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Where did white cloth go?

Does anyone remember white sheets? I don't quite no when they went on the endangered species list, but apparently they have.

I know that I don't use white sheets anymore. Mine are green, or yellow or flowered or striped. But I suppose I thought that the rest of the world still made white sheets.

It wasn't something I had given much thought to, since I don't buy sheets but every few years.

In the course of outfitting the rescue truck with supplies we discovered the need for cravats. Cravats have nothing to do with the silk scarves men wore around their necks during "Great Gatsby" times. They are large triangular pieces of cloth that have a multitude of uses. They can be used to split, support, sling, bind or do a world of useful things medically. Plain muslin or old white sheets work great to make them. All it requires is for the cloth not to be rotten.

So, I began to ask friends "do you have any old sheets. They don't need to be flat, I can use fitted ones, just so they are old enough to cut up".

One by one my friends looked at me and announced "WHITE sheets, I haven't seen a white sheet in years".

Thus I concluded that white sheets are passe'...gone...out...unavailable.

I don't suppose it would hurt to make these cravats out of pink or blue, green or red sheets. But I know that sooner or later some big, macho guy would refuse to have his arm slung in a bright pink sling!

So, I have faced up to the fact that white sheets have joined the ranks of BetaMax video machines, eight track tapes, crushed velour upholstery and oxford shoes and paper bags.

We'll find some muslin...if we can. I understand that's pretty hard to come by to.

So add something else to the endangered species list. Or, perhaps not. It may be about time for everyone to jump on a "plain" bandwagon and discover joys of pure, pristine sheets once more!

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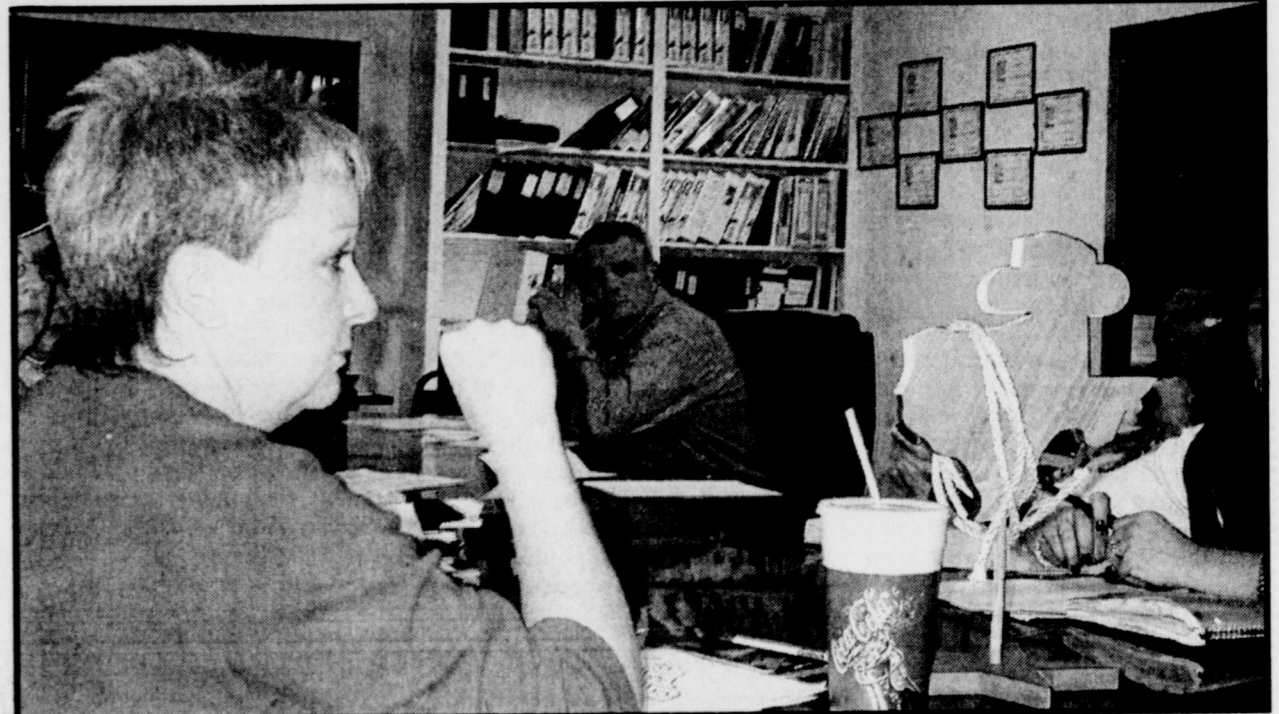
## PAT foundation to have banquet, golf tournament

The Prairiland Academic Trust Foundation has several major fund raisers going on. The nearest event is the annual banquet, which is set for March 1st at 6:00 p.m. Tickets will be \$25 each, and should be purchased early, since they tend to sell out.

The PAT foundation has also decided to accept \$1 donations. After the donations are received a drawing will be held and the winner will receive a trip for two to Las Vegas. Tickets will soon be available.

On May 5th the Foundation will hold its first ever Golf Tournament. Further details on this will be made known at a later date.

The profits from these events will go to provide scholarships for Prairiland High School seniors.



CENTERPIECES FOR THE BANQUET TABLES- Phebe Allen displayed a facsimile of wooden cutouts to be used for center pieces for tables at the PAT Banquet to be held this year on March 1st. (Staff Photo Thomas Nichols)



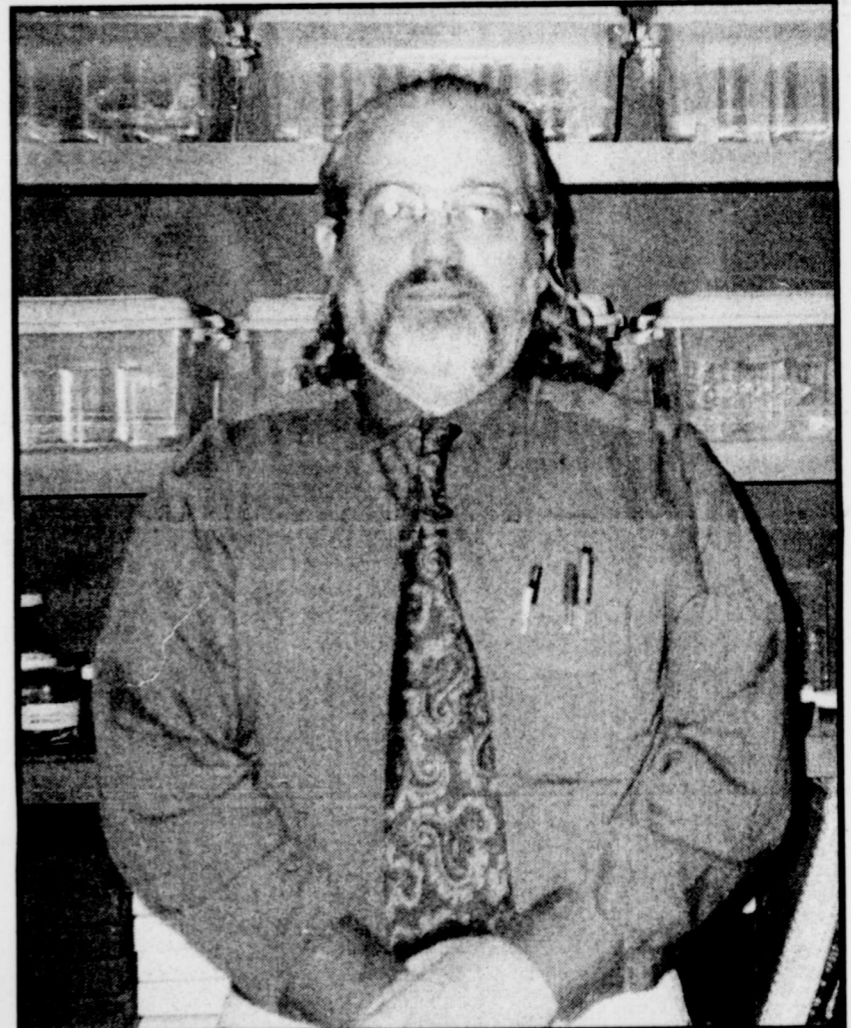
AUCTION ITEMS-Sissy Nations accepts a saddle donated to the PAT Foundation from Harold Morrison of Blossom Feed last week. Items will be auctioned at a silent auction during the annual banquet set for March 1st at 6P.M. in the Prairiland GYM. (Staff Photo Thomas Nichols)

### People 'n Things

Saturday, January 20-Pattonville Community Center, AYCE breakfast, 7-10 a.m., \$4.

Monday, January 22-Paris-Lamar Retired Teachers and School Employees Association meeting, PJC ballroom, Student Union Building, 11:15 a.m., State Representative Mark Homer will be the speaker.

Friday, January 26-Pattonville Community Center dance, 8 p.m., live music. Proceeds benefit VFD.



TEACHER OF THE YEAR nominee, Randle Clarkson from Prairiland, he was voted on by the faculty at Prairiland for his dedication and hardwork he gives to his job and students. (Staff Photo by Jan Tyson)

## Clarkson named Teacher of the Year

Randy Clarkson has been voted for the second time as Teacher of the Year by the Prairiland High School Faculty. He will be competing against other teachers in Region VIII for this prestigious honor.

Mr. Clarkson has taught Science for the school district for 15 years and has done an outstanding job. He is very professional, conscientious and a hard worker.

He has taught in the Jr. High and High School and has been very effective at every grade level. His most impressive attribute is his concern for and genuine interest in the children. He is truly a teacher who cares about the students and puts their interest first. Mr. Clarkson is always the first person to arrive on campus in the morning and usually the last one to leave in the afternoon. He goes way above and beyond to make sure he is prepared for every lesson.

He is a Science teacher who actually spends 30% of his class time in the lab giving the students the hands-on experience they need. He modifies his classes to meet the individual needs of all students. All students are successful and challenged in his classroom, whether they be the valedictorian or in special education. The students have great respect for Mr. Clarkson and love going to his classes. If the students could vote for Teacher of the Year, they would select Mr. Clarkson every year. He is one of the most dedicated teachers in the education field.

## Prairiland School Board meets

The Prairiland ISD Board of Trustees met on January 11 and approved several plans and agreements.

Buddy Freeman was selected as an alternate contact for Texpool.

They approved the District Improvement Plan and the NTRTN interlocal agreement with Region VIII.

The members of the board were presented with gifts, posters and certificates of appreciation in honor of School Board Recognition Month.

## Students attend NL Science meet

Several students from Prairiland High School attended the North Lamar Science/Math Meet on January 6, 2001. These included 17 freshmen, 6 sophomores, 2 juniors and 3 seniors.

With 13 schools attending and 94 participants, the Science Team placed 4th overall. Also in Science and individually, Amanda Hyde placed 9th in the senior division. Robert Robertson placed 1st in the junior division. Josh Benfer placed 9th and Cassie Arrasmith placed 10th in the sophomore division. Codie Kohler was 5th, Stoney Wilkins 6th and Matt Morgan tied for 8th all in the freshmen division.

In the Math and Number division, Robert Robertson placed 2nd in the junior division.

Teachers attending were David Tyler and Randy Clarkson.

## In search of shipmates

The Texas Chapter LST/Amphibious Association is looking for all amphibious personal for reunions.

The next reunion will be held in Fort Worth, Texas April 26-27-28, 2001 at the Holiday Inn South of I-35W. Contact Bob Garner LST 461, HC 52 Box 362, Hemphill, Texas 75948 or e-mail TexasLsts@AOL.com

### Editor's Quotes

Goodness is the only investment that never fails. Thoreau

## Reader sends in story on Deport born black businessman

A reader, Jayne Guest-Anderson, read this article in the Dallas Morning News and thought it might be of interest to Deport readers. We thought so too. Does anyone know the Gregg family? If Mr. Gregg has family in the area, we'd love to know about it. Nanalee Nichols, Editor/Publisher

The article in part says: Monard Gregg, founder of the former Gregg Grocery and Market, the first black-owned grocery store in Oak Cliff, died at the age of 97. "I don't think the community would have survived without him" said Rose Pounders, his granddaughter-in-law.

Born September 10, 1903 in Deport, Texas, Mr. Gregg was a long-time resident of Oak Cliff and was known as a strong contributor to his community and as an entrepreneur with a vision.

"He was humble and very soft spoken and had a presence about him that commanded respect" Mrs. Pounders said.

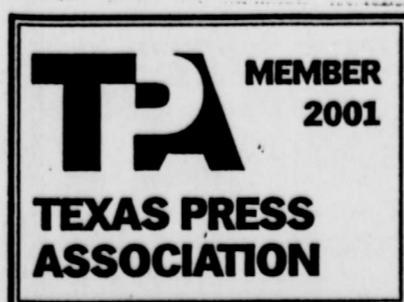
Mr. Gregg and his wife, Willie, Garrett Gregg, owned Gregg Grocery and Market on South Corinth Street for more than 35 years until they began to lease the store. The store, now named Mr. Cut Price, remains in his family's hands.

In 1957 *The Dallas Star Post* recognized the store as one of Dallas' "Best Black businesses". A year later Mr. Gregg was recognized as one of the city's most successful businessmen.

The couple, who married in 1923, celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary before Mrs. Gregg died in 1994.

They helped integrate the once-Jewish Park Row-South Boulevard neighborhood in South Dallas. A plaque is displayed at Atlanta and South boulevards in their honor.

He and his wife opened their home to traveling students and also bought the first uniforms for the Lundy Park basketball team and helped young blacks start their own businesses.



PRAIRILAND students attend North Lamar/Math Meet on January 6. Pictured left to right is David Tyler-sponsor, Travis Potter, Josh Benfer, Lance Westbrook, Stoney Wilkins, Seth Walker, Josh Lewis, Cody Morris, Randy Clarkson-sponsor and Robert Robertson. Seated left to right is Michael Flatt, Michael Tallant, Amanda Hyde, Aaron Murdock, Cassie Arrasmith and Amanda Denman. Left to right on the floor is Kelly Kincaid, Lacy Beatty, Codie Kohler, Julie Smith, Heather Barnes, Amber Buster and David Beyleryan. Not pictured is Nancy Breedlove-math coach and David Ballard-number sense coach. (Staff Photo by Jan Tyson)

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# Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

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This is one of those columns that is a little "off the wall". . . so to speak. Fried Dill Pickles! Whoever heard of these. . . not me until a few weeks ago! In Arkansas and Mississippi, they are considered quite a dish!

Well, I began my search for recipes and this is what I came up with. They are really deep-fried dill pickles and you dip them in ranch dressing or other dipping sauces!

Guess what else I found out about pickles? Pickle history began sometimes around 2030 BC, when in habitants of Northern India brought cucumber seeds to the Tigris Valley. Soon, the cucumber vines were sprouting throughout Europe. Shortly thereafter, people learned to preserve fruits of their labor by pickling them in a salty brine. By the 17th century, the crunchy pickled cucumber had made its debut in the New World. Early colonists grew so fond of them, that in 1820, Nicholas Appert constructed the first pickle plant in America.

Did you know that America was named after the first pickle peddler. . . Amerigo Vespucci. He was a ships chandler, outfitting vessels scheduled for long explorations with vitamin C-packed pickled vegetables. . . particularly cucumbers. . . to prevent scurvy among the crew members.

Now in their 4,000th year, pickles are big business. They grow in more than 30 states with North Carolina and Michigan the prime pickle producers. Americans are so passionate about pickles, pickle packers everywhere continue to work hard to produce pickle products to please even the pickiest taste!

So, here we go, fry up some of these for your snack time and see how everyone likes them!

See you in the kitchen!  
**Fried Dill Pickles**-this recipe adds Worcestershire and hot sauce to the egg-wash mixture. . . keep a cool drink handy!

**Fried Pickles**-this recipe comes from the Blue Moon Cafe in Austin, Texas and along with Worcestershire and Tabasco, they add paprika, garlic salt and poultry seasoning!

**Fried Dill Pickles #2**-not too much different about this recipe. . . maybe just a little more hot sauce!

**Gaudet's Deep-fried Pickles**-these are dipped in bread crumbs instead of flour!

**Memphis Fried Pickles**-uses self-rising flour and baking powder along with Accent, white pepper, paprika and heaven forbid. . . warm beer mixed with buttermilk!

To our customers,  
We, the employees of Texas-New Mexico Power Company of the Bogata area have worked many ice storms and a few tornadoes in the past. We would like to take this opportunity to say "thank you". You, our neighbors and friends, who are also our customers, are unique because of the manner in which you treated our fellow TNP employees during the recent ice storm. These employees from Texas City, West Columbia and Friendswood from our Gulf Coast region, and the Lewisville Business Unit employees from the North-Central region, were constantly amazed by customers who were offering them coffee, brownies, pound cake and other things to eat and drink. Often a "thank you" was expressed by you to these men. All of these employees are not accustomed to being treated so well. Some of these men traveled many miles to come to our aid when asked and left their families during the Christmas and New Year's holiday season. Many of them were willing to stay longer. The Gulf Coast employees have worked hurricane disasters, and this was the first opportunity for many of them to work in ice and snow conditions. We heard many of the men say they were more than willing to come back anytime they were needed. Again, we commend you for just being you, and we express thanks for your cooperation, patience and the hospitality you showed our fellow employees during the recent disaster. We are proud to call you "our" customers.

Employees of Texas-New Mexico Power Company, Bogata Area  
John Brooks, Kenneth Palmer, Aubrey Mayes, Berney Huddleston, James Lawson, David Anderson, Terry Jordan, Tresa Couch, Dana Neeley and Gary Petty.

# Obituaries



Gladys Furgerson Sykes  
Mrs. Gladys F. Sykes  
dies January 10

Mrs. Gladys Furgerson Sykes, age 85 of Bogata died Wednesday, January 10 in East Texas Medical Center in Mt. Vernon.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, January 13 in Eden Cemetery near Nacogdoches under the direction of Wood Funeral Home of Bogata.

Mrs. Sykes was born October 25, 1915 in Deport, the daughter of Patrick Henry (Bud) Furgerson and Clara Bogan Furgerson, who predeces her in death, as well as five brothers, Tom, Henry, Mack, Jim and Travis; and one sister, Magdalene Furgerson Scoggins. She married Harold Alfred Sykes on August 15, 1946 in Mt. Vernon. He preceded her in death in 1987. She was a retired school teacher, teaching several years at McCrury School. She retired from Brazosport Independent School District after over 36 years of service. She was a member of the Texas Retired Teachers Association and a member of the Assembly of God Church.

She is survived by a son, Kim Sykes and his wife Karen of Garland; two grandchildren, Jason and Amber Sykes of Garland; six nieces and nephews including Billie Scoggins Lindsey, who was also her caregiver; 13 great-nieces and nephews and numerous great-great-nieces and nephews.

### Card of Thanks

The family of Willie Devlin wishes to thank all of the friends and neighbors for their support during her illness. The cards, phone calls and visits were comforting for the family. A special thank you to the Deport Methodist Church for providing food to the family and to the Rev. Jim Benfer and Rev. Chief Warden. The care provided by the Paris Nursing Home and St. Joseph's Hospice Program was appreciated by the family.

Walker Devlin  
Ledford Kelly  
Katie Kelly  
Sarah Kelley  
Nieces & Nephews



Scott Edward Ward  
dies January 12

Scott Edward Ward, age 37 of Bogata died Friday, January 12 in an industrial accident in Paris.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, January 16 at the First Baptist Church of Bogata with Rev. Jim Benfer, Rev. Jeff Croley and Rev. Sam Campbell officiating. Burial followed in Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home of Bogata.

Scott was born September 20, 1963 in Dallas, the son of J.C. and Janet Carrol Austin Ward. He married the former Rachel Gayle Davis on November 12, 1982 in Cooper. He was a welder with Turner International Piping Co. of Paris and a member of Deport United Methodist Church. He graduated from Rivercrest High School in 1982.

He is survived by his wife, Gayle Ward of Bogata; two sons, Zachary S. and Jeremy K. Ward, both of Bogata; his parents, J.C. and Carrol Ward of Bogata; his maternal grandmother Ailene Austin of Cummings, Georgia; one brother, Russell Ward and his wife Jim Ann of Bogata; three sisters, Tammy Lynn Erwin and her husband Tony of Mesquite, Diana Hollyfield of Plano and Sherry Ward of Garland.

Honorary bearers were members of Rivercrest High School football and basketball teams and Johnny Hodgins, Jeremy Ward, Tony Irwin and Keith Cole, Mike Burgess.

Active bearers were Stanley Jesse, Ricky Hutchins, Jeff Phifer, Russell Ward, Charles Davis, Bill Davis, Carl Mitchell and Randy Carroll.

Percy H. Topping  
dies January 9

Percy H. Topping, age 89 of Bogata died Tuesday, January 9 in Red River Health Care Center in Bogata.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, January 11 at the First Baptist Church with Rev. Bob Posey and Rev. Park Robertson officiating. Burial was in Knights of Honor Cemetery in Blossom under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mr. Topping was born July 3, 1911 in Millerton, Oklahoma, the son of Daniel M. and Francis C. Sanford Topping. He was a retired carpenter and member of the First Baptist Church.

He is survived by a son, Henry W. Dickerson of Sumner; a brother, Johnny Topping of Bogata; two sisters, Lucille Pettit and Corene Alford, both of Bogata; and four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

### Card of Thanks

The family of Leo "Red" Mathews would like to thank everyone who helped us through the time of our loss, neighbors, friends and some folks we did not know. A special thanks to the doctor and nurses at McCuiston Hospital, Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home, Morris Nelms, who officiated the service, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

The Family of  
Leo "Red" Mathews

### Card of Thanks

Jerry Nell and I would like to express our sincere thanks to all who have been so kind to us during our years with Prairiland and now in our retirement. We would like to give a special thanks to the School Board, the faculty and others who have given us gifts. Thanks to all who have sent cards and kind words. The Prairiland district and the communities making up this district will always hold a dear place in our hearts and lives.

L.C. and Jerry Nell Stout

### Card of Thanks

Our family would like to thank each and everyone of you for your prayers, flowers, food, visits and words of condolence during our time of sorrow at losing our loved one, Mr. Percy Topping. Special thanks to Bro. Bob Posey and Bro. Park Robertson for their words of inspiration and love to C.D. Glass and Joyce Smith for the beautiful music. A special thanks to Red River Health Care and Wood Funeral Home for their kindness and loving care at this time. Thanks to the ladies at First Baptist Church who served the food and many more things that they did for us. Words cannot express our appreciation for all of you for the concern you showed our family. Your love and kindness will never be forgotten. God bless you.

The family of  
John & Willie Mae Topping  
Lucille Pettit and Corine Alford

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### Card of Thanks

The family of Gladys Sykes would like to express their appreciation for the flowers, calls, cards and prayers and your thoughtfulness upon Gladys Sykes' homegoing.

A special thanks to Dr. M. Tobin, Red River Healthcare Center, St. Joseph's Health Center and Wood Funeral Home.

Your kindness will always be remembered.

The Family of Kim Sykes & The Family of Billie Lindsey

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### Fried Dill Pickles

- 1 beaten egg
  - 3-1/2 cups flour
  - 1 cup milk
  - 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
  - 6 drops hot sauce
  - 1 teaspoon salt
  - 3/4 teaspoon pepper
  - 1 quart sliced dill pickles salt
  - pepper
  - vegetable oil
- Combine egg, 1 tablespoon flour, milk, Worcestershire sauce and hot sauce; stirring well. Set aside. Combine flour, salt and pepper; mix well. Dip drained pickles into milk mixture and dredge in flour mixture. Deep fry at 350 degrees until pickles float to surface. Drain. Yield 8 servings.

### Fried Dill Pickles

- 1 egg-beaten
  - 3-1/2 cups flour + 1 tablespoon
  - 1 cup milk
  - 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
  - 6 drops hot sauce
  - 1 teaspoon salt
  - 3/4 teaspoon pepper
  - 1 quart sliced pickles salt
  - pepper
  - vegetable oil
- Combine egg, 1 tablespoon flour, Worcestershire sauce and hot sauce; stir well. Set aside. Combine remaining flour, salt and pepper and mix well. Dip drained pickles into milk mixture and dredge in flour mixture. Deep fry at 350 degrees until pickles float to surface. Drain.

### Fried Pickles

- 1 egg
  - 1 teaspoon salt
  - 1/3 cup milk
  - 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
  - 1/3 cup Worcestershire
  - 1/3 teaspoon tabasco
  - 2 cups flour
  - 1/2 teaspoon paprika
  - 1 tablespoon garlic salt
  - 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
  - oil for deep frying
  - Klauson Whole Pickles
- Whip together all ingredients for seasoned egg wash, set aside. Mix ingredients for flour mixture in a shallow dish. Slice pickles to 1/8 inch thick. Dip into flour mix, then egg wash, then flour mix again. Fry until golden brown, about 1 minute. Drain on paper towels. Serve with dipping sauce of ranch dressing, ketchup or horseradish sauce.

### Gaudet's Deep-fried Pickles

- 1 cup sour cream
  - 1/4 cup prepared blue cheese dressing
  - 1 jar sliced dill pickles
  - oil for deep-frying
  - 1/4 cup mayonnaise
  - 2 tablespoons Dijon-style mustard
  - 3 cups seasoned bread crumbs
- Mix sour cream, mayonnaise, dressing and mustard together in a serving bowl. Set aside. Dredge pickles in bread crumbs and deep-fry in oil at 350 degrees until golden. Serve with sauce for dipping.

### Memphis Fried Pickles

- dill pickles sliced 1/4"
  - 1 cup flour for dipping
  - 1 teaspoon baking powder
  - 1 teaspoon salt
  - 3/4 teaspoon Accent
  - 1/4 teaspoon white pepper
  - 1/2 teaspoon paprika
  - 1/2 cup warm beer
  - 1/2 cup buttermilk
- Dredge pickles into flour mixture and fry in hot oil.

### Card of Thanks

Thanks to the Bogata, Rosalie, Cuthand and Talco Fire Departments for their prompt response in extinguishing our pasture fire recently. It is great to know that so many are so willing to help out in your time of need. Enough thanks cannot be said to our Volunteer Fire Departments.

Duane and Martha Bryson

### Card of Thanks

We would like to thank each and every one of you for your kindness and care during the illness and loss of our loved one and for the prayers, visits, cards, calls, food, flowers and donations made in memory of our Dad. Our appreciation to UMW and to all who helped in providing a delicious lunch. A special thanks to Bro. Jim Benfer and the Wood family for the beautiful service. A special thanks to Dr. Zimmerman, 5th floor nurses, Ella C. McFadden Hospice who took wonderful care of him and the family. Your kindness and love will never be forgotten. God bless you all.

The Family of  
E.N. Frazier

### Card of Thanks

I would like to send a special thanks to Diana Ross and family for the food, love and support she showed my mother during the loss of her brother, Percy Topping. God bless you and so do we.

Nita, Lucille's daughter

Life teaches us to be less harsh with ourselves and with others.  
—Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

The Bogata Fire & Rescue would like to thank everyone in the Community for the wonderful meal and thanks received Monday night.  
We would also like to thank everyone for the food and other donations from businesses and individuals during the recent ice storm.  
Without your support, we would not be able to respond as we do.  
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Amy Lyn Watkins and Randall Shawn Bishop

### Watkins-Bishop to wed January 27

Amy Lyn Watkins and Randal Shawn Bishop will be united in marriage Saturday, January 27, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. in the Ramseur Baptist Church in Paris, Texas.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Tony and Terry Watkins of Bogata. Her grandparents are Floreice Nicholson and the late Reid Nicholson and Eva Watkins and the late Tom Watkins. She is a graduate of Rivercrest High School and is currently attending Northeast Texas Community

College in Mt. Pleasant. The prospective groom is the son of Randy and Debbie Bishop of Mt. Pleasant. His grandparents are Ed and Ann Bishop of Mt. Pleasant, Elton Randall of Antlers, OK, and the late Bettie Randall. He is a graduate of Chapel Hill High School and is employed at Lone Star Steel.

No formal invitations will be sent. All family and friends are cordially invited to attend.



Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Hayden Freeman

### Wooldridge-Freeman united in marriage

Amy Denese Wooldridge and Douglas Hayden Freeman were united in marriage Saturday, July 29, 2000 at memorial Church of Christ in Houston, Texas. Minister Nick Hamilton performed the 2 o'clock ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Tom and Terrie Wooldridge of Yukon, Ok. Her grandparents are Hersell and Virginia Cox and Obed and Betty Wooldridge of Snyder. She is a graduate of Yukon High School and Oklahoma Christian University. She is employed as a kindergarten teacher at Northland Christian School in Houston.

The groom is the son of Don and June Freeman of Mesquite, formerly of Mt. Pleasant. He is the grandson of Maxine Topping and the late Raymond Damron of Bogata and Mrs. A.C. Jones of Grapevine, formerly of Mt. Pleasant. He graduated from Mt. Pleasant High School and the University of Oklahoma with a BS/MS. He is a geophysicist with Exxon/Mobil in Houston.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an elegant gown by

Alfred Angelo of ivory bridal satin with a portrait neckline and basque waist, ballgown skirt and cathedral length train. The bodice was enhanced with rice and seed pearls and sequins. The skirt and train featured cutwork lace and tiny self-covered buttons extending the full length of the back. To complete her ensemble, the bride wore and elbow length veil with ribbon edging flowing from a beaded comb. Her bouquet was white roses, freesia and miniature white irises.

Maid of honor was April Wooldridge, sister of the bride. Deby Hawkins, long time friend of the bride, was matron of honor. Rachel Harris, student of the bride, was flower girl and Evan Laman, also student of the bride was ring bearer. Kevin Krenik served as best man and groomsmen was Alvin Barber. Soloists at the ceremony were Carla Wells, Wes Hanson, April Wooldridge, Terri Wooldridge, Amy Wooldridge, Stephanie Ward and Mike Sheaffer. Following a wedding trip to New Orleans, the couple are residing in Spring, Texas.

## A brick of an explanation

A few weeks ago we ran a photograph of Sue Sheppard with a brick. The brick said "Great Wall of Texas" on it. We had not response on it until Randy Gresham came by with a lot of information including, several articles by Milton "Pete" Schiller.

The Great Wall of Texas brick was created back when there was a lot of "tongue in cheek" talk about a proposal to separate Texas from the rest of the United States by building a wall along its entire border length. Kenny Parson of Dallas formed a group which aimed to protect Texas from unwanted outside influence in the form of "migrants from other states". The bricks were priced at \$25 each (wow!) and were sold as collectibles. In reality, Parson's group had over 4,000 members. There were those who insisted that Texas already had a wall between it and the rest of the world, an intangible one made up of "Texas mystique".

Now that we know about the Great Wall of Texas brick, we'll continue

with more information from Mr. Gresham.

Did you know that there is an International Brick Collectors Association? There is, and they have swap meets, and contact one another on the internet.

They have members in the U.S., Canada, Great Britain, New Zealand, Australia and Germany. They consider bricks to be part of the history of mankind.

There are speciality bricks in the shape of cottages, local landmarks, barns, Christmas Tree shapes, dog bones, schoolhouses and more, not to mention all the bricks with the names of places, or commemorating things.

Collectors have patios made from their bricks, walls and many keep their collections inside.

The article written by Mr. Schiller mentions that he has over 500 bricks.

So, if you have an unusual brick, or if you want to become a collector, you can, literally, join the crowd.

### School Menu

Prairiland Menu  
Week of January 22  
Monday

**Breakfast:**  
Breakfast burrito w/salsa  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:**  
Beef fingers  
Mashed potatoes  
Gravy  
Green beans  
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, toast, sausage  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:**  
Chicken fried steak  
Mashed potatoes  
Gravy  
Corn  
Rolls  
Milk

Friday

**Breakfast:**  
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## Milton News

By Multiple Reporters

Peggy Whitney spent the Christmas Holidays with her children, Gary and Nelda Allen of Mansville and Aubrey and Shannon Allen and daughter of Flower Mound.

Susan and Phillip Roach visited Susan and Con Ray and Brandon of Gladewater, Saturday.

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

Dorothy Holt visited her daughter Barbara Maurischat of Lone Oak Saturday afternoon.

Bobbie Hill of Little Rock, Ar. and Don Upchurch of Albuquerque, NM spent a few days this week with their mother Mattylu Upchurch and sister Billie Goheen.

Tim Salter of Paris had dinner Tuesday night with his mother, Velma and John Temple.

Kay Preston of Minter and Tim Parks of Faught were at the home of Dorothy and James Holt Sunday where they celebrated Kay's birthday.

## Fulbright News

By Betty Rodgers  
652-6051

Gilbert Arriaga is recuperating at home from major by-pass surgery at St. Joseph's Hospital on Wednesday. He had six by-passes done.

Monte Rodgers and Pete and Hazel LBerra visited Betty Rodgers Sunday.

Due to the ice stor, we had most of the Christmas and New Year's spent at home so there hasn't been much visiting. We were without power one week so we are thankful to all the utility crews and families that had to do so much overtime work and be without their families during the holidays. Thanks to Detroit Fire Department for bringing the distilled water for us to drink.

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A graduate of Paris High, Dr. Cannon received his undergraduate degree from Abilene Christian University, and earned his doctor of osteopathic medicine degree, from the University of Health Sciences-College of Osteopathic Medicine, Kansas City, MO. He completed his internship at the University of North Texas Health Science Center, Fort Worth, and residency at Texas A&M Health Science Center, Scott & White Memorial Hospital, Temple. Dr. Cannon is board certified by the American Board of Family Practice. He and his wife, Laura have one son, Jonathon.

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**"Let's Talk About Sex" to air Jan. 23**

"Let's Talk About Sex", a project of the SAVE (Sexual Abstinence/Values Education) Student Advisory Board, is scheduled to air live on Cox Cable Channel 2 on Tuesday, January 23 at 6:30 p.m. The 30-minute TV program is a call-in/panel format, including a host, doctor and members of the Project SAVE Student Advisory Board. The question hotline number is 784-7500.

Hosting the show is Jonathan Perry, a student at Paris Junior College. Janna Massar, M.D., an internal medicine specialist with Primary Care Associates, will provide the medical expertise. Kimberly Hulsey, a senior at Chisum High School, and Stephen Sparks, a sophomore at North Lamar High School, will offer student advice to call in questions as well as those from a studio audience.

Cox Cable Manager Tim Masters again offered the use of the Cox Cable facilities to Project SAVE, citing the success of Sex-the Full Monty, and last April's "Let's Talk About Sex" programs, which aired live, answering phone in as well as

studio questions regarding teen pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases and risky sexual behavior, are problems that secured grant funding for the Coalition of Education, Business and Industry program. SAVE Student Advisory Board Sponsor and Technical Advisor Jennifer Bryant said, "It was obvious from the call in response to last year's show that the board needed to do another show giving students an opportunity to ask questions that they are reluctant to ask parents and teachers. The anonymity of call in questions enables them to perhaps get answers they need to seek help in the areas of risky sexual behavior."

SAVE advisory board members feel having teens on the panel, teens talking to teens, is a more effective way to provide students information on STD's and the longterm results of teen pregnancy.

The board is now meeting weekly instead of monthly. Students interested in serving on the board may call 737-0484 for more information.

**Pat JV ladies defeated by Rivercrest**

The Prairiland JV Girls fell to the Rivercrest JV Girls 43-58 on Tuesday, January 9 on the Patriot home court.

Amanda Nichols hit a season high 18 points followed by Jodie Bybee with 9. Nicole Boehler hit for 8 with 5 from Nikki Bybee, 2 from Susan Whittle and one from Mandy Woodall.

The girls fell behind in the first quarter as they could only manage 8 points to Rivercrest's 12. 4 points in

the second to 14 from Rivercrest could only widen the lead for the cross-town team as the score was 12-26 going into halftime.

12 points along with 3-6 free shots added to the halftime score was still not enough to take the lead in the third as Rivercrest took it 42-27.

Fourth quarter scores had the ladies scoring 16 points, but was as not enough to take the game, as Rivercrest went home the winners, 43-58.

**Patriot ladies fall to Rivercrest**

When the Rivercrest Lady Rebels came to town on Tuesday, January 9, 2001, they had their game plan in mind and that was to defeat the Lady Patriots. . . . this they did. . . but not in an easy fashion, as the ladies played their hearts out to the end by a mere five points, 65-70.

First quarter action had the Lady Rebels ahead 9-14 as the Lady Patriots came alive in the second with a score of 30-25. Junior Jordan Hunold hit two three-point shots along with a basket as the girls went into the locker at halftime 30-25 Lady Patriots.

In the third quarter, the Lady Rebels added their own two three-point shots to remind behind at the buzzer 44-43.

The final quarter was a battle to the finish as the Lady Rebels traded shot for shot with the Lady Pats. The ladies could only maintain 7 of their 16 free shots while the Lady Rebels sunk 9-12 to end the game 65-70.

Three girls led with double digits for the night. Hunold had 16, Crystal Davis 14 and Lacy Davis with 11.

Brittany Ballard and Emilee Bolton each had 8. While Kami Hudson had 5 and Lacy Beaty shot for 3.

On January 12, the ladies traveled to DeKalb where they took on a bigger and more experienced team. They fell 53-74. Freshman Ballard was high for the night with 16, while C. Davis hit for 14 and L. Davis had 10. Hunold had 8 and Beaty 3 and Sara Bolton hit for 2.

The girls fell behind in the first quarter 16-23, losing the opportunity for five free shots at the free throw line hitting 4-8. DeKalb would hit 6-12.

Second quarter had DeKalb take a large lead of 28-45 as they hit for 22 points to the Lady Pats 12 points.

Third quarter saw the ladies getting up some steam but still not enough to gain the lead as they fired in 16 points, one of these a three-pointer from Hunold while DeKalb added two three pointers of their own to make the score 44-59.

The girls could only maintain 9 points in the final stanza while DeKalb hit for 15 to end the game 53-74.

**Patriots take out Bears 80-40**

Prairiland Patriots traveled to DeKalb to take on the Bears and came home with the loss 40-80. Junior D.J. Loveless was high man for the night with 13. Sophomore Eric Berry hit 7 while senior Jonathan Martin hit 6. Kyle Malone and Stoney Musgrove each had 5 a piece. Chris Berry had 3 and Robby Nichols 1.

Senior Captain Chris Berry saw foul trouble early in the game and relied on sophomore Robby Nichols for support as point guard. Nichols, unexperienced, still gave his all to the game and "gained" a lot of experience against the powerful, larger DeKalb Bears.

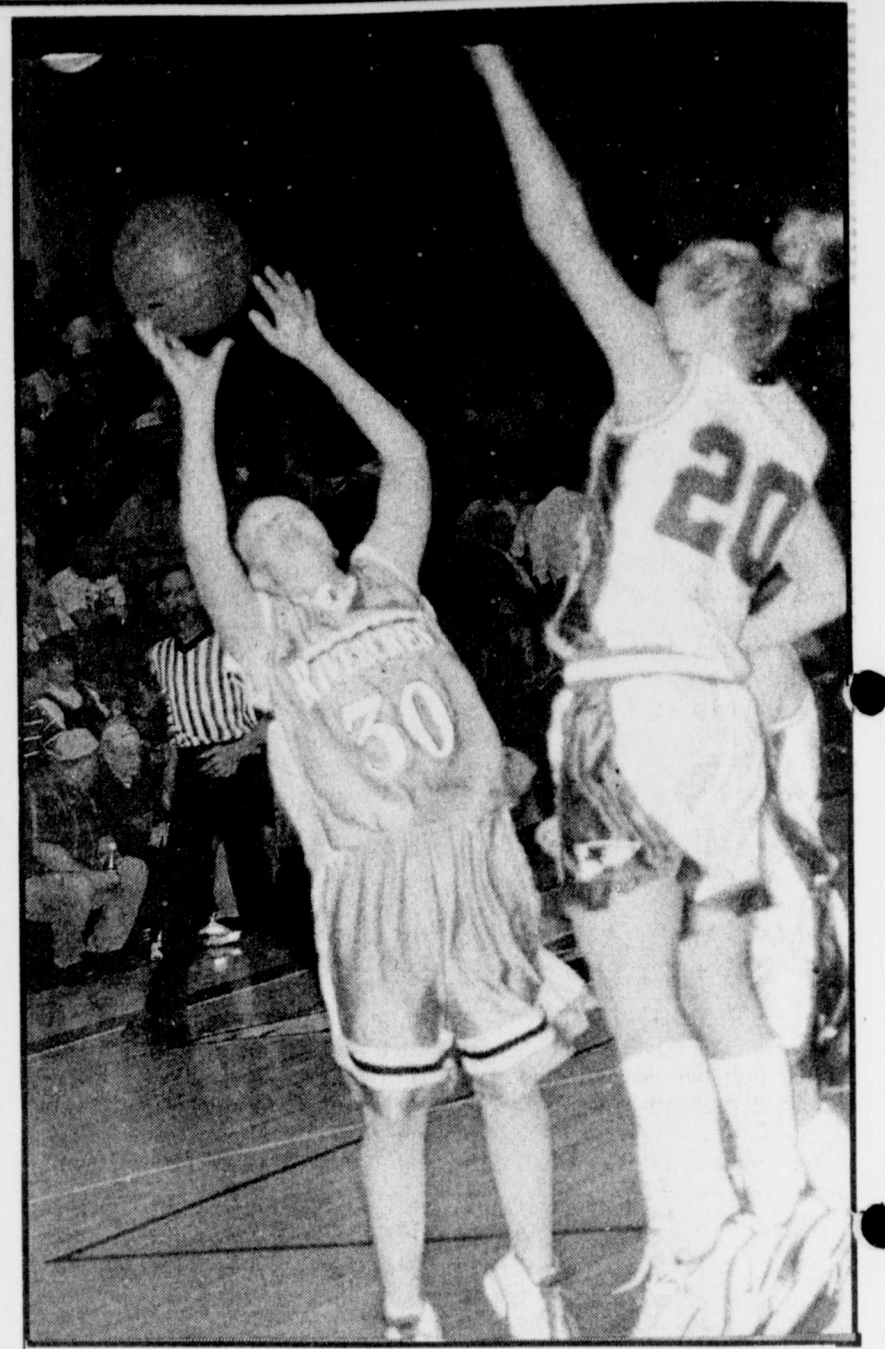
Quarter scores saw DeKalb main-

tain the lead 8-10, 23-32, 31-51 and 40-80.

Earlier in the week, on Tuesday, January 9, the Rivercrest Rebels brought another loss to the Patriots 31-70. The cross-town rivals were determined to salvage their pride after being defeated in football by the Pats.

Senior Sessums hit for 9 while Musgrove put in 7. C. Berry added 5 along with 4 from Loveless. Malone, Aaron Murdock and Martin each gave their support with 2 each.

The Pats could not do anything to click on their own home court as they fell behind farther with each quarter 9-12, 14-32, 22-51 and 31-70.



PRAIRILAND'S Emilee Bolton goes up for the blocked shot, in recent action with Rivercrest as the lady Pats fell in an action-packed game on Tuesday, January 9, 2001, 65-70. (Staff Photo)

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**Pattonville News**

By Peggy Parsons



Happy birthday to Margaret Fowler, Peggy Gentry, Don Gentry, Wayne Higdon, Ammie McDowra, Jeff McDowra, Ruth Crenshaw, Bess Denton, Quint Creighton, Era Butler, Sabrina Sexton, Ashley Doyal.

Happy anniversary to Keith and Peggy Parsons.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Scott Ward of Bogata, who died Friday at Turner International Pipe Systems Plant in Paris.

Congratulations to Elaine Ballard of Clardy, who will be honored by the Paris Education Foundation at its "I Love Paris" gala March 22 at the Love Civic Center where she will receive the 2001 Lifetime Achievement Award.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Audrey Gillis, who died in Paris Friday. She was the daughter of the late George and Viola Humphreys, longtime residents of our community.

Several from the community were in Detroit Thursday to see the Detroit Junior High basketball teams play and win all four games. Among those attending were Randy and Kristi Boren, Drew and Leah, Peggy Par-

sons, David Ballard, Jenni and Joey, Sandy Murdock, Rachel, Rebecca, Lindsey, David, Matthew and Wesley, Tony and Karen Ballard, Lance and Kayshia.

Travis and Tonya Hunter celebrated their fifth anniversary recently at the Fish Fry in Paris.

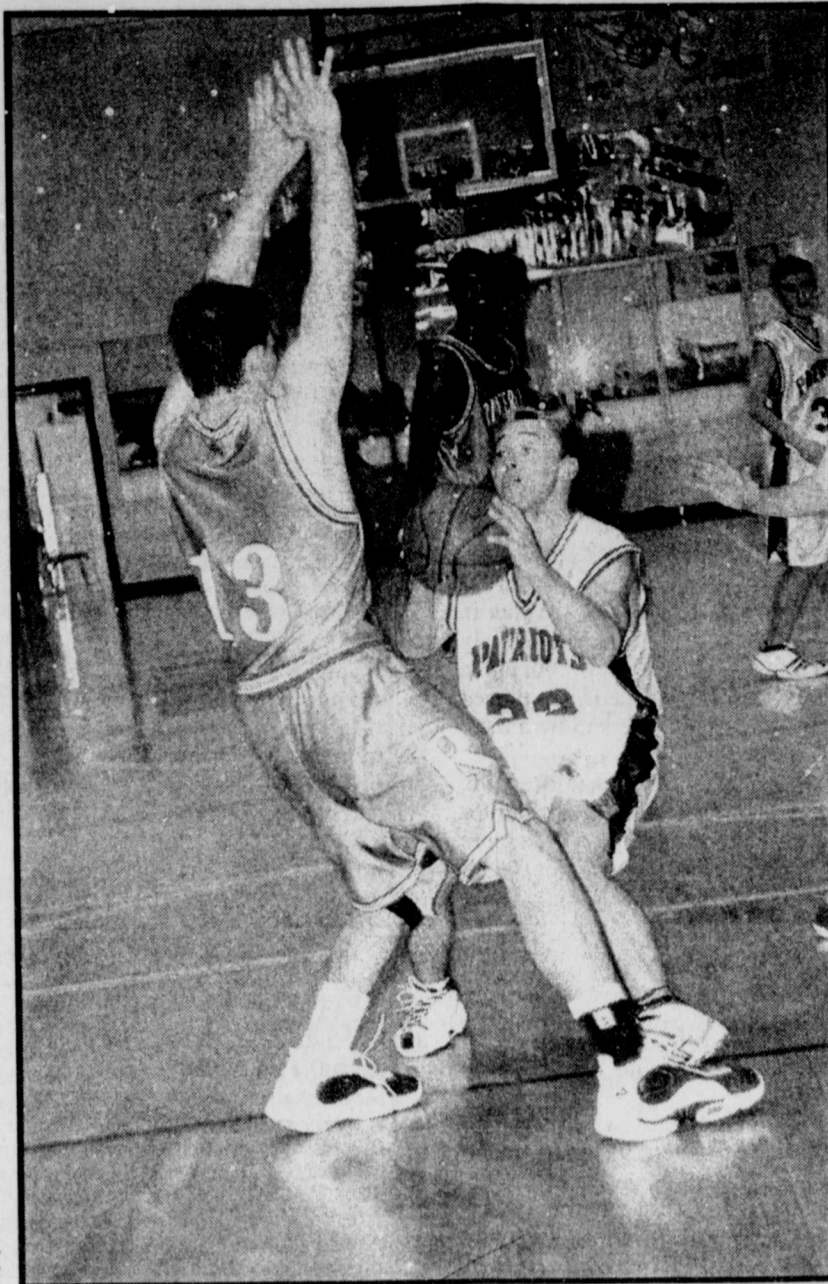
Debbie Currin, Travis and Tonya Hunter, Christian, Courtney Danielle and Jeremy ate lunch with John and Claudia Whitney at Cunningham on Sunday. Afternoon visitors were Barbara and Charlie Smith of Bogata.

Mickey Keener of Longview visited Bill and Ruby D. Blevins Tuesday and helped trim trees. Sandy Ring and Ashleigh were Sunday visitors.

Ruby D. Blevins visited Jessie Newsom in Parkview Nursing Home in Paris Sunday.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Bobby Ray Humphrey, who died November 22 in Alabama with cancer. He was the son of the late Phillip and Ollie Hmpfrey and related to James Earl Bell and Billy Blevins.

Remember to support our VFD by eating breakfast at the community center this Saturday from 7-10 a.m.



PRAIRILAND PATRIOT STONEY MUSGROVE goes in for the shot and is defended by a Rivercrest player. The Pats lost the game to Rivercrest 31-70. They also lost later in the week to DeKalb 40-80. (Staff Photo)

The silence often of pure innocence persuades when speaking fails.

—William Shakespeare, *The Winter's Tale*

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PRAIRILAND FCCLA members are pictured here as they show their appreciation to board members and Superintendent James Morton at a recent dinner held in their honor. Pictured from left to right is Lori Pitcock, Meagan Merritt, Jennifer Mathews, Mr. Morton, Lindsey Peel, Becky Hamm and Cheslie Loveless. (Staff Photo)

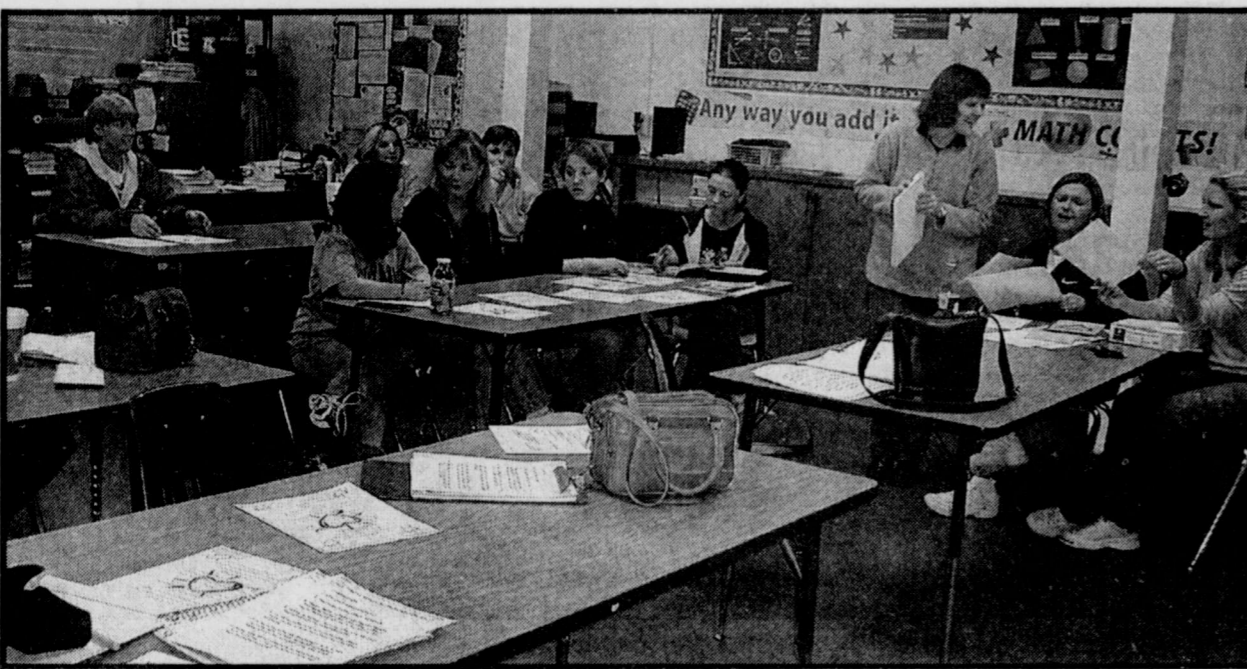
### FCCLA holds appreciation dinner

The Prairiland Family Career and Community Leaders of America held their annual School Board Appreciation Dinner for all school board members, spouses, principals and superintendent on Monday, January 8, 2001 at 6:00 p.m.

The event was held in the Family and Consumer Sciences building at Prairiland High School. This dinner was to show their appreciation for everything that the board does for them and for the entire school.

**It never yet did hurt to lay down likelihoods and forms of hope.**

—William Shakespeare, Henry IV, Part 2



PRAIRILAND PROJECT GRADUATION held one of their planning meetings on Monday night, January 15, 2001 to plan upcoming activities for the Project Graduation event scheduled for after commencement exercises on May 24. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

### Public Notices

**CITY OF BLOSSOM  
PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTED  
ORDINANCE**  
Ordinance No. 01-005

An Ordinance of the City of Blossom, Lamar County, Texas, regulating dogs within the city limits of Blossom; adopting sections of Chapter 822, Texas Health and Safety Code, pertaining to dangerous dogs; providing enforcement of this Ordinance; providing for penalties for violation of this Ordinance; providing for supercession clause; providing for severability clause; and providing for emergency clause to enable this ordinance to take effect upon its passage, the public welfare requiring such.

Whereas, the City Council of Blossom, Texas, meeting in duly posted public session, has determined that the excessive number of dogs running at large and the reports of dogs attacking animals and threatening individuals have become a major threat to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Blossom; and

Whereas, the City Council, subsequent to duly published and posted Public Notice of same, has held a Public Hearing on the proposed Ordinance, and deem it prudent and necessary to establish rules and regulations controlling dogs within the City of Blossom;

Therefore Be It Ordained that the following rules and regulations are hereby adopted:

**Administration**  
The City Administrator, or any other employee of the City of Blossom, so designated, is hereby assigned the responsibility and authority to administer this Ordinance. Pursuant to Section 22.042, Local Government Code, the Mayor shall ensure that this Ordinance is properly carried out.

A. Except in circumstances wherein dangerous animals are involved, and/or where dog(s) are deemed to be an immediate threat or danger to any person or animal, the City Administrator, or any other authorized designee, shall seek an administrative remedy to correct alleged violations by methods indicated below:

1. After having received written complaint(s) of alleged violation(s), an administrative notice shall be forwarded, by certified mail return receipt requested, to the alleged owner of dog(s) and/or the owner of property on which dog(s) are kept.
2. It shall be stated in above notice that the alleged owner of dog(s) and/or property owner has ten (10) days from date of notice to correct alleged violation.
3. If the City receives no reply or satisfactory corrective action, as a result of the administrative notice, the City Administrator, or any other authorized designee, shall initiate appropriate action as defined in Section X, "Penalty and Enforcement."

**Regulation of Dogs that are a Danger to Persons or Animals**  
Sections 822.033, 822.034, and Section 822.035, Chapter 822, and Subchapter D, Chapter 822, Regulation of Animals, "Texas Health and Safety Code", are hereby adopted by reference, as though fully copied herein, as the rules and regulations governing dangerous dogs that are a threat to animals and persons. Above referenced sections of Chapter 822, "Texas Health and Safety Code" are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

**Regulation of all Dogs within the City Limits of Blossom**  
Notwithstanding regulations established in Section II, above, regulating dangerous dogs, the following rules and regulations are hereby adopted governing all dogs within the city limits of Blossom:

A. Confinement of dogs: Every person owning, keeping or raising any dog(s) shall confine such animal(s) to the premises of the dog owner or person keeping same. The dog(s) shall be confined by a secure fence or wall, capable of preventing the entry of the general public, including children, and capable of preventing the release or escape of the dog(s).

1. If not confined by secure enclosure, as defined above, the dog(s) must be restrained by a secure leash, rope or tether in the hands of the owner or responsible person controlling such dog(s).

2. The regular confinement of dog(s) by chain, rope, leash, or tether in lieu of a secure confinement by fence or wall, is not an acceptable method of confinement of dog(s) and does not provide for compliance with this Ordinance.

3. Persons who are owning, keeping, or raising any dog(s) within the City of Blossom on premises not owned by said person shall be required to provide to the City of Blossom written permission from the owner of the property for said dog owner to keep dog(s) on such property. Written permission by the property owner shall include the number of dogs, individual description of animals, and proof of a current rabies vaccination on each. Property owners on whose premises the dog(s) are being kept shall be responsible to assure that no regulation within this Ordinance is violated.

B. Required Rabies Vaccination: All dogs kept within the city limits shall be immunized annually against rabies by means of an anti-rabies vaccine approved and administered by a duly licensed veterinarian. Every veterinarian who vaccinates any dog shall issue a certificate of vaccination to the owner, stating the name of the owner, the address of the owner, a description of the dog, the date of the vaccination, the number of the rabies vaccination tag, and the kind of vaccine used. Upon vaccinating each dog, the veterinarian shall furnish the owner of such animal(s) a metal tag on one side of which is stamped the words "Rabies Vaccine Administered" or similar phrase, and the vaccination tag number and the date of the vaccination, which tag at all times shall be securely attached to the collar around that neck of the animal(s) or harness around the neck and body of the animal(s). Dog owners shall provide to the Blossom City Clerk a copy of above rabies vaccination certificate and copy of subsequent annual renewal of same.

**Kennel License**  
Every person owning, keeping or raising dogs in the City of Blossom in excess of three (3) dogs over six (6) months old on one property, shall be required to apply for, and secure a Kennel License from the City of Blossom.

A. In order to secure a Kennel License, a positive inspection from the Texas Department of Health shall be presented to the City, supporting the application. The Kennel License shall be renewed annually along with a renewed positive inspection from the Texas Department of Health.

B. If the person applying for a Kennel License is not the owner of the property on which the dogs are being kept, the owner of the property shall give written permission to the City of Blossom, before the City shall consider approval of a Kennel License.

C. Persons owning, keeping or raising dogs totaling six (6) or less, each dog having been neutered, is exempt from the requirement of Kennel License.

D. Fees for Kennel License shall be assessed at \$100.00 per license or renewal of same.

**Abandonment of Dogs**  
It shall be a violation of this Ordinance for any person or persons to abandon any dog(s) within the city limits of Blossom or within its extraterritorial jurisdiction.

**Penalty and Enforcement**  
A. In addition to penalties and enforcement clauses stated within Sections of Chapter 822, "Health and Safety Code", adopted by this Ordinance; any person, dog owner and/or property owner who violates any section or clause of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a Class C Misdemeanor, and, at the minimum, shall be subject to a fine of up to Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) plus court costs. Each dog or dog owner subject to this Ordinance and each day of any violation shall constitute a separate offense.

B. Pursuant to Section 22.042, Chapter 22, Local Government Code, the Mayor of the City of Blossom, or his designee, shall be authorized to request the Lamar County Sheriff or any authorized law enforcement officer to assist with enforcement of, or compliance with this Ordinance or Section thereof.

1. As authorized in the "Inter-local Cooperative Agreement for Patrol Services between the City of Blossom, Texas, and Lamar County", the City may request the Lamar County Sheriff to serve appropriate citations of alleged violations of this ordinance.

2. The City may request the Lamar County Sheriff and/or any other law enforcement or animal control officer to assist with legal and acceptable methods of impoundment and/or destruction of animals running at large which are considered an immediate threat or danger to any animal or person.

C. When residents or property owners allow dogs to run loose in the vicinity of the utility easement, where water meters are located, and when loose animals do not have proper identification of rabies vaccination or such proof on file with the City, such animals may be a health and safety threat to City employees or contractors required to read City water meters. If such health and safety threat is not alleviated after proper notification, as detailed in Section 1, the City may curtail water or other City utility e health and safety of City employees and/or contractors.

D. In addition to enforcement actions detailed above, the Mayor is authorized to order any other legal emergency actions or methods necessary to protect the immediate safety of any person(s) or animal(s).

**Ordinance in Immediate Effect/ Emergency Clause**  
In order to protect the public safety, and general welfare of its citizens, the governing body of Blossom, Texas, hereby declares that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately, and shall be in force from and after its passage.

Passed and Adopted by the City Council of the City of Blossom, Texas, convened in public session in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 1240 W. Front Street, Blossom, Texas, this 11th day of January, 2001.  
Ed Hudson, Mayor  
Patti Donovan, City Secretary  
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January luncheon was held in the Community Room on Glover Street. Those attending were Lucille Morgan, Eulene Nicholas, Beulah Shipp, Frances Franklin, Hazel Relford, Venice Bryson, Alma Scaff, Willie Mae Speir, Eunice Ervin, Phyllis and Kenneth Gifford. Everyone enjoyed being out visiting and eating again. The winter weather was an experience to remember. We must be thankful that there were no serious illness and no broken bones, or none that I have been told about.

Virginia Farris entertained her brothers and sisters with a dinner in the community room on Glover Street on January 14. Ten of the remaining eleven attended.

The third Monday canasta/chicken foot gang also met on January 15 in the community room on Glover Street. Hostesses were Clara Stalls, Thelma Warren and Mavis Sowards. Those playing Chicken Foot were Mame Cutshall, Ruth Murrell, LaVerta Westbrook, Robbie Gooch and Mary Alice Enox. Playing canasta were Frances Franklin, Reba Temple, Nina Sparks, Eulene Nicholas, Virginia Kirkland and Mavis Sowards, Thelma Warren and Juanita Sparks. Members unable to attend were Dorothy Holt and Thelma Shelby.

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Deport Nursing Home News By Sandra Mauldin

Clara Perkins was visited by Carol Shelton.

Thomas and Lucy Bledsoe were visited by Walter Bledsoe, Neil Rozell and Danny Perry.

Jessie lane was visited by Lawanda Cherry.

Terry McDowra and Harold Norris were visited by Harold Norris.

Purna Haydock wa visited by Jessica Hutchings.

Irene Beeler was visited by Ruth Crow.

Verta Lynn was visited by Bill Chipman, Ruth Chipman and Terry McDowra.

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

Odella Cheatwood was visited by Gary and Deloris Cheatwood, David Mauldin, patsy and Sid hudson, Roney Cheatwood and Nancy.

Daisy Barnett was visited by Jean Weddle and Clara Park.

Raymond Hignight was visited by Mary Ray, Brittany, Patsy Curtis, Billy Neely, Danny Robinson, Rouger Robinson, Randul Taylor, Geary Curtis, Dee Harris, Flonia Harris, Owen Davis and Keith and Sharon Young.

Ima Griffin was visited by Raymond Hignight, Mary Ray, Britany, Patsy Curtis, Rouger Lynch, Gary, Billy Joe, Danny Joe, Flonia, Dee and Roger Lea.

Brodie Bell was visited by Frank Norwood, Jr., Eileen Norwood, Kathryn and Jorge Martinez, Ashlye

Bauerle, Kimberly Sino, David and Martha Glover.

Linda King was visited by Jessica Hutchings, Shawn L. Minor.

Rita Thompson, Starr Thompson, Elizabeth Thompson, and Katy Ramseye visited Nora Barnett.

Nannie Bell Ham, Nell Shul and Wanda Lou Bradley visited Nina Hale.

Jo Wren was visited by Lia Screws. Mary Ray was visited by Raymond Hignight.

Homer and Melva Sisson was visited by Betty and Pete Sisson.

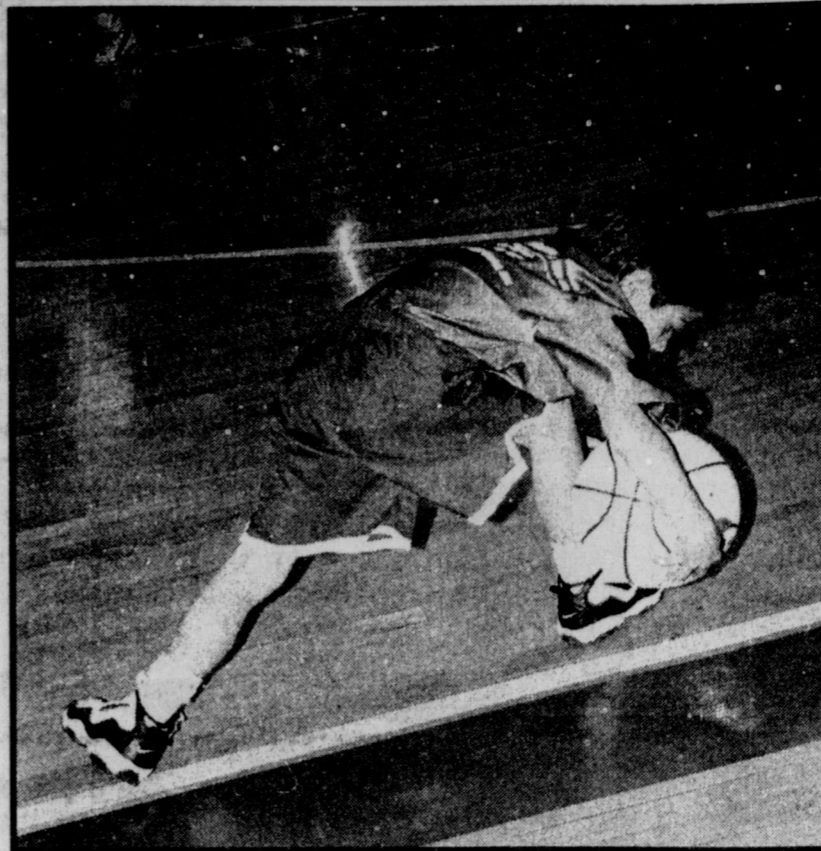
Johnnie Warren was visited by Robie Hawkins, Lila Screws, Evelyn Roach, Claudia Whitney, Jane Glass, Lucy Fowler, Danbri and Jaylan Mitchell, Mike and Carol Dorsey, Barbara Dunlop of Mesquite, Lucy Fowler.

Roberta Watts was visited by Shirley Allums, Odella Cheatwood, Monte, Kathy, Mark Allums, Teresa Alford and James A. Watts.

Ina B. Hedrick was visited by Norma, Doris, Florence.

Roy Wells was visited by Ken Wells, Dalton Watkins, Glenn Wells, Maryann Miller, Linda Kay, Glenn Wells, Lois Wells.

Nell Wolf was visited by Angie and Aaron Wolf, Danbri, Jaylan mitchell, Cindy Filkins, Jasemine Gorman, Jim Johnson, Bert Filkins, Joseph Filkins, Allison Wolf, Marcus and David Wolf.



DEPORT PIPS (Players in Action), Colton Reynolds is pictured here as he goes through all the moves at a recent performance at Prairiland High School Gym. (Staff Photo)

Jr. High girls win over Detroit

The Deport Jr. High "A" girls took on the Detroit girls on Thursday, January 11, 2001 at Detroit.

The Deport girls came out early in the first quarter to lead 10-6 with Britney Martin and Rachel Murdock

each hitting two baskets apiece while Whitney Brook had one basket.

Detroit's Carmen Williams, Misti Patt and Julia Griffen each had a basket in the first quarter.

The Deport girls took a big lead in the second quarter going into halftime 20-11.

Deport came away with 12 points in each of the two final quarters while Detroit could hit only 5 and 10, to

each had 6 each. Johnna Patterson had 4 and Kandi Wright had 2.

Other Deport girls contributing to the game was Jessica Winters, and

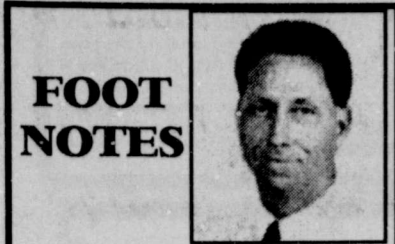
end the game Deport 44 and Detroit 26.

Brook was high for Deport with 16 while Britney Martin hit for 8. Breanna Holley and Rachel Murdock

Whitney Turner.

Detroit girls that were high for the night was Misti Patt with 11, Carmen Williams 8 and Julia Griffen 4 along with Charrie Gallegos with 3.

Other Detroit members adding to the game was Britney Duley, Monica McCain and Katie Mankins.



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Table with 2 columns: Date and Event. January 22: Cooper, Here, JVG, 6:30. 24: Youth for Christ, 7:50 a.m., Library. 26: Pewitt, There, JVB, V.G., VB, 5:30. 27: Little Dribblers.

Conscience is the guardian in the individual of the rules which the community has evolved for its own preservation. -W Somerset Maugham

Little Dribblers begin season

The Deport Little Dribblers began their 2001 season on Saturday, January 13 at Detroit. The following are stats for those games.

Table with 2 columns: Team and Points. 4th grade boys won 37-9. Tesh 21, Howington 4, Juneo 4, Ford 2, Haygood 2, Wear 4. 5th grade boys lost 23-27. Syrus 6, Nichols 9, Dickinson 8.

Table with 2 columns: Team and Points. 6th grade boys lost 35-38. Syrus 12, Bundy 4, Watson 3, Spears 14, Smallwood 2.

Table with 2 columns: Team and Points. 5th grade girls won 18-2. Murdock 8, Ballard 4, Barnes 2, McKee 2.

The 4th grade girls will make up their game at a later date and the 6th grade girls had no game.

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Deport Jr. High defeats Detroit

Deport Jr. High traveled to Detroit to take on the young Eagles and came home the winner 22-16.

The Deport "B" team scored 8 and kept the Detroit youngsters to zero with Logan Norwood hitting 4 and Josh Allena nd Matt Owen with 2 each in the first.

Detroit came back in the second and hit 8 points while the Deport boys could only manage 2 to go into halftime 10-8 Patriots.

The third quarter had each team only scoring 4 points each to see Deport retain the lead 14-12.

The final quarter had the Patriots hitting 0-6 at the free throw line and only managing 4 baskets for 8 points. Detroit hit for 0-7 at the free throw line and two baskets.

Deport's Owen was high for the night with 10, Norwood had 6 while Allen shot for four and Kyle Kinslow had a basket. Others players were Shane Wilson, Jay Curt McKee, Chase Smallwood, Stephen Norman, Chad Larkin and Chris Farmer.

Detroit team members Roy Ritchey and Cody Reger both added their defensive skills to the game. High for the night was Josh Holmes with 8,

Mitchell Lee with 5, Lee Phifer 2 and Tony Nunley with one point.

The "A" teams took the floor in the final game of the night with Deport taking the game 46-35.

Twelve points in the first quarter by Deport to Detroit's 5 saw the score 12-5 with Deport having hot hands in the second quarter with 14 points to Detroit's 12 to go into halftime 26-16 Deport.

Seven points for Deport in the third to Detroit's 5 saw the lead move up to 33-21 Deport. The final stanza had Detroit outshooting Deport 14-13 but still behind at the buzzer 46-35.

Double figures for Deport had Spur Norwood with 14 and Matt Dickinson with 12. Weston Drinnon had 7, Brent Burden and Marty Anderson each had 4 a piece. Dejon Bundy 3 and Justin Wright 2. Others adding to the team were Josh Osborn, Lance Ballard and Drew Boren.

Detroit's Bryan Jones was high with 11 with Monty Melton following with 7. Weston Miller had 6 along with 6 from Michael Nunley. Json Baird added 3 and Bradley Brown 2. Malcolm Ricks also played for the young Eagles.

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gram but may be eligible for disaster assistance through other Federal agencies. Nurseries that are victims of drought disasters can apply.

The vast majority of the State of Texas has been declared. To receive additional information, interested business owners may call the SBA toll free at 1-800-366-6303 or TDD 817-267-4688 for the hearing impaired.

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Happy birthday to Mary Griffith, Dawne Darden, Madeline Gifford, Sandra Couch, Theresa Stephens, Clovis Alsobrok, Jeff McDowra, Pat Beningfield, Lyhn Nixon, Harold Norris, Jesi Davis, Felecia Miller. Sean Hood Scott, son of Britt and Jackie Scot of Burleson, recently graduated from Texas Christian University in Ft. Worth, receiving his Bachelor's Degree in History and Master's Degree in Secondary Education. He has recently accepted a high school teaching position with the Eastern Hills High School in Ft. Worth, teaching World History and also as the head baseball coach. Sean is the grandson of Vivian Hood and the late Jack Hood of Detroit, and M. Bee and Audrey Scott of Burleson (formerly of Fulbright and Deport)

Ruth O'Brien recently received word that her cousin, Ernest Lee Day of Pikeville, TN had died. Services were held in Pikeville and burial in the Blackburn Cemetery in Bledsoe County. He was 95 and was the son of Jesse Franklin and Emma Hale Day and the oldest veteran of World War II in Bledsoe County and the oldest Day descendant.

Bradley and Cindy O'Brien and daughter Tess were recent visitors of Stanley and Ruth O'Brien in Garland.

Ruth and Stanley were in Shady Grove to do some clean up due to the icy weather recently.

The O'Brien families all attended a Christmas open house in Eules at the home of Stephanie, Julie and Rachael along with their dad, Stephen.

Happy anniversary to Laura and Ricky Williams, Mary and Arthur Griffith, Darla and Kevin Keys, Peggy and Keith Parsons, Pat and Duwayne Ham.

Virginia Reed of Paris honored Nina Sparks with an early birthday lunch at Cafe Java in Paris Wednesday. Freeman Safford and Peggy Parsons joined them for lunch.

Virginia and Robert Farris hosted a luncheon for her brothers and sisters at Deport Housing Authority Community Room on Sunday, January 13. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Max Nowlin of Waco, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Smith of Detroit, Kenneth, Larry and L.C. of Fulbright, Ronnie Smith of Deport, Purna McLain of Deport, Joyce Harp of Bagwell, Karon Smith of Paris, Dennis Smith of Paris. After lunch, everyone enjoyed playing games of dominoes and 42.

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