

Nichols Worth



By Nanalee Nichols

Something Different

We recently returned from vacation in California. We had never been in California before, but were invited by our dear friends, Tom and Midge Foley.

It is a beautiful state, and we saw many diverse things. I have never been in a place where the countryside could change so drastically in such a short distance.

But there was one thing that I did notice. Diversity in shopping seems to be becoming a thing of the past.

Where ever we went there were huge shopping malls. They are truly beautiful, but they are all the same. Not just the same stores in California, but the same store one sees in Dallas, in Chicago, in Washington D.C. and in New York City.

To me, this seems a shame. Part of an area's diversity and difference is the unusual and locally created goods or stores that feature things that are unique.

Yet for the most part it's difficult to find things that aren't mass produced. In other words, at a mall it's almost impossible to find something in California that can't be found in New York City, or Houston. Dillard's, Target, Wal-Mart, Macy's and more are to be found everywhere now.

Oh, there are souvenir stores that feature tee shirts and toothpick holders, caps and toys emblazoned with the name and location of the tourist area.

But the goods we use, the books we buy, the clothes we wear are standardized from coast to coast, border to border!

I don't guess that is the end of the world, but it sure seems to take some of the fun out of things when shopping!

I'm not one for cookie cutter sameness. It does make me appreciate all the more the individual, cozy shops that have searched high and low for the different, the unusual, the outstanding! They still exist, but with the trend towards national chains it's getting harder and harder to find them.

If they disappear, I for one will miss them a lot.

Homecoming will be July 1

Cunningham Homecoming will be Saturday, July 1 at the Community Center.

A barbecue meal will be served at 6 p.m. at the cost of \$6.00. You may make reservations by sending money to Jane O'Neal, Rt. 1, Box 63-A5, Deport, TX 75435 or calling 652-6062 or call Pat Norwood at 652-2672.

Please call everyone in your family or friends that might be interested in attending.

Nursing Home to hold Open House

The Deport Nursing Home will be hosting their annual Open House on Sunday, May 14th from 2 to 4 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome.

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PRIZES FOR PROJECT GRADUATION-These prizes were donated by the Kids Safety Society Coalition-Lamar County. Pictured receiving the gifts are seniors Tera Anderson with cap, Leigh Puckett-coordinator, Lisa Corso with jacket, Amber Norwood with cap and frisbee and Principal Ronnie Baker with cap and frisbee. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Petition asks that section of proposed animal ordinance be removed or amended

Anyone still wanting to sign the petition that is being circulated in Deport concerning the proposed animal control ordinance for the city of Deport should do so before the upcoming meeting Monday, May 8th at 7:00 p.m.

The petition reads: "We, the undersigned are NOT against animal control. We recognize the need for ordinances to allow for the control of dog packs or feral cats. We know the need for rabies vaccination. However, the proposed ordinance contains a section 11 which calls for households or individuals to be limited to only three cats or three dogs. We feel this is unfair. What is important is the quality of care provided to animals, NOT limiting the number of pets people can have. One dog or

cat can be a big problem if it is not vaccinated, and if it's owner is irresponsible. Even six dogs or cats, given the kind of care many pet owners provide, can be less of a problem than one wild or uncared for pet. Many people take in strays, neuter them, vaccinate them and give them proper care. If these people are forbidden to do this worth service the end result will actually be more strays to be killed! Please, remove or change section eleven of the proposed ordinance.

These petitions are available for signing at City Drug Store, Deport Times or Darden-Sparks Department Store. Anyone wishing to sign them may do so.

The petition will be presented to the Deport City Council on their next meeting, which is scheduled for May 8, 2000.

Band to hold concert and supper

The Prairiland Band Boosters will be holding their annual Spring Concert and Hamburger Supper on Tuesday, May 9, 2000. The supper will begin at 5:00 p.m. with the concert beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Admission is \$4.00 for adults,

\$2.00 for students and children under 5 will eat free of charge. The beverage and dessert will be included with the meal.

Door prizes will also be given away, but you must be present to win.

Lady Pats Vball camp scheduled

The Lady Patriot Volleyball Camp will be held on June 5-8. Junior High Camp fee (4-7th grades) is \$50 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. 8th grade and freshman camps will be \$35 from 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Campers will need to bring knee pads, gym shoes, cool, loose clothing and socks.

For more information, contact Coach Frankye Sessums at 903-982-5935 or 903-652-5681.



JOHN WHITNEY, center, was honored on April 10 by Southwestern Foundry of Paris for 20 years of faithful service. Plant manager Steve Hodges recognized the three men honored and presented them with engraved pen sets and plaques. Also honored with Whitney were Jerry Tyler of Blossom and Frankie Green of Pattonville. Jerry works in chemistry, Frankie in the cleaning room and errand personnel and John is lead man in the cleaning room.

People 'n Things

Saturday, May 6, 2000

There will be a Bake and Barbecue Sale sponsored by the Oak Hill Baptist Church of Blossom on the above date beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Saturday, May 6, 2000

Election Day for city and school board members! **VOTE!**

Saturday, May 6, 2000

Prairiland's Prom will be held at the Love Civic Center to begin at 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 9, 2000

Prairiland Band Boosters invite everyone to their annual Spring Concert and Hamburger Supper to begin at 5:00 p.m. Admission is \$4.00 for adults, students \$2.00 and under 5 free. The concert begins at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 11, 2000

Prairiland FFA Banquet in the gym beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Friday, May 12, 2000

Prairiland Sports Banquet at 8:00 p.m. in the gym.

This Saturday is Trades Day in Deport

Don't miss this Saturday, May 6th in Deport! its their Spring Trades Day and everyone is welcome to come set up their booth (free of charge), to shop for bargains, and to have breakfast or lunch!

The event will begin at 7:00 a.m. on Main Street in Deport. Booth holders may set up on a first come, first serve, space available basis. Garage sales, craft sales, vendors of all kinds are welcome.

Breakfast and lunch will be for

sale by the Volunteer Fire Department with proceeds (money left over after expenses) going to the Deport Volunteer Fire Department) Since much of the food is donated, this is an excellent way to make money for the fire department. The Deport Fire Department and Bucket Brigade will also have a garage sale space, also, and proceeds from those items will also benefit the fire department.

It's a great day for fun and bargains and some good food, come on out and enjoy!

One dies in accident near Pattonville Thursday morning

Ronald Beaver Dockrey, age 26 of Pattonville was killed in a two-vehicle accident on Hwy. 271 South near Pattonville, at 2:30 a.m. Thursday, April 28.

According to DPS Trooper Jim Cain a southbound 3/4 ton pickup truck collided with a northbound semi tractor-trailer rig, then left the roadway.

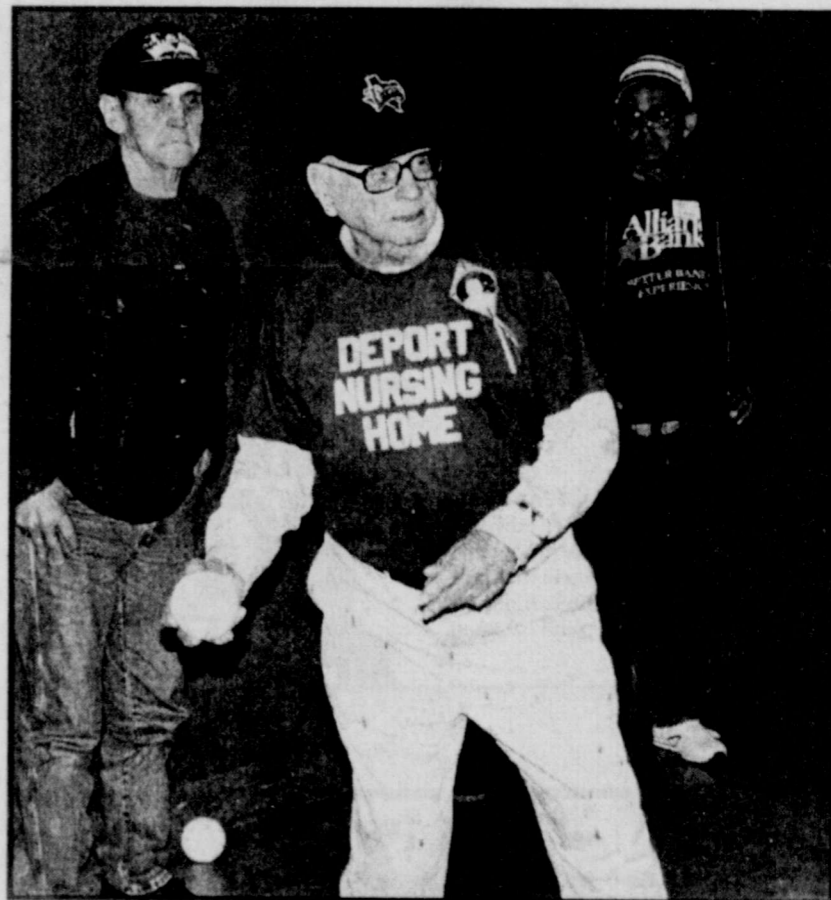
He veered off and hit a bridge

guard railing, overturning and landed upside down below the bridge and caught fire.

Justice of the Peace Don Denison pronounced Dockrey dead at the scene.

Dental records were used to confirm the identification of the body.

Johnny Paul Milstead, age 51, driver of the semi tractor-trailer rig, was uninjured.



RAYMOND HIGNIGHT, resident of Deport Nursing Home, is pictured ready to throw the ball in competition at the Northeast Texas Senior Olympics held in Mt. Pleasant on April 14.

Professorship honors Kelsey

Family and friends of Dr. Mavis P. Kelsey Sr. of Houston have established a professorship in honor of Kelsey and his late wife, Mary, at Texas A&M University's Cushing Memorial Library.

The Mary and Mavis Kelsey Cushing Library Endowed Professorship recognizes the Kelsey's longtime contributions to collections in art, literature and history. Dr. Kelsey is a 1932 graduate of Texas A&M and a Distinguished Alumnus of the university.

As avid collectors of Americana and Texana, the Kelseys provided the cornerstone for the Cushing Memorial Library collections and shaped the library's reputation among its peers. Donald Dyal, associate university librarian and director of Cushing Library, will hold the Kelsey Professorship. The Dyal-Kelsey friendship of more than 20 years spawned a partnership in building and sustaining collections of distinction at Cushing.

Prairiland ISD board has three seats open

Prairiland ISD has three Board Places up for election. Chet Downs has made application to run again for Place 7. Chet has served the Prairiland district as Place 7 Board member since 1990, serving as Board Secretary most of that time. Chet has received over 100 Board Training hours during his tenure.

Clyde E. Bankhead has made application to run again for Place 5. Clyde has served as Trustee in Place 5 since 1994. He has been elected by his fellow board members as Vice-

President for the past four years. Clyde has received over 50 hours of School Board Training hours.

Place 4 on the Board is currently being held by Dicky Miller who was appointed to serve out the unexpired term of Virgil Jones. Dicky has made application to run for the remaining year of this place. The person elected to this place will run again in 2001.

The Prairiland School Board general election which will be held on May 6, 2000.

Prairiland FFA does well at sale

The Prairiland FFA participated in the Lamar County Junior Livestock Show and Sale on April 26-28, 2000. The following is a list of members and their animals:

Grand Champion Lamb-Sabrina Sexton-\$2100. Deanne Presley-Reserve Champion Lamb-\$1250.

Grand Champion Broilers-Josh Osborne-\$750 and Tiffanie Osborne-Reserve Champion Broilers-\$650.

Kara Nation-Reserve Champion Dairy-\$2000.

Market Swine-Spur Norwood-2nd place-\$650; Chris Unruh-1st-\$1000; Amber Norwood-3rd-\$750; Daniel Hancock-4th-\$950; Hollie Allen-4th-\$1250; Logan Norwood-5th-\$850; Layton Norwood-6th-\$950; and Miles Bradford-8th-\$800.

Market Lambs-Susan Whittle-1st-\$750; Jace Norwood-2nd-\$850; Jenny Harper-4th-\$650; and Renee

Moreland-8th-\$700.
Rabbits-Jonathan Smith-3rd-\$400 and Heather Bybee-5th-\$600.

Market Steers-Brittany Ballard-2nd-\$1700; Larry Smith-2nd-\$1850; Jimmy Smith-3rd-\$1400; Justin Brewer-4th-\$1450; and Jessica Stapleton-4th-\$1550.

Market Broilers-Jennifer Syrus-4th-\$450; April Boradway-6th-\$575; and Lacy Davis-8th-\$950.

Goats-Kolbie Carlow-8th-\$875. Dairy-Chastiti Weeks-2nd-\$2100 and Josh Nation-2nd-\$2100.

Heifers-Champion Hereford-Jessica Stapleton; Reserve Camphion Herfered-Jeremiah Jones; Champion Santa Gertrudis-Garrett Horton; Reserve Maine Anjou-Larry Smith; Champion Shorthorn-Matt Downs; and Champion Limousin-Ashley Doyal.



Editor's Quotes
I find the great thing in this world is, not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are moving
Goethe

Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin



This week's column is dedicated to the wonderful and delicious cheesecake! The lowly cheesecake is often mistaken as a time-consuming effort that needs many special ingredients. Not so with these recipes. Each one has a distinctive taste and there is one for everyone's liking. We hope you enjoy these and we will see you in the kitchen!

Cherry Cheesecake- the old standby...but everyone loves them!
Cheesecake-lemon jello gives this

cheesecake a zing!
Banana Caramel Spice Pie- instant pudding with a bit of cinnamon topped with caramel desert topping. Yummy!
Candy Bar Pie- chop up candy bars and add to this pie and it is great!
Chocolate Triple Layer Pie- dark and light chocolate blended and topped with Cool Whip!
Memorial Day Cheesecake- top with blueberries and strawberries to give it that red, white and blue flair!

May 4, 2000 Cheesecake Recipes

Cherry Cheesecake

1 package graham crackers-crushed
2 tablespoons sugar
3 tablespoons melted butter or margarine
1-3 ounce instant vanilla pudding
2 cups sour cream
1-8 ounce package cream cheese
1/4 cup sugar
2 teaspoons almond flavoring
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 can cherry pie filling
Combine graham crackers, sugar and butter. Press into 13 x 9 pan. Combine pudding mix, sour cream and softened cream cheese. Whip until smooth. Slowly stir in sugar and flavorings. Pour over crust and spread pie filling on top.

Cheesecake

1 tall can evaporated milk
1 package lemon Jello
1 cup boiling water
2-1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs
2 tablespoons sugar
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1 stick melted oleo
1-8 ounce cream cheese
1/2 cup sugar
2 teaspoons vanilla

Freeze milk and beaters until ice crystals form. Dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Cool to room temperature. Combine crumbs, 2 tablespoons sugar, cinnamon and oleo. Press 3/4 mixture into 13x9x2-inch pan. Beat milk until fluffy. Beat cream cheese and 1/2 cup sugar until light and fluffy. Blend cooled gelatin and vanilla. Add milk to cream cheese mixture. Beat at high speed for 2 minutes. Pour over crumbs. Sprinkle remaining crumbs over top. Chill until firm for approximately 3 hours.

Banana-Caramel Spice Cheesecake
1 large ripe banana
1 shortbread crust
2 cups cold milk
2 packages Jell-o white chocolate or vanilla instant pudding
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1 tub Cool Whip thawed
caramel dessert topping

Place banana in bottom of crust. Pour milk into large bowl. Add pudding mixes and cinnamon. Beat with wire whisk for 1 minute. Gently stir in whipped topping. Spoon into crust. Refrigerate for 4 hours until set. Top with caramel topping.

Candy Bar Cheesecake

4 ounces cream cheese-softened
1 tablespoon milk
12 ounces Cool Whip
2 packages chocolate-covered peanut nougat bars-chopped
1-3/4 cups milk
2 packages Jello- instant chocolate pudding
1 prepared pie crust

Mix cream cheese and 1 tablespoon milk with wire whisk until smooth. Gently stir in 2 cups Cool Whip and chopped candy bars; set aside. Pour 1-3/4 cups milk into another bowl and add pudding mixes. Beat with wire whisk for 1 minute. Gently stir in 1/2 cup whipped topping. Spread 1/2 pudding mixture on bottom of crust. Spread cream cheese over pudding mixture. Top with remaining pudding mixture. Refrigerate for 4 hours and garnish with Refrigerate Cool Whip.

Chocolate Triple Layer Cheesecake
2 cups cold milk
2 packages Jell-o chocolate instant pudding
1 graham cracker crust
1 tub Cool Whip

Pour milk into large bowl; add pudding mixes. Beat with wire whisk for 1 minute. Spoon 1-1/2 cups of the pudding into crust. Gently stir 1/2 of the whipped topping into remaining pudding. Spread over pudding in crust. Top with remaining whipped topping and refrigerate for 4 hours or until set.

Memorial Day Cheesecake

1-3 ounce package lemon Jell-o
1 tub Cool Whip
1/2 cup sugar
1 large Cool Whip graham cracker crust

Mix jello with 1 cup hot water and set aside to cool. Mix sugar, cream cheese and whipped topping. Add jello add fold in Cool Whip. Pour into graham cracker crust.



Jennifer Elaine Hampton dies April 17

Jennifer Elaine Hampton, 25, of Bogata died April 17, 2000 after a long battle with cancer. Services under the direction of Brownrigg Funeral Home were held at the Free Hope Baptist Church in Bogata Thursday, April 20 at 2:30 p.m. with Rev. George Rape officiating. Interment was in Turner Cemetery in Fulbright, Tx.

Jennifer was born March 15, 1975 in Paris, Texas to the late Otis Hampton and Nancy Hampton. She united with Free Hope Baptist Church at an early age. She attended Rivercrest High School where she graduated in 1993. She was preceded in death by her father, her brother, Terris Hampton and grandmother, Robbie Lockhart.

Survivors include her mother, Nancy Hampton of Talco, special friend, Billy Joe Stewart Jr. of Bogata, Grandfather, Elbert Lockhart of Bogata, Aunts, Shirley Nickerson of Bogata, Libby Redd of Honey Grove, Ruby James of Dallas and Martha Smith of Houston, Uncle, Porter Brooks of Bogata and a host of cousins and friends.

Serving as pallbearers were Benny Wyatt, Quentin Emry, Craig Savage, Jonathan Savage, Lee Edwards and Daryl Bryers.



Richard Neal Chapman

Richard Neal Chapman dies May 2

Richard Neal Chapman, age 59 of Deport, died at his residence on Tuesday, May 2.

Graveside services were held Wednesday, May 3 in Highland Cemetery in Deport at 10:00 a.m. with the Rev. James Judd officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mr. Chapman was born August 15, 1940 in Binghamton, NY, the son of Clyde and Anna Neal Chapman. On February 14, 1985 he married the former Ruth Stowe. He worked for Honeywell, Inc. for 18 years in Clearwater, Florida as a computer designer in the Aeronautics Division.

He is survived by his wife, Ruthe Chapman of Deport; three stepdaughters, Sherrie Judd, Karen Grossman and Kathy Simmons, all of Deport; four granddaughters and one great-grandson; a sister, Thelma Schneider of Nichols, NY; one brother, Kent Chapman of Andrews, NC; an aunt, Elizabeth (Betty) Smith of Port Charlotte, Florida; and several nieces and nephews.

Audrey Rodgers dies April 29

Audrey Rodgers, age 77 of Bogata died Saturday, April 29 at her residence.

Services were held Monday, May 1 at 11:00 a.m. in the Bogata United Methodist Church with Rev. Bob Posey officiating. Burial followed in Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mrs. Rodgers was born August 23, 1922 in Lockesburg, AR, the daughter of Robert Thomas and Mary Humes Saunders. She married Fred Rodgers on October 7, 1950 in Deport. He preceded her death on December 27, 1974.

She is survived by a son, Alvin Rodgers of Bogata; three daughters, Rita Ginn of Clarksville, Elaine Morgan and Mary Joplin, both of Bogata; two brothers, Harold Saunders of Ft. Worth and Leonard Saunders of Okemah, OK; two sisters, Elizabeth Tye of Burleson and Dorothy Kennedy of Kennedale; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Beareres were Justin Strawn, Robert Lewis, Berney Huddleston, Shane Joplin, Paul Kennedy and Rusty Lawings.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to Ella McFadden Hospice of St. Joseph Hospital.

Special meeting of RRV softball held

On Sunday, April 30, 2000 a special meeting of the Red River Valley Dixie Girls Softball League's Board was called. Under discussion was a girl who had played illegally last year (outside her own town) with the knowledge of some last year's officers. This year the young lady has played in her proper place in her home town and the decision had to be made weather by Dixie Rule she belonged to the other town in which she had played.

The board found with the help of Dixie Director, Louise Yates that the young lady will remain in her home town and all games that she has participated in are legal. However, she or no other girl may ever play in another town if there is a team in their age group at their home town, unless they qualify for Dixie Softball Hardship Clause or unless they move.

The board also discussed the closing ceremony for this season. It will be held on June 13, 2000 in Avery beginning with a 7 & 8 year old All Star game. Following the game a 8:00 p.m. all awards will be given to the remaining teams; 9 & 10; 11 & 12; 13-14 & 15; 16-17 & 18.

Red River Valley Dixie Girls Softball Board members are; David Dudley-Detroit, Chuck Williams-Clarksville, Connie Giles-Bogata, Nancy Brown-Talco, Curt Woodwall-Deport and Rebecca White-Avery.



ETMC installs MRI

East Texas Medical Center Clarksville has expanded its radiology services with a new magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) unit.

The MRI will allow ETMC to improve the diagnostic capabilities for local physicians. It will also eliminate the inconvenience of driving long distances for patients needing this type of diagnostic testing.

The new imaging system is manufactured by Phillips, and has a high field strength super-conducting magnet, allowing for faster and more detailed imaging. It also has uniquely designed large, flared opening to reduce claustrophobia, often associated with MRI.

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Obituaries

Homer Austin dies May 1

Homer Austin, age 82 of Clarksville died Monday, May 1 in East Texas Medical Center, Clarksville.

A military memorial graveside service was held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 6 at Warner Memorial Cemetery in Warner, OK with Rev. Jim Merritt officiating. The family received friends at Wood Funeral Home in Logata from 7 to 8 p.m. on Thursday.

Mr. Austin was born May 27, 1917 in Annona, the son of Roy and Lida Evelyn Dunlap Austin. He married the former Lillie Faye Merritt on May 20, 1944 in Warner, OK. She preceded him in death in 1991. He was also preceded in death by a son, Douglas in 1998 and a granddaughter, Monica in 1983.

He was retired from the U.S. Army, retiring after 20 years in 1960 at the rank of Master Sergeant. He worked for Montgomery Ward from 1961 until 1964, later going to work for Bell Helicopter, where he retired in 1982.

He is survived by his two sons, Stan Austin of Watauga and Stephen Austin of Marietta, Georgia; three sisters, Opal Severt of High Point, North Carolina, Edwina Sparks of Clarksville and Jacqueline Jones of Ardmore, OK; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Lillian Delene Sparlin dies April 30

Mrs. Lillian Delene Sparlin, age 76 of Bogata died Sunday, April 30 in Christ St. Joseph Hospital in Paris.

At her request, no formal funeral services were held. Cremation was under the direction of Wood Funeral Home of Bogata.

Mrs. Sparlin was born October 28, 1923 in Red River County, near Cuthand, the daughter of Jessie and Jeffie Barnett Mauldin.

She is survived by her daughter, Dorothy Burns of Carlsbad, NM; six grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Marie Roberts of Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Ada Phiffer of Bryson and Mrs. Eula Martin of Bogata.

Lelan H. Stringer dies April 30

Lelan H. Stringer, age 78 of Tyler died April 30 in Tyler.

Services were held Wednesday May 3 at the Lloyd James Funerary Home Chapel in Tyler with Rev. Karen Morris officiating. Burial followed in Edom Cemetery in Edon TX.

Mr. Stringer was born in Pine Bluff on December 25, 1921, a son of Ebby and Charlie Stringer. He had lived in Tyler since 1945. He worked for Apache Phillips 66 after retiring from Hickson-Ellis and was a veteran of World War II serving as an Army Air Corps tailgunner. He was a member of the Cedar Street United Methodist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Opalene Stringer of Tyler; two daughters and sons-in-law, Virginia Burkett and Mixon and Corene and John Roa of Deport; a sister, Lillian Lane of Brownsboro; three grandchildren Michael Roach, Jenny Asbery and Anita Burkett and one great-grandson, Josh Burkett.

Beareres were Kelly Easley, Matt Rowan, Bobby Stringer, Jack Stringer, Jerry Stringer and Glenn Taylor. Honorary beareres were Donald Stringer, Larry Patterson, Fred McPhail, O.J. Willis, Don Stringer, Eugene McCloskey and O.J. Willis.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 130577, Tyler, Tx 75713.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Roy Stringer; and two grandsons, Marty Burkett and Casey Roach.

Volunteers needed at Terrell State Hospital

Volunteers are needed to be part of a team to enhance the lobby areas and dorm rooms at Terrell State Hospital. No special skills required. From painting murals to hanging wallpaper boarder, there will be something for everyone to do regardless of artistic abilities. Please call 972-551-8446 and volunteer to brighten the lives of the residents at Terrell State Hospital.

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May 4 -7

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Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.

Speaker: Joseph Meader,
Director - Southwest School of Preaching
Topic of Study: "His Authority"
Thursday - Jesus Has all Authority
Friday- Jesus is the Authorized Head of the Church
Saturday - Jesus is the Authorized Savior
Sunday Bible Class - The Church Authorized by God
Sunday a.m. - Authorized Leadership in the Church
Sunday p.m. - Authorized Work of the Church



LAMAR ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE Youth Tour winners-Pictured left to right is LEC CEO Don McCaskill, Lakeshia Edwards-Roxton ISD, Megan Filkins-Prairiland ISD, and winner Elizabeth Wells of Paris ISD. (Staff Photo)

Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work.
—Thomas Edison

Milton News

By Multiple Upchurch

Gary Winfrey of McKinney visited John and Velma Temple on Saturday.

Edna Talley is recuperating at home after a hospital stay last week.

Ann and Sheldon Lee and Mattyly Upchurch went to The Encore Celebration performance at PJC Sunday.

Laura and Donny Wright of Deport spent Saturday with Stacy, Allen and Ally Huddleston.

Tim Salter had dinner with Velma and John Temple on Thursday night.

Boyd Slaton and his mother Robbie Slaton of Halesboro visited George and Nell Wolf Wednesday.

Nell Shull spent Wednesday

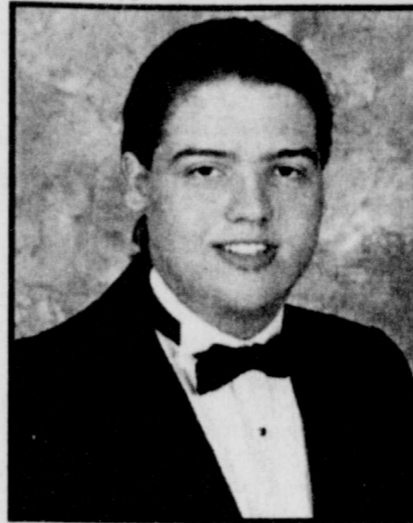
through Friday with her daughter and family in Shreveport helping them with cleaning and packing things af-

ter their home was hit by a tornado last week. There was a lot of damage to their home but no one was injured.

Mary and Eran Yoder of Hopewell spent Sunday with her mother, Edna Talley.

Ann and Sheldon Lee were visited last week by Kathy Ferguson of Galveston. They spent Wednesday in Tyler, touring the Tyler Rose Garden and the Rose Museum. On Friday, they shopped in Sulphur Springs.

Ann and Sheldon Lee had lunch and shopped in Sherman on Monday.



PRAIRILAND Senior Nikalus Clarkston was awarded a Foundation Scholarship to Southern Arkansas University, Magnolia. The four-year scholarship includes resident tuition as a full-time student and room in the university residence halls. Nikalus is a member of the Prairiland marching and jazz bands. He plans to major in computer science and is the son of Randle and Lesa Clarkston of Blossom. (Staff Photo)



2000 PATRIOT BASEBALL TEAM- district winners-Front row left to right Matthew Basinger, Jason Elrod, Charlie Lawrence, Drew Riddles, Ryan Brook and Chris Berry. Back row is Coach Bill Tesch, Eddie Hiser, Jonathon Martin, Kyle Malone, Matt Cavender, Heath Sessums, Stan Cox, Aaron Murdock and Coach Rick Connot. (Staff Photo)

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Week of May 8

8 NHS Induction Ceremony, 8:30
 9 Band Spring Concert, 6:30
 10 Youth for Christ, 7:50 a.m. Cafeteria
 11 Ag Banquet
 12 State Track Tournament
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Amanda Babb to wed Brandon Bell

Babb-Bell announce engagement

Mrs. Gayla Babb of Blossom, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Bell of Paris, Texas announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children Amanda Gayle Babb and Brandon Young Bell.

The couple will exchange marriage vows at six-thirty in the evening on Friday, June 16, 2000 at Fellowship Baptist Church in Blossom, Texas. The Reverend Buddy Greer will perform the double-ring nuptial ceremony. Following the wedding, a reception will be held in the couple's honor at Paris Golf and Country Club. Family and friends are cordially invited to attend.

Amanda is also the daughter of the late Bill Babb. She is the granddaughter of Jerry and Inez Babb of Paris and the late Neal Helm and John Babb. She is a 1995 honor

graduate of Prairiland High School, Pattonville and received a Bachelor of Art Degree from Austin College in Sherman, Texas in 1999. She will receive a Master of Arts in Teaching from Austin College in May, 2000. Amanda is employed by Paris ISD as volleyball and basketball coach and teacher.

Brandon is the grandson of Mrs. Marie Bell of Honey Grove, Texas and the late Dean Bell and Mary Lee Moore of Savoy, Texas and the late Lloyd Moore. He is a 1992 honor graduate of Prairiland High School, Pattonville. Brandon received an Accounting/Economics Degree in 1999 from Texas A&M-Commerce and is pursuing a Masters Degree in Economics as well as his CPA certification. He is employed by Liberty National Bank as an auditor.

PISD announces honor roll

The 5th 6-weeks Honor Roll has been released for Prairiland High School. The following students are listed on the "A" Honor Roll:

Brittany Bailey, Josh Benfer, Thomas Bishop, Jaci Chaney, Nikalus Clarkson, Lisa Corso, Aimee Crites, Catherine Dawson, Ashley Doyal, Megan Filkins, Micheal Flatt, Megan Graham, Elana Hafter, Jenny Harper, Julie Himes, Casey Johnson, Bryan Murdock, Trista Reves, Robert Robertson, Tara Simmons, Susan Singleton Jones, Abbie Smith, Jessica Stapleton, Lacy Vincil, Lance Westbrook, Mitch Whitaker, Candice Whitaker, Ashley Whitley and Mallory Woodall.

Named to the "A-B" Honor Roll was: Tera Anderson, Heather Anthony, Amanda Ball, Ashley Ball, Chance Bankhead, Brad Barrentine, Tabitha Baxter, Cody Boehler, Taylor Brewer, Amber Brumalow, Melissa Burden, Nathan Byrd, Matt Cavender, Minda Corso, and David Crossland.

Also Amanda Denman, Lori Deverell, Andi Gillie, Jennifer Glasgow, Brandon Gray, Chris Green, Rebecca Hamm, Amy Hicks, Joel Hudson, Brad Hunt, Rachel Hunt, Amanda Hyde, Hollie Jones, Kelly Kincaid, Daniel Lee, Bessie Lewis, Jessica Lewis, Amie Love, Cheslie Loveless, Kyle Malone, Jonathan Martin and Jennifer Matthews.

Also listed is Michael Mazy, Justin McDowra, Lucas Miller, Renea Moreland, Aaron Murdock, Amber Norwood, James Osterbuhr, Lindsey Peel, Lori Pitcock, Ashley Rhodes, Lucas Roddy, Bren Screws, John Semple, Kara Shores, Raynie Skidmore, Catherine Smith, Jessica Spencer, Lacy Spray, Melissa Steinkamp, Micheal Tallant, Felicia Taylor, D.J. Watkins, Susan Whittle, Natalie Wilson and Candace Yaross.



Cathy Sugg to wed David Prazak

Sugg-Prazak announces engagement

Katherine Sugg is proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Cathy Ann Sugg to David Wayne Prazak.

The groom is the son of Elna Prazak and the late Raymond Prazak of Diana. He is a graduate of Diana High School and is employed by Texas Department of Criminal Justice as a correctional officer.

The couple will be married at seven o'clock in the evening on May 12, 2000 at Bethel Baptist Church in Clardy, Texas. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Katherine Sugg and the late Virgil Sugg of Taylortown. She is a graduate of Prairiland High School

and is employed by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice as a correctional officer.

No formal invitations will be sent. Friends and family are invited to attend.

UMW meets at Glover Home

The regular meeting of the United Methodist Women was held Monday night in the home of Martha Glover. President Juanita Sparks opened the meeting with a devotional and responsive reading of the Purpose of UMW. Juavane Carpenter reviewed an article from "Response" entitled Women in Sierra Leone.

Ruth Cheatham presented the Story of Lydia taken from the 16th chapter of Acts.

Hostess Martha Glover served refreshments to 11 members. The May 15 meeting guest speaker will be Reneata McCoin, a native of Germany, followed by a covered dish supper.

Bogata V.F.W. Post 8187
 News

*Meeting time is 2nd and 4th Monday night at 7:00 p.m.
 *Post is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 12:00 midnight, and Saturday from 12:00 noon until 1:00 a.m.
 *Thursday at 7:00 p.m. is 42 playing time and Pool and shuffleboard are open all the time.
 *The VFW will be starting a pool tournament on Tuesday night at 7:00 pm. Everyone is invited to come out for competition and fellowship.
 *On April 20 a bar-b-que meal will be served at the post with all proceeds going to the Ladies Auxiliary. Serving will begin at 5:30 p.m. Following the meal at 7:00 p.m. 42 will begin. This is also a birthday party for those with April birthdays. Please make plans to attend for good food and fellowship.
 *April is election of officers for the next year. All members are urged to attend the April meetings. Every member will be needed to have a strong VFW and Auxiliary. Please contribute your support and help keep Bogata's VFW strong.

Wanted, Cooks!

Liz Irwin, our cooking columnist, needs cooks to interview anywhere in this area. Please call her at 903-982-5829, or the Bogata News at 632-5322 or Deport Times at 652-4205 or Talco Times at 379-4445 and tell us about a good or unusual cook of any age that you would like to see featured.

Liberty Huddleston is honored

A birthday party was given for Liberty Huddleston at the home of Yuba Sparks on Friday, April 28.

After dinner, Happy Birthday was sung to Liberty and a "money tree" was given to her with little green bags of money tied to the tree with gold ribbons. Other gifts were also given.

Attending were her mother, Mary Ericsson; her sister, Crystal Baker and son, Dexter; aunts, uncles and cousins, Alta Fangio, Ernie and Rita Sparks, Lisa and Philip Hutto, Tiffany Hughes, Duane and Kathy Fangio, Tamara and Brittany Bean, Chris, Teena and Courtney Sparks, Wade, Karen, Savana and Cade Sparks, Camille, Justin and Shelby Click; her husband Randy and daughter Charity Huddleston; her sister-in-law, Amy Osborne and her three sons, Drew, Colin and Trent.

A good time was had playing cards and fellowshiping together.

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FOOT FRACTURES

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To the Editor:

This is in response to a letter I received postmarked Odessa, Texas, from the Board and Management of Lamar County Electric Cooperative, dated April 17, 2000; stating a Rayburn Country lawsuit against Lamar Electric and Cap Rock Electric.

The lawsuit filed by Lamar Electric and Cap Rock against Rayburn Country was conveniently omitted. Was this merely an oversight?

As a special Board meeting on March 10, 2000, the Board members of Lamar Electric voted to raise the percentage of signatures required in order for members to call a special meeting from 10% to 25%. This motion failed for lack of a two-thirds majority vote. This vote was taken ten days after LEC members started obtaining signatures by petition to call a special meeting. The Farmer's Co-op merger proposal was also rejected. The Board refused to let LEC members attend this meeting. A few days later, Lamar Electric filed a lawsuit against Farmer's Co-op, preventing Farmer's Co-op from discussing with Lamar Electric members the benefits contained in their proposal. Is this fair?

It is my understanding that about eight years ago Hunt-Collins, a member of Rayburn Country, merged with Cap Rock Electric. A settlement agreement was signed between Cap Rock Electric, Hunt-Collins and Rayburn Country, stating that Cap Rock would never again become involved with Rayburn Country or any of their members. Lamar Electric is a member of Rayburn Country. It appears that the lawsuit in

Midland, Texas, heard in the 238 District Court of Judge John G. Hyde, honored the settlement agreement and ruled in favor of Rayburn Country.

The LEC Board believes that "Such a combination would be very beneficial to you, the Lamar EC member, as it would return to you immediately your equity ownership (capital credits) in Lamar." How is this possible? In order to give the same item back, one first has to take that item away. It appears that for Cap Rock to return equity ownership in Lamar Co-op that belongs to co-op members back to LEC members, they first have to take the capital credits away from LEC members. I don't understand why it is necessary to take capital credits, owned by LEC members, away from these members just so that Cap Rock can immediately return them. It makes no sense. Is there possibly a surcharge or does Cap Rock already have our capital credits?

As member of both Lamar Electric and Cap Rock, I called upon the board of both organizations, who state, "We are determined to continue the right, the fight to provide you with the power to make your own decision and direct your own future," to cancel this merger in order that Lamar Electric might continue to develop its full potential. The authority exists to terminate this agreement on page 243, paragraph 11.02, in the contract between Cap Rock Electric and Lamar County Electric. It is incumbent upon the Board of Directors to take the necessary action.

Bill Ross
Paris, Texas



Depart Nursing Home News
By Cletta Mathis

Visiting with Milow Hume was Joe & Jean Richards.

Visiting with Geneva Kelley was Dale & Darlene Kelley, Jo Ann McGee, Ruby Carter.

Visiting with Ruby Neeley on her 100th birthday was her son and daughter in law, Charles and Fran Neeley; Jerry Terrell, Dewey C.

Visiting with Terry McDowra was Cecil and Margaret Allen.

Visiting with Verta Lynn was Stella Martin; Christian Caminta, both visiting from New Orleans, La; and Ruth Chipman of Minter.

Visiting with Purna Haydock was Cecil Allen.

Visiting with David Geer was his daughter, Joyce, Leon Whitsell, and Cecil and Margaret Allen.

Visiting with Ada Chaddick was Sherry; Monda; Cecil and Margaret Allen, Canyon and Monty.

Visiting with Alma Montgomery was Cecil Allen.

Visiting with Delma Babbs was Joe and Jean Richards from Twin Oaks Blueberry Farm in Campbell.

Visiting Edna Gifford was Marie Franks.

Visiting with Ina Griffin was Patsy Curtis, Connie and Kathryn

Visiting with Geneva Franklin was Connie and Kathryn

Visiting with Raymond Hignight was Cecil and Margaret Allen and Thurman and Marie Franks.

Visiting with Lucille Morgan was Cecil and Margaret Allen, Dewey Ward.

Visiting with Pat Hollje was E.J. Newberry.

Visiting with Ina Hedrick was Norma McIntire, Doris Haning.

Visiting with Ray Wells as Ken, Glenn and James Wells.

Visiting with Sara Gilmer was Dewey and Marlene, Suzann Shoran, Sarena Owens, Seyann and Sarena.

Visiting with Nora Barnett was Varnel Barnett, Rita Thomason, and Elizabeth.

Visiting with Viola Borham was Cecil and Margaret Allen.

Visiting with Johnnie Waren was Phill and Joyce Love of Ft. Worth, Lucy Fowler, JoAnn Henson, Lila Screws, Evelyn Roach, Joe and Jean Richards of Campbell.

RRGS to host Larry Banks of Detroit

Everyone is invited to attend the regular monthly meeting of the Red River County Genealogical Society on Monday evening, May 6 at 7:30 in the Red River County Library.

The speaker for this month will be Larry Banks of Detroit. He is a well-known archeologist and a Red River

County resident.

His subject will be Caddo Indians and will be based on evidence found at sites excavated in and around the Red River County.

All interested persons are encouraged to come and enjoy the program.

Pattonville News

By Peggy Parsons



Happy birthday to Sarah Tubbs, Mark Parsons, Alma Montgomery, Blake Woodall, Landon Woodall, Allen Gifford, Pat Ham and Russell Ham.

Happy anniversary to Al and Angie Ricardi, Buster and Louise Crossland. Bill and Ruby D. Blevins were honored with a family dinner Saturday in the Pattonville Baptist Church fellowship hall in observance of their 60th anniversary. The food was prepared by her nieces and Mike Wright prepared their cake. Attending were Junior and Billie Ruth Pat of Dallas, Dewey and Dorothy Pate, Jessie Newsom and Dorothy Anderson of Paris, Pam Sulsar, Clovis and Katie VanDeaver of Fulbright, Glenda and Dorothy Renfro of Deport, Alice Ruth Gravett, Mike Wright of Reno, Jim and Bernice Bell, Ed and Sandy Ring and Heather Anderson.

Attending the 5th Sunday singing at the Cunningham Baptist church were Ruby D. Blevins, Sandy Ring, Ashleigh and Heather, Ann Geer, Glen and Dorothy Renfro, James and Kati Winters and grandchildren, Betty White, Ruth Crenshaw, Kenneth and Linda Craig and daughter, Elreida Craig, Ricky and Glenda Runnels, James an Sherrie Judd.

Sympathy is extended to the family of 26-year old Ronald Beaver of Pattonville who died last

Thursday in a wreck just west of Pattonville near the roadside park.

Congratulations to Megan Filkins, who was named a winner of the Lamar Electric Cooperative's youth tour contest with a trip to Washington, DC June 15-27. She is the daughter of Barry and Diane Woodall.

Buster and Louise Crossland and Ruby Ray of Blossom visited Bonnie Clark in Bonham last week.

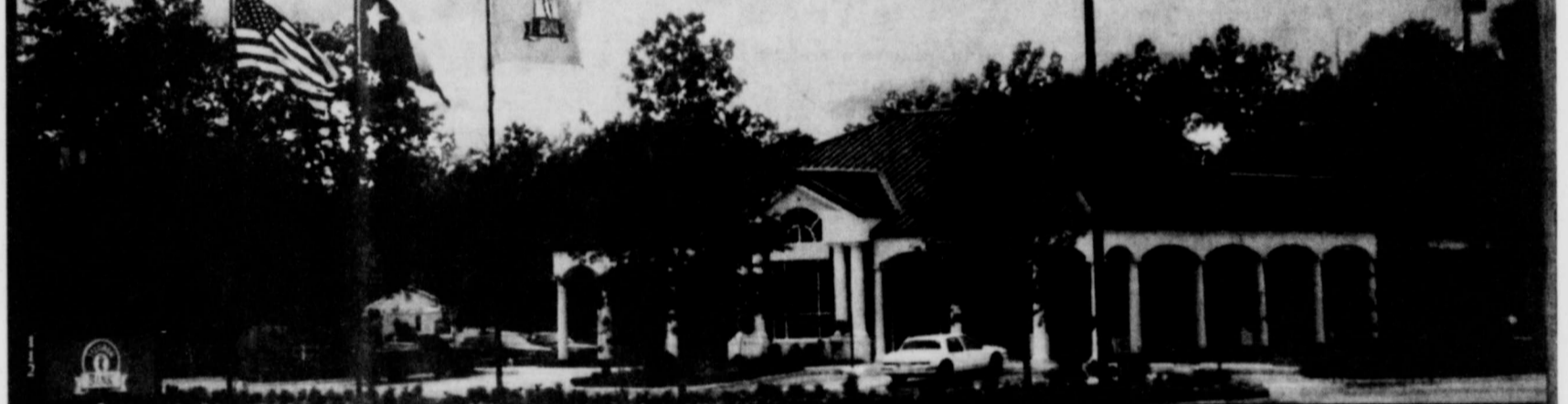
Easter Sunday dinner guests of Buster and Louise Crossland were Kent and Mary Ann Wright, Brandon and Blaine of Deport, Travis Crossland and Ashley of Paris, Willie and Donna Crossland and David, Michael and Kristina Crossland and Ty.

The Pattonville Church of Christ members enjoyed their 5th Sunday singing and fellowship at the Community Center at noon.

Lonie and Laura Layton of Paris, Steve and Beverly Cope of Slabtown, Randy and Kristi Boren and Leah, and Keith and Peggy Parsons attended Drew Boren's baseball games at Woodall Field in Paris three nights last week.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Roy Sharyers, who died at his home in Granbury Monday. He is survived by his wife, the former Mildred Simmons, who was formerly of the Shady Grove community.

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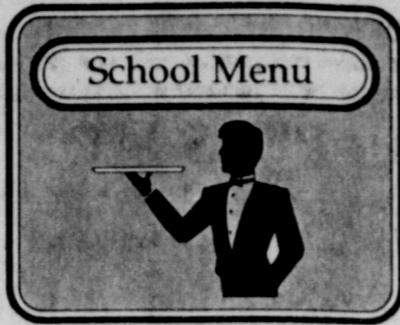
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Prairiland All Campus Menu Week of May 8 Monday

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Wednesday Breakfast: Cereal, toast Juice, milk Lunch: Sliced ham Potatoes Gravy Corn Rolls Milk

Thursday Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast Juice, milk Lunch: Nachos Salad Mexican beans Rice Krispie treat Milk

Friday Breakfast: Cereal, toast Juice, milk Lunch: Ham and cheese sandwich Chips Cookies Milk

Expanded Classifieds....

Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

City of Deport Texas Community Development Program The City of Deport will hold a public hearing at 6:45 p.m. on May 8, 2000 at Deport City Hall in regard to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for a Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) grant.

and time of bid opening. The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids. All bids shall remain good and may not be withdrawn for 30 calendar days. 5-71

GRANT MANAGEMENT SERVICES PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Bogata is soliciting proposals from qualified individuals or firms for management, administrative, and planning services required by the City for implementation of the Texas Community Development Program.

In order to be considered, proposals must be submitted prior to 10:00 a.m. on the 15th day of May, 2000. The City of Bogata is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer and individuals or firms, submitting proposals will not be discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, mental or physical disability, marital status, parenthood or age.

The City reserves the right to negotiate with any and all management consultants or firms that submit proposals, per the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act and the Uniform Grant and Contract Management Standards. The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

A complete Request for Proposal outlining services required by the City, submission requirements, and evaluation criteria has been prepared. Interested parties may obtain copies of this Request for Proposal by contacting the person below:

Box 400 Bogata, Texas 75417 903-632-5315 5-4

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that the Wallis Health Facilities Development Corporation (the "Issuer") will conduct public hearings (the "Hearings") at 10:00 a.m. Friday, May 19, 2000 in the City of Wallis, Texas, at the City Council Meeting Room at City Hall, 114 South Third Street, Wallis, Texas 77485 and at 10:00 a.m. Friday, May 19, 2000 in the City of Deport, Texas in the Administrative Office at the Deport Nursing Home, Highway 271, Deport, Texas 75435, on the proposed issuance by the Issuer of two series of health facilities development corporation revenue bonds (the "Bonds").

All interested persons are invited to attend and express any comments that they have.

orally or in writing, regarding the proposed issuance of the Bonds and the Project to be financed thereby. Any interested persons unable to attend the Hearings may submit their views in writing to Mr. James Dibala, President of the Board of Directors, Wallis Health Facilities Development Corporation, 114 South Third Street, Wallis, Texas 77485, prior to the date scheduled for the Hearings.

This notice is published and the above described hearings are being held in compliance with the requirements of section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, regarding the public approval prerequisite to the exclusion from federal income taxation interest on the Bonds. 5-4

TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT

The City of Deport is considering a proposed amendment to its approved 2000 Texas Community Development Program (TCDP) contract with the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs to include water and wastewater improvements by modifying the performance statement associated with this contract. The activities included in this contract amendment request are proposed to be made concerning deleting the water lines as stated in the project application, by adding water line improvements to South Pecan Street and by adding the master lift station rehabilitation. Water beneficiaries change, however sewer improvements provide a citywide benefit. A public hearing concerning the proposed amendment is scheduled to be held at 6:30 p.m. on May 8, 2000 at the City Hall located at Deport, Texas. The purpose of this public hearing will be to discuss the proposed amendment and solicit citizen input on the proposed change in the scope of the City's 2000 TCDF project.

All citizens are encouraged to attend this public hearing and present their views to the city. Disabled individuals who might have difficulty in attending this public hearing should contact Donna Seale, City Secretary to arrange for special assistance. If anyone interested in attending the public hearing requires a translator, please contact Donna Seale, City Secretary at City Hall prior to the public hearing so arrangements may be made. If you cannot attend in person, written comments may be submitted and will be accepted by the City of Deport, P.O. Box 354-A, Deport, TX 75435 until this public hearing is concluded.

A copy of the proposed amendment is available for review during normal business hours at City Hall address listed above. For further information concerning the City's 2000 TCDF project and/or this proposed contract amendment, please contact Charles Foster, City of Deport, P.O. Box 354-A, Deport, TX 75435 at 903-652-3875. 5-4

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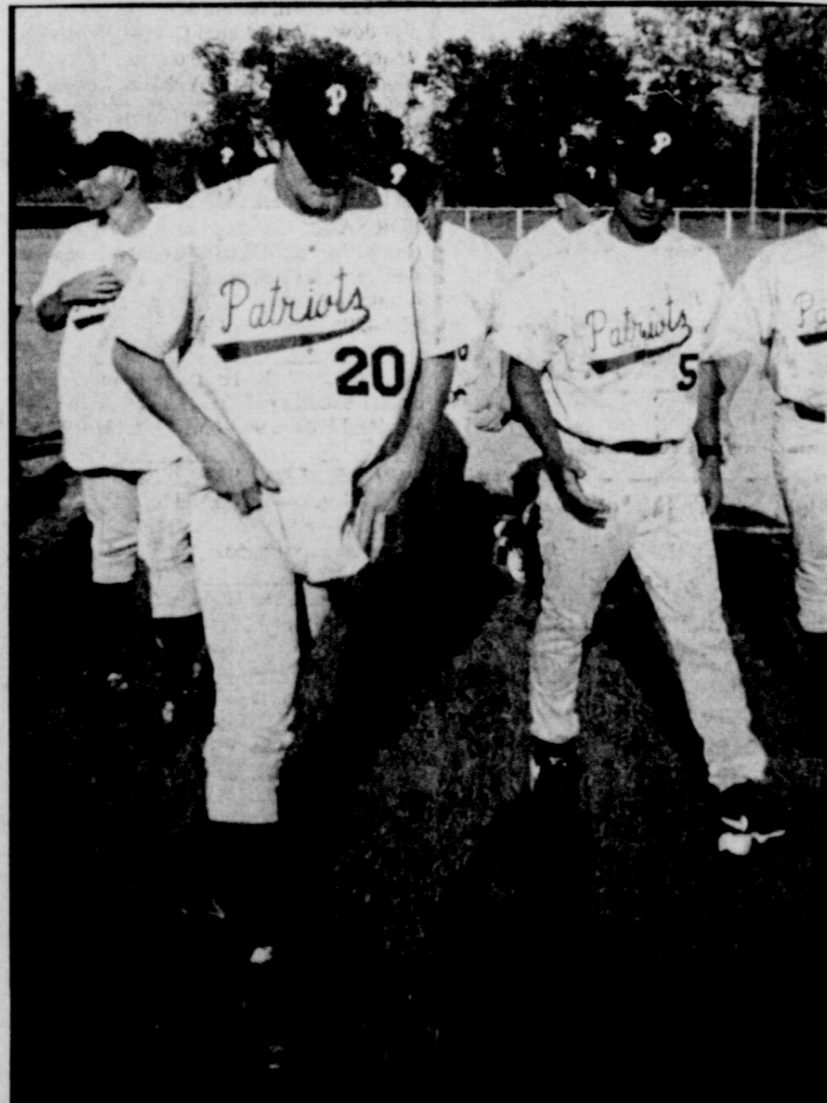
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PATRIOT winning pitcher was Matt Cavender who took the Pats to the district title after defeating Chapel Hill. Also pictured are his teammates and coach Rick Connot. (Staff Photo)

Cavender takes Pats to district win The Prairiland Patriot Baseball team captured first place in District 14-2A with victories over defending state champions Cooper, Paul Hewitt and Chapel Hill. On Tuesday, April 18, Prairiland defeated Paul Hewitt 8-2. Pitchers, Chris Berry and Jonthon Martin combined to pitch a two-hitter. Berry struck out ten and allowed two runs in five innings while Martin had two strikeouts and allowed no runs in the final two innings. Jason Elrod and Berry were the leading hitters for the Patriots with two hits each. On Thursday, April 20, the Pats were carried by the solid pitching of Kyle Malone and the big bats of Stan Cox, Matthew Basinger and Heathe Sessums in defeating Cooper 11-4. Cox stoked a grand slam homerun and Sessums knocked in three runs with a homer and a single. Elrod had three hits and one RBI. Malone pitched a complete game allowing only three hits and three earned runs with six strikeouts. Tuesday, April 25, the Patriots defeated Chapel Hill 12-1, clinching the district title. The Prairiland offense hammered out 13 hits and broke open a close game by scoring seven runs in the fourth inning. Malone had a big day at the plate with four hits. Matt Cavender had three hits with a home run. Cox also homered. Cavender pitched a complete game, allowing only one earned run. The Patriots will play two warmups games this week with the first playoff game being played around May 11 or 12.



RACE CAR WINNER-Jessica Nichols, daughter of Ronald and Carolyn Nichols of Deport, won this miniature race car from Wal-Mart recently. (Staff Photo Mary Mantooth)

Track team shows improvements

In the region track meet at Stephenville last Friday and Saturday, Sue Ellen Barnes, Leslie Davis, Amanda Ball, Raynie Skidmore and Kara Shores showed the character of true Lady Patriots. Barnes handed in her best time in the 400 meter dash with 64.07. She also ran her best 800 meter at 2:34:31 and in the mile relay she had her best split ever-61:81. Davis had been striving for the "40's" all season and finally brought in 49.81 in the 300 meter hurdles-her best effort of the season and missing the finals by just a fraction. The mile relay team also ran it's best time of the year with a 4:37:64. Freshman Skidmore has a 67.54 split while Ball ran a 74.65 split. Senior Shores was recovering from an infection but still insisted on running, bringing in a 73.57 split. Kami Hudson and Lacey Beaty were the mile relay alternates. The team entered 4 meets, a regional qualifier's meet and the regional tournament. Other track members who worked throughout the season but did not qualify for regionals were Heather Anderson, Kelli Hamil, Kelly Clarkson, Toni Clarkson, Melissa Arnold, Amber Dawson, Lindsey Peel, Jessica Lewis, Nicole Boehler, Sheena Jones and Susan Whittle. Coaches are Frankye Sessums and Vickie Chapman.

Crime Stoppers crime of the week

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Cunningham News

By Jane O'Neal

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Justin and Jared Lyles, Colton Ingram and Layton Norwood had a camp out last Friday night.

Gordon Cox visited Velma Cox on April 13. She went home with him to Alvarado to visit. While there they attended Parents Day at A&M. Jan and Velma visited Robert and Kathy Bck in McKinney on April 21 and attended their church where an Easter program was presented. They also visited Vera Cox and Helen and David Taylor of Ft. Worth and Judy and Mark Warder of Hurst. Morris Cox brought Velma home Friday and spent the night.

Jace Norwood won third place in his class of lambs at the Lamar County Junior Livestock Show.

Todd, Mendy, Lacy and Kelby Cole and Rodney Norwood had Sunday lunch with Pat and James Norwood.

On Easter, the Ladd family had dinner at the community center. Those attending were Bobby and Shelby Kennedy, Heath, Missy, Laytner and Layker Kennedy, Jeff, Cindy, Zack, Garrett, Taylor and Asa Kenned, Taylor Ladd, Melba Baker and Scooter Bills, Steve and Carolyn Ladd, T.L., Carol, Briggett, Brittney and Swede Ladd, Hailey Gant, Christi Baker and Anna, Quenton Baker and Landon Syrus.

Heath, Missy and Layker had Sunday lunch with Bobby Ray and Shelby Kennedy.

On Sunday, L'Wanda and Pete McKnight had lunch for Johnny, Fran, Johnna and Jenna Patterson, Connie McKnight, Cindy, LeeDon and Raenna Barnett.

L'Wanda had a business meeting at the Sirloin Stockade in Paris for her Attm cards.

Neva, Billy Ray and Brandon Oats, Georjeana and Bard Nutt had Sunday lunch with Joe and Georgia Oats.

On Sunday night, Geneva had supper for Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Scottie, Treda, Amber and Spur Norwood, Georjeana and Brad Nutt, Brad Barrintine, Neva, Billy Ray and Brandon Oats.

Amber and Spur Norwood and Layton and Logan Norwood showed their pigs at the Lamar County Junior Livestock Show and all of them made the sale.

Nelta and Johnie Musgrove had Sunday lunch for Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove, Ray and Pat Martin and Brad Hunt. For supper they were joined by Lynn and Betty Holman of Durant and Alice McPherson and Terri Carlton of McAlester.

Visiting Marie Watson last week were Geneva Norwood, Nelta Musgrove, Dean Watson and Ada, Neva Oats, Linda and Charity Musgrove, L'Wanda McKnight, Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood. Marie had Sunday lunch with Dean and Ada.

Post Oak News

By Geneva Lee
982-5309

Those attending the East Post Oak MBC revival last week were blessed with the messages brought by Bro. Gary Griffith. There were visitors from Liberty Baptist Church of Midway and Liberty MBC at Blodgett.

Fran Seay had her son and family of Dallas visit her and her husband David and her mother Hazel Cleveland Easter weekend.

Georgia Clark had hip replacement surgery last week at St. Joseph and is doing fine and is in rehab.

Frank Lee was able to attend the revival Friday night but not doing well.

Donnie Hurst passed away Sunday after a long fight with cancer. He was a member of Post Oak Baptist Church and is being buried her in Post Oak Cemetery.

Our sympathy also goes to Verlon Vaughn on the loss of his father Norvin in Oklahoma. His funeral is

set for Tuesday in Oklahoma.

Beatrice Kennemer, 93, of Paris died Wednesday, April 26 and was buried in Evergreen Cemetery. She was the last of the Rodger family that was raised in our community. Her husband Grady taught school here at one time many years ago.

Renee Hughes of Chicago visited the revival Friday night at Post Oak Baptist Church and visited with friends. She spent Friday night and Saturday with her friend Angie Wilson and Saturday they helped Leah Bates celebrate her 16th birthday. Renee returned to Chicago Sunday morning.

The regular monthly meeting of the Post Oak Fire Department was postponed from Tuesday, May 2 to Tuesday night, May 9 at 7:00 at the fire station due to the death of Verlon Vaughn's father.

Blossom Locals

By Lig Irwin
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Happy Birthdays this week too: Trista Reeves, Yvonne Gray, Josh Fendley, Chad Brown, Megan Jones, Stephanie Long, Ashley Rhodes, Stephen Long, Rodney Kraft, Morgan Burchinal, Betty Johnson, Josh Cato, Luke Adams, Shannon Wilson, Kevin Pilip, Laura Smith, Leslie Mullins, Lance Connot, Bo Sutton, Dustin Nation, Ashley Lester, Jody Sullivan, Brittany Bailey, Amy Chapman.

There will be a Bake and Barbeque Sale on Front Street this Saturday sponsored by the Oak Hill Baptist Church beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Bob Parks of Lewisville and granddaughter Kendell of Paris spent Sunday with Margaret Parks on Sunday.

Joel, Trish and Jody Crawford of Blanchard, Oklahoma spent Saturday night with Ruby Crawford. Visiting with them on Sunday was Alvin and Martha Knox and Peggy Gilbert of Mesquite, Carol, Kenny and Crystal Wood of Atlas, Jana LeMire, Annae Sugg and Marie Kennison of Paris and Preston Mitchell of Post Oak.

Jo and Milburn Miears of Post Oak visited with Emma and Lloyd Willard on Thursday and Juanita Garrett of Woodland visited on Friday.

Enjoying Sunday dinner with the Jim Irwin family was Alan and Amy Dabbs, Jon Talley of Eldorado, Arkansas, Gary and Allie Reynolds and Sheila Ensey, Allison Ann-Marie and Jake.

Brice May, son of Dustin and Wendy May is home from the hospital in Dallas and we wish him well.

Jerry and Patty Garrett of Lake Tawokani spent Saturday night with Bessie Garrett on their way on vacation to the Ozark Mountains.

Dennis and Larissa Neel of Commerce visited with Myrtle Chumbley over the weekend. Visiting at her home on Sunday night was Rev. Tim and Mildred Young and Jerry and Connie Young of Powderly, Rev. Larry and Stacy Young and Lyle, Haskell and Judy Booth, Laura and Ross Miller, Marty and Angie Booth, Geron, Gage, Gunner and Jessica, and June Barber.

Amy Chapman was honored with a cookout for her birthday on Friday, April 28 at her home. Also attending was Skipper and Trystan Chapman, Jamie, Leslie and Colby Chapman, Valerie and Hunter Harp, Mary Chapman, Billy and Anita Ratliff and Leslie and Jalon Franklin of Paris, Melody, Jeremy and Adrienne Salinas of Reno, Alan and Amy Dabbs, Jon Talley and Tommy and Michelle Foster of Eldorado, Arkansas, Cari Irwin, Gary and Allie Reynolds, Crystal Womack, Roger Harp of Cleburne and Ryan Cope and Renee Holt.

Hunter Harp was welcomed home by family and friends after being out of town for his job.

Kay Whitley and her mother Modie Johnson traveled to Hawkins on Sunday to visit with Phylis and Melvin Bryant. Also there from Taylor was Jennifer, Cody and Katie Vorwerk.

Deport Locals

Cindy Talley

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Sharon Francis visited her daughter, Crystal Francis at Natchitoches, Louisiana. She attended a production of "How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying". Crystal is a drama student at the college there and had a role in the play.

Thomas and Nanalee Nichols have returned from a vacation in California. They visited Tom and Midge Foley of Hemet, California. While there the four of them toured: Idylwild, Palm Springs, Palm Desert, Anzio/Berrega, Hollywood, Santa Monica and Venice Beach, Carmel, Big Sur, Monterrey, Hearst Castle, Cambria, Sequoia and King's Canyon, the Mojave Desert. They also went to San Luis Obispo to visit the Capistrano mission and to visit friend of Tom and Midge at Dana Point.

Mary Margaret Vaughn and her grandsons, Adam and Colby Horn of Bogata, visited Thelma Warren on Tuesday.

Jim and Marie Kunkel and daughters, Laura and Dona and Mrs. Julia Koegl of Houston visited Jim's grandmother, Thelma Warren on Saturday.

Juanice Young of Cedar Hill spent the weekend with her mother, Eulene Nicholas.

Virginia Kirkland has received a phone call from Joe Gage of Diboll, who has recently undergone surgery at Lufkin hospital. He is home recuperating and seemingly doing well.

Happy birthday to John Roach, George Kelly, Alma Montgomery, Joseph Matthew Ballard, Roy Clint Davis, Jr., Allen Gifford, Freda Griffith, Mark Parsons, Roy Clint Davis, Sr., Ruby Dougless, David Hutchings, Sarah Tubbs, Cullen B. Benson, Kenda Allen Blackburn, Nicholas Scott Tisdale, Weston Blaze Burns, Joshua Dawson, Juanita Davis, Wendy Cave, Russell Ham, Breahe Sessums, Charles Reavis, Eddie Don Pickering, John Whitney, Liberty Huddleston, Pat Ham, Cindy Penn, Jannie Harp, Mike Ragan, Amanda Beard, Reba Bell, Geron Jackson and Laney Jackson.

Happy anniversary to Chasity and Clay Francis, Diane and David Hutchings, Louise and Buster Crossland.

Ledford Kelly of Georgetown, Theda Short and Nell Persifield of Paris and Johnny and Chance Whitney of Minter visited the Walker Devlins over the weekend.

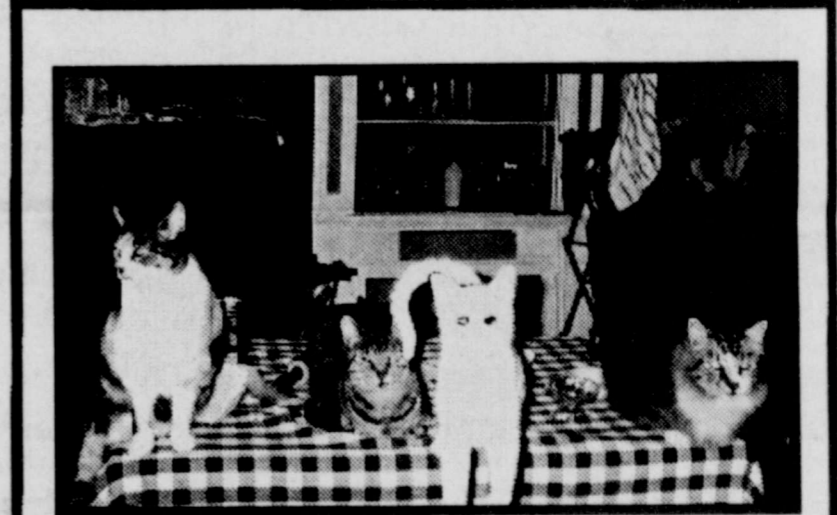
Letter to the Editor:
Graduation is a special time in every teenager's life. This memorable time is often destroyed by teens using alcohol and other drugs. Teen drinking and drug use is associated with the leading causes of death and injury among teenagers and young adults.

Our local counties are fortunate in having several school systems and parents that are concerned for the welfare of our youth. North Lamar, Paris, Chisum, Prairiland, Rivercrest and Cooper schools and parents are providing Project Graduation celebrations for the teens that will keep students from drinking and driving on graduation night.

Project Graduation is a simple idea. Parents, teachers and community leaders meet, plan and carry out graduation celebrations that are free of alcohol and other drugs. These celebrations are all-night lock-ins which include many great prizes. Students are not allowed to leave unless their parents are called. Once they leave, they are not allowed to re-enter the festivities.

It is our responsibility as parents and concerned citizens to give our teens a safe alternative way to celebrate graduating from high school. Please do not undermine all the hard work of parents and schools that provide Project Graduation by condoning or providing graduation parties for your teens that include alcohol. Help make all of our counties' Project Graduation a success by providing your monetary support, volunteer time and parental backing.
Sincerely Leigh Puckett
Kids Safety Society Coalition Coordinator

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Which Three Of My Babies Do I Give Up?
Here are four of my six cats. All are strays that have been rescued. All are neutered, all have their shots. They don't spend much time outside, and that is usually in my yard. PLEASE help me keep them by signing the petition asking the City Council of Deport to eliminate Section 11 which limits pet ownership to 3 dogs and 3 cats. Petitions are located at City Drug Store, Deport Times and Darden-Sparks Department Store. We are not against animal control, just rules that aren't necessary and would cause responsible pet owners problems. Thank You, Nancy Murphy and family

Deadline for ordering Homecoming Barbeque Dinner is May 15th.

CITY OF DEPORT HOMECOMING

You are cordially invited to attend

The City of Deport Homecoming 2000
June 2-3, 2000

Friday, June 2, 2000: Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. at the American Legion Hall. Stay for visitation and coffee and donuts. There will be a dance Friday night beginning at 8:00 p.m. at the Fire Station. Other activities will be held at the Legion Hall including a noon meal of catered barbeque on Saturday June 3rd. Serving will begin at 12 noon. For reservations for barbeque meal please send payment of \$8⁰⁰ per person to Juanita Sparks, P.O. Box 156, Deport, TX 75435 by May 15th 2000.

For more information please call:
903 652-4211 or 903 652-4515

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May 6th

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RE ELECT Ed Hudson

For Mayor of City of Blossom
Saturday, May 6, 2000
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Garage Sale Items Will Help Fire Department

The Deport VFD Bucket Brigade Welcomes Garage Sale Items for the May 6th sale.

For Pickup call 652-4205, 652-4515 or 652-3456 or bring items to the Deport Times or Darden Sparks Department Store

ALSO
Desserts, packaged for single servings such as cookies, fudge, candy, etc. are needed for this Saturday's Lunch. Call the above numbers or bring them Saturday.