissioners and touted it as a pure, wholesome and appetizing food, endorsed by physicians.....and everybody knows that Jell-O is all they serve in hospitals!

Well, Jell-O was created in 1897. I never did find the secret ingredient

that makes Jell-O "jiggle", but I did find some great information. If you would like to read more about this product, look up jell-o.com. The website is loaded with info, recipes and great tips. We hope you enjoy the recipes this week and we will see you in the kitchen!

Layered Strawberry-Cracker Dessert-is Jell-o and whipped topping blended with strawberries and layered between graham crackers!

Cream Cheese Pudding Dessert-graham crackers make the crust, Jell-o, cream cheese and Cool Whip do the rest!

Layered Banana Pineapple Dessert-what could be better than bananas, pineapple, instant pudding and Cool Whip!

Strawberry Bavarian Pie-strawberries, Jell-O and Cool Whip into a graham cracker crust! Yummy!

Banana Split Pie-make ahead and surprise your bunch with this easy, delicious recipe!

Microwave Fast Fudge-can you believe...fudge out of instant pudding!

November 4, 1999
Jello- Recipes

Layered Strawberry-Cracker Dessert

- 2 packages Strawberry Jell-O
- 2 cups boiling water
- 1 cup cold water
- 1 pint strawberries
- 2 tablespoons sugar-optional
- 3-1/2 ounces Cool Whip
- 18 graham crackers

Dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Add cold water. Chill until slightly thickened. Meanwhile, slice strawberries reserving a few whole berries for garnish. Sprinkle sliced berries with sugar. Fold whipped topping into gelatin, blending well. Fold in sliced berries. Place 9 graham crackers in bottom of 9-inch square pan. Spread half of the gelatin mixture over crackers. Repeat layers. Chill until firm. About three hours. Cut into squares. Garnish.

Cream Cheese Pudding Dessert

- 1-1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/3 cup butter or margarine-melted
- 1 package cream cheese-softened
- 2-1/2 cups plus 2 tablespoons milk
- 3-1/2 cups Cool Whip
- 1 package Jell-o instant pudding -any flavor

Combine crumbs, 1/4 cup of sugar and the butter, mix well. Press firmly into bottom of 13x9-inch pan. Chill 15 minutes. Combine cream cheese, remaining sugar and 2 tablespoons of the milk in medium bowl. With electric mixer at medium speed, beat until smooth. Fold in 1-3/4 cups of whipped topping. Spread over crust. Pour remaining milk into bowl. Add pudding mix. With mixer at low speed, beat until well blended, 1-2 minutes. Pour over cream cheese layer in pan. Chill several hours. Just before serving, spread remaining whipped topping over pudding. Garnish with chocolate curls.

Layered Banana Pineapple Dessert

- 1-1/2 cups graham cracker crusts
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1/3 cup butter or margarine-melted
- 2 medium bananas sliced
- 1 package cream cheese-softened
- 2-1/2 cups cold milk
- 1 package Jell-o vanilla instant pudding
- 1 can crushed pineapple-drained
- 3-1/2 cups Cool Whip

Combine crumbs, sugar and butter; mix well. Press firmly on bottom of 13x9-inch pan. Bake in preheated oven at 375 degrees for about 8 minutes. Cool on bottom wire rack. Arrange sliced bananas on crust. With mixer at low speed, beat cream cheese until smooth. Gradually add 1/2 cup cold milk; blend until smooth. Add remaining milk and pudding mix. Beat at low speed until well blended or about 2 minutes. Spread evenly over bananas in pan. Spoon pineapple over pudding mixture. Spread whipped topping over pineapple. Chill 3 hours.

Strawberry Bavarian Pie

- 1 package Jell-o strawberry
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 cup boiling water
- 1/4 cup cold water
- 1 pint strawberries-hulled and halved
- 1-3/4 cups Cool Whip
- 1 baked 9-inch pie shell-cooled

Dissolve gelatin and sugar in boiling water. Add cold water. Chill until thickened. Arrange berries in bottom of pie shell. With mixer at medium speed, beat thickened gelatin until fluffy, thick and about doubled in volume. Blend in one cup of Cool Whip. Chill until mixture mounds. Spoon over berries in pie shell. Chill about 4 hours. Garnish with remaining topping and additional berries.

Banana Split Pie

- 2 cups cold milk
- 1 package chocolate flavor instant pudding
- 1-3/4 cups Cool Whip
- 1 baked 9-inch pie shell
- 1 medium banana sliced
- 1 package instant vanilla pudding
- 2 squares semi-sweet chocolate

Pour 1 cup of cold milk into bowl. Add chocolate pudding mix. With mixer on low speed, beat until blended about 1 minute. Fold in 1 cup of whipped topping. Pour into pie shell; top with bananas. Pour remaining milk into another bowl. Add vanilla pudding mix. With mixer on low, beat until blended. Fold in remaining topping. Pour over bananas in pie shell. Freeze or chill about 4 hours. Just before serving, drizzle with melted chocolate. Garnish with additional topping and stemmed maraschino cherries if desired.

Microwave Fast Fudge

- 3 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 1 package vanilla instant pudding
- 1/3 cup milk
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups confectioners sugar
- 1/3 cup chopped walnuts
- 1/3 cup semi sweet chocolate chips

Microwave: Heat butter in a 1-1/2 quart bowl on HI 35 seconds or until melted. Stir in pudding mix. Cook 2 minutes longer or until mixture begins to boil; stirring every 30 seconds. Stir in vanilla and salt. With mixer on low, beat in sugar, 1 cup at a time until smooth. Mixture will be stiff. Fold in nuts and chocolate. Press fudge into loaf pan that has been lined with waxed paper. Cover and chill until firm.

Microwave Chocolate Mallow Fudge:

Prepare above recipe as directed substituting chocolate flavor pudding mix and 1/3 cup miniature marshmallows for the vanilla flavor pudding and walnuts.

Microwave S'Mores Fudge: Prepare above recipe as directed, substituting 1/3 cup crushed graham crackers, miniature marshmallows and chunks of semi-sweet chocolate for the walnuts and chocolate chips.

Microwave Coconut Macaroon Fudge:

Prepare above recipe as directed, substituting almond extract and 1/3 cup angle flake coconut for the vanilla and walnuts. Omit chocolate chips.

Lawrence Phillips dies October 26

Lawrence "Hub" Phillips, age 70, of the Lone Star community, died Tuesday, October 26 in McCuiston Hospital, Paris.

Services were held Thursday, October 28 at 2:0 p.m. in Lone Star Methodist Church with Rev. Don Shovan and Rev. Kenny Dickson officiating. Burial followed in Lone Star Cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Mr. Phillips was born October 2, 1929 in Red River County, the son of Perry and Ethel Randolph Phillips. He married the former Lillie Hughes on April 8, 1950 in Texarkana, TX. He was a member of the Lone Star Methodist Church and was retired from Merico Company in Paris. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict.

Surviving are his wife, Lillie Phillips; daughters, Jan Tackett of Ore City, Diane Bruton of Riesel and Annette Yager of Lewisville; a brother, Jack Phillips of Lone Star community; and six grandchildren.

Bearers were Marty Sustaie, Eddie Phillips, Benji Phillips, Britt Phillips, John Price, Randy Brown, Thurman Russell and Jeff Morris.

Obituaries

Guy Beers dies October 28

Guy Beers, age 78 of Clarksville died Thursday, October 28 at East Texas Medical Center, Clarksville.

Services were held Saturday, October 30 at 4:00 p.m. in Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home with Joe Blakeney officiating. Burial followed in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Mr. Beers was born July 14, 1921 in Red River County, a son of Louis and Luna Carver Beers. He married Alvena Puckett on January 10, 1942. He was a member of the Eastside Church of Christ and was retired as shop supervisor from the Red River Army Depot.

Surviving are two sons and their spouses, Doyle and Vicki Beers of Clarksville and Larry and Lorene Beers of Avery; a sister, Vena Oliver of Cherokee Village, AR; brothers, W.L. Beers of the Lone Star community and Earl Beers of Ft. Worth; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Max Dale Hickey dies October 28

Max Dale Hickey, age 75, of Paris, died Thursday, October 28 in St. Joseph's Hospital, Paris.

Services were held Saturday, October 30 at 1:00 p.m. in Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home with Rev. John McCollister officiating. Burial followed in Knights of Honor Cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Mr. Hickey was born December 17, 1923 in Red River County, the son of Malcolm Carter and Fannie Belle Ferguson Hickey. He was a member of V.F.W. Post 3990 and served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was a Baptist.

Surviving are his mother, Fannie Belle Hickey of Bagwell; a son, Larry Max Hickey of Bluffton, SC; a sister and her husband, Glenna and Darvis Davison of Paris; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Danny Mack Hickey.

Marjorie Christian Zick dies October 26

Marjorie Christian Zick died October 26 in Sunrise Hospital, Las Vegas, Nevada.

She was born January 3, 1929, a daughter of Elizabeth and Chester Christian.

Memorial services were held November 3 at 10:00 a.m. at Hillside Memorial Christian Church in Ft. Worth.

Surviving are her husband, Ed Zick; four sons, Greg and Steve King of Ft. Worth, Joe and Alan King of Austin; three daughters, Susan King, Carmen Escamilla and Dorio Roberts of Arlington; 13 grandchildren; a sister, Carol Dawson of Deport; and one brother, Dr. Chester Christian, Jr. of Bryan.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two sons, Chris and Andy King.

Red River County Roots



This week's query is from Susan Welch Bates, RR #3 Box 3966, Thayer, MO 65791. (E-mail: susanbates@webtv.net). She is researching the family of her great grandmother, Walter Leigh Welch, who moved from his home in Illinois after his wife died, about 1907/08 and eventually live in Red River County, TX. He married a lady named Stella Brewer and died 2, June 1932. Burial was made in Harris Chapel Cemetery, near Clarksville. Stella died in 1956. Mrs. Bates would like to know more about Mr. Welch, including who his parents were. A young woman named Jewell Welch is buried beside Walter and Stella Welch. Jewell Welch was the wife of one John Welch, who was John, and what relation was he to Walter? A Welch infant who died in 1917 is buried beside them also. Whose child was it?

If you would like to write Mrs. Bates, please write him at the above address.

If you have a query you would like to have placed in this column, please send it to the Red River County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 516, Clarksville, Texas 75426

Bogata V.F.W. Post 8187 News

*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.

*The VFW will be starting a pool tournament on Tuesday night at 7:00 pm. Everyone is invited to come out for competition and fellowship.

*Get Well Wishes are sent to Bill Farris, Jettie Minshew, J.G. Smith, Jean Smith and Deone Randall. Happy Birthday to Louise Bean.

*The VFW Post 8187 will celebrate Veterans Day, November 11, 1999 with a fellowship and chili supper. Final plans will be announced next week. Everyone is invited to make plans to share the day at the post.

*Remember the post is open on Sunday for Dallas Cowboy football games. Come out and enjoy them with your friends.

Card of Thanks

We appreciate all of your prayers and kind deeds throughout kidney failure and passing of our beloved husband, father and grandfather.

To our wonderful church family, we can't name all of your kind deeds. We know we were blessed to have East Post Oak Missionary Baptist Church standing with us.

We will miss him, but we are rejoicing to know he is happy and with the Lord.

May God bless you,
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RRG Society to hear from PJC media

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

The speaker for this month will be Billy Brown of Paris Junior College Media Department, who will speak

on conducting oral interviews and the preservation of those interviews on audio and video tapes.

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

Auxiliary dinner is November 5

The ETMC-Clarksville Hospital Auxiliary annual Harvest Dinner will be Friday, November 5 at the hospital. Serving time is from 5:30 until 7:00 p.m. Carry-outs will be available beginning at 5:00 p.m. Tickets are \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 12.

Tickets are available from auxiliary members or at the door. Turkey and dressing with all the trimmings is the menu.

Proceeds benefit nurses' scholarship fund and other auxiliary projects.

To be proud of knowledge is to be blind with light.
---Benjamin Franklin

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Louise Stuart to speak at support group meeting

The speaker for the November 8 meeting of the Beveaved Parents Support Group will be Louise Stuart, bringing the topic "Strategies for Coping with the Holidays."

The meeting will be held at the TU Electric Building at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend the meeting.

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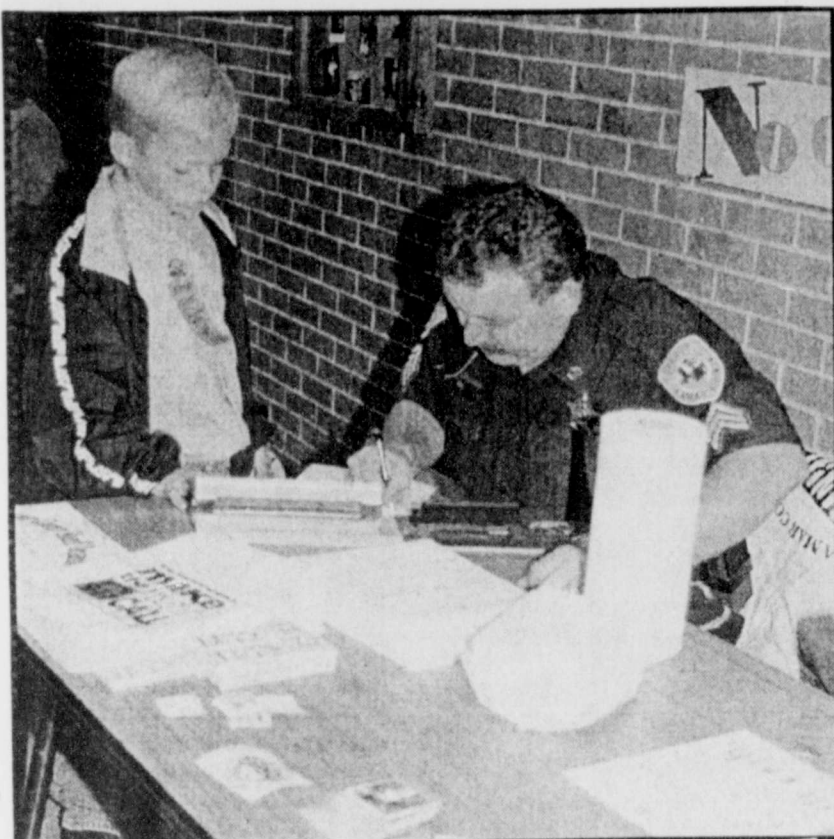
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KALEB PRICE OF BLOSSOM gets his fingerprints recorded by the Lamar County Sheriff's Department on Saturday, October 30 during the "Think Child Safety Fair". Pictured with him is Det. Sgt. Robert Trapp.



REDDY TEDDY is pictured here with some of the children that attended the "Think Child Safety Fair" on the Prairiland campus Saturday. Pictured is Jamie Womack receiving the handshake, Dustin Womack left and and Dakota Womack right. They are the sons of Clayton and Rose Womack of Pattonville. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Think Child Safety Fair held despite weather

After many long, hard hours of work and tremendous cooperation, the Prairiland Counseling and Nursing Staff and the Parent Advisory Committee are pleased to have completed the third "Think Child Safety Fair" on Saturday, October 30, after a week of celebrating "Red Ribbon" activities on all three campuses.

Due to rain, everything had to be moved inside of the high school building, but it was still a safety success as the children and the parents learned valuable information from the various booths. The area volunteer fire departments gave a vehicle extrication rescue demonstration of trapped passengers in a car wreck and had to use the jaws of life. Thanks go to the brave volunteers, Lisa Clarkson and Darla Barr, who served as victims for this reenactment and also Pitcock Wrecker Service for delivering the wrecked car. Andy Ambulance, Reddy Teddy, Sparky, balloons, free hot dogs and cokes and much, much more was enjoyed by the crowd of area residents.

Fair goers had the opportunity to get fingerprinted for safety's sake, draw a sucker and read a safety tip, get a chance to win a free bicycle and helmet and learn safety tips, first aid safety, drug safety, gun safety, water

safety, motorcycle safety and the list goes on. There was something for all ages, including blood pressure checks and safety tips for senior citizens. Over 300 persons were in attendance in spite of the weather.

The Blossom National Junior Honor Society under the direction of Sharon Connot, Barbara Harrington and Cindy Winters manned the Bicycle Safety Booth along with the Ladies Auxiliary of Post 3990 out of Reno handing out bicycle safety reflector tape. The group held a drawing for a free bicycle and helmet and it was won by young Brian Murdock of Pattonville. Those contributing toward the purchase of the prize were M&M Food Mart in Pattonville, Blossom Food Mart, Sessums Conoco, Blossom Citgo, Blossom Superette and the Blossom NJHS.

The Blossom 8th grade class won the high attendance prize for the Blossom campus with faculty member Cindy Winters winning the drawing from among the staff from the Blossom campus who attended.

Set up was done by Leonard Ford, Larry Salter, Ronnie Baker, Dr. L. C. Stout, Sid Johnson, Buddy Freeman, Randy and Lisa Clarkson. Student Helpers consisted of Amanda Hyde,

Trista Reves, Jennifer Dorsey, Michael Flatt, Aaron Murdock, Candice Whitaker and Josh Williams.

A Vehicle Extrication was done with the combined efforts of Blossom Volunteer Fire Department, Reno Volunteer Fire Department, Pattonville Volunteer Fire Department Lamar County EMS.

A Publicity Table was set up in the hallway with on air personality Dave Johnson and Marilyn Srader. Representing Thunder Prairie Publishers was Liz Irwin and Lisa Martin distributed flyers and other materials.

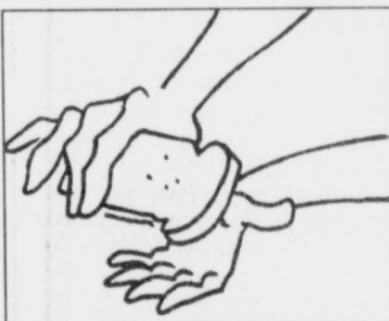
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Ally Paige was born on October 28, 1999, weighing 7 lbs., 5 ozs. She was 18 1/2 inches long.

Parents are Allen and Stacy Huddleston of Deport. Grandparents are Donnie and Laura Wright and Martha and Jerry Cross and Gary Huddleston.

Great-grandparents are Mildred Wright, Vivian Enloe, and Bonnie Ruth Huddleston.



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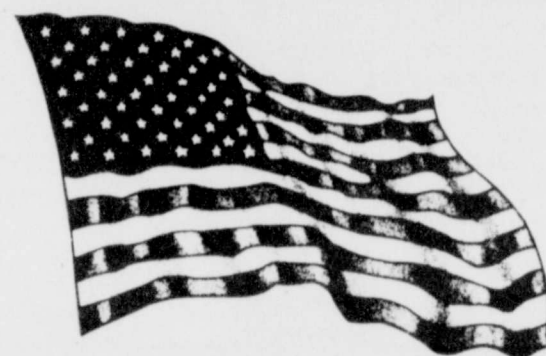
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FACE PAINTING AT THE "THINK CHILD SAFETY FAIR"-These members of the Prairiland FHA painted a number of faces during the fair on Saturday, October 30. Pictured is Candice Whitaker painting Lisa Barnes of Deport and Catherine DeLaFuentes painting the face of Kalsey White of Blossom as her brother Josh White looks on.



DO YOU THINK HE IS REAL? These area youngsters enjoy Andy the Ambulance during the "Think Child Safety Fair" held at Prairiland on Saturday, October 30. Pictured left to right is Anna Elrod, Trystan Chapman, Allie Reynolds, Allie's dad, Gary and Payton Connot. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

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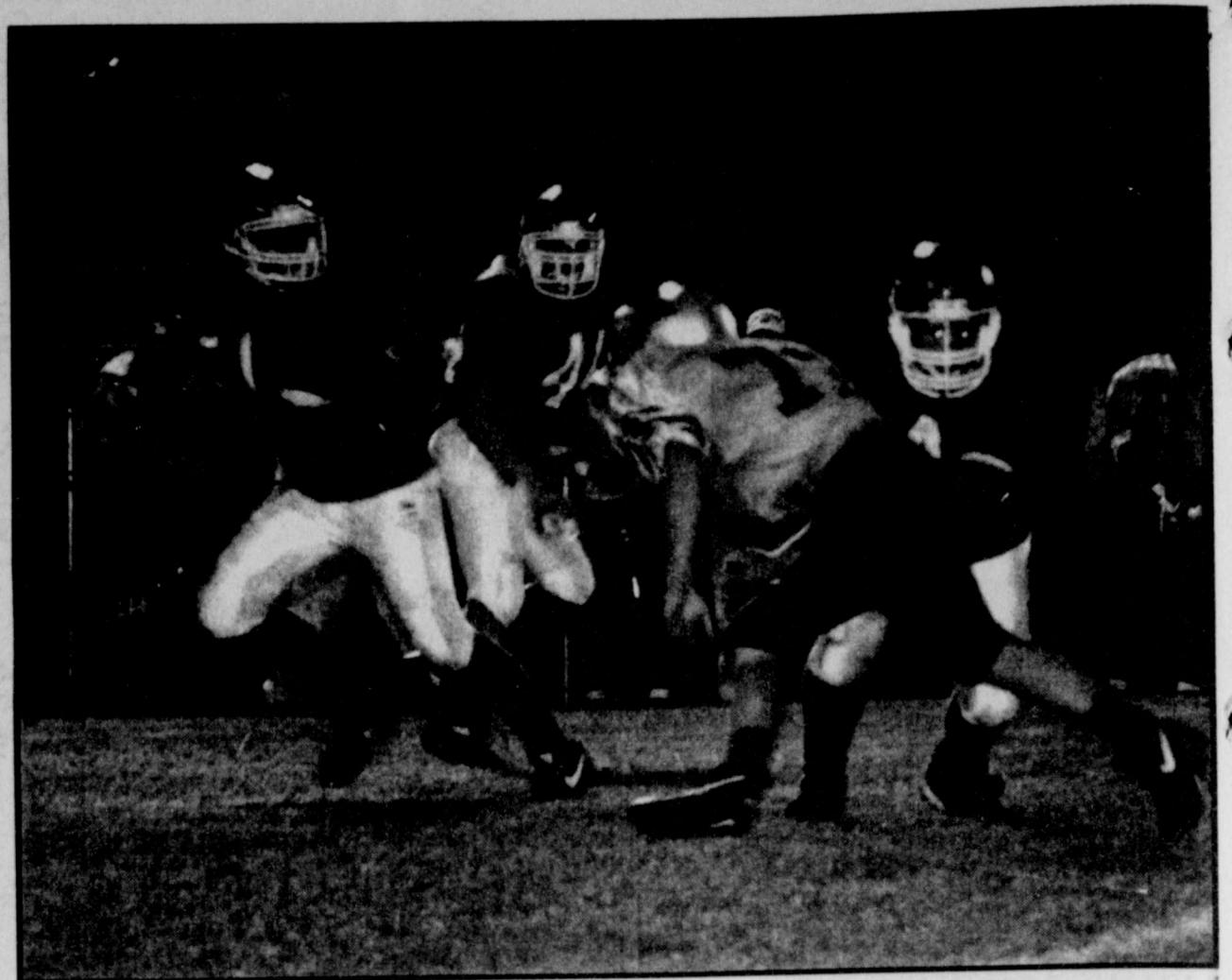
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THE STANDS WERE FULL on Friday night, October 23 for the annual 1999 Prairiland Homecoming. Susan Singleton was crowned as the 1999 Homecoming Queen with everyone cheering on. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



#77, Patriot Josh Dawson goes for the tackle during Friday night football action against Chisum. The Pats were defeated and will face Cooper on Friday night with kickoff at 7:30 at Bulldog Field. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Prairiland falls to Chisum 0-25

The Chisum Mustangs defeated Prairiland to gain a berth in the upcoming playoffs coming up 25-0 on Friday night at the Patriot Stadium.

Prairiland fumbled seven times and lost three. The Patriots split their total yardage evenly between rushing and passing yards. Prairiland rushed the ball 33 times for 109 yards while it recorded 105 passing yards on 11 completions.

Stoney Musgrove led the Pats in rushing with 49 yards on 12 carries. Other rushers were Philip Elder with 47 yards on 11 carries and Kevin Farrow with 11 yards on two carries.

QB Heath Sessums completed eight passes out of 14 attempts for 47 yards and Jason Elrod completed three out of five for 58 yards.

The Pats will play their final game of the season against Cooper at Bulldog Stadium with kickoff at 7:30.

Lady Patriots take first over Chisum

By Frankye Sessums

In playoff action on Friday afternoon, October 29 at Roxton, the Lady Patriots battled for an hour and 45 minutes to capture first place in district 11-AA, winning 15-2, 16-18, 15-12. Great defense and aggressive offense saw the squad through the battle.

Freshman Megan Graham put up 28 assists, had one kill and 7 service points. Senior outside hitter Felicia Taylor pounded down 21 kills and put up 3 blocks while Susan Singleton put down 15 kills and had 10 service points.

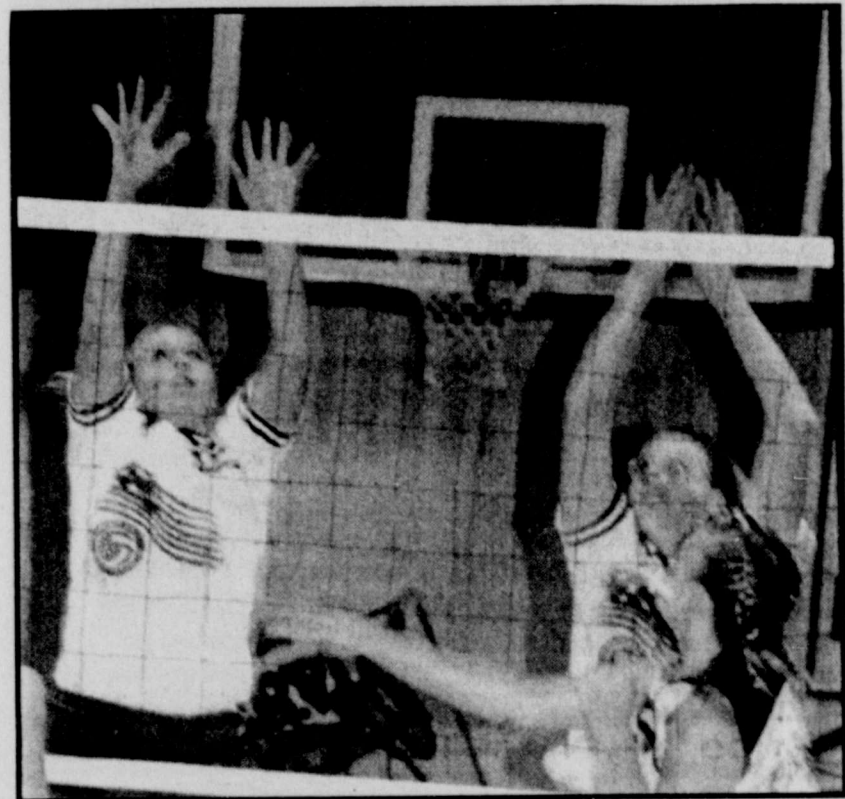
Freshman Emilee Bolton produced great net play with 5 blocks and 3 kills while sophomore Ashley Athas also had 3 kills and 3 service points. Melissa Steinkamp had 8 assists and six service points. The Lady Patriots are now 22-9 for the season and will

be automatically named bi-district champs. They will take on either Howe or Callisburg for the area championship later this week.

The JV and freshman teams each earned undefeated district titles Tuesday night by defeating Chisum.

In JV action, the squad handily downed the Lady Mustangs 15-5, 15-6. Kami Hudson had 6 kills and 6 service points for the night. Minda Corso and Jordan Hunold each had 6 assists. Amber Dawson also had six service points.

The freshman team also had an easy game as they handily defeated Chisum 15-4, 15-2. Lindsey Peel had 9 service points and 5 assists. Nicole Boehler and Leslie Davis each had 3 kills while Susan Whittle and Natalie Wilson each had 2 kills.



LADY PATRIOT SBLOCK THE BALL and are on their way to the playoffs one more time! They will be playing either Howe or Callisburg for the Area championship later this week. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



The Prairiland Lady Patriots Will play this Sturday, Nov. 6 at 2:30 p.m. at Dodd City Against Calisburg in Area Playoffs Good Luck!

Prairiland High School
November 8

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There will be home baked goods and a craft shop of homemade items. Everyone is invited to come out and join them for a fun time with lots of goodies to offer.

Chances will also be offered on special items for \$1.00 per ticket.

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DRUG FREE T-SHIRT WINNERS on the Prairiland campus during "Red Ribbon" week on the Prairiland campus is Jared Gage and Mary Lemmen. The week of October 25 was designated as Drug Awareness Week in the state of Texas. Ribbons were handed out to all students on all three campuses. (Staff Photo by Jan Tyson)

Prairiland celebrates Red Ribbon Week

The Prairiland counselors, Fran Patterson-high school, Annabee Salter-Deport and Edna DePriest-Blossom, coordinated Red Ribbon Week on all campuses by handing out red ribbons to the students, faculty and staff last week.

The cheerleaders threw out footballs with drug-free slogans during the home games. These were donated by the counseling staff.

On the Deport and Blossom campuses, the counselors presented drug awareness programs to all the grade levels throughout the month for drug awareness and furnished handouts as daily reminders. Some of the handouts included key chains, rulers, pens, suckers, bracelets, pencil sharpeners,

crayons and color sheets, buttons and bike reflectors.

On Thursday everyone wore their drug-free t-shirts or red t-shirts. Drawings were held for prizes with drug-free messages on them. Wining the sunglasses for K-2 were Brent House and Edgar DeLaRosa of Blossom. The frisbees in grades 3-5 were Kacey Langston and Jaime Sanchez of Blossom. Winning the T-shirts in grade 6-8 were Brooke George of Blossom and Jace Short of Deport. Winners of the t-shirts in the high school were Jared Gage and Mary Lemmen.

The "Think Child Safety Fair" culminated the end of Red Ribbon Week.



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PRINCIPAL for a day. Jesse Spears was selected as principal for a day at Prairiland High School recently. Principal Ronnie Baker presents Jesse with a gift certificate. (Staff Photo)

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Marcella Doderer, new director at McCuiston

Doderer named Director

Marcella Doderer has been appointed Director of Ancillary and Support Services at McCuiston Regional Medical Center, Paris.

She comes to Paris from Presbyterian Hospital of Dallas where she has been associated since 1992. Prior to relocating, she was the Administrative Director of Women's, Children's and Psychiatry Services including the Women's Diagnostic and Breast Cancer, Women's Health Centers, Pediatric Health Center, Presbyterian Community Medical Center, Pediatric Asthma Management Program and the Sleep Medicine Institute. Previously, she served as Administrative Director for Out-patient Care Services at PHD.

Say "Thank You" on line

Veterans Day is November 11, but you probably will not find a greeting card in your favorite shop. With 26 million veterans in the nation, the American Legion realizes many people would like to say a special "thank you" to a veteran. That is why the nation's largest war-time veterans organization is offering a free e-mail card.

The Veterans Day Card is accessed directly from the American Legion's homepage at www.legion.org. Once at the site, it is a simple matter to follow the instructions and send your

special greetings.

President Woodrow Wilson signed a Congressional Resolution on November 11, 1919 establishing Armistice Day. The resolution said: "This day should be commemorated with thanksgiving and prayer and exercises designed to perpetuate peace through good will and mutual understanding between nations." The resolution further called for a day to be observed in schools and churches or other suitable places, with appropriate ceremonies.



Prairiland All Campus Menu
Week of November 8

Monday
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, juice
Milk
Lunch: Fish nuggets
French fries
Cole slaw
Mayo cake
Milk

Tuesday
Breakfast: Breakfast burrito
Juice, milk
Lunch: Vegetable soup
Cheese sticks
Pickles
Cornbread
Cherry cobbler
Milk

Wednesday
Breakfast: Sausage, biscuits
Juice, milk
Lunch: Salisbury steak
Brown gravy
Mashed potatoes
Corn
Rolls
Milk

Thursday
Breakfast: Pancakes w/maple syrup
Juice, milk
Lunch: Ham and cheese sandwiches
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Post Oak News

By Geneva Lee
982-5309

The East Post Oak Baptist Church was well attended Sunday. Bro. J. T. McNabb filled the pulpit Sunday and will until they get a pastor or have a visiting preacher come.

Merle Reynolds and family of Roswell, N.M. and Vanessa Potter and family of Oyster Creek, TX near Houston was here last week to attend the funeral of their father Bro. E. R. Reynolds. Merle is remaining a few days with his mother. Other relatives attending was his brother Lawrence W. Reynolds and two sisters, Myrtle Wisenhunt and Pearl Pilgreen all of Abilene. Also there were other relatives from that area. Also about 20 or more ministers attended the funeral.

Jerald Williams, son of Jerry and Terri Williams of Paris and grandson of Newman and Betty Low here was home over the weekend from the Marine Corps in Camp LeJeune, NC.

Sue and Norman Farris of Longview was here last Wednesday and visited her mother Louise Cagle and attended the funeral of pastor Reynolds.

The East Post Oak MBC will have Bro. Henry Blackmon as their speaker next Sunday. A good crowd attended the fellowship Saturday night and enjoyed the hamburger supper. They had games for the children and visit-

ing and games for the adults.

Merle Reynolds of Roswell NM returned home Friday after spending time here with his mother, Janis Reynolds and helping her since the death of his father Bro. E. R. Reynolds.

Bonnie Platt visited her sister Viola Cooksey, the first part of last week. Mrs. Cooksey brought her home Thursday.

Clara Bates of Paris Nursing Home is not doing well at this writing. She has been running a temperature from an infection.

Leon Tuck of Bogata has been placed in Regency Nursing Home in Clarksville. He is a member of the Post Oak church.

Marie Pratt who has been in the hospital for about a week returned home last Wednesday and is a little improved.

Bro. and Mrs. Wilbourne Lee visited Willie and Vaughn Lee of Bogata last Monday afternoon. She is recovering from open heart surgery. Her brother, Basil McNabb of Clarksville has been diagnosed with cancer.

Johnie Lee went to Midway Sunday and had lunch with Liberty BC and attended the afternoon service.



Mr. and Mrs. Barry Shiver

Ashley Ross-Barry Shiver wed October 9, 1999

Ashley Camille Ross and Barry Keith Shiver were united in marriage at four in the afternoon on Saturday, October 9, 1999 at the First Baptist Church in Bogata, Texas. Reverend Bob Posey officiated the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Richard and Kay Ross of Bogata. She is the granddaughter of Johnnie and Wilma Campbell of Mayflower, Arkansas and Kathryn McHaffie of Beech Bluff, Tennessee and the late J.W. Ross.

The groom is the son of Cliff and Marlia Harris of Paris and Keith Shiver of Sherman. He is the grandson of the late Marlin "Bull" and Inez Bettes of Cooper and Eula and the late Joe Shiver of Paris.

A heart-shaped arch entwined with greenery and twinkling lights served as the backdrop for the ceremony. Two fifteen branch candelabras entwined with greenery and red roses on each side of the arch completed the setting. Pews were adorned with navy and burgundy bows. Wedding programs and the guest registry were placed on a table in the church foyer. Wedding music was provided by pianist, Tamala Jagers. Staci Hamner, soloist, sang "From This Moment".

The bride entered to the music of "Lane's Theme" by Bill Conti. She was escorted to the altar by her father and given in marriage by her parents. For her wedding the bride wore a full length white satin gown. It featured a short sleeve bodice with lace and pearl trim, a V neckline and chapel-length train accented with pearls and lace. She carried a bouquet of red roses and baby's breath.

Kimberly Ross, sister of the bride, served as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were LaTonya Miller of Bogata and Melissa Earley, sister of the bride,

of Bogata. The attendants wore identical navy blue satin floor length dresses with a round neckline accented with rosettes on the back. They were created by Fay Taylor of Paris. Each carried a single red rose accented with navy ribbon. Kaitlin Jeffery of Paris served as flower girl. She was dressed identically to the bridesmaids.

The groom's best man was Chad Thurman of Paris. Groomsmen were Darren Hamner of Paris and Grant Wilson of Dallas. The groom and his attendants wore black tuxedos accented with red rose boutonnières.

Serving as ushers and candle lighters were Todd Miller of Detroit and Charles Desmarais of Paris. The ring bearer was Dakota Earley of Bogata, nephew of the bride. Matthew Earley of Bogata, nephew of the bride, carried the bride's bible.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall of the church. Members of the house party were Angie Crouch and Misty Gage of Paris, Amanda Durock of Dallas, Donna Miller of Detroit and Teri Speir of Bogata. Crystal Bell of Bogata attended the register's table.

The five tier wedding cake was decorated with mini-red carnations, morning lilies and baby's breath. The groom's cake was marble cheesecake topped and surrounded with strawberries and cherries. The cakes and decorations were created by Pat Graham of Blossom, Texas.

A wedding celebration was held at Love Civic Center in Paris at 8:00 p.m. The band "Crossfire" provided music. The event was catered by Pat Graham.

A rehearsal dinner was held on Friday evening in the fellowship hall of the church. The dinner was hosted



VEHICLE EXTRICATION was demonstrated by the Reno, Blossom and Pattonville Volunteer Fire Department and Lamar County EMS at the "Think Child Safety Fair" held on the Prairiland campus on Saturday, October 30. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

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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 Sunday, September 26, unknown suspects forced entry into a home in the 400 block of E. Hearon Street in Paris. Once inside the home, the suspects stole several pieces of jewelry, a VCR, a Sony Play Station with games and many other items. This burglary resulted in over \$3,000.00 in lost and damaged property.

If Crime Stoppers receives that information by October 25, 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)

Cemetery donations received

Area cemeteries are in receipt of the following donations from October 14 through October 25:
 Highland Cemetery: In memory of Annie Rhodes Roberts from Deloris and Canard Norwood.



TRADING PLACES-On Friday, October 30, students on the Blossom campus got the opportunity to dress up for the Halloween season. These Jr. Hi students decided to trade places as the girls dressed as football players and the boys dressed as cheerleaders. Left to right is Jennifer Martin, Heath Connot, Josh Nation and Brittney Ballard. Seated is Nikki Bybee and Jodie Bybee. (staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Real estate expert says higher prime rate may not necessarily hurt market

COLLEGE STATION - Contrary to what many people may think, a higher prime rate could mean good news for many potential home buyers, contends the research director of Texas A&M University's Real Estate Center.

The Federal Reserve Board recently announced it is considering raising its interest rates in an effort to slow down the economy but did not offer a timetable or guarantee that rates will go up.

Increases in the rates controlled by the Fed usually prompt hikes in commercial interest rates, including the prime rate commercial banks charge their biggest borrowers. The prime rate presently stands at 7.75 percent.

Higher short-term interest rates, however, wouldn't necessarily put a damper on Texas' booming real-estate market, said Mark Dotzour, chief economist and director of research for the center.

"If the Federal Reserve raises rates, that might keep mortgage interest rates from going higher," he said. "The Fed raises interest to keep the economy from overheating because that causes inflation, inflation is what causes mortgage interest rates to go up. Any efforts by the Fed to keep inflation at low levels is going to be a positive for the mortgage market."

Counting our Blessings

Sliding Into Ice-Free Sidewalks

(NAPS)—The next time you take a mid-winter walk, you may want to slip in a thank you to the people who make chemical deicers.

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Pedestrians are always grateful for sidewalks that are clear of snow and ice. Chemical deicers, used sparingly, make this an easier task.

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More information is available from The Dow Chemical Company calcium chloride Web site, www.dowcalciumchloride.com.

Bogata Methodist Bazaar set for November 13, 1999

Bazaar time for the Bogata Methodist Church is drawing near and the group are expecting a large crowd and hope to have a beautiful Fall day such as the area has had lately. The Bazaar will be held on November 13 beginning with a stew lunch. Serving will be from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The group also have a beautiful king size quilt which was cross stitched by Reabeth Abbott and quilted by the Wednesday quilt group. One dollar donations are being taken and the lucky ticket will be drawn at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday. Other quilts will also be sold by silent auction.

There are many baby quilts as well as wall hangings.

Some new items this year are beautiful crosses, Beanie Baby accessories, lace Christmas ornaments, Barbie doll carriers, framed cross stitch, Christmas Keepsake books and angels, angels, angels. The group will also be selling Cook Books and knives that are carried all year. There will be items inside and outside.

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BIG WINNER-Tiffany Smith of Blossom is the door prize winner in Mrs. Barnard's first grade class recently during Blossom's Open House. She had the closest guess of how many "Apple candies" were in the jar. This was part of their Apple Unit. (Staff Photo)



RIDING IN THE RAIN-Mayor Charles Foster of Deport was all decked out in railroad gear at the Deport Trades Day last Saturday. There was a good turn out in spite of the rain. (Staff Photo by Mike Francies)

Everything is funny as long as it is happening to somebody else.

Deport Locals

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Happy birthday to Jane Berry; Linda Frazier, Vera Benfer, Breanna Denison, Brittney Berry, Joe Hill Taylor, Laurie Cathey, Hazel Brooks, Dana Norman, John Denison, Jimmy McKee, Wilma Weddle, James Grant, Dee Bonham, Tina Sheppard, Carl Wesley, Dorothy Babb, Ken Read, Noah Chipman, Abby Strickland, Anna Beth Allen, Davis Parsons, Shane O'Neal and Madeline Belle Greer.

Chad Manning and to Ruth Ann and Kenneth Harold Allen.
Mr. and Mrs. David Carpenter, Elisha and David, Jr. of Arlington were recent guests of James and Juavane Carpenter.

Happy anniversary to Kathryn and Nanalee Nichols and Matt Nichols attended a stock dog playday at Detroit Saturday, Oct. 23 morning. Thomas and Nanalee Nichols and Mary Mantooth have returned from a fall foliage trip to the Great Smoky Mountains. They toured the Hermitage, Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Chattanooga, Tennessee; and went through Alabama and Mississippi and Arkansas.

In a letter from Patricia Barnard Farmer, we have learned that her husband John, suffered a heart attack and had by-pass surgery October 20 in Baylor. He is reported doing well. Sarah Higdon visited Elois Sparks on Monday.

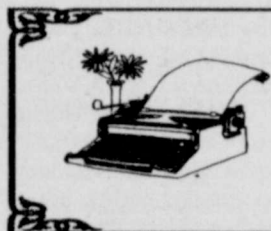
Brad Hunt was in Louisville, Kentucky last week for the National FFA Convention along with other Prairiland FFA officers and sponsors.

Marshall and Ruby Wright returned home to Waco Thursday after visiting relatives in Springfield, Missouri. They stopped by for a visit with Grady and Kathryn Wright Tuesday until Thursday.

Pam and Brad Hunt and Grady Wright shopped at the Bass Pro Shop in Grapevine on Saturday.

Grady Wright attended the regular monthly board meeting of Region VIII Education Service Center in Mt. Pleasant Thursday night.

Education makes a people easy to lead, but difficult to drive; easy to govern but impossible to enslave.
—Henry Peter Brougham



Milton News

By Multiple Wpchurch

Congratulations to Stacy and Allen Dale Huddleston returned home Sunday from Abilene with their new baby daughter they adopted from the Christian Home of Abilene. She has been named Ally Paige. Family and friends were at their home Sunday for a big welcome.

Ruby Lee of Dallas spent the weekend with her parents, Edna and Frank Lee.

John and Velma Temple attended a birthday dinner Monday for Velma's son, Tim Salter at the Sirloin Stockade in Paris. Other family and friends attended.

Carla Caldwell and new granddaughter, Hanna Gross of Clarksville, visited Nell and George Wolf on Monday.

Kay Woodard and Haley Williams of Paris visited Dorothy and James

Holt Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lee visited Mrs. Willie Lee of Rugby Thursday afternoon.

Nannie Ham visited Nell and George Wolf Friday.

Leah and Russell Schroeder and Jeff of Grapevine, Bobbie and Ed Hill of Little Rock and Nick Maudsley of Ft. Worth spent the weekend with their mother and grandmother, Mattylu Upchurch.

Dorothy and James Holt had dinner with their daughter and husband, Barbara and Jake Maurischat of Lone Oak on Monday night.

Leo Matthews of Detroit and Neil Rozell of Bogata visited Nell and George Wolf on Monday.

Edna Lee visited her aunt, Louise Cagel of East Post Oask on Thursday.

AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

America The Beautiful—
At Risk

(NAPS)—America's national system of parks is in danger, according to a report just released by the National Park Trust.



To protect our national parks, citizens need to ask the government to purchase the private lands being held inside national parks.

This report, based on public documents from the National Park Service, shows that 200,000 of the total 6 million acres of privately-held land within the boundaries of our parks are in danger of being lost to development or sale and neither federal nor state park agencies can do much to protect it.

"The danger that this land could be sold for development, bulldozing, clear cutting or for other destructive purposes constitutes the single greatest threat to the nation's cherished system of national and state parks," said Paul Pritchard, president of the National Park Trust (NPT).

The NPT is the only land conservancy dedicated to preserving America's national system of parks, wildlife and historic monuments.

By helping fund park land purchasing by environmental groups and encouraging the government to buy land inside its parks as well, Americans can be part of the solution.

For a free copy of a report, "Saving the Legacy of the National System of Parks," write to Susan Hawley, National Park Trust, 415 2nd Street, NE, Suite 2310, Washington, D.C. 20002; call 202-548-0500; or see www.parktrust.org.

Come and Join Us

Friday, November 12, 2-4 p.m.

ETMC Clarksville invites residents of Red River County to an OPEN HOUSE at our Bogata Rural Health Clinic to welcome our new physician, Dr. Devabrata Ganguly.

* Dr. Ganguly joins us from Parker Jewish Institute, Long Island Jewish Medical Center, New Hyde Park, New York. Dr. Ganguly specializes in internal medicine and geriatrics.

* Dr. Ganguly is accompanied to our area by his wife, Ragini, his daughter, Ashita, and his son, Anshuman.

Dr. Ganguly and his family enjoy barbecuing, picnicking and traveling.

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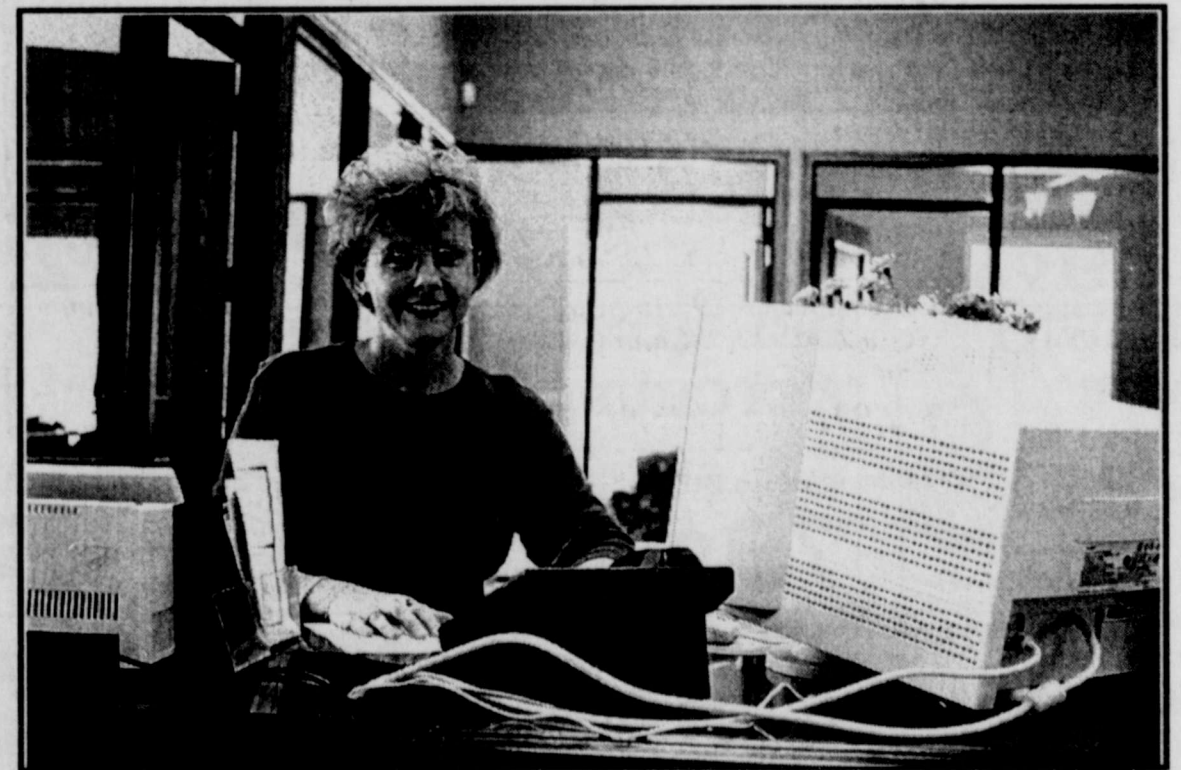
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Blossom Housing hosted Fun and Games

The Blossom Housing Authority hosted a Fun and Games Party for all seniors. This was very fun and enjoyable afternoon for all attending. Games included Mystery Names, Cup Cake Walk, Old Man Balloon and Potato Race. Opory (Etta Timby) Winfrey won the Ugly Shoe Contest. Hillery (Hettie Mae Bailey) Clinton won the door prize. Guests attending were Mary Hudson, Marjorie Fleming and Ruby Stover. Other there were Mrs. Bailey, Dorothy White, Martina Chennault,

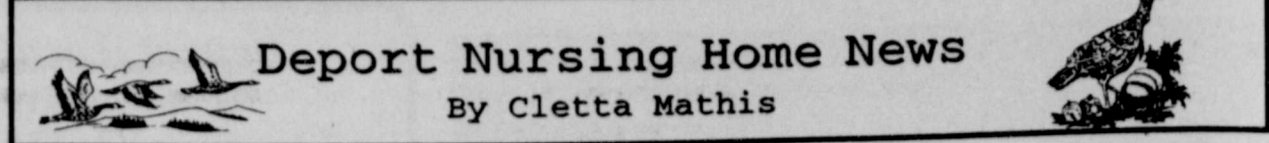
Mrs. Timby, Mildred York, Alice Whitecotton, Lena Anderson, Ailene Herron and Dot Bailey. Brief Housing up-dates were given by Mrs. Bailey with Mrs. White offering the prayer. Thanks goes out to Mrs. Timby for the decorations and Mrs. York for preparing the food. Happy birthdays to Lena Anderson and Etta Timby. The next meeting will be on Monday, November 22, 1999 and will be the Thanksgiving dinner.

UMW meets

On Monday, November 1, the regular UMW meeting was held in the fellowship hall of the First United Methodist Church. President Juanita Sparks opened the meeting with a devotional and the group responded in unison the Purpose of United Methodist Women. Mrs. Suzy Kelsey presented the program, reviewing President Jimmy Carter's book "Virtues of Aging". The book reflects his Christian beliefs and his work after leaving the presidency. Hostesses served refreshments to 12 members and guests, Suzy Kelsey and Nannie Bell Ham. Thanksgiving program will be given by Melba Ladd and Nell Shull will be the hostess.

Deport Nursing Home News

By Cletta Mathis



I hope everyone survived the ghosts and goblins. There have been plenty up and down the halls of Deport Nursing Home!

On Thursday residents enjoyed a Costume Party and Dance at the fairgrounds in Paris. Purna Haydock won 1st place for best decorated shirt. Those attending were: Purna, Johnnie Warren, Ann Austin, Mary Ray, Raymond Hignight and Terry McDowra.

On Friday residents had a wild time at the Halloween party, games were played and refreshments were served. On Saturday night residents enjoyed local children coming by to trick or treat.

Deport Nursing Home would like to say Thank you to the United Methodist Church for a wonderful Oct. birthday party.

Announcement: Deport Nursing is happy to welcome the addition of 3 new residents to our family. Coming from Paris are Pauline Perry, Harry Vallier Jr. and Marie McMonigle. Angie Smith had visitors from South Haven Mississippi this week, William and Ruth coleman. Also visitign were Larry, Shirley and the grandkids; Dale, Don, Lary and Darrell Smith and Bobby Merchant.

Bonnie Brown's sister, Opal Benedick visited the week along with Jackie Wylie.

Visiting Virginia Carrell this week was Stacey and R.C. Lawson, Robert, Ronald and Shirley Carrell, Vidor, Tx., Jessica, Stephen and Angela Allen and Scott Coley of Mineola.

Grandchildren Dane and Donna Taylor visited grandpa and grandma Homer and Melva Sisson this week.

Visiting Billy Archibald on Sunday was Juanita Oats and Ruth Meyer. Pat Talley visited with her sister Betty Gardner this week.

Reecie Kelsey and Brodie Bell had several visitors this week, they were: Sammy and Suzy Kelsey, Travis, Connie and Phillip Dodd, Peyton and Betsy Chapman.

Visiting Edna Gifford and Lois Dudley this week was Marie Franks. Visiting Raymond Hignight this week was Cecil Allen, Frances Ray, Thurman and Marie Franks.

Cecil and Margaret Allen visited with Alma Montgomery and Ada Chaddick.

Verta Lynn had several visitors this week, Lorrie and Adrienne Andrews, Tina and Ty Clinkenbeard, Sue Sheppard.

Jessie Lane had visitors coming and going this week. Pat Matlock, Nelia Davidson, Taylor and Ryleigh Davidson, Jimmy and Rita Lane.

Visiting Ethel Elrod this week was Heath, James and Tiara Elrod. Visiting Russell Grant was Cathy Grant of Laguna Niguel, Ca., and Red and Inez Weaver.

Mrs. Cletus Thomas this week had as visitors Randy and Seberna Little, Fay Burns and Jean Isbell.

Visiting Robert Deaton was Dick and Glenda Deaton.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Crawford this week was Frankie Hunt.

Visiting Nora Barnett this week was Rita, Katy, Rhonda Ramsey.

Ken, James and Glenn Wells visited with Ray Wells.

Visiting Sara Gilmer was Don and Marliana.

Ima Griffin had a house full of visitors this week including Flona Haris, Danny Robanson, Patsy Curtis, Randal Telaar, Roger Robinson, Gabby Neely, Kim Peters, Vickey Neeley, Clistila and Gary Curtis.

Visiting Kathleen Goldsberry this week was Weldon and Joyce Smith. Weldon and Joyce Smith, Dewey Woodard visited Jenny Woodard.

Visiting Ann Austin was Lou Hatafield.

Visiting Milow Hume was Lindsey Ward and Ina Ward; Stasha Hume, Lou Hatfield, Jean Williams and Weldon and Joyce Smith.

Visiting Loveta McMurray was Lou Hatfield and Jean Williams.

Cecil Allen, Leon Whitsell, Joyce and Phil Love, Red and Inez Weaver. Visiting Pauline Shew was lester Clary, Doris Clary.

Visiting Ida Hendrick was Florence Summer, Norma and Doris.

Visiting Billie Gant and Villa Barham was Cecil and Margaret Allen.

Visiting Johnnie Warren was Mr. and Mrs. Fred Allen from Temple, Trena Groober, Phill and Joyce Love of Ft. Worth, Lila and Hali Screws, Evelyn Roach, Nani Ham, Lucy Fowler, Ina Ward, Stasha Hume of Bogata, Larry Crawford, Weldon and Joyce Smith, Mr. and Mrs. DAVID Brooks and duahgter, Bradny, Beth Ann and Katlyn Spray, Mary Johnson and grandchildren, Jesslyn and Stephen Johnson.

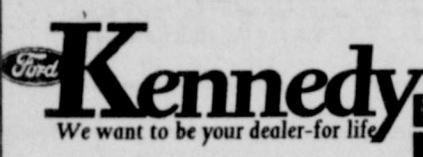
Purna Haydock was visited by Trina Groober, Fred and Barbara Biggerstaff, Phillip and Joyce Love of Ft. Worth, Nanie Ham, Evelyn Roach, Dorothy Crawford.

Northeast Texas School Boards Association dinner and meeting set

The Northeast Texas School Boards Association will host its Annual Fall Meeting at the Titus County Civic Center on November 30, 1999 at 6:00 p.m.

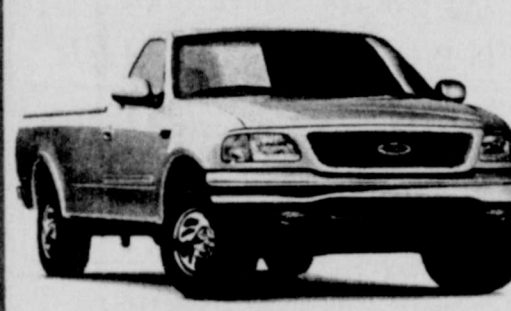
The barbecue dinner will feature Dr. Billy Hawkins, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at

Mississippi Valley State University. The cost will be \$10.00 for members of the Northeast Texas School Boards Association and \$20.00 for non-members. For more information, contact Patti Florey at Region VIII Education Service Center, Mt. Pleasant, Tx.



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JUST CLOWNING around- Johnnie Warren of Deport Nursing Home enjoyed dressing up for the Harvest Festival. Residents really enjoyed the little children coming by to trick or treat.

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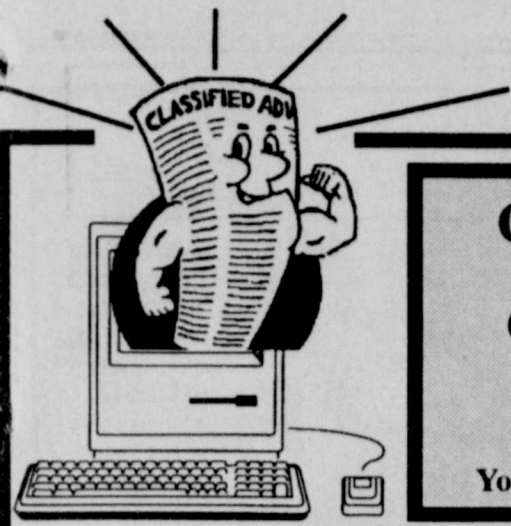
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A HALLOWEEN COSTUME CONTEST was sponsored by the Prairiland Student Council on Friday, October 29. Cash was awarded to 1st through 4th place winners. A variety of costumes were shown. (Staff Photo by Jan Tyson)

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Third place went to Chris Davis who appeared as Austin Powers in the Prairiland Student Council Costume Contest. (Staff Photo)



JOHN MERRILL appeared at Prairiland as the grim reaper during the student council's costume contest and earned fourth place.

People 'n Things

Thursday, November 18, 1999
 The Prairiland Future Homemakers will be holding their annual Christmas Bazaar on the above date. Everyone is invited to come out from noon to 7:00 p.m. to browse and purchase homemade items or baked goods prepared by the students.

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

Happy birthday to Davis Garrett Parsons, Bill Rheudasil and John Cleaver.

Happy 48th anniversary to Joyce and James Merritt.

Peggy Parsons attended a wrap-up meeting and luncheon for the 1999 McCouston Gala at the hospital last Wednesday.

Congratulations to Eric and Cindy Whatley of Atlanta on the arrival of a daughter, Brynna Ann Whatley on October 20, weighing 6 lbs. 11 oz. She is the sixth granddaughter of Max and Carolyn Ballard. Roland Ballard of Clardy is the great-grandfather.

Gary Ballard, Kerry Murdock and Peggy Parsons attended a meeting for election judges at the Lamar County Courthouse on Friday.

Alice Bumgarner of Paris spent the weekend with Ruby Dee and Bill Blevins.

Bill Blevins, Ed and Sandy Ring, Jim and Pam McNabb, Glen and Susie Evans, Mike and Missy Merritt, James and Joyce Merritt, Don and Peggy Gentry were in Paris Sunday for a benefit performance by Gene Watson and Wade White and the Plain Label Band and other local entertainers to raise money for the late guitarist Gary Anderson's widow, Shirley of Paris.

Pam Sulsar of Fulbright, Ruby Dee Blevins, Alice Bumgarner, Katy Winters, Nettie Lois Powers, Glen and Dorothy Renfro, Dale and Peggy Crenshaw, Ruth Crenshaw, Betty White, Elreida Craig, Linda Craig and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Arvin Himes enjoyed the singing at Clardy on Sunday night.

Lynn and Mallie Hood and children were Saturday visitors of Gerald Hood and Barbara McDowra. Reggie McDowra, Pam and Nick, Keith and Ammie McDowra, Brock and Justin visited during the week.

Barbara McDowra went to a football game at Noyes Stadium in Paris recently to see granddaughter Pam McDowra perform with the Travis cheerleaders.

L.C. and Jerry Nell Stout were in Arkansas last week on business.

Travis and Tonya Hunter, Christian, Jeremy and Courtney Danielle attended the fall festival at the First Baptist Church in Paris Saturday.

Debbie Currin, Travis and Tonya Hunter, Christian, Jeremy and Courtney Danielle, Jaclyn and Daniel Winn of Sulphur Springs ate lunch with John and Claudia Whitney Saturday.

Recently John and Claudia Whitney, Debbie Currin, Travis and Tonya Hunter, Christian, Jeremy and Courtney Danielle, Darrell Lynn and Brian Johnson ate supper and celebrated Belinda Dickey's birthday in Sulphur Springs.

Buster and Louise Crossland and Brandon Wright were in Paris last week to visit Buster's nephew, David and Kathy Cleaver of Vail, Colorado in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Cleaver. They helped John Cleaver celebrate his 80th birthday.

Brandon Wright spent the weekend with Buster and Louise. Leah Boren and Ashley Ebarb were Friday visitors.

Samanthas Crawford, daughter of Jackie and Tonya Crawford and Blaine Wright, son of Kent and Ann Wright, have both been ill with a virus over the weekend.

Blossom Locals
 By Liz Irwin
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Happy Birthdays this week too:

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Reports cards will go out this Thursday. Good luck to all students!

The Oak Hill Baptist Church will be holding a Bake Sale and Barbecue Sale on Front Street this Saturday to raise funds for the church.

Joel and Trish Crawford of Blanchard, Oklahoma spent the weekend with Ruby Crawford.

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Cleveland attended the monthly Eastern Star meeting in Deport on Tuesday night.

Despite the inclement weather, area youngsters were out in numbers on Saturday night for trick-or-treating. Area churches and organizations held various events for the children and families.

Cunningham News
 By Jane O'Neal

Susie Hicks was honored with a birthday dinner in the home of Burl Dean and Glenda Watson. Others present were Kendra, Amy and Ronald Hicks, Debbie, Shane, River, Shane and Chelsey Cole and DeeDee, Makynzi and Kaity Borden.

Silas and Juanita Taylor spent the weekend in Waco where their granddaughter, Stephanie Reagan from Plainview performed with the Plainview High School marching band in the State UIL contest.

Drew Boren spent Friday night with Marty Anderson and they deer hunted on Saturday during the children's open season.

Billy Ray and Neva Oats left Saturday after the Harvest Festival at Bogata School and drove up through Arkansas to see the foliage.

Randy Anderson is visiting Ricky and Linda Anderson.

Georgeanna and Brad Nutt spent the weekend in College Station to attend A&M's football game.

Caleb, Layton and Logan Norwood spent the week with Geneva while Frankie and Julie attended the National FFA meet in Louisville, KY.

Geneva Norwood had a harvest time party at the Sterline House in Paris on Friday. Everyone had a good time.

Geneva Norwood had Sunday lunch for Frankie, Julie, Logan,

Layton and Caleb Norwood and Scottie, Treda, Amber and Spur Norwood. Brandon Oats had Sunday lunch with Billie Joe and Georgia Oats.

Karen Kraft of Dallas enjoyed lunch with Emma and Lloyd Willard and other relatives on Sunday.

The Lifeline Worship Center held a Halloween Festival to raise fund for the church on Saturday night at the exhibit building in Paris. Over 300 area residents enjoyed the event.

Jr. Weddle is still in the hospital recuperating form surgery. We wish him well.

Minnie Lee Shands visited with Ruby Huggins, Viola Brendle of the Regency Nursing Home and Zelma Galey last week.

Get wells this week too Zelma Galey who is a patient in St. Joseph Hospital.

Visiting with Pauline and Jr. Weddle this past week was Steven, Stacy, Jalyn and Jacob Weddle of Bogata, Jim and Kathy Weddle and Pat and Ray Evers of Paris.

Bessie Garrett visited with her sister Edith Crawford who is in the hospital in Paris.

Don't forget the Lord's Acre sponsored by the Blossom united Methodist Church this Saturday beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Life Tabernacle Church had a Hallelujah party for the youth on Sunday night and they enjoyed a hayride.

Charles Nichols and Coy Cole from Haskell returned from Elk Point, South Dakota where they have been working on the church. Coy and his wife, Sue, visited Charles and Cindy on Monday then returned to their home in Haskell.

James and Pat Norwood spent the weekend at the Lake home on Bob Sandlin.

Lillian King is reported improved following open heart surgery and having a pacemaker.

On Sunday Joyce Yazell and Carol Arrington from Gilmer visited Lillian King in the hospital. Carol stayed over and visited Sunday night and Monday.

Larry and Pam O'Neal attended the first birthday party for their grandson, Cameron Marshall at his mother's home in Mt. Pleasant.

Marie Watson spent Saturday with Dean and Ada. Her visitors for the week were Nelta Musgrove, Geneva Norwood, Dean and Ada, Brad, Bradley and Brent Watson.

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