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A tale of a stove

Last Thursday after an early fire call (did you know hot tubs will burn?), two medical calls and a long day at work I finally was dragging myself towards home when Marilyn Glover waved me down.

"Have you seen the stove at the fire station?" she asked. I told her no and she had me follow her down to the fire station. There, in the kitchen on the new stove was the biggest mess imaginable. White, dried foamy stuff was splattered all over the cook top. Granules of dirt were stuck in place, along with what looked like splinters. We took our fingernails and scratched at the mess, sniffing it to see if it was identifiable. It didn't have a smell.

We both stuck our heads up under the vent-a-hood and discovered that whatever it was had apparently exploded, splashing up under there too.

Puzzled, we looked in the trash cans to see if we could find any "incriminating evidence". Nothing.

I hit the vent-a-hood button and the fan made a strange clunking sound.

Both of us stuck our heads up under the hood again and I yanked down the silver grill. Immediately we were deluged with sticks, grass, dirt and debris! Hot on the heels of our mystery, we leaned closer and Marilyn reached up and turned the fan.

It's a shame there wasn't a video camera on hand, for when the wing flopped down in our faces Marilyn and myself nearly knocked our heads off yanking out from off the vent a hood. I hit the hood rim, she clobbered herself on the other side and we both let out a yell!

We stood staring at one another in horror. YUCK, we had been using our fingers to scrape bird.....well, you have the picture now.

Gingerly, Marilyn worked at prying the dead Starling out of the fan on the vent-a-hood. It was quite dead, although not, fortunately, long dead. The idiot bird had built a nest in the vent pipe and then become trapped.

Then it was sterilize the stove time. We scrubbed, disinfected and scrubbed some more. The grill went home to go in the dishwasher (after a sterilizing rinse down) and everything is back to normal, spick and span.

But we both spent a long, long time scraping under our fingernails, scrubbing our hands and generally muttering words like "nasty", "yuck" and less printable things. We tried not to remember everything we ever heard about bird mites! Gross!

It really is a shame, though, that someone wasn't on hand to have the biggest laugh of the week watching the two of us nearly bash our brains out over one little dead bird!

Deport Campus Cookbooks Available

The Deport Campus staff cookbooks are on sale in the library. There is a limited amount of books left so don't wait too long to purchase one. The books are favorite recipes from the Deport Campus compiled in one cookbook. The price of each book is \$8.00. They make great Christmas gifts.

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Thursday, December 7, 2000 50¢



FATALITY-Dr. Joseph Adrian Galan, age 42, died instantly in the fiery crash between his Oldsmobile Aurora and a 1990 Freightliner just west of Pattonville Park Monday afternoon, Dec. 4. According to Investigating DPS Officer Johnny Williams, Galan was southbound on Hwy. 271 and the semi tractor trailer rig was northbound when the car swerved into the northbound lane hitting "head light to headlight". The vehicles exploded on impact. Pattonville, Deport and Reno VFD responded and Hwy. 271 was shut down through that section for several hours. Dr. Galan was pronounced dead at the scene. (Staff photo by Nanalee Nichols)



DESTROYED-this 1990 Freightliner was totally engulfed in flames after it was struck by a 1999 Oldsmobile Monday afternoon. Driver of the rig, Ronald W. Vaughn of Hughes Springs, age 50, managed to escape the burning vehicle with minor injuries. He was treated and released from a Paris Hospital, according to Texas DPS reports. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



POINTSETTIAS FOR SALE! Pictured here is Elois Sparks of Deport as she purchases some of the beautiful poinsettias that are now on sale at the greenhouse at Prairilane. The Prairilane FFA Department is selling them for \$5.00 each to raise funds for the year's activities. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Bereaved Parents to Meet Dec. 11th

The December 11 meeting will be "Remembering Our Children in a Special Way." A candlelight memorial will highlight the evening. Each person may light a candle honoring the memory of his or her precious child. Bring a picture of your child to place near the candle. We will have finger foods following the

candlelight service. An open invitation is extended to bereaved parents, their families and friends.

Come, join us as we share our experiences in an effort to help others, at the TU Electric Building located at 635 Clarksville Street, Paris. The meeting will start at 7 p.m.

Editor's Quotes
Too Late-There is a wealth of unexpressed love in the world. It is one of the chief causes of sorrow evoked by death: what might have been said or might have been done that never can be said or done.
Arthur Hopkins

Remember Pearl Harbor on December 7th

By Henry Lee Somerville

As we near Pearl Harbor Day and remember the people killed by the Japanese attack, we may want to remember this could have been prevented if President Roosevelt had listened to Navy Admiral J.O. Richardson, kid brother of Jessie Chambers, wife of my great-uncle David Ayres Chambers in Detroit.

Back in August, 1940, there were headlines, "Richardson Flies From Hawaii to Confer With Roosevelt" and "Roosevelt and Richardson Confer" and such. Then nothing for a while. But that night, my father called me and said Otto Richardson had called his older sister, my great-aunt Jessie Chambers and was really upset as he told her Roosevelt was going to replace him as Chief of Staff of the U.S. Navy because, he, Richardson,

said he could not conscientiously go with the President's idea that Japan was no danger. He had asked to get troops out of dangerous places, had asked to be allowed to put places on alert where Japan might attack and be prepared for the attack he predicted would come.

Otto Richardson was retired and a new admiral put in his place with orders not to put Hawaii and other places on alert against Japan. The attack on Pearl Harbor and other places came on December 7, 1941. Richardson, despite him serving for five years straight in the Asiatic as captain of Navy ships before he became Admiral, was not allowed to stay on duty.

Remember this day and honor our veterans.



MEAL-Suzy Kelsey, John Cross and (hidden) Jane Swint served up a traditional meal Saturday at their annual fund raising Bazaar and turkey and dressing meal. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Christmas Parade is Friday, December 8

Deport's annual Christmas Parade will be held Friday, December 8.

Entrants in the parade must be lined up by 12:30 at the park on the west side of town in order to be judged prior to the parade.

The parade will begin at 1:30 p.m. Categories included in this year's

parade include cars, pickups, floats and miscellaneous.

First, second and third places will be awarded in each class.

The Parade will be attended by Santa Claus, and everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Papers now on sale, save money and fill your Christmas list

The newspaper is now on sale! It's that time of year again, the time when Christmas gift giving is simple! The Deport Times, Blossom Times, Bogata News, and Talco Times will be on sale for \$2 a year off now until the end of December.

If one compares the amount of local news in these weeklies to a whole week's worth of local news in a daily it's clear...the competition isn't even close!

Where else can a reader get a whole year's worth of local news, sports, photos, award winning articles and columns, a delicious cooking column and much, much more for the price of \$17 within Lamar, Red River and Titus counties and only \$20 everywhere else?

Take advantage of the sale to send family and friends their home town paper for Christmas, and don't forget to renew for you!

People 'N Things

The Deport American Legion will NOT meet on December 14th.

The Deport Methodists Seniors will be having a covered dish luncheon on December 12th at 11:30 in the home of James and Juavane Carpenter.

Pattonville Community Center will hold their dance at 8 p.m. with liver music on Friday, December 8th. Proceeds benefit the VFD.

On Saturday, December 16 the Pattonville Community Center will hold their breakfast from 7 to 10 a.m. AYCE \$4.

Don't forget the Deport Times office is open from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. on Fridays Dec. 15 and 22nd so that people can renew their subscriptions during the paper sale. It will be closed for lunch from noon until one. There is also a drop slot in the door, so that renews or news can be put through the slot.

The Bogata News Office is open from 9 until noon those two days, also.

The Parsons light show is still on. To see this amazing display, go to Rattan, Oklahoma, take Hwy. 3 east out of Rattan for 13 miles, turn left at the Allen's Monument sign and go two more miles. It will be on until Dec. 28th, and is worth the drive.

Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

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We published some of these last year at Christmastime and had a great response to them. So, I came up with some for everyone to try! They make great Christmas gifts for those that are so hard to buy for. Plus if your list just keeps growing, just simplify and give "Cookies-in-a-Jar"! Everyone will love them!

Clear off the kitchen table and fill as many jars as you think you might need and then add a few extras. They are also great for bazaars, craft sales and all those forgotten folks that come in at the last minute!

No wrapping is necessary. Just top the lid with your favorite fabric or paper and add some raffia or ribbon and you are set! The directions for completion of the recipe is added in a gift tag attached to the jar.

By the way, these cookies may also be used to make bar cookies. Just mix, press in an 8-inch square pan and bake for 20 minutes. Better

yet... add an aluminum pan to your gift set and wow what a gift for someone special!

We hope you enjoy them and we will see you in the kitchen!

Hazelnut Cookies-in-a-Jar-this recipe uses hazelnuts instead of pecans or walnuts for a little different taste!

Chocolate Lover's Cookies-in-a-Jar-if you know someone who really likes chocolate, try these! Three different flavors of chocolate and nuts can be added also!

Hustle-Bustle Butterscotch Oatmeal Cookies-in-a-Jar-these have got to be great cookies with all those extra ingredients!

Outrageous Oatmeal-Raisin Cookies-in-a-Jar-what a concoction for a cookies! These are great and make a wonderful gift!

Crazy for "Craisins" Cookies-in-a-Jar-Craisins are actually dried sweetened cranberries that resemble raisins and are very good for you!

Time to help children with gifts for Angel tree

The annual Christmas Angel Tree, sponsored by the Clarksville Volunteer Fire Department and Red River County volunteers is presently in place at the Clarksville Wal-Mart Store.

Individuals, organizations or groups may now select angels to sponsor from the tree and provide Christmas gifts to disadvantaged children throughout the county.

Applications, for children 12 years of age and under, are available at The Clarksville Times office and post offices in Avery, Bogata and Detroit.

Parents may pick up, fill out and drop off applications at those locations. Applications must be returned by December 5.

All applications are screened for eligibility.

Angels on the tree are color coded

by town: red angels represents Avery children; yellow angels represent Bogata children; blue, Clarksville, green Detroit.

Unwrapped gifts may be left at the Clarksville Fire department or at the Clarksville Wal-Mart where volunteers will pick up and wrap the presents.

According to Charlotte Rozell, Angel Tree coordinator, monetary donations are also needed to make sure each Christmas Angel receives a Christmas gift. Donations may be mailed to the Clarksville Fire Department at 300 N. Pecan Street in Clarksville, Tx. 75426, Mrs. Rozell said.

"Your sponsorship, donations, guidance and leadership will make a difference in the lives of all our children" she says. "After all, they are our most precious resource".

Weigh packages before mailing

The U.S. Postal Service remains an important part of a government service that strives to ensure the safety of the public and its employees, especially during the holidays, said Bogata Postmaster Danny Efav.

In order to avoid delays as a reminder to Bogata residents, special security rules still apply when mailing stamped packages that weigh one pound or more.

"Even if you've carefully calculated and applied the correct amount of postage you must bring these packages to the post office for mailing," Efav said.

Packages found in mail collection boxes, because of security guidelines, may be returned to sender, Postmaster Efav explained. The only exceptions are business packages and let-

ters that use metered postage, he added.

Packages for international destinations, including military APO and FPO addresses, have special Customs requirements and must also be mailed personally at the post office, Efav added.

In addition, Efav reminds customers that all former package markings and labels must be removed before a box can be reused for mailing. Parcels cannot be accepted if markings visibly indicate that the box was used for shipping hazardous material. Wrapping boxes to cover markings is not sufficient. If the wrapping is damaged and markings become visible, the package will be returned to the mailer.

Clarksville Christmas Tour of Homes Dec. 9th

The Red River County Historical Society will sponsor the Second Annual Christmas Tour of Homes in Clarksville on Saturday, December 9th, from 3:30-6:30 p.m. Tour sites will include: the home of Manuel and Jane Avila, the home of Jane and Jennifer Raulston, the Lennox House, and the Courthouse Inn. Community singers will provide Christmas mu-

sic at the First Presbyterian Church, with a "Broccoli-Cheese Soup Supper" and "Cookie Walk" in the Education Building. Prices for the events will be: Christmas Tour of Homes (\$10), Soup Supper (\$3), and Cookie Walk (\$5 or \$10). All proceeds will go toward the historical restoration and upkeep of Miss Belle's House

Obituaries

Eunice Miller dies at age 82

Mrs. Eunice Miller, age 82 of Bogata died Wednesday, Nov. 29 in East Texas Medical Center in Clarksville.

Funeral services were 3PM Saturday Dec.2 in Cuthand Methodist Church with Rev. Kenny Dickson officiating. Burial was held in Cuthand Cemetery under direction of Wood Funeral Home. The family received friends Friday at the funeral home.

Mrs. Miller was born April 16, 1918 in Red River County the daughter of Jim and Bennie Wardlow Barrow. She married Tommie Lee Miller August 13, 1939 in Bogata. He preceded her in death Sept. 2, 1983. She is survived by one son Toney Miller of Boyd, Texas, one daughter Ann Wilson of Nampa, Idaho, six grandchildren and thirteen great grandchildren. She is also survived by a sister Odella Cheatwood of Cuthand. The family has requested in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Cuthand Cemetery.



George G. Wolf

George Wolf dies at age 65

George Galey Wolf, age 65 of Deport died on Friday, December 1, 2000 in the Christus St. Joseph Hospital. Wood Funeral Homes will conduct graveside services on Sunday, December 3, 2000 in Milton Cemetery with the Reverend Glynn Renfro officiating. Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Bert Filkins, James Garmon, Wayne Birch, Glenn Fulbright, Randy Talley, and Richard Winkler. The family will receive friends at the funeral home, Saturday evening from 6-7PM.

He was born the son of Delbert Cleveland and Geneva Beatrice Crump Wolf on December 14, 1934 in Farmersville, Texas. On August 9, 1957, he married the former Nell Roberts. Mr. Wolf was a US Army Veteran and had worked for Welch Gas Company as a serviceman for 18 years prior to his retirement.

He is survived by his wife, Nell Wolf of Deport; his children, David Wolf, Cindy Filkins, and Lyn Wolf, all of Deport; a sister, Bobbie Joyce Chambliss of Quinlan; 6 grandchildren, Sherri Wolf, Stephanie Wolf, Joseph Filkins, Marcus Wolf, Allison Wolf, and Aaron Wolf; one great-grandchild, Jasmine Garmon, and one special nephew, Richard Winkler.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Carl Wolf and W.C. Wolf.

George Lester Slaton

George Lester Slaton, age 82 of Mesquite passed away Nov. 30, 2000. He was a foreman in the Auto Parts business. Survived by wife Allene, children Gary Slaton, Linda Smith and husband John, Ricky Slaton, and Laura Medlen, sister Ollie Howe, brothers Welden, Herman and Mervin Slaton; grandchildren Stephen and Amber Slaton, Kristy Barnard, Jason and Milissa Wooten and Aaron Medlin; great grandchildren Savannah and Cody Barnard. Services were 10:00 am Monday Dec. 4th at Rose Chapel with interment in Roselawn Memorial Park.

Weldon Wade Smith & Mattie Louise Smith

Weldon Wade Smith, age 73 and his wife Mattie Louise Smith, age 67, both of Bogata died in a traffic accident Thursday, Nov. 30, 2000 in Titus County. Funeral services were held Sunday, Dec. 3 at the First Baptist Church of Bogata with Rev. Park Robertson officiating. Burial at the Cuthand Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mr. Smith was born July 20, 1927 in the Glendale Community, the son of John and Maudie Blankenship Smith. He retired from the Texas Highway Department.

Mrs. Smith was born January 1, 1933 in Red River County the daughter of Tom and Roxie Mauldin Aldridge.

They were married in Bogata April 30, 1949. Surviving is one daughter, Sue Taylor of Mt. Pleasant, two faithful dogs Minnie and Sissy, three grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

He is also survived by one brother Kenneth Smith of Clarksville, and two sisters Mildred Kelly of Chicago and Lizzie Lee Smith of Clarksville.

She is also survived by a half brother Bill Aldridge of Topeka, Kansas and one sister Ressie Crow of Bogata.

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone for their acts of kindness during the loss of our loved one, Eunice Miller. Thank you for the calls, visits, food, flowers, and prayers.

The Family of Eunice Miller

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone for their expressions of sympathy during this difficult time. The flowers, cards, phone calls, and words of comfort will be treasured and fondly remembered.

Thanks to the James Woods family for their professionalism.

Thanks goes to Rev. Park Robertson for his kind words at the funeral, to Rick Holeman for the beautiful songs, and to the deacons of First Baptist Church for taking the time to be pallbearers.

Our appreciation goes to the ladies of the First Baptist church who provided a delicious lunch.

Thank you to the staff of Red River Healthcare for the love and attention you gave to Mother. The expressions of concern and compassion from the community were a blessing to the entire family.

The family of Ann Cody

Paris Junior College offering biology course in Clarksville

Paris Junior College will offer a course in general biology at Clarksville High School during the spring semester.

PJC Instructor Jason Taylor will teach BIOL 1411.80 on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6-9 p.m. in Room 102 of the high school.

Students can register for the PJC class with Clarksville High School Counselor Delilah Parker, or through the PJC Admissions Office.

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 open on Sunday's for the Dallas Cowboy football games. Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy the game with friends and neighbors.

December 7, 2000
"Cookies In A Jar" Recipes

<p>Hazelnut Cookies-a-Jar</p> <p>1 cup chopped hazelnuts-toasted 1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar 1 cup Pioneer Baking Mix 1/2 cup packed light brown sugar 1 cup Pioneer Baking Mix Chocolate Lover's Cookies-in-a-Jar</p> <p>1/3 cup milk chocolate chips 1/3 cup white chocolate or vanilla chips 1/3 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips 1 cup Pioneer Baking Mix 1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar 1 cup Pioneer Baking Mix Hustle-Bustle Butterscotch Oatmeal Cookies-in-a-Jar</p> <p>1/2 cup butterscotch chips 1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar 1 cup old-fashioned oats 1 cup Pioneer Baking Mix 1/2 cup light brown packed sugar 1 cup Pioneer Baking Mix Outrageous Oatmeal-Raisin Cookies-in-a-Jar</p> <p>1/3 cup raisins 1/2 cup oatmeal 1/3 cup chopped walnuts-toasted 1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar 1 cup Pioneer Baking Mix 1/2 cup packed light brown sugar 1 cup Pioneer Baking Mix</p>	<p>Crazy for Craisins Cookies-in-a-Jar</p> <p>2/3 cup dried cranberries(Craisins) 1/2 cup toasted chopped pecans 1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar 1 cup Pioneer Baking Mix 1/2 cup light brown packed sugar 1 cup Pioneer Baking Mix</p> <p>To assemble Cookies-in-a-Jar:</p> <p>In a 1-quart wide-mouth glass jar, gently layer and pack ingredients in order given. If there is any space left after adding the last ingredient, add more baking chips, dried fruits or nuts to fill the jar. Place lid on top. Cut an 8-inch circle of fabric to cover the lid. Place fabric over lid and secure in place with rubber band, then ribbon or raffia. Decorate as desired.</p> <p>To make gift card and attach to jar:</p> <p>Empty contents of jar into medium bowl. Stir in 1 stick butter or margarine, melted, 1 egg and 1 teaspoon vanilla until well combined. Shape into 1-inch balls. Place on baking sheets coated with cooking spray. Bake at 375 degrees for 10-12 minutes or until cookies are light golden brown. Makes 2-1/2 dozen cookies. Enjoy!</p>
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Cypress Basin to hold fund raiser

Cypress Basin Hospice, a local non-profit organization serving terminally ill patients and their families, is kicking off their annual Christmas fund-raising campaign. "From Our Tree To Yours", is a memorial fund-raiser which offers a Christmas card and ornament honoring the memory of a loved one of someone special. After your donation is received, Cypress Basin Hospice will send a Christmas card along with a holiday ornament to the family of the person being memorialized or honored.

Edd Hess, Executive Director, is excited about the fifth year of this fund-raising project. "Holidays are always a special time, because in addition to bringing them a sense of joy and peace, they also bring back the memories of those who have touched their lives in a special way," says Hess. "This year's ornament is a gold filigree and white enamel angel. They also have some selections from the previous year's Christmas ornaments," Hess continues. "The orna-

ment and card is there, in the home, throughout the holiday season. Memorial donations help Cypress Basin Hospice defray costs of courtesy care they provide each year. This program will help them off-set some of the expenses so that they can continue their mission of service to the terminally ill and their families, regardless of their ability to pay. They are very proud of this program. They have individuals who have told them that this is the perfect way to remember friends who really don't want or need a gift."

The Cypress Basin Hospice Christmas Tree, located in the Mt. Pleasant Hospice Office at 1805 N. Jefferson, will be decorated with the beautiful ornaments for patrons to come by and see. Please stop by or contact Cypress Basin Hospice at 903-577-1510 for an order form today so the memorial Christmas ornament will reach the family in time for the holidays.

Book lists death records for Red River County, provides glimpse into the past

A book compiled by Lawrence and Sue Dale of Blossom has listed burials, cemetery and death records for Red River county from the inception of the county through Dec. 31, 1999. This book, while not "light" reading, is certainly invaluable to genealogists and historians.

The couple has spent nine years on this painstaking project. In addition, they have put together obituaries for the Detroit News-Herald from 1928-1936 through 1941-1956, relating to deaths primarily in Red River and Lamar Counties.

The first book, titled *Burials, Cemetery and Death Records for Red River County, Texas* has 182 cemeteries in the county listed, plus 28 names the cemeteries may also be known as; Death record index numbers from 1903-1973 (14,895 records listed); 4,196 funeral home records,

14,023 newspapers, for a total of 37,145 records.

The books are custom made with heavy covers, and the price is \$120. To ship, and extra \$10 is necessary.

Books may be ordered from Lawrence & Sue Dale dba Pine Creek Enterprises Rt. 1, Box 70-D Blossom, TX 75416.

Their phone number is 903-982-6860.

The Obituaries book from Detroit News-Herald is \$20, plus \$1.35 for tax and \$5 for shipping. It may be ordered in the same manner as the big book.

The research that has gone into these volumes is excellent, and the books should be priceless to those involved in tracing family histories.

The books are also on file at the Libraries in Bogata and in Clarks-

Blossom Locals

By Liz Irwin
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Get well wishes to Frances Hoover of Pattonville. She underwent heart surgery last week.

Shelby Bryson of Bogata spent Sunday with George and Pam Wood. George Wood was out of town from Monday to Thursday in Connecticut on business.

James Wade had by-pass surgery this week and we wish him well. Buford and Virginia Cleveland have re-located to Shawnee, Oklahoma to be near their family. We will miss them very much around here.

Don't forget Santa letters due on

Monday, December 11th.

Hubert Johnston had heart surgery on Monday and we wish him well.

Emma and Lloyd Willard visited with Renea, Steven and Kaleb Long on Friday night. They went by to wish Renea and Kaleb a happy birthday.

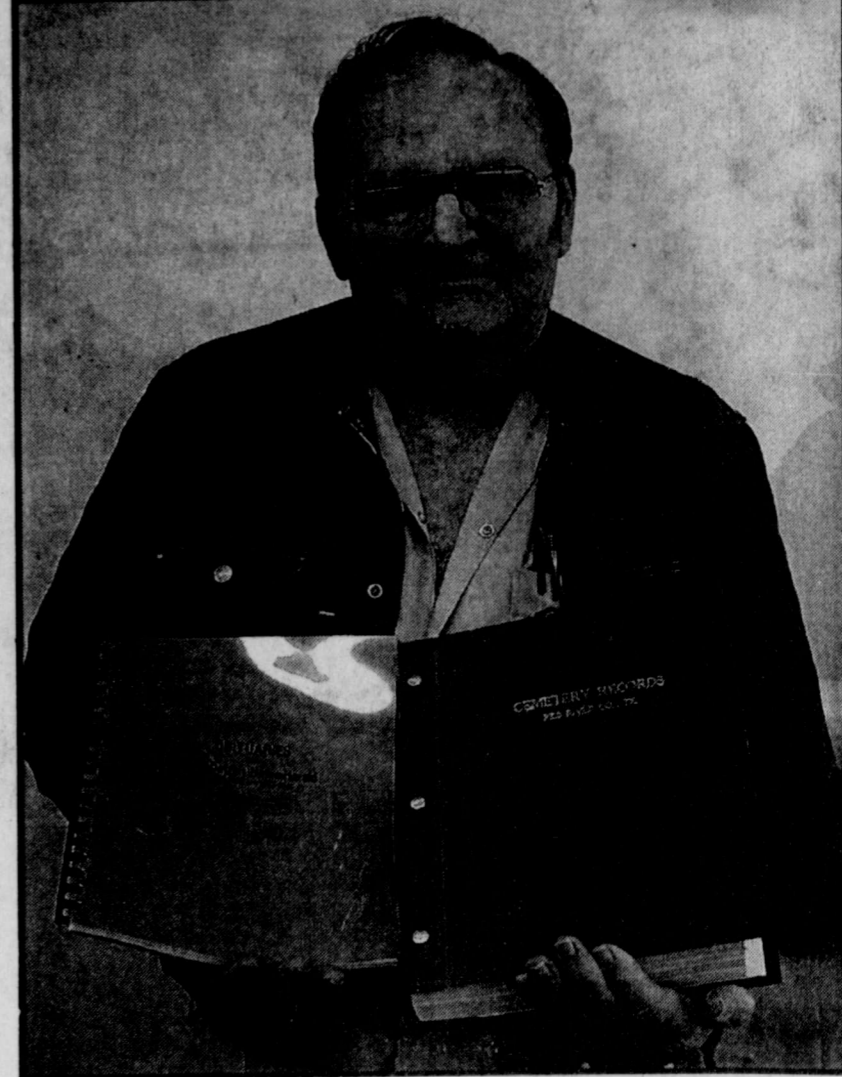
Dorothy Jo and Milburn Myers of Post Oak spent Thursday with Kaleb Long.

Minnie Lee Shands visited with Jr. Weddle on Monday. He had surgery and we wish him well.

Sandra Adams of Garland spent the weekend with Sally Mathena.

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RECORDS-Lawrence Dale displays the handsome book he and his wife Sue have just finished. The book "Burials, Cemetery and Death Records for Red River County, Texas" took the couple nine years to research and create. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

RED RIVER HEALTH CARE ADMISSION POLICY

It is the policy of the Red River Health Care to employ and admit and to treat all patients without regard to race, color or national origin. The same requirements for admission are applied to all, and patients are assigned within the Health Care without regard to race, color or national origin. There is no distinction in eligibility for, or in the manner of providing any patient service provided by or through the Health Care Center. All facilities of the Health Care are available without distinction to all patients and visitors, regardless of race, color or national origin. All persons and organizations that have occasion to refer patients for admission or recommend are advised to do so without regard to the patient's race, color or national origin.

Bobbie Cawley, Administrator

Tuesday 42 Club meets with Mrs. Westbrook

The Tuesday 42 Club met December 5th with Laverda Westbrook.

There were two visitors, Mae Storm and Reba Temple. They tied for high score for visitors.

Two members, Robbie Gooch and Alma Scaff, tied for high score.

A refreshment plate was served. Next meeting will be January 2nd with Ethel Epps.

Editor's Quotes

There were ten lepers healed, and only one turned back to give thanks, but it is to be noticed that our Lord did not recall His gift from the other nine because of their lack of gratitude. When we begin to lessen our acts of kindness and helpfulness because we think those who receive do not properly appreciate what is done for them, it is time to question our own motives.

FOOT NOTES



Dr. Austin Rowan

PLANTAR FIBROMATOSIS

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December

- 1 Prairiland Basketball Tournament
- 2 Blossom/Deport in North Hopkins Tournament
- 3 Tournaments Continue
- 4 Basketball: Harts Bluff at Blossom
- 5 Depart at Winfield 5:00 p.m.
- 6 Basketball: High School teams at Avery, 5 p.m.
- 7 Project Graduation Christmas Bazaar
- 8 Homemaking Christmas Brunch
- 9 Sulphur Bluff Basketball Tournament
- 10 Tournament Continues
- 11 Depart Christmas Parade
- 12 Tournament Continues
- 13 Basketball: Blossom at Avery, 4 p.m.
- 14 Hart's Bluff at Deport, 5 p.m.
- 15 School Board meeting, 8 p.m.
- 16 Basketball: Chapel Hill JV, V, Girls here, 6 p.m.
- 17 Basketball: Boys in Maud Tournament
- 18 Maud Tournament continues
- 19 JV and Varsity girls at Chisum, 6 p.m.
- 20 Maud Tournament Continues
- 21 Semester Exams Dismiss at 1:30 p.m.
- 22 Basketball: Saltillo, four games here, 4 p.m.
- 23 Semester Exams, Dismiss at 1:30 p.m.
- 24 Teacher Workday
- 25 Christmas Holidays
- 26 Basketball: Como-Pickton, There (4) 4 p.m.
- 27 Basketball: Girls in Lone Oak Tournament
- 28 Tournament Continues
- 29 Tournament Continues
- 30 Tournament Continues
- 31 New Year's Day
- January 1 Staff Development Day for Faculty/Staff
- 2 Students Return for Second Semester

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Jon and DeAnna Stanley Alden of Rt. 1, Talco, TX, Hagansport Community announce the birth of their son Rody Owen Alden born November 16, 2000 weighing 5 lbs. 7oz.

Maternal grandparents Van and Deaneth Stanley of Hagansport, TX. Maternal great-grandparents are Helen Stanley and the late Durwin Stanley of Hagansport and I. H. Hare, Jr. of Hagansport.

Paternal great-grandfather is Clay Dean Dickson and the late Beatrice Williams Dickson of Mt. Vernon, TX.

Paternal grand-parents are Diana and Troy Henager of Mt. Pleasant, TX and John and Sheryl Alden of Omaha, TX.

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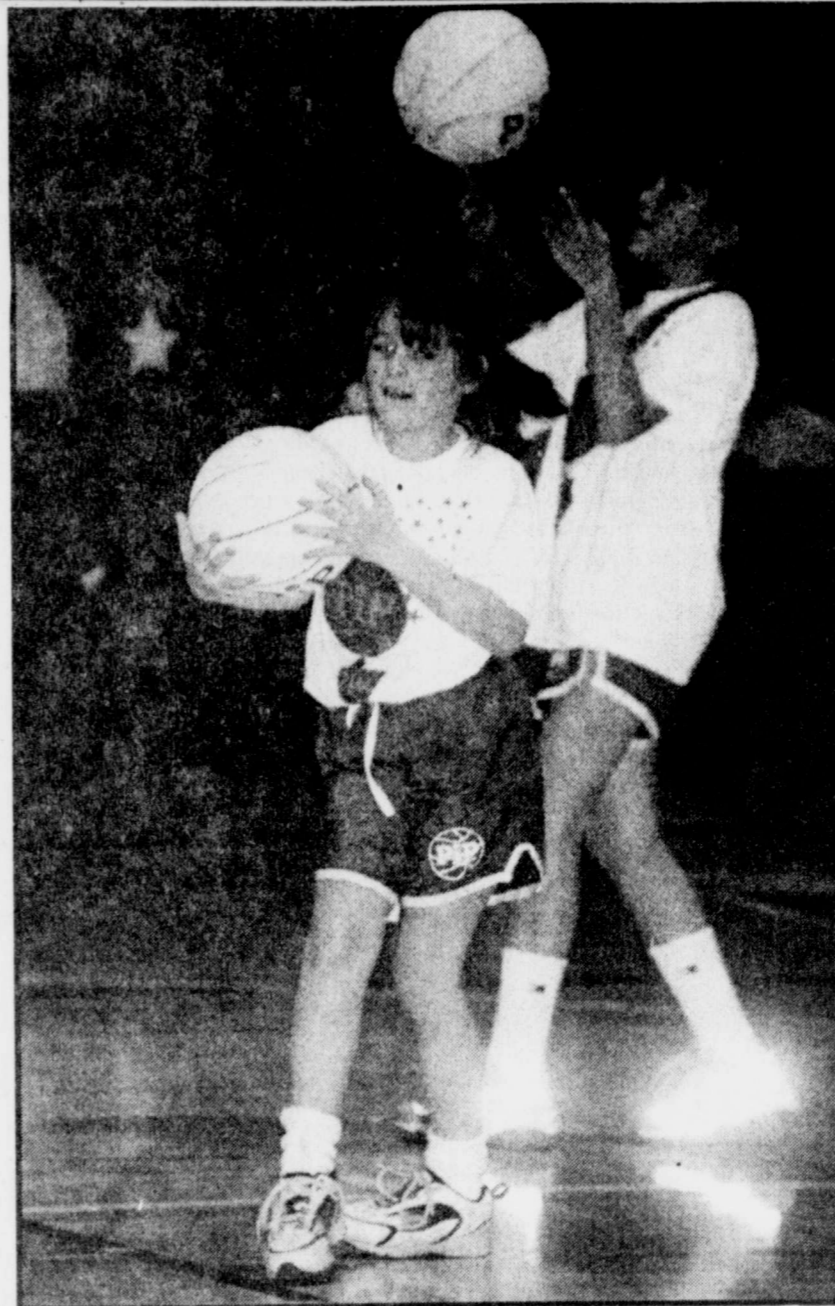
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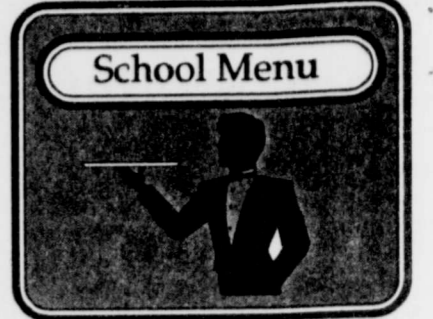
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PRAIRILAND PATRIOTS lost to Avery in the second round of the Prairiland Basketball Tournament on Friday night. Heath Sessums led the game scoring 21 points with Kyle Malone following with 13. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



BLOSSOM PIPS (Players in Progress) performed on Friday night at halftime of the girls game during the Prairiland Tournament. The team is under the direction of Sandra and Derek Clark. Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



Prairiland Menu
Week of Dec. 11
Monday

Breakfast:
Breakfast burritos, salsa
Juice, milk
Lunch:
Beef fingers
Mashed Potatoes, gravy
Green Salad
Rolls
Milk

Tuesday

Breakfast:
Biscuits, gravy, sausage
Juice, milk
Lunch:
Pizza
Corn
Salad
Milk

Wednesday

Breakfast:
Cereal
Toast
Juice, milk
Lunch:
Salisbury Steak
Mashed Potatoes
Fried Okra
Rolls
Milk

Thursday

Breakfast:
Pancakes
Sausage
Juice, milk
Lunch:
Chicken Fried Steak
Mashed Potatoes
Gravy
Corn
Rolls
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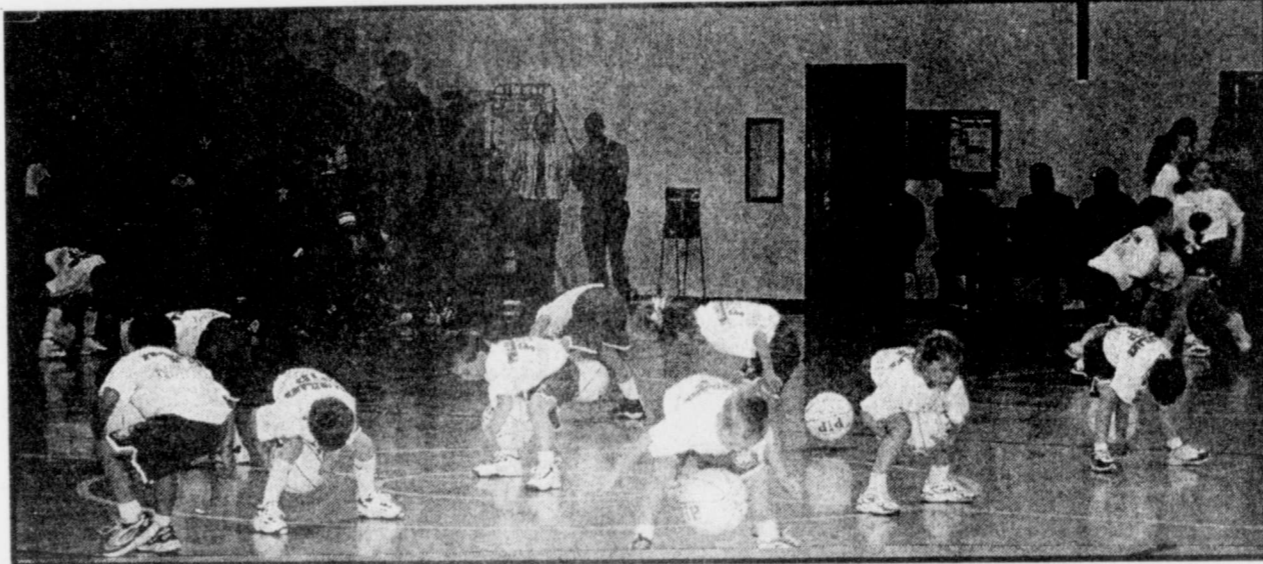
Friday

Breakfast:
Oatmeal, Toast
Sausage
Juice, milk
Lunch:
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Pork and Beans
Burger salad
Chips
Fruit Cocktail
Milk

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Prairiland participates in tournament

The Prairiland teams fared well in the Screen Graphics Holiday Basketball Tournament from Thursday thru Saturday at Prairiland. The following are stats from some of the games, others were unavailable.
The Lady Patriot JV went up against Roxton and lost 19-42. Jodi Bybee and Nickki Bybee each had 4 along with 4 from Natalie Wilson. Nicole Boehler, Mandy Woodall and Susan Whittle each had 2. Leslie Davis one.
The JV played Detroit on Thursday with Amanda Nichols and Sara Bolton each having 6. J. Bybee 4, Wilson and Davis each had 2 along with Whittle and Woodall.
Lady Patriots lost to Honey Grove 32-61- Kami Hudson 13, Crystal Davis and Brittany Ballard each had 6.
Lacy Davis and Emilee Bolton along with Jordan Hunold each shot for two. Melissa Steinkamp had one.
The girls faced Avery and took the win 38-33 on Thursday night. Crystal Davis had 17 with Hudson hitting 8. Ballard 5, Davis 4 and Hunold and Bolton each hitting 2.
Prairiland boys played Avery and took a loss of 51-75. Heath Sessums was high with 21 while Kyle Malone had 13. Chris Berry 6 and Stoney Musgrove, Aaron Murdock and Jonathan Martin each hit for 2.
The boys faced Honey Grove on Thursday night and lost to them 49-59. Sessums had 11, Musgrove 8, Martin 7, Malone 6, Murdock 4, Elrod 3 and Chris Berry and Eric Berry 2 each.



DEPORT PIPS (Players in Progress) performed on Thursday night at the Prairiland basketball tournament. The team is under the direction of Mendi Cole and Pam Norwood. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



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A total of 30 students from this area are included in the 34th Annual Edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1999-2000. Who's Who, published by Educational Communications, Inc., Lake Forest, Illinois, is the largest recognition program and publication in the nation honoring high achieving high school students. Students are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches and educational organizations based upon students' academic achievement and involvement in extracurricular activities. Traditionally, 99% of Who's Who students have a grade point average of "B" or better and 97% are college bound.

The 34th Annual Edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1999-2000, published in 18 regional volumes, features over 750,000 students or just 5% of the nation's 14,000,000 high school students. They represent approximately 20,000 of the 24,000 private and parochial high schools in the country. Who's Who students also compete for \$200,000 in scholarship awards and participate in the publication's Annual Survey of High Achievers, an annual opinion poll of teen attitudes. The books is distributed on a complimentary basis to up to 15,000 high schools, colleges, universities and public libraries throughout the country.

Local students selected include:

From Bagwell-Jana L. Hawley and Heather R. Green.

From Blossom-Tabitha N. Baxter,

Christopher A. Green, Michael Heath Sessums, Lige A. Stewardson, Michael R. Tallant, Michael W. Flatt, Amanda R. Hyde, Landra B. Stewardson, Bo Sutton and Amanda L. Williams.

From Bogata-Pearis (Bubba) Abernathy III, Cara R. Morgan and Lauren Corbell.

From Detroit-Alshon Lauren Ball, From Detroit-Alshon Lauren Ball, Reger, Trena R. Smith, Tammy A. Nichols, Heather D. Smith and Robbie Somerville.

From Pattonville-Stanley G. Cox, Aaron a. Murdock, Jennifer R. McClain and Jessie W. Spears.

From Talco-Ryan H. Case, Shelly Hollis, Carolina G. Prado, Jennifer Sinclair, Laci J. Taylor, Tiffany L. Hines Prentice, Mark B. Jackson, Kristen Sims and Bre'Ann Stroud.



CASA FOR KIDS-Prairiland FCCLA are pictured here as they bake and donate cookies for CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates for Kindness, Integrity, Dependability and Security). These items were donated to the group to sell and raise funds at Christmas in Fair Park on Saturday, December 2, 2000. (Staff Photo)

Holiday 2000 mailing tips offered

Advice for customers on how to avoid "glitches" affecting delivery of their holiday mailings are listed below.

Addressing tips: write, type or print the complete address neatly. Always use a complete return address. Always provide complete address information, such as Ave., Blvd. and St. Always use the apartment of suite number as well as correct directionals such as N, W and SW.

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leftover popcorn for holiday decorations.

Always use tape that is designed for shipping, such as pressure-sensitive tape, nylon-reinforced craft paper tape or glass-reinforced pressure-sensitive tape. Never use string or twine to secure a package.

The only addresses on packages for mailing should be the delivery and return addresses. Tip: Place a return address label inside the package.

Carefully pack glass and fragile hollow items, like vases, with newspaper or packing material to avoid damage due to shock. When mailing framed photographs, take the glass out of the frame and wrap it separately.

Remove batteries from toys. Wrap and place them next to the toys in the mailing box.

Packages that weigh at least a pound must be taken into the post office for mailing.



PRAIRILAND FCCLA Home Prep members give each year to donate to the Deport FCCLA. The girls are shown here as they prepare baskets for delivery. (Staff Photo)

Post Oak News

By Geneva Lee
982-5309

Several attended the Fellowship Breakfast at East Post Oak Missionary Baptist Church Saturday morning. They enjoyed the sausage, bacon, eggs, gravy, biscuits and pancakes along with the syrup and preserves. Also enjoyed the good fellowship.

There was 17 ladies from the church that met at Betty Low's house Saturday afternoon for their Christmas party. Louise Preston of the Colonial Lodge Retirement Center in Paris was able to attend; also Edna Lee who is not well came and Louise Cagle attended. All enjoyed the party.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Eaton of Paris but both raised in our community celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary on November 23rd. They are now residing in Paris Oaks Retirement Home in Paris. She was Laraine Walker.

Rayford Cagle of Burnett, Sue and Norman Farris of Longview and Kathy Wood, her daughter Lori Jones and family had Thanksgiving with their mother Louise Cagle.

Laura Stevens and Effie Evans of Detroit brought dinner last Thursday and spent the day with her. Her niece Elma Chaloner of Bogata visited her Sunday afternoon.

Bonnie Flatt has her children, Ted, Sandy, Steven, Michael and Cody Flatt with her for Thanksgiving dinner. Ted and family ate supper with Sandra's parents John and Jane Mullins.

Janis Reynolds is still in much pain because of a spur on her spine. She will see the doctor on December 12. Her name was omitted last week from those eating Thanksgiving dinner with Sue Ingram.

The Post Oak Baptist Church gave Buford and Virginia Cleveland a going-away party after services last Wednesday night.

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Milton News

By Mattylu Upchurch

News from the Week of Nov. 21
 Congratulations to Susan and Phillip Roach on a new granddaughter born last week to Beth and Cory Spray. She has been named Kayla Jade.
 Peggy Whitney spent the weekend with Doris Hill of Achilla, OK.
 Ann and Sheldon Lee attended the Song of the Season at the First Baptist Church in Paris Monday night.
 Barbara Maurischat of Lone Oak, Kay Preston of Minter and Tim Park of Faught visited James and Dorothy Holt, Sunday.
 Nora Appleby of Waco is visiting her daughter and husband Susan and Phillip Roach.
 Mattylu Upchurch, Ann and Sheldon Lee went to Greenville Wednesday to meet Billie Goheen. She returned to Milton with them. They all visited John W. Harvey while in Greenville.
 Susan and Con Ray and son Brandon of Gladewater spent the weekend with her parents Phillip and Susan Roach.
 Aubrey Allen of Flower Mound and Greg Burel of Allen spent Sunday at the home of Peggy Whitney.
 Beth Spray and daughters Kaitlyn and Kayla of Paris spent the week with her parents Susan and Phillip Roach.
 Nick Maudsley of Benbrook spent the weekend with his grandmother Mattylu Upchurch and mother Billie Goheen. Billie returned home with him Monday.
Current Milton News
 Our sympathy to the George Wolf

family. The Wolf family was long time residents in Milton. Graveside services were Sunday afternoon in the Milton Cemetery for George.
 Having lunch with and visiting Sunday with Phillip and Susan Roach were; Nora Appleby of Waco, Beth and Cory Spray, daughters Kaitlyn and Kayla from Reno. Kenda Blackburn from Sylvan, Kenneth and Ruth Ann Allen and Roger and Anna Allen from Deport. The Roachs are enjoying their new grandbaby Kayla Jade Spray.
 Visiting Frank and Edna Lee over the weekend were Ollie and Ruth Lee and Ruth Johnson of Paris and Kay Price and friends.
 Spending the weekend with Peggy Whitney were Aubrey and Shannon Allen and daughter Alyssa of Flower Mound, Josh Allen and Dancie Smith of Cunningham.
 Ann and Sheldon Lee enjoyed Friday evening when they went to see the play, Joseph and The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat at the North Lamar High School in Paris.
 Dorothy Holt visited Barbary Maurichat Saturday afternoon.
 Visiting Peggy Whitney Saturday was Jeannie and Mike Smith of Cunningham and Bob and Buena Marshall visited Sunday.
 Congratulations to Amy and Christopher Holt on the arrival of their new son born Wednesday, Nov. 29, named Tyler Reese. Proud grandparents are Kathy and Johnny Holt and great grandparents are Dorothy and James Holt.

Check your propane heaters!

As colder temperatures begin to settle in across the state, Texas Railroad Commission Chairman Michael L. Williams, Commissioner Charles R. Matthews and Commissioner Tony Garza today encouraged homeowners to have their propane tanks and heating appliances thoroughly inspected by a licensed technician.
 "The colder weather means winter will soon be here," said Williams. "Licensed propane technicians in your area are ready to inspect your home heating system to ensure it's prepared for the months ahead."
 "Millions of Texans rely on propane not only for home and water heating, but also for cooking," noted Matthews. "Propane fuel systems need regular service checks to ensure maximum reliability and safety."
 "Many systems may not have been used for some time," Garza added. "A thorough inspection of your home's heating system is a good way to know you'll be able to stay warm safely throughout the winter."
 According to Williams, Matthews and Garza, other important safety tips to remember include:
 - If your home has a propane furnace, water heater, range or other conveniences, schedule a check of

the whole propane system - including appliances.
 - Your local propane service technician should check your tank, piping, regulators, gauges, connectors, valves, vents, thermostats, pilots, burners and appliance controls to make sure they are all in good working condition.
 - Homes with propane gas logs or fireplace systems should be checked each fall.
 - Naturally odorless propane gas has a rotten egg smell added to it to help identify any leaks. If you ever smell gas, leave the home immediately without using any electrical switches or appliances. Close the service valve under the protective dome of your tank by turning it to the right as far as it can go. Call your propane supplier or local fire department from a neighbor's phone.
 To help consumers properly use propane-fueled appliances, the Railroad Commission of Texas offers a free safety brochure entitled Home Safe Home. Copies are available in both English and Spanish and can be obtained by contacting the Railroad Commission's Alternative Fuels Research and Education Division toll-free at 1-800-64-CLEAR [1-800-642-5327].

Micah Fendley honored at Thanksgiving

Marine Lance Corporal Micah Fendley was honored with a reception at the Blossom Civic Center while visiting during the Thanksgiving Holidays.
 Micah is the son of Ronnie and Linda Fendley and Loretta Scarborough of Columbus, Mississippi. His grandparents are Randle and Sue Clarkson of Blossom, Ivy Fendley of Paris and the late Jeff David Fendley.
 Micah received Marine Basic Training at Parris Island, South Carolina. He attended communications school at 29 Palms, California and is presently stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.
 Some forty family and friends attended the celebration.

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PRAIRILAND FFA PUBLIC RELATIONS TEAM for 2000 were on their way to the state contest in Huntsville on Friday, December 1, 2000. Pictured left to right is sponsor Frankie Norwood, Ashley Doyal, Renea Moreland, Jessica Stapleton and Deann Presley. The team placed 8th out of 183 teams with the top ten teams making the final round. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

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Cunningham News

by Neva Jean Oats

Abundant Life Church, Minter, TX hosted a birthday dinner celebration for Louetta McMurray, of the Deport Nursing home, for her 100th birthday. Attending family were; Don and Aretha Stanfield, Garland, TX, Linda and Charles Briggs, Tennes-

see; Dennis and Margee Lee, Paris, TX; Lou Hatfield and Jean Williams, Cunningham.

Visiting Lou Hatfield over the holidays were daughter and granddaughter Sheran and Ginnie Johle, Georgetown and Taylor, TX

Our community would like to express our sympathy to the Weldon and Louise Smith family. They were killed in an automobile accident north of Mt. Pleasant on Thursday. They were Johnny and Jamie Smith's uncle and aunt.

Clyde and Bobbe Slusher traveled to Lubbock to have Thanksgiving with Jerald and Donna Hulet. Marge Ball and Mary Smith also visited. Others joining them for the holiday were Jay and Pam Lackey and children, Michael and Betsy. The Slushers stopped in Wichita Falls on their way home to visit with their son Jackie Slusher and his family.

Brenton and Rodney Norwood joined Pat and James Norwood for Sunday lunch.

Darold and Ida Mae Norwood were in Denton to attend Shelia Norwood's Christmas party.

Jane Roddy visited Joe and George Oats Sunday afternoon.

Bobby and Shelby Kennedy, Melba Baker and Scooter were in Glen Rose Wednesday to attend an "Evening of Art and Verse" featuring the talents of Randy Haney and Doris Duff Faulkner. Doris' poetry was read and a reception followed.

Sunday dinner guest of Jane O'Neal were Karla, Kara and Aaron Palmer, Dwayne, Lisa, O'Neal and Weston Drinnon.

Johnnie and Nelta Musgrove and Zariniska Morton ate lunch in Paris

Sunday. Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove and Betty and Lynn Holeman ate supper with Johnny and Nelta Sunday night.

Andrew Bazhaw, Joyce and Haley Yazell and Megan Kendal were weekend guest of Leonard and Billie Ford.

Canard and Delores Norwood, Jamie, Teresa and Seth Smith and Kety Mowery ate with Ricky, Pam, Haley and Mattie Norwood Sunday night.

Several in the community were at North Hopkins this weekend to watch the Deport Junior High Basketball teams. The boys won first place and the girls won second place. Marty Anderson, Spur Norwood and Weston Drinnon play on the boy's team and Johnna Patterson plays on the girl's team.

Georjeana Nutt, Jane Wikoff, Betty and Andrea Slakey and Raylene Nutt were in Canton Sunday.

L'Wanda McKnight was in Paris Sunday afternoon watching her granddaughters, Johnna and Jenna Patterson compete in the "Victorian Dream" pageant.

Geneva Norwood had her children and Paul and Zack Matthew visit and share Sunday lunch. Paul preached at Life Tabernacle Church, Sunday.

Larry and Edith Woodall, Anna McDoura, Jacob and Alex, Jimmy and LaFawn Barham and children, Priscilla McGraw and daughter, Barry and Dianne Woodall and Megan Filkins had Thanksgiving dinner in the home of Clyde and Vickie Pickins and children in Paris.

Brock McDoura is now reading the Pattonville water meters each month. David Shelton has retired.

Spending the Thanksgiving holi-

Pattonville News

By Peggy Parsons



Happy birthday wishes to Jill Hoover, Keith Parsons, Susan Roach, Kirk Ingram, Thomas McDowra, Anna McDowra, Michael Murphy, Meagan Hatfield, Gary Hatfield, Chad Griffin, Jr., Nicole Burrell, Greg Newberry, Sandy Brown, Leslie Davis, Tracy Scott, Ira Lee Kennemer, Faye Ausmus, Bonnie Skeen, Debbie Ingram, Brenda Gibson, Ruth Cheatham.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Vickey Pettit White of Longview who died Wednesday, November 29 at her home after an 18 month illness. She was the sister of Nancy Sue Barnes Nichols.

The son born to Mr. & Mrs. Chris McDoura of Paris was named Matthew Lance McDoura. He was born in Sulphur Springs on Saturday, November 25. Reggie McDoura is grandfather and Barbra McDoura and Melvin and Becky Webb are his great-grandparents.

Thomas McDoura, Reggie McDoura, Pam and Nick, Keith and Anmie McDoura, Brock and Justin visited Barbara McDoura and Gerald Hood.

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days with David and Sue Shelton were Ann Long, Ashleigh and Brian, and friend Steve of McKinney, Nathan Shelton of Muskogee, OK, Dean and Lee Ann Romine of Claremore, OK, Vi Coco, Chris Coco and Lexie and Brad Coco of Paris.

Susan Richey of Georgetown spent the Thanksgiving weekend with her parents Jerry and Dorothy Richey.

Jim and Pam McNabb, Jackie and Tonya Crawford and Samantha spent Thanksgiving Day with Jim's parents Harmon and Myra McNabb at Powderly.

Sympathy is extended to the family of George Wolf who died Friday, December 1, in Christus St. Joseph Hospital in Paris.

James Bell and Mickey Keener visited Bill and Ruby D. Blevins during the week. Ruby D. visited Jessie Newsom in Parkview Nursing Home in Paris Saturday.

Sandy Ring spent the weekend in California visiting relatives and attending a wedding.

Frances Hoover is recovering from three heart by-passes last Friday at Christus St. Joseph Hospital in Paris.

Many from our community attended either the basketball tournament at North Hopkins where the Prairiland Junior High teams were playing or the 2000 Screen Graphics Patriot Holiday Basketball Tournament at Prairiland High School from Thursday through Saturday night. Deport Boys team finished in 1st place and the girls won 2nd place at North Hopkins.

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 Other events for the day will be as follows:
 10am-5pm-Arts and Crafts on the square
 10am-3pm-Franklin County Arts Alliance Old Jail, open to the public, Christmas Project "Stockings for Charity".
 10am-12noon-"Crepes & Crepe Myrtles", on the porch at First National Bank. Free crepe myrtles and light brunch crepes sponsored by Mt. Vernon Beautification Coalition &

Friends.
 12:30 p.m.-Get a steamin bowl of the red at Franklin Co. Historical Assn's Chili Cookoff. All the chili you can eat for \$5.00. Free hotdogs for children.
 1pm- 5pm-Free miniature train rides for the children downtown.
 2pm-5 pm "Holiday Tour of Homes", a holiday wonderland. Tickets available at the door or call 903-537-4760.
 5:30pm-Annual Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade
 5:45 pm-Downtown lighting of Christmas light at Franklin County Courthouse.

Family Mart Burglery Crime of the Week

You can earn up to \$1000.00 in cash, by providing Crime Stoppers with the information that will lead to the arrest of the person or persons responsible for committing the following felony crime.
 Sometime between 11:00 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. on Wednesday November 15th, unknown suspects forced entry into the Family Mart, at 4120 Lamar Ave. in Paris. Once inside the store, the suspects stole the cash register and other items. This burglary resulted in over \$2,600.00 in lost and

damaged property.
 If you have any information on this, or any other felony crime, please call Crime Stoppers. If Crime Stoppers receives that information by DECEMBER 4th, 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 lets all work together to fight crime! Call Crime Stoppers today at (785-8477)

Red River County Sheriff's Report
 October 29-November 4

Sunday, November 26, 2000
 Report of a disturbance in Bogata, assault, female arrested on warrants out of Mt. Pleasant, livestock on 82w near Country Mart, Clarksville, male arrested on assault charge, disturbance in Avery.
 Monday, November 27, 2000
 Two inmates released to transport to Restitution Center, Female arrested on probation violation, inmate released on bond, inmate released to Titus County So on warrants, report of theft in Detroit, report of theft by check in Annona, inmate released on bond, male arrested on charge of criminal mischief, burglary of a habitation on fm1159, Clarksville, report of prohibited weapon, Detroit.
 Tuesday, November 28, 2000
 Inmate released to Bowie Co on warrants, male arrested on offence of driving while intoxicated, report of animal cruelty in Avery, male arrested on assault charge, male arrested on forgery charge, three inmates released on bond, recovery of stolen property N. of Woodland, report of suspicious activity in Dimple.
 Wednesday, November 29, 2000
 Female arrested on warrant and four Lamar County warrants, report of

theft by check, male arrested on warrant for delivery of a controlled substance, inmate released on bond.
 Thursday, November 30, 2000
 Male arrested and transported on Lamar Co warrant for theft by check, Male arrested and transported on charge of Criminal Trespass and Assault, inmate released on bond, report of burglary in Lydia, report of theft in Annona, report of dog bite in Avery, inmate released to Lamar Co on warrants.
 Friday, December 1, 2000
 Inmate released to Bowie County for transport to TDCJ-Gatesville, report of vandalism to mailbox on South Lake Rd FM910.
 Saturday, December 2, 2000
 Report of burglary on hwy 37 north of Clarksville, two inmates released on bond, male arrested on DPS warrants and released after paying warrants.
 Sunday, December 3, 2000
 Male arrested for driving while intoxicated, released on bond, inmate released on bond, structure fire at Casa Linda Estates, report of suspicious activity in Bagwell.
 The Red River County Jail currently holds 53 inmates.

Government available to assist with paying energy bills

Is your heating bill too expensive for your budget? If so, information in a new booklet might help.
 The Financial Assistance Network in Washington, DC has just published a booklet, "How To Get Government Help To Pay Your Energy Bills." The booklet gives information on how and where to get government help to pay your heating bills.
 "The federal government had budgeted over one billion dollars to help people who are struggling to pay their heating bills. Many people do not know that his money is available or how to get it," says Edmund Billings, a researcher at Financial Assistance Network. "We've published a booklet that explains the program and tell consumers where to apply for assistance in their area. The booklet also has a special section for homeowners to get up to \$25,000 of government money to help reduce their energy bills, even if they have no equity in their home.
 Consumers can receive a copy by sending \$5 to cover the cost of printing, postage and handling to: Financial Assistance Network, Government Help for Energy Bills Booklet Offer, P.O. Box 60848, Washington, DC 20039-0848. Consumers can also get information by calling 202-595-1027 or by visiting Financial Assistance Network's Internet web site at www.FinancialAssistanceNetwork.org.



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 All society members are encouraged to come and bring their favorite finger foods for the buffet. All interested persons are encouraged to come and enjoy the fellowship.

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Happy birthday wishes to Carla Whittle Filkins, Debbie Benfer, Dr. Wayne Couch, Shasta Riley, Susan Roach, Jerry Brooks, Zachery Allen, Regina Flenniken, Stacy Huddleston, Dr. I. H. Glover, Clarence Wright, Jay Curt McKee, Keith Parsons, Robbie Wright, Susan Singleton Jones, Trina Keys, Edd Burnett, Lacey Gresham, Paul Nixon, Jared Miller, Willie LaRue, Candace Yaross.

Happy Anniversary to Alvis and Pat Dennis, Colleen and Mervin Slaton, Corene and John Roach.

Elois Sparks and Nina Sparks attended the annual Thanksgiving/Christmas covered dish supper at the Shady Grove Church Saturday night.

Mervin and Colleen Slaton were in Mesquite Sunday and Monday to attend the funeral of his brother George Lester Slaton.



DEPORT DVFD OFFICERS FOR 2001-Duane Glover-Assistant Chief-Assistant Training Officer, Johnny Dawson-President, Mike Francis-Vice President, Donny Darden Chief, Doug Phillips-Chaplin, Nanalee Nichols-Reporter, Sunny Whitney-Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, Marilyn Glover-Secretary-Treasurer, Thomas Nichols-Fire Marshal -Training Officer.(Staff Photo by Jeff Jeffus)

Thomas and Nanalee Nichols, Mary Mantooth and Tori Nicholson went to see the Christmas light display at Parsons Monuments near Rattan, Oklahoma Saturday night.

Mervin and Coleen Slaton went to Temple to visit Donna, Jimmy, Jeff and Nick Blount for Thanksgiving. They also visited with David and Tina Slaton.

Sympathy is extended to the family of George Wolf.

Season's Greetings To All

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By Sandra Mauldin

Visiting Johnnie Warren were: J.R. and Neva Byrd Hurst, Lucy Fowler, Evelyn Roach, Dick Deaton and Glenda Deaton, Dora Hester, Betty Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff & Annet Ince and girls from Oklahoma.

Mary Ray's guests were Lawrence Ray, Raymond Hignight.

Homer & Melva Sisson were visited by Pete & Betty Sisson.

Ann Austin and Dora Hester were visited by Betty Sisson.

Nina Hale was visited by Wanda Lou Bradley, Trisin and baby and Patsy and Pam.

Nora Barnett and Linda King were visited by Rita Thompson, Ronnie Thompson and Rhonda Hoskins.

Edna Gifford and Lois Dudley were visited by Marie Franks.

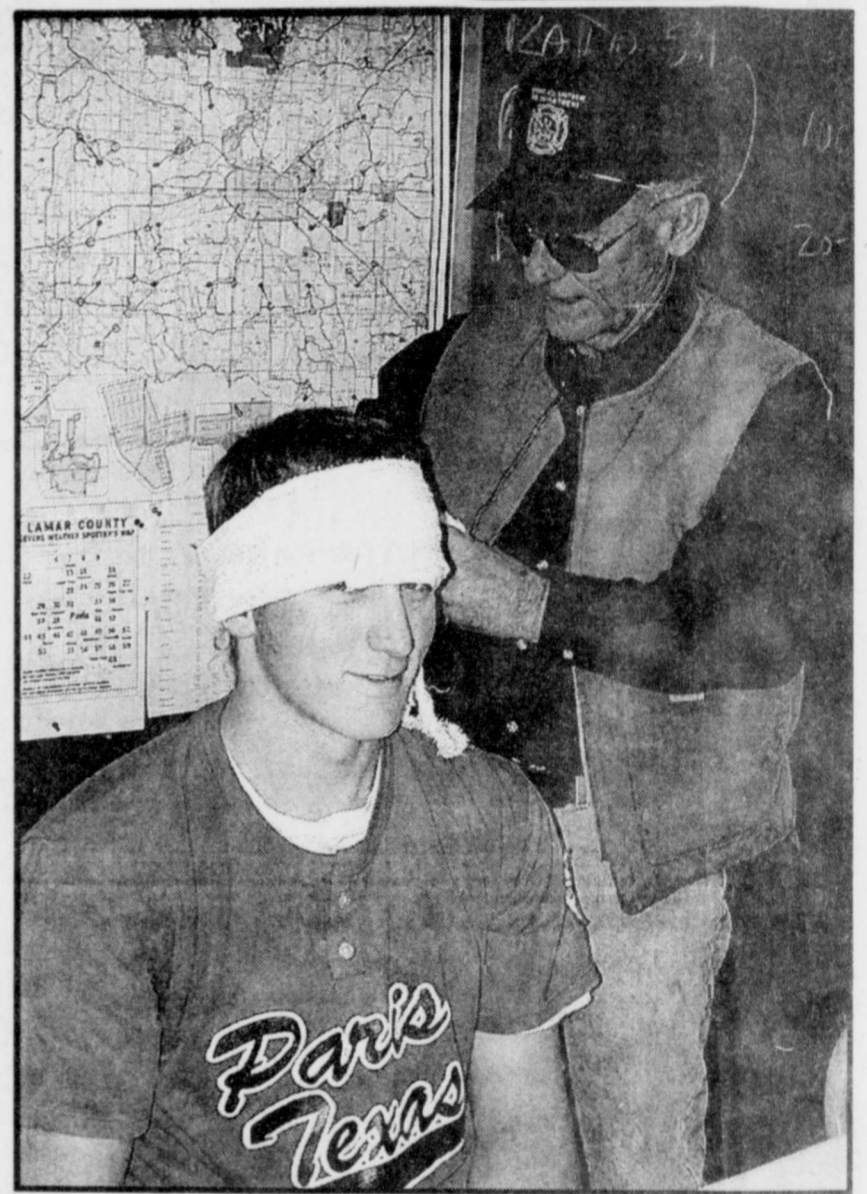
Ima Griffin was visited by Bonnie Harris, Patsy Curtis, Rodger Lennah, Nina Twin, Odessa Robison, Ima Jerrell, Mary Ray, Raymond Hignight and Wanda & Luiann LVN.

Raymond Hignight was visited by Mary Ray, Ima Griffin, Thurman Franks, Marie Franks, Owen Davis and Scott.

Daisy Barneett was visited by Ruby Graham.

Nell Wolf was visited by David, Angie, Aaron, Allison and Marcus Wolf, Cindy Filkins, Bert and Joseph Filkins, Stephanie Filkins, Jamie Garman, Jasmine Garman, Richard Winkler and Lyn Wolf.

Roy Wells was visited by Glenn Wells, Ken Wells.



BANDAGING SKILLS-Johnny Dawson put a dressing and bandage on Jeremy Day as the Deport VFD First Responders and Cunningham VFD First Responders continue in their 100 hour course on medical skills. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

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