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It makes for a small world

People are always saying that they don't know how I come up with something to write about once a week, and I'm always saying it's never a problem. But being limited in walking and driving ability makes the world become pretty small. And I have discovered that the smaller one's world, the less one has to present to readers!

After having the second total knee joint replacement I am faced with the prospect of many extra weeks on crutches because they had to forcibly pluck the ligaments on my knee loose and stitch them back together. All will be well, but they stress that I must continue with "assisted walking" to protect them while they heal.

Well, that gets pretty boring in a hurry, as does not being able to drive. I was given a little book called "Getting Back On Your Feet" which has been invaluable in helping me be self-sufficient, but when I looked under the chapter devoted to driving it said "if your right leg is out of commission your only option is to order a British made auto and hope it comes in quickly". That was obviously a tongue in cheek way of saying I was out of luck. So I've been feeling like a 12 year old again, begging rides wherever I have to go, including therapy, work and anywhere else I want to go.

About the most exciting thing that has happened around the homeplace since I've been stuck here is a female Baltimore Oriole, who came and has fed off my hummingbird feeders! While I would normally have looked the bird up in the bird book and been interested that she had shown up, in my restricted state I have devoted a great deal of time to learning about orioles, discovering that what she really likes to eat is soft orchard fruits, and that orioles adore grape jelly!

Stacked up against the number of grasshoppers my newest stray cat, Teddy, brings to the door, the bird was pretty fascinating.

One thing I did notice though, was that going around on an early morning with Thomas to rob the racks (get the money from the newsstands) has become a new and fresh thing. I see the world through eyes that enjoy the scenery more than they did before I spent several weeks as a virtual shut in. I enjoy the sight of kids riding bikes, old people sitting on their front porches, and squirrels scampering up trees as if they were exotic sights on an overseas vacation!

A new roof on the Bogata fire station, a new house being built in Blossom, a remodeling in Deport, a storm damaged sign in Talco all made the trip seem informative and interesting.

So, it's all a matter of perspective, and it is true that absence makes the heart grow fonder. I'm looking forward to being out and about, gathering ideas and little stories to share. In the meantime, hey, have I told you about this bright orange bird that's feeding at my hummingbird feeders?



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# Deport Times

90th YEAR, No. 13

DEPORT, LAMAR COUNTY, TEXAS

Thursday, September 23, 1999

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## Deport 1st Presbyterian Church will celebrate 125 years this Sunday

This Sunday the doors to the historic First Presbyterian Church of Deport will open to welcome everyone to a special service commemorating their 125 years of Christianity. The message will be brought by Rev. Sam Rice, who has the distinction of having served as minister of the church for nearly 25 years, the longest tenure of any minister in the churches' 125 year history. The current minister, Ed Dodson, will also be on hand.

The First Presbyterian Church of Deport was organized in 1874, making it a pioneer church in the area. At first the congregation worshiped at Old Union Church, which stood where Old Deport Cemetery is presently located, just south of Deport. A new building was built in 1882, but was destroyed by a tornado in 1908. Services continued in a tent until a new building was finished. In 1912, the church was moved to its present location. The land was donated by D Stephen Grant and his wife. At that time the windows had steep arches at the top, and the roofline was steeper. In 1924, it underwent extensive remodeling, which gave the cedar-sided structure its present look. Since then central heat and air have been added and the church has been modernized and made more comfortable.

It was originally a Cumberland Presbyterian Church, but became a member of the U.S.A. Presbyterian

Church in 1906. It remained so until the U.S. and U.S.A. Churches united in 1983. The church is an ecumenical body, participating with other churches in special community services at Christmas, Easter, Thanksgiving, Vacation Bible School, revivals and other forms of worship.

Many excellent ministers have served the congregation throughout the years, the longest tenure by Sam Rice, who was pastor from 1964 until 1988. The first minister, back in 1894, were Ministers T.H. Skidmore and William Roach. The Rev. Joe Everheart served the church in the 1950s. More recent pastors include Rev. Tom Foley and Rev. Betty Payne, who served as co-pastors for a number of years before retirement, and the current minister, Rev. Ed Dodson.

Current members, former members from near and far and many friends are planning to attend this 125th celebration. Thoughts will also turn to the many generations of Presbyterians who have helped make up the congregation, been active, vital members of the community, and have shared their faith in God and Jesus Christ.

It will be a very special Sunday for the church and its members and all are invited. A catered meal will be held after services at the Deport American Legion Hall so that fellowship can continue.



TRUCK AND HAY FIRE- Pattonville Fire Chief Tim Davis sprayed water on a blazing tanker truck Monday at the corner of Lamar County roads 1440 & 14550. Two hundred and thirteen rolls of hay also burned at the Vanderschaft residence. Cause of the fire was unknown. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

## High TAAS scores qualify Deport students

According to Deport counselor Annabee Salter, four seventh grade students on the Deport campus have met the qualifications to participate in the Duke University Talent Search Program. They are Laura Barnes, Sara Benfer, Johnna Patterson and Brandon Wright.

The students were selected to participate based on their test scores on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS). These students may take the College Board's SAT: Reasoning Test (SAT) or the American College Testing Program's Assessment (ACT).

In order to qualify for the Talent

Search, students must live in or attend school in one of the 16 southern and midwestern states, be in the seventh grade and score within the top three percent on a nationally normed test.

The Duke University Talent Identification Program seeks to identify the very bright students at an early age, to facilitate the education of those students, to follow and nurture their talent through the critical middle and high school years and to develop and effective research effort to help understand the nature of the academically talented adolescent.



HIGH TAAS SCORES QUALIFY STUDENTS FOR COLLEGE TEST-Four seventh graders on the Deport Elementary have met the qualifications to participation in the Duke University Talent Search Program. Pictured left to right is Counselor Anna Bee Salter, Sara Benfer, Brandon Wright, Laura Barnes and Johnna Patterson. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

## County raises fire department payments

The New Lamar County budget brings changes in money received by County Volunteer Fire Departments.

According to Commissioner Pct. I Mike Blackburn, the Commissioner's Court raised payments per truck to Lamar County Fire Departments from \$30 to \$50 per truck per month (a limit of 3 trucks). The Quarterly payments were raised from \$1,800 to \$2,500 divided with all fire departments making their quarterly payments.

The Constable's salaries were adjusted to a \$100 per month raise, or \$1,200 per year increase.

Other county employees were given a three per cent pay raise.

The extra money for the fire departments will be greatly appreciated by all departments to help cover the added costs of equipment and maintenance expense states Willie Crossland, Vice President of the Lamar County Fire Fighters Association.



FHA REFRESHMENT TABLE offered refreshments for the many visitors during Monday night's Open House. Pictured are officers Jennifer Mathews and Ashley Ball serving punch to Dr. L. C. Stout, superintendent. (Staff Photo by Jan Tyson)

## People 'n Things

Pattonville Community Center and VFD dance will be Friday, September 24. Concessions available. Proceeds benefit VFD. Broadway Junction Band will play.

Pattonville VFD fire meeting is at 7 p.m. Monday, September 27. Sandcourt volleyball tournament at Clardy Community Center on Saturday, September 25. Call David Skidmore after 5 p.m. at 785-1058 to enter or for information.

A wedding shower will be held for Lacy (Gresham) and Cord Perkins on Saturday, September 25 at the fellowship hall of the Pattonville Baptist Church from 1:00 to 3:00. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Saturday, September 25, 1999

The Blossom Volunteer Fire Department will be holding a Hamburger Supper at the City Park from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$3.50 for hamburgers, chips and drink. Live entertainment will also be performing so bring your lawn chairs and come out and enjoy the evening.

Saturday, October 2, 1999

The Blossom Methodist Men will be holding their annual Stew Supper on this date beginning at 5:00 p.m. and lasting until 7:00 p.m. A pie and cake auction will also be held. Door prizes will be drawn. Everyone is invited to attend.

## The First Bale of Cotton

By Bobbie R. Humphrey  
Vinemont, AL

The sun was setting in the West and we were bent over the cotton rows, picking cotton as fast as we could pick it.

It was late August, 1940 and I was 6 years old. The mood was festive because we were only 150 pounds away from having our first bale of cotton picked and ready for the gin that night.

My daddy, Phillip Humphrey, wanted to take that bale of cotton to the gin that night. My mama Ollie, my brother Harrell, my sister Margaret and my aunt, Pud Blevins, whose real name was Clyde, were all striving to get that 150 pounds of cotton picked and weighed up so we could head for the gin.

Now my aunt Pud was a champion cotton picker because she was only about 4 1/2 feet tall and didn't have to bend much to pick it. Daddy was another story. It seemed he always had something else to do other than pick cotton.....the big straw boss.

For most of the small cotton farmers around Pattonville, getting that first bale of cotton was perhaps a bigger event than Christmas or New Years.

In fact, the first bale of cotton usually resulted in the first cash money for the farmer since the last bale of cotton the previous year.

After sunset, we headed for the wagon and weighed the cotton, which amounted to a little over 150

pounds. Daddy already had the team of mules harnessed and ready to go. Daddy told me and my brother that we could go with him to the gin. Here we were barefooted and sitting in that nice fluffy cotton.

We arrived at Jess Short's gin and had to line up behind other farmers waiting to get their cotton ginned. Although it was 1940, there was not a single tractor or truck at the gin. All of the cotton was hauled to the gin with either mules or horses. The Depression was still on and the small farmers of our area could not afford a tractor or truck.

A lot of farmers really tried to bring in the first bale of cotton to the gin. The gins gave a monetary prize to the farmer that brought in the first bale of cotton.

My Uncle Clayton Blevins got the first bale once and my cousin, Billy Blevins got it twice.

The Almanac was the key as to when we planted cotton but they all interpreted the Almanac a little differently. Uncle Clayton planted his cotton and about two weeks earlier than daddy; therefore, his cotton was ready to pick earlier than ours.

I still think about the happy times of getting that first bale of cotton and taking it to the gin. We lived about one mile from the gin and I still remember laying in bed at night and hearing that old cotton gin going thug-thug-thug, just like a heartbeat.



### Editor's Quote

Worry is like a rocking chair. It will give you something to do, but it won't get you anywhere.

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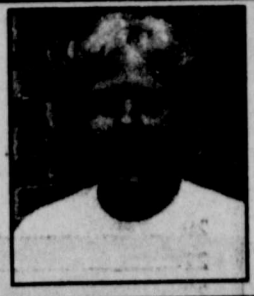
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# Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

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Our recipes this week deal with sweets! Cookies and such! Now that the weather is cooling off, light that oven and get to work!

They came to us from a cookbook put together by the St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary out of Paris and is dated during 1980. Hope you enjoy these and we will see you in the kitchen!

**Queen of Puddings**-someone asked me last week for a bread pudding recipe and here it is!

**Skillet Cookies**-I had this recipe a long time ago and have been looking for it and makes a great Christmas cookie!

**Almond Butter Cookies**-these cookies are great and give that nutty flavor along with the almond flavor!

**Crispy Clusters**-a mixture of marshmallows, nuts, coconut, Rice Krispies and chocolate...wow!

**Lemon Bars**-this bar recipe is delicious if you like lemon and they are dusted on top with powdered sugar.

**Lemon Pecan Dainties**-this recipe can be made ahead of time and refrigerated for later use.

## September 23, 1999 Cookie Recipes

**Queen of Puddings**  
8 cups full toasted bread crumbs  
4 eggs  
1 pint milk  
nutmeg  
1/2 cup sugar  
Toast until bread is dry. Roll into fine bread crumbs, using rolling pin. Grease deep cake pan. Add bread crumbs. Beat eggs and add milk and sugar and nutmeg to crumbs and mix thoroughly. Sprinkle top with nutmeg. Bake at moderate heat until firm or browned.

**Skillet Cookies**  
1 package dates-cut fine  
2 eggs-beaten  
2 cups Rice Krispies  
1 stick margarine  
3/4 cup sugar  
1 cup chopped dates  
Put dates, butter, eggs and sugar over low heat. Cook 15 minutes, stirring often. Remove from heat. Stir in Rice Krispies and nuts. When cool, make into balls and roll in crushed Rice Krispies.

**Almond Butter Cookies**  
1 cup butter  
1/2 cups sugar  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
2 cups flour  
1 teaspoon almond extract  
Cream butter and sugar. Add salt, flour and extract. Mix well. Chill dough until easy to handle. Form 1" balls and roll in sugar. Stamp with cookie stamp if desired or use bottom of glass dipped in sugar. Bake at 350 degrees 12-15 minutes or until browned around edges.

**Crispy Clusters**  
4-1/2 cups miniature marshmallows  
1-6 ounce package semi-sweet chocolate morsels  
1/2 cup chopped nuts  
1 cups shredded coconut  
5 cups Rice Krispies  
1/2 cup margarine  
Melt marshmallows and margarine over low heat. Stir until smooth. Add cereal, coconut and nuts. Mix well. Drop by tablespoons onto waxed paper. Top clusters with melted chocolate and chill.

**Lemon Bars**  
2 cups sifted flour  
1/2 cup sifted powdered sugar  
1 cup butter  
4 eggs  
1/3 cup lemon juice  
1/2 teaspoon baking powder  
2 cups sugar  
1/4 cup flour  
Take first three ingredients of flour, powdered sugar and cut into butter till it resembles meal. Press into pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 20-25 minutes until slightly brown. Beat eggs, sugar and lemon juice together. Sift flour and baking powder together and add juice and egg mixture. Pour over crust and bake at 350 degrees for 25 minutes. Sprinkle with powdered sugar. Cool and cut into squares.

**Lemon Pecan Dainties**  
1 cup finely chopped pecans  
1 cup sugar  
1 teaspoon lemon flavoring  
1 tablespoon lemon juice  
1 teaspoon baking powder  
2/3 cup shortening  
1 egg  
1 tablespoon grated lemon peel  
2 cups flour  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
Cream shortening and sugar; add egg, lemon peel, juice and flavoring. Beat well; add sifted dry ingredients and stir in nuts. Shape into 2 rolls and wrap in waxed paper and chill until firm. Slice very thin and bake on ungreased cookie sheet at 350 degrees for 12-15 minutes.



## Emergency farm loans being accepted

Applications for emergency farm loans for damages and losses caused by extreme fire hazards occurring August 1, 1999 and continuing in Titus County are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency in Mt. Pleasant and Clarksville.

Titus, Morris, Camp, Franklin and Red River are included in the Texas counties recently named by Secretary of Agriculture, Dan Glickman, eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from extreme fire hazards.

Farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 80% of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue in business or \$500,000, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest is 3.75%.

Applications will be accepted until May 1, 2000, but farmers should apply as soon as possible.

FSA offices are open from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

## Red River County Fair begins

The Red River County Fair will open for the 1999 season on Tuesday, September 21 with check-in of various exhibits. Below is a listing of the various fair events:

**Tuesday, September 21**-exhibit building and horticulture check in and horticulture.

**Wednesday, September 22**-judging of exhibit and horticulture exhibits. check in of livestock exhibits and fair parade at 5:00 p.m. Stage entertainment and square dancing.

**Thursday, September 23**-livestock exhibits will be judged and stage entertainment by local gospel groups.

**Friday, September 24**-Livestock shows and judging, stage entertainment and Youth dummy roping contest.

**Saturday, September 25**-Livestock show and exhibits, Kiddie Livestock show, tumbling routine and country music on stage.

**Sunday, September 26**-check out of all exhibits.

## Educational program set for Sept. 27

"Are Oral Implants For You?" is the topic of an evening educational program sponsored by McCuiston Regional Medical Center's 55 Prime and Robert White, D.D.S. and Ralf Poineal, D.D.S.

The session will be Monday, September 27 from 6 until 8 p.m. in the Pavilion West Classroom.

Dentists will explain the benefits of dental implants and explore alternatives for those not suited for this procedure.

There is no charge for the program and reservations are not required but are encouraged. Call 782-2800.



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

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

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

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

\*James Case and his County Hallmark Band will play good ole country music Friday night, Sept. 24 from 8 pm to 12 midnight at the Bogata VFW Post 8187. All are invited to come out and enjoy the evening.

\*Happy Birthday to James Minshew.

\*Sympathy is extended to the family of Kenneth Beers.

## Annual Fall Bazaar to be held October 9

Clarksville will hold its annual Fall Bazaar October 9, surrounding the Historic Red River County Courthouse. It is sponsored by the Red River County Historical Society.

Bringing the whole family. There will be creative crafts and collectibles, festival foods, local specialty foods, baked goods, blazing saddles barbecue and souvenirs.

Fun and entertainment will include the old jail tour and exhibit, library exhibit, local entertainment, children's fun corner, live western shoot-out, historical tours and a street dance at the American Legion Park. Outdoor entertainment will also include "Distinguished Blues Musicians"; Carol Fran and Clarence Holliman.

## McCuiston Gala is filled with "Intrigue"

"Innocence and Intrigue-The 50's" is the theme of the 13th annual McCuiston Regional Medical Center Endowment Fund Gala set for Saturday, October 2. Arvin Starrett is chairing the event.

Guests will dress in theme costume ranging from Bobbie Sox, Poodle Skirts, rolled up blue jeans

and white T-shirts to formal attire. Each year more than 200 volunteers are involved with the preparation of the gala.

According to Raymond Armstrong, development manager for McCuiston, underwriting for the gala has begun. For information, call 737-1161.

## Classes set for food service personnel

Area schools food service personnel who need to be certified by the Texas School Food Service Association (TSFSA) are urged to register for classes to be given during September, October, November and December through Paris Junior College's Continuing Education Department, according to Robbie White, Director.

Class sessions are available on the PJC campus as well as the Sulphur

Springs and Greenville Technical Centers. All class sessions are held on Saturdays to facilitate participants. Everyone who is verified in attendance and successfully completes a self-reported evaluation of objectives will receive a certificate from PJC or TSFSA.

A complete class schedule is available by contacting any of the PJC campuses or by calling (903) 782-0447 or 783-0445.

## Obituaries

### Kenneth R. Beers dies September 17

Kenneth R. Beers, age 50 of Bogata, died Friday, September 17 in Veterans Hospital in Dallas.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, September 20 under the Pavillion of Cuthand Cemetery. Wood Funeral Home made burial in Cuthand Cemetery.

Mr. Beers was born December 21, 1948 in Paris, the son of James and Bernice Mauldin Beers. He was a decorated Viet Nam veteran, serving in the U.S. Army and received three separate Purple Heart commendations.

He is survived by his parents, James and Bernice Beers of Bogata; two sisters, Carolyn Larey of Winona and Shelia Anderson of Rogers, AR.

### Card of Thanks

I would like to thank everyone for my wonderful birthday party. Special thanks to those who hosted the party and to all who sent cards, phoned and attended.

God bless you.  
Maurine Mankins

### Card of Thanks

I want to thank all my friends and relatives who came to help me celebrate my 90th birthday. Thank you for the gifts and all the birthday cards. I love you all.

Frances Franklin

### Larry Wayne Sullivan dies September 16

Larry Wayne Sullivan, age 52 of Paris died Thursday, September 16 at Christus St. Joseph's Hospital in Paris.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday at Bright-Holland Funeral Home with Rev. Floyd P. Woodard officiating. Interment followed in Mt. Tabor Cemetery.

Larry was born May 14, 1947 in Paris to Howard and Lorene Head Sullivan. He worked in construction and was a member of Bounds Baptist Church. He served two years in the U.S. Army.

Mr. Sullivan is survived by his mother and stepfather, Lorene and Bill Lawler of Haworth, OK; one brother, David Sullivan of Pattonville; two nephews, Cody and Wesley Sullivan of Pattonville; two aunts and uncles, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Head of Ft. Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Brackeen of Texarkana.

He was preceded in death by his father in 1964.

Jerry Hendricks, Gene Vickers, Ricky Rodgers, Rickey Wells, Larry Bowers and Steve Salters served as bearers. Dean McCoy and Lonnie Duncan were honorary bearers.

### Lenna Furgerson dies September 20

Lenna Furgerson, age 94, formerly of Deport, died Monday, September 20 at Bailey Village in Gainesville, Florida.

Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home conducted graveside services at 2:00 p.m. Thursday at Highland Cemetery in Deport with Rev. Jim Benfer officiating.

Lenna was born October 4, 1904 in Deport, a daughter of Kate Dawson Shuman and Cube Shuman. She married Tom Furgerson in Paris. She was a housewife and a life-long member of the First United Methodist Church in Deport.

Surviving are a sister, Juanita McDivitt of Lubbock; two nephews, John McDivitt of Florida and James R. McDivitt of California.

## Bethel Homecoming is Sunday

Bethel Baptist Church service and homecoming will be September 26 beginning at 10:00 a.m. with Sunday School followed at 10:45 a.m. with church service.

Lunch will be served immediately following church service. Old time singing will be enjoyed at the night service.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

## Shipmates sought by Texas Chapter of LST Association

Bob Garner, membership director of the Texas Chapter LST Association reports the group is looking for shipmates in our area for coming reunions. These men served in the amphibious forces of the U.S. Navy.

The next reunion will be held in San Antonio, Texas on October 21, 22 & 23, 1999. For more information contact Mr. Garner at: Bob Garner LST 461, HC 52 Box 362, Hemphill, Texas 75948.



### How Year 2000 Fraud works

The first thing a con artist often does is persuade consumers that Year 2000 computer problems will create havoc on our economy. They may describe frightening scenarios of banks shutting down, leaving account owners empty handed and unable to recover funds from their accounts or investments in IRAs and Certificates of Deposit.

Con artists may also warn about problems affecting other sources of income such as government assistance or investments in the stock market. Fearing the elimination of social security, Medicare, or their hard earned retirement dollars.

### Common schemes con artist use to swindle money:

- \* Convincing consumers that the dire predictions regarding loss of financial security due to Year 2000 problems are true.
- \* Persuading consumers to invest in "special" or "secret" products, companies, or accounts that will generate tremendous profits.
- \* Advising individuals to withdraw their money out of banks, credit unions, or other financial institutions and turn it over to them for "safekeeping"

### Tips and warning signs to guard against fraud

- \* NEVER give out account information or credit card numbers to someone unless you're certain they are trustworthy. Thieves can appear very sincere and friendly. And they can be very persuasive. All they need is your account number to empty all the money out of your account.
- \* Don't enter into a deal if you're being pressured to act immediately.
- \* Be wary of people posing as bank officials, police officers, or other government agents who ask you to assist them in an investigation or audit of your financial institution. You may be asked to withdraw cash or give out your account information. No legitimate official would ask a consumer to participate in this type of investigation.

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What passion cannot music raise and quell?

—John Dryden

Did you know the average cost of a funeral today is almost twice as much as it was 15 years ago? Did you also know that Wood Funeral Homes of Bogata and Deport can write you a policy that will keep the price of a funeral from increasing, even if death occurs 10, 15, or 20 years from now. You can pay a monthly premium for 12, 24, or 36 months and have this cost taken care of at today's prices. Don't put off something as important as this and leave those financial obligations to your children.

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## Lady Patriots take 3 from Quitman

By Frankye Sessums

In Saturday action, the Lady Patriots won three games against the visiting Quitman teams. In varsity action, the girls won 15-0, 15-7 with Felicia Taylor recording 15 kills. Amber Norwood dished out 18 assists and had 16 service points. Susan Singleton and Megan Graham had 4 and 3 kills respectively. Emilee Bolton, Ashley Athas and Melissa Steinkamp each had 1 kill each. Bolton also had 5 blocks.

The JV team also defeated Quitman 15-1, 15-6 with Holly Jones leading the way with 3 kills and 9 service points. Kami Hudson also had three kills.

The freshman team also were victorious with a 15-3, 15-9 win. Natalie Wilson put down 5 kill shots and Leslie Davis had 3 kills along with three assists. Lindsey Peel had 15 service points.

## Patriots square off against Community

By Deb Dawson

The first play of Friday's game against the Community Braves was an omen of things to come as the Patriots fumbled the ball in the kick-off. Several fumbles, incomplete passes, interceptions and penalties plagued the boys all evening. QB's Heath Sessums and Jason Elrod both threw some spectacular passes, only to have the Braves hone in on their intentions, either snagging the ball or knocking it down.

Junior Stan Cox, one of the Pats hardest hitters, received an injury to his wrist. Top defensive players of the evening included seniors Kevin Farrow, Tom Bramlett and Billy Springer, juniors Michael Jones and sophomore Charlie Lawrence.

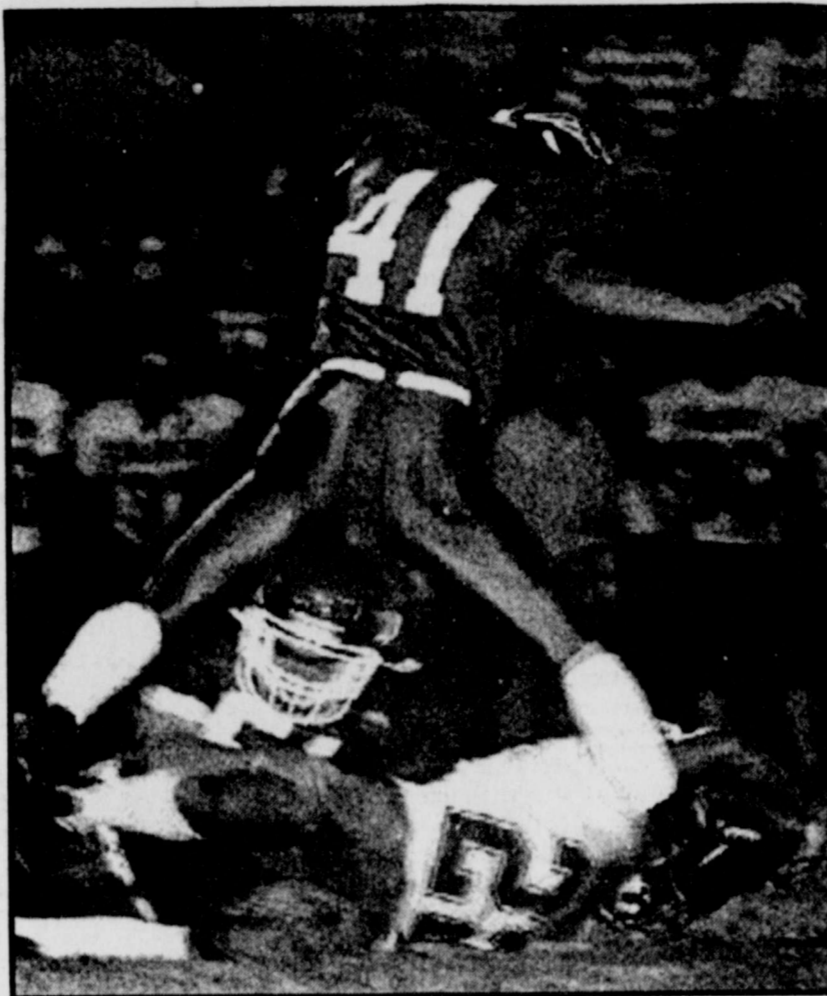
Top offensive players to junior Elrod, Sessums, sophomore D.J. Loveless and Stoney Musgrove. Sophomore Josh Dawson claimed a

Brave fumble and Farrow slipped across their goal for a TD.

Spectacular solo tackles go to Farrow, Sessums, Dawson, Cox, Jones, Elrod, Springer and senior Leslie Mullins. Chris Berry, Chris Green, Matt Larkin, Drew Riddles, Matt Bratcher and Jesse Crawford also did a super job, whether defending or blocking for their teammates.

The Patriot Band, as always, put on a wonderful halftime entertainment, giving proof of their hard work and dedication in every note they played and each step they took. New halftime entertainment was our flag team. They also did a wonderful job sporting the beautiful flags and flashy outfits. They have a style and flair all of their own.

The Pats will face Celeste there on Friday night at 7:30.



PATRIOT LESLIE MULLINS jumps high to avoid collision with a Community Brave during last Friday night's game. The Pats will travel to Celeste for kickoff at 7:30 on Friday night. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



### Prairiland High School Calendar

Week of September 20

20	Second Six Weeks Begins
21	VBall at Community, 5:00
22	Youth for Christ, Library, 7:50 a.m.
23	Report Cards
24	FBall, Here, Celeste, 5:00
25	VBall, Here, Daingerfield, 10:00 a.m.



### Prairiland High School Calendar

Week of September 27

28	Vision and Hearing Check, 9th graders
29	Youth for Christ, 7:50 a.m., Library
	Vision and Hearing Check, 9th graders
	Balfour ring presentation, 10:45
	Picture retakes
<b>October</b>	
1	VFootball at Maud
2	VBall at Chapel Hill, 10:00, JV and V
	Cross Country at North Lamar

## Area schools participate at Avery CC

Avery ISD hosted the 8th annual Red River Invitational Cross-Country Meet on Saturday, September 18 on the Ace Deuce Ranch in Avery. There were 16 school attending and participating at the meet.

In the Junior High Girl's division-Tiffany Nance placed 4th from Detroit and Stephanie Williams placed 10th from Rivercrest.

In the Junior High Boy's Division, Prairiland placed 4th overall with 107.

The JV girl's division had Prairiland's Lacy Davis placing 9th at 16:28 and Rivercrest's Krystal Valezale placing 7th with 15:38.

The JV boys division saw Prairiland again placing 4th overall with 107. Brandon Brehannas of Rivercrest placed 1st with 18:48 and Kyle Stansell of Rivercrest placing 10th with a time of 21:53.

Varsity girl's had Detroit in 2nd place with a total of 71 and Rivercrest 3rd with 87. Landra Beth Stewardson

of Detroit took first with a time of 12:50 and Lige Anna Stewardson of Detroit placed 3rd with a time of 13:15. Sue Ellen Barnes of Prairiland placed 8th with a time of 13:56. Kim Shily of Rivercrest placed 9th with a time of 14:00.

Varsity boy's saw Detroit's A.W. Melton with a time of 17:22 and 4th place.

The ranch also hosted the first annual Kid's Fun Run winners were Mandy Crawford of Rivercrest 7th in the 5-8th age group. 6th grader Josh Carr from Detroit place 1st in the 6th grader division.

Sponsors for the Fun Run were State Bank of DeKalb, Branding Iron Feed, First National Bank of Clarksville, Coca Cola Bottling Co., Clarksville Funeral Home, Greiner Crop Ins., Parker/Harvey Century 21, L.G. Enterprises, Fresh Ideas, Sub Tech., Midnight Farms and the Annona Cafe.

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



FOOTBALL PEP RALLY last Friday at Prairiland saw the parents and football players getting involved in the activities. Pictured here is Wynell Bratcher and her son senior Matt Bratcher as they take part in the game. (Staff Photo by Jan Tyson)

The best preparation for good work tomorrow is to do good work today. —Elbert Hubbard



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## Prairiland hosts Open House

The Prairiland ISD High School campus hosted Parent Night on Monday night, September 20, 1999 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

A short program was held in the gym with senior Laura Oliver leading the Pledge of Allegiance at the opening of the program. The Patriot Choir sang the National Anthem under the direction of Kaye Bell, Choir Director.

Principal Ronnie Baker gave the welcome along with the campus improvements for 1999-2000. Special music was once again under the di-

rection of Mrs. Bell, Choir Director.

Door prizes were drawn by the Patriot Cheerleaders along with sponsor Sharyl Thompson. All guests were then excused to visit the campus, classrooms and teachers. Each club or organization set up displays in the cafeteria with refreshments being served and provided by the Prairiland Future Homemakers of America.

All parents and guardians were encouraged to visit their student's teachers and classrooms along with the library, greenhouse and the new portable buildings.

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## Moore-Kelley to wed September 25

Deborah Moore and Bobby Kelley, both of Bogata, will be married Saturday, September 25 at two o'clock in the afternoon at the Bogata United Methodist Church.

The Rev. Kenny Dickson will officiate at the ceremony.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Hollis and Sylvia Moore of Bogata and the granddaughter of Lorene Kennedy, also of Bogata.

Her fiancé is the son of Delbert and Vivian Burton of Ratliff, OK and Bob and Pat Kelley of Velma, OK.

A reception will be held immediately following the ceremony in the fellowship hall of the church.

No formal invitations are being sent. All relatives and friends of the couple are cordially invited to attend the ceremony and the reception to follow.


## Rev. and Mrs. L.J. Stotts to celebrate 65 years Sept. 10

Reverend and Mrs. L.J. Stotts formerly of the area will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on September 10, 1999.

Rev. Stotts was pastor of the First

Baptist Church in Fulbright in 1947 and 1948. The couple now reside in Pineville, Louisiana. They plan to celebrate this special anniversary with a trip to Natchez, Mississippi.

*Kay,  
it's not a  
vicious malicious  
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Mr. and Mrs. Randall Cord Perkins

## Perkins-Gresham exchange vows

Lacey Michelle Gresham of Clardy and Randall Cord Perkins of Emberson were united in marriage at 7 o'clock in the evening on July 31, at the Pattonville Baptist Church in Pattonville. Bro. Glen Renfro officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Gresham of Clardy and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Davidson of Blossom and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gresham of Deport. She is the great-granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Alsbrook of Deport.

The groom is the son of Randy Perkins of Emberson and Ms. Cheryl Perkins of Bakersfield, CA. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Farris of Emberson.

A white heart-shaped archway and two white seven-branched candelabra decorated with English Ivy, burgundy roses, burgundy bows, Boston fern and white doves served as a backdrop for the ceremony.

Wedding music was provided by Leslie McHam of Blossom. Candlelighters were cousins of the bride, Brandon Godwin of Bogata

and Joshua Holt of Leesburg.

The bride was escorted to the altar by her father, and given in marriage by her parents.

She wore a white formal length satin gown embellished with lace appliques, sequins and pearls with a matching chapel length train, headpiece and veil. She carried a cascading bouquet of burgundy roses, baby's breaths and English Ivy, accented with white lace and ribbon. Jennifer Torres of Minter served as Maid of Honor and Melody Gresham, sister of the bride of Clardy, was flower girl.

Clayton Raspberry of Lamar Point served as best man and Tristen Norwood of Minter was ring bearer. Ushers were Brandy Perkins, brother of the groom of Emberson and Ryan Houston of Cash.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall of the church. Houseparty members were Rebecca Gilbert of Taylortown and Julie Himes of Pattonville.

After a brief honeymoon, the couple are residing in Clardy.

## Ashley Ross honored with shower

Ashley Ross bride-elect of Barry Shiver of Paris was honored with a miscellaneous shower on Sunday, Sept. 12, 1999 at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall in Bogata. Greeting the guest were the bride to be, her mother, Mrs. Kay Ross and Barry's mother, Marlia Harris of Paris. Special guest included Ashley's grandmother, Mrs. Wilma Campbell of Mayflower, Arkansas and aunts, Mrs. Janet Oaks of Mayflower, Arkansas and Mrs. Carolyn Hovenkamp of Overland Park, Kansas.

Ashley's chosen colors of navy

and burgundy were the theme for the refreshment table with a burgundy cloth and lace overlay complemented by a centerpiece of a five candelabra accented with silk flowers. Frosted sherbet punch, cookies and nuts were served to the guest.

Hostesses were Rue Anna Bell, Julie Childres, Linda Eilers, Jane Glass, Judy Jackson, Gwen Posey, Paula Speir, Jane Strawn, Lillian Taylor and Alice Ann White. The couple were presented a comforter, sheets and pillow shams by the hostesses.

## Bogata Book Club holds meeting

The first meeting after summer vacation of the Bogata Book Club was held in the Fellowship Hall of Bogata United Methodist Church. The hostesses were Miriam Stephenson and Jimmie Lou Pope.

The program was presented by guest speaker, Mrs. Renate McCoin. Mrs. McCoin was born in Germany to German parents. She was six years

old at the end of World War II. She lived with her grandmother and went to school in Russian occupied East Germany. She later married an American GI and came to the United States. The program was very informative.

After the program, new yearbooks were handed out, and refreshment were served.



Willie Mae Speir

## Willie Mae Speir to be honored Oct. 3

Willie Mae Speir of Deport will be celebrating her 90th birthday soon. A reception will be held in her honor on Sunday, October 3, 1999 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the Gazebo in Deport, Texas. All friends and family are invited to attend and share this special occasion with Willie Mae.

Prior to Sunday's celebration there will be a family celebration held at the home of Willie Mae's daughter, Mary Lou Mantoosh on Oct. 2. Friends are welcome to stop by and join the party.

## Blossom Methodist Men to hold stew supper

The Blossom Methodist Mens Club will hold their annual Stew Supper on Saturday, October 2, 1999 at the church from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

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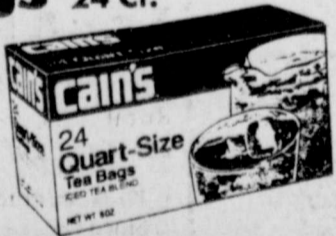
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PRAIRILAND CHOIR ENSEMBLE, performed before parents and students during the Open House held on campus last Monday evening. The choir is under the direction of Kaye Bell.



PRAIRILAND FFA members, ag students and faculty were treated to samples of bacon, fajita meat, etc. last Thursday in the ag department. The department is taking order for the meat sales which is an annual fund raiser. (Staff Photo by Jan Tyson)

**Post Oak News**  
By Geneva Lee  
982-5309

Several from the East Post Oak MBC are camping this week at Pat Mayse Lake and they are planning a fish fry Thursday night for the church members.

Kathryn Anderson visited church Sunday night with Bonnie Flatt. Billie Ruth Bates and Alvis Bates went to Ft. Worth Saturday to visit her brother Wallace Lee, who is in All Saint's Hospital with a blood clot in his ankle. At last report he was improving. They also visited Mrs. J. D. Lee for a little while.

Bro. and Mrs. Wilbourne Lee and son Johnnie traveled to Hiram, Georgia Friday to attend the "Turner" reunion held there annually. There was 34 present, 6 of which was their first time to attend. The reunion was held on Saturday and the Lees returned home Sunday.

Jerald Williams of the Marine Corps stationed in LeJeune, NC and had been here a week visiting his parents Terri and Jerry Williams and sister Katie and grandparents Newman and Betty Low returned to camp over the weekend. He was delayed a day because of Hurricane Floyd and the flooding it caused. He arrived back at camp Sunday morning about 11:00.

The annual Turk Reunion will be held here at the East Post Oak Community Center this Saturday, September 25. All relatives and friends of the family are welcome. These are descendants of the late Henry and Mary Jane (Young) Low or anyone related to this family.

**Pattonville News**

By Peggy Parsons  
Call Your News to 652-5022



Happy anniversary to Mike Sparks, Hayden Fessenmeyer, Terry McDowra, Larry Johnson, Ophelia Payne, Dudley Zant, Katy Winters, Christian Hunter and Bonnie Keys.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Gene Martin who died Saturday, September 18 at Christus St. Joseph's Hospital. He was the father of Sondra Martin and Kyle Martin of Clardy.

Melanie Moore is a first grade teacher at Higgins Elementary on the North Lamar campus. Colt Moore is a student there.

Ruby Dee Blevins visited Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Newsom and Alice Bumgarner Saturday in Paris. Sandy Ring and Ashleigh visited Ruby Dee during the week.

Brandon Wright of Deport spent the weekend with his grandparents, Buster and Louise Crossland. Howard Higdon was a Monday visitor.

Kent and Mary Ann Wright and Blaine attended the Ricky Skaggs concert in Paris Saturday.

T.J. Fowler was at Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas Friday for further tests.

Jackie and Tonya Crawford took their daughter Samantha to a specialist in Garland Tuesday.

Debbie Currin, Travis Hunter, Christian, Jeremy and Courtney Danielle ate lunch with John and Claudia Whitney Sunday. Tonya Hunter had to work Sunday.

Monday night Debbie Currin and Christian, John and Claudia Whitney ate in Paris.

Travis and Tonya Hunter took Jeremy and Courtney Danielle to Greenville Monday to visit their grandparents, Bobby and Billie Hunter.

Frances Anderson, Lorraine Reed of Paris, Lois Kennett of Cooper and Peggy Parsons attended the McCuiston Hospital Auxiliary Fall Membership Coffee and Style Show at the Paris Golf and Country Club on Thursday.

Randy and Kristi Boren and Leah, Keith and Peggy Parsons attended Drew's football game Thursday against Communityd. The Prairiland 7th graders won 6-0.

Elois Sparks, Ina and Nina Sparks, Keith and Peggy Parsons visited Bobby and Judy Ellington in Huntsville Saturday. They attended the wedding of Rusty Ellington and Leslie Ritchey in the afternoon. Ronnie and Kelly Ellington, Maxine Ellington, Wes and Tiffany Winters and Myrta Lou of Huntsville, Doug and Colton Winters of Bryan and Randy Ellington of Houston also attended.

Attending the Shady Grove homecoming Sunday were Ina Sparks, Nina Sparks, Elois Sparks, S.C. Short, Melba Moore, Jud Day, Jessica Semple, Kathy Dickson, Mason Dickson, Ashlee Waggoner, Lisa Edwards, Kolton Edwards, Winnie Sorrells, Eddie McLaughlin, Kody McLaughlin, Bonnie McLaughlin, Mary Jo and Joel Hughes, Bobby Allen, Linda Thomas, Katherine Allen, Lola Allen, Buster Stell, Fred Skidmore, J.M. and Mary Ellen Fisher, Carl and Jeniavee Hatcher, Rex and Barbara Allen, Bill Allen, Ruth and Stanley O'Brien.

Peggy Parsons visited Edythe McIntosh in McCuiston Regional Medical Center Wednesday where she was a patient and to have a pacemaker put in Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Price of Clardy were involved in a motorcycle accident Saturday.

Sunday visitors of Charles and Scarlett Jordan were Jo Berry of Cooper, Jordan Berry of Campbell, Angie Fernandez of Paris, Zack Harvey and friend of Reno spent the weekend and enjoyed going swimming and fishing and paddle boat riding.

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# Milton News

By Mattylu Upchurch

Velma Temple attended the 70th anniversary celebration for Claudie and Lois Dudley at the Deport Nursing Home Sunday.

Aubrey Allen of Flower Mound, Grey Burel of Plano and Josh Allen of Cunningham spent Sunday with Peggy Whitney.

James Cunningham of Paris visited Morris and Mary Elaine Lawler on Monday.

Barbara Maurischat of Lone Oak had dinner with her parents, Dorothy and James Holt on Saturday.

Stacy Huddleston visited her grandmother, Mildred Wright of Deport on Tuesday.

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

Callie and Rudy Carrasco of San Antonio spent Thursday and Sunday with Buena and Bob Marshall.

Tabatha Purcilla of Paris visited Velma and John Temple on Wednesday.

Edna Talley, Pat Smith of Pattonville, Ruth Weir of Detroit and Liz

Howard of Paris attended the play at Paris Community Theater Sunday.

Billie Goheen of Arlington spent the weekend with her mother, Mattylu Upchurch.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Pettit of Irving spent the weekend at their home here.

Robbie Slaton of Halesboro visited Nell and George Wolf on Saturday.

Carlee and Bobby Dodson of Lewisville spent the weekend at their home in Minter and visited Bob and Buena Marshall.

Gary and Nelda Allen of Mansville visited his mother, Peggy Whitney Monday.

Mattylu Upchurch, Marilyn Glover and Ruth Skaggs of Deport attended the play "Streetcar Named Desire" at Paris Community Theater on Saturday.

Tim Parks had dinner with his grandparents, James and Dorothy Holt on Sunday.



THE PATRIOT BAND did an outstanding job getting students "fired up" during the pep rally Friday. The band is under the direction of Joe Watson and is growing bigger each year. (Staff Photo by Jan Tyson)

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**Blossom Lodge 303 to meet**

The Blossom Masonic Lodge No. 303 AF & AM will hold a regular stated meeting at the Lodge Hall on Tuesday, September 28, 1999 at 7:30 p.m.

Refreshments will be served at 6:30 p.m. Visiting Masons are invited to attend.

**School Menu**

Prairiland All Campus Menu  
Week of September 27  
Monday

Breakfast:  
Oatmeal, toast, sausage  
Juice, milk

Lunch:  
Beef burritos  
Salad  
Beans  
Fruit  
Milk

Tuesday

Breakfast:  
Biscuits, gravy  
Juice, milk

Lunch:  
Beef tacos  
Salad  
Mexican beans  
Banana pudding  
Milk

Wednesday

Breakfast:  
Cereal, toast  
Juice, milk

Lunch:  
Sliced turkey  
Sweet potatoes  
Green peas  
Rolls  
Milk

Thursday

Breakfast:  
Pancakes and syrup, sausage  
Juice, milk

Lunch:  
Ham and cheese sandwiches  
Potato salad  
Baked beans  
Fruit  
Milk

Friday

Breakfast:  
Eggs, sausage  
Juice, milk

Lunch:  
Hot dogs  
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Pork and beans  
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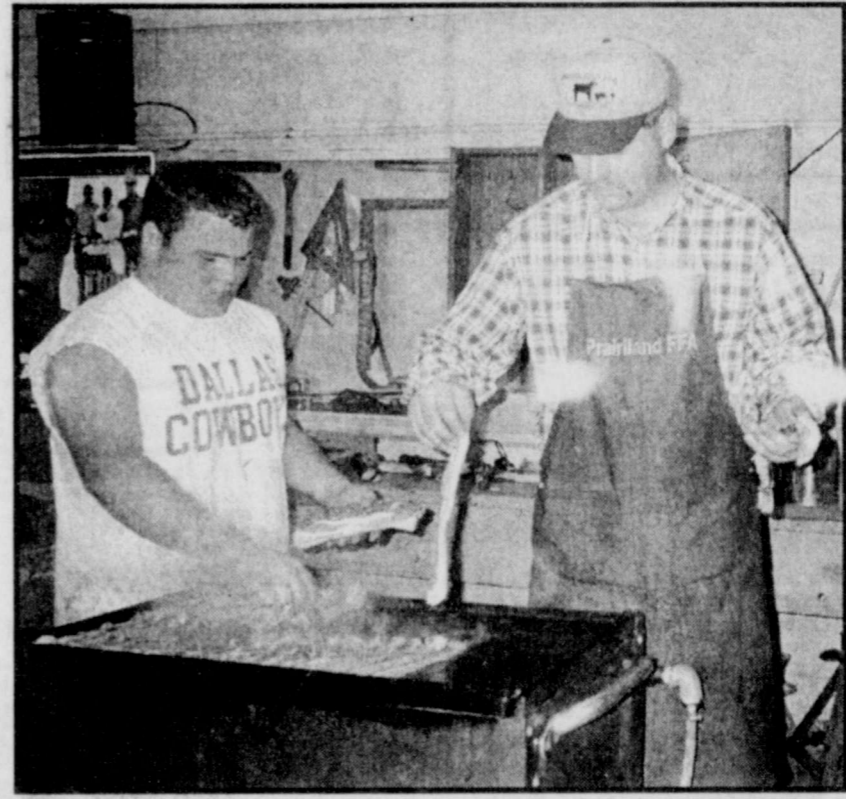
**Drug store burglary is Crime of the Week**

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

Sometime during the night of Saturday, August 21, unknown suspects forced entry into the Roxton Drug Store. Once inside, the suspects stole many items including shotgun shells, cigarettes and many other items. This burglary resulted in over \$600.00 in lost and damaged property.

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

If Crime Stoppers receives that information by September 27, an arrest and indictment is made of those persons responsible. Crime Stoppers will pay you a cash reward of up to \$1000.00. All calls do remain anonymous and you will not have to testify in court. So lets all work together to fight crime! Call Crime Stoppers today at 785-Tips! (785-8477)



PRAIRILAND FFA members are in the process of selling sausage and other products as a fund raiser for the year. Pictured here cooking for the members and faculty is left to right Chris Green and instructor Bryan Moyer as they cook bacon. (Staff Photo by Jan Tyson)

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**Cunningham News**

By Zarinska Morton  
Call 652-6792

The family of Lorette Pynes celebrated her 87th birthday on September 16 at the Fish Fry. Those present were Dean Ogden and Janie Hawkes of Longview, Sue Pynes of Paris, Donna and Trey Gifford of Deport, Buddy and Virgie Pynes and family of Paris.

Janie Hawkes, Dean Ogden and Lorette Pynes had lunch at South Main Depot on Friday.

Visitors of Marie Watson this week were Nelta, Zarinska, Ray Martin and his niece, Deana, Stacy, Linda, Charity, Brad, Bruce, L'Wanda, Pete, Geneva, Dean and Ada.

Jane O'Neal had Karla, Andrea, Kara, Aaron, Lisa, Dewayne, O'Neal and Weston at her house for lunch on Sunday.

L'Wanda and Pete McKnight had lunch with Johnny, Fran, Johnna and Jenna on Sunday.

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### Turk Reunion to be held Oct. 2

The Turk Reunion will be held on Saturday, October 2, 1999 at the Post Oak Community Center, six miles northeast of Blossom, off Highway 82 on Farm to Market 1502. The reunion will begin about 10:00 a.m. with a covered dish lunch to be served at noon. The event, which began as a gathering of the descendants of Caleb L. Turk, who lived in Monroe, Meigs and McMinn counties, Tennessee in the mid-1800's, is now open to all descendants of the immigrant ancestor, Robert Turk, who came to America from Ireland and settled in

Virginia about 1736. Also welcome are descendants of Robert and Sarah Rhea, who lived in Augusta County, VA in the mid-1700's. They are the parents of Ann (Rhea) Turk, wife of Thomas Turk, Jr., ancestors of the majority of these Turks or Rhea families. If the reader has Turk or Rhea ancestors, but is not sure if they are of these families, or for more details, contact Johnie Lee, Rt.#2, Detroit, TX, or call (903) 982-5309. He may also be reached at: johnie\_lee@hotmail.com.

### Deport Nursing Home News By Cletta Mathis

Visiting Milow Hume was Weldon Hume, Jean Richards, Stasha Hume, Ina Ward, Lindsey Ward.  
Visiting Irene Beeler was Ruth, daughter; Raymond.  
Visiting Purna Haydock were Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Isbell, Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Keener, Phillip and Joyce Love of Ft. Worth; Janetta Davis, Roger and Linda Dudley of Duncanville, Jerry Dudley and Nanie Bell Ham.  
Visiting David Geer was Leon Whitsell.  
Visiting Gus Bryant was Irene Bryant.  
Visiting Verta Lynn was Bill and Ruth Chipman, Conner Chipman and Riley Chipman.  
Visiting Ada Chaddick was Lawanna Cherry; Theda Mector; Shane Mector.  
Visiting Alma Montgomery was Monday and Tom Fuels.  
Visiting Angie Smith were Larry, Dale and Don Smith; Larry and Shirley Haskell, Clista and Earl Filkins and Sue Goley.  
Visiting Jenny Woodard were Dewey and Alice Woodard.  
visiting Annie Roberts was Juanita

Davis.  
Visiting Naomi Vincent was Sheley Shirely Smith.  
Visiting Lora Hulsey was Shirley Haskell.  
Visiting Lois Dudley was Mickey Keener.  
Visiting Dorothea Jensen was Shirley Haskell and Ray and Becky.  
Visiting Ima Griffin was Shirley Smith, Pumpkin, two grandsons, Patsy Curtis, Ray and Fay Aubrey, Joe and Faye.  
Visiting Reecie Kelsey and Brodie Bell were David Glover and Betsy Chapman.  
Visiting Ethel Elrod was Lawanda Cherry and Billy, Lorie and Dylan Lee.  
Visiting Russell Grant was Lawanda Cherry, Charles Foster.  
Visiting Cletus Thomas was Jean and David Isbell, Kathleen Hill.  
Visiting Harold Deaton was Glenda and Dick Deaton.  
Visiting Raymond and Edith Crawford was Russel Crawford, Barbara Crawford.  
Visiting Ina Hedrick was Norma and Doris.

Visiting Sara Gilmer was Suzann, Marline and Dewey.  
Visiting Roy Wells was James Glenn and Ken Wells.  
Visiting Mamie Fletcher were Becky Proctor, Glenda King, Denny Fletcher, Jimmy Fletcher, Bren Screws, Lila Screws, Kara and Hali Screws.  
Visiting Lillie Dunman was Lila Screws.  
Visiting Homer and Melva Sisson were Betty and Pete Sisson.; Dane Taylor; Fannie, Danny, Modean and Clyde Thompson.  
Visiting Nora Barnett was Rhonda Hoskins, Rita Thompson, Katy Ramsey and Shelby Watkins.  
Visiting Johnnie Warren was BEth Ann and Katlyn Spray; Rene, Evelyn Roach; Larry Crawford, Lucy Fowler; Barbara Crawford, Lila Screws, Becky Proctor; Phillip and Joyce Love, Nina Ward, Stasha Hume, Lila, Bren, Kara and Hali Screws; Nanie bell Ham.  
Visiting Raymond Hignight was Terry Westbrook, Mr. Fry, Claudie Dudley, David Geer, Purna Haydock, Vernon Wright and Glenna Fendley.  
Mary and Angel Mantooth visited Thomas and Nanalee Nichols several times over the past week.  
Saturday night dinner guests of Thomas and Nanalee Nichols were Donny and Dawne Darden.

### Presbyterian Women hold first meeting of the new year

Presbyterian Women of the First Presbyterian Church of Deport met Monday, September 13 for the first meeting to begin the 1999-2000 year. The meeting was held at the Glover Apartment community room with Mame Cutshall as hostess. Reba Temple opened the meeting with prayer. Frances Franklin gave the Least Coin devotion, "Resurrected Power of Jesus Christ". The

coins were collected and dedicated with prayer. Special guest was Rev. Ed Dodson, who presented the introduction and first lesson from the new study "Old Songs for a New Millenium, A Study of Psalms." The meeting was closed with prayer. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

### Nazarene Youth holds first session

The Nazarene Youth Fellowship met on Tuesday, September 14 for their first session. A good timer was had by everyone. After Bible study, pizza was served in the fellowship hall. Donovan Jackson and Ashley Outland were the winners of the Most Unusual Hat Contest.

NYF kids are going to Longview on September 25 for a Children's Missionary Rally. NYF meets on Tuesday, September 28 at the Blossom Church of the Nazarene from 7:00-8:00 p.m. With all youth, regardless of denomination, welcome to attend.

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The Jack Ballards of Texarkana spent Sunday with L.C. Ballard. They attended homecoming services at New Hope Baptist Church in Paris.

Marlena Ballard of Texarkana and her Pleasant Grove cheerleading team won first in the Four States Fair Cheerleading competition.

Carrie Beth and Henry Skidmore of Dallas were visiting friends in the Deport area over the weekend. They attended church at the Presbyterian Church on Sunday.

Jim Kunkel, his daughter Laura and her friend Jason of Houston were Saturday guests of Thelma Warren.

Philip and Raycene Burchinal and daughter Tanna spent the weekend with Mable Lynn.

Elois Sparks, Ina and Nina Sparks were at the annual reunion Sunday of the Shady Grove Methodist Church.

Mary Enox, Robbie Gooch and LaVerta Westbrook were in Ft. Worth Wednesday through Sunday visiting relatives Bobby and Nancy Westbrook, Jim and Debbie Hooper and Pama Espanet.

Visiting Leo and Evelyn Barnes last week were her sister and husband, Patsy and Joshua DeWitt and daughter Tiffany. They also visited Mable Lynn.

Mrs. Hester Marston of El Paso and her niece of Dallas were in Deport Saturday and Sunday renewing old acquaintances and visiting cousins Jeanie Burns of Deport and Bill Grant of Blossom.

Snooky and Lera Lawler of Lewisville spent Friday through Sunday visiting Snooky's sister, Ida Lou Read

and Lera's sister, Beulah Shipp.

Happy birthday to Angie Smith, Charla Guyon, Bonnie Zahnow, Frances Franklin, Madison Oney, Bobbye Slusher, Hannah Weiberg, Scott Ward, Brianna Nailling, David Turrentine, Eva Jeffers, Hayden Fessenmeyer, Lettie Austin, Michelle Berry, Mike Sparks, Shelby Bono, Mike Morelli, Chief Warden, Cory Spray, Samantha Houston, Amy Houston Yarbrough, Emony Robinson, Joe Al Singleton, Pete Denison, Terry McDowra, Nancy McGonagil, Raymundo Munguia, Johnny Dawson III, Larry Johnson, LaVerta Westbrook, Martha Robbins, Matt Wright, Sammy LaRue, Ophelia Payne, Sam Grinstead, Jessica Stidham, Velma Temple and Bonnie Keys.

Happy anniversary to Denise and Jerry Brooks and Margaret and Harold Benfer.

Ruth Cheatham, Ruth Denison, Freeman Safford, Edna Hadaway, Virginia Reed, Sharon Gilliland of Paris, Lois Kennett of Cooper and Peggy Parsons enjoyed the McCuiston Auxiliary Fall Membership Coffee and Style Show at Paris Golf and Country Club on Thursday, Pat Norrell was one of the models for the Collegiate Shoppe.

Nina Sparks, Reba Temple, Keith and Peggy Parsons, Jane O'Neal, Geneva Norwood and the James Woods went to see Tim Wood as Mitch in "A Streetcar Named Desire" at the Paris Community Theater Friday night.

### Blossom Locals

By Liz Irwin  
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Happy Birthdays this week too: Pauline Weddle, Natalie Wilson, Sara Bolton, Tina McMikel, Larry Johnson, Jonathan Wright, Leslie Thomas, Arvie Stevens, Joseph Wooten, Brittney Thompson, Kevin Berry, Cody Jones, Jamie and Jessie Allen, Arley Elrod, Damon Clements, Joseph Foster, Justin Myers, Steven Foster, Darren Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Cleveland enjoyed a phone call from their granddaughter Kennah Salas of New York over the weekend and Ronnie Cleveland of Shawnee, Oklahoma.

Renea Long of Paris enjoyed lunch with Emma and Lloyd Willard on Tuesday night.

Margaret Parks received a phone call on Sunday night from former

resident Orene Bonner. She has moved to Bedford and Margaret reports that she is doing well.

Special get wells to Madge Lane. Kim and Clay Redditt of Arlington spent the weekend with Bessie Garrett. Also visiting her was her granddaughter Jamie Lyn Garrett who was in from Abilene Christian University.

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Cleveland attended the Health Fair at McCuiston Hospital on Saturday.

The Blossom Volunteer Fire Department will be hosting a Hamburger Supper on Saturday night, September 25 at the city park. Everyone is invited to come out and support his fund raiser and enjoy the food and live entertainment!

### UMW meets at Cheatham home

The regular meeting of United Methodist Women was at the home of Ruth Cheatham on Monday, September 20. Eight members were present. The group welcomed Mary Sawyer as a new member. Suzy Kelsey was a guest.

President Juanita Sparks presented two awards, UMW Studies Award and Mission Today Award, given the Deport UMW at the District meeting held in Greenville on September

11. The next meeting will be October 4 with Melba Ladd as hostess and Ruth Cheatham in charge of the program.

The group has prepared a new Volume V Cookbook and shipment has been received. These books will be offered for sale by all UMW members, at Darden-Sparks Department Store and Deport Variety Store.

### Schools to have reunion

Cuthand, Maple, Mauldin, Mt. Livingston and Turner Lake Schools will hold their reunion on Saturday, October 9 at the Bogata Community Center.

All exes and friends are urged to attend. Chairman Annie Lee Moore is welcoming all to be there for a covered dish luncheon to be served at noon.

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