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By Nanalee Nichols

We want what we can't have!

I've been sick. Really sick. Sicker than I've ever been in my life, and that includes flu and surgery and all the occasional assorted ills in between.

That doesn't exactly make me unusual right now, as so many people are afflicted with flu of various kinds. Mine was the simple kind....fever between 103 and 104, horrible body aches and pains and a permanently -attached-to-my-hand plastic waste can as a security blanket . The really horrible part of it was that it lasted for ten days....ten full, miserable days in which I would have had to get better to die!

Since my head hurt too bad to read or watch TV there wasn't much to do but drift in and out of sleep (which came complete with neon pink and purple computer screens, but that's another story) and think about things. I thought of all the harried Tuesday mornings I rolled over in bed and wished I could just go back to sleep instead of hitting the floor running. Well, that's all I was capable of doing, lying in bed.

I thought about the times I wished I didn't have to worry about every single detail of getting out the paper. I didn't have to worry, I was too sick to consider the problems.

I thought about how badly I had wished I could get some time off to relax . Well, I could relax all I wanted to.

Somehow, this just wasn't the way I wanted things to happen.

I began to want to be at work. I wanted to be able to grab the ringing phones, shout orders at the "crew", work until ten at night! The spirit was willing... but the flesh was oh so, weak!

And the more I thought about it, the more I wanted to GO TO WORK! Never mind I'd been wishing I could be OFF work!

In nineteen years at the papers I've never missed two Wednesdays in a row, never missed writing a column, never spent ten days in bed.

And as day after day rolled by, I began to want to be able to deal with my job, my problems, my routine worse and worse.

So, here I am, weak but back at the computer, and oh, so HAPPY to be back into the rut! It feels good. I guess it's true, we always want what we can't or don't have!

Friendship Cable proposes buyout of Douglas Cablevision

Representatives of Friendship Cable and Douglas Cablevision have met with the City Councils in Deport, Blossom, Detroit, Bogata and Talco this month to discuss the purchase of Douglas Cablevision by Friendship Cable TV.

Most cities have been asked to extend Douglas' contract by 15 years.

The purchase is proposed to be effective March 31, 1997. The present systems are 230 megahertz systems, and Friendship Cable proposes to rebuild the system in Deport, Blossom, Detroit, Talco and Bogata to 450 megahertz systems.

More channels will be added, they say, probably a 30 to 36 channel system with the Disney Channel being included in the basic package. They have told the councils that the price will be $25 -$27 for the basic package.

Service and management personnel from Douglas Cablevision will remain as the Friendship Cable staff.

Cities where cable payment boxes have been in place will remain the same. Approximately one year is expected for the system to be rebuilt, representatives informed the councils.

Friendship Cable of Texas, Inc. (FCT) is a subsidiary of Buford Television, Inc. It was established in 1988 to primarily build and acquire small rural cable systems in Texas. FCT currently owns and operates 115 cable systems servicing approximately 73,000 subscribers throughout northeast and southeast Texas and souther Louisiana. In addition BTI owns an additional 132 small cable systems located in Arkansas and Missouri. These systems combined serve approximately 133,000 subscribers.

BTI is a family owned company based in Tyler, originally founded in 1950. Robert P. Buford, Chairman of the Board, lives in Dallas and Geoffrey R. Buford, Vice Chairman, lives in Tyler.

In the late 1980's BTI started buying and primarily building small cable systems and clustering them into larger operating groups to provide efficiencies. They currently have area offices in Balch Springs; Beaumont, Tyler; Sibley, Louisiana; Cabot Arkansas and near Branson, Missouri.

Each area and regional office employs local engineers and local area managers who are responsible for the day to day technical and service requirements of each system. Customer service is centralized to better serve customers.



Thunder Prairie photo by Thomas Nichols

Rodney FletcherArea Manager for FRIENDSHIP Cable TV met with Deport Mayor Charles Foster and City Sec.. Sharon Francis monday night to discuss the purchase of DOUGLAS CABLE CO. as of March31st. FRIENDSHIP CABLE TV is a subsidiary of BUFORD TELEVISION INC.No official action could be taken by city council since there was not a quorum of the council members present.

Prairiland Board calls election for trustees

The Prairiland ISD Board of Trustees met Frebruary 7th, taking care of a few items of routine business. Motion was approved to call a school board election for May 3rd for places 3 (Deport) currently being held by David Basinger, who was appointed to the position ,5 (Cunningham) currently held by Clyde Elmer Bankhead; and 7 (Pattonville) being held by Chet Downs.

School board election judges were selected. They are Buena Marshall at Patoniville, Sue Clarkson at Blossom and Shelby Kennedy at Cunningham and Gordon Isbell at Deport.

A policy update for cheerleader try outs was approved.

The board went into executive session at 8:05 p.m. and came out at 10:15 They took no action.

The minutes were read and approved for the previous meeting.



(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

THE PRAIRILAND AG TALENT TEAM competed in regional competition in Gladewater on Monday night. The team won and has the opportuity to perform at the state convention coming up this summer. Members are Deanna Merrill, Kendra Hicks, Amber Norwood and Stacy Bangs.

Tornado Drill will be Saturday, February 22

The Deport Volunteer Fire Department will be simulating a tornado drill on Saturday, February 22 at 3:30 p.m.

This drill is to train fire personnel in the event of an actual storm. The siren will be blown so that citizens will become aware of the way the siren would sound in case of actual alert of pending bad weather.

Tornado season is coming up and it is important that Deport and surrounding areas be prepared.

The siren will blow for ten seconds, pause for ten seconds; and blow again for ten seconds until the cycle has been repeated six times.

People & Things

A Valentine dance will be held at the Pattonville Community Center on February 14, Friday at 7:00 p.m. with Broadway Junction Band.

There will be a breakfast on Saturday, February 15 at the Pattonville Community Center and Volunteer Fire Department. The breakfast will be served from 7:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend. It is all you can eat for $4.00.

Prairiland ISD will dismiss school on all campuses Monday, February 17 to observe President's Day. Classes will resume on Tuesday, February 18.

The Deport American Legion will meet Thursday night at 7:00 p.m. at the Legion Hall to make plans for their annual chili cookoff. All members are encouraged to attend this important meeting.



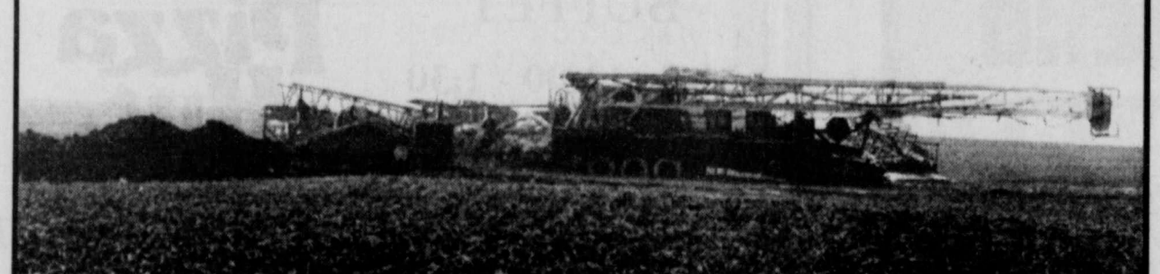
Baseball Signup and Stew Supper Set

The Deport Baseball Association will hold Signups for both Boys and Girls and Tee-Ball along with a Stew Supper on February 22nd at Prairiland high School Cafeteria from 4 to 7 p.m. Cost of the meal will be $3 per person and will include, stew, trimmings and dessert.

Those signing up will need to bring a birth certificate.

Anyone interested in coaching, there are some coaching positions open. Show up at the meeting or call 652-4909. If a player is unable to attend signup they may also call 652-4909 to make arrangments to play.

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The constant rumble of multiple diesel engines as they provided power for a bit chomping it's way into the bowels of the earth came to a grinding halt over the weekend. The search for the elusive black crude ended after reaching a depth of over five thousand feet according to a source close the operation. Th drilling was done by a wildcat rig from Eldorado for Ponder Petroleum Co. of Shreveport Louisana.

Poster contest winners named

The Texas Forest Service awarded prizes to the winners in the 1996 Forest Fire Prevention Poster Contest on February 7 at local schools.

In Lamar County, winners were: first place, Kevin Fleming, fifth grade, Justiss; second place, Emlie Kristine Stewart, fourth grade, Aaron Parker; third place, Anna Staples, third grade, Aikin; and honorable mention, Ryan Wicks, second grade, Aikin. Gifts ranged from T-shirts and caps to gift bags of items.

Overall school winners were: Kevin Fleming, Justiss; Emlie Stewart, Parker; Anna Staples, Aikin; Darren Lane, Blossom; Bradly Adams, Chisum; Kellie Head, Higgins and Daniel Reed, Roxton.

Teacher internships are available

Teachers and instructors in area high schools and colleges are eligible to apply for teacher internships in business or industries of their choice, according to Teresa Shannon, director of the Upper East Texas Tech Prep Consortium.

Teachers will be paid directly for time spent during spring break and summer break internships.

The objectives of the Teacher Internship Program spnsored by the consortium is designed to increase a treachers' knowledge and skills in their subject areas, according to Shannon.

"This program will help teachers tanslate real-world knowledge into classroom curricula that can be shared," she said. "At the same time, it helps the establish a partnership between the private sector and teachers."

Shannon said that the internship also increases awareness among teachers of career opportunities and workplace expectations.

To participate, teachers and instructors must find a business/industry partner who is willing to create a working partnership. The teacher must submit an application to the Upper East Texas Prep Consortium by Feb. 14.

Further information on the Teacher Internship Program and the application procedure can be obtianed from the Tech Prep Office at Paris Junior College or by calling 903 782-0733.

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Country Cooking



Liz Irwin

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As this Friday is Valentine's Day, we are honoring all sweethearts this week. Whether young or old, our first thoughts about this day is. . . ***ALL RIGHT! CHOCOLATE! I want the one in the middle with the nuts in the center!*** For weeks before February 14, stores sell(the day after Christmas displays are set up) valentines and valentine decorations. School children decorate their classrooms with paper hearts and lace for the occasion. On Valentine's Day many people give candy, flowers or other gifts to show their love.

Although it is believed that Valentine's Day originated in ancient Rome. Boys drew girl's names from a love urn on a special day in February. (Want to guess what day that was?) The custom continued through the centuries and is now linked with the feast of St. Valentine, a bishop of Rome who was martyred on February 14, 270 A.D.

In the sixteenth century, the paper Valentine began, with it's sentimental verses. By 1880, deliccate lace paper was added to the verses. And now all types of Valentine cards are exchanged, from the love-filled to the comic to contemporary.

In Europe, people celebrate Valentine's Day in many different ways. British children sing special Valentine songs and receive gifts of candy, fruit or money. In some areas of England, people bake valentine buns with caraway seeds, plums or raisins. People in Italy hold a Valentine's Day Feast.

In Great Britain and Italy, some unmarried women get up before sunrise on this day and stand by the window, sometimes for hours, watching for a man to pass. They believe that the first man they see, or someone who looks like hiom, will marry them within the year. Williiam Shakespeare, the great English playwright mentioned this belief in Hamlet(1603).

In Denmark, people send pressed white flowers called snowdrops to their friends. Danish men also send a type of valentine called a gaekkebrev(joking letter). The sender writes a rhyme but does not sign his name. Instead, he signs the valentines with dots. One dot for each letter of his name. If the woman who gets it guesses her name, he rewards her with an Easter egg on Easter. Some people in Great Britain also send valentines signed with dots.

Regardless of how you celebrate this custom, enjoy it with your family or someone special. We have included some recipes that sounded really "sweet" for the occasion. We will see you in the kitchen!

February 13, 1997
Happy Valentine's Day

Cherry Tarts

3/4 cup sugar
2 tablespooons cornstarch
1/2 teaspoon salt
3 tablespoon orange juice
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 cup unsweetened cherry juice
2 tablespoons butter
1 teaspoon grated orange peel
4 cups red tart unsweetened cherries
9 tart shells

Mix sugar, cornstarch, salt and fruit juices. Cook over diect heat for 5 minutes or until thickened and clear. Remove from heat; add butter, orange rind and cherries. Cool. Put into tart shells. Serve plain or with ice cream.

Filled Angel Food Cake

1(13-1/2 ounce) can pineapple tidbits
2-3/4 cups water
1(6ounce) strawberry gelatin
1(9 inch) angel food cake
1-1/2 cups whipping cream
2 tablespoon sugar

Combine pineapple syrup with 1/2 cup water; heat to boiling. Add gelatin; stir to dissolve. Add remaining cold water; chill until thickened. Turn angel food cake upside down. Hollow out cake, leaving 2 inches of cake bottom and 1 inch rim around outer edge. Fill center with pieces of cake. Beat thickened gelatin with mixer until fluffy; chill until gelatin mounds. Carefully fold in drained pineapple; spoon into cake shell. Cover; chill 3-4 hours or overnight. Beat cream with sugar until stiff; spread around sides and over top of cake.

Pineapple Custard Puffs Supreme

2 cans pineapple tidbits
2 packages lemon pudding mix
1 cup sugar
4 egg yolks
2 cups water
1 cup whipping cream
salt
1/2 teaspoon grated lemon peel
cream puffs or eclair shells
powdered sugar

Combine undrained pineapple and lemon filling in saucepan. Add sugar, beaten egg and water. Cook stirring until mixture boils and thickens. Remove from heat; cover and cool. Beat cream until stiff and salt and lemon peel; fold in pudding. Spoon generously into baked shells. Dust with powdered sugar.

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Happy Valentine's Day

Strawberry Cream in Meringue Shells

6 egg whites-room temperature
1-1/4 teaspoons salt
1-1/2 teaspoons cream tartar
3/4 cup sugar
1 quart strawberries
1 pint whipped cream
3 tablespoons Cointreau

Combine egg whites, salt and cream of tartar. Beat until almost stiff. Gradually add sugar; beat until sugar is dissolved. Shape into cups on baking sheet, lined with ungreased heavy brown paper. Bake at 250 degrees for 1 hour. Turn off heat; cool meringues in oven. Serve with crushed strawberries, sweetened whipped cream and Cointreau.

Rasberry Divinity

3 cups sugar
3/4 cup light corn syrup
1/2 cup hot water
2 egg whites
1-3 ounce package rasberry jello
1 cup chopped nuts

Cook sugar, syrup and water together overmoderate heat to hard-boil stage or 252 degrees on candy thermometer, stirring often. Beat egg whites until foamy; add gelatin and continue to beat until egg whites form peaks. Slowly beat in hot syrup mixture. Continue beating until a test spoonful will hold shape. Add nuts and drop quickly onto waxed paper or pour into a greased pan.

Strawberry Sweethearts

2-3 ounce packages cream cheese
1 cup heavy cream-whipped
1 cup mayonnaise
1/4 pound large marshmellows-diced
1-12 ounce package frozen strawberries
1 cup chopped pecans
1 can crushed pineapple
1/8 teaspoon red food coloring

Stir cream cheese to soften, adding small amount of whipped cream. Fold cream cheese into remaining whipped cream. Fold in remaining ingredients. Pour into 6-8 heart shaped molds or refrigerator trays. Freeze until firm. Unmold; serve on lettuce with halved or whole strawberries.

Coconut Kisses

1 stick butter or margarine
2 cups powdered sugar
3 cups coconut
Hershey's chocolate kisses

Melt butter or margarine and remove from heat. Add sugar and coconut; mix well. Shape into balls. Make a little hole in the top of each ball and put a Hershey's kiss in the hole. Chill til firm.

Obituaries

Billy James Talley dies February 8

Billy James Talley, age 63 of Milton died at his residence on Saturday, February 8.

Graveside services were held Monday, February 10 at 2:00 p.m. in Highland Cemetery at Deport under the direction of Wood Funeral Homes.

Mr. Talley was born in Shadowland, TX on December 10, 1933, a son of Wesley Newton and Ethel Lee Whitsworth Talley. He was retired form Earth Grains as a dispatcher and was a U.S. Army veteran. On February 20, 1990 he married the former Edna Evans Farris. She survives as do these children; sons Randy and wife Cindy Talley of Deport and Billy Don Talley of Dallas; a daughter, Sharon and husband, Jackie Emayabbi of Paris; stepsons, Lloyd and wife Becky Farris of Paris, Darrell Farris of Greenville, Eddie Farris of Tulsa; stepdaughters, Mary and husband Eran Yoder of Deport, Carolyn Lane of Houston; one brother and sister-in-law, Travis and Pat Talley of Deport; three sisters and brothers-in-law, Patsy and Stanley Smith, Ruth and Don Wear and Elizabeth and Lynn Howard, all of Paris; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, James Stanley Talley in 1974 and a sister, Veta Joyce Talley in 1939.

Milton Adams dies January 14

Milton Adams died January 14 in Dallas, one week after his 90th birthday. He was born January 7, 1907 in Lumberton, MS to J.L. and Carrie Adams. His childhood was spent in Deport and Roscoe and he worked in oil refineries in east Texas and Illinois before settling in the Dallas/Ft. Worth area, where he was employed in the grocery and auto salvage business.

He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Ruby Lee Read Adams; three sons and daughters-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Dean Adams of New Braunfels, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hobbs of Bailey, CO and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Adams of Killeen; one daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. C. David Donaldson (Carrie Ruth) of Dallas; one brother, L.A. Adams of Ft. Worth; five grandsons; four granddaughters; eight great-grandchildren and many other family members.

A service was conducted in Lamar-Smith Chapel in Dallas with a graveside service in Deport at Highland Cemetery by Wood Funeral Home. The Rev. Tom Foley and Rev. Freddie Burden had charge of the service on January 11.

Tony Wayne Turk dies February 3

Tony Wayne Turk, age 59 of Blossom died Monday, February 3, 1997 at his residence. Services were held at Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home chapel at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday with the Rev. Neil Higginbotham officiating. Burial was in Woodland Cemetery with Masonic graveside rites.

He was born in Negley on March 2, 1937, a son of Robert Cochran Turk and Geneva Wilson Cooper. He married Brenda Hudson in Seminole, TX on February 3, 1957. He was a supervisor for Occidental Petroleum and a member of Fellowship Baptist Church in Blossom. He was also a member of the Seminole Masonic Lodge.

Surviving are his wife, Brenda; three daughters and son-in-laws, Melonee and Gary Hatfield of Pattonville, Kandie and Randy Turner of Seminole, Tony Lee and Tommy French of Seminole; eight grandchildren, Mandee Tuggle, Meagan Hatfield, Tony Colt Hatfield, Monica Ruiz, Haylee French, J.T. French, Stoney Turner, Nikki Turner; a brother, Frank Tull of Seabrook; and sisters, Pat Rozell of Reno, Neva Spencer of Athens, Glenis Hall Lewis and Renae Miller of Clarksville, Jean Mull of Paris, Hazel Jackson, Beverly Thomblin of Tulia. He was preceded in death by his parents and a step-father, Andrew Cooper.

Bearers were Ed Hunt, Bill Horton, Benny Wherley, Ronnie Daniels, Todd James and Benny Crawford.

Diana Durza dies February 9

Diana Durza, age 54 of Paris Nursing Home, formerly of Detroit, died Sunday, February 9.

Memorial services were held at 4:00 p.m. Monday, February 10 at the First Baptist Church in Detroit with the Rev. Curtis Smithson and Mark Ritchey officiating. Private burial was in Detroit Cemetery on Sunday. Wood Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

She was born August 26, 1942 in Lubbock to Stanley and Pauline Ritchey Durza.

Surviving are an uncle, John Ritchey of Detroit; an aunt, Betty Drake of Quanah and numerous cousins.

Mabel Jackson dies February 7

Mabel Jackson, age 92 of McKinney died February 7 at her residence. She was born October 10, 1904 in Detroit to Thomas A. and Minnie Phillips Ellis and married Grady Jackson in 1925 in Detroit.

She was a retired school teacher in Lamar and Red River County, a member of the First United Methodist Church of McKinney, the United Methodist Women, Lora Ryan Sunday School Class, Edelweiss Club and Book Review Club.

She is survived by a daughter, Beverly and her husband, Doyle Morrow of McKinney; a grandson and his wife, David and Denise Morrow of Pennsylvania; a granddaughter and husband, Diana and Craig Smith of McKinney; and six great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Grady Jackson; her parents; a sister and two brothers.

Services were held at 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 11 in Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Chapel with Rev. Jim Dorff officiating. Interment followed in Ridgeview Memorial Park.

Attend The
Church of Your Choice This Sunday

Fulbright News

By Betty Rodgers
652-6051

Duane and Bobbye King and Dick King of Paris visited Jimmy King Saturday ;and they had lunch at Ted and Beth's Cafe in Clarksville.

Visitors of Ethel Epps Thurday evening and playing 42 were Jimmy Kin, Loyd Cavender and Mable Austin.

Monte and Shelley Rodgers and supper Sunday evening with Betty Rodgers.

Melissa and Gilbert Arriaga were in Dallas Sunday to visit his mother in a hospital there. She has the flu.

Duane and Jimmy King had lunch in Paris Monday and did some shoping.

Worth and Karen Baker visited Mrs. Eva Coleman of Clarksville on Friday.

Mrs. Gene Hill of Longview visited Worth and Karen Baker Monday.

Card Of Thanks

We would like to say "Thank You" to everyone for calls, cards, flowers, prayers and visits while I was in the hospital and since I have been home.

God bless each one,
Jim (Boots) & Bessie Roberts

The family of Tony Wayne Turk would like to express our sincere thanks to the following people for their professionalism and concern beyond their job description. Dr. P.R. Bercher and his staff, the 5-A nurses at St. Joseph's, Ella C. McFadden Hospice, with a very special thanks to a warm and caring Debra Margraves, R.N., Arvie Stevens of Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home, Brother Neil and Linda Higginbotham for the services and singing, the Clarksville Masonic Lodge and all who sent flowers, food and prayer cards. Any and all acts of kindness shown will always remain in our hearts.

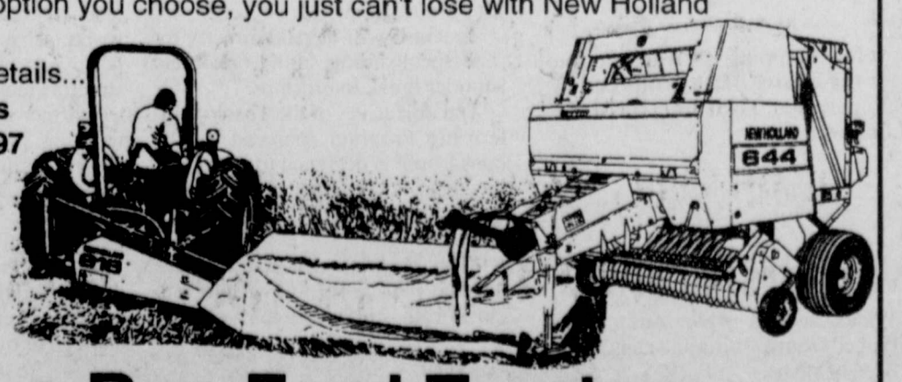
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By JaLynda Mitchell

We started our week off studying the word of God. Robert Baugh made lunch pleasant with some nice music. We played Lawn Dice later and Harold Norris won first, Jewel Smith second and Ima Griffen third.

Wednesday we tossed bean bags with Johnnie Warren winning first, Jewel Smith, Terry McDowra tying for second, Floy Sparks hanging on for 3rd. Thursday we enjoyed hot chocolate which we had the cold weather for. Later that day Dewey Ward came and gave a devotional and played his violin for us. Terry McDowra also played his guitar and sang.

Friday Sam Campbelll taught Bible Study class. Fred and Barbara Biggerstaff brought a Goodman Gospel video we watched while eating popcorn.

Sunday L.C. Stout brought the message for Sunday services. Rab and Tim Skidmore provided the music.

Monday we played dominoes and bingo. Our volunteers were Nanie Ham, Billie Mazy, Bocky Norman and Nell Wolf.

We would like to welcome Ruby Crawford.

We would like to extend our sympathies to the family and friends of Austin Kitchens.

Visitors of David Geer were Red and Inez Weaver, Cecil Allen, Alice Bumgarner, Fred and Barbara Biggerstaff and William Geer.

Becky Proctor and Lila Screws visited Mamie Fletcher, Patti Amis visited her mother Jane Rhoades.

Visiting Nina Hale and Clarence Ham were Nanie Bell Ham, Nell Shull and Wanda Bradley.

Betty Middleton's visitors were Steve, Dina, Chris, Brent and Amanda Middleton, Nell and Lyn Wolf and Angie Wolf.

Larry and Jackie Wilson visited James and Sarah Wilson.

Billie Sawyer was visited by Mary Sawyer.

Visitors of Johnnie McLemore were Red and Inez Weaver, John and Margaret McLemore and Nanie Ham.

Raymond and Edith Crawford's visitors were Donald Crawford, Dewayne & Virginia Rhoades, Barbara Crawford, Shirley Gifford and granddaughter.

Ivaleta Edwards, Gilbert Marshall, Marshall Dunigan, Athel Hester were visited by Cecil Allen.

James P. and Weldon Hume visited Milow Hume.

Earl Barnett visited Earlene Barnett.

Mary Mathews was visited by Inez Luttrell.

Visiting Sara Gilmer were Dewey and Marline Thomas.

Russell Grant's visitors were Red & Inez Weaver, Lennie Bailey, Nancy and Cristina Murphy and Carols Ladd.

Glenda an dDean Watson visited Audie Reed.

Visitors of Jewel Smith were Sissy Smith, Clista and Earl Jr. Filkins, Larry and Shirley Haskell, Askmo and Annie Laura Smith, Darrell Wayne Smith, Donald Ray and Dynetta Smith, Dale and Larry Gene Smith.

Floy SLparks was visited Nanie Bell Ham, Cecil Allen and Peggy Pa5rsons.

MPat Talley visited her sister Betty Gardner.

Faye Woodard's visitors were Lee, Teresa, Matt and Jessica Woodard.

Visiting Bonnie Johnson were Oliver and Mildred Allen, Modene Lentz, Jim and Sharon Johnson and Kristi Johnson.

Visitors of Bodie Bell were Reecie Kelsey, Martha Glover, Sam B. Kelsey and Marilyn Glover.

Lennie Bailey was visited by Red and Inez Weaver, Ruby Dee Blevinsd, Alice Bumgarner, Kandy Kreitz, Bobby Bailey and Pat Bailey.

Pam Campbell and Reba Muncell visited Jo Wrenn.

Johnnie Warren's visitors were Lucy Fowler, Evelyn Roach, Donald Crawford, Dorothy Holt, Joyce Wilson and Nanie Bell Ham.

Visiting Dean Boulware were Jodie and Kara Boulware and Joey Phillips.

Mutt and Lena Powell were visited by Geneva Weaver, Sue and Shelbi Hart, Darla and Corbin Scott, Janie Morgan and Dakota Martin.

Visitors of Don O'Dea were Fred and Barbara Biggerstaff, Cecil Allen and Gene Thiellman.

MPam Humphrey visited Genevieve Humphrey.

Patsy ard visited Edith Franklin.

E.T. Moore's visitors were Wilma Whitaker, Jane Parson and Clara Stephens.

Visiting Peter Zak were Dennis, Betty and Michael Zak.

Marietta Paron's visitors were Fred and Barbara Biggerstaff.

Ruby Crawford was visited by Edwina, Diane and Vicki.

Crime Stoppers offers rewards

You can earn up to $1000 in cash, by providing Crime Stoppers with the information that will lead to the arrest and indictment of the person or persons responsible for committing the following felony crime.

Sometime during the early afternoon hours of Saturday, January 4th, unknown suspects entered into an apartment at 635 7th N.W. in Paris. Once inside the partment the suspects stole over $3000 worth of jewelry.

If you have any information on this, or any other felony crime, please call Crime Stoppers. If Crime Stoppers receives that information by February 17th an arrest and indictment is made of those person responsible, Crime Stoppers will pay you a cash reward of up to $1000. 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)

Burglary is crime of the week

Sometime during the early afternoon hours of Saturday, January 4, unknown suspects entered an apartment at 635 7th N.W. in Paris and stole over $3,000 worth of jewelry.

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Mustang Creek Adventures

RODNEY THE ROOSTER AND THE MISSING CROW BOX

by Leslie Morton Copeland

Rodney the Rooster lived at Mustang Creek Farm. Life was good there and Rodney really liked the country. In fact, he not only lived there, but worked there as well. Rodney was the official timekeeper at Mustang Creek Farm, so everything and nearly everybody depended on Rodney.

Rodney woke up very early one morning.It was so early that the first light of day had not even dawned. Rodeny was always fearful that he would oversleep some morning and open his eyes to find the sun already shining. It never occurred to Rodney that worse things could happen. This morning was one of those days. The dew was still falling, but Rodney jumped upon the barnyard gate and opened his beak. Nothing happened! At first, Rodney thought to himself that he might have a slight cold, so he cleared his throat and straightened his shoulders and tried again. Still nothing. "Oh no," muttered Rodney, "I've lost my crow box, or someone has taken it!"Rodney knew just what to do. He called for Pepper, the giant chocolate labrador who was in charge of farm security. They both began searching for clues.Pepper took Mustang Creek Drive to Labrador Lane, and Rodney began to run down Rabbit Run Road in search of the crow box. It was a race against the sun to find it.Pepper checked with all the hens, Sugar, Muffin and her kitten Boo, and even Mrs. Porcine the pig and her piglets. No one had a clue. Meanwhile, Rodeny had some ideas of his own. Betty the butterfly, who was still asleep on a camellia bush was startled by the rooster. "Rodney, you scared me! Is it time to get up?"asked the groggy butterfly.Rodney explained the situation to Betty as she spread her wings for flight. She brushed her wings against Rodney's' beak and he laughed."That tickles",he said.As Rodney raised his wing to rub his beak, something wonderful happened.... Rodney woke up! It was all just a dream and Rodney had a crow box after all. He raised his head, and let out a huge "Cockadoodledo" that was so loud that the entire farm scrambled to see what was going on. Rodney just stood on the edge of the gate as if it was just another day... but he would remember how this one began for a long time to come.

In the Adventures of Mustang Creek Farm, keep reading and find out about Betty Butterfly's Wonderful Deed....



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LADY PATRIOT BREAH SESSUMS goes one-on-one with a Chisum player in recent play. The girls defeated Lone Oak and Alba-Golden for two district wins last week. Friday night was Breah's last game as a Lady Pat. She has led the team in all areas of play.

Lady Pats win big against Lone Oak

by Michael Richardson

The Lady Patriotswere in fine form Tuesday night as they disposed of Lone Oak 77-70. This avenged an. earlier loss when Prairiland fell to Lone Oak 70-63 at Lone Oak. The action packed, high scoring game never lacked for excitement as the game changed leads time and time again. Howver, the Lady Patriots werent about to let their last home game slip away as four players scored in double figures. All the girls played hard and contributed to the win. This makes the Prairiland girls 19-9, 7-6. Lone Oak was tied for first and this loss now puts them in a tie for second with Chisum.

Stats for the Lone Oak game are:

Player	Rebounds	Assists	Steals	Free Throws	Points
Brandie Upchurch	6	2	1	3/4	21
Breah Sessums	4	6	2	4/6	13
Cari Irwin	4	2	-	7/10	19
Katha Crawford	5	1	1	2/2	2
Meagan Hatfield	6	6	-	7/8	15
Christy Patterson	7	1	1	3/8	7
Felicia Taylor	2	-	-	-	1 block
Susan Singleton	2	-	-	-	-

Lady Pats end season

by Michael Richardson

Last Friday night, the Lady Patriots ended their season with a 70-49 victory over Alba-Golden. The Lady Patriots were called for 29 fouls with Breah Sessums, Katha Crawford, Meagan Hatfield and Felicia Taylor fouling out early in the fourth quarter. The victory ended the Lady Pats' season wtih a 20-9, 8-6 record.

The JV team also defeated Como with Suzie Sutton having 12 points and four steals. Stacy Harrison and Brandi Patterson had eight points each.

Player	Rebounds	Assists	Steals	Free Throws	Points
Brandie Upchurch	8	-	2	1/3	10
Breah Sessums	5	8	2	5/6	16
Cari Irwin	7	-	1	3/6	9
Katha Crawford	8	-	1	2/2	12
Meagan Hatfield	7	6	1	6/9	8
Christy Patterson	10	-	3	8/12	10
Felicia Taylor	2	-	-	-	2
Susan Singleton	4	2	-	-	-
Kim Gibson	3	-	-	0/4	3

FHA celebrates Valentine's Day at PHS

The Future Homemakers at Prairiland celebrated Valentine's Day last week. The department voted on sweethearts and then gave gifts and treats away to all it's members. The winners of the sweetheart campaign are as follows

Freshmen-Laura Oliver and Matt Wilson.

Sophomore-Amy Talley and Sammy Hamm.

Junior-Claudia Trammell and Wesley Conley.

Senior Valerie Chapman and Chris Malone.

Overall sweethearts were Valerie Chapman and Chris Malone.

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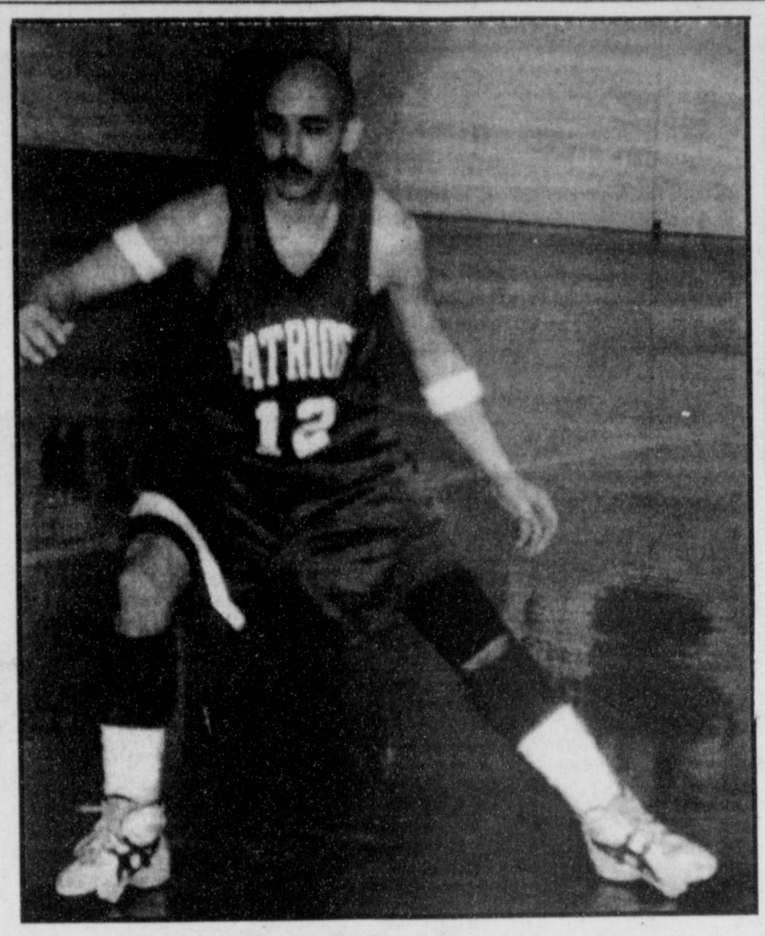
Patriots on their way to the playoffs

With two more district wins under their belt, the Prairiland Patriots are looking at some playoff hopes. The Pats went for the jugular last week as they took a 57-40 win over the Lone Oak Buffaloes.

Senior Cory May was high with 18 with senior Todd James also scoring in the doubles with 11. The boys led in all quarters and will need the win over Honey Grove and Como-Picton this week to cinch the playoff berth.

In Friday night's action, the Pats moved into second place with a 66-42 win over Alba-Golden. Junior David Ford who is having an outstanding year led for the night with 14, followed in double figures by Jeremy Day and James with 12 and 11 respectively.

	Prairiland 57 Lone Oak 40	Prairiland 66 Alba-Goldden 42
Cory May	18	7
Justin Taylor	9	10
Todd James	11	11
Jeremy Day	7	12
David Ford	5	14
Drew Owens	4	2
Brandon Maroney	3	2
Jackie Davidson	-	2
Chris Hudson	-	1
Trey Gifford	-	1



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PRAIRILAND PATRIOT Senior Cary Langston looks out for the other team's players in last week's action. The Pats defeated Lone Oak and Alba-Golden for two district wins last week.

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This week's query is from Paul Flanagan, 298Cedar Lane, Longview, Wa. 98632-5732. He is interested in the surnames of Warren, Wright and Snider in the Clarksville and surrounding area between 1830 and 1922.

If you wish to correspond with Mr. Flanagan, please write to him at the above address.

To have a query placed in this m column, please write to: Red River Co. Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 516, Clarksville, TX 75426.

John Erie Eppers was born about 1830. He married Mary Carline Smikey. Mary was born November 5, 1838. Their children were:

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Edward born Feb. 1872
Minnie L. Born 1865
John E. born April 1874
Henry E. born April 1876
Robert L. born Jan. 1879
Annie no birth date
Ida no birth date
Annie married Oscar Boyd. She may be buried in the Bogata area.

If you have information on these people contact:
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Prairiland High School Calendar of Events

Week of February 17, 1997

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18 ..... Begin Fifth Six Weeks
..... V Baseball at Paris, 4:30
..... JV, V Softball vs. Paris, Here, 4:30
19 ..... Youth for Christ, 7:50 a.m., Library
20 ..... JV Baseball, Mt. Vernon, 4:30
..... FHA Regional, Waco
..... Softball Tournament, Bonham
21 ..... V Baseball at North Lamar, 5:00
..... Softball, Blossom

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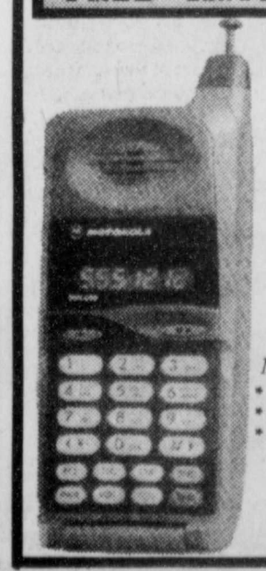
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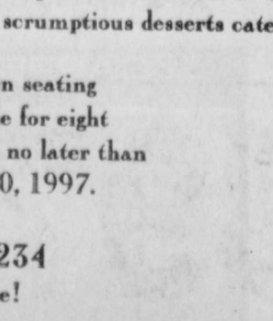
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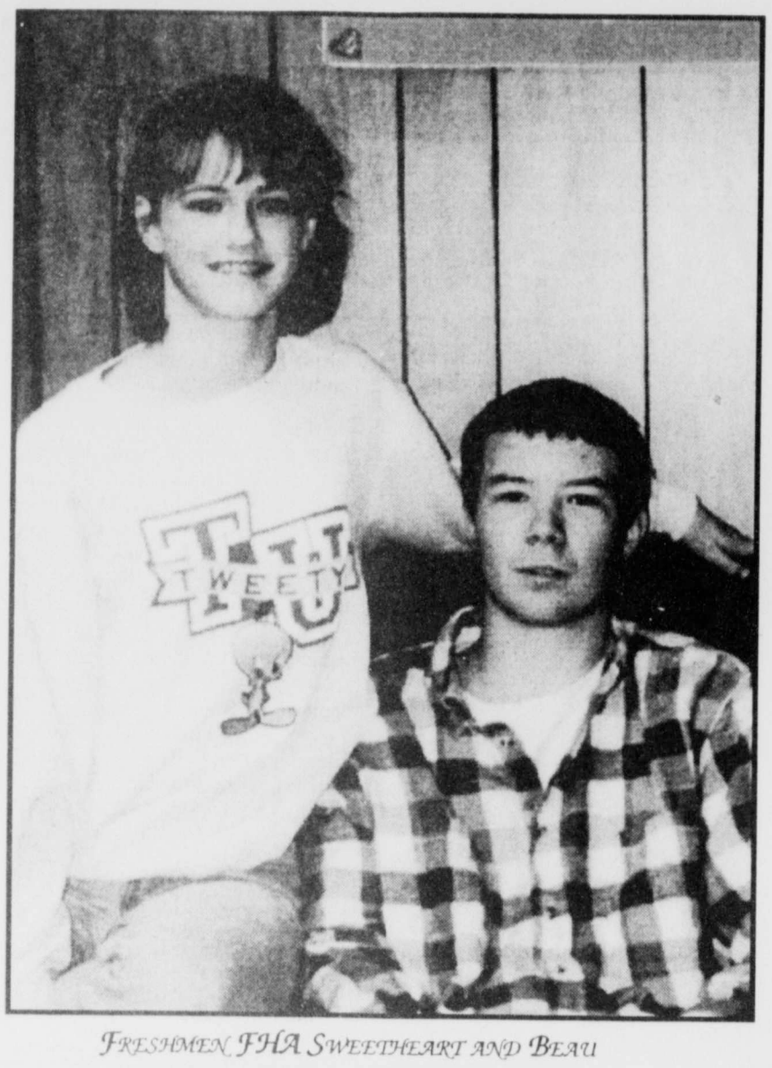
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As I was driving home last Friday night from Alba-Golden, I began to expound on the basketball game to my somewhat captured audience in the car. (I'm sure they wished that they had chosen an alternate means of return to their home). Aside from that, my rant began. I had just witnessed an end to a long, emotional rollercoaster of a season for the Lady Patriots. With all the happiness I felt for them, there was still a somber emotion that I couldn't shake.

Number 11 had just terminated her high school career in basketball. Not very long ago I watched the same thing in volleyball. Not long ago It was the ending of numerous years of dribbling, shooting, setting, spiking and conditioning. She was at times, the Dennis Rodman of Patriot basketball. At other times she showed the tender heart of a young lady by taking the time to hug a fellow teammate in times of sorrow.

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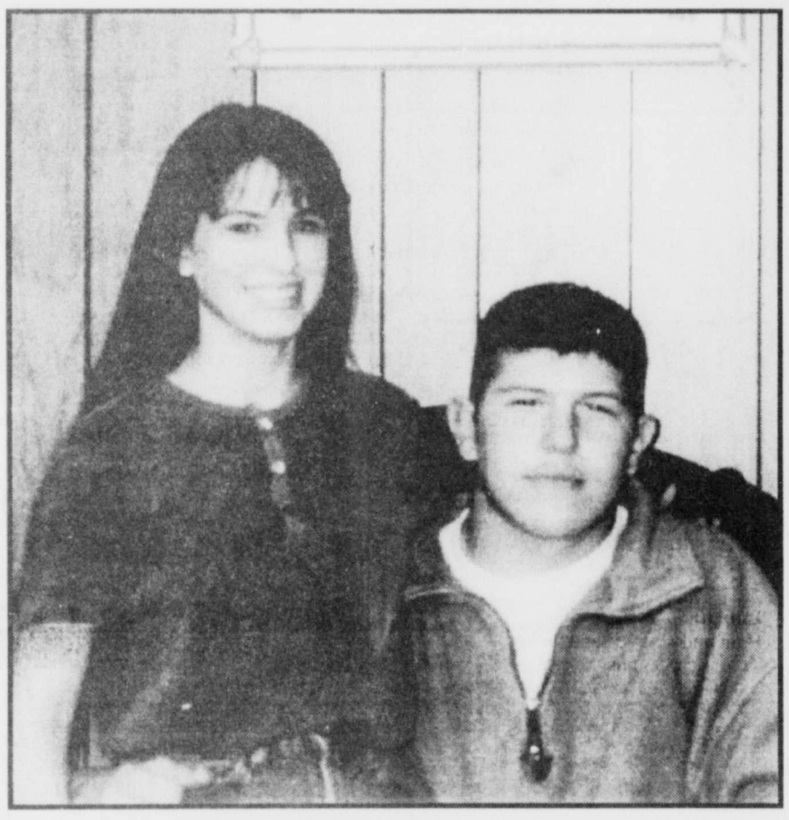
Perhaps my admiration comes from the fact that it can't be easy being a four-year letterman at everything you had time to do. It may also have been a little difficult at times going home with the coach, for yet another verbal rerun of all your mistakes from the game not yet laid to rest. Through it all she has somehow made her career flamboyant, masterful and statistically successful. Her achievements are however, not over yet. With track and golf still to come, her career is not yet completed. (After all, the second time she ran the hurdles, she broke the school record). This letter will no doubt have varied responses from various people. I remain steadfast in my belief that Breah Sessums may be the most talented, all-around athlete that I have had the pleasure of watching in many, many years. Not everyone will agree with me, but that is okay. Because this is a tribute to her and no one else but her.
Gary Hatfield, Pattonville



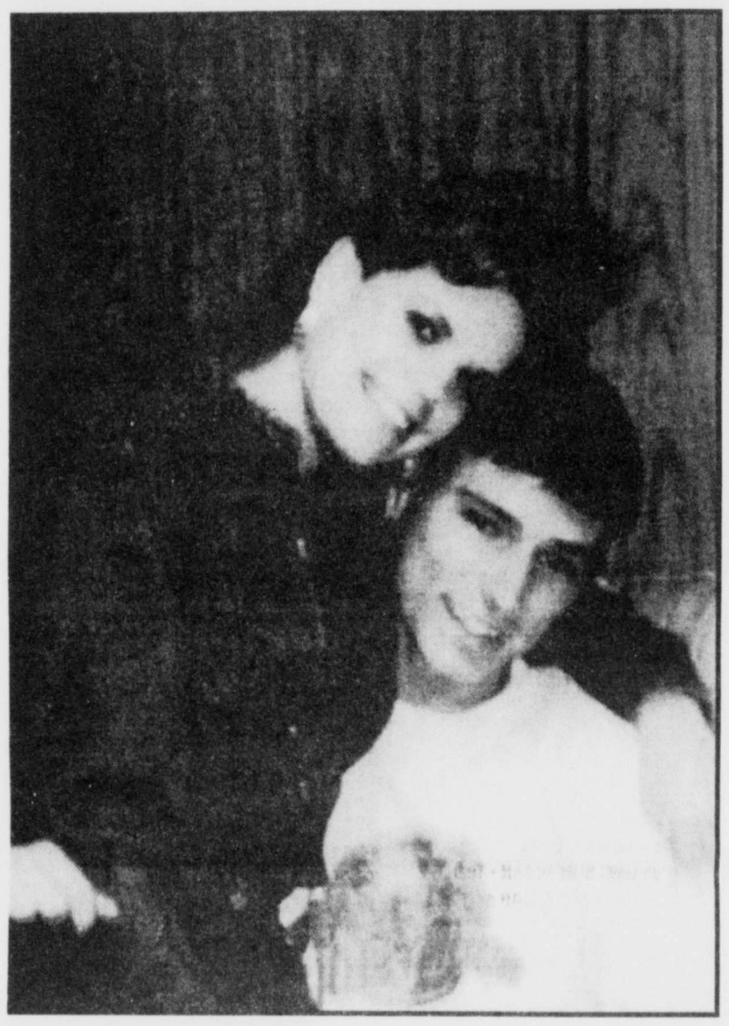
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Seniors Valerie Chapman and Chris Malone

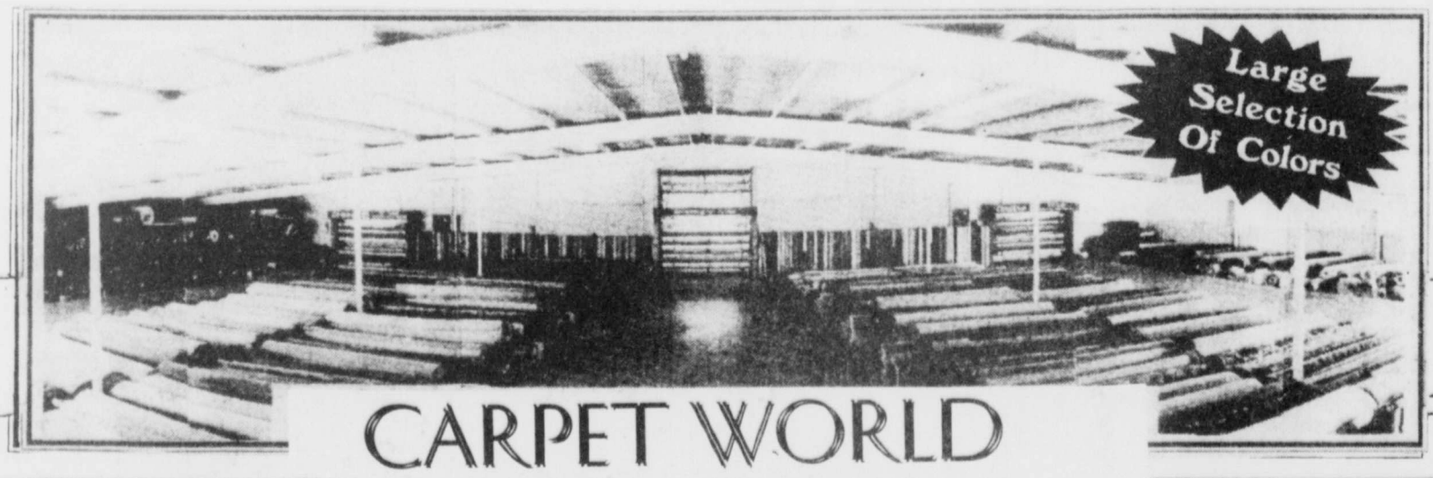


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Cunningham News

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Bill and Shirley Page visited Terry and Sandra Brehm in Richardson Friday through Saturday.

Charles and Sue Davis of Omaha were in for the weekend. They visited Kathern Sugg. Annea Sugg of Paris and Kelsey Klingler of Blossom spent the night with Kathern Sugg Saturday. Kathern took Kelsey home Sunday and ate lunch with Lynda, Lindsey and Kelsey Klingler.

Steve Slusher, of Farmers Branch visited his parents, Clyde and Bobbye Slusher on Sunday.

Visitors of Clyde and Bobbye Slusher on Monday were Thelma Malone Womack of Houston and Ruby Malone Tidwell of Rye. They are former Cunnigham residents.

Canard Norwood of Katie visited Almer and Alma Norwood Wednesday.

Carol and Jennifer Dorsie had lunch with Lucy Fowler Sunday. Lucy visited Johnnie Warren in the Deport Nursing home Sunday.

Linda Sue Pynes had supper with Lorette Pynes Friday. Buddy Pynes visited with Lorette Sunday aftrnoon.

Todd and Mendy Cole, Lacie and Kelby, Tracy Brenton, Jase and Erika had lunch with James and Pat Norwood Sunday.

Shelby Kennedy, Pat Norwood, Jennifer Barnes and Jane Glass attended East Paris Baptist Church Women's Retreat Friday night and Saturday.

Larry and Virginia Bell visited with Norman and Rachel Sain Sunday afternoon.

Lowell Ford came in from South Carolina, he spent Friday night with Leonard and Billie Ford. On Saturday they took Lillian King to the Golden Corral for lunch after an afternoon visit in the home of Leonard and Billie they took Mrs. King home.

Jeff and Cindy Kennedy, Zack, Garret and Taylor, Heath and Misty Kennedy and Laytner had lunch with Bobby and Shelby Kennedy Sunday.

Visiting Pete and L Wanda McKnight on Sunday were: her sisters, Ethelyn Davis of Houston, Donnie Morrison of Paris, her brother, A.T. O'Neal of Mt. Pleasant, her nephew Bobby Morrison of Ft. Worth and Johnny and Fran Patterson and girls.

Darrell and Ida Mae Norwood visited Shelia Norwood in Denton on Wednesday.

Phillip and Dell Walker, John and Zackary spent Sunday with Darrell and Ida Mae Norwood.

Nelta Musgrove and Geneva Norwood ate super with Marie Watson one night last week. Marie Watson guest for sunday dinner were: Brenda Watson, Bruce Watson, Vickie Davis, Brad Watson, Jaravis and Renea Watson, Chad and Dena Legate, Brookyn and David and Cathy Hendrix of Texarkana.

Slue and Janee Jackson of Paris, Jeff Morrison of Blossom, Karla, Andrea and Kera Palmer, Dewayne, Lisa O'Neal and Weston Drennon had dinner with Jan O'Neal Sunday.

Shane and Zarinska Musgrove, Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Brashear and baby had lunch and visited with Johnny and Nelta Musgrove on Sunday.

Geneva Norwood's guests Sunday evenening were: Billy Ray and Neva Jean Oats, Brandon and Georgina, Amanda Durok, Frankie and Julie Norwood, Caleb, Logan, and Layton, Scottie and Treda Norwood, Amber and Trever.

Gaylon Oats of Red Oak visited with Joe and Georgia Oats Wednesday afternoon. Billy Ray and Neva Jean Oats, Brandon and Georgina had lunch with Joe and Georgia on Sunday.

Mary Helen Whitney spent Friday with Billie Pirtle in Bogata. In celebration of Billies birthday, they went out to eat and visisted with Bonnie Huddleston.

Velma Cox spent the day Wednesday with Dora Hester in Paris.

Lou Hatfiled and Carol Williams are receovering from the flu.

Charles Dee Williams of Paris and Jonathan Arnold of Clarksville spent the weekend with Charles and Jean Williams.

School Menu

Prairiland C.I.S.D.
All Campus
School Lunch Menu
February 17-21

Monday

Holiday

Tuesday

Breakfast:
French toast strips, syrup
Juice, milk
Lunch:
Ham and cheese sandwiches
Vegetarian beans
Potato chips
Chocolate chip cookies
Milk

Wednesday

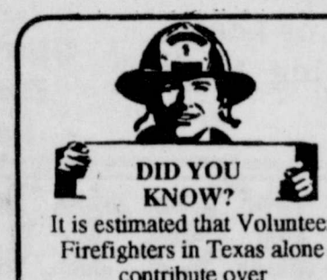
Breakfast:
Oatmeal, toast
Juice, milk
Lunch:
Chicken bites
Green beans
Creamed potatoes
Wheat rolls
Milk

Thursday

Breakfast:
Fruit muffin, cereal
Juice, milk
Lunch:
Nachos with beef
Tossed salad
Spice cake
Milk

Friday

Breakfast:
Pancakes,syrup
Juice, milk
Lunch:
Hamburger on bun
Lettuce, tomato
French fries
Oatmeal cookie
Milk



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PATTONVILLE NEWS

By Rita Cox 784-0283

Ty Parsons of Rowlett spent Thursday night and Friday with his grandparents, Keith and Peggy Parsons. Leah Boren visited with them Friday afternoon.

Nina Sparks and Bocky Norman of Deport and Peggy Parsons attended a 50th anniversary breakfast honring Norris and Virginia Ragsdill on Saturday morning at the Oakridge Country Club in Garland.

Bob Day's youngest daughter, Veta Holland of Plano visited Wednesday and Thursday. They went to Catfish King and shopped. Also visiting Bob this week was Ruth O'Brien from Garland.

Visitors of Earline Wilson this week were her daughter, Martha Porterfield, Henrietta Watts, sister Dorothy and James Cunningham, Betty Slayden, Betty Jo Taylor and Chase, Jennifer, Dustin Blount and S.C. Short.

Ruby and Bill BLevins visitors this week were Mickey Keener and daughter Ashley of Longview, Alice Bumgarner. Ruby visited Linnie Bailey at the nursing home Saturday and visited Alice Saturday.

Peggy Gentry went to Bernice Bell's this week for a Tupperware party.

Barbara McDowra's visitors Wednesday night were Nancy Logsdon, Dean Smith and Gerald Hood.

Brenda, Sara Winchester, Paulette Smith of Denison, Micky and Brittany Ellis of Paris had lunch Sunday with Rita and Randall Cox. Saturday night, Josh Green, Stanley, Sheila, Timothy and Stan Jr. Cox visited.

Visitors of Robert and Kathy Demaree were his parents, Bob and Karen Demaree of Como, MS.

Keith and Carol Reed of Rattan, Ok visited Rita and Randall Cox Saturday and Sunday.

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Edward and Sara Helleny are honored on 50th anniversary

Childhood friends were featured during an informal 50th wedding anniversary celebration on Sunday, February 9 in the home of Edward and Sara Helleny of Deport.

Those attending were Joella Jeffus Sparks and husband Duane from Sacramento, CA; Cleo and Kathy Jeffus of Plano; Martha and Duane Glover, Reba Temple and Carlos and Melba Ladd of Deport; Joel Helleny, their son of New York City; Ruth Murrell and Virginia Kirkland of Deport; aunts of Sara Helleny who attended the original wedding, Kelly Gifford, Shelby Bono, David Carpenter, Marijo and Sonny Daughtery of Paris completed the family picture.

The afternoon was spent looking at old pictures, catching up on family news and visiting.

Sara Ruth Grant of Deport and Edward Helleny of Herrin, IL were married at the First Methodist Church in Deport on February 9, 1947 by the Rev. John Hensley.

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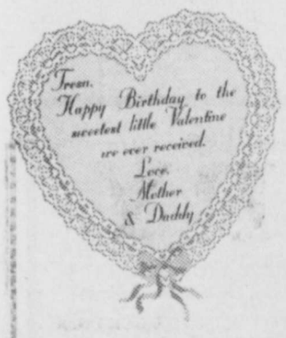
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Position #7 Talco or Bogata	3 year term

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FOR SALE: 17' bass boat, 55hp Johnson motor, new paint, carpet, wiring; trailer, new paint & carpet $1,700. Call 903-674-2053. *MA 1-31*

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FOR SALE: 1997 Honda four track 4x4. Call 903-379-6841 after 5 p.m., Chris Gentry. *MA 2-6*

FOR SALE: 1995 model 300 Polaris 2x4 4-wheeler. Excellent condition. Call after 5 at 903-632-4874 or leave message at 632-5250. *MA 2-13*

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FOR SALE: 855 New Holland hay baler, New Idea 8' hay cutter and wheel rake $6,500. Call Drue Pirtle, 903-632-4201. *MA 2-27*

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MEAT PROCESSING: Catfish fillets; chicken; beef and pork. All retail cuts. Beef by the side or quarter. Call for prices. Detroit Locker Plant, Detroit, TX. Pork, chicken, fish. Call 903-674-6911. If no answer, call 903-674-2352. We accept food stamps. *MA tfc*

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FOR HOUSE or office cleaning, call 903-632-4054. *MA 2-27*

HELP NEEDED

CERTIFIED Nurse Aides needed. Call Marilyn at 903-652-4410. *MAtfc*

NEED MATURE waitperson and cook. Must be able to work nights and weekends. Please apply at 909 Diner, Bogata. *MA 2-20*

BEST HOME BUSINESS! Free 800 numbers do your selling! 1-800-678-5522, Ext. 4035. Questions call: 1-800-480-9338. *MA 2-27*

HELP WANTED: Evening clerk, Armadillo Kwik Korner in Bogata. 632-5032. *MA 2-27*

THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT of Transportation is accepting completed applications for a Heavy Equipment Operator $9.92 ph, JVN 7-19-K520-193 in Marshall until February 19, 1997 at 5:00 p.m. TxDOT must have a completed TxDOT application for each JVN. Mail applications to TxDOT, P.O. Box 1210, Atlanta, TX 75551, postmarked one day prior to the closing date or call (903)799-1256 for more informatin. An applicant needing an accomodation in order to apply for this job may call the Human Resources Office for the Atlanta District (903)799-1256 or the Employment Office at (512)416-2999. You may also call the Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) in Austin (512)416-2977. An Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. *2-13*

LOST & FOUND

LOST: Small black and white neutered male cat. Blue collar with bell on it. Belongs to disabled person. Please call 903-632-4480. *nc*

LOST between Blossom and Detroit, small tan and white female dog, red collar. Reward $50. Call (903)982-6197. *nc*

REWARD FOR LOST DOG: Black male Pomeranian, 7 yrs old, white blaze on chest, wearing collar with tags. In Detroit area (903)674-2312. *nc*

LOST OR STRAYED: Four yearling Red Limousin calves from pasture in Fulbright. If seen, please call Clovis Vandeaver, 652-6805. *nc*

FREE-FREE-FREE

FREE DOGS-ONE female black Lab, 2 yrs. old and one male mix Lab/Shepherd. Light brown/blond, one year old, likes to work. 632-4865. *nc*

WANTED

I WANT TO BUY a small, good, used piano. 1-800-663-4128. *2-27*

SALES:

GARAGE SALE: Detroit, in front of house 4 blocks east of downtown at last house on right next door to Church of Christ, right on Hwy. 82 east in Detroit. Lots of items for house decoration and use most are new, some furniture, a few clothes. Cancel if rain or bad weather. 8:00 a.m. Saturday only. *2-13*

Deport Locals

Mr. & Mrs. Mike Speir and children Amanda, Lance and new baby Samantha Renee of Commerce visited his grandmother Willie Mae Speir.

Darrin & Monica Gifford, Trent, Chandler Paige & Madelaine Rebecca of The Colony visited his parents John & Shirley Gifford over the weekend.

Kathy Bruno of Shreveport visited her mother Nannie Bell Ham and her sister Nell Shull & family over the weekend.

Ernie & Rita Sparks and Lloyd Simmons of Paris visited Jimmie & Yuba Sparks Saturday night.

Colleen Slaton visited her mother Kathryn Anderson of Post Oak Saturday.

Kathy Bice of Dumas visited her mother Ruth Whittle & other family members last weekend.

Kandy Krietz of Houston visited her mother Bobbye Bailey, her grandmother Linnie Bailey & her aunt Reba Temple over the weekend.

Ann Foster of Paris and Ida Mae & Deryl Norwood visited Billie & Marlin Foster.

Sammy & Susie Kelsey and Travis & Connie Dodd & Phillip attended the Singing Cadets of Texas A & M University Concert in Paris Saturday Night.

Visitors of Hugh L. Jeffus, Sr. on Sunday were Christy and Chase Dickson, Charlie and Betty Lou Paine, Dick Burden, Laranne Denison, Thomas and Nanalee Nichols and Hugh Jeffus, Jr.



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Deport Little Dribblers action. . .

4th grade girls won 27-2

Whitney Turner	10
Racheal Murdock	6
Jessica Winters	2
Brittany Martin	7
Johnna Patterson	2

Record for season 4-0

4th grade boys won 20-10

Brent burden	5
Drew Boren	3
Spur Norwood	10
Matt Swint	2

Record for season 4-0

5th grade girls lost 15-36

Sara Tubbs	2
Srica Norwood	3
Amanda Nichols	10

Record for season 3-3

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Silence is one of the hardest things to refute.

—Josh Billings

5th grade boys won 20-24 game I

Arron Arrasmith	2
Dakota Mitchell	4
Kevin Gilbert	15
Chris Brunson	3
O'Neal Drinnon	6

5th Grade Boys won 36-8 GameII

Dakota Mitchell	3
Bradley Brown	2
Chance Crawford	3
O'Neal Drinnon	2
Chris Brunson	8
Arron Arasmith	2
Kevin Gilbert	16

Record for season 3-3

6th Grade Girls won 30-10

Megan Graham	8
Susan Whittle	2
Lacy Davis	14
Nicole Boehler	2
Brittany Harris	2
Kandace Denison	2

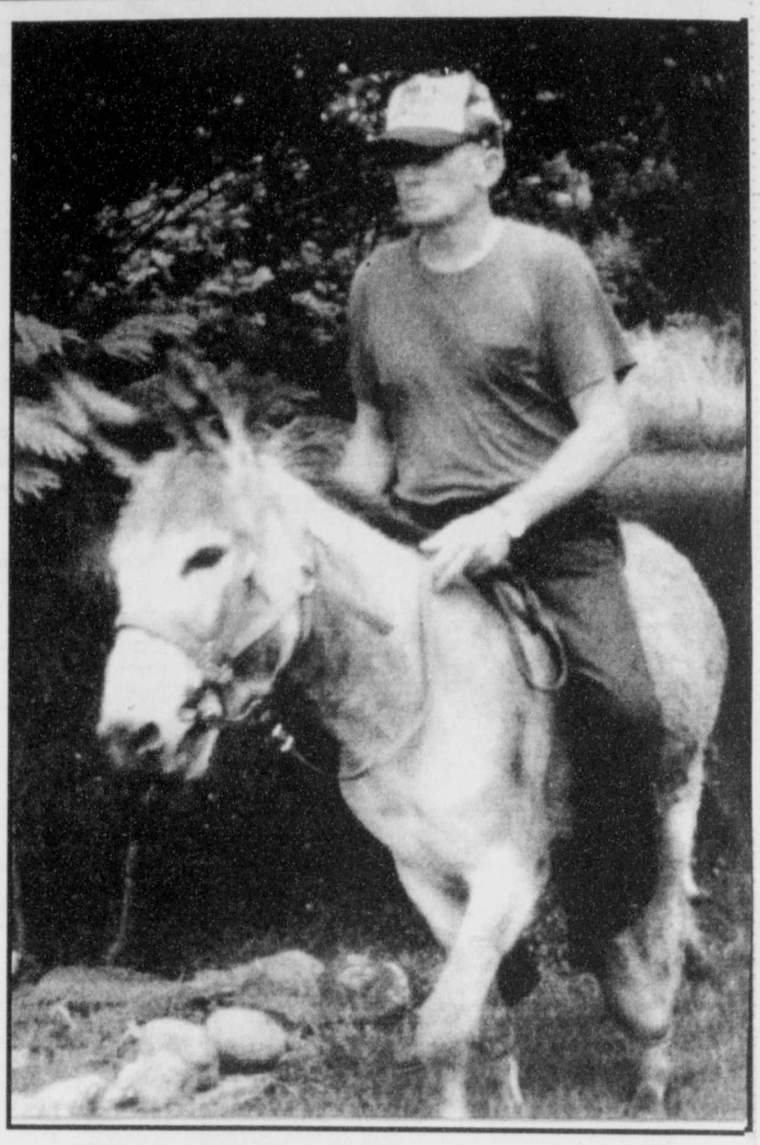
Record for season 3-1

6th Grade Boys lost 17-21

Nathan Burden	5
Cody Cavender	2
Casey Elliott	3
Chris Basinger	7

Record for season 1-3

Deport Little Dribblers will be in the tournament at Powderly and Chisum on February 10-15.



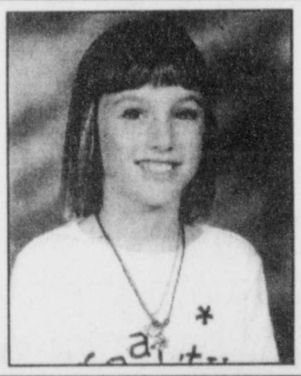
JUST A RIDE-Dewayne Ham of Deport likes to ride "Todd", his donkey. The animal was rather wild when Ham got him, but lots of attention has cured that problem, and nnow even his step granddaughter, Elizabeth can ride him.

TORNADO DRILL

The Deport VFD will be simulating a tornado drill on Saturday, February 22 at 3:30 p.m. in Deport.

The siren will blow for ten seconds; pause for ten seconds; and blow again for ten seconds until the cycle has been repeated six times.

This is an effort to acquaint citizens of Deport and the surround areas of the sound of the warning, should an actual alert be sounded.



Lacy Davis

She competed in the hoop contest at Deport & Prairiland and has advanced to regionals in Commerce and will be going to state competition in Waco on March 22nd.

Congratulations Lacy,
We love you,
Mom, Crystal, Roy & Jessi

Milton News

By Mattylu Upchurch

The Milton community was saddened this week wtih the loss of one of our residents. Our sympathy to Edna Talley and her family at the death of her husband, Bill Talley.

Bobby and Carlee Dodson of Dallas visited Bob and Beuna Marshall Saturday. They went to Paris for dinner.

Jennifer Taylor spent Saturday night with Amy Hicks of Cunningham.

Helen Temple and Hattie Hobbs visited their aunt, Irene Gordon of Reno on Wednesday.

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

Phillip and Susan Roach went to Tyler Saturday to visit their daughter and family, Susan and Con Ray and Shyanna.

Buddy Taylor of Cunningham had dinner with his son and family, Leslie and Paula Taylor.

Bobbie Hill of Little Rock, AR came Monday for a few days visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Upchurch.

Joyce Wilson of Craig visited her sister, Dorothy Holt on Friday.

Ann Lee received word from her brother and sister-in-law, Thomas and Nancy Harvey of Port Neches, of the addition to their family, a new granddaughter, Sarah Ann Harvey, born February 7 to Ron and Jeanette Harvey, also of Port Neches. The Harveys have a 2-1/2 year old daughter, Lauren. Great-grandparents are the late Raymond and Doris Harvey.

Seniors hold February meeting

The United Methodist Seniors of Deport and their guests had lunch at Furr's Cafeteria in Paris last Tuesday for their February meetingl.

Games of dominoes and cards were enjoyed in the fellowship hall of the church after lunch.

Area seniors are invited and encouraged to join the group on March 4 for the next meeting.

For information contact Nell Shull, Bocky Norman, Juavanee Carpetner or Juanita Sparks.

State Office Telephone Numbers

Agriculture Department	800-835-5832
AIDS Hotline (National)	800-342-2437
AIDs Hotline (Texas)	800-299-2437
Alcoholism and Drug Dependency	800-622-2255
Alzheimers Disease Information	800-272-3900 / 800-438-4380
State Bar of Texas	800-392-1900
Blind Council	800-424-8666
Blind Library	800-252-9605
Cancer Society	800-422-6237
and for donations	800-223-7874
Texas Chamber of Commerce	800-635-1411
Cocaine Hotline	800-262-2463
Comptroller of Public Accounts	800-252-5555
Consumer Credit Hotline	800-538-1579
Crime Insurance Information	800-638-8780

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CHUCK ROAST Lb. — **$1.69**

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SPLIT CHICKEN BREAST Country Store 4 Lb. Bag — **$4.99**

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CRACKERS Parade Lb. Box — **50¢**

APPLE PIE FILLING Lucky Leaf 21oz. Can — **$1.00**

BREAD Mrs. Bairds Town Talk Loaf — **59¢**

BISCUITS Parade 7oz. — **5/99¢**

SPAGHETTI Parade 15oz. Can — **2/$1**

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CHEERIOS 15oz. Box — **$1.75**

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CARROTS 29¢ Bag

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