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**How Do You Eat?**

We were taking a break Wednesday afternoon. Our resident-almost-a-teenager, Angel had a candy bar. We noticed that she was carefully nibbling it down through the layers. She ate the chocolate off the top, then the wafer, then the caramel, then the bottom wafer. We embarrassed her a little bit by laughing, but, as casual observations often will, it sparked quite a discussion on how different people eat different things.

For myself, I have a strange habit about eating sandwiches. I carefully eat around the outer edge of the sandwich. Not only does this get the crust out of the way, but I have a vague theory that it "corrals" all the ingredients so that they don't come dripping or "squoshing" out the side.

Cindy does not want any food on her plate to touch. I say she should have little black and yellow barricades in miniature so that she can keep her potatoes separate from her peas. She actually loves to have her food in little individual bowls and saucers!

Lots of folks are just the opposite. How many people do you know that will swirl their food altogether into a multi-colored blob before eating it? I've seen several, and confess I don't care for the idea, but to each his own.

I've known people who carefully eat all of one item on their plate, then proceed on to another item, eat each morsel of that then go on until they have finished the plate.

Of course, there are some strict rules concerning eating finger foods such as dips and chips. We all know that "double dipping" is a no no. Never, ever, in any type of polite society, does one scoop dip up, bite it off and then scoop with that same chip a second time!

Of course, columns have been written at length about the various ways to eat an ice cream cone, from licking around and around to biting it off in big chunks.

Next time you are chowing down on something, consider how you go about the process. You might discover you have some odd habits or strange aversions too!

**Blossom VFD to hold Bazaar & Festival**

The Blossom VFD will be hosting its first annual Christmas Bazaar and Festival on Saturday, December 11th, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Blossom School Gym and Cafeteria.

Crafts from local people will be sold with fun, food, games and entertainment slated for the event as well.

Anyone wishing to rent a booth, which are \$20 for a 10 ft. space or \$10 for a five ft by 10 ft space may contact Mary Crouch at 982-5816 for more information.

This event is being coordinated through the newly formed VFD Women's Auxiliary.

**Mrs. Claus to visit Deport**

Mrs. Claus and her elf will be in Deport on Friday, December 3 from

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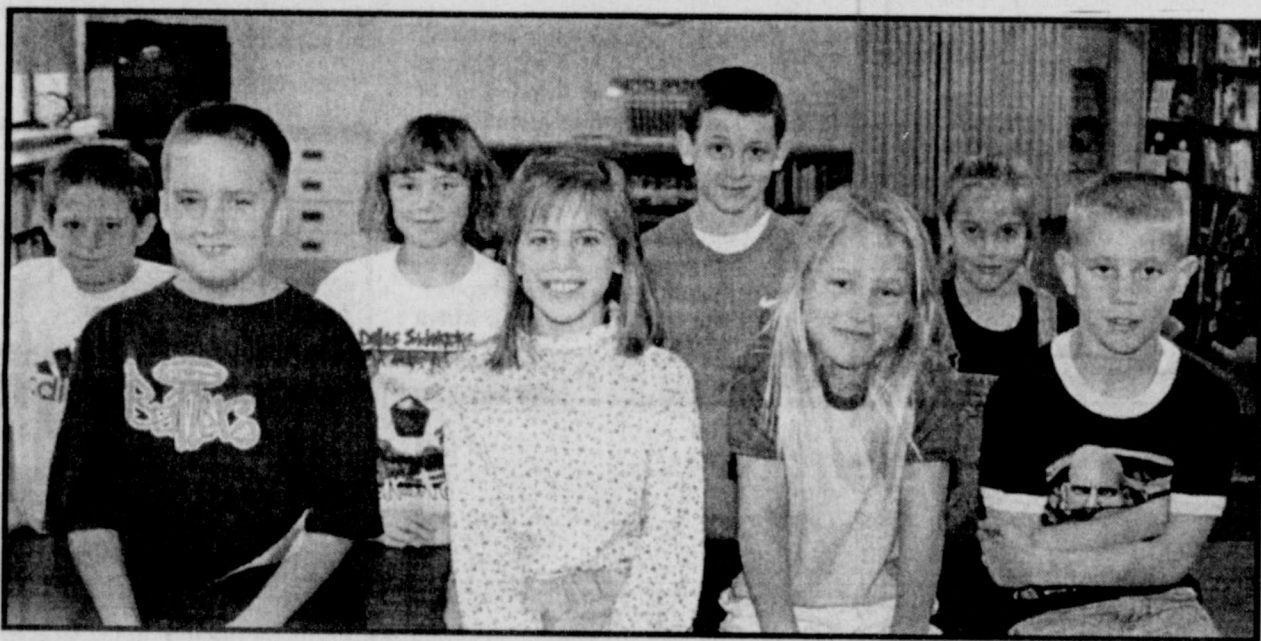
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DEPORT CHRISTMAS KINGS AND QUEENS are back row left to right Katie Evans and Sean Dodson 1-2, Makynzi Watson and Ryan Harrell 1-1, Chase Stogsdill and Lizzie Brunson 2-2, Brittany Bolin and Wesley Murdock 2-1. Seated is Keaton Perry and Sarah Golden K-2 and Kastley Greer and Dustin Womack K-1.



DEPORT CHRISTMAS KINGS AND QUEENS are back row left to right Jeffrey Steffenson and Kaylee Miller 3-1, Jesi Davis and Ryan Ford 3-2. Front row is Hunter Burris and Reagan Harrell 4-1 and Landon Syrus and Ashleigh McClean 4-2. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



DEPORT CHRISTMAS KINGS AND QUEENS are back row left to right Bradlee Watson and Hali Screws 5-2, Angel Deana and Michel Spears 5-1. Front is Ashley Ebarb and Logan Norwood 6th, Breanna Holley and Marty Anderson 7th and Amanda Nichols and Trent Brummett 8th.



**Deport Christmas Parade is this Friday**

Mark your calendars for the upcoming Deport Christmas Parade. It will take place on Friday, December 3rd at 1:30 p.m.

All entrants must assemble at the park at the west end of Deport by 12:30 for the judging.

The parade will go by Deport Nursing home then proceed down Monroe to Main Street.

Prizes will be given for first, second and third place in Cars, Pickups, Floats and Miscellaneous.

Santa Claus will make an appearance to hand out candy and fruit to the youngsters.

For more information call Sharon Frances at Deport City Hall 652-3875 or her home at 652-3612.

**Office will be open Fridays during Christmas Sale**

The Deport Times, Main office for Thunder Prairie Publishing, will be open on Friday mornings beginning on Friday, December 3 in order to better serve those customers wishing to renew their subscriptions during the December paper sale.

Renewals for any of the five papers in the Thunder Prairie group may be done at the main office, at the Bogata News office or by mail.

Don't miss your chance to save money, give a great gift and renew

your subscription to a year of truly local news.

The Bogata News office, located behind Masterpieces Hair Salon on Main Street in Bogata will also be open until noon on Thursdays and Fridays during the Christmas season sale.

If you come by after hours, don't hesitate to use the letter slot in the door of the Deport Times office, or the mailbox at the door of the Bogata News office.



YOU CAN BE A WINNER if you buy a chance to win this 3/4 carat diamond ring. All proceeds will go to benefit Barbara Dawson, Pattonville Postmaster, who has been very ill. The ring was donated by M&M Food Mart in Pattonville where you may purchase a chance for a \$1 donation or any Pattonville Volunteer Fireman. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

**Diamond Cluster Ring to benefit Pattonville Postmaster**

A \$1 donation to the Barbara Dawson benefit will entitle the donor to a chance at winning a 3/4 carat diamond cluster ring with a 10 ct. yellow gold band.

This beautiful ring was donated by M&M Grocery at Pattonville and will be given away at the December 18th breakfast which will be held at

the Pattonville VFD and Community Center.

A donation can be made at M&M Grocery at Pattonville or any Pattonville Volunteer Fireman.

All proceeds will go to help Barbara Dawson, Pattonville Postmaster who has been very ill and is still recovering.

9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at Guaranty Bank wishing everyone a Happy Holiday. Complimentary refreshments will be served during the appointed hours.

Her visit coincides with the Deport Christmas Parade in the afternoon hours.

Everyone is cordially invited to drop by and visit Mrs. Claus and to pass on any information they may need to get to Santa.

**Deport VFD to elect officers Monday**

The Deport Volunteer Fire Department will elect officers at their regular meeting this coming Monday, December 6, at 7:30 p.m. All members are urged to attend.

**Paper sale is on now, save money and fill your Christmas stocking now!**

It's that time of year again! Time for subscribers to do their Christmas shopping (even easier than on the internet) and renew their subscriptions at savings too!

The Blossom Times, Bogata News, Deport Times and Talco Times are now on sale for \$2 off the regular price.

Within Lamar, Red River or Titus Counties the cost for a full year of local news is only \$17 and anywhere else in the nation is only \$20. All gift subscriptions will be published in the Christmas edition of the papers.

Compare the amount of local coverage in your area daily newspaper to that in these weeklies. You'll find that there is more local news, more photos, more sports, more of everything local in the single weekly edi-

tion than in a whole six days worth of the daily.

Nichols Worth, a state-award winning column, is there for entertainment, and Country Cooking provides recipes and smiles.

There is news of and about your neighbors, friends and relatives. Local specials at stores are also right there, as well as all that good stuff from the classified page.

For \$17 a year, what better gift value can be found? Old, young, parents, grandparents, young married couples living away, college students, it's a great gift for everyone.

See the full page ad in this issue, use the handy coupon or drop by one of our offices. The sale is starting early, so get you subscriptions in

**Send in your Christmas Memories for the contest now!**

It's time to send in your special Christmas memories to our annual Christmas Memories contest.

First Place is a photo memory album, and a certificate. Second and third places, plus honorable mentions will receive certificates.

These memories can be of traditional Christmas celebrations, or an unusual Christmas. They can deal with any holiday memories you may have.

Judging will be done by out-of-town judges and prizes will be announced and the memories published in the big Christmas edition December 16th.

Mail your memories to: Thunder Prairie Publishing, P.O. Box 98, Deport, Texas 75435, fax them to 903-652-6041, E-Mail them to [tppub@1starnet.com](mailto:tppub@1starnet.com) or drop them by the Deport Times office, the Bogata News Office or leave at Blossom Superette or Detroit City Hall clearly marked for the paper.

The memories are a very special part of the Christmas edition, and many people say they love to read every word of them, so please, enter your memory today.

All entries need to be in by December 9th.

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# Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

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As the Christmas festivities and parties fast approach, questions like what do I make to take to the family gathering that will be different...or what do I give for that special neighbor, friend or just someone special? Well, here are some ideas that might come in handy. Bake something...or make one of the quick, easy mixes in a jar that is listed! Anyone would enjoy receiving one of these, already to mix and prepare; just add butter, egg and vanilla. It can also be topped with a festive bow or square of fabric and ribbon or add your own homemade ornament.

Baking can be fun! Have all of your ingredients ready and be sure to have a little extra time so that you are not in any big hurry. See if the rest of the family would like to join you! Turn it into a yearly family event! Try these recipes and we will see you in the kitchen!

**Chewy Butterscotch Nut Bars**-layer ingredients beginning in the order of the recipe in a quart jar and top with decorations and this makes a great gift for anyone!

**White Christmas Bars in a Jar**-layer the white chocolate and sliced almonds to create this "White Christmas" in a jar!

**M&M Oatmeal Bars in a Jar**-this makes a great gift for teachers or really anyone!

**Chewy Caramel-Pecan Bars** are a quick and easy recipe using baking mix and adding pecans and chocolate chips.

**Homemade Fudge**-this recipe can also be used with cookie cutters to make cut-outs with the children in your family.

**Chocolate Covered Cherries**-ever wonder how these were made? Now you know!

**NOTE:** To make toasted pecans or almonds-place in a microwave-safe dish and microwave on HI for 4-5 minutes, stirring every minute. Cool completely before using.

**NOTE:** After measuring the brown sugar, crumble it between your fingers for uniform texture. Be sure to pack the brown sugar firmly in the jar to prevent the baking mix from shifting down through it.

## Red River County Roots

This week's query is from Norma Ferre, P.O. Box 123, Coquille, OR 97423. She is researching the family of her mother, Iva Irene Ragland, who was born at Bogata in October, 1919. Her parents were William Thornton and Mary Elizabeth (Perry) Ragland. Mary Elizabeth was sometimes called Ollie, but the reason for that nickname is not known.

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

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

## "Angel Tree" is in Clarksville

The Red River County Christmas Drive, sponsored by the Clarksville Fire Department and area volunteers is in full swing.

The Angel Tree for Red River County has no funding and is totally dependent on contributions and donations from individual citizens and businesses of the county.

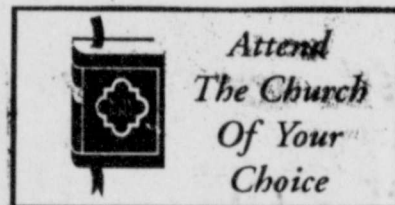
The goal is to see that each child gets a set of clothes, a pair of shoes and a toy or two.

Each angel on the tree has the first name of the child, boy or girl, along with size clothing and if they asked Santa for something special.

If you would like to participate in this program, the angel tree is located at the Wal-Mart store in Clarksville.

Please bring unwrapped gifts to the service desk or the Clarksville Fire Department.

Deadline for the program is December 8.



### Fulbright News

By Betty Rodgers  
652-6051

Preston and Marla Crump visited Angie and Eddie Kyle, Ty and Aaron last Thursday, then went to Grandview where they visited her sister, Nina Gatlin, Jeff, Gary and Donna Gatlin and family. Thursday night was spent with her parents and brother, J.T. and Lois Lane and James of Alvarado. On Friday, they were in Granbury visiting her aunts and cousin, Mary Katzenmeyer and daughter, Jenny Wager and Alice Jones. While there, they learned that Mrs. Katzenmeyer's son, T.J. Wager of Alvin had been diagnosed with cancer and in the hospital at Houston. Our prayers go out to the family and wish him a speedy recovery.

Sunday, the Crumps had lunch with Fannie and Leon Lamb of Deport.

Lana VanDeaver of Crockett was a Thanksgiving weekend guest of her parents, Clovis and Katy VanDeaver.

The VanDeaver family spent Thanksgiving with John, Larann and Dru Denison in Rosalie. Attending the dinner were Clovis and Katy VanDeaver of Fulbright, Lana VanDeaver of Crockett, Mitzie, Gary, Kimberly and Michael Pirtle of Paris, Gordon and Helen VanDeaver of Pattonville and Carlys and Betty Denison of Deport.

Betty Rodgers, Melissa and Gilbert Arriaga had Thanksgiving lunch at Furr's in Paris.

Monte and Shelley Rodgers and Betty Rodger enjoyed an enchilada dinner with Gilbert and Melissa Arriaga at their home on Thanksgiving evening.

Betty Rodgers, Monte and Shelley Rodgers spent the weekend with

## Avis Ellen Moore dies November 24

Avis Ellen Moore, age 78 of Mt. Pleasant, died Wednesday, November 24 at her residence.

Services were held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, November 27 at Forest Lawn Memorial Park cemetery in Mt. Pleasant with Bro. Glenn Griffith officiating under the direction of Bates-Cooper Funeral Home.

Mrs. Moore was born in Telephone, Texas on April 19, 1921. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are sons and their spouses, James M. and Maxine Moore of El Campo, Allen G. and Linda Moore of Tyler and Kenneth L. and Jackie Moore of Mt. Pleasant; a daughter and her spouse, Lela and Tommy Spruill of Mt. Pleasant; a sister, Ima Jo Barnett of DeKalb; nine grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert C. Moore; her parents, A.G. and Mary Cabler Caddenhead; a sister, Eula Mae Churchill and a brother, Claudie Caddenhead.

## Mrs. Shirlee Francis dies November 22

Mrs. Shirlee Yvonne Francis, age 62 of Wilton, Arkansas, formerly of Bogata died Monday, November 22 at Regency Nursing Home in Clarksville.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, November 24 at the First Baptist Church of Bogata with burial in Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mrs. Francis was born August 2, 1937 in Red River County, the daughter, of Delbert and Minnie Lee Aldridge Burns. She married James Francis on December 31, 1957 in Dallas.

She is survived by her husband, James Francis; a son, Kerry Francis and a daughter, Amy Rhodes, all of Wilton, AR; her mother, Minnie Lee Burns of Bogata; three brothers, Jerry Burns of Deport, Ronnie Burns of Bogata and Billy Burns of Dallas; two grandchildren, Tanner and Cory Rhodes of Wilton, AR. She was preceded in death by her father, a brother, Hollis Burns and a sister, Barbara Burns.

## Obituaries

### Grace Pilkinton Dean dies November 27

Grace L. Pilkinton Dean, born April 28, 1931 in Roxton, died November 27 in Garland.

She is survived by her daughters and sons-in-law, Vickie and Sergio Silva, Connie Pyles, Willie and Pam Brown, Susie and Evert Gasway; grandchildren, Kimberly Zepeda, Vickie L. Reyna, Sergio Raymond Silva, Esther Marie Silva, Paula Burnett, Tonya Pyles, Bill, Kelly, Christy, Mary, Jimmy, John and Melissa Brown; great-grandchildren, Joshua and Jonathan Zepeda, Adrianna and Elijah Reyna, William and Alex Brown; sisters, Sarah Chambers and husband Jimmy, Barbara Smith and husband Kenneth. She was a devoted Christian.

Services were held at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, November 30 at Restland Wildwood Chapel under the direction of Restland Funeral Home, Dallas. Bro. James Martin officiated.



J.C. Fail

### J.C. Fail dies November 24

J.C. Fail, age 80 of Talco, died Wednesday, November 24 in Red River Healthcare Center in Bogata.

Services were held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, November 27 in Talco Assembly of God Church with the Rev. Wilson Weed and Rev. Don Malone officiating. Burial was in Talco Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Homes, Bogata.

He was born May 16, 1919 in Fairfield, TX, the son of Leonard and Minnie Lane Fail. He married the former Vivian Tate on March 4, 1939 in Henderson County. He was a retired trucker and a decorated World War II Army veteran.

He is survived by his wife; two sons, Jimmie Fail and wife, Aline of Palestine and Lyn Fail and wife, Ann of Kilgore; two daughters, Marilyn Presley and husband Ronnie and Yvonne Harris of Talco; nine grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son-in-law, Glenn Harris; a brother, Clarence Fail; and his parents.

### Card of Thanks

Thanks to all the family and friends who brought food, sent cards and flowers or extended words of sympathy during the loss of our loved one. Special thanks to Bro. Park Robertson and the Wood family for all their help. God will bless each and everyone of you for caring.

**The Shirlee Burns Francis Family**

### Card Of Thanks

The family of Mike Borders would like to thank family and friends for their visits, cards, calls, food, flowers, memorial donations, thoughts and prayers, during our time of need. A special thank you to Murray Riddles, Larinda Stogsdill, Diane White and Dr. L.C. Stout for helping with the service. Words cannot express our appreciation for the acts of kindness and support.

December 2, 1999  
Homemade Treats!

**Chewy Butterscotch Nut Bars in a Jar**

1/2 cup butterscotch chips  
1/2 cup pecans pieces  
1/2 cup packed light brown sugar  
1 cup baking mix  
1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar  
1 cup baking mix

In 1-quart wide-mouth glass jar; gently layer and pack ingredients in the order listed, beginning with butterscotch chips. If any space is left; add more chips or pecans to fill space. Place lid and decorate to your taste. Make a gift card and attach as follows: Empty contents of jar into medium bowl. Stir in 1 stick butter, melted; 1 large egg and 1 teaspoon vanilla. Press into a 8x8x2 baking pan coated with cooking spray. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes. Makes 16 bars.

**White Christmas Bars in a Jar**

1/2 cup white chocolate or vanilla milk chips  
1/2 cup sliced almonds-toasted  
1/2 cup packed light brown sugar  
1 cup baking mix  
1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar  
1 cup baking mix

In 1-quart wide-mouth glass jar, layer ingredients in order listed beginning with white chocolate. If space is left, fill with chocolate or almonds. Empty contents of jar into medium bowl and add 1 stick butter, melted; 1 large egg and 1 teaspoon vanilla. Press into 8x8x2 baking dish sprayed with cooking spray and cook for 20 minutes at 350 degrees. Makes 16 bars.

**M&M Oatmeal Bars in a Jar**

1/2 cup old fashioned oats  
1/2 cup mini M&M's  
1/2 cup light brown sugar-packed  
1 cup baking mix  
1/2 cup dark brown sugar-packed  
1 cup baking mix

In 1-quart wide-mouth jar, gently layer ingredients beginning with oatmeal. If any space is left, add more candies to jar. Place lid on top and decorate. Make a gift card that reads: Empty contents into medium bowl and stir in 1 stick melted butter and 1 large egg and 1 teaspoon vanilla. Press into 8x8x2 baking dish coated with cooking spray and bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes. Makes 16 bars.

**Chewy Caramel-Pecan Bars**

2 cups baking mix  
1-2/3 cups packed brown sugar  
1 cup butter or margarine-softened  
1-1/2 cups pecan halves  
1 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips

In food processor, combine baking mix, brown sugar and 1/2 cup butter. Pulse until mixture resembles coarse meal. Press on bottom of 13x9x2 baking pan coated with cooking spray to form crust. Sprinkle pecans evenly over crust. In 8-cup measure, combine remaining sugar and butter. Microwave on HI for 4 minutes or until mixture is thickened and syrupy, stirring every minute. Pour evenly over crust and pecans. Bake at 350 degrees for 18-20 minutes or until caramel mixture is bubbly. Remove from oven; sprinkle with chocolate chips and let stand for 3 minutes. Use a knife and swirl chips over caramel to create marble effect. Cool and cut into bars. Makes 36 bars

**Homeade Fudge**

2 cups granulated sugar  
2/3 cup evaporated milk  
2 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips  
1 stick unsalted butter-melted  
1 jar marshmallow creme  
1 teaspoon vanilla

Spray pan with cooking spray and set aside. Mix sugar with milk in saucepan. Bring to rolling boil. Continue boiling for 7-8 minutes; stirring often. Remove from heat and add butter, chips and creme and vanilla. Beat well. Pour into prepared pan. Let set and use your favorite Christmas cookie cutters to shape.

**Chocolate Covered Cherries**

16 ounces fondant mix  
1 cup brandy-optional  
12 ounces chocolate pieces  
16 ounce jar marachino cherries

To make fondant and to fondant mix; 1/3 cup milk, 1 tablespoon butter and 2 tablespoons corn starch. Combine in double boiler and heat until ingredients are melted. Do not overheat (120 degrees). Remove from heat. Drain cherries and place on paper towel to dry completely. Dip cherries into fondant mixture. If mixture becomes too thick, thin with small amount of water. Set cherries on wax paper to set. Melt chocolate in medium size bowl with 1/3 square of paraffin. Dip fondant covered cherries into melted chocolate mixture. Seal fondly to stem; fondant and cherries must be completely covered to prevent chipping from leaking. Refrigerate to set. Store in cool temperature. Yield 30-40 cherries. For brandied cherries: Several hours before making candy, drain juice in cherries and replace with brandy. Cover jar. Allow cherries to soak at least 24 hours or up to a week. This step is optional.

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## Pesticide clinic is December 7

On December 7, the Lamar County Office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service will sponsor a farm and ranch pesticide applicator clinic at the Love Civic Center in Paris. Those who hold a pesticide applicator license with the Texas Department of Agriculture will be able to obtain continuing education units for license recertification. This includes private, commercial, and noncommercial licenses.

A \$10.00 fee will be charged at the door. Please RSVP to the County Extension Office at 737-2443 to help plan for the meal.

## PLANNING FOR THE MILLENNIUM

### A Y2K Checklist for Customers

From the smallest to the largest, federally insured financial institutions have been working to make sure their computer systems will operate smoothly in the Year 2000 (Y2K). In addition, federal and state regulators are closely monitoring the progress of the institutions they supervise to make sure Y2K issues are being addressed. Despite the best efforts of the industry and the regulator, no one can guarantee that everything will work perfectly. That's why financial institution customers may want to consider taking steps in anticipation of the date change. You can refer to the following checklist to prepare yourself for Y2K.

- Educate Yourself About Y2K** Find out what your financial institution is doing to address consumer concerns. If you have questions, speak with a representative who knows about the institution's Y2K program.
- Keep Copies of Financial Records** As always, keep good records of your financial transactions, especially for the last few months of 1999 and until you get several statements in 2000
- Pay Attention to Your Finances** As always, balance your checkbook regularly. When you receive a transaction receipt from your institution, check it for accuracy and save it to compare against your statement. It's also smart to review your credit report to make sure it doesn't contain inaccurate information.
- Make Prudent Preparations** Remember all your payment options (checks, credit cards, debit cards, ATMs and tellers) in the event that one doesn't work as planned. The Federal Reserve has plans to ensure that there will be sufficient cash available for consumers. If you withdraw money, make reasonable decisions based on solid information; don't put yourself at risk of being robbed or losing valuable interest payments.
- Be on Guard Against Y2K Scams** Be skeptical if someone asks for your account information or tries to sell you a product, service or investment that's supposedly Y2K "safe". Protect your personal information, including your bank account, credit card and Social Security numbers.
- Review Your Deposit Insurance Coverage** The federal government's protection of insured deposits will not be affected by Y2K. If you have more than \$100,000 in an insured bank, thrift or credit union, you may want to make sure you understand the insurance rules. Check with your financial institution or call the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at 1-800-934-FDIC (for banks and savings institutions) or the National Credit Union Administration at 703-518-6330 (for credit unions).

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### Local students included in Who's Who

A total of 38 students from this area were included in the 33rd annual edition of *Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1998-99*.

*Who's Who* is the largest recognition program and publication in the nation honoring high achieving high school students. Students are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches and educational organizations based upon students' academic achievement and involvement in extracurricular activities. Traditionally, 99% of *Who's Who* students have a grade point average of "B" or better and 97% are college bound.

*Who's Who* students also compete for \$200,000 in scholarship awards. The book is distributed to up to 15,000 high schools, colleges, universities and public libraries throughout the country.

Students from Blossom included in the book include Sarah Hooge.

From Bogata: Pearis Abernathy III, Clinton D. Cheatwood, Jason A. Freelen, Joshua B. Griffin, Minerva S. Mauldin, Cara R. Morgan, Kimberly D. Shirley, Melissa A. Williams, Kembre L. Baker, Kasey A. Crawford, Misty L. Garretson, Nicole L. Hervey, Audra S. Meredith, Tamsen Reynolds, Cole L. Warren

From Detroit: Jodi D. Boyles, Megan C. Janeway, Ryan E. McCoin, Trista Reves, Robbie Somerville, Samantha Winkley, Krystal Brackman, Amber R. Kuykendall, Cory D. Owens, Heather D. Smith, Jennifer Washington.

From Talco: Ryan H. Case, Jeremy Jones, Carolina G. Prado, Kristen Sims, Jeromia B. Stinson, Cassee F. Wilcox, Shelly Hollis, Amber A. Miller, Tiffany L. Prentice, Erin A. Stansell, Laci J. Taylor.

### Prairiland FFA participates at contest

Several Prairiland FFA students and their sponsors, Frankie Norwood, Jeff Ballard and Bryan Moyers, participated in the 1999 District Leadership contest at Paris Junior College on Monday, November 15.

1st place- Chapter Farmer Skills Team went to Brad Barrentine, Brad Hunt and Casey Upchurch. Winning this enabled them to participate at the Area competition on Saturday, November 20 at Northeast Texas Community College in Mt. Pleasant. The team won this competition and will be participating in the State competition on December 4 at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville.

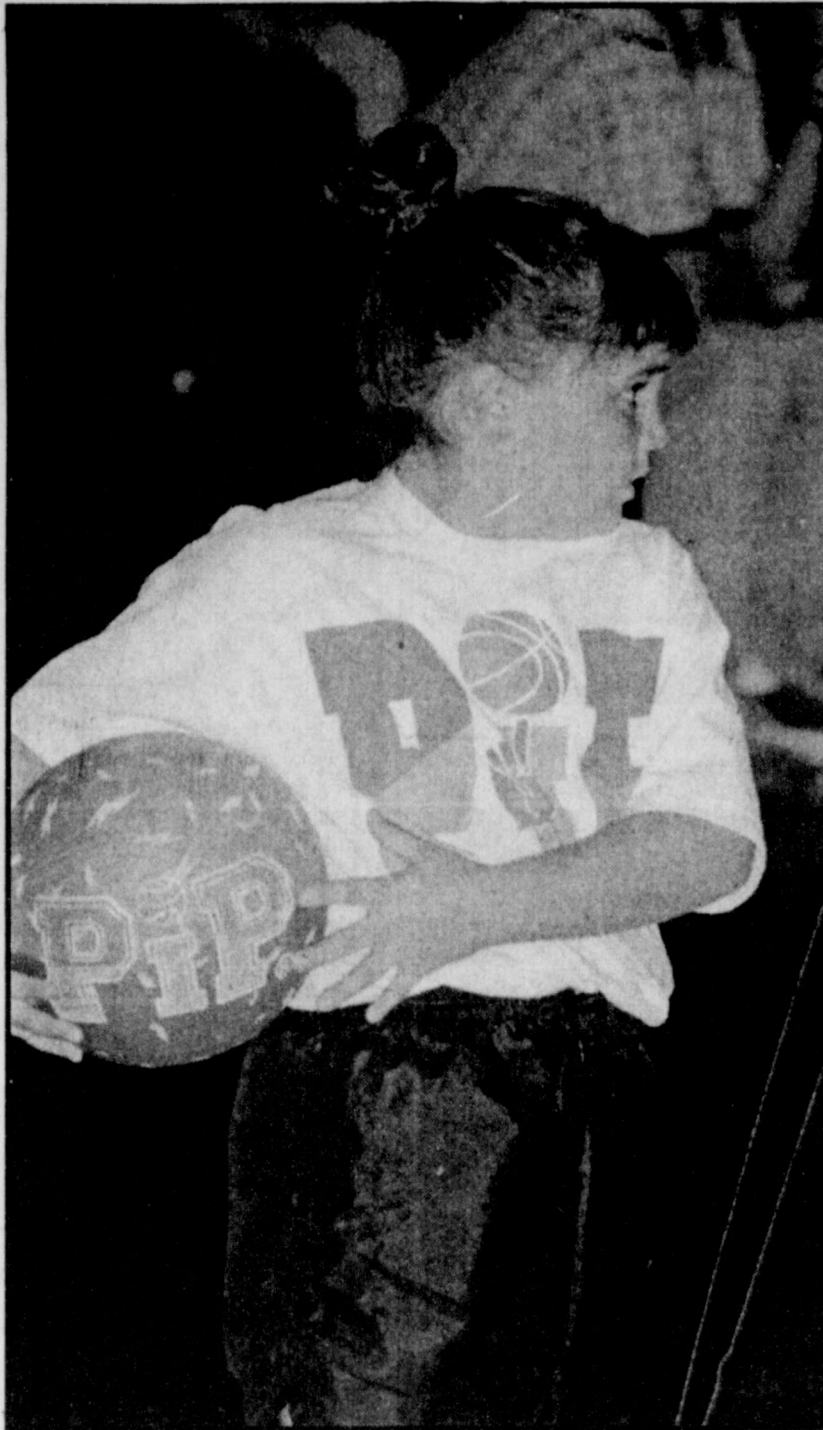
Greenhand Skills Team placed 2nd with team members Jase Norwood, Jeremiah Jones and Lacy Davis.

Public Relations team placed 3rd with team members Renee Moreland, Heather Anthony and Ashley Doyal. This group also made up the Radio Team and placed 3rd. Ashley was also the Senior Creed Speaker.

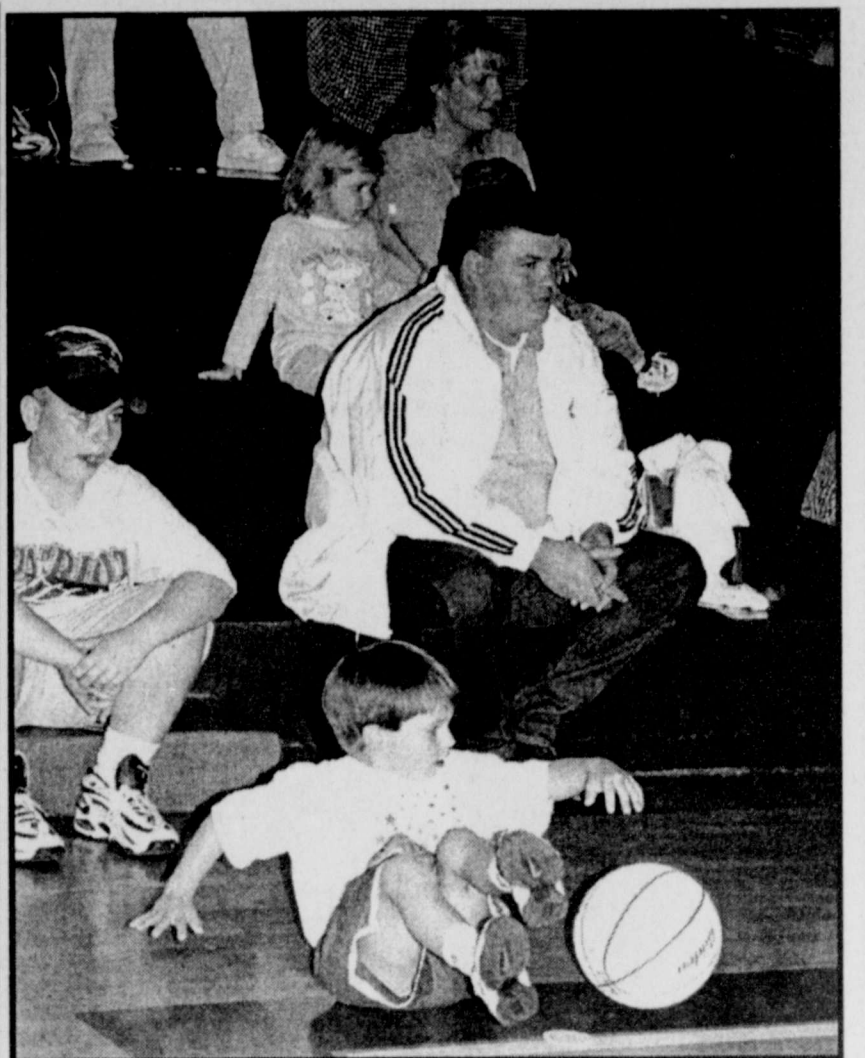
Junior Creed Speaker was Susan Whittle.

Senior Quiz Team members were Jimmy Smith, Shane Posey, Harley Skidmore and Trey Unruh.


Junior Quiz members were Jonathan Smith, Thomas Bishop and Leslie Davis.




KELSEY KLINGLER, Kindergarten student from Blossom, concentrates on her moves during the first performance of the PIPS (Players in Progress) last Tuesday night, November 16 at Prairiland. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



DEPORT PIPS (Players in Progress) performed during halftime at the ballgame with Como-Picton Tuesday, November 23 at the Prairiland Gym. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

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December 2nd, 3rd & 4th

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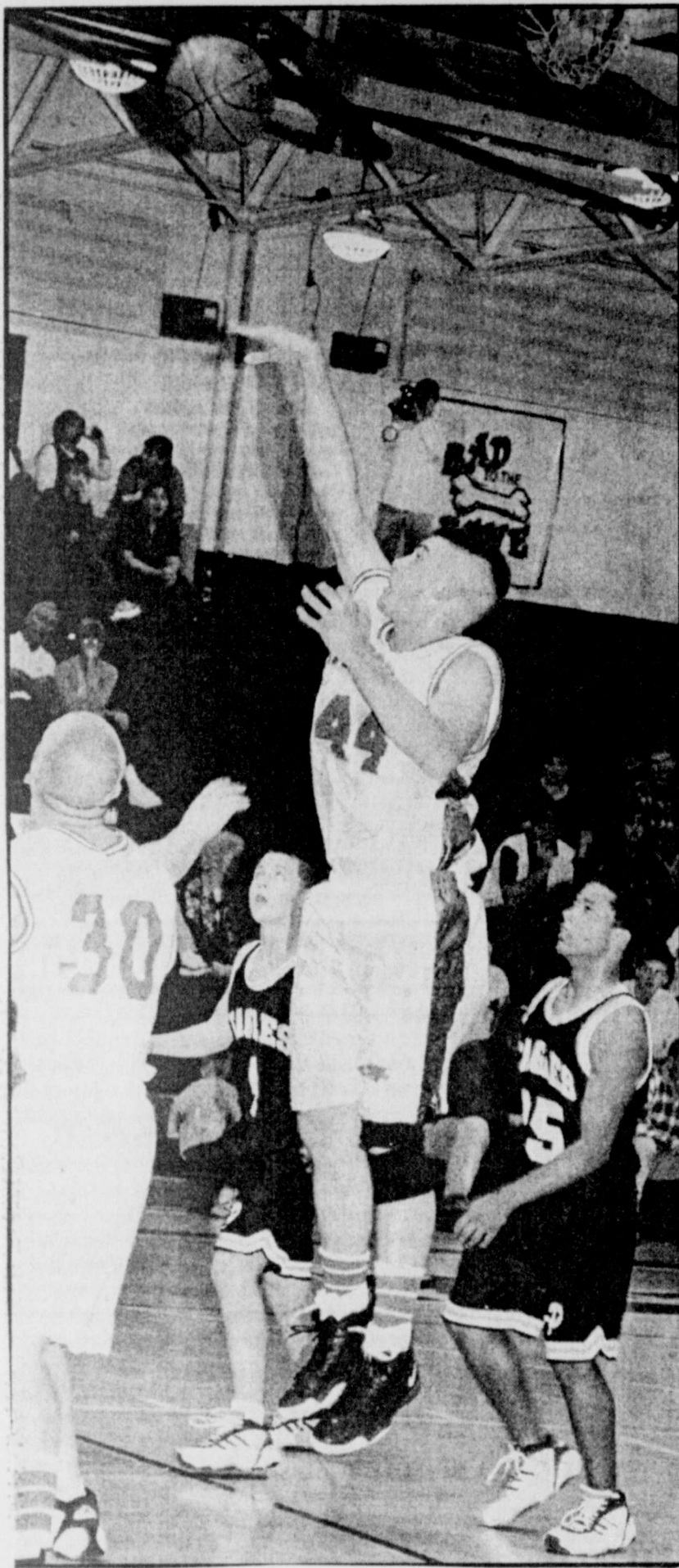
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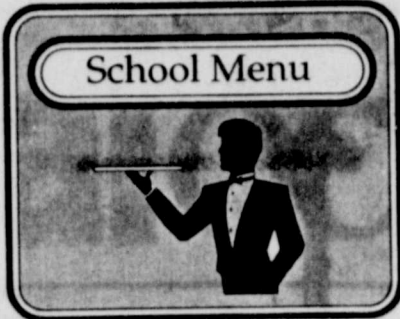
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SENIOR PATRIOT LUCAS RODDY gains some air during the Pats victory of 67-59 over the Como Eagles. The Pats will participate in the Lone Oak Tourney beginning Thursday, December 2. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



**School Menu**  
Prairiland All Campus Menu  
Week of December 6

- Monday**  
**Breakfast:**  
Biscuits, sausage  
Milk  
**Lunch:**  
Chili cheese fritos  
Pinto beans  
Salad  
Fresh fruit  
Milk
- Tuesday**  
**Breakfast:**  
Pancakes w/syrup, sausage  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:**  
Sloppy Joe on bun  
Corn  
Pickles  
Mayo cake  
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- Wednesday**  
**Breakfast:**  
Cereal, toast  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:**  
Turkey and dressing  
Sweet potatoes  
Green peas  
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- Thursday**  
**Breakfast:**  
Cinnamon rolls  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:**  
Spaghetti and meat sauce  
Salad  
Blackeyed peas  
Apple cobbler  
Milk
- Friday**  
**Breakfast:**  
Cereal, toast  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:**  
Hot dogs  
Pork and beans  
Corn chips  
Pineapple chunks  
Milk



LADY PATRIOTS grapple for the ball during last Tuesday night's action against Como-Pickton. The ladies suffered a loss to the Lady Eagles but never gave up the fight as they continually kept up the round ball action. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

**Patriots split games with Como-Pickton**

The Patriots faced the Como-Pickton Eagles on Tuesday night, November 23 in the Prairiland gym. The Pats are coming into their own with each game as they defeated the Eagles 67-59.

Jonathan Martin was high for the night with 15 followed by Cody Boehler with 14. Heath Sessums hit for 11, Matt Cavender 6, Brad Barrentine 7, Lucas Roddy 8, Kyle Malone 4 and Brandon Gray 2.

In JV action, the team won 44-18 over the Eagles with Brad Hunt hitting 9 and Jason Elrod with 8.

The Lady Patriots fell to the Lady Eagles 26-62 but never failed to lose their heart to play basketball. The young team is in a rebuilding period

and are looking for great things in the future.

Kami Hudson was high for the night with 6 while Ashley Athas hit for 6. Megan Graham 3, Kelly Clarkson 4, Jordan Hunold 2 along with Emilee Bolton and Chasiti Weeks. Melissa Steinkamp one and Amanda Wood 2.

In JV action the girls defeated the young Lady Eagles 27-25. Lacy Davis was high with 7, Leslie Davis 6 and Lacy Beaty 6.

Varsity will participate in the Lone Oak Tournament beginning on Thursday and the JV will play Tuesday night along with varsity at Avery there.

**Taylor named MVP for district 11AA**

Felicia Taylor (521 kills; 96 blocks and 45 aces for the year; career total of 1643 kills; 247 blocks and 119 aces) Prairiland senior, was named as MVP for district 11A Volleyball. Freshmen Megan Graham (111 kills; 186 assists and 31 blocks) and Emilee Bolton (104 kills; 47 blocks) shared the Newcomer of the Year awards. Senior Amber Norwood (727 assists and 95% serving) was named as co-setter along with Crystal Flippen of Chisum. Coach of the Year went to Laura Nickerson of Chisum and Frankye Sessums.

1st Team All-district honors went to Susan Singleton (310 kills, 43 blocks and 92% serving), Melissa Steinkamp (210 assists; 96% serving and 116 defensive digs) and Ashley Athas (78 kills and 21 blocks).

2nd Team All-district went to Toni Clarkson. Honorable Mentions went to Jordan Hunold and Ashley Moffitt. Being named to the Academic All-district list was Susan Singleton, Amber Norwood, Felicia Taylor and Megan Graham.

Taylor was also named on the 2000 TGCA All-Star team for 2A players. Only 12 players from the state of Texas were awarded this honor. Taylor is the 6th Lady Patriot to hold this honor in the 90's. In 1993, Jan Scudder was the first ever All-Star, Kristi Cantrell was chosen in 1994, 1995 was Mandy Babb, Breah Sessums in 1997 and 1999 was Meagan Hatfield.

Taylor will be playing in Arlington on July 10, 2000.

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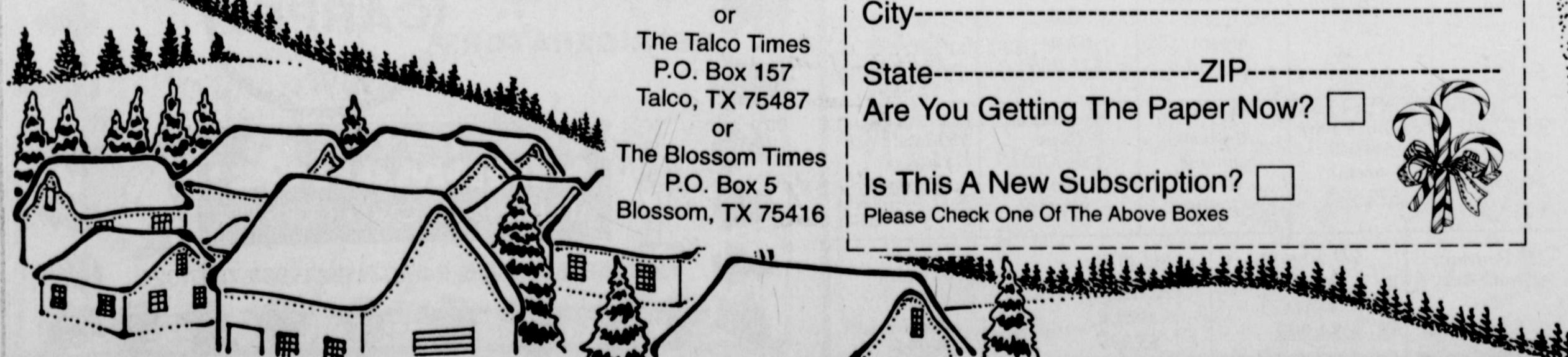
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Additional ornaments and decorations may be placed on the tree at any time while the tree is a part of the

Christmas display. Please keep in mind that the ornaments and decorations should be for outside and may not be returnable. Names may be written on the bows with permanent pens (glitter, glue and stick on letters do not hold up in the weather). Due to the exposure to the weather over long period of time, almost all of our current bows are having to be replaced. The group will have some red bows at the park.

If you are neither physically nor emotionally able to place a bow on the tree, or, if you have no one who can put it on for you, call: Russell and Louise Stuart 785-4366, Jayne Anderson 785-7781 or Ginger Dudley-Hugo at 580-326-2896.

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**Milton News**  
By Matty Lu Upchurch

Visiting Ann and Sheldon Lee over the holiday were Trey Lee of Wichita, Kansas, Shelley, Eric, Kara and Sam Staley of Shreveburg, Pennsylvania, Ron, Jeanette, Lauren and Sarah Harvey of Port Neches, Jerry, Pam, Jana, Amanda and Elisa Harvey of Plano, Jill Brown of Chicago, Illinois, Wyatt Edgar of Orlando, Florida and Rayna, B.J., Emily and Canyon Headrick of Pasadena.

Buena and Bob Marshall spent Thanksgiving day with Ronney and Elleen Pettit of Irving.

Mrs. Paul Price and Kasey. John Temple went to Carrollton Saturday to visit his children, Phil and Rochelle Casey, Bryan and Blair, also there were Kenneth and Patricia Pearce, Amanda, Alyssa and Brantley of Houston and Colleen Watson, Austin and Hanna of Denton.

Roney Pettit had dinner with Buena and Bob Marshall Sunday.

Our sympathy is extended to the Jerry Burns family on the death of his sister last week.

Spending the holidays with Matty Lu Upchurch were Jim, Cynthia and Benjamin Upchurch of Durango, Colorado, Don Upchurch, Kelley and Dlyan of Albuquerque, New Mexico, Leah, Russell Schroeder and Jeff of Grapevine, Michelle and Keith Wintermuth of Des Moines, Iowa, Tracy Upchurch and friend Tim and Steve Upchurch of Las Cruces, New Mexico and Nick Maudsley of Benbrook.

Visiting Bob and Buena Marshall Saturday and Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Mark Marshall, Jennifer and Jessica of Lewisville and Ronny and Diann Marshall and Ron Jr. of Seagoville.

Frank and Edna Lee visited Willie Lee of Ruby on Monday.

George Wolf returned to the hospital in Paris Monday for more surgery. We wish him well.

Spending the week with Philip and Susan Roach was Nora Appleby from Eddy.

Spending Thanksgiving day with Phillip and Susan Roach were Nora Appleby of Eddy, Beth, Cory and Kaitlyn Spray of Reno, Butch, Janet and Rhett Stone of McKinney, Brandy, DeeDee, Benjamin and Daniel Palmer of Van, Evelyn Roach of Deport, Kenneth and Ruth Ann Allen of Deport and Cindy Roach of Tyler.

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**Deport Nursing Home News**  
By Cletta Mathis



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Mr. Harold Deaton visitors were Dick and Glenda Deaton and Rod Deaton and friend.  
Visiting Jessie Lane was REbecca Crawford and Dr. Plummer, Nelia Davidson, Madge Lane, Katherine Smith, Met Matlock and Ry Leigh Davidson.  
Visiting Cletus Thomas was B. O'Neal, Irene Bryant, Fay Burns, Shane and Kathleen Hill and Jean Isbell.  
Cecil Allen did his weekly visit to our resident.  
visiting Loveta McMurray was Jean Williams, Lou Hatfield, Dan and Rethe Stanfield, Margaret and Dennis Lee.  
Visiting with David Geer was Leon Whitsell and Alvin Wood from Paris.  
Athel and Alta Hester visited by Nina Jones.  
Jeanne Hester, Morgan Flowers and Sandy Jones.  
Billy and Lary Bantis and Mr. Ray Fern visited with Fern Fry.  
Terry McDowra was visited by Bobby Salter, Stacy, Robert, Ronald and Shirley. Bobby took Terry to have Thanksgiving with his family at Cherry and Robert Walker's in Paris.  
Purna Haydock was visited by Phil and Joyce Love, Ft. Wroth; Candy Iarkin and Mr. and Mrs. John Roach.  
Virginia ors were Ronnie Carrell and William and Pat SMyers from Hagansport, Linda and Shane ARnold, Savannah Roberson from Paris, Scott Coley, Mineola, Shirley Ronald, Stacy and Robert from Vidor.  
Joe Kelsey, Sammy Kelsey and Susie, Marilyn Glover, RUTH Skaggs, Martha Glover visited with Reecy Kelsey and Brodie Bell. They helped Brodie celebrate her 102nd birthday.  
Pearl, Margaret Williams, from Harris and Patsy Curtis visited with Ima Griffin.  
Mary Ray, Flonia Harris, Susy and Sammy Kelsey, Ruth Skaggs, Purna

Haydock, Clifford Franklin and Cecil and Margaret Allen.  
Robert Johnson visited with Robert Johnson.  
Visiting with Angie Smith were Dr. Plummer, Rebecca Crawford, Larry and Shirley Haskell, Cletta Filkins, and children, Karen and Darrell Cherry and children.  
Sue Goley and Dale, Larry and Dan Smith, Monda Fults and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Allen visited Alma Montgomery.  
Visiting Nora Barnett was Rita Thompson and Rhonda Hosin.  
Lila Screws, Glenda King, Becky Proctor, Jimmy Fletcher, Dennis Fletcher and Lauri Grayson visited their Mother Mamie Fletcher.  
Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Homer Sisson was Pete and Betty Sisson, L.Sue King, Oleta King and Alva and Betty Gray.  
Visitors of Ann Austin was Charlie Austin, Gary Austin and Beverly Bussell from Idabel, Ok., Mrs. Austin spent Thanksgiving in Idabel with Beverly and family.  
Mary Frances Ray spent Thanksgiving in Paris with her son Laurence Ray and family.  
Visiting with Sara Gilmer was Don, Marline, Suzanne, Sarena and Cory and Kathryn Verner and Dewey Thomas.  
glenn, James and Kim Wells visited with Roy Wells.  
Visiting Viola Barham was Barbara Allen, and Cecil and Margaret Allen.  
Visiting Johnnie Warren was Johnnie and Betty Beall, Dorothy Holt, Larry Crawford and Phyllis Taylor. Mrs. Warren spent Thanksgiving in Bogata with Mr. and Mrs. Screws and family.  
we welcome our new resident Mrs. Geneva Franklin from Paris.  
Our sympathy is extended to the family of Harry Valliear who passed away Nov. 24th.



**Cunningham News**  
By Jane O'Neal

Life Tabernacle Church had their annual holiday lunch on Sunday following services where Fay Wilson from Dallas was the speaker.  
Pete and L'Wanda had Thanksgiving dinner for Johnny, Fran, Johnna and Jenna Patterson, Connie McKnight, Cindy, LeeDon and Reana Barnett.  
The family of Marie Watson had Thanksgiving dinner. Attending were Marie Watson, Geneva Norwood, Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Scottie, Treda, Amber and Spur Norwood, Billy Ray, Neva and Brandon Oats, Georjeana and Brad Nutt, Nelta and Johnie Musgrove, Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove, Zarinska and Shane Morton, Dean Watson, Brad, Bradley and Brett Watson, Bruce Watson, Jarvis and Renee Watson, Deana and Brooklyn Legate and Dillon.  
Sunday, Bobby Ray and Shelby Kennedy had lunch for Jeff, Zackrey and Garrett and Heath and Laytner.  
Bobbye and Clyde Slusher, Veleta Swaim and Steve Slusher of Grand Prairie, Stephanie and E.C. McLaughlin of Burkburnett, Shane McLaughlin and friend of Dallas joined Jackie Taylor and family for Thanksgiving dinner.  
Ricky and Linda Anderson, Rusty, Cindy, Marty, Susan and Kerri were in Greenville Wednesday for dinner with Sharon and Sam Speir.  
Wendy, Carlos and Cord Ordorica visited his family in LaCuna, Mexico Thursday through Saturday.  
Joining James and Pat Norwood for Thanksgiving dinner were Darold, Ida Mae and Shelia Norwood, Conard and Delores Norwood, Teresa and Kelti Mowrey, Jamie Smith, Cindy and Charles Nichols, John, Tori, Erica and Chance White of Carthage, Mendy, Todd, Laci and Kety Cole, Rodney, Hannah and Jace Norwood, Tracy and Brenton Norwood. Visiting later in the day were Geneva Norwood, Billy Ray and Neva Oats, Georjeana and Brad Nutt.

Darold and Ida Mae Norwood picked Shelia Norwood up in Denton on Wednesday and she spent the holiday with them.  
Darold and Ida Mae Norwood had Sunday lunch for Del and Zack Walker.  
Jane O'Neal had Thanksgiving dinner for Sue and Murray Jackson, Karla, Andrea, Kara and Aaron Palmer, Lisa, Dwayne, O'Neal and Weston Drinnon. Janee and Kenzie Jackson visited in the afternoon.  
Jasne O'Neal, Sue Jackson, Karla Palmer and Lisa Drinnon spent Friday and that night at the Austin Hotel and Spa in Hot Springs. On Saturday they were in Little Rock shopping.  
Geneva Norewood, Neva Oats and Georjeana Nutt were in Dallas shopping on Friday.  
Burl Dean and Glenda Watson had Thanksgiving dinner for Susie, Ronald, Kendra and Amy Hicks, and Dee Dee, Makynzi and Kaity Borden.  
Debbie, Shanie and River Cole of Milford visited Burl Dean and Glenda Watson on Wednesday.  
Dean and Glenda spent Saturday in Dallas shopping and had dinner.  
Ricky and Pam, Hailey and Mattie Norwood had Thanksgiving dinner with Sid and Betty Johnson of Blossom, Pam's sister of Longview and a cousin from Dallas joined them.  
Last Friday, Silas and Juanita Taylor spent the night with Larry and Stacy Taylor and family of Broken Arrow, OK.  
Silas and Juanita Taylor had Thanksgiving dinner with Allen and Sandra Callahan of Clarksville.  
Kerry Wright of Mansfield, Louisiana came on Sunday and visited Elvis Wright and Silas and Juanita Taylor. Elvis went home with him Tuesday to spend the holiday.  
On Friday, a group of the youth from First Methodist Church of Deport were at Silas and Juanita Taylor's for a wiener roast and a sleepover.  
Sunday, Lessie Stuart and Willie Wilson of Reno visited Silas and Juanita Taylor.

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PRAIRILAND FFA Chapter Farmer Skills Team headed on their way to compete at state competition in Sam Houston State in Huntsville on December 4, 1999. Pictured left to right is Brad Hunt, Brad Barrentine and Casey Upchurch as they demonstrate the proper way to saddle and pipe for building metal fence and the proper way to operate oxyacetylene cutting torch. (Staff Photo)

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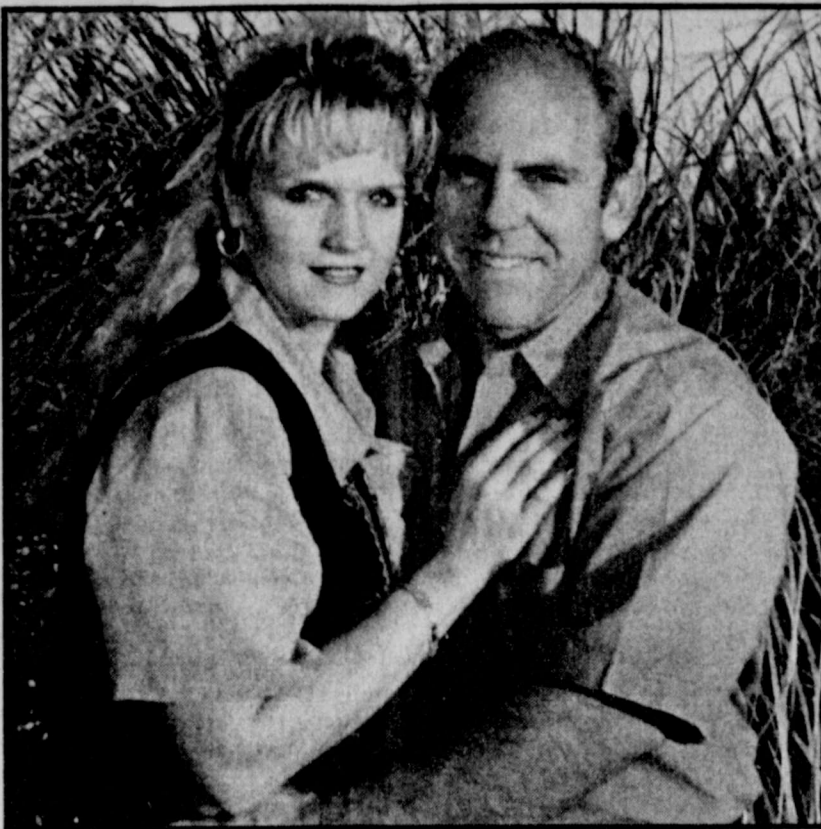
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Teri Ann Gray with fiance Charles Allen Burge, Jr.

## Gray-Burge engagement announced

Mr. and Mrs. James R. Gray of Pattonville announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Teri Ann to Charles Allen Burge, Jr. of Mt. Pleasant.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late James Alexander and Ella Mae Wood and Mrs. Dorothy Mobley of Livingston and the late Herman Terry Gray.

The 1989 graduate of Prairiland High School is presently attending Northeast Texas Community College and will transfer to Texas A&M in Texarkana to obtain her Bachelors

Degree in business accounting. Miss Gray is employed by Jackson Oil Company and resides in Mt. Pleasant.

The groom-elect is the son of Mrs. Patricia Burge of Mt. Pleasant and the late Charles Burge. He is the grandson of Mrs. Etoil Jackson of Mt. Pleasant and the late Billy Jackson and the late Julius and Elsie Burge of Alvin. A 1982 graduate of New Mexico Military Institute in Roswell, New Mexico, he received his Bachelors Degree in business administration from Sam Houston State University. He is currently vice-president of Jackson Oil Company.

The couple plan to marry at 4 p.m. Saturday, January 1, 2000 at the First Presbyterian Church, Deport.



Susan JoAnn Singleton with fiance Tracey Donovan Jones

## Singleton-Jones to exchange vows

Joe and Bonnie Singleton of Clarksville proudly announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Susan JoAnn Singleton to Tracey Donovan Jones.

The couple will exchange wedding vows at four o'clock in the afternoon on Saturday, December 18 at the First Presbyterian Church of Deport. Ed Dodson and Mike Gentry will officiate the ceremony.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of Mrs. Myrtle Singleton of Deport and the late Thurman Singleton and Charles and Martha Hopkins of

Clarksville. She will be a 2000 graduate of Prairiland High School and will attend Paris Junior College in the fall.

Her fiance is the son of Tim and Jo Marie Jones of Paris. He is the grandson of Tommy and Wanda Jones of Paris and Wayne and Wilozine Earley, also of Paris. He is a 1996 graduate of Paris High School and attends Texas A&M University-Commerce. He is employed by Mordige Manufacturing Grasshopper Company as a factory representative.

All friends and family are welcome to attend the ceremony.

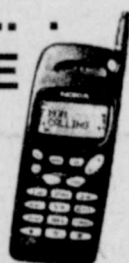
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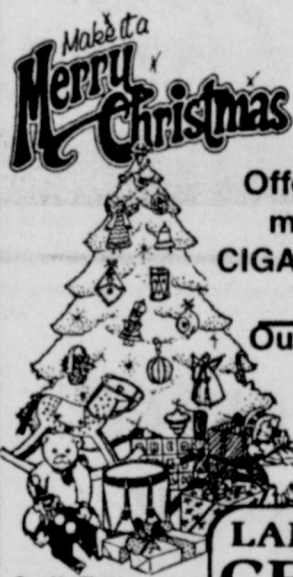
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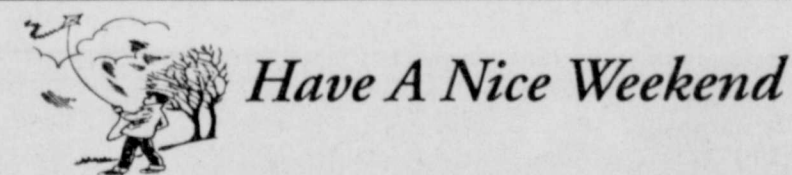
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JV PATRIOT MICHAEL FLATT carries the ball down the court in basketball action Tuesday night against Como-Pickton. They defeated the young Eagles 44-18. They will face Avery on Tuesday, December 7 there. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

**Pattonville News**

By Peggy Parsons  
Call Your News to 652-5022



Happy birthday to Ed and Sandy Ring, Megan Filkins, Justin Armstrong, Daniel Sepulveda, Sue Ellen Barnes, Trey Harvey, Zack Harvey, Red Weaver and Brenda Gibson.

Congratulations to Shannon and Amy Osborne on the birth of twin sons on Sunday, November 28 at McCuiston Hospital. Trenton Ray and Colin Ray are welcomed by big brother Drew, Malcom and Beth Osborne of Pattonville and Dexter and Nancy Baker of Sudan are grandparents.

Ruby Dee Blevins attended a birthday dinner for Red Weaver given by his wife, Inez, in their home last Saturday. Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. Gavin Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Newsom, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Pate, Alice Bumgarner of Paris and Pam Sulsar of Fulbright.

Ed and Sandy Ring and Heather spent Thanksgiving holidays with their parents in Missouri.

Buster and Louise Crossland had Thanksgiving dinner with Kent and Mary Ann Wright, Brandon and Blaine.

Scarlet Harvey, Jo Berry of Cooper, Ramona Campbell and Matthew of Caddo Mills visited Janie Sloan in Baldknob, AR last week.

Charles and Scarlet Harvey, Daniel and Angie visited Ramona Campbell and family on Thanksgiving in Caddo Mills.

Trey and Zack Harvey, Matthew Malone and Daniel Sepulveda were the honorees at a birthday party at the home of Charles and Scarlet Harvey Sunday. Helping celebrate were Buddy and Sue Malone of Paris, Tony and Debra Malone of Mt. Pleasant, Denene Taylor of Reno, Ryan Johnson of Blossom, Angie Sepulveda and Bren Screws.

Eating Thanksgiving dinner with Barbara McDowra and Gerald Hood

were Keith and Ammie McDowra, Brock and Justin, Reggie McDowra, Pam and Nick.

Sunday dinner guests of Barbara and Gerald were Danny and Judy Hod, Danny and Mary Ann Miday of Paris, Angela and sons of Detroit, Lynn and Mallie Hood, Michael and Matthew of Shady Grove and Gerald's grandson, Jason Hood of Paris.

James Wintes had surgery on his shoulder last Tuesday at McCuiston Hospital.

Spending Thanksgiving holiday with Keith and Peggy Parsons were Doug Winters, Colton and Tiffany of Bryan, Mark and Tonya Parwons, Haley and Ty of Rowlett, and Leah Boren. Ralph and Lois Kennett of Cooper, Mike Sparks, Elois Sparks, Ina Sparks and Nina Sparks of Deport, Randy and Kristi Boren and Drew joined them on Thursday. Kip Winters, Mitch and Morgan of Allen were Friday visitors. Tony and Debra Malone and Matthew of Mt. Pleasant visited with them Sunday.

Randy and Kristi Boren and Drew ate Thanksgiving dinner at Slabtown with Steve and Beverly Cope, Ryan and Stefani, Dee and Betty Boren of Paris, Roger and Brenda Boren and Randa of Reno, Royce and Shari Stogner, Megan and KaDee of Allens Chapel.

Keith Parsons, Irene Parsons and Marcy Campbell of Paris had Thanksgiving dinner with Leon and Elaine Roberts at Hidden Lake.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Kevin Gibson, who died in a Dallas hospital Monday, November 29. He was the son of Tommy and Sue Gibson and grandson of Lorene Gibson. Arrangements were pending at Gene Roden's Sons Funeral Home.

Larry and Brenda Gibson, Kimberly, Brad and Tommie Bassano spent Thanksgiving in Redwater with Joe and Carolyn Thompson.

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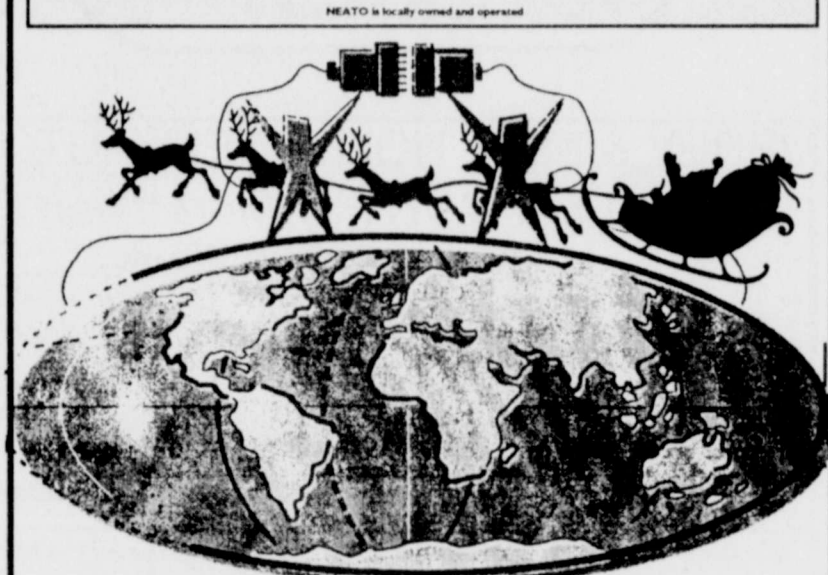
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Boys Region II Qualifiers  
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1999 Boys Cross Country Team  
Pictured left to right is Jose Whittle, E.C. Nichols, A. W. Melton, Colby Gatlin, Bobby Hollingsworth and not pictured is Josh Maynard.



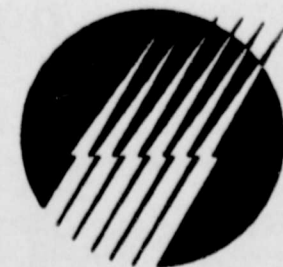
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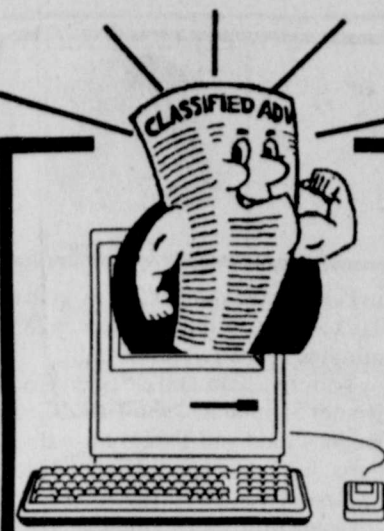
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**Public Notices**

**ESTRAY NOTICE OF IMPOUNDMENT OF ESTRAY**  
 On the 5th day of November, 1999, I impounded the following estray:

Cross-bred cow, black Angus type, black in color, female, approximately 7 years of age and approximately 900 pounds. No brand, marks or identifying characteristics.

and on the 8th day of November, 1999, I filed a Notice of Estray in the Estray Book of Red River County, Texas.

I have made a diligent search of the register of recorded brands in Red River County, Texas, for the owner of said estray, and contacted local owner of exotic fowl but the search did not reveal the owner.

Notice is hereby given that, if the ownership of said estray is not determined by the 8th day of December, 1999, said estray will be sold at public auction/Sheriff's sale at Paris Livestock Commission, Paris, TX on December 9, 1999. Robert L. (Bob) Edgington Sheriff of Red River County Darlena Shimpoock, Deputy 12-2

**NOTICE OF BID**  
 The City of Bogata is accepting sealed bids for the purpose of painting a 60,000 gallon elevated storage tank. Bids will be accepted until December 13, 1999 upon which bids will be opened at the regular council meeting. Paint specifications and time constraints will be available at City Hall, 128 North Main, Bogata, Texas 75417. Bids are to be addressed to the City of Bogata, P.O. Box 400, Bogata, Texas 75417 with attention to Wendell Davis, Public Works Director and will be marked Water Tower Bid. The City of Bogata reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. 12-2

**NOTICE OF BIDS**  
 Prairiland I.S.D. is requesting bids on one New International 59-passenger diesel school bus. Bus must meet all Texas Bus Safety specifications. Bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m. December 9, 1999 at the Prairiland Administration Building, Rt. 1, Box 200, Pattonville, Texas 75468. For bid specifications, call Buddy Freeman, 903-652-6476. 12-2

Rivercrest ISD is requesting sealed proposals for qualified persons and firms for a Construction Manager-at-Risk on certain RISD construction projects. Project details and special instructions may be obtained on or after November 18, 1999 from the Superintendent's office, Rt. 1, Box 252, Bogata, Texas 75417, 903-632-5205.

Proposals will be received at the Superintendent's Office located at Rivercrest High School, Rt. 1, Box 252, Bogata, Texas 75417, not later than 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 2, 1999. Proposals should be addressed to Rivercrest ISD Superintendent's Office and clearly marked "Construction Management Proposal". 12-2

**NOTICE OF ESTRAY THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF RED RIVER**  
 Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Darlena Shimpoock, who after being by me duly sworn deposes and says:  
 After the herein described Estray was impounded, I made a diligent search of the register of recorded brands in the county where said Estray was found. I also contacted known exotic livestock and fowl

owners in my county. The search did not reveal the owner of said Estray.

I did then advertise the impoundment of said Estray in the Bogata News, a newspaper of general circulation in the county where said Estray was found, at least twice during the fifteen (15) days after impoundment of said Estray. The dates of such advertisement were December 2, 1999 and December 9, 1999, and a duly verified printed copy thereof is returned herewith.

I also posted a copy of the Notice of Estray and the Notice of Impoundment of Estray on the public notice board of the courthouse of the county in which the Estray was found.

Said Estray is described as the following: Black cow with white face, crossbred, approximately 1,000 pounds, J on right hip, 74CUF6982 left ear, tattoo 3V6 right ear.

Witness my hand, this 24th day of November, 1999. Robert L. Edgington, Sheriff Red River County Texas 12-9

**CITY OF BLOSSOM RESOLUTION NO. 004-00**  
 (Supersedes Resolution No. 005-99, May 18, 1999)  
 Resolution to determine regular meetings time, date and place of Blossom City Council.

Whereas, Chapter 22, Section 22.038(d), local government code, requires the city council to determine by resolution the time, date and place of regular council meetings, and

Whereas, the Blossom City Council meeting is public session, deem it prudent to adopt such resolutions.

Therefore, be it resolved that the regular meetings of Blossom City Council shall be as detailed below:  
 First Thursday of each month, 6:00 p.m., Blossom City Hall, City Council Chambers, 1240 W. Front Street, Blossom, Texas 75416.

Be it further resolved that the final agenda for all regular and special meetings will be posted at the Blossom City Hall at least 72 hours in advance of such meetings and that such agendas will be distributed to the Blossom Times and the Paris News.

Passed and adopted this 4th day of November, 1999. Ed Hudson, Mayor Attest: Ann Ebbs, City Secretary 12-2

**AUCTION SALE**

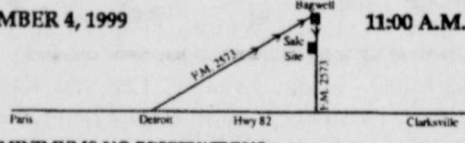
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		\$	Y - Yearly		
			M - Monthly		
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**FOR RENT**

**APARTMENTS FOR RENT**: Detroit Housing Authority is presently accepting applications for one, two and three bedroom, elderly and disabled applicants. We now have vacancies. Contact our office at 903-674-2185. Equal Housing Opportunity. MA tjc

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**AUCTION**: Saturday, December 4, 10 a.m. From Pittsburg, go west on Hiway 11 past Leesburg and Newsome. Turn left just past Alron Liquor Store on CR3518. Watch for signs. Selling out complete Jones-Blair Paint Store. Lots of all kinds of indoor and outdoor paints, varnish, stain, in gallons, quarts, pints, etc. 400 rolls wallpaper and border. All kinds paint tools, etc., shelving, 8' and 4', cash register, Graco power washer (2300 PSI), trampoline, 84 Hydro Sport 19'3" boat w/Mercury motor, another boat and BBQ grill built on trailer. Terms: Cash, cashier's check or personal check with proper I.D. Lowell Richburg Auctions, TXS-8543. Call 903-572-3020 or 572-9796 for circular or more information. 12-2

**GARAGE SALE**: Friday, December 3, 8 a.m. until ?? 400 E. Wilson, Talco. Clothes and miscellaneous. Cancel if raining. 12-2

**GARAGE SALE**: Friday and Saturday, December 3-4, 8 a.m. until ?? Shop heater, wood heater, welder, treadmill, wicker, office furniture, Christmas items and much more. 1 1/2 miles east on 71 from blinking light on 271 at Talco. 12-2

**GARAGE SALE**: Three families at Cowboy Denny's home, Hwy. 271 S of Bogata. 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday only, December 4. Lots of books, glassware, too much to mention. 12-2

**GARAGE SALE**: Friday, November 3 at Johtown Missionary Baptist Church gym starting at 9 a.m. All items 50¢ unless otherwise marked. 12-2

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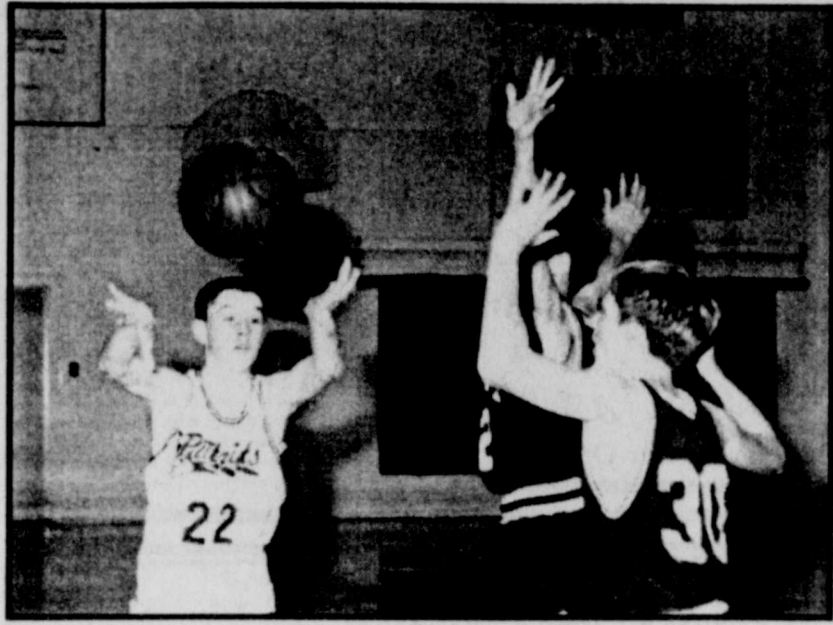
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**BASKETBALL ACTION**-the Deport Junior High Boys played against Avery recently, losing 43-24 to a powerful team. Passing the ball is Spur Norwood. (Staff Photo by Larry Salter)



**THE DEPORT JH B girls** won over Avery 17-7. From left are Danielle Syrus, Jessica Winters, Breanna Holley. (Staff Photo by Larry Salter)



**THE DEPORT JUNIOR High girls A team** won over Avery 41-17 on home territory recently. From left are: Johnna Patterson, Erica Norwood, Amanda Nichols. (Staff Photo by Larry Salter)

**Deport Housing Authority News**

Update time to a few events....Monthly birthday party with Bingo was held on Nov. 17, 1999. Flu symptoms and other appointments made the crowd small. However, those attending having a good time were: Eunice Ervin, Maud Webb, Frances Franklin, Venice Bryson and Phyllis Gifford.

Reporting deadlines for this office and some of the neighboring offices has added more hours to getting reports and documents in to HUD.

Carlos has had orthoscopic surgery on his right knee. He is doing very well, but this has added food preparation back to my chores, something I have not been doing in recent years.

I made my annual trek to Monroe, Louisiana to visit my family and Sister, Marianne and Joe kept up with Carlos and made sure he did not miss a meal.

I will be leaving Tuesday for 3 days of computer program training in Tyler.

It looks like our yard may be devoid of decorations, climbing ladders, excessive stooping and knee bending are not on the list of things Carlos can do at this point in his recover. It will be the first time in 19 years that our yard won't be dressed for Christmas.

**Cemetery donations received**

Area cemeteries are in receipt of the following donations from November 22 through November 29:

**Highland Cemetery:** From Russell Crawford in memory of Murl Burks, R.L. Slaton, Bill Powers Family, Ann and Buck Roberts, Mike Borders.

In memory of Edith I. Crawford from Evelyn Roach and Johnnie Warren.

In memory of Edith Crawford from Aileen Land Ford.

In memory of Buck Roberts from Judy Ryan, Phoebe and Ray Rhodes.

**Community Christmas planned at Fulbright**

Everyone is invited to the annual community Christmas party at the Fulbright Community Center Monday, December 6 at 6 p.m.

Come and bring a covered dish. There will be movies for the children and games for the adults.

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Dr. Austin Reeves

Most of us take pride in being able to care for ourselves. That's why do-it-yourself books-from plumbing to estate planning-can always be counted on to crowd publishers' lists of new releases. When it comes to your feet, though, there are some warning signs that should send you in search of professional help. You should never attempt to treat foot problems if you are diabetic, if you have impaired circulation, if an infection develops, or if allergies prevent you from using over-the-counter medications. In addition, certain physical limitations may make self-care impossible, such as poor vision, hands that are unsteady, and inability to reach the feet comfortably.

The components of the foot and leg are designed to work together, sharing the tremendous pressures of day-to-day living. When they don't work properly, though, it can cause trouble for the rest of the body, and it's time to get help. The specialized care and treatment a podiatrist provides can make an important contribution to an individual's total health. Conveniently located, we are here for you for whatever kind of foot and leg care you need. Please call for an appointment, 784-5585.

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Thanksgiving dinner guests of Clarence and Robbie Wright were Mike and Teresa Wright, Daniel and Rachel of Lewisville, Ronnie and Sue Wright of McCrury, family, Mike, Kim, Ethan and Morgan of Paris, Ronnie, Justin of McCrury, Mallory of Paris, Ronnie and Nelda Bailey of Deport, family, Robert, Melody and Alecia of Deport, Daniel, Tina, Colton Strain of Reno, Terry and Pam Hughes of Bogata, family, James and Sabrina of Paris, Brianna, Trenton of Dallas, Brad and Amanda of Arlington, Jimmy Hughes of Quinlan. Everyone had a wonderful time.

Shorty Ballard spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Texarkana with Jack and Glenda Ballard. Joe and Shorty Ballard went fishing in Longview with Joel Ballard last week. They caught a good mess.

Kathy Bice, Ross and Hoss visited Bill and Joyce Smith and Charles and Donna Slayden of Paris on Tuesday. Ruth Whittle and Kathy Bice visited Tommy and Charlene Borders Sunday.

Happy birthday to Carl Yarbrough, Duane Glover, Fred Swint, Jr., Hanna Riddle, Jaylan Mitchell, Macy Brooke Tisdale, Paul Alan Jackson, Vickie Dvis, Kathy Holt, Darla Keys, Edna Earle Wright, Dr. Keith Young, Sue Crawford Clifton, Carroll Denison, Chad Robinson, Eddie Pickering, Susan Whittle, Hal Bratteli, Brandon Denison, James Asberry, Carla Filkins, Debbie Benfer, Dr. Wayne Couch, Shasta Riley, Susan Roach and Amber Gardner.

Happy anniversary to Judy and Larry Whittle, Joyce and Bill Smith. Having Thanksgiving dinner with Carroll and Nita Denison were Pete and Gloria Denison of Mustang, OK, Ruth Denison, Don and Sherrie Denison and Kandace, David and Brenda Denison and Brandon of Paris, Tiffany and Bengie Phillips of College Station, Harold and Heather Oney, Madison and Darby of Detroit.

Mary Alice Enox, Elois Sparks, Ina Sparks, Nina Sparks and Peggy Parsons attended the luncheon and meeting of the Paris-Lamar Retired Teachers and School Employees on

Monday at PJC. Jan McKinney and daughter Jamie presented a musical program.

Wade and Karen Sparks have a new son, James Cade, born Tuesday, November 23 in Sulphur Springs. Ernie and Rita Sparks of Paris, Jerry and June Burdine of Sylvan are the grandparents. Great-grandparents are Lloyd Simmons of Paris and Yuba Sparks of Deport.

Spending Thanksgiving with Nannie Smith were Jackie and Suzette Davidson and Charles and Linda Davidson of Deport, Buddy and Linda Hines and Ross and Laura Miller of Blossom, Judy and Haskell Booth, Johnny Newman, Clay Miller, Carlous and Lajuan Newman of Paris. Everyone enjoyed the meal and fellowship.

Enjoying Thanksgiving dinner in the home of Lee and Kathy Bice were Mrs. Fay Elmore, Ruth Whittle, Jacky and Melba Elmore of Minter, Pam McKee and children, Jemilyn, Jay Curt and Jerrika of Pattonville and Jesse and Carla Filkins and girls Britany and Courtney. Joyce Smith of Paris visited that afternoon. She, Ruth, Kathy and Courtney visited Mrs. Fay Elmore.

Jeff and Cheryl Whittle of Paris visited Friday. Lee's son, Roy and Penni Bice and daughter Cassi of Farmersville had lunch with them Friday. They left that night.

Nina Sparks visited Ruth Whittle and Kathy on Saturday.

Monday, Kathy visited Nancy, Christina and Billie Murphy. Nancy and Kathy went to Paris antique shopping and stopped for a visit with Wayne and Verda Mae Pearson.

Debbie Pearson and sister Nancy and her granddaughter, Montana, stopped by to see Kathy and Ruth Sunday.

Kathy Bice visited Joan Langley and also Ina and Nina Sparks Monday.

Larry Whittle visited Lee and Kathy Bice Friday.

Friday evening, Lee and Kathy visited Pam McKee and Larry, Judy and Susan Whittle.

Melissa and Gilbert Arriaga were

in Paris on November 25 to run in the Turkey Trot. Gilbert's time was 28.42 minutes in the two mile walk.

Tommy, Kim and Stephen Good, Brandi Stripland, John David Good, Duane Good and Tammy Sandlin of Paris, Jerry, Denise and Laura Brooks of Deport visited Rena Good.

Grant Murrell of Houston visited his mother, Ruth, during the Thanksgiving holiday.

Joe and Kay Gage of Diboll spent Wednesday and Thursday with Virginia Kirkland. Other visitors for Thanksgiving dinner were Marijo and Shelby Bono of Paris and Grant and Ruth Murrell.

Mavis Sowards had as guests for the weekend, her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Syd Snyder of Houston. Visiting Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Mac Jeffus of Hooks.

Kathryne Green returned home Saturday after a week's visit with Lynn and Sharon Aikin of Flower Mound and with Francis Davis in Ft. Worth.

Ina and Nina Sparks and Elois and Mike Sparks had Thanksgiving dinner with Keith and Peggy Parsons of Pattonville.

Carrie Bennett spent the day and had lunch with Mr and Mrs. Frank Jackson in Paris on Thursday.

Reba Temple spent last week in Dallas and Lubbock. In Dallas she visited Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Temple. On Wednesday they went to Lubbock and had Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Mike Temple and family.

In Deport Tuesday through Sunday with Ida Lou Read were Kay and Joy Read of College Station and Sherra Kay of Austin.

Visiting Estelle Chesshire during the week were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haney of Wake Village, Sue Gast of Pegosa Springs, Sheri Meyers of Texarkana, Dr. Robert Norwood and family of Abilene, Denise Harbison and Jared of Garland, Sybil Threadgill of Paris and daughter Cathy of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Snyder of Houston and Mavis Sowards of Deport.

Melba Ladd spent Wednesday through Saturday visiting relatives in Monroe, LA.

Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Wims and Mr. and Mrs. A.B. Berry of Grand Prairie and Michelle Berry of Dallas visited Ruth Cheatham during the Thanksgiving holidays.



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