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You lose some things when you get well!

I have been having a little bit of a problem lately. It will soon be time for Tinsel and Tidings in Paris, and I have very few ornaments painted to sell. I also have two kits for embroidered pillows, plus a little Christmas counted cross stitch kit, all of them undone. In addition there is a slate plaque I've had for a year now, intending to paint, that remains abandoned.

I have been trying to figure out why I can't ever seem to get around to doing these things. Finally, it has hit me. I'm not doing them because they are sedentary things and with two new knees I'm not sedentary any more!

I am reminded of a friend whose dad took up machine applique because he couldn't do anything else. Then he had heart surgery and felt so good he wouldn't do the applique work anymore!

Instead of collapsing in my chair to stitch or paint I am running around, taking photographs, taking a 100 hour First Responder Course, going with friends somewhere for the day, working in my yard or swimming. It is astonishing how much work my flower beds and yard needed after being neglected because of my knees!

I don't stay home too much, and I don't spend much time parked in that recliner working on things.

The problem is, I miss the painting and stitching!

But, I'm too happy dashing around with my recovered mobility to stop and paint or embroidery. In fact, reading, my primary relaxation, has even been narrowed down!

I am not complaining, mind you, I figure I'll leave the sedentary pursuits for a later time when I am once more unable to do anything else.

Unfortunately, my new-found ability to get around has come along at a time when most of my friends and family have begun to have problems. So, while they are complaining about joint stiffness, bad knees, necks or shoulders I'm going "come on guys, lets GO".

Hmmmm, well, I guess for ME that's a great thing, isn't it!

Burn Bans still in effect

Residents of Lamar, Red River and Titus counties are reminded that the Burn Ban is still in effect. Anyone who sets a fire outside is subject to a fine by the Sheriff's department.

Fire departments are called out weekly to wildland fires resulting from someone burning brush, trash or other items. The grass is so dry that fire roars out of control at an alarming rate, often with someone standing by thinking a water hose will be sufficient to control it.

Persons burning illegally might be fined as well as being responsible for the damage caused to neighbors property.

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Court Inquiry to look into Precinct One Commissioner and County Employees actions

A Court of Inquiry is scheduled to be held during the weeks of October 16th and October 23rd, 2000 to determine whether charges for tampering with a government record and/or theft should be brought against Lamar County Commissioner Precinct 1, Mike Blackburn.

Also considered in the Inquiry are several county employees of Precinct 1.

The request for the Court of Inquiry was made by Lamar County Attorney Kerye Ashmore in a letter

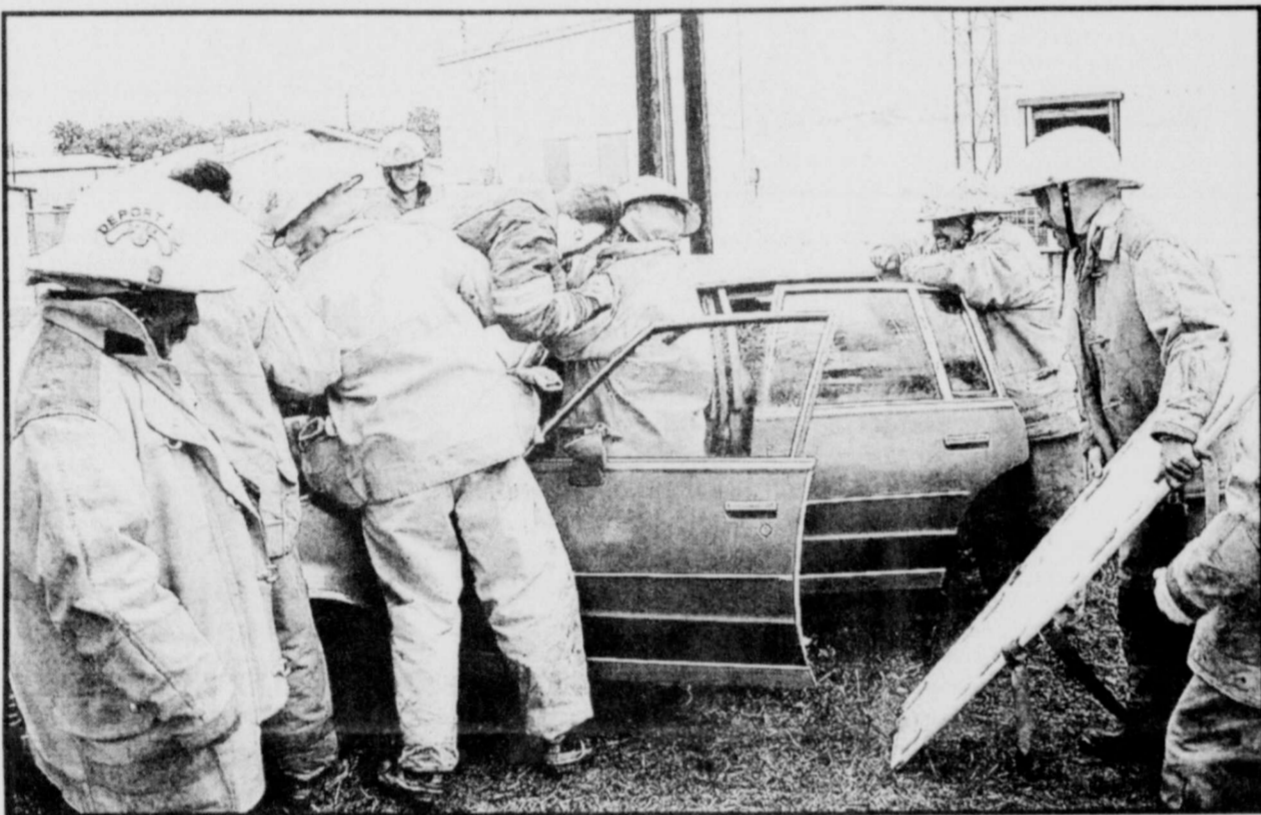
to the Sixth District Judge Jim D. Lovett on October 3rd and on file with Lamar County District Clerk Marvin Ann Patterson on October 4th.

A preliminary investigation by Precinct 1 Constable Randy Boren states that he was contacted by a couple of citizens in the precinct that they wanted to file charges against Commissioner Blackburn for working Lamar County employees on his (Blackburn's) personal property on county time. It is alleged that on May 4th, 2000 Commissioner Blackburn allegedly worked

two county employees on his personal property to work cattle for ten hours while they were on county time.

Commissioner Blackburn also allegedly used county employees to do repairs to his personal farm equipment.

In an interview Commissioner Blackburn said "The whole thing is politically motivated and brought forward now, just weeks before the election".



RESTRAINT-Members of the Red River County Volunteer Fire Department have to forcibly restrain a "family member" of wreck victims as they try to help those inside the car. It was part of a scenario set up for their extrication training last Saturday. The group spent from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. learning to use the jaws of life, saws, glass punches and other tools that aid removing victims from vehicles. They also had to actually remove the victims while keeping c-spines straight, monitoring conditions and generally rendering aid. Three scenarios were played out that day, including this one which featured one of the instructors as a screaming brother of the victims. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Kathy Cheyne appointed Red River County Judge

Kathy Cheyne was appointed by the Red River County Commissioner's Court in a special meeting last Friday.

The vote was three to two in favor of the appointment with Judge L.D. Williamson casting the tiebreaking vote.

Ronnie D. James and Richey Daniels voted in favor of Cheyne and Elmer Caton and Mark Megason voted against the appointment. Caton and Megason have pledged their

support to the new judge, however.

Judge Cheyne conducted the meeting of the Red River County Commissioner's Court on Tuesday, October 10. The court elected to accept the resumes for County Treasurer to fill the position left vacant with Ms. Cheyne's appointment.

The court will meet in a special meeting this Friday, October 13th to consider a possible replacement for the county treasurer.

Jennings reunion is October 14

The 18th annual Jennings Community will be Saturday, October 14 at the Clardy Community Center. Registration will begin at 2 p.m. with the program beginning at 3 p.m. and a covered dish supper at 4 p.m.

All Jennings residents and former residents are invited. For information, call Mary Lou Coe at 785-4563 or Van Barton at 785-8617 or Gene Womack at 785-5269.



NEW RED RIVER COUNTY JUDGE - Kathy Cheyne was sworn in by Red River County Clerk to serve as County Judge after Cheyne was appointed in a special meeting of Commissioners Court last Friday. (photo by Thomas Nichols)



GAYLE ROACH and granddaughter, **Rikki Roach** presented **Tim Wood** with a gift of appreciation for his work conducting the area choir which performed Saturday night at Rivercrest. The event was free to all but donations were accepted for the Bogata Library/Museum. Tim did a great job as did those who sang. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

"Harmony Under the Stars" program reported successful

Bogata and surrounding area was treated to an excellent performance of gospel music at the "Harmony Under the Stars" program held at Rivercrest High School Saturday, Oct. 7, 2000. Tim Wood was very professional in directing seventy-two singers and people that accompanied them on instruments. A great responsibility was placed on Judy Sherrill to accompany the choir with such a large variety of gospel hymns. Special thanks is extended to all the people working behind the scenes either in

sound or filming. The Wood family requested singers from Bogata and the surrounding area and they responded in mass.

The large crowd in attendance and the monetary gifts were greatly appreciated. This benefit will enable the Bogata Library/Museum to purchase some much needed items.

The Bogata area is fortunate to have the Wood family and all the people who helped to make this event so successful.

Halesboro-Morris Chapel homecoming is October 21

The annual homecoming for Halesboro-Morris Chapel will be held Saturday, October 21, at the Morris Chapel Community Building. Registration will begin at 11:00 a.m. followed by covered dish luncheon at noon.

All former residents and other

interested parties are invited to attend. The cemeteries at both communities are in need of funds for maintenance.

For further information, call Ina Ward at 632-4357, Barbara Martin at 784-3720 or Juavance Carpenter at 652-4500.

Deport getting ready to trade!

November fourth is the day set for Deport's big Trade Day. Anyone wishing to set up and sell garage sale, crafts or goods is invited to do so. There is no charge to do this.

The Deport Volunteer Fire Department and Bucket Brigade will be having a huge sale at the fire station, and there will be sausage and biscuits and coffee for breakfast. At lunch stew, chili and chili dogs will be for sale.

The event brings a big crowd to town, and is a fun day for all, as well as giving the fire department and it's auxiliary a chance to make money for the department.

Come on out, sell, shop, eat and buy for a good cause!

Already ready to sell are items such as a beautiful framed print, new wooden dining chairs, clothing still with the original tags on them, two love seats and more!

Additional information may be obtained by calling Nanalee, Thomas or Mike at 652-4205 (The Deport Times) or Darden-Sparks Department Store at 652-4515.

Anyone with items to donate to the garage sale for the fire department is urged to call the above numbers or contact any fireman. Pickup is available for these items.

Board approves athletic policies rewrite

The Prairiland I.S.D. Board met Monday, October 9 with the following members present: Chet Downs, Dicky Miller, Johnny Patterson, Clyde E. Bankhead, Charles Fendley, Michael Sessums and David Basinger.

The August 2000 tax report was approved unanimously, along with the financial statement for September 2000. No action was taken on the tax report for September.

The board approved the resolution to permit Linebarger, Heard, et. al. to sell delinquent property.

The Interlocal agreement with Region VIII ESC for the commodity processing co-op was passed unanimously.

The clarification/rewrite of the Prairiland Athletic Policies and Procedures was approved by unanimous vote.

The board went into executive session at 8:14 p.m. and came out at 8:35 p.m., during which time they heard from Marilyn Crawford. No action was taken.

The board adjourned.

Country Cooking with Liz Irwin

Our featured cook this week is Evelyn Raye (Crader) Barnes and she was born in Clarksville to parents Jack and Gertrude Crader. They have a home in Dallas, but reside part of the time near Clarksville.

She grew up in a family of ladies who were good homemakers. They cooked and canned and always had good food.

She loves to cook and loves to see people eat and enjoy what she has cooked. Now that she is retired, she is always doing something in the kitchen and enjoying herself.

We hope you enjoy Evelyn's recipes this week and we will see you in the kitchen!

Instant Banana Pudding-this recipe uses Eagle Brand Milk and instant pudding and Cool Whip. . . and is wonderful! Evelyn said that

she first ate this at a friend's home in Clute in 1982.

Chicken and Rice-be sure to use Minute Rice. She uses a large metal baking pan with about 8 chicken breast. "This is very easy to fix for family gatherings or for the office party," says Evelyn.

Broccoli and Rice Casserole-this recipe is always a favorite of everyone and now that the holiday season is upon us, try it out!

Duck and Dressing-this recipe is for all of you duck hunters out there. . . or maybe all you duck hunters wives!

Cornbread-Evelyn likes to share cornbread and uses a 9-inch skillet and an 8-inch skillet or make two muffin pans full.

Pecan Pie-an American favorite and this particular recipe was given to Evelyn by a friend in 1954!



COOK OF THE WEEK this week is Evelyn Raye (Crader) Barnes of Clarksville/Dallas. She enjoys cooking and sharing with friends. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Obituaries

Mrs. Agnes Alsobrook dies October

Mrs. Agnes Pauline Alsobrook, age 84, formerly of Clarksville, died Thursday, October 5 in Red River Health Care Center in Bogata.

Services were held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 7 in the chapel of Red River Health Care Center with the Rev. C.G. Renfro and the Rev. Park Robertson officiating. Burial followed in Fairview Cemetery in Clarksville under the direction of Wood Funeral Homes.

Mrs. Alsobrook was born August 4, 1916 in Red River County, the daughter of Peyton and Ella Grey Rose. She married Wayne Alsobrook on June 27, 1985. He preceded her in death September 27, 1999. She was a retired school teacher. She is survived by one sister, Lou Ada Franklin of Bogata and several nieces and nephews.

Bearers were Bob Rose, Tab Rose, Jack Rose, Mike Rose, Todd Williams and Tracey Williams.

Tildon D. Betterton dies October 9

Tildon D. Betterton, age 84 of Deport, died Monday, October 9 in Deport Nursing Home. Wood Funeral Homes, Deport, conducted chapel services on Wednesday, October 11 at 2:00 p.m. The family received friends from 1:00 p.m. until service time on Wednesday.

He was born in the Madill Community of Lamar County on July 11, 1916, the son of Joseph W. and Hattie V. Ashford Betterton. His wife, Agnes Betterton, preceded him in death March 4, 2000. Mr. Betterton was a retired mechanic.

Surviving are sons, Kenneth E. Betterton of Paris and James D. Betterton of Bonham; his daughter and son-in-law, Ann and Dewey Lan of The Colony; four grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; a sister, Alpha Barnard of Deport; and several nieces and nephews.

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Evelyn Raye (Crader) Barnes

Instant Banana Pudding
1 can Eagle Brand Milk
1-(3-3/4 ounce) instant vanilla pudding
1-12 ounce Cool Whip
3 ripe bananas
vanilla wafers
Cover bottom of dish with wafers; add bananas and then pudding. Keep adding layers until pudding is used. Crush vanilla wafers and sprinkle on top. This will last a week and the bananas will not turn dark.

Chicken and Rice
Salt and pepper skinless chicken breasts and place in a large greased baking dish. In large bowl, mix 3 cups dry Minute Rice with 1/2 cup of melted butter. Then add:
2 cans cream of chicken soup
2 cans cream of mushroom soup
1 can cream of celery soup
Mix together and completely cover the chicken. Seal pan with foil and bake for 1-1/2 to 2 hours at 350 degrees.

Broccoli and Rice Casserole
2-1/2 cups Minute Rice
2 packages chopped frozen broccoli
1/2 cup chopped onion
1/2 cup chopped celery
1-8 ounce jar Cheez Whiz
1 cup cream of mushroom soup
1 stick of margarine
Cook rice as directed. Cook broccoli as directed and drain. Sauté onion and celery in margarine. Mix all together and bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes if desired. Top with grated cheese before serving.

Duck and Dressing
1 large duck
2 cups cornbread
1/4 cup pecans-optional
1/4 cup celery
1/4 cup green sweet peppers
2 tablespoons raisins
1/2 cup chopped onion
2 teaspoons snipped fresh sage or 1/2 teaspoon dried sage-crushed
1 tablespoon butter
1/2 cup duck broth
Boil duck, but not enough to let it come off the bone; save the broth. Brush with 2 tablespoons cooking oil, 1/4 teaspoon salt, 1/4 teaspoon paprika and 1/8 teaspoon ground cumin. Combine all ingredients for dressing and mix well. Make a layer of dressing in the roaster and lay duck on it and stuff duck. Bake 375 degrees for 35 minutes; uncover and bake 25 minutes more.

Cornbread
1 cup flour
1 cup meal
3/4 teaspoon salt
4 teaspoons baking powder
2 eggs
1 cup milk
1/3 cup sugar
1/4 cup oil
Sift all ingredients together and all liquids together. Pour liquids into dry ingredients and mix well. Oil 10-inch iron skillet and heat; sprinkle sides and bottom well with meal. Brown well and pour cornbread mixture in. Bake until center is firm; turn and brown top and sides. Bake at 425 degrees for about 15 minutes.

Pecan Pie
1 cup pecan halves
3 eggs
1/2 cup sugar
1 cup dark Karo syrup
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla
1/4 cup melted butter
Combine all ingredient and bake in unbacked shell for 10 minutes in 450 degree oven and then reduce heat to 350 degrees for 35 minutes.

Red River County Roots

This week's query is from Betsy Whitaker LeMaster, 306 Ramona Road, Danville, California 94526. She is researching the family of William Hampton "Hamp" Whitaker, born 1842 TN. He married (1) Nancy Martin in 1870 and (2) Mary E. Watson in 1877 in Lamar County, TX. In 1870, one Wiley L. Dunlap Whitaker was living with Hamp and Nancy Whitaker. His father is believed to have been John. Wiley married Sarah Elizabeth Gotcher in 1884 in Red River County and they had eight children. Wiley died in 1917 and was buried in Detroit Cemetery. A possible brother of Wiley, William Bert Whitaker, married Mary Gotcher in 1896 Red River County and they also had eight children. John and William Hampton Whitaker are thought to have been sons of Robert Munroe Whitaker.

If you would like to write Ms. LeMaster, please write her 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

PJC to hold free adult GED classes

The Adult Education and Literacy Department at Paris Junior College will hold free adult classes in GED preparation, reading, math, and language at the college campus. Students must attend the required orientation at 8:30 a.m. or 6 p.m., October 16 through 19.

The same classes will be offered at the Educational Resource Center, 136 Grand Street, Paris. Students wishing to attend at the Resource Center must attend orientation sessions at 8:30 a.m., October 23 through 26.

All students must be 18 years of age or older and have a social security number.

For more information call the Paris Junior College at (903) 782-0424.

PJC to hold free adult classes

The Adult Education and Literacy Department at Paris Junior College will hold free adult classes at the Educational Resource Center, 136 Grand Avenue, in Paris.

The English as a Second Language class will be taught by Gaspar Sanchez, Susan Sanchez, and Jason Garrison. The class will begin at 6 p.m. on October 23. Registration is required. All students must be 18 years of age or older and have a social security number.

For more information call Paris Junior College at (903) 782-0424.

Free health screenings for veterans

VA North Texas Health Care System will offer free health screenings for veterans, ChampVA and Tricare beneficiaries at the VFW Post 3990 in Reno on October 18 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Services will include screenings for blood pressure/hypertension, diabetes, cholesterol, immunizations and brief physical assessment.

Veterans should bring their VA patient data card or DD214.

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone for being so helpful and considerate during our loss. Your efforts have helped us to grasp at starting over. Words cannot express our appreciation.

John, Angie, Taylor & Casey Davis

Fire Prevention Week is October 8-14

During National Fire Prevention Week, October 8-14, firefighters, fire prevention personnel and teachers will direct attention to the need for fire prevention in the home, on the job and in fields and forests.

The annual fire safety observance commemorates the anniversary of the Great Chicago Fire of 1871, but Texans have only to look at the state's record fire siege this year to appreciate the destruction wildfires can cause. The Texas Forest Service estimates that from January through September, fires scorched an estimated 630,000 acres in Texas before being controlled by a combination of local, state and federal firefighting personnel and equipment.

Fire prevention leaders in Texas warn that fire danger has not disappeared from the state. Fire danger remains extreme in the rolling plains, north Texas and the Texas panhandle, and it is rising elsewhere in the state

with each day that passes without significant rainfall. Rain has temporarily lowered fire danger across much of the eastern portion of the state, but drought indices remain in the high to extreme range in most east Texas counties.

Several fire safety precautions have been suggested. Obey local burning ordinances, in some places

outdoor fires may be illegal. Where burning is allowed, clear wide lines to bare soil around brush piles and burn barrels. Only use trash barrels equipped with a screen on top. Avoid burning on windy days or leaving fires unattended. Keep tools and water handy in case your fire should get away. Always expect and plan for the unexpected for Texas weather can bring just that.

Avoid using spark producing equipment around dry grass, dispose of smoking materials properly and avoid driving vehicles into dry grass.

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FOOT NOTES

Dr. Andrew Brown
FLAT FEET & SHIN SPLINTS

Shin splints are most often caused by the stress of exercise. People with flat feet whose feet pronate excessively are particularly susceptible to developing posterior tibial shin splints. The posterior tibial muscle-tendon unit, which originates on the back of the lower leg bone (tibia), travels down behind the inner ankle and attaches to the top of the arch of the foot. The tendon holds up the foot's arch. In flat-footed people, this muscle has to work much harder than it does in those with a well-developed arch. Pain resulting from the muscle fiber tearing usually begins within two to three hours of exercise and is described as a dull soreness. Later, the pain begins with exercise and intensifies.

To determine the best treatment for flat feet, shin splints as well as other foot conditions, a podiatrist will examine the foot, perform a gait analysis and look at the patient's medical history, past medical problems, length and frequency of symptoms, types of current activities and pain and problems in other parts of the body. We offer comprehensive care for all foot problems for feet of all shapes, sizes and ages. Please call DOCTOR'S FOOT CLINIC for an appointment today at 784-5585.

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P.S. Over time, tension on the posterior tibial muscle can actually pull it from the tibia bone.

We thank the Wood family for such a successful benefit for the Bogata Library/Museum. They spent endless hours in preparation and the enthusiasm from the Bogata area was reflected in a resounding response both in attendance and monetary gifts.

Board of Directors
Bogata Library/Museum

Card Of Thanks

The James Wood Family would like to publicly say "Thank You" to those beautiful people whose beautiful voices made a beautiful program Saturday night so successful.

To Judy Sherrill whose piano playing was so tremendous, to Jarvis Watson and James Hendricks who played the guitars so wonderfully, and Greg Sherrill who is so gifted on drums, we say "Job Well Done Guys" To Allen Daniels who kept our sound problems to a minimum, you came in so handy.

Most of all, to you who gave your money as a donation to our beautiful Library / Museum. It is money that will be well spent.

Our family was honored to sponsor the benefit and was blessed with the performance and attendance.

The James Wood Family

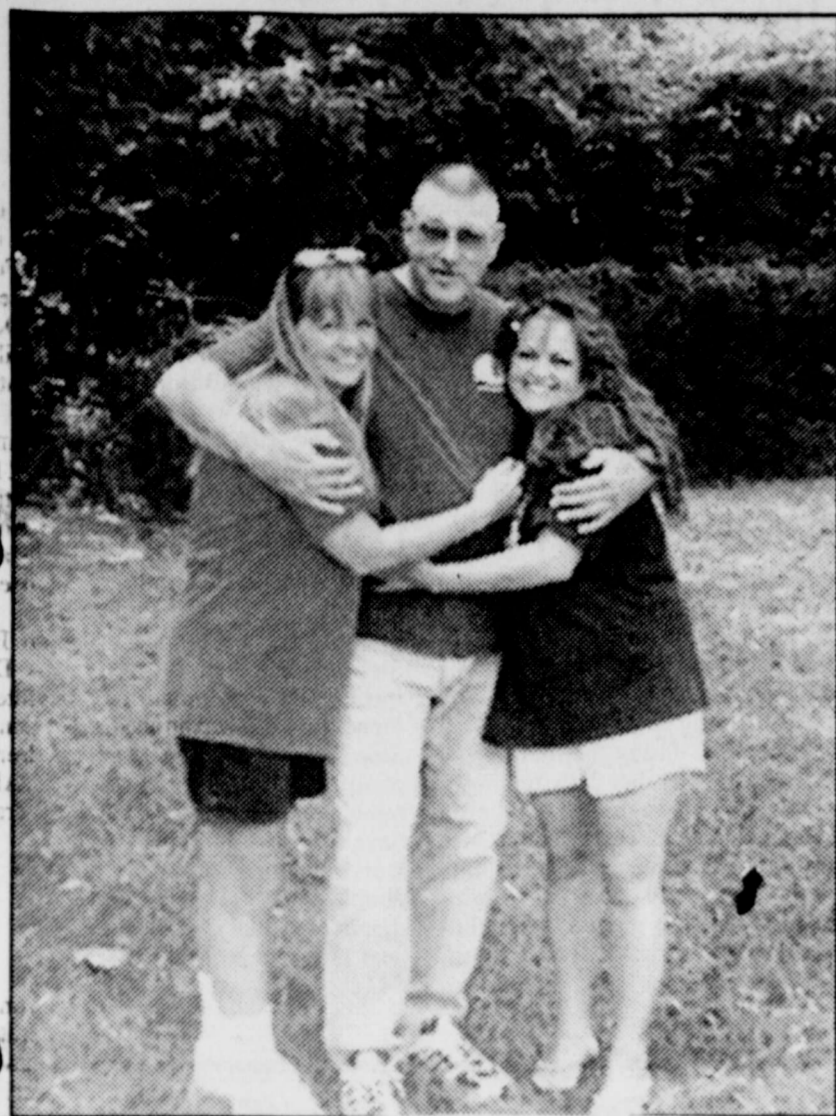
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J.O. Weatherall and new found sisters, Karon and Melody



CODY DEWAYNE CROSSLAND celebrated his sixth birthday on October 5 with a race car and motorcycle party on October 7. Guests enjoyed chocolate cake with motorcycles and racing flags on top. Guests included grandparents Bill and Marilyn Hearron of Shreveport, LA, Guy, Brandi and Layton Mitchell and Aaron Fox of Idabel, OK, Jacky, Tonya and Sammi Jo Crawford and Pam McNabb of Pattonville, Jeff and Felishia Kerley of Rockford, LeRoy, Nicole and Lauren Burchinal and Mendy Pruitt of Greenville and Gail and Dalton Nelson of Paris, Thomas and Katie Crossland and Laurilyn.



LAURILYN JEAN-NICOLE Crossland celebrated her first birthday with a "Little Miss Angelica" party on Saturday, September 9. Her birthday is September 6. Guests enjoyed a white cake with pink and purple icing with a picture of Laurilyn on top. Those attending were grandparents, Bill and Marilyn Hearron of Shreveport, LA, Guy, Brandi and Layton Mitchell and Aaron Fox of Idabel, OK, Don and Delores Harrison of Telephone, Gail, Trish and Dalton Nelson of Paris, Brittani Nelson of Blossom, Keith Crossland, Jacky, Tonya and Sammi Jo Crawford, all of Pattonville, Martin Ayers of Paris and LeRoy, Nicole and Lauren Burchinal of Greenville, Thomas and Katie Crossland and Cody.

Family search ends in reunion

J.O. and Roger Weatherall of Talco grew up knowing they were adopted by their loving parents, John H. and Elsie (Maywall) Weatherall.

Roger, the younger of the boys was adopted at age 8 and knows his biological family, while J.O. was adopted at 11 days old and the Weatheralls were the only family he has ever known. J.O. stated that he has never dwelled on his biological parents because of the parents who he loved and loved him so. But, he did say he had often wondered about his birth parents and why they had put him up for adoption.

When J.O. began having some health problems, although minor, his thoughts turned toward genetics. He contacted a lawyer in Longview to help him begin his search and a few weeks ago, they started perusing files, looking for an account of his birth. They were looking for what his mother had told him about his birth mother's name which was Netherland.

J.O. and his lawyer were unable to find anything under Weatherall or Netherland. He was later to learn that his birth mother had used her maiden name on his birth certificate. J.O.'s mom, Elsie tried to fill in as many facts as she could but without John Sr., who J.O. says will always be his father in his heart, there were facts she did not know. She remembers everything was handled through a lawyer and a case worker. She said, "We just went down there and picked him up when he was 11 days old and we have stuck with him ever since". J.O. knew he had been born at 4:04 a.m. on March 28, 1949 in Gladewater, Texas to a woman whose name was Netherland. His information ended there.

On Friday before Labor Day weekend, after the search in Longview proved unsuccessful, J.O. contacted his attorney to see what steps they needed to take next to try and find his birth family. The lawyer told him he was going to take some work home over the weekend and would contact him when he had some more information.

That night J.O. and his wife Becky and their sons, Josh and Colton were settling in for the evening when the phone rang. A nervous voice belonging to Karon Wilcher of Carthage, Mississippi said, "I know that you don't know me, but I'm looking for a brother of mine who was given up for adoption. He was born at 4:04 a.m. on March 28, 1949 in Gladewater, Texas. Could you be him?"

J.O. recalls a sinking feeling and after a minute said, "Yes, I could be him". Becky who is Internet savvy and very protective of her husband's vulnerability in this issue, got on the speaker phone and began firing questions to Karon. She repeatedly asked Karon her name and she replied, "Karon Wilcher". What Becky wanted was to hear her say her maiden name. And, she finally did say, Karon Netherland.

With that, Becky turned to J.O. and told him this might be his long lost sister and he may have found a missing link to his biological family. They just kept talking and Karon kept saying she couldn't believe she'd found him. In fact, she and another sister, Melody Chipley had come to Gladewater last Thanksgiving to go through documents, newspaper clippings and talk to elderly people on the street who might have known the family. She told J.O. and Becky that they had hit a brick wall at every turn.

She also told him that she was determined not to give up and through the Internet adoption sites, a man from New York responded to a posting telling her he thought he had the name she was seeking. He told her that there had only been one male child born in Gregg County March 28, 1949 and that is what prompted her to call.

J.O. discovered that he has 2 older sisters and six younger brothers and sisters and his parents are still living and all were eager to know about him. He is the third of nine children, all of whom are living. What a shock for J.O.!

Karon said her search began when she was watching Unsolved Mysteries one evening and the show aired a family reunion where an adoption had occurred. It made her want to search for their missing brother. She watched other shows that had reunions and every time would sit and think, what can I do to find him?

In 1993, Karon registered with the International Soundex Reunion Registry. She didn't know what was public record, or how to find the adoption agency if there was one, or what her adopted brother's name might be. Then last year, she discovered her mother had used her maiden name of Sistrunk on the birth certificate. J.O.'s mother had not named him, so the only name was Sistrunk. That is where the search ended. For nights and days Karon sat at her computer searching adoption sites. There are so many and the hardest thing to deal with was thinking, how to you find someone with no name?

Karon turned to God to help her. She prayed, "I'm leaving it up to you, Lord, if it's your will for me to find him I will". "The Lord brought him to me" she said. Also a driving force for Karon was not knowing if her brother was alive, or if he was out there somewhere walking, talking and living a life separate from her family's. She wanted to meet her brother and talk to him. She wanted to let him know he wasn't given up because he wasn't wanted or loved. He was given up because her parents were young and already had two children. They were living with someone else and did not have a home to give him. She wanted him to know if circumstances had been different they would have never given him up and their parents are good people. Giving up their son and not knowing anything about him had been a wound that wouldn't heal. Did he have a good life? Did he have a better life than they could have given him? Was he ok? There were all kinds of questions.

Karon said, "I wondered if he was a bum, a weirdo, or rich and famous. Maybe even a movie star? I just thank the Lord he's just like the rest of us. Just a normal person."

After hours on the phone and on the Internet with the Netherland family trying to pull everyone together at one time in Talco, J.O. and Becky decided to go to Carthage. So on Labor Day weekend they loaded up their sons and set off.

They arrived at Melody's hair salon in Carthage a little before 11:00 a.m. They tried to keep a video camera rolling to catch the surprise on her face. What they caught were squeals of delight, tears and a hug between brother and sister that lasted for several minutes. J.O. said, "As I opened the door, she nearly attacked me. She had just finished a hair cut, thank

goodness, because I would have hated to be in that chair when I came in."

J.O., who is a large framed, over six foot tall man admits he had a hard time keeping his emotions in check. Karon came and the local newspaper and there were more hugs and tears.

Then the family left to introduce J.O. and his family to his parents. His biological mother is now 80 years old and his youngest brother, Allen, who is 42 years old has lung cancer. Both of his older sisters, Julia and Gloria were there, as were Donnie, Keith, Allen and another brother, ironically also named John and all of their families. The were not disappointed with their new found brother.

Karon feels meeting J.O. and his family has eased their parents minds and the family loves them just like the rest of the family. J.O.'s parents can feel better about what they had done 51 years ago and are both very proud of the man J.O. grew up to be. They feared he might hate them but were glad to learn he doesn't.

J.O. said the reunion was an experience he will never forget and meeting his birth mother and spending time with her has helped heal an unfulfilled emptiness. Elsie shares her son's joy about finding his birth family. She was excited for him when she learned he was looking for his birth family and it just came out of the blue. It was a shock but she said, "I got over the shock and it is pretty exciting to know he has that much family after being raised up with just one brother and his parents. I am glad he has found them, they can't stay off the phone."

Karon would like to meet Elsie to thank her for giving her brother a loving home. She would have liked to meet his dad also. She said, "They both had to be really good people to have raised him to be the great person that he is. I thank them with all my heart."

Elsie isn't sure she would like to meet J.O.'s biological mother. But, she said, "If I did meet her, I would just thank her for giving him up. She did a good deed. I love J.O. and Roger equally and we gave them all we could. J.O. has stressed that Elsie is his only mom and John is his only dad."

J.O. and Karon admitted saying goodbye after their first meeting was hard and vowed to keep in touch. In fact, they are already making plans for the holidays. Just having everyone together will be the only gifts exchanged.

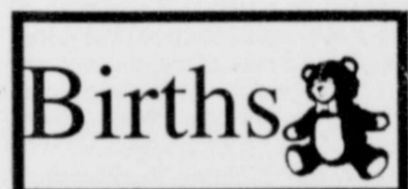
J.O. is very emotional when he talks about all that has happened to him and his family. It is heart wrenching, awesome and brings feelings never felt which are very good. J.O. a little teary eyed and with a raspy voice says, "All of this has made me appreciate my parents more than ever and to realize what a wonderful life they have given me. Meeting my biological family has given me so many to love. I am happy Karon found me and I will never lose them again. But, my heart will always belong to my parents, Elsie and John Weatherall and my brother, Roger Weatherall and his family."

Becky said, "I am so happy for J.O. and our children who now have such an extended family. When J.O. first made the decision to search for his biological family I agreed to stand by him no matter what we found out. The experience has made me value all of our families so much more."

People 'n Things

Friday, October 13: Dance at 8 p.m., Pattonville Community Center, proceeds benefit VFD.

Monday, October 16: Pattonville VFD meeting, 7 p.m., Pattonville Community Center.



Daylan Ray arrived on September 27, 2000 at Hopkins Memorial Hospital weighing in at 8 pounds and 10 ounces and was 19 inches long. Proud parents are Angela Harbuck and Erik Whitley of Blossom.

Grandparents are Buster and Jocasta Harbuck and Donnie and Kay Whitley all of Blossom.

Great grandparents are the late Henry and Neva Ruth Harbuck and Donnie and Kay Whitley all of Blossom. Great grandparents are James and Colette Jackson of Paris and Dick and Adell Whitley and Modie Marie Johnson and the late Dan Johnson all of Detroit.

RWNT meets

The RWNT met Monday, September 25 in the home of Pat Holcolm in Pittsburg.

President Maxine Patton called the meeting to order. Linda Zepeda led the invocation. Rosemary Evetts led in the pledge to the American and Texas flags, and read a poem about prayer.

Sue Evenwel presented the program on "Power vs. Tolerance" and began by showing the video entitled "The Repor" by Peter LaBarba, and "The Gay Agenda" by David Llewellyn.

Claudia Rocha resigned as legislative reporter and Sonia Tate was elected to fill that vacancy.

President Patton reported that the October 23 meeting will be in the home of Carolyn Franks of Pittsburg. The RWNT Retreat will be January 13 at the Selah in Mt. Vernon. There will be no November meeting due to the holidays and the Christmas party will be December 11.

For information, call Maxine Patton in Talco at 379-5171.




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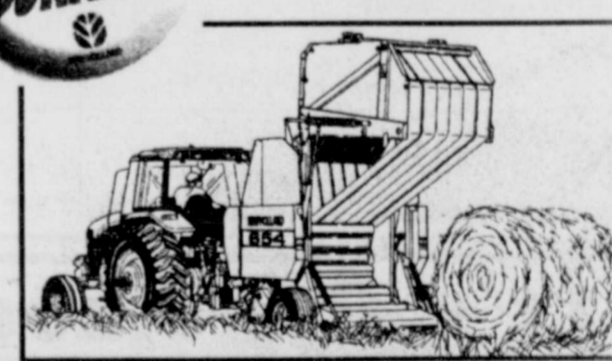
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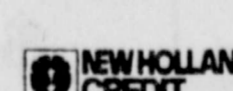

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Milton News

By Mattyly Upchurch

Kaitlyn Spray of Paris spent Sunday night with her grandparents, Susan and Phillip Roach.

Ann and Sheldon Lee and Mattyly Upchurch went to Greenville Tuesday to meet Billie Goheen of Ft. Worth to spend some time with her mother, Mattyly Upchurch, they also visited John Walker Harvey of Greenville.

James and Dorothy Holt visited Jake and Barbara Maurischat of Lone Oak on Saturday.

Susan Roach and Edna Talley sang with the choir in Bogata on Saturday.

Visiting John and Velma Temple Sunday were Phil and Rachelle Casey and son, Blair, of Carrollton, Colleen Watson and children, Hanna and Austin of Corinth, Salena Bell and son Aaron, Tabatha Burcella, Hattie Hobbs and Helen Temple and David Hobbs all of Paris and Steve Hobbs of Longview.

Ruby Lee of Dallas spent the weekend with her parents, Edna and Frank Lee.

Mark Upchurch of San Diego, Ca

and Bud Upchurch of Bisbee, AZ visited Mattyly Upchurch on Friday.

Donny and Laura Wright of Deport had lunch with Stacy and Allen Huddleston and Ally on Saturday.

Spending the weekend with Edna Talley was her son and wife, Darrell and Pam Farris of Cumby, Eddie Farris of Bixby, OK and granddaughter, Heather Farris of Coweta, OK.

Kay Preston of Minter and Tim Parks of Faught had dinner with Dorothy and James Holt on Sunday.

Ruth Johnston and Ollie and Ruth Lee of Paris spent Sunday with Frank and Edna Lee.

Martha and Jerry Cross of Deport visited Allen Dale, Stacy and Ally Huddleston on Wednesday.

Bud and Juanita Upchurch of Bisbee, AZ visited Mattyly Upchurch Saturday.

Mary and Eran Yoder and Nathan of Hopewell and Jeannie Lane of Paris had dinner with Edna Talley on Sunday.



CHECKING FOR DRUGS-Franklin county deputy Chris Mars and drug dog "Jasper" checked out this 2000 Corvette from Oklahoma City last Friday. The driver was arrested by Chief deputy Larry Spangler for possession of a controlled substance last Thursday night in Detroit. (Photo by Thomas Nichols)

Cunningham News

By Jane O'Neal

Paul Mathews will be guest speaker at Life Tabernacle Church of Cunningham on Sunday Oct. 15. Sunday School begins at 10:00, Worship service at 11:00. Sunday night begins at 6:00 p.m.

Visiting with Geneva Norwood and having Sunday lunch were Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Scottie, Treda, Amber and Spur Norwood and Josh Osborne. Joining them for Sunday night were Neva and Billy Ray Oats and Georjeana and Brad Nutt.

Geneva Norwood, Neva Oats and Mona and Randall Childers participated in the program of gospel singing at Rivercrest High School Auditorium on Saturday night.

L'Wanda McKnight and Jane O'Neal attended a church conference in Danville, AR this past week.

Billy Ray, Neva and Brandon Oats and Georjeana and Brad Nutt had Sunday lunch with Billie Joe and

Georgia Oats. Having Sunday lunch with Jane O'Neal were Karla and Kara Palmer, Lisa Drinnon and Janee and Kenzie Jackson.

Sue and Murray Jackson spent the weekend in Lees Summit, MO with David, Kathy and Sydney Jackson.

Dwayne, O'Neal and Weston Drinnon spent Sunday in Frogville, OK with William and Nina Drinnon.

L'Wanda and Pete McKnight had Sunday lunch for Johnny, Fran, Johnna and Jenna Patterson, Connie McKnight, Cindy LeeDonn and Reanna Barnett and Donnie and Clovis Morrison.

Cindy Nichols is recuperating at home following surgery this past week. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Neal and Ann Baker spent three weeks in Corpus Christi visiting Jason, Toni, Jaci and Brittney Baker and Stephanie.



TIMWOOD-conducts choir members who participated in "Harmony Under the Stars", a program held at Rivercrest Saturday night. The gospel music program was free to the public but donations were accepted with all proceeds going to the Bogata Library/Museum. People from Paris, Clarksville, Bogata, Talco, Johntown and more participated in the event led by Tim. The put in several hours of practice and the outcome was a blessing for those who attended. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

It's time to begin thinking about those veterans stories!

Veterans and their families are reminded to begin thinking about their memories which they may wish to submit to be published on November 9th.

Veterans of all wars and conflicts are encouraged to send in memories about anything that happened to them while in the service.

In the past Thunder Prairie has published stories that were humorous, exciting or sad.

There have been veterans who were in movies, won honors or had unusual duties, as well as having close calls or humorous events.

Please, share these stories with others, they are priceless.

Please submit by mailing to Thunder Prairie Publishing, Veterans Memories, P.O. Box 98, Deport, TX, 75435; or fax to 903-652-6041. If you have questions, call 903-652-4205 or 632-5322 or 982-5829.

Crime Stoppers crime of the week

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

Sometime during the morning of Tuesday, September 26th, unknown suspects entered a storage building at The Love Civic Center, in Paris. Once inside the building, the suspects stole several pieces of lawn care equipment. The felony burglary of a building resulted in over \$1100.00 in stolen property.

If you have any information on this, or any other felony crime, please call Crime Stoppers. If Crime Stoppers receives that information by **October 16th** an arrest is made of those persons responsible, Crime Stoppers will pay you a cash reward of up to \$1000.00. All calls do remain anonymous and you will not have to testify in court. So let all work together to fight crime and double your reward during the month of January. Call Crime Stoppers today at **785-TIPS!** (785-8477).

Red River County Sheriff's Report

October 1-7

October 1: Assault victim at ETMC; abandoned vehicle in Bagwell; one Fannin County inmate transported back to Fannin County; reckless driver on Hwy. 82 east; burn ban violation in Annona; report of intoxicated driver in Annona area; male arrested on view on offense of driving while intoxicated, second offense.

October 2: Inmate released with credit for time served; trespassing in Avery area; male arrested on Paris PD warrant for assault; inmate transported to county jail on offense of possession of marijuana; one arrested at Lamar County Jail on offense of capias for burglary of habitation and failure to appear, transported back to Red River County jail; disturbance in English area; inmate transported to county jail on offense of attempt to deliver controlled substance and possession of controlled substance; inmate transported to county jail on offense of attempt to deliver controlled substance and possession of controlled substance; welfare concern in Avery; request for welfare concern.

October 3: Noise disturbance in Bogata; welfare concern in Annona; animal complaint on FM1158; male arrested on Paris PD warrant for assault causing bodily injury and a county warrant for speeding; male arrested on additional charge of parole violation; assault at Rivercrest High School; criminal mischief on FM114; report of intoxicated driver on Hwy. 37 south; female arrested on charge of assault class C; male arrested on charge of burglary of a building; criminal mischief in Annona; inmates released to Lamar County on their warrants; family disturbance in Avery.

October 4: Attempt to locate in Detroit from Paris PD; minor accident in Bagwell; report of welfare concern on FM2120; animal complaint on 37 north; female arrested on assault with bodily injury class A;

welfare concern on FM2120; male arrested on burglary of habitation and transported from McCurtain County, OK to county jail; male arrested on Bowie County warrants while confined in county jail; family disturbance on FM909.

October 5: Report of prowler on FM1159; report of minor accident on FM2118; transported three Bowie County inmates to TDCJ; transported four Bowie County inmates to county for housing; traffic hazard on Hwy. 37 north; welfare concern in Detroit area; disturbance in Detroit; report of assault; disturbance in Detroit.

October 6: Report of criminal mischief in Detroit; transported four Bowie County inmates to TDCJ; criminal mischief on FM114; suspicious person in Detroit; male arrested on offense of possession of controlled substance; male arrested on motion to revoke probation, theft; inmate released to Dallas County on their warrant; inmate transported to county jail on offense of burglary of a habitation; male arrested on warrant for injury to a child; welfare concern in Detroit; animal complaint on FM1699; animal complaint on FM1699; male arrested on McCurtain County warrant, failure to appear, domestic assault and three counts of unlawful deliver of controlled substance; male arrested on offense of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon; male arrested for public intoxication and possession of drug paraphernalia; female arrested on Bowie County warrants, failure to appear, theft over 20 and under 200 and forgery second degree while confined in county jail; inmate released on bond.

October 7: Animal complaint on Hwy. 82 east; animal complaint on 37 south; report of fight in progress in Annona; female arrested on offense of aggravated assault; welfare concern.

Red River County Jail currently holds 66 inmates.

People 'n Things

The Deport American Legion Post will meet Thursday, October 12 at 7:00 p.m. All members are urged to attend.

Have A Nice Weekend

Calender of Events for October	
Prairiland High School	
5	Fannindel 7-8th here 5:00 Cooper JV here at 7:00
6	Football @ Fannindel 7:30
7	CCountry meet @ Saltilla Jr. Hi district @ Avery
9	Retakes on all campuses School Board 7:30
10	Vball Chisum H 4:30
11	Board Training/MP
12	HS Blood Drive 7/8/IV @ PP 5:00 PP H 7:30
13	Vball PP H 4:30
16	DistrictSBDM Committed
17	Vball @ HSprings 4:30 PSAT sophomores
19	7/8/IV H Rivercrest 5:00 Executive Board 7:00
20	Vball @ CH 4:30 @ Rivercrest 7:30 assembly 1/6-12
23	CC district meet
24	TAAS Writing 11-12 Vball DeKalb H 4:30 PAT meeting 7:00
25	TAAS Math 11-12
26	TAAS Reading 11-12 Pro Grad H House DeKalb H 7:30
27	Pro Grad H House
28	Pro Grad H House
30	District Vball Pro Grad H House
31	Halloween Pro Grad H House

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Patriots 53-Fannindel 6

The Prairiland Patriots caused a fumble on the very first play of the game against Fannindel last week. Heath Sessums recovered the fumble and five plays later, Jason Elrod scored from three yards out. Drew Riddles made the PAT, 7-0. The Patriots next possession was highlighted by Phillip Elders 40-yard run to the Falcon's 1-yard line. Elrod scored the next play and the PAT failed, 13-0. The Patriots ended the first period with a Stoney Musgrove 2-yard run. The PAT was blocked, 19-0.

The second quarter started with a 27-yard pass from Elrod to Heath Sessums for a 25-0 score. Elder rushed three yards for the two point conversion, 27-0. The Falcons got on the board with an 86-yard kick off return for a TD, 27-6. Heath Sessums intercepted the Falcons next pass and

Phillip Elder scored on a 56-yard run the very next play, 33-6 at the half.

The third quarter started with an Eric Berry kick off return to the Falcons 40-yard line. Phillip Elder scored on the next play to give the Patriots a 39-6 lead. Pat, Riddles, 40-6.

The Patriots drove 77 yards on the next possession that ended in an eight yard run by Eric Berry, PAT good, 47-6.

The Patriots finished the night with a 72-yard drive behind the strong running of Stan Cox. Berry scored from 54-yards out, 53-6.

The Patriots ended non-district with a 5-0 record. They open up Friday against Paul Pewitt at Patriot Stadium beginning at 7:30. Come out and support the Patriots.

Patriot Offensive Stats - 5 Games

Name	Attempts	Yards	TD's
Phillip Elder	43	560	8
Stan Cox	27	206	3
Stoney Musgrove	52	481	8
Justin Elrod	12	84	3
Eric Berry	29	270	6
D.J. Loveless	10	49	0
Scotty Nichols	3	7	0
Jason Elrod	17	90	2

Passing

Name	Attempts	Comps	Yds	TD's	Int.
Jason Elrod	34	18	285	6	1
Heath Sessums	1	1	37	0	0

Receiving

Name	Catch	Yds	TD's
Chris Berry	4	95	2
D.J. Loveless	2	14	1
Heath Sessums	4	90	2
Stoney Musgrove	5	72	1
Eric Berry	1	13	0
Phillip Elder	1	14	0
Drew Riddle	2	23	0

Punts

Name	Punts	Yds	Avg.
D.J. Loveless	5	160	33.3

Penalties

Number	Yds.
34	277

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68

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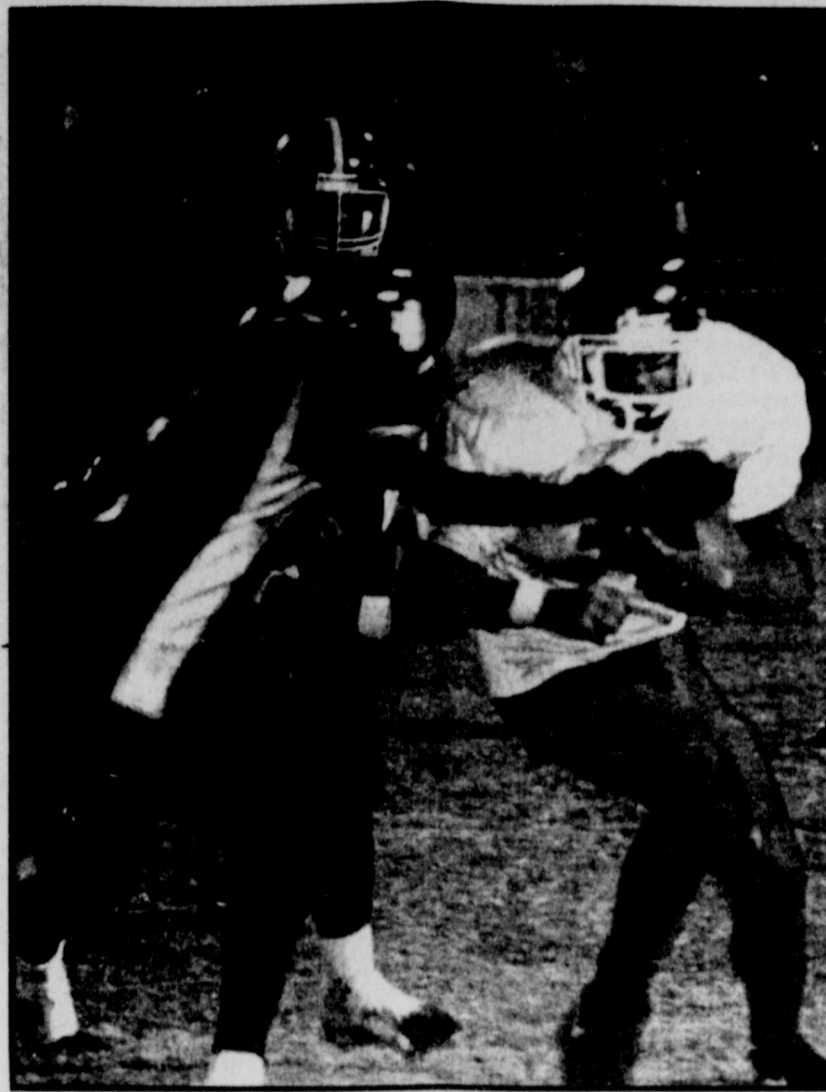
Name	Yds.
Drew Riddles	13-25
D.J. Loveless	2
Stoney Musgrove	2
Phillip Elder	2

PIP camp to be held October 14

A PIP (Players in Progress) camp will be held on Saturday, October 14 at Prairiland High School gym. All new and returning PIPS in grades K-3 if from 2:30 to 6:30. Returning PIPs grades 4-6 will meet from 7:00-9:00 p.m. The Blossom PIP group and the Detroit PIP group will be joining the camp also. The registration fee is \$50.

Registration forms will be sent home with students next week. Forms must be returned to your child's teacher by Monday, October 9, 2000.

If you have any questions, call Pam Norwood at 652-3143; Mendy Cole; Sandra Clark for Blossom PIPS at 785-6571 at 785-2286; or Shelly Geer for Detroit PIPs at 674-2401.



PATRIOT ERIC BERRY carries the ball during Friday night's game with Fannindel. The Patriots won over the Falcons 53-6 and will open district play this Friday night against Paul Pewitt with kickoff at 7:30. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Patriot JV defeated by "Dogs" 14-6

The Patriot JV football team lost to a strong Cooper team by a score of 14-6. The Bulldogs returned the opening kickoff 73 yards for a TD. The PAT was incomplete. Cooper led 6-0 with only about 10 seconds gone from the game clock.

The Patriot defense did an outstanding job and did not allow a TD until midway through the 4th quarter.

The Patriots were smaller than the Bulldogs, but used quickness and gang-tackling to keep Cooper out of the end zone. Tackle Chris Brunson led all defenders with 9 tackles. Linebackers Clay Vaughn and Dustin Applegate each had 7 tackles. Nathan Burden also had 7 tackles.

Offensively, the Patriots had 180 yards. QB Blake Smith led all rushers with 7 carries for 58 yards. He

also completed 4 of 12 passes for 37 yards and one TD. Applegate carried 6 times for 27 yards. Heath Connot carried twice for 7 yards. The only TD was set up by a well executed fake punt that Smith took 35 yards to the 7 yard line. Aron Arrasmith ran it in to make the score 6-6 with the PAT no good.

After Cooper scored on a halfback pass midway thru the 4th quarter, the Patriots marched a drive with only 3 minutes left to the game. The drive was stopped on the Bulldog 8-yard line, when Smith's pass was intercepted in the endzone. Arrasmith had a big 27-yard reception in the drive. The JV is now 3-2 and opens district play Thursday night, October 12 at Paul Pewitt.

Patriot 8th grade plays Fannindel

Fans had really be on their toes to keep up this week as they watched the Patriots take on the Fannindel Falcons. If you could describe the game in one word, you would definitely say "fumble".

The kick off started with a fumble recovered by David Skeen. This was followed by three more fumble recoveries and a forced fumble by Daniel Hayes.

Jake Daugherty and Lance Connot were both hurt on the field in the 1st quarter but were able to return to the game without much lost time.

Despite many turnovers and upsets in the game, the Patriots would not give up.

The defense gained two points on a touch back in the 1st quarter. Jordan Smith, Spencer Talbot and Daniel Hayes showed no mercy through the entire game.

Connot did a great job at quarterback completing passes to Daugherty and Marty Anderson. Spur Norwood also had a great game both offensively and on defense. The Patriots will travel to Paul Pewitt this week for their first district game.

Patriot CC travel to Lake Bob Sandlin

The Prairiland Cross Country teams traveled to Lake Bob Sandlin for one of the most difficult runs of the season.

The ladies did well with Sue Ellen Barnes getting an eighth place medal. Lacy Beaty came in 19th with Tiffany Bishop coming in 21st. Sarina Wilson came in 37th and Megan Filkins came in 38th.

The boy's team also had good times with Michael Flatt taking the 6th place medal. Josh Benfer and John Huff came in 23rd and 24th. John Merrill came in 30th and Chance Bankhead made it in to 36th place.

This was a very challenging run for everyone and these runners all need to be commended for their undying efforts. Never give up, never surrender!

Patriot 7th grade defeats North Lamar

The Prairiland 7th grade Patriot team defeated the North Lamar Panthers Thursday night at Prairiland.

The Patriots were awesome as they racked up the score of 40-0. The starting defense was pulled after the first series of plays and by the end of the night, many of the defensive line members were getting to try their hand at other positions.

Cody Upchurch ran for 2 touchdowns and 6 extra points. Cody ran for approximately 130 yards. Wow!

Lance Ballard made a great reception for the third TD of the game. Cole White ran the ball for 2 TD's, one after a 37-yard run! White also

took the ball in for the extra 2. Darren Lane ran the ball in for the final 2 points and had about 60 yards for the night.

Defense played exceptional with solo tackles made by Josh Allen, Cody Upchurch, Matthew Golightly, Cody Flatt, White, Landon Woodall and Lucas Morgan.

Patriots that recovered fumbles were Morgan, White and Golightly.

Other Patriots making this win possible were Logan Norwood, Taylor Mauldin, Kyle Kinslow, Blake Woodall, Brandon Hostetler, Matthew Owen, Matt Hostetler and kicking by Withers.

Lady Patriots go 5-0 in district play

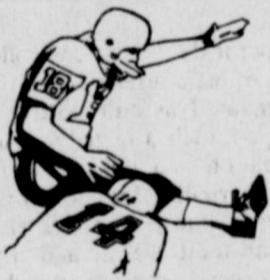
Saturday morning in DeKalb set up a showdown for two teams standing 4-0 in district. They Lady Patriots, with much purpose and intent, were not about to relinquish the district lead as they routed the Lady Bears 15-2, 15-5.

Behind 9 kills from Emilee Bolton and 7 from Kami Hudson, Prairiland put in a stellar performance. Megan Graham dished out 22 assists. The entire team's defense was outstanding.

The JV team fell to DeKalb 7-15, 15-2, 4-15. Jordan Hunold led the serving with 9 service points. Nicole Boehler and Leslie Davis had 9 and 8 kills respectively.

The freshman team won in 2 games 16-14, 15-1. Sara Bolton contributed 6 kills and Brittany Ballard had 4 kills. Nikki Bybee had 10 service points and Jodi Bybee had 12 assists.

	assists	serve	aces	kills	blocks	digs
Megan Graham	22	7/8	1	2	-	4
Emilee Bolton	1	11/13	-	9	2	2
Melissa Steinkamp	7/7	-	-	3	-	5
Kami Hudson	4	8/9	-	7	1	2
Ashley Athas	-	3/4	-	3	-	1
Sheena Jones	-	3/4	-	2	-	1



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BURN THE NOTE-Hubbard McDuffie, Brother James Brown, Red River County Sheriff Bob Edrington LD Williamson, Ben Storey, Lane Duncan, Tommy Corbell, and James Carson were on hand to burn the note on the new Red River County jail last Friday. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

Senior Adults meet at church

The Senior Adults of the Deport First Methodist Church met in the fellowship hall of the church on Tuesday, October 10.

Table games were played following a covered dish lunch.

The next meeting will be again a covered dish luncheon in the fellowship hall of the church on Tuesday, November 7.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Presbyterian women meet

Reba Temple was hostess for the Monday, October 9 meeting of the Presbyterian Women in her home.

Rev. Ed Dodson opened the meeting with prayer and directed the second lesson from the study of John, "Cana and the Cross, a Mother's Role."

Moderator Reba Temple read a devotional, "When God measures a man, he puts the tape around the heart instead of the head." These were "tongue in cheek" tales about Abraham Lincoln.


Frances Franklin gave the Least Coin devotion written by Dr. Maritza Crespo, a Presbyterian teacher in Caracas, Venezuela. The coins were collected and dedicated with prayer.

The meeting was closed with the Mizpah benediction.

Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Blossom Locals

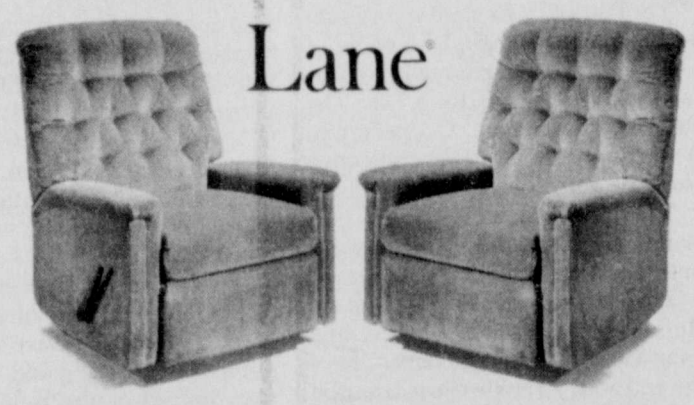
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Happy Birthdays this week to Ryan Pittman, Jamey Slaton, Clayton Vaughn, Lucas Roddy, Brad Miller, Chad Oates, Larry Chumbley, Paula Rater, Sabrina Denelsbeck, Kurtis Flanary, Elizabeth Burchinal, Karen Hargus, Ryan Cope, Kare Titsworth, Mary Snow, Kyle Blanton, Bruce Ruckman, Jesse Sanders, Sr., Mary Helen Hancock, Nicki Bishop.

The Oak Hill Baptist Church enjoyed a good crowd on Saturday with their Bake and Barbecue Sale. Thanks to everyone!

Congratulations to the Blossom Jr. High volleyball team. The girls took 2nd place at the district tournament on Saturday!

Happy Anniversary to Terry and Paulette Burchinal!

Bob Parks of Lewisville spent Saturday night with Margaret Parks.

Jo and Mib Myers of Post Oak visited with Emma and Lloyd Willard and Kaleb Long on Wednesday.

Emma Willard traveled to Plano last week and spent several days visiting with Rhonda, Randy, Sandra and Ethan Raspberry and Karen Kraft.

Get well wished to Zelma Galey.

The Patriots begin district play this Friday night against Paul Pewitt at Patriot Stadium. Come out and support the team!

Teri, Carly and Blake Moody of Van Alstyne visited with Pauline and Jr. Weddle last week. Also visiting with them was Ashley Simpson of Sherman and Shiela, Laci and Lesa Thompson of Paris.

Pauline and Jr. Weddle visited with Mr. and Mrs. Newt Freelan on Monday.

Despite the weather, the Methodist Church saw a good crowd on Saturday for their Fall Festival.

Eddie and Esther Tillman of Bogata visited with Mrs. Hollis Mathena on Monday.

The area churches met at the First Baptist Church for Community Sunday and enjoyed a large turnout along with special singing. Bro. C. H. Littlejohn led the service of the Oak Hill Baptist Church.

Don't forget the Blossom Lady Fire Belles will be having their monthly breakfast at the Blossom Cafeteria. All you can eat for \$4.00!

Post Oak News

By Geneva Lee
982-5309



Verlon and Gail Vaughn went to Antlers, Oklahoma on Sunday, October 1, to attend the birthday celebration of her brother. All his family was present except one sister.

Verlon Vaughn and Johnnie Lee attended the Lamar County-wide Volunteer Fire Department meeting at the courthouse in Paris on Monday night, October 2. They elected officers for another year. There were 7 that attended the regular monthly meeting of the East Post Oak VFD Tuesday night here at the fire station.

Sue and Norman Farris of Longview were her over the weekend and visiting her mother Louise Cagle and attend church her Sunday morning. It was the first time Sue had been here since she broke her foot sometimes back. She got the pin out of her foot about 2 weeks ago.

Donna Johnigan and 2 sons of Waco visited her parents Don and Phylis Vaughn over the weekend and attended church with them Sunday morning.

Yvonne McNabb has been visiting sister Margaret Hoover who has been ill in East Texas Medical Center in Clarksville since falling and breaking her pelvis. She is being released to go to Regency Nursing Home until she is able to be up and about.

Descendants of the Caleb Turk gathered Saturday at Post Oak Community Center. Families from four of his children were represented; Robert Andrey (andy) Turk, Ben Turk, Maggie Nelson and Matilda West. There was 30 in all.

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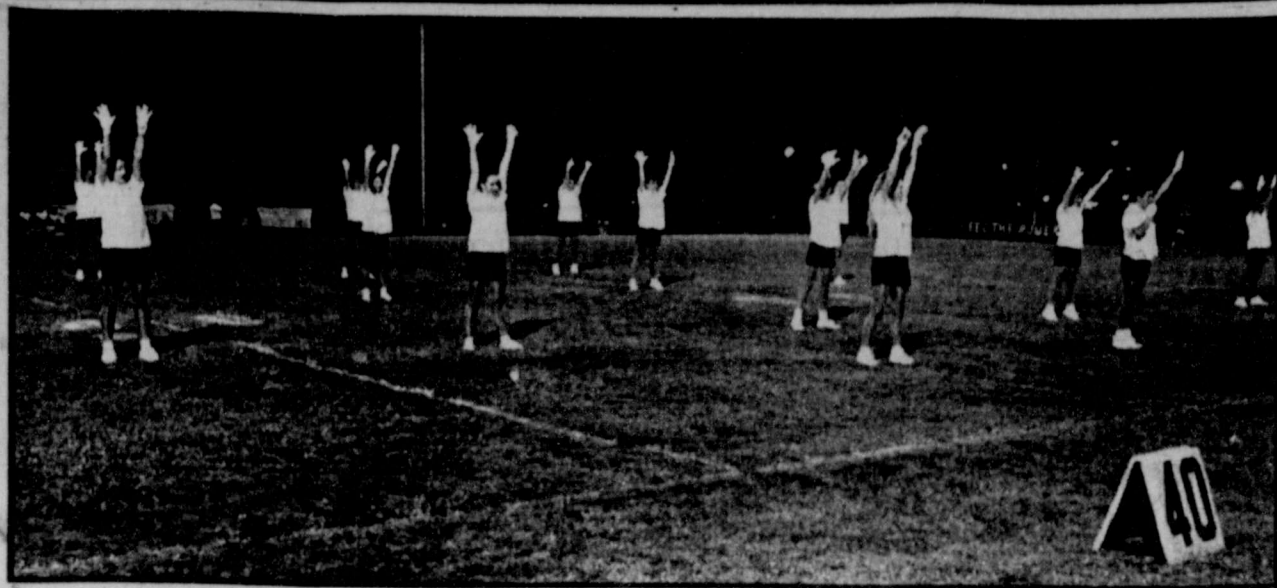
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PATRIOT DRILL TEAM-the drill team is doing an outstanding job at the football games and adds a touch of flair to all of the games. The girls have worked hard this year under the direction of Laurie Cathey and Susan Roach. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Fulbright News
By Betty Rodgers
652-6051

Ty Crump was honored on his 9th birthday by his family at the home of his dad, J.D. and Charity Holbert. Attending were his mother, Angela and brother, Aaron, sisters Cheyenne, Bailey, Caitlin his grandmother Shirley and Chance, Sheila Burns, Randa and Logan, Pat and Eugene Cox and grandmother Marla Crump.

Clovis and Katy VanDeaver made a trip to Dallas for Katy to see the doctor. She got a good report.

Betty Rodgers and Melissa Arriaga made a business trip to Sherman Monday.

Connie Phosay and Betty Rodgers attended the Lions Club meeting in Detroit last Monday evening.

Gilbert and Melissa Arriaga vacationed part of last week in Hot Springs, AR.

Weekend visitors of Katy and Clovis VanDeaver were Lana VanDeaver of Trinity, Brian, Tiffany and T.I. Stubblefield of Centerville, Larann, Drue and John Denison of Rosalie, Mitzie and Michael Pirtle of Paris, Kim Pirtle and Derrick Equizarbal of Arlington. Recent visitors were Betty Stevens of Arlington and her mother, Mrs. Ward of Clarksville.

The Tuesday 42 Club met in the home of Jimmie King on Tuesday with two visitors, Bobby King of Paris and Eunice Ervin. LaVada Westbrook and Jimmie King tied for high score. Jimmie served a refreshment plate of sandwiches, chips and pickles and pie for dessert. The next meeting will be in the home of Alma Scaff on October 17.

Visitors of Jimmie King were Kutchie King on Wednesday and Dick King Saturday. Kay and Dave German of Whitney came Sunday to stay through Tuesday. They took Jimmie

for a doctor's appointment in Paris on Monday and met Duane and Bobby King and Kutchie King for lunch at Appleby's.

Betty Rodgers and Melissa Arriaga attended the gospel show at Rivercrest High School Saturday.

Marla Crump and Betty Rodgers had dinner in Bogata Friday.

Katy and Clovis VanDeaver attended the hamburger supper at the fire department in Detroit on Saturday.

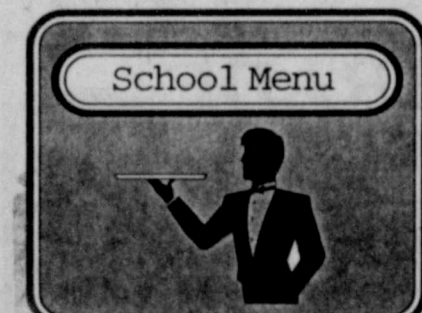


Prairiland High School
First Six Weeks Honor Roll

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Lunch:
Beef fingers
Mashed potatoes
Gravy
Green beans
Rolls
Milk
- Tuesday**
Breakfast:
Biscuits, sausage
Juice, milk
Lunch:
Pizza
Tossed salad
Corn
Milk
- Wednesday**
Breakfast:
Cereal, toast
Juice, milk
Lunch:
Salisbury steak
Mashed potatoes
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Rolls
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- Thursday**
Breakfast:
Pancakes w/sausage
Bacon
Juice, milk
Lunch:
Chicken fried steak
Mashed potatoes
Gravy
Corn
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- Friday**
Breakfast:
Oatmeal, sausage
Juice, milk
Lunch:
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Lady Patriots go 6-0 in District

It wasn't a pretty win, but it was a win Tuesday afternoon as the Lady Patriots defeated Chisum 16-7, 15-10. After Saturday's near perfect play, the Lady Patriots seemed to be laden with miscues as they tenaciously hung on for district win number six. Emilee Bolton recorded 11 kills and two blocks while Melissa Steinkamp put down 10 kills. Megan

Graham had 21 assists and 11 service points. The JV team also won in two games posting a 15-11, 15-7 win over Chisum. Lacy Davis, Natalie Wilson and Jordan Hunold each had four kills to help the Prairiland squad. The Lady Patriots host Paul Pewitt Friday afternoon.

Name	Assists	Serves	Aces	Kills	Blocks
Megan Graham	21	14/15	-	1	1
Melissa Steinkamp	2	3/5	-	10	-
Ashley Athas	0	10/10	1	3	-
Emilee Bolton	-	6/8	-	11	2
Kami Hudson	1	9/9	-	3	-
Sheena Jones	3	6/6	-	2	-

Foundation to host golf tournament

The newly formed Inspiration Foundation is hosting its first Charity Golf Classic Saturday, October 14 at Elk Hollow Golf Course. All proceeds for the tournament will be used to assist local patients and families affected by cancer.

afternoon tee times, 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. with a meal provided. Entry is \$50 per person or \$200 per team, including green fees, cart, commemorative T-shirt and goody bag. Prizes will be awarded in a number of categories. For information, call 785-6585.

The tournament has morning and

Pattonville News

By Peggy Parsons

Happy birthday wishes to Sue Malone, Bobbi Gifford, Lois Kennett, Tana Creighton, Nolan Butler, Lucille Pickering, Johna Ingram, Blaine Wright, Keith Crossland, Mark Nation, Madison Bolton, Jakob McDowra, Katelyn Sims, Cody Crossland, Ginger Rater, Allen Johnson, Natalie Floyd, Lucas Roddy, Nathan Byrd, Donnie Larkin, Kandi McEntire, Kendel and Kaylen of Broken Bow, Ok. visited their grandparents Jesse and Frances Anderson and attended the funeral of Kelly Brue McFadden in Paris last week. patsy Moore Brady was a recent visitor of Jesse and Frances.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Jimmy Day who died in Sulphur Springs Wednesday, Oct. 4. He was the son of Vivian Day and brother of Velma Burned.

Mark Hudson of Jennings has assumed the office of Second Vice President of the Texas Association of Secondary Principals. He is the principal of Travis Jr. High in Paris. The Reno Church of Christ members enjoyed lunch and fellowship at the Pattonville Community Center Sunday.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Virginia Bardwell who died Thursday, Oct. 5 at Heritage Care Center in Paris. She had taught at Pattonville, Blossom and retired from Prairiland High School in 1973.

Buster and Louise Crossland attended the Gospel meeting at the Reno Church of Christ Friday through Sunday. They were in Paris

to be with the family of Jimmy Day Friday and attended his services Saturday morning.

Debbie Currin, Travis and Tonya Hunter, Jeremy and Christian spent Sunday at the State Fair of Texas in Dallas. Courtney Danielle stayed with her grandparents in Greenville.

Jeremy Hunter spent two days in Christus St. Joseph's Hospital last week because of dehydration. Other members of the family were sick with a virus.

Mickey Keener has been a visitor of Bill and Ruby D. Blevins this week. Rudy D. Blevins, Sandy Ring and Heather visited, Jessie Newsom in Parkview Nursing Home in Paris Sunday afternoon. They met Ashleigh McLawn in Bonham after she had spent the weekend with her dad in McKinney.

Heather Anderson is now employed at McDonald's in Paris.

congratulations to Ed Ring for being named the new president of the Lamar Co. Fire Fighter's Association. congratulations to Dale and Shanna Wilkerson on the arrival of their son, Aaron Rayce on Sept. 27 at McCuiston Regional medical center in Paris. Grandparents are Don and Sherry Denison and Robert and Katie Wilkerson of Blossom and great grandparents are Ruth Denison of Paris and Charles and Betty Bowman.

Bill and Marilyn Herron of Shreveport, La. visited Thomas and Katie Crossland, Cody and Laurilyn.

They helped Cody celebrate this birthday on Saturday.

As a general thing, people marry most happily with their own kind. The trouble lies in the fact that people usually marry at an age when they do not really know what their own kind is.

—Robertson Davies

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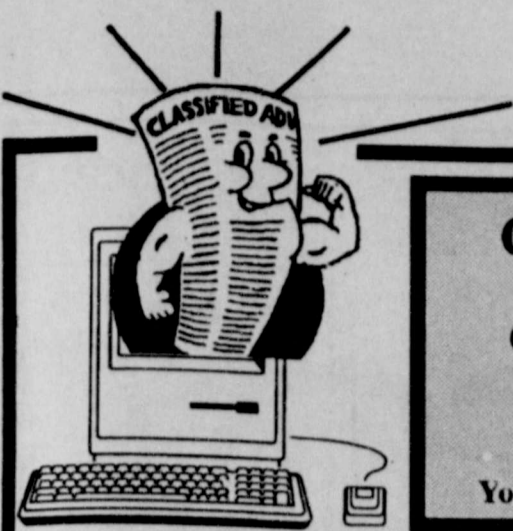
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17	Prairiland FCCLA Leadership Conference, 4 p.m.
17	VBall at Hughes Springs, 4:30 p.m.
18	PSAT, 10th and 11th
18	Youth for Christ, 7:50 a.m., Library
19	JV FBall, Rivercrest, Here, 5:00 p.m.
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FOR SALE: Country Corner Store, FM909, east of Bogata. Walk-in cooler, shelving, approx. 4,000 sq. ft. \$60,000. 903-632-5298. MA 10-26

FOR SALE: 2BR, 1B, nice lot, 112 4th NW in Bogata. Owner finance, zero down, payments less than rent. 903-632-9393. MA 10-19

FOR SALE: House plus 3 lots, have Hwy. 271 frontage. Brick house, 2BR, 2B, double garage. 903-652-3343. MA 10-19

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 INSPECTION: Friday, prior to sale, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and morning of sale.
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HOUSEHOLD ITEMS: Couch with matching chair & ottoman, leather recliner, coffee table, end tables, king size bedroom suite, chest & dresser, large trunk, French Provincial bedroom suite including matching desk & chair, trundle bed, desk, office chair, filing cabinet, typewriter, adding machines, phones, dining room table & 6 chairs, china cabinet, maple chest, entertainment center, TV's, VCR's, satellite dish, stereos, exercise equipment, lamps, pictures, Maytag washer, Kenmore dryer, microwave, china, crystal, Mikasa, small appliances, cooking utensils, linens, miscellaneous kitchenware and much more.

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FOR SALE: 1990 Terry Resort camper, 26' fifth wheel, good condition, \$7,500. Charley Lewis, 903-632-5387. MA 10-19

FOR SALE: 1998 Chevy Cavalier, 2-dr., good condition, clean. 903-379-2191. MA 10-26nc

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FOR SALE: 30 mixed cows with 20 calves, 10 springers, \$725 each grown head; 2 black bulls, 1 Angus & 1 Limousin, \$850 each. 903-982-6522, 982-4111 or 785-7443. MA 10-19

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POSITION OPEN: Service work, setting tanks and filling tanks, some office work, answering phones, ledgable handwriting. Welch Gas, 271 south in Bogata. 903-632-5934. MA 10-19

FREE
FREE-Blue Heeler dog, good companion, loving and sweet. Female, had shots, spade. Moving, can't keep. 903-785-7781. nc

FREE PUPPIES: 9 weeks old, part cow dog, Alaskan Huskie and timberwolf. One male, four females. 903-674-6977. 10-19nc

Wanted:

NEEDED: Display cases for the Bogata Museum/Library. Would accept donation or we have limited funds for purchase. Also table, chairs, filing cabinet. Please call 903-632-5999. t/cnc

KID STOP DAYCARE in Bogata is taking applications. Person must be 21 years or older, a non-smoker, and must be able to pass a criminal history report. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. Call Christy Kennedy, 903-632-4954. MA 10-19

HELP WANTED: Need home health provider in Deport, 14 hours a week. Call Red River Healthcare Center at 903/785-4070 to apply. 10-12

HELP WANTED: Nurses aides, certified or non-certified, day and evening shifts. 903-632-5293 or stop by Red River Healthcare Center, Bogata. MA 10-26

LOST & FOUND
REMEMBER, we don't charge for free pets, or for your lost or found animals, we want them to have a home! Call 652-4205 or 632-5322.

LOST BLACK LAB with blue collar. Last seen in Meadows Curve area, answers to "Willard". Grandkids need their friend back. 10-12nc

LOST: October 9 on Circle Drive in Bogata, black and white toy poodle, 15 years old, blind and deaf, weighs 4 pounds. If found, please call 632-4744. 10-12nc

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Garage Sales
CAKLEBERRY'S: Crafts, angels, gifts, lawn furniture, Adirondacks, Hwy. 271 south, six miles from Talco. Open Thursday through Saturday or call anytime 577-7158 or 572-3825. MA t/c

YARD SALE: Oct. 14 & 15, 1705 Cleveland, Paris. Four families. 10-12

CLEANING THE ATTIC SALE: Yarn, material, Christmas tree, decorations, puzzles, tent, leaf blower/vac, plus?? Friday & Saturday, 8 a.m. until ?? 2 miles SW of Deport on FM1501. 10-12

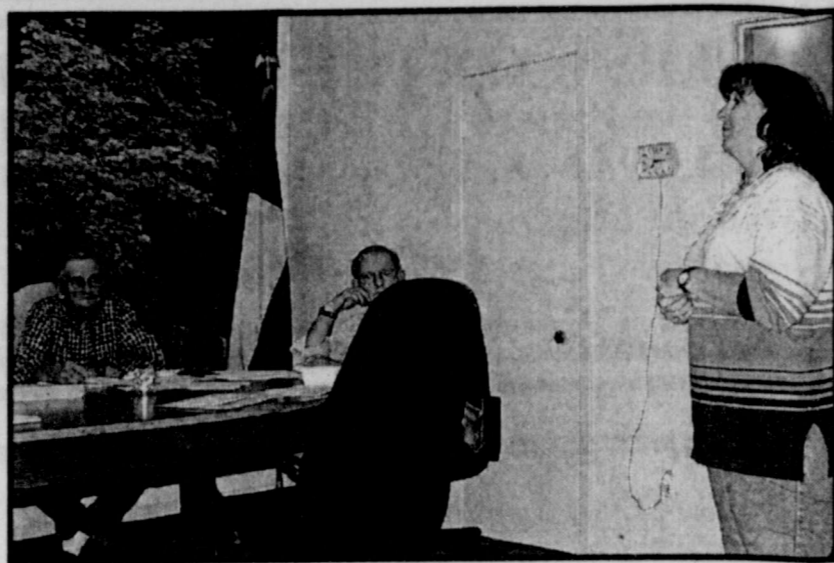
DUE TO THE BAD WEATHER last Saturday, we are having our garage sale again this Saturday, October 14. The VanDeaver residence on FM2825 south of the Clarksville hospital. Cancel if raining. 10-12

FIVE FAMILY garage sale in Detroit. October 13 & 14 at the Tabernacle. Lots of everything! 10-12

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APPEALING FOR APPROVAL-Denise Isom appealed to the Deport City Council last Monday night to build a six dog kennel on her property in the city limits. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



IN SPITE OF RAINY conditions, grass fires and hay fires have continued. This fire occurred at the home of Dow Henderson north of Deport Sunday night. It required several hours to monitor and contain it. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

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Deport Nursing Home News
By Sandra Mauldin

Visiting Walker and Willie Devlin were Dr. Steve Short of Kerrville, Theda Short of Paris, Doris Ballard of Clardy, Velma Cox of Cunningham, Bro. Jim Benfer, Betty and Carlys Denison of Deport, Johnny, Kathy and Chance Whitney of Minter.

Willie Mae Speir was honored on Sunday, October 8 for her 91st birthday by her children and grandchildren at the community room on Glover Street. They had a 1:00 dinner and guests attended from Carrollton, Greenville, Celeste, Commerce, Paris, Clardy, Bogata, Halesboro, Saitillo, Cypress Springs. There were 58 family members present.

Happy birthday to Andre Allen Dixon, Carley Vaughn, Kate Benfer, Robert Ladd, Kandi Wright, Katha Crawford, Patricia Barnard Buelow, Teresa Billy, Tommy Good, Don Roy Pickering, Rhonda Swint, Britt

Barnard, Jon Clayton, Tammy Nichols, Alta Hester, Ethel Alexander, Jessie Lane, Linda Rose, Sue Malone, Bobbi Gifford, John David Good, Sharon Francis, Tabatha LaRue, Bryan Flenniken, Lucille Couch Pickering, Ruth Chipman, Carole Nixon.

Happy anniversary to Clois and Gordon Alsbrook, Marti and Jason Chumbley, Aimee and Aaron Driggers, Vivian and Gordon Isbell.

Freeman Safford, Virginia Reed of Paris, Nina Sparks and Peggy Parsons had lunch at the Texas Belle in Paris on Wednesday.

Word has been received of the death of George Peter Ford. He died of cancer at his home in Dallas on Thursday, October 5, 2000.

His wife is Linda Beth Moore Ford, former Deport resident.

A full obituary is expected for next week. Sympathy is extended to the family from their many friends.

Ima Griffin was visited by Raymond Hignight, Mary Ray, Patsy Curtis, Flony Harris, L.B. Harris, Tommy Aubrey.

Phyllis Taylor visited Reecie Kelsey and Brodie Bell.

Raymond Hignight was visited by Mary Ray, Owen Davis, Dona K. Pressley, Ina Griffin, Troy Morris, Terri Norman, Donna Allen, Shawnz, Shirley Haskell, Flona Harris and Patsy.

Lois Dudley was visited by Jerry and Dillon Dudley.

Daisy Barnett was visited by Dill and Doris Felts.

Alma Montgomery was visited by Pam Humphrey, Monda Fults.

Ada Chaddick was also visited by Monda.

John Mitchell was visited by Carl, JaLynda and Dakota, Danbri and Jaylan Mitchell.

Jo Wren was visited by Theda Rector and Mary Johnson.

Homer and Melva Sisson was visited by Betty and Pee Sisson, E.J. Newberry, Dane, Donna, Danny Taylor.

Bill and Doris Felte, Pat and Farris Thompson stopped by after the Farris reunion.

Mamie Fletcher was visited by Lila Scres.

Lillie Dunham was visited by Lia Screws, Tony Lane, Laney Jackson and Beverly Lane.

Jeanne Womack was visited by Melba Sessums, Roy Wells, Bobbie Gifford, Chance Crawford, Katha Crawford and Mary Johnson.

Billie Abbott was visited by Sharon Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Tracie Moore, Lawanda Williams.

Nora Barnett was visited by Rita Thompson and Katy Ramsey.

George and Nell Wolf were visited by Brenda and Mae Carter.

Ina Hedrick was visited by Norma and Doris and Florence.

Roy Wells was visited by Ken Wells and Glenn Wells. Johnnie Warren was visited by Linda Spears, Pam Humphrey, Jenny Asbery, Mikee Roach, Lila Screws, Nannie Bell Ham and Evelyn Roach and Cherry Walker.

Mary Ray was visited by Raymond Hignight.

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WINDSHIELD SAW-members of the Deport Volunteer Fire Department and two members from the Cunningham VFD learned about cutting out windshields Saturday, along with many other skills used in extrication. The all day course left members exhausted and wet, but happy with their accomplishments. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

All Star Variety Show is December 9

The Lamar County VFW Post 3990 is sponsoring an all star variety show on Saturday, December 9 at the Post Home on Hwy. 82 in Reno.

The activities will include magic acts, special performances by the Paris Academy o Dance, demonstrations by Paris Taekwondo Academy, fun and games and Posey the Klown.

There will be a drawing for six free bicycles following the show for three deserving boys and girls.

All tickets are \$5.00 each and ticket information may be obtained by calling Al Slater at 903-732-4148.

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