

Nichols Worth



By Nanalee Nichols

And All In Just One Week!

The last week has been pretty unbelievable...in fact, I've been accused of making this story up. I promise...I didn't!

It began with my Bengal cat, who developed a serious kidney problem. I sat up with him late one Thursday night spooning medicine down him. I went to sleep about 1:00 a.m. when Gunter was feeling better. At 4:00 a.m. Thomas awoke, suffering from terrible pain. For the next two hours he suffered, but kept hoping things would get better and wouldn't go to emergency. At 6:00 a.m. the fire department beepers went off, and the address was for a medical emergency at his mother's home. Fearfully, we drove into town. It was not his mother, but his sister from Dallas' husband, who was in full cardiac arrest. We took Thomas' sister to the hospital behind the ambulance, poor Thomas trying hard to hide his pain in order to help his sister. Sadly, his brother-in-law was declared dead, and as we were leaving ER Thomas went white and almost collapsed. Without further ceremony he was checked into ER. I drove his sister to Deport, left her and picked up my cat, took him to faithful friend Dawne Darden, who took him to the vet for me. I shot back to the hospital to discover my husband had an enormous kidney stone! I called faithful nephew Jeff and gave him detailed instructions on feeding the cows.

Thomas went into the hospital for large doses of pain-killers. The next morning he was taken to surgery, where they put in a stint to keep his pain down until the truck that "blasts" kidney stones could come to Paris. They said the truck would arrive March 9, then they said the 13th, then the 17th! Confused at the uncertain schedule of the "mystery truck" we came home. The central heat didn't work. Good friend Dawne did return my cat from the vet's, much better, thank goodness.

I got on the four wheeler and went to check on the cows and newborn calves only to discover one was very ill. Ten years ago I could have caught the calf with one hand and poked pills down him with the other...now I had to call on faithful friend Mike to come help. We doctored the calf, and I went back to take care of my husband, who was not the happiest person in the world.

We struggled through doctoring the calf again Sunday and putting out more hay, once more with the help of friends and nephew. We made it through getting out a paper, even though poor Thomas felt awful. Wednesday, they called and said the mysterious kidney stone truck would be there on Thursday, and for Thomas to come up for pre-op that afternoon. He did, and early the next day had his trophy sized kidney stone reduced to sand. The next morning we went back for his stint removal. Let's not talk about that...Thomas says he won't ever go through that again unless he is completely anesthetized! I drove him home, picked up the cat for his checkup, along with the dog, whose skin had erupted in one of her horrible allergy attacks and rushed back to the vet. I left them, came home again, then went back later for the 3rd time that day and picked them up. Guess what? I left my purse sitting on their counter!

To put a cap on this week long marathon of horror, my cousin called Saturday morning to tell us that my beloved Uncle Blake had died in his sleep.

Two good things have come out of all this: I appreciate those faithful friends I mentioned, and I can now tell my husband that his claim that I pressed to choose between him and my cats I'd choose the cats is wrong. When the choice came I sent my friend with the cat and I stayed with my spouse at the hospital! Wish us well, folks, we need it!

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Deport Times

88th YEAR, No. 36

DEPORT, LAMAR COUNTY, TEXAS

Thursday, March 5, 1998

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Drug bust nets cash, vehicles, marijuana

On March 3, 1998 through Regional Controlled Substance Apprehension Program, working in concert with the Northeast Drug Interdiction Task Force and the DEA, executed two search warrants in the attempt to locate marijuana that was suspected of being stored at a residence near Leonard in Fannin County and a residence near Deport in Lamar County. One hundred and sixty-eight pounds of marijuana was located at the residence in Fannin County. Nine thousand dollars cash was located at the residence in Lamar County. On 3-3-98, a search warrant was executed on a safety deposit box belonging to one of the suspect's at a local bank. Fifty-six thousand dollars was found in the deposit box, which the law

enforcement agencies believe is the proceeds of drug trafficking. Approximately \$65,000 U.S. Currency and three vehicles were seized. The suspects arrested were Dwight Lynn Evans, White male, age 47 years of Leonard, Texas and James Stanley Armour, white male, age 57 years of Deport, Texas.

Suspects were charged with Possession of Marijuana Over 50 Lbs., under 2,000 lbs.

The suspects were arrested and booked in the Fannin County Jail on the bond set at \$75,000.00 each by Fannin County J.P. Joe Dale.

Assisting agencies were Fannin County Sheriff's Office, Lamar County Sheriff's Office, I.N.S. and Texas Department of Public Safety.



Ronnie Baker, new Prairiland High School Principal

People N Things

Prairiland ISD students will be out for Spring Break next week, March 9-13. Student will return to regular scheuled classes on March 16

Baker named Prairiland High School Principal

Ronnie Baker has been named as Prairiland High School Principal in a Called Board Meeting of the Prairiland ISD board Tuesday, March 3.

This position becomes effective July 1st, 1998, and comes with the resignation of Dr. Gary Ballard, who asked to be put back into classroom teaching for his final year before retirement.

Dr. Ballard will be the chairperson of the math department at Prairiland, and will be teaching math courses.

Ronnie Baker has been with the Prairiland School District since 1974. He graduated from East Texas State

University in 1974, and finished his Masters Degree from East Texas State in 1974.

He is married to Linda (Malone) Baker and has one child, Shannon Ray Baker, a teacher/coach at Paris High School.

Bob Weddle has been named to fill the position of head basketball coach and teacher, positions which were vacated by Baker's new title.

The board approved a building addition of four classrooms at the high school.

Why is fund raiser for fire department important?

Who will you call when you need emergency personnel? If you, a family member, or neighbor have an emergency such as a house fire or a medical emergency, who do you call? In today's standard operating procedure, if a resident in the Deport area calls 911 for a fire, a wreck or a medical emergency, the following will be dispatched: The Deport Volunteer Fire Department, EMS and the Lamar County Sheriff's Department.

In a medical emergency or a wreck the fire department can respond more quickly than any other agency.

One reason the fire department is in need of funds at the present time is the need for an AED to use on patients in cardiac arrest. And AED is a small computerized battery-operated device which can be as small as a book and weigh as little as 4 pounds. It provides an electrical shock that overpowers an irregular VF rhythm so the heart can resume its natural contractions. The process is called defibrillation. The most crucial time for a cardiac patient is the first few minutes. If the fire department is dispatched in the city limits of Deport the response time is approximately five to six minutes. The response time for EMS from Paris is more like 15-20 minutes.

With the proper equipment the fire department can respond and get a patient set up for the EMTs when they arrive. The fire department now has three paramedics and 80% of the members are CPR certified.

The price of an AED is \$4,000. This is one of the main reasons the department is having a fund raising chili and stew supper and auction this Saturday, March 7th.

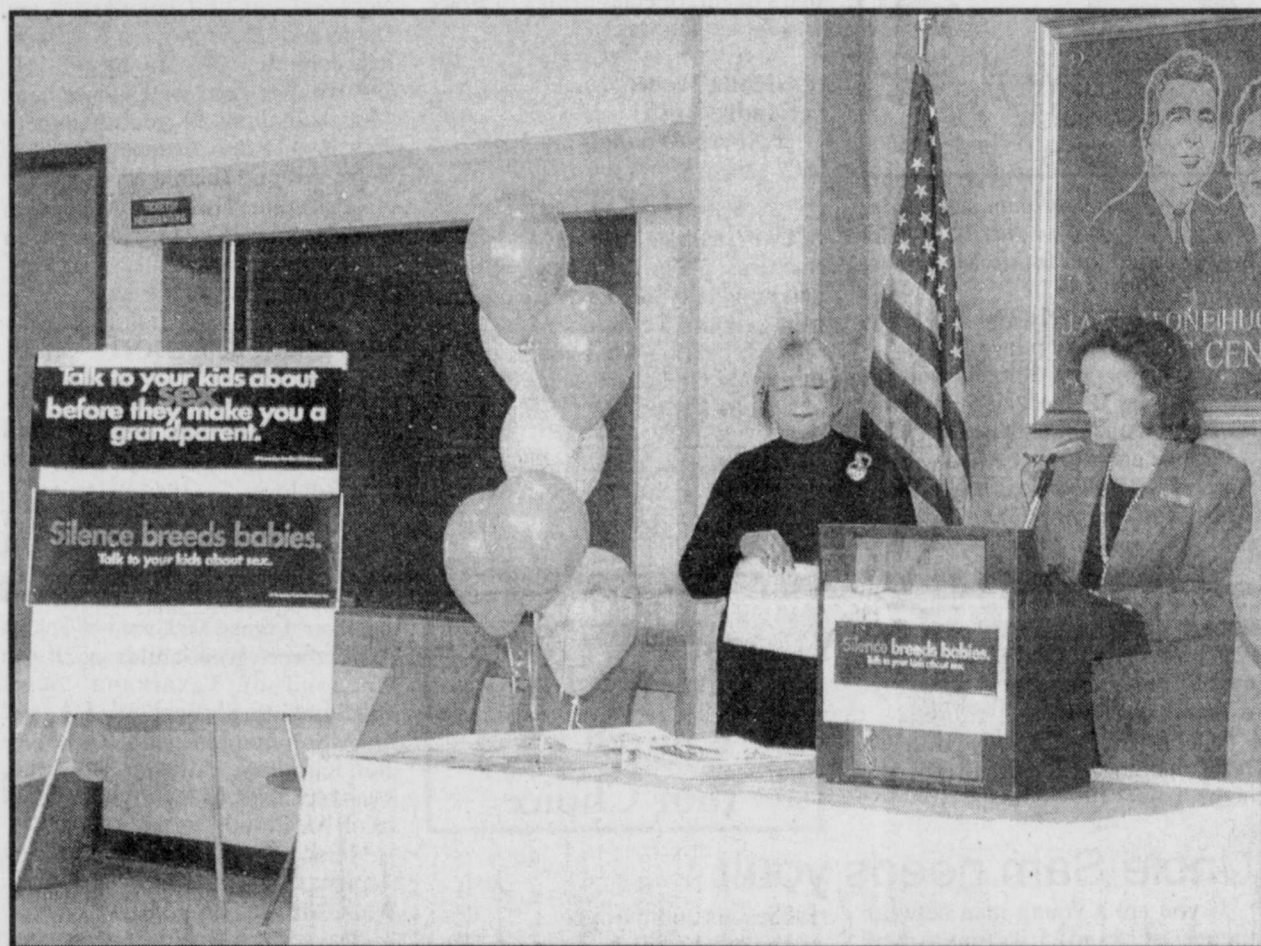
Another reason for the fund raiser is the need for a new grass truck. The present truck is thirty-five years old with many mechanical problems.

A new grass truck would also serve as a first responder truck. This need is very great. Last year of the 47 calls the Deport Volunteer Fire Department responded to five were medically related calls. This number is increasing steadily. Only 35 of the 47 calls came through 911. The Deport Volunteer Fire Department still has a fire number that rings at firemen's homes.

In the future plans are to discontinue the fire number, since more calls come through 911.

Everyone is encouraged to call 911 for all types of emergencies.

And, everyone is urged to come out for stew or chili and to bid on auction items this Saturday night to help raise much-needed funds for these causes.



ThunderPrairie Publishing Photo By Thomas Nichols

PROJECT SAVE was officially announced by Bonnie Woodfin and Martha Giddens at a news conference Tuesday morning in the Loves Civic Center. The Project SAVE (Sexual Abstinence and Values Education) is a program funded by the Texas Department of Health through President Clinton's Welfare Reform Program. Lamar County has been awarded a \$440,000, 20 month grant.

Grant to be used for Project SAVE in Lamar County

As a result of President Clinton's Welfare Reform Program, the state of Texas has received 4.9 million dollars in grant money. Lamar County has been awarded \$440,000.00.

The grant will be administered by the Lamar County Coalition of Education, Business and Industry over the next twenty months.

Coalition Executive Director Bonnie Woodfin, at a news conference Tuesday morning at the Love Civic Center, announced the Kick Off of the program to representatives of all five school districts in the county.

Director Woodfin announced that the grant provides funding for a comprehensive county-wide program including all five county school districts, promoting the long-term benefits of abstinence for young people ages 10-18 and assists in the formation of a value system and the development of good decision-making skills in an increasingly complex world.

The \$440,000 grant has been awarded to Lamar County in response to Lamar County's rating of number 15 among 254 Texas counties for the frequency of pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases in Texas youth ages 13-17 years of age.

Lamar County ranked higher than counties with the large cities of Dallas and Houston located within them.

Two hundred and fifty counties applied for the grants and only twenty-one were awarded.

Specific activities scheduled for the spring semester and the 1998-99 school year include the Aim for Success program, a Parent Night/ Job Fair and presentations by Nationally-Known speakers, including A.C. Green of the Dallas Mavericks and Will Clark of the Texas Rangers, were outlined, as were extensive media activities.

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The grant program targets 100% of the students in the county between the ages of 10 and 18.

In Lamar County in 1995, 51 out of every 1000 girls between the ages of 13 and 17 gave birth out of wedlock. Almost 3 out of every 100 young people in Lamar County between 13 and 17 have a sexually transmitted disease. The figures are based on 1995 statistics and there is reason to believe that they have risen in all categories since then.

Charlie is State Champ!

Charlie Lawrence, eight grade student at Deport Junior High School, has captured the State level competition of the "Elks Hoop Shoot" free throw contest held at Richardson February 28th, according to State Director Bill Gibson of Mesquite. Lawrence represents Paris Elks Lodge 2433 in the Northeast District.

Lawrence won the 12-13 year old boys competition by hitting 23 of 25 free throws during the contest. He was tied with Travis Carruthers of Georgetown, but won by hitting 4 of 5 baskets in a shoot-off.

By hitting 23 of 25 free throws and 4 of 5 in the shoot-off, Lawrence won the award for the highest score of the tournament.

Awards were presented at an evening banquet held at Richardson High School.

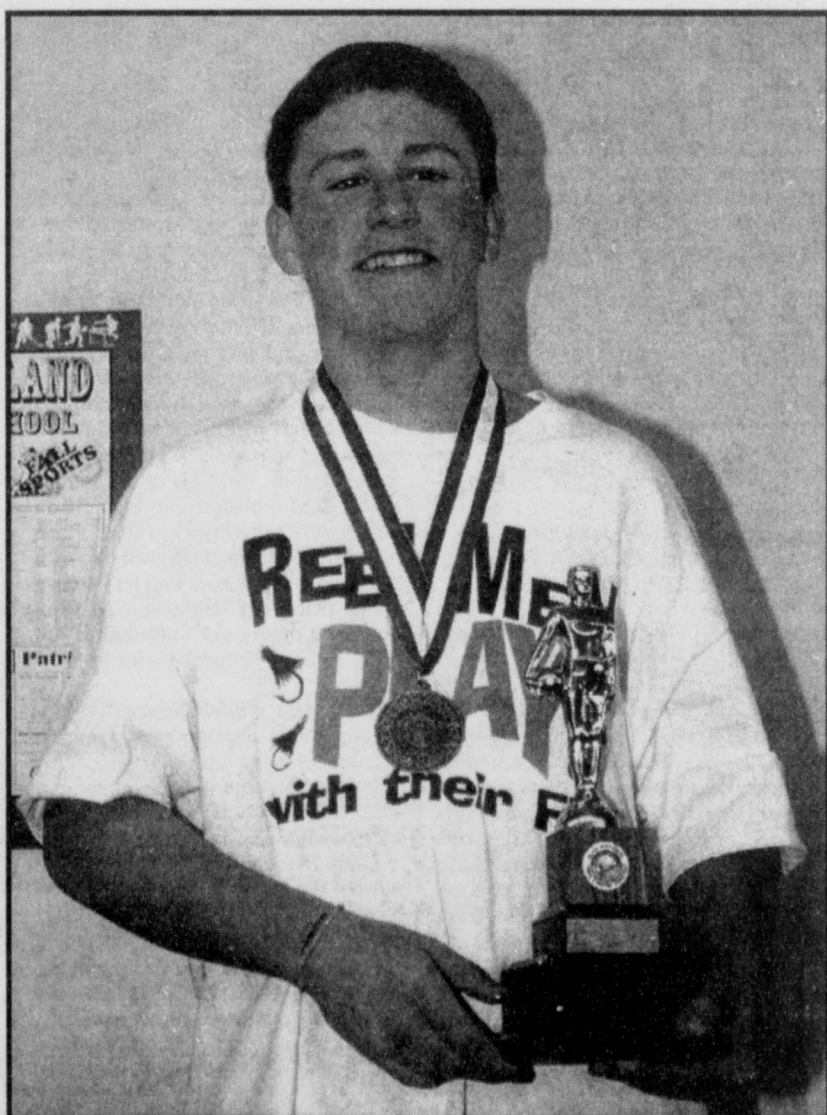
He now advances to the next level of competition, which is the regional finals at Oklahoma City, Ok on March 14th with the national finals to be held at Springfield, Mass on April 18th. Three boy and three girl winners in three age groups advance as state champions to the four-state regionals.

These statistics reflect reported cases-not those which are unreported or treated out-of-county.

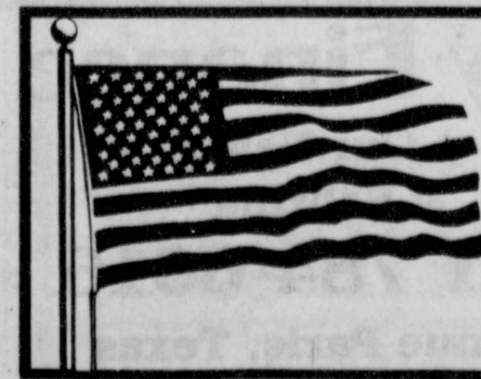
All types of the media will be used over the next 20 months to educate the public to make a difference in the lives of young people in Lamar County. The success of the Project SAVE (Sexual Abstinence and Values Education) is critical to both the health and future of the community.

Charlie is the son of Keith and Carolyn Lawrence of Deport. He has two sisters, Kristin and Tonya, and four brothers, D.J., Terry of Van Alostyn, and Jamie of Texarkana.

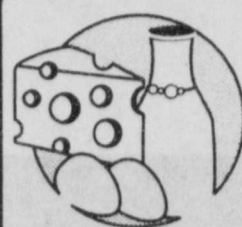
The Elks Hoop Shoot, begun as a local program by Corvallis, Oregon Elks in 1946, is now a nationwide competition. Over four million boys and girls are expected to participate this year. The program is funded entirely from the Elks National Foundation, the Elks charitable trust that spends over \$12 million annually on scholarship, veterans programs, drug awareness programs and other services.



Charlie Lawrence with is medal and trophy for winning the Elks Hoop Shoot State Contest



Don't Forget to VOTE
in the Tuesday,
March 10th Elections
Vote as you please,
but PLEASE VOTE



Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

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Our featured Cook this week is Virginia Spencer of Bogata. She is the secretary to Mr. Price on the Rivercrest campus.

She is married to Othal (Eddie) Spencer Jr. and they have three daughters. Emily is 21 and married to Giles Christie. They live in Atlanta, Georgia. Amber is 18 and attends Stephen F. Austin State University and runs track. Bailie is 10 year old and is a 4th grader on the Bogata campus.

Virginia enjoys cooking, swimming, traveling, along with keeping up with Bailie and going back and forth to her baseball and basketball games.

She is submitting her recipes for

the following dishes and we thank Virginia.

Brownie Trifle uses a package brownie mix and instant fudge pudding and Cool Whip. ATHIS really sounds great!

Candy Cane Cookies uses two colors of dough twisted and baked into the shape of candy canes.

Buttermilk Wheat Bread For this Virginia uses her bread machine and buttermilk and honey.

Sour Cream Dinner Rolls is a hot roll recipe using sour cream in the recipe.

Hot Fudge Sauce will be good on ice cream and for anyone that loves chocolate.



COOK OF THE WEEK is Virginia Spencer. She is school secretary to Mr. Price on the Rivercrest campus. Virginia enjoys watching her youngest daughter, Bailie play basketball and baseball.

March 5, 1998
Virginia Spencer-Bogata

Brownie Trifle

1 (19.8 ounce) package fudge brownie mix
1 (3.9 ounce) package chocolate fudge instant pudding mix
8 (1.4 ounce) toffee-flavored candy bars, crushed
1 (10.8 ounce) container frozen whipped topping, thawed
garnish chocolate curls

Prepare brownie mix according to package directions. Bake according to package directions in a 13x9x2 inch pan. Cool and crumble into pieces. Prepare chocolate fudge mix according to package directions omitting chilling procedure. Place half of crumbled brownies in bottom of a 3-quart trifle bowl; top with each of pudding, crushed candy bars and whipped topping. Repeat layers with remaining half of crumbled brownies, pudding, candy bars and whipped topping. Cover and chill at least 8 hours. Garnish, if desired.

Candy Cane Cookies

1/2 cup butter
1/2 cup shortening
1 cup confectioner's sugar
1 egg
1-1/2 teaspoon almond extract
1 teaspoon vanilla
2-1/2 cup all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon red food coloring
1/2 cup crushed peppermint candy
1/2 cup granulated sugar

Heat oven to 375 degrees. Mix thoroughly butter, shortening, confectioner's sugar, egg and flavorings. Blend in flour and salt. Divide dough in half, blend food colorings into one half. Shape 1 teaspoon dough from each half into 4 inch rope. For smooth even ropes, roll them back and forth on lightly floured board. Place ropes side by side; press together lightly and twist. Complete cookies one at a time. Place on ungreased cookie sheet. Curve top down to form handle of cane. Bake about 9 minutes or until set and very light brown. Mix candy and granulated sugar. Immediately sprinkle cookies and candy mixture; remove from baking sheet.

Buttermilk Wheat Bread

1-1/4 cup buttermilk
1 tablespoon butter
2 tablespoons honey
1 teaspoon salt

2 cup bread flour
1 cup wheat-blend bread flour
1 package dry yeast
Place ingredients in bread maker in order listed on Basic Bread Cycle.

Sour Cream Dinner Rolls

1 (8 ounce) container sour cream
1/2 cup butter or margarine
1/2 cup sugar
1-1/4 teaspoon salt
2 (1/4 ounce) envelopes active dry yeast
1/2 cup warm water
2 large eggs, lightly beaten
4 cups all-purpose flour
2 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted

Cook first 4 ingredients in a saucepan over medium-low heat; stirring occasionally until butter melts. Cool to 105 degrees to 115 degrees. Combine yeast and warm water in a 1-cup liquid measuring cup; let stand 5 minutes. Stir together yeast mixture, sour cream mixture, eggs and flour in large bowl until well blended. Cover and chill 8 hours. Divide dough into fourths and shape each portion into a ball. Roll each ball to 1/4 inch thickness on a floured surface; cut dough into rounds with 2-1/2 to 3-inch round cutter. Brush rounds evenly with 2 tablespoons melted butter. Make a crease across each round with a knife and fold in half; gently press edges to seal. Place rolls in a 15x10-inch jellyroll pan with sides touching. Cover and let rise in a warm place (85 degrees) free from drafts, 45 minutes or until doubled in bulk. Bake at 375 degrees for 12 to 15 minutes.

Hot Fudge Sauce

1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons sugar
1 (5 ounce) can evaporated milk
3/4 cup semisweet chocolate morsels
1-1/2 teaspoons butter or margarine
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
Combine sugar, milk and morsels in a small saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring until chocolate melts and mixture boils. Remove from heat and stir in butter and vanilla. Serve hot over ice cream. Microwave directions: Combine sugar, milk and morsels in a 1-quart glass bowl. Microwave on Medium HI (70% power) for 405 minutes or until chocolate is melted and mixture is very hot; stirring after 1 minute, then a 30-second intervals. Stir in butter and vanilla.

Fulbright News

by Betty Rodgers
Call 652-6051

Visitors of Clovis and Katy VanDeaver and Harley Stevens this past week were Clarence and Billie Pate of Dallas and William Earl and Betty Stevens of Arlington.

The Fulbright Baptist Church held two showings of the movie "Heaven's Gate-Hell's Flames" with refreshments and fellowship afterwards. Thanks is extended to all the pastors who participated.

Wesley Joplin of Rockwall visited Worth Baker Tuesday.

Jo Gordon was a visitor of Ethel Epps Sunday.

Charles Epps, Dana Tabb and son Wyatt came Sunday and took Mrs. Ethel Epps to Paris where they had lunch.

Betty and Monte Rodgers were in Bowie Saturday for the wedding of her niece. They came back by and spent Saturday night with Bernice Thomas in Boyd.

The community meeting was held in the home of Betty Rodgers Monday evening with six in attendance. Topic of discussion was the yearbook and collection of donations for development of community projects. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Ruth Adams was a visitor of Ethel Epps Monday.



Thursday at 7:00 p.m. is 42 time. The VFW and its Auxiliary meet every second and fourth Monday at 7:00 p.m.

The VFW Post 8187 no longer has Bingo on Saturday p.m.

* All members are urged to attend the meetings the second and fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

* Make plans to eat catfish with us March 13. It's all you can eat fish and all the trimmings for \$5.00 from 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

* Broadway Junction will play good ole country music Saturday night March 7, from 8:30 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. Admission is \$4.00 per person. You must be 21 years of age to attend.

* Our love and sympathy go to Pat Butler and family for the loss of her mom.

Uncle Sam needs you!!

If you are a young man between the ages of 18 and 25, it's time to think about your Uncle Sam, and the best way to stay on his good side is to register with Selective Service. Although most men register when they are 18, as required by law, some fail to do so until they are older.

If you are now 25, you have only the months remaining until your 26th birthday to register. Selective Service does not have the authority to accept late registrations after a man

Willie Lucille Allgood dies February 12

Willie Lucille Allgood of Mesquite, born May 28, 1902 in Pattonville, died February 12 in Mesquite.

She was the daughter of Margaret Allgood Meritt and Bud Claxton, who both preceded her in death as well as one sister, Catherine Gordon and two brothers, Tommy Claxton and Herbert Claxton.

She lived all her life in Dallas and Oak Cliff. She was a charter member of Dallas Bethel Temple and was in the Templar Chapter #374 Order of the Eastern Star.

Surviving are her husband and family: Jim L. Kimbrell, Sr.; a step-son, Jimmy L. Kimbrell, Jr.; a step-daughter, Barbara Ann Bradley; step sister, Alice Evans; numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service was held Sunday, February 22 at Dallas Bethel Temple with Rev. Carl Tillery officiating.

Graveside services were in Deport.

Card of Thanks

I want to thank my relatives and friends for the prayers, cards, calls, visits, food and flowers during my stay in the hospital and at home recuperating from surgery.
God bless you all.
Imogene Lewis

Card Of Thanks

The family of Ruby White wishes to thank everyone for their concern and help during the time of our loved one's death. Special thanks to Joyce and Jackie Rhodes.

Glenda Moore
Sandra Bush
& Norris Woodall

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank all of my friends for the cards, phone calls, flowers, visits and especially the prayers at the time of my illness. I continue to look forward to hearing from you in the future. May God bless each of you.
Lorette Pynes



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Woods to be in beauty pageant

Elisha Annette Woods of Paris has been elected to be in the Miss 1998 Junior Teen Beauty Pageant in Dallas. The pageant will be held on April 19, 1998 at 4:00 p.m. at the Dallas Convention Center Theatre.

Elisha attends Paris High School as a freshman. She is also on the girl's varsity track team, which she enjoys long distance running and relays. She is also the class secretary

at Sunday School at the New Hope Baptist Church in Detroit. Elisha's plans for the future is to attend college and to become a model.

Elisha is the daughter of Carolyn Woods and Glen Fulbright. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Guy Savage, the great granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester McClester of Detroit.

OPPORTUNITIES

The media is filled with the bad news of families being torn apart by immorality-drugs-drinking. Most are probably beyond restoring, because of selfish desires. I am sure the families in question did not want this to happen. But there is hope if you are looking in the right place.

Fathers must realize they will be held accountable for the spiritual well being of those whom he has been given. The mother gives a home stability. There is no substitute! It has been said "children of our day will go down in history and mathematics, science...because of TV". How and where we spend our time is crucial to what we do in the days ahead.

WELCOME TO THE SERVICES OF THE
BOGATA CHURCH OF CHRIST
SERVICES: SUNDAY BIBLE CLASS 9:45 A.M.
WORSHIP 10:30 a.m.
Evening 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

Obituaries



Almer L. Norwood

Almer L. Norwood dies February 26

Almer L. Norwood, age 89, a lifelong resident of Cunningham, died Thursday, February 26 in Red River Healthcare Center, Bogata.

Services were held Saturday, February 28 at 2:00 p.m. in Life Tabernacle Church in Cunningham with Rev. Joe Merrell and Rev. Chad Barnes officiating. Burial was in Restland Cemetery in Cunningham. Wood Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

Mr. Norwood was born March 21, 1908 in Cunningham, the son of W.W. and Edna Allen Norwood. He married the former Alma Baker on December 24, 1928 in Minter.

He is survived by his wife; one daughter, Cindi and her husband Charles Nichols of Cunningham; five sons and their wives, Darold Dean and Ida Mae Norwood, Carnard and Delores Norwood, James Doyle and Pat Norwood, and Talma and Susie Norwood, all of Cunningham and Danny and Sharon Norwood of Rockford community; a daughter-in-law, Geneva Norwood of Cunningham; 17 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Corene Wester of Hope, AR and Juanita Montgomery of California. He was preceded in death by a son, Eugene Norwood on February 28, 1991.

Bearers were grandsons.

Maggie Solomon dies February 17

Maggie Solomon, age 87, died February 17 in Wadley Hospital, Texarkana.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Travis H. Solomon of Deport. Survivors include one son, Doyle W. Solomon of Dallas and one daughter, Louise McCloud of Texarkana; three grandchildren, Keith McCloud of Texarkana, Scott McCloud of Shreveport, LA and Kevin Solomon of Euleus; four great-grandchildren, Allison McCloud, Ryan McCloud, Mason McCloud and Jacob McCloud.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, 820 Wake Ave., Wake Village, TX 75501.

Blake T. Miller dies at age 86

Blake T. Miller, age 86 of Spavinaw, Ok. were held Tuesday, March 3, 1998 at Stephens Memorial Chapel in Pryor, Ok., Rev. Carol Riech officiated.

Mr. Miller was born in Little Rock, Arkansas on 11-12, 1911.

He died at his home on February 28, 1998.

Mrs. Miller had lived in Spavinaw for the last 22 years, moving there from Amarillo, Texas. He attended Western Military Academy in Columbia, Missouri and graduated from high school in Little Rock, Arkansas. He attended junior college in Little Rock.

Prior to retirement he was an insurance adjuster and worked for General Adjustment Bureau and American Insurance Association. He was a member of the United Methodist Church in Spavinaw, Ok., and also a member of the Masonic Lodge of Tyler, Texas, where he had received his 50 year pin. He was a former member of the Shriners.

Mr. Miller was very interested in youth programs and was very active in Kids, Inc. of Amarillo.

He married Leota Marshall on February 8, 1940 in Houston, Texas.

He is survived by his wife, Leota; daughter Medora Williams of Amarillo, Texas; son John M. Miller of Amarillo; 6 grandchildren, Charles Eaton, Blake Eaton, Rebecca Endell, John Brockman, Jennifer Miller and Shawn Miller and 6 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Allen and Janie (Moore) Miller, 2 brothers and 1 sister.

He was the brother-in-law of the late Medora Marshall Jeffus of Deport.

Mrs. Marguerite J. W dies February 28

Mrs. Marguerite J. Wims, a of Paris died Saturday, February 28 in East Texas Medical Center, Cville.

Services were held at 2:00 Wednesday, March 4 in B Church of Christ with Benny Co officiating. Burial was in Talco cemetery under the direction of Funeral Home.

Mrs. Wims was born December 1925 in Franklin County bei Talco and Hagansport. She m David A. Wims, Sr., on Octob 1942 in Clarksville. She was a time member of NAULS, a me of the Ladies Auxiliary of VFW 3990 of Paris and attended B High School.

Survivors include her hus D.A. Wims of Paris; two daug Patricia Ann Butler and hus Raymond and Catherine Y. Wi son, David Wims and wife, Marie; and three grandchildren, Paris; two sisters, Betty Jon Laquana Hills, CA and Ger Parker of Clarksville. She was ceded in death by her mother, M Gable; a sister, Billie Jo and a br Freddy Corsey.

Una Armstrong Harden dies February 25

Una Armstrong Harden, age Pittsburg died Wednesday, Feb 25 in the Titus County Men Hospital of Mt. Pleasant.

Services were held at 1:00 Saturday, February 28 in Immanuel Baptist Church of burg with the Rev. Larry Rice ar Rev. Mike Kessler officiating. E was in Bogata Cemetery unde direction of Wood Funeral Ho Bogata. Bearers were grands Terry Harden, Larry Harden, Cloyd, Adam Harden, Gregg iams, Bryan Hailey, Benja VanBuskirk and Johnathan Willi

Mrs. Harden was born Septer 18, 1915 in Madill, TX, the daug of Jake and Maggie Thori Armstrong. She married Ro (Mack) Harden on October 8, 19 Bogata, he preceded her in death 28, 1977. She was also precede death by her parents, two brot Loyd and Jacob Armstrong ar sister, Sammie Armstrong. She her husband lived and farmer Lockney and Lorenzo for many ye

She is survived by two sons, H Harden and wife, Patsy of Day Robert Harden and wife Rita Sunnyvale; five daughters, Fay Wallace of Mt. Pleasant, Ma Cloyd and husband, Dewey of Colony, Glenda Brasher and husb Bob of Waxahachie, Sara Willi and husband, Ronald of Mt. Plea and Karen VanBuskirk and husb Dr. Ron, all of Mt. Pleasant; 18 gra children; 20 great-grandchildren three great-great-grandchildren; brothers, Howard Armstrong wife, Helen of Paris and Gl Armstrong of Carlsbad, NM; th sisters, Lucille Garner and Gloria V son, both of Carlsbad, NM and B Jean Metzger of Scottsdale, AZ brother-in-law, John Harden and th sisters-in-law, Maggie Lee, R Sistrunk and Ruth Couch, all Bogata; and an aunt, Mary Coope Bogata.

In lieu of flowers, the family quests memorials be made to National Arthritis Foundation, 1 Peachtree NW, Atlanta, GA 30 and the Cypress Basin Hospice, 11 N. Jefferson, Mt. Pleasant, TX 754

Richard Lee Birchfiel dies February 28

Richard Lee Birchfield, age 7 Talco died Saturday, February 2 Titus Regional Medical Center, Pleasant.

Services were held at 10:00 March 3 at Bates-Cooper-Robi Funeral Home Chapel with buria Gladewater Cemetery. Bro. Ri Logan and Bro. John David Wr officiated.

He was born November 4, 192 Deming, NM and was a self-employed rancher.

Survivors include his wife, Milk Poag Birchfield of Talco; a daug Rita Jane Birchfield of Mt. Pleas sons, David Neil Birchfield of Tal Richard Larry Birchfield of Gr Prairie, Ronnie Glenn Birchfield Talco and Johnny Lynn Birchfield Talco; a sister, Lou Ella Crusco of Paso; grandchildren, Clinton e Jenna Birchfield of Arizona, Kenc Cole and Kayla Birchfield, Ch Missy and Wendy Gentry, Jac Birchfield, Marcy Brown, all of Ta and numerous neices and nephe

He was preceded in death by parents, Howard and Grace Dods Birchfield; and two sons, Donald I Birchfield and Rodney D Birchfield.

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Northcutt-Duckworth marriage vows exchanged

DeWayne Northcutt and Mandy Duckworth were united in marriage Saturday, February 28 at 7:00 p.m. at the Bogata Community Center with Reverend Park Robertson, pastor of First Baptist Church, Bogata officiating the semi formal ceremony.

Attending the bride as maid of honor was Billie Northcutt and Bride's maid was Donna Ward.

The groom's best man was Paul Tittsworth and groomsman was Greg Northcutt. Lauren Ward served as flower girl and Steven Northcutt was Ring Bearer.

A reception was held following the ceremony in the Community Center.

The couple will make their home in Bogata.

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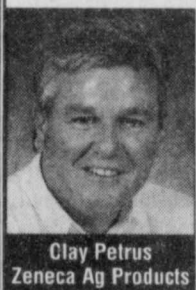
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Deport Nursing Home News

By Candy Larkin

Floy Sparks was visited by Nina, Elois and Ina Sparks, Monda Fults, Peggy Parsons.

Alma Montgomery was visited by Elois and Nina Sparks, Monda Fults and Peggy Parsons.

Angie Smith was visited by Larry, Don, Dale and Askmo Smith, Shirley Haskell, Barbara Merchant and Sue Goley.

Johnnie Warren's guests were Mike and Lila and Hali Screws, Brittney Baker, Nanie Bell Ham, Fred and Barbara Biggerstaff, Evelyn Roach, Lucy Fowler, Joyce Love, Leah Cathey, Venice Bryson, Billy Blevins, Linnie Bailey, Edith Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Courtney of Lubbock, Mrs. Brenda Ross of Powderly, Candy Larkin, Ella Tittsworth of Blossom.

Raymond and Edith Crawford were visited by Prentice Crawford, Kevin Clark, Angela Tolsa of Houston, Morris and Ida Lampkin and Nanie Bell Ham.

Raymond and Aubrey Hignight was visited by Keith and Shawn Young, Thurman and Marie Franks.

Brodie Bell and Reecie Kelsey's guests were Mavis Kelsey, Ruth Campbell, Ella Woods, James Grant, Pam Humphrey and Candy Larkin.

Jo Wrenn was visited by Candy Larkin, Ella Tittsworth, Nanie Bell

Ham, Nina Hale, Chance Crawford and Donnie Larkin.

Ima Griffin was visited by Dee Flora Harris, Gary and Patsy Curtis, Bobby Neely, Tammy Aubrey.

Margaret Spencer was visited by Neita Brundrige.

L.V. Brawner was visited by Shane Kelli and Earline Lahmon.

Don O'Dea and Athel Hester were visited by Cecil and Margaret Allen, Barbara and Fred Biggerstaff.

Genieve Humphrey was visited by Pam Humphrey, Candy Larkin, Phyllis Taylor, Sonya Davis, Gene Fields and Floyd Humphrey.

Raymond Wright was visited by Margaret and Cecil Allen.

David Geer was visited by William Geer, Donnie and Candy Larkin, Cecil and Margaret Allen.

Virginia Carrell was visited by Larry Carrell, Donna Vaughn, Ester Malone, lots of grandchildren and family.

Kathleen Goldsberry was visited by Weldon and Joyce Smith.

Jenny Woodard was visited by Jessie M. Woodard.

Betty Gardner was visited by Candy Larkin, Pam Humphrey. Pat Talley visited everyday.

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Texas Agriculture Commissioner

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So as we rediscover the importance of water as an essential element of life, Texans should also keep in mind the lessons learned from the drought of 1996. Remember that the typical American home uses 300 gallons of water a day. Good rains should not be cause for ending effective conservation practices such as limiting showers or gardening with drought-resistant plants. Because no matter how you bottle it, water remains one of our most precious resources.

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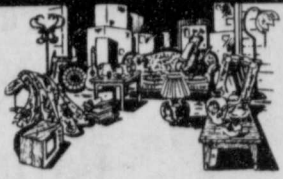
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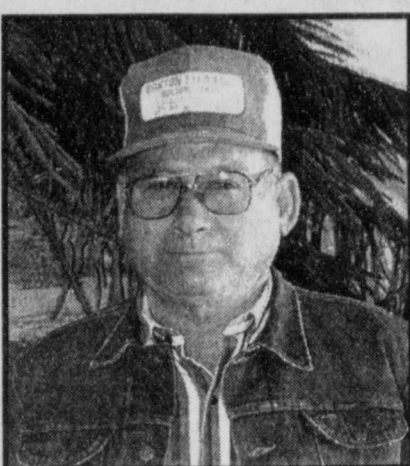
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June 1 --- 9:00-11:00 Sept. 7 --- 6:30-8:30 Dec. 7 --- 4:30-6:30

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SENIORS STACY BANGS and Chad Johnston dance to the Prairiland Jazz Ensemble's portion of the PAT Foundation Banquet on Thursday night.



Rab Skidmore, devoted song leader at Deport Nursing Home



London's first subway line was operated by steam locomotives and opened in 1863.

Rab Skidmore makes music for many

By Nanalee Nichols
Sunday mornings finds O.R. (Rab) Skidmore of Deport heading for the Deport Nursing Home. His arrival at the dining room there is always greeted with sunny smiles, for he is a welcome sight as song leader for services at the home every Sunday.
This routine has been going on for over thirty years, an unmatched record!
No one remembers precisely when Rab began bringing music to the residents of the nursing home. Back then, Mrs. Rena Rollins started a ministry to the residents, getting local talent to sing and play piano, and the ministers of the community to take turns bringing the message.
Rab and his wife Margie took part in this original program, Margie handing out the books Rab leading the singing. His son, Randy, played the piano for seven or eight years to round out the family affair. After Randy married and moved, the Skidmores added younger son, Timothy as piano player. Now, Timothy, his wife and their two children come almost every Sunday to help provide a joyous interlude for the residents of the Nursing Home. The grandsons are Ryan, age ten and Aaron age eight, and they enjoy the nursing home ser-

vices too.
"Anyone would enjoy this if they would just go and see how it blesses the people," Rab smiles.
Margie died in April of 1995, and almost the only times that Rab has missed performing his duties was during her illness.
The crowd Sunday mornings can be as small as six or over twenty five, but it doesn't matter to Rab, he's always happy to visit with the residents and bring a little music into their lives.
Rab is the song leader at his church, Faith Baptist in Deport, and in addition is part of a small group that goes to sing at revivals and Fifth Sunday Singings in several counties.
He is retired from Uarco in Paris, and trains and breaks horses in his spare time. He enjoys square dancing, too, but of all the things he does, one of his favorites is leading the music at the Sunday Nursing Home services.
"You just meet a lot of special people," he says. And over thirty years, there have been a lot of residents who have met another very special person....Rab Skidmore, devoted to his task.

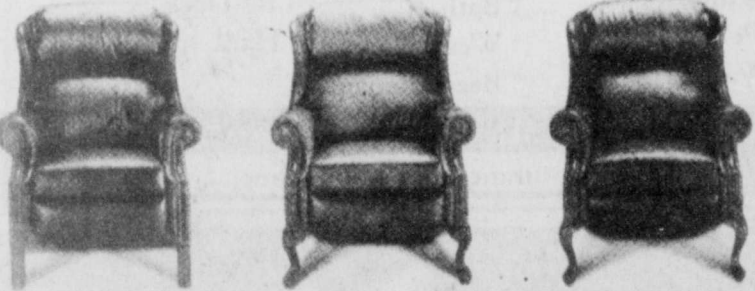
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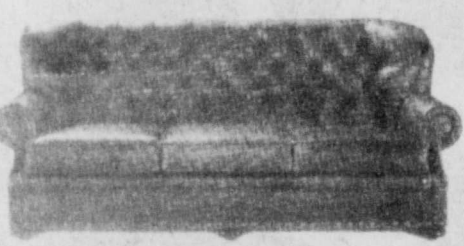
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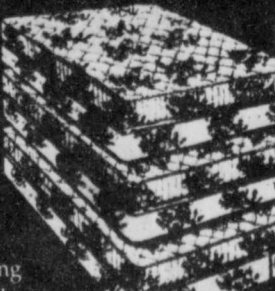

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Calendar of Events
March

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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3 TAAS Writing for 4th and 8th grades
4 TAAS Math Exit
5 TAAS Reading Exit
6 Softball vs. Rains, here, 4:30
7 Blossom/Deport Jr. High and Elementary UIL Meet at Chisum
8 North Lamar Tournament continues
9 Blossom/Deport Junior High and Elementary UIL Meet continues at Chisum
10 Spring Break
11 Softball at Cooper, 4:30
12 Softball vs. Rivercrest, Here, 4:30
13 FFA Show Clinic
14 School Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
15 Hunter and Gun Safety Class at Blossom by Donnie McHam
16 JV Softball vs. Cooper, Here, 4:30
17 Baseball at Detroit, 4:00
18 Cheerleader Clinic
19 Hunter and Gun Safety Class at Blossom
20 Cheerleader Clinic
21 JV Baseball at North Lamar, 4:30
22 Varsity Baseball at Como-Pickton Tournament
23 Hunter and Gun Safety Class
24 Softball at Honey Grove, 4:30
25 Baseball Tournament continues at Como-Pickton
26 Hunter and Gun Safety Class
27 Como-Pickton Tournament continues
28 JV Baseball at North Lamar, 11:00 a.m.
29 California Achievement Tests administered to grades K-2 this week
30 Softball at Detroit, 4:30
31 JV Baseball vs. Sulphur Springs, Here, 4:00
32 Varsity Baseball at Alba Golden, 4:00
33 JV Softball vs. Cooper, Here, 4:30
34 Boys Tennis at Culbertson Park
35 Girls Tennis at Culbertson Park
36 Deport Book Fair
37 Cheerleader tryouts
38 JV Baseball at Mt. Vernon, 11:00
39 Varsity Baseball vs. Lone Oak, Here
40 Softball vs. Chisum, Here, 10:00
41 JV Baseball at Como-Pickton, 4:00
42 Softball vs. Cooper, Here, 4:30
43 One Act Play Practice at PJC
44 Baseball at Rivercrest, 4:00
45 One Act Play at PJC

Tennis team takes on Mt. Vernon
The Prairiland Tennis Team played Mt. Vernon on Saturday, February 28 at Culbertson Park in Paris. Results are as follows:
Girls Singles: Amy Bryan 8-6; Diana Sparks 6-8; Anna Thompson 6-8, 8-1; Deanna Merrill 8-4.
Girls Doubles: Shanna Pegg/ Shasta Riley 6-8; Amy Bryan/Diana Sparks 8-4; Emily Burchinal/Jennifer Glasgow 2-2.
Boys Single: Roy Arrasmith 2-8; Wes Conley 2-8; Matt Moffitt 8-6; Michael Flatt 8-1.
Boys Doubles: Roy Arrasmith/ Wes Conley 8-5, 5-8; Dusty Pegg/ Chris Hudson 3-8, 5-8; Matt Moffitt/ Michael Flatt 6-8; Michael Flatt/ Dusty Pegg 3-8.
Members of the tennis team who did not get to play Saturday were Amber Norwood and Kurt Wilson.
Their next match will be March 19 with Wolfe City.

Burglary is Crime of the Week
Sometime during the later part of December, unknown suspects forced entry into a shop building at a residence on Lamar County Road 22900 just off Highway 82 West. Once inside the building, the suspect stole several power tools, a pressure washer and many other items. This burglary of a building resulted in over \$1,300 in lost and damaged property.

If you have information on this or any other felony crime, call Crime Stoppers at 785-TIPS.
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Cunningham News

By Linda Anderson
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The community was saddened by the death of life long resident, Almer Norwood on February 26. We express our deepest sympathy to his family and many friends.

Morris Cox of Dallas visited Velma Cox over the weekend to attend the funeral for Almer Norwood.

Marty and Susan Anderson spent the night with Faye and Billy Daniel.

Janet and Danielle Syrus went to Sherman Saturday to the mall and other places shopping.

Visitors of Mrs. Lorette Pynes after being dismissed from the hospital were Velma Cox, Lucy Fowler, Pat Norwood, Bill Page, Bobby and Shelley Kennedy, Buddy Taylor, Marie Watson of Cunningham, Chad Barnes of Deport, Rhonda Byers of Rowlett, Lindsey and Robbie Pynes of Levelland, Buddy Pynes of Paris, John and Corrien Wester, Lisa Slagle of Euless, Regina Newman, Blake, Briana and Malcolm of Dallas.

Teresa and Kelti Mowery and Greg Tompkins from Bay City were here visiting Canard and Delores Norwood and attended her grandfather's funeral.

Erbert Hume visited Ross Hume in Marietta, OK on Friday.

Courtney Currin, son of Debbie Currin of Powderly and grandson of John and Claudia Whitney of Deport was killed in an automobile accident on February 16 in Paris. Here from out of town to attend the funeral were Judy Young Graef of Wichita Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Holland Whitney of Dallas, Mrs. Virginia Allison of Garland, Mrs. Sandra Whitney and daughters, Ida and Shannon Whitney, Royce City, Mr. and Mrs. Graydon Whitney of Royce City, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dickey and daughter Jaclyn Elaine, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Johnson and daughter Katherine, Glen Maddox, Sulphur Springs, Gordon Buford Smith, Carrollton.

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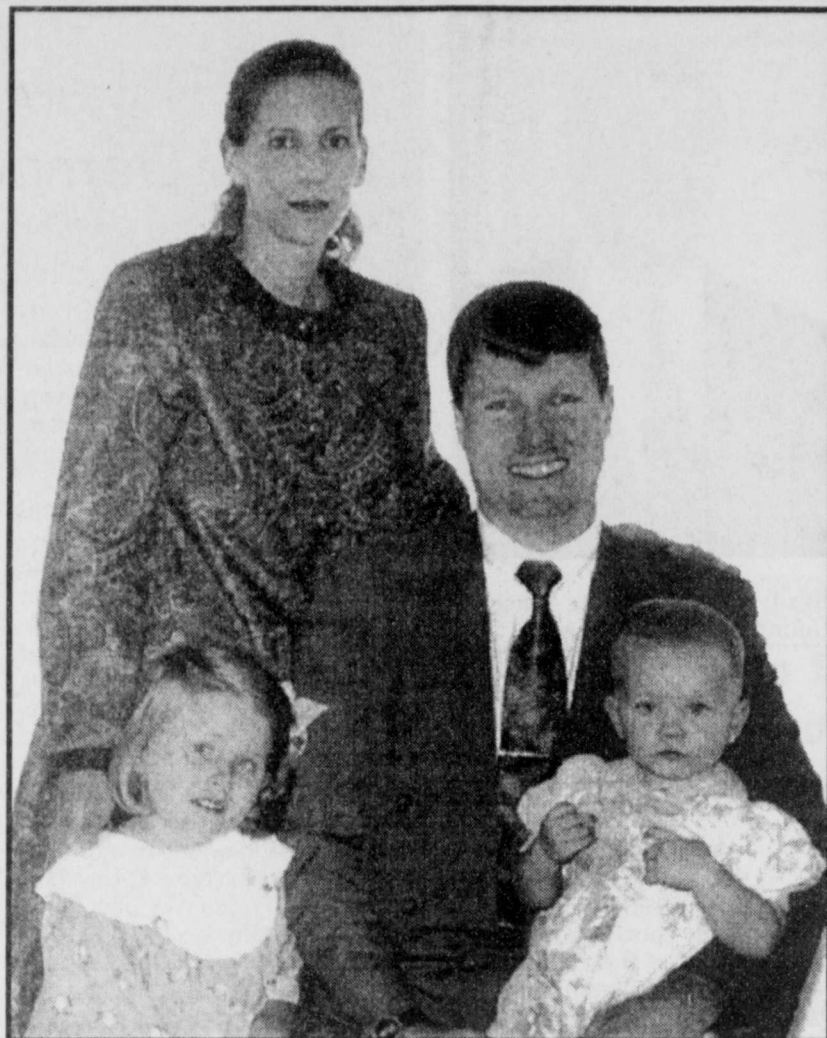
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Missionary to speak at First Assembly

Reverend Robert LaFon, veteran Assemblies of God missionary to El Salvador, will be speaking at First Assembly of God, Highway 271 South, Bogata on Sunday, March 8, at 6:00 p.m., according to Reverend Sherrill, pastor.

Located in Central America between Guatemala and Honduras, El Salvador is about the size of Massachusetts. After years of civil war in the 1980s, El Salvador's 5.8 million people have been rebuilding their society. And faith has played a key element in the healing of the emotional wounds left by the war. The Assemblies of God in El Salvador includes more than 4,000 preaching points attended by about 150,000 believers. Eleven Bible Schools are training hundreds of men and women for future ministry.

Reverend LaFon and his wife, Edith, have ministered in El Salvador since 1990 and are involved in a variety of ministries. A primary goal of their work is to carry the outreach of the Salvadoran churches to other nations.

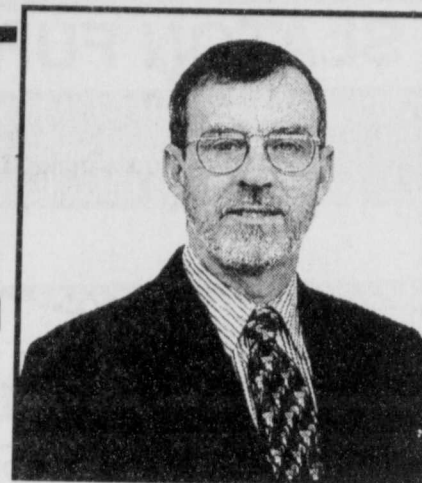
Besides teaching at the University of the Assemblies of God, LaFon is the publisher of a national Assemblies of God magazine and is involved in radio and television evangelism. The LaFons are also involved in pastoral ministry, including the various specialized programs within El Salvador's churches-Royal Rangers, Missionettes, Youth, Men's Ministries and Women's Ministries.

The public is cordially invited to attend the LaFon's missions presentation on March 8.



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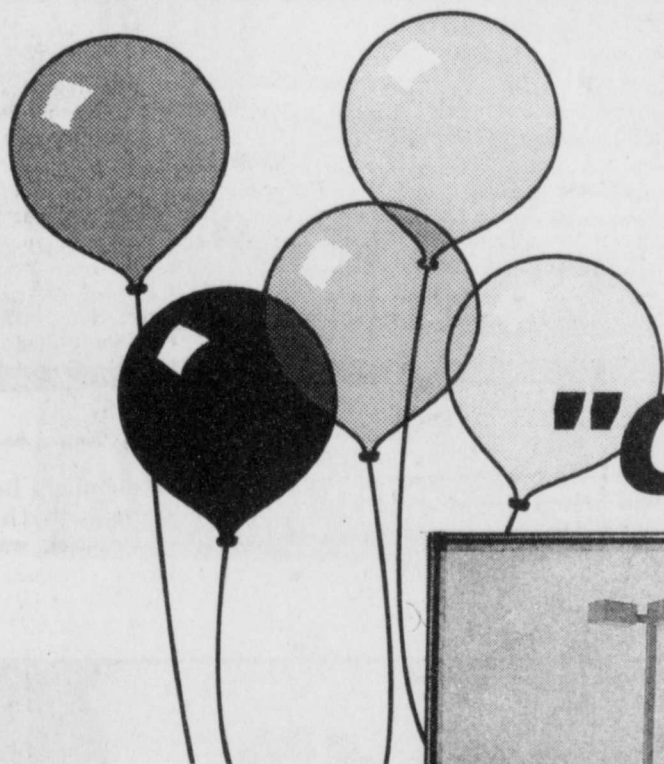
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Brady Fisher seeking Lamar County Democratic Party Chair position

Brady Fisher, a Paris attorney, has filed to serve as Lamar County Democratic Party Chair.

The unsalaried position of Party Chair is responsible for conducting the primary and runoff elections, coordinating the precinct and county conventions, participating in the state convention and working as a party leader.

Fisher has been involved in conducting elections over the years, having served as a precinct election worker, precinct election judge, school district election worker, ballot election worker and early ballot review committee member. He has attended numerous election schools. As a former member of the Commissioner's Court, he was involved in the selection of election judges and polling places, the implementation of the use of nested voting boxes for the convenience of election workers, redistricting of County Commissioners voting lines for the first time in decades without expense to the County, and the development of handicapped accessibility for polling places.

He has also been involved in party conventions at all levels, having served as precinct convention chair, precinct delegation chair, county convention delegate and state convention delegate each time since becoming of voting age. He has served on state convention committees, as county delegation chair, and he was elected to be a national convention delegate.

He has also been involved in Democratic leadership activities for many years, having served on the State Democratic Executive Committee's Youth Advisory Committee and as

Texas' National Committeeman for Young Democrats of America. He has served as president of Lamar County Democrats, has worked on data retrieval teams, and has coordinated numerous local efforts for statewide candidates. He was the 1980 Lamar County campaign coordinator for President Jimmy Carter and was Democratic headquarters coordinator.

Fisher has worked at all levels of government for the following: Congressman Wright Patman, U.S. House-Senate Joint Economic Committee, State Senator (now Congressman) Ralph Hall, State Senator (now Congressman) the Texas Constitutional Revision Convention, the Governor's Office, the Attorney General's Office and the Texas Welfare Department's Child Support Collection Division. He served eight years as county judge, including serving as president of the North & East Texas County Judges' and Commissioner's Association. He served on the Northeast Texas Regional Review Committee, the Area Agency on Aging and as president of the ATCOG Criminal Justice Advisory Committee.

He served on the Paris Independent School District Curriculum Committee and as chair of the PISD Redistricting Committee. He is now a member of the Ark-Texas Council of Governments Board and the Northeast Texas Resource Conservation and Development Board.

He is a life-long member of Calvary United Methodist Church, having served on numerous local, district and conference committees. He is a member of the administrative council, pastor-parish relations com-

mittee and latchkey committee. He is an advanced certified Methodist lay speaker. He is Gideon.

Fisher has a lengthy history of civic involvement, having served as chair or president of the following: Paris Jaycees, American Red Cross, March of Dimes, American Cancer Society, Friends of Sam Rayburn, Paris Junior College Alumni, and Texas Exes. He is active in the Chamber of Commerce, serving on the Transportation, Governmental Affairs and visitor-convention committees and as a member of the Ambassadors. He is on the Civic Center Governing Board. He is also a board member of Human Resources Council, Lions, Habitat for Humanity, and United Way. He has served on the Girl Scouts Nominating, awards, and executive director search committee. He is a member of Toastmasters and a volunteer for Agape Ministries medical clinic.

He is the son of George and Mary Fisher of Paris. George Fisher is a retired postman and Mary Fisher is retired from the Social Security Office.

Fisher graduated with honors from Paris public schools, graduated first in his class from Paris Junior College, graduated from the Plan II honors program at the University of Texas, and graduated from the University of Texas Law School.

Fisher has received many awards, including the following: Outstanding Young Men of America (3 times), Paris Jaycees' Outstanding Young Public Servant, Business & Professional Women's Boss of the Year, Lamar Soil and Water Conservation District's Outstanding Business & Professional Award and Paris Jaycees' Distinguished Service Award.

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READY FOR AN AUCTION SATURDAY NIGHT- Deport Volunteer. Fire Department members Boyd Slaton, Duane Glover, Johnny Dawson, and William Nelson displayed just some of the auction items that have been donated for Saturday night's fund raiser for the Department. Many farm items like a stepjack, water coolers, hydraulic oil, and etc. is pledged to be donated for the auction.



(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

SENIORS ENJOY PIZZA after the PAT Banquet-These seniors had their fill of pizza and cokes after they finished serving at the banquet Thursday night. Seven seniors will receive seven-\$1000 scholarships at May graduation from the Pat Foundation.



(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

OVER 370 attended the first PAT Foundation Banquet at Prairiland High School on Thursday night, February 26th. Seven scholarships will be given away to 1998 seniors graduating in May.

PAT banquet is great success

The first annual Prairiland Academic Trust Foundation Banquet could not have been more successful! A total of \$19,131.67 has been received. After expenses there is \$16,731.67 to help provide scholarships. The evening was colorful, the food excellent, the entertainment outstanding.

In addition to ticket sales, a number of cash donations were made towards this project.

The list of donors includes: Deport Nursing Home, David Buster, Lamar County Farm Bureau, Oak Farm Dairies, Professional Computer Super Center, Lowry Chevrolet, Olds, Cadillac, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Watson, Sarah C. Smith, Peoples National Bank, Paris Implement, Paris Oxygen, Big Tex Feeds, Don Anderson, DVM, Felix Gibson, Offenhauser Insurance Co., Guaranty Bank, Tony Bowden, McClanahan & Holmes, Blossom Garden Club, Deport American Legion, King's Trophies, Magnolia Home Health, Blossom Telephone Company, Bratcher's Nursery, Jackie Wheeler Construction, John Howison, Williams Sporting Goods, Jimmy Young and Nascar. Servers and greeters for the event were the 1998 Seniors.

Table decorations were donated by Melody Holland. Plates donated by Guest Paper Company. Cups, desert plates and bowls were donated by Walmart. Table cloths were loaned by Martha Castlebury. Tables and chairs were loaned by First Baptist Church, Deport, Faith Baptist Church in Deport and the Red River Valley Fair Association.

Countless hours of work were spent by PAT foundation board members in collecting auction items, decorating, planning and bringing the event to completion.

The silent auction brought in \$5,922.00.

Auction items were: a painting by Maudie McKee, bought by Wally Kraft; a painting by Doris Steed,

bought by Wally Kraft; a painting by Maidie Barr, bought by Wally Kraft.

A painting by Dorothy Holt, bought by Brenda Gibson; a painting by Barbara Martin, bought by Leon Anderson; a magnolia painting by Sue Clarkson, bought by Martha Castleberry; An Indian painting by Sue Clarkson, bought by Jim McKee; A Jerry Thrasher print, bought by Roy Castleberry; a painting by Helen Bisek donated by Celia Williams and bought by Roy Castleberry; Individual jars of honey donated by Dadant & Sons, Inc. and purchased by J. Smith, D. Moreland, Fults and Roddy.

An autographed book by Gene Stallings, bought by Faron Bostic; A print donated by Gene Stallings, bought by Faron Bostic; 10 uncirculated silver dollars, donated by Gerald Jack and bought by Tom Fults; 10 uncirculated silver dollars donated by Gerald Jack and bought by Bruce Staples; 2 fish dinners donated by The Fish Fry and bought by David Basinger; Circus Train donated by Tom & Mila Wagon and bought by Roy Castleberry; A painting by Monda Fults bought by Jim McKee; e pieces of Waterford Crystal bought by Shirley Anderson, Mark Homer and B. Reily; Stained glass Iris donated by Dawne Darden of Darden Sparks Department store bought by Ann Nichols; Floral arrangement from Deport Florist bought by Wally Kraft; Cake by Kay Peek bought by Marti Gifford; Fudge Cake by Kay Peek bought by S. Harrell; Platter of Fudge by Frankie Sessums bought by S. Burnett; 50 gallons of gasoline from Norman Montgomery bought by M. Sessums. Two gift certificates from College Car Wash bought by M. Sessums; Big Bertha Driver donated by Dr. L.C. & Jerry Nell Stout and purchased by Stout; Cleveland 53 Degree Wedge donated by Buddy & Traci Freeman bought by Larry Salter; Baked Ham donated by

Aramark and bought by Buddy Freeman; Floral Arrangement donated by Prairiland Home Economics and bought by D. Smith; 100 bales of hay donated by Macky Woodfin and bought by Mark Francis; \$50 Mary Kay gift certificate donated by Fran Patterson and bought by Traci Freeman; Shampoo & set & haircut donated by L'Wanda's Beauty Shop and bought by Melody Holland; \$100 auto detailing donated by Kennedy Ford and purchased by Wally Kraft; Calculator, donated by City Drug, purchased by Fran Patterson; \$15 gift certificate donated by Texas Belle Restaurant, bought by Joe Thompson; Autographed book from Dan Bolton, bought by David Pitcock; Hand beaded eskimo gloves, donated by Ivy Fendley, bought by Roy Castleberry; Apple Wreath from Ivy Fendley, bought by Lisa Martin; Rope basket, donated by Cindy Allen, bought by Chet Downs; Coke Collector's Bottles, donated by Super 1 Foods, bought by Allen Huddleston; Dr. Pepper Football from Super 1 Foods, bought by Brenda Fendley; Boom Box from Brookshires, bought by Trey Unruh; \$500 3 yr. Savings Bond, from 1st Federal Savings & Loan, bought by Gary Ballard; Cobalt decanter, donated by Relics, bought by Marti Gifford; Small storage box, with bow, donated by Prairiland FFA, bought by Dan Barnard; Paper product grab bag from Kimberly Clark Corp., bought by Dan Barnard; Paper product grab bag from Kimberly Clark; bought by Phebe Allen; 2 large bags shelled pecans donated by Wally Kraft and bought by Billy Bangs and Nick Nickols; Mirror from Eran Yoder, bought by John Allen; Waterford bought by Nancy Breedlove.

The event was a tremendous success, and more fund raising plans are in the works to help provide even more scholarships in years to come for Prairiland students.

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MUSIC GOES WITH ANYTHING at the Pat Banquet Thursday night as the Blossom 4th grade students performed. Pictured is Natascha Mitchell, Dana Withers, Bridget Ray, Chelsie Holley, Chelsie Anerson, Amanda Neel, Jamie McKinney and also Emily Fendley and Sarah Keen.

Pattonville News

By Peggy Parsons
Call Your News to 652-5022



Stella Arrasmith is attending the School of Massage in Dallas two days a week and also working at the Village Day Spa in Paris.

Eddie and Phyllis Mazy spent Saturday at Caddo Mills.

Tammy and Jeff McDowra ate at the Elks' Lodge in Paris with friends Saturday night.

Tammy McDowra and her mother, Carol Stone of Paris visited Tammy's grandmother, Kathryn Little at Taylortown Tuesday night.

In last week's paper the lines about Allison Parham's grandparents should have read "Her grandparents are Roy and Helen Anderson (formerly of Clardy) and Herman and Jo Parham of Paris. Allison is the great-granddaughter of the late Pick and Tina Anderson and Orville and Alice Hight, all formerly of Deport".

Patrol Greg Vickers of the Paris Police Department was recently recommended for a letter of commendation for rescuing Gavin James, 88 from his burning home in Paris. Greg is the son of Royce and Joyce Vickers and a graduate of Prairiland High School.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Almer Norwood.

Lorene Gibson, Keith and Peggy Parsons attended a birthday dinner honoring Lou Ellen Hayes on her 90th at College Church of Christ in Paris Sunday.

Dee Betenbough is visiting his daughter and family in Silver City, N.M.

Virgil and Anita Legate Butler of Plano and Gladys Woodson of Paris were among the 360 people attending the PAT Foundation Banquet at Prairiland High School Thursday night. It was good to see and visit with them. Many from our community were in attendance.

Congratulations, and thank you to the PAT Foundation Board Members, students and all involved in making it possible to provide scholarships to members of

the 1998 Prairiland Senior Class.

Recent visitors of Fern and Pat Rees were James and Virgie White of Blossom, Howard Sparks of Minter, Pete McKnight and Bill Page of Cunningham, Rab Skidmore of Deport, Peggy Sexton and Suzanne of Paris, Mary Moss, Glenn and Lori Tabbs and Sarah and Rod and Lisa Sims and Katelyn.

Allen and Brandon Johnson are working at El Chico's in Paris.

Ruby Dee Blevins visited Linnie Bailey and Alice Bumgarner in Deport Saturday.

Willie and Donna Crossland and David stayed with her mother, Betty White a few nights while they were moving in and setting up their new doublewide mobile home.

Congratulations to Glenn and Susie Evans on their 43rd anniversary.

Wade White and the Plain Label Band will play at Robert Allen's Friday night and the Elk's Lodge Saturday night in Paris.

Visiting Betty White were her children, John and Debbie Urbano and Rachel & Kellye of Paris; Danny and Linda White and Rhiannon, Meagan, Sarah & Andrew of Reno, Randy & Diane Weddle & Mandy of Deport, Willie and Donna Crossland and David and Michael and Kristina Crossland. They celebrated Debbie's birthday.

Friday night supper guests of Barbara McDowra and Gerald Hood were Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Hood of Reno and Mr. and Mrs. Denny hood of Paris. Sturdy visitors were Jo Ann Smith and friend and Utah Razor of Euleus.

Visitors of Alice Evans included Eddie and Ada Brook of Winnboro, Robbie Mae Phillips Cutting of Longview, Brandi Hall of Paris and Eddie Evans, Glenn and Susie Evans.

Russell & Sharon Sullivan joined Frank and Peggy McCune of Fulbright for Saturday night supper at the Lonesome Dove in Deport.

Joe and Sharyl Thompson and Anna, Randy and Kay Brown of Syl-

van and Bric and Kim Steed and Brittany of Detroit ate lunch at TaMolly's on Sunday in Paris.

Peggy Parsons attended a luncheon honoring all retired teachers and school personnel from this area Tuesday at Chisum High School in celebration of Texas Public School Week.

James Winters has been sick with bronchitis.

Jerry and Dorothy Richey met Kent and Jan Richey in Dallas Saturday to see Josh play baseball for Corsicana High School.

Jerry and Dorothy Richey spent Sunday with their daughter, Susan in Gilmer.

Buster Crossland and Clayton Bogard went to a cattle auction in Paris Tuesday night.

Willie and Donna Crossland and David ate supper with Buster and Louise Crossland Friday night.

Kent and Ann Wright and Blaine visited Grady and Katherine Wright Sunday night.

Brad and Velma Burnsed, Robert, Victoria and Roxy visited Mr. and Mrs. Billy Burnsed in Honey Grove Saturday.

Joe Clark of Paris was a recent visitor of James Day.

Elois Sparks, Randy and Kristi Boren, Drew and Leah and Keith and Peggy Parsons ate at Lonesome Dove Saturday night.

Bill and Barbara Dawson spent the weekend in Westminster with Allan and Judy Summers.

There will be dances on Friday and Saturday nights, March 13th & 14th at 8 p.m. Broadway Junction Band will play and concessions will be available at the Pattonville Community Center & VFD. Proceeds will benefit the fire department.

The next breakfast at the Pattonville Community Center and VFD will be Saturday, March 21st from 7 to 10 a.m. Gravy, eggs, bacon, sausage and pancakes. All you can eat for \$4.

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Milton News

By Mattylu Upchurch

Traci Chipman and Duanna Lawson spent Saturday in Longview shopping.

Ann and Sheldon Lee visited their son, Trey Lee of Wichita, KS Saturday through Monday.

Edna Talley spent Saturday in Cumby with Darrell and Pam Farris and helped with a garage sale.

Nathan Yoder spent the weekend with his mother in Paris.

Shasta Riley played in a tennis match in Paris Saturday.

Leah and Russell Schroeder and Jeff of Rogers, AR spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Upchurch.

Mary and Eran Yoder have bought the West Port Place apartments in Deport and have begun remodeling.

Chris and Traci Chipman and sons and Joel, Melissa Chipman and sons of Novice had dinner with Bill and Ruth Chipman of Minter Sunday.

Maxine Gregory of Daingerfield spent Sunday with Morris and Mary Elaine Lawler. She stopped by to visit Bill and Mattylu Upchurch.

Edna Talley, Shasta Riley and Stephanie Eppler had dinner at TaMolly's Sunday.

Harvey and Jean Bell of Cypress Springs visited Holland and Elizabeth Bell Monday.

Edna Lee, Ruth and Danielle Johnson, Ruby Lee and Nita Bowling went to Sulphur Springs Saturday to a gospel group concert.

Eran and Mary Yoder had dinner at the Lonesome Dove on Saturday night.

Riley and Noel Chipman spent Sunday night with their grandparents, Bill and Ruth Chipman of Minter.

Ronnie Pettit of Irving visited Bob and Buena Marshall over the weekend.

Local Exhibitors Do Well

Congratulations to all Lamar County exhibitors who competed in the recent San Antonio Livestock Exposition and calf scramble.

This year they exhibited 18 heifers and 8 breeding sheep in the San Antonio Livestock Show.

The results are as follows: Alicia Lang, 1st, Shorthorn; Kyle Kinslow, 2nd, Maine-Anjou; Jennifer Carter, 2nd, Charolais; Josh Stapleton, 3rd and 8th, Shorthorn; Jessi Stapleton, 4th Hereford; Micah Fry, 3rd and 6th, Beefmaster; Ashley Fry, 4th, Limousin; April Ferguson, 5th, Limousin; Jamie McFartridge, 4th, Polled Hereford; Dustin McFartridge, 5th, Simmental; Dakota McFartridge, 9th, Charolais; Skylar McFartridge, 5th, Angus; Stormi Fletcher, 5th, Santa Gerdurdis; and Rusty Campsey, 6th, Brangus.

Congratulations to Jared Gage on his efforts in the San Antonio calf scramble. He will also scramble in the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

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Fourth grade little dribblers hold party

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DR. WALLY KRAFT, president of the Prairiland PAT Foundation, welcomes everyone to the event on Thursday night, February 26th. He spoke to a crowd of over 370 and challenged the foundation to even a better year next year.



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THE PRAIRILAND JAZZ ENSEMBLE received a standing ovation at the PAT Banquet on Thursday night. These students under the directing of Joey Watson did several numbers and did an outstanding job.

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DEPORT 5TH GRADERS performed a 50's dance number during the PAT Foundation banquet on Thursday night. Pictured left to right is Whitney Turner, Kandi Wright, Matt Dickinson, Johnna Patterson, Whitney Brook, Spur Norwood, Randy Hoover, Drew Boren and Brent Burden.



(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

DEPORT 3RD GRADERS performed a 50's medley during the PATA Banquet Thursday night. Pictured is Brittney Baker, Hailey Norwood, Lacie Cole, Charity Musgrove and Kalee Graham. Also performing was Amanda Matthews, and Brandi Swint.



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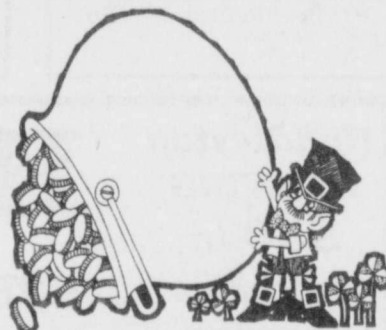
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Her picture hangs on the wall of honor at McCuiston Regional Medical Center for having over 10,000 hours as an auxiliary volunteer, before her health limited her vast activities.

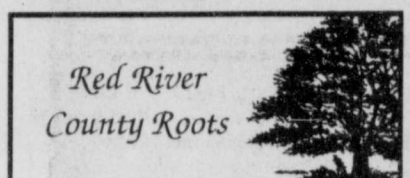
She plays a mean game of dominoes and Skip-Bo. She really enjoys watching "Wheel of Fortune" on TV and usually solves the puzzle before the contestants.

She is wished many more years of productive life.



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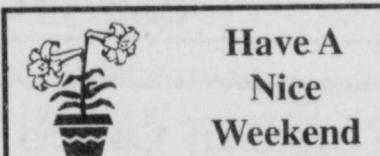
PRAIRILAND FHA OFFICER- Senior Kim Gibson won one of the door prizes awarded at the 1998 Regional meeting held in Dallas February 20-21



Red River County Roots

This week's query is from Patricia Adkins Rochette, 1001-B West 101st Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64114. She is looking for information on James Newton Bowman, who married Tennessee T. Graham in 1851. They had three children: Robert Campbell Bowman, (born 1852 and married 1, Adelia P. Sparks 2, Josie Phillips, 3) Mittie Swinnie. Robert C. Bowman died in 1935 in Red River County; Sarah Mahaly "Sallie" Bowman, born September, 1854, married John C. Perot and died in Red River County; James Newton Bowman Jr., 1856-1870.

If you would like to write to Mrs. Rochette, please do so 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



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B.D. Blount, a Paris businessman is seeking the Democratic nomination for District 3 State Representative. He is running because "It's time to put the power back in the hands of the people." Nobody listens anymore and I am super tired of that. It is time for somebody to do something about it. People are not satisfied with what they are getting from the government."

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GARAGE SALE: FM195 in Manchester at PCVFD. Saturday & Sunday, March 7-8. Furniture & miscellaneous. 3-5

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NOTICES

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Raymond (Buck) Knight and Jackie Lynne Watson Knight were granted a divorce Monday, March 2, 1998 by Judge Jim D. Lovett in Clarksville, Red River County, Texas. 3-5

Friday 42 Club meets with Mrs. Epps

The Friday 42 Club met February 27th with Mrs. Ethel Epps. A covered dish luncheon was served. They played 42 in the afternoon. There were three visitors, Mae Storm, Reba Temple and Eunice Irving. May

Storm won high score for visitors.

Purna Haydock won high score for members.

The next meeting will be with Roberta Westbrook March 13th at Mary Alice Enox's home.

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Kathryn Wright, along with other Region VIII board members wives, attended an informative presentation on computers and how they are being used in schools, at the Service Center last Thursday. They had lunch afterwards in Mt. Pleasant.

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

Betsy, Jerome and Peyton Chapman, Martha and Duane Glover, Melba and Carlos Ladd, Virginia and Marvin Gibbs and David Gibbs were guests at the Fish Fry on Saturday of Dr. Mavis Kelsey of Houston.

Mac Webb visited Sunday by his A&M classmate, Dr. Mavis Kelsey of Houston.

D'Ann and Iona Miller of Hot Springs, AR are visiting Hettie Thomas and family until Wednesday.

Hazel Brumley of Eustace and Ruby and Foy Smith of Canton visited Hettie Thomason Saturday.

Betty and Ken Bryson and Robert and Gerri Bryson from Shreveport and Venice Bryson visited Ed Bryson on Monday. They all had lunch at El Chico.

Mac Webb visited Ed Bryson Saturday they discussed the olden days of which Mac is composing a story which will be of interest to their old cronies.

Nannie Lou McAlister and Martha Jane Anderson of Paris visited Purna Haydock Tuesday and took her out to lunch.

Blake T. Miller, Uncle of Nanalee Nichols, died Saturday, February 28 at his home in Spavinaw, Oklahoma.

Thomas and Nanalee Nichols and Larry Rhea were supper guests of Dicky and Jayne and NeLeigh King of Reno.

Wesley Rhoades, son of Frank and Gail Rhoades, is now doing his internship at Sherman in the Grayson County Juvenile Probation office. He will receive his degree in May.

Ina and Nina Sparks, Virginia Kirkland, Carol Dorsey, Sue Nichols, Elois Sparks, Keith and Peggy Parsons, Jerry and Joyce Allen, Dan and Mary Barnard sat together during the PAT Foundation banquet Thursday night at Prairiland.

Ina and Nina Sparks attended a luncheon honoring all retired teachers from Paris and Lamar County on Tuesday at Chisum High School. This Public School Week in Texas.

Trombonist Joel Helleny, son of Ed Helleny and the late Sara Helleny of Deport, was given a rave review for his latest recording "Lip Service". It is available on ARbor Records, inc. 1-800-299-1930.

Deport Housing Authority News



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The first Monday Bible study with Dr. Hale Glover as teacher continues to be held in Gazebo #1. Attending on March 2 were Eunice Sugg, Alpha Barnard, Mavis Sowards, Carrie Bennett, Thelma Shelby, Alice Bumgarner, Juanita Primm and Willie Mae Speir. The tenants always enjoy and benefit from these lessons.

Gerianne Harper is a new tenant in the Mustang 1 Units as is David Rosenbaum. Bonnie Zahnow has moved to the C.B. Glover units. Alta Hester is glad to be back home and sounds great.

Bob Johnson will require more surgery to correct his arterial problems. Glen Fulbright has been attending his grandmother, who is now bedfast. Glen also will gladly talk to you about his daughter that has been accepted for modeling school in Dallas.

Senior Adults meet at church

Twenty-one Senior Adults were present for the covered dish luncheon at Deport United Methodist Church on Tuesday, March 3.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, April 7 at 11:30 a.m. at the church.

An invitation is extended to anyone wishing to attend.

For more information, call Nell Shull at 652-5018 or Juavane Carpenter at 652-4500.

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UMW meets with Martha Glover

The regular meeting of the United Methodist Women of First United Methodist Church in Deport met in the home of the hostess, Martha Glover on Monday, March 2. Eleven members answered roll call, Ruth Cheatham, Debbie Campbell, Juavane Carpenter, Ruth Chipman, Martha Glover, Marianne Ladd, Melba Ladd, Margaret Parks, Lucille Pickering, Nell Shull and Juanita Sparks. Brady Campbell was a guest.

The meeting was called to order with prayer by the president, Juavane Carpenter. Melba Ladd read the minutes from the last meeting and gave an update on finances.

All were reminded that the next obligation to prepare food for the United Campus Ministry at Paris Junior College is March 26. There will be another meeting prior to that date to make final plans for that event.

There being no further business, Melba Ladd presented the second study in the Study Book of Joshua. A taped dramatization of Joshua sending two spies, Micah and Benjamin, into Jericho to determine the vulnerability of the Canaanites. God had chosen Joshua to complete the order to reclaiming the land promised to His chosen people, the Israelites.

The next meeting will be March 16. Program leader will be Virginia Kirkland with hostess, Rena Good.

The meeting adjourned with the Mizpah. Refreshments were served by the hostess, Martha Glover.

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St. Joseph's Hospital to present program on fat

Registered Dietitian Erol Iscimeter will present a program "The Fat, Cholesterol and Fiber Connection" on Wednesday, March 11 at St. Joseph's Family Clinic in Deport.

The program is free and open to

the public. All programs are held the second Wednesday of the month.

Iscimeter will discuss how fat, cholesterol and fiber affect health, with a question and answer session to follow.

OLD NEWS

Excerpts from Past Issues of the Deport Times

July 26, 1934

Vernon Westbrook, Deport pitcher, was being groomed by the Hugo, Okla., team for participation in the Oklahoma Sandlot Baseball Tournament. Kenneth Westbrook, Vernon's brother, also was in the games at second base.

One of the most severe droughts in many years was causing serious problems. Water was so scarce that trucks were hauling water from Paris to supply people.

Work on new Hwy. 49 had been delayed due to the lack of water.

Deport had applied for a \$58,000 to construct a new water and sewer system. It was under consideration in Washington, D.C. A Gulf Storm had taken 11 lives and ruined cotton on the Coast of Texas near Corpus Christi.

M.M. McAlister, while repairing his hog pen, dropped his wallet. The hogs ate \$12 before he could fight them off of the wallet. He did manage to salvage \$14

Meal and auction set for Deport Volunteer Fire Department

The Deport Volunteer Fire Department will be holding a Chili and Stew Supper on March 7th at the Deport American Legion Hall. This meal will be followed by an auction. Meal time is from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Price is \$5 for all you want, ages 8 and under will eat free.

The reason for this important fund raiser is that old grass truck has many problems, and should be replaced with a fire and rescue truck, the department needs an AED machine (cost, \$3000) and a bay needs to be added onto the fire station for the water truck, which was donated.

Everyone is urged to turn out for this very important event, eat, enjoy friends and acquaintances, and help raise funds. It has been quite a while since a fund raiser has been necessary, so help make this one a great one.

There are many very nice auction items being donated, so don't miss a chance to bid on them, too.

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