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Then Don't Complain

I received a cartoon in the mail the other day, that showed a group of people sitting in a meeting and a woman saying "Who ME? Serve as a Volunteer? But that would seriously interfere with my COMPLAINING!". Ahhh, I thought, truer words were never spoken!

To me, volunteering is a way of life. I don't want to hear "I don't have time".....it often seems that those who work so many hours as volunteers are the ones with the least time to spare. I don't want to hear "Well, I just don't know what I can do". Trust me on this, it doesn't take long to find something to do!

And, I especially don't want to hear anyone who doesn't take part in the something gripping about the way it is done!! If you aren't involved, don't complain!

Of course, for me, my first and foremost recommendation is to volunteer for your local volunteer fire department. If you aren't able to fight fire, perhaps you can do the medical training it takes to be a First Responder? After all, from 50% to 70% of most calls are medical now.

But if that is more than you want to bite off, how about helping with their fund raising? It's an expensive proposition to operate a fire department, especially with the medical units. Form an auxiliary to help them raise money.

If the fire departments are not your "cup of tea" show me a church which doesn't need more volunteer workers! If your church doesn't have active fund raisers or fellowship gatherings, help get it in gear!

Volunteer to read to school children, or help with a ball league. If you have small children, please, please be involved in their lives! What a wonderful thing that is.

Now, I'll stop here and digress for a moment. To me, volunteering isn't about dressing up and "being seen" at Hollywood type fund raisers. It always irritates me to see some huge New York or Hollywood event where "big wigs" have raised say, 1 million dollars for AIDS research or something similar. As they are going into the ball room the photographers are snapping away as announcers tell viewers that so and so's dress cost \$12,000! If they would simply give that amount of money to their charity to begin with, they'd have more money to work with. To me they are making a show, wanting to see and be seen with the "right" people.

No, volunteering means doing something like the service clubs and Salvation Army do at Christmas, standing outside of stores in the bitter cold, collecting money. Or fighting fire in the heat of summer, or coaching kids on a dusty ball field, or sitting on the floor with an elderly fall victim lending aid and comfort.

Now, back on track, I urge you, there IS something you can do. Get out and about and volunteer for SOMETHING. Trust me, it's a wonderful experience. You'll feel better, your community will be better and you'll actually be healthier! Try it, it's great.

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DEPORT, LAMAR COUNTY, TEXAS

Thursday, March 15, 2001

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SWORN IN-Red River County Judge Powell W. (P.J.) Peek was sworn in on March 5 by Red River County Clerk Lorie Moose. Peek was appointed to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Kathy Cheyne.

Peek appointed Red River County Judge by commissioners

Powell (P.J.) Peek, Jr. of Boxelder was appointed by Red River County commissioners to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Judge Kathy Cheyne.

Peek was sworn in on March 5th at the Courthouse Annex by Red River County Clerk Lorie Moose.

Cheyne had cited personal and family reasons for her resignation. She was appointed county judge while serving as county treasurer when L.D. Williamson resigned to become executive director of the Ark-Tex Council of Governments.

Peek was selected by the commissioners from five applicants who submitted resumes for the position.

The native of Red River County is 59 years old, graduated from Annona High School and Southern Methodist University, Magna Cum Laude, with a Bachelors Degree in business administration. He attended night

school to earn his degree while working full time and helping his late wife, Annie Lou (Baker) raise a family.

He was an oil exploration executive and vice-president Marine Marketing at Digicourse, Inc.-Input/Output, Inc., before retiring.

Peek has been back in Boxelder since last year making improvements to Peek Farms, Inc. properties and rebuilding the family farmhouse which was built in 1900.

"I think I am qualified to serve as county judge", Peek stated, "but if I am not selected I'll gladly support the person who is appointed".

Peek stresses that county government takes the support of all the residents.

Peek was selected from five applications: his, Margaret Missildine, Michael Garretson, Mac Varley and Charlie Joe Jones.

Deport Baseball Association elects new officers, still time to sign up

The Deport Baseball Association met on Monday, February 26th for sign-ups and elected new officers.

The new officers for the upcoming year are: Kevin Perry, President; Shad Day, Vice-President; Regina Kincaid, Sec./Treasurer.

There is still time to sign up if your child wants to play T-Ball, Softball

or Baseball. Signup will continue through March 23rd. If you have a child between the ages of 4-15 that wants to play ball, or if you are interested in being a coach, please call Shad Day at 652-5508. The league needs and wants all the players they can get.

Barrett recalls bread from bakery

Arthur Barrett, born in Deport, called the other day to say how many sweet memories the column on waxed paper brought back.

Mr. Barrett remembers when there was a bakery where the Deport Times is now. At the front was a small restaurant, and at the back was the bakery.

He recalls his mother sending him downtown to buy a loaf of bread. The bread was five cents for the loaf.

The fragrant, unsliced loaves of bread were mushroom shaped. They were placed on a large sheet of waxed paper. The paper was then folded up around the loaf and run through a

gasoline burnered apparatus that heat sealed the seams down.

The problem was, Mr. Barrett says, he couldn't resist using the bread for a football as he traveled along the brick alleyway homeward.

"I would toss it up in the air after time" he smiles. "When I got home, my mother would fuss at me, because that waxed paper would be just about shot."

Mr. Barrett is working on a map of Deport from back in the past. He is listing every house he remembers, and their occupants names. He hopes to finish it and someday put it on display in the Deport Times window.

Trustees to meet March 19

The Board of Trustees of Prairiland Independent School District will meet in regular session at 7:30 p.m. on March 19.

Items on the agenda include: Public comment and business.

In new business: resolution and deed to a tax resale property #61679 & #66632; 2001-2002 school calen-

dar; adopt all titles on textbooks; teacher contracts.

In executive session: properties-discuss possible building program and bond issue; personnel: teacher contracts; EEOC-Bobby Weddle.

Non-action items include: sewer system, Region VIII Board of Directors; student and teacher recognition.



CUTTING AND CHIPPING-Road crews in all areas have been busy on county roads cutting up and hanging limbs and chipping them up. It will take months to finish up with the damage the ice storm that began Christmas Day caused. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Council awards bid for water line construction

The Deport City Council tended to a full agenda Monday night, March 12.

First was to hear from a representative from Hayter Engineering, Inc. concerning a \$250,000.00 grant to replace and install main water lines.

Council awarded the contract to Online Construction for \$178,000.00. Areas targeted for the work are Milton-Minter Road, Gray Street and Depot Street. Work on the project is scheduled to begin in 20 to 30 days.

TXU Representative Rayford Dodd discussed the rate increase of 8.1% for natural gas. Dodd also stated that the residential rates are actually down \$.65. The new rate is

effective from March 2.

Council agreed to pay \$1,000.00 on the Deport Ball League's electric bill for this season.

The Council unanimously agreed to purchase the property on the north end of Main Street with the red barn by the water tower from Herman LaRue for \$2,500.00.

Council also agreed to take bids on a new backhoe and bids to sell the old one.

A bid of \$8,500.00 to demolish and clean the slabs of the old building on the north end of Main Street was tentatively accepted.

City personnel was discussed in Executive Session.

People 'n' Things

Saturday, March 17-Pattonville Community Center, AYCE Breakfast by VFD, \$4 from 7 to 10 a.m.
Friday, March 23-Pattonville Community Center dance, 8 p.m. live band. Concessions available.

Thursday, March 22, 2001
Prairiland Project Graduation will be having a meeting for all senior parents on the above date at 6:30 p.m. in the Blossom Cafeteria. All senior parents or representatives are urged to attend this meeting to finalize plans for project graduation.

Spots open on Deport City Council, sign up continues until March 21st

Sign up for Deport City Council will be until March 21st. Anyone living inside the City Limits of Deport can run for a two year term on the council.

There are three positions up for re-election at this time, those of

Mayor Pro-Tem Nancy Gresham and Councilmen Mike Francies and Carlos Denison.

To date, councilman Francies is the only one who has signed up to run again.

Shady Grove Cemetery Association to meet

The annual meeting of the Shady Grove Cemetery Association will be held Sunday, April 1 at 2:30 p.m. at the Shady Grove Methodist Church. All interested persons are reminded to attend this meeting.



NEW OFFICERS-Officers for the Pattonville Volunteer Fire Department 2001 are Chief Ed Ring, Assistant Chief Jackie Crawford, Lieutenant Jim McNabb, and Keywhinna Lee Secretary. (photo by ...)

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The past always looks better than it was. It's only pleasant because it isn't here.

---Finley Peter Dunne (Mr. Dooley)

Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

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Happy St. Patrick's Day! Can you believe it is already the middle of March? Here are some St. Patty recipes that you might enjoy, but first a few trivia facts about St. Patrick's Day!

Did you know that: . . . St. Patrick, c.389-461, the patron saint of Ireland, was a bishop and missionary. He was born in Roman Britain and at the age of 16 was captured and sold into slavery in Ireland. During his captivity he turned to religion.

. . . The shamrock is a common name for several unrelated herbaceous plants with trifoliate leaves. St. Patrick used the shamrock leaf to symbolize the Trinity. A trifoliate leaf of this shamrock is worn by the Irish on March 17 to commemorate St. Patrick's Day.

. . . The Blarney Stone is supposed to endow those who kiss it with the gift of eloquence. It is built into the southern wall of Blarney Castle in County Cork, Ireland.

. . . Leprechaun-in folklore a leprechaun is a preternatural creature that lives on the Earth and may be either helpful or harmful to human beings. They resemble humans, but are usually much smaller and possess powers of magic.

. . . The first St. Patrick's Day Pa-

rade took place in Chicago on March 17, 1843.

. . . The coloring of the Chicago River originally began by the city by placing dye into the river to trace discharges into the river. In 1962, a tradition began of adding 100 pounds of vegetable dye into the river for one week to keep it green. Now, 40 pounds of green food coloring keeps the river green for only a few hours.

We hope you have enjoyed this small tour of Ireland and these recipes and we will see you in the kitchen!

Clover Chip Cookies-these are green chocolate chip at its finest!

Lucky Chocolate Chewies-these are frosted, yummy, chewy, chocolate cookies that are great!

Shamrock Sugar Cookies-cut these sugary cookies out into the shape of shamrocks, frost them and give them as your lucky charms!

St. Pat's Pinwheel Cookies-this recipe takes green dough and white dough layered and cut into slices and they bake up as green and white pinwheels!

Chocolate Mint Bars-this is a bar cookie recipe and easy to make in minutes with a mint flavor!

Leprechaun Oatmeal Cookies - every little leprechaun you know will love these cookies!

Red River County Roots

This week's query is from Betsy (Whitaker) Lamasier, 306 Ramona Road, Danville, Ca 94526. She is researching the Gotcher family who lived in Red River County. Louise D. Gotcher, born 1835 in AL or SC, married Sarah M. about 1864, probably in AL. Their children were Sarah Elizabeth "Bettie", William, James, Martha, Mary Louise, Robert and Georgia. Sarah Elizabeth "Bettie" Gotcher married Wiley Whitaker in 1884 in Red River County. Their children were Mary, Nimmie, Hattie, Dow, Loy, Oliver, Lillie and Scott Whitaker. Mary Louise Gotcher married William Bert Whitaker in 1896 in Red River County and their children were Margaret, Nellie, Sherman, Loula, Birty, Jessie, kGeorge and Willie Whitaker.

If you would like to write Mrs. Lamasier, please write her at the above address.

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



HAVE A NICE WEEK-END

Thursday, March 15, 2001

Clover Chip Cookies

1-1/4 cups firmly-packed brown sugar
3/4 cup Golden Crisco
2 tablespoon milk
1 tablespoon vanilla
1 egg
1-3/4 cups all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon salt
3/4 teaspoon baking soda
1-1/2 cups green candy-coated chocolate pieces

Preheat oven 375 degrees. Combine brown sugar, shortening, milk and vanilla in large bowl. Beat at medium until well blended. Beat egg into creamed mixture. Combine flour, salt and baking soda. Mix into creamed mixture at low speed just to blended. Stir in candy. Drop by rounded teaspoonsful 3 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheet. Remove and cool completely.

Lucky Chocolate Chewies

1-1/2 cups firmly-packed brown sugar
2/3 cups Crisco shortening
1 tablespoon water
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 eggs
1-1/2 cups all-purpose flour
1/3 cup cocoa
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon baking soda
2 cups mini chocolate chips

Frosting:
1/4 cup Golden Crisco
2 cups icing sugar
3 tablespoons milk
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
green food color

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Combine sugar, shortening, water and vanilla in large bowl. Beat at medium until well blended. Beat eggs into creamed mixture. Combine flour, cocoa, salt and baking soda. Mix into creamed mixture at low speed just until blended. SStir in chips. Drop by rounded teaspoonsful 2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheet. Cool completely. For icing, combine ingredients into bowl and mix at low speed until well blended and smooth and creamy. Add coloring. Frost top of cookies.

Shamrock Sugar Cookies

1-1/4 cups granulated sugar
1 cup Golden Crisco
2 eggs
1/4 cup corn syrup
1 tablespoon vanilla
3 cups all-purpose flour + 4 tablespoons

divided

3/4 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt

Icing:

1 cup icing sugar
3-5 tablespoons water
green food color

Combine sugar and shortening in large bowl and beat at medium until well blended. Add eggs, syrup and vanilla. Beat until fluffy. Combine 3 cups flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt. Add gradually to creamed mixture at low speed. Mix until blended. Divide dough into quarters. Wrap each in plastic and refrigerate. Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Spread 1 tablespoon flour on large sheet of waxed paper. Place one quarter of dough and flatten slightly with hands. Roll out and cut with shamrock cookie cutters and bake until done. Cool. For icing, combine ingredients and beat until smooth and creamy, adding color to desired shade. Frost

St. Pat's Pinwheel

1-1/4 cups granulated sugar
1 cup Golden Crisco
2 eggs
1/4 cup corn syrup
1 tablespoon vanilla
3 cups all-purpose flour + 4 tablespoons divided
3/4 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon peppermint extract
green food color

Combine sugar and shortening in large bowl and beat at medium until well blended. Add eggs, syrup and vanilla. Beat until fluffy. Combine flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt. Add to creamed mixture at low speed until blended. Place one half into medium bowl. Add peppermint extract and food color. Wrap both halves into plastic wrap and refrigerate. Place one half onto floured board and roll out into 14 x 9 rectangle. Set aside. Repeat procedure with other half. Invert plain dough onto green dough and line up edges. Roll layers together lightly. Trim to form rectangle with clean edges. Starting with long side, roll dough in a jell-roll fashion. Chill until firm. Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Slice refrigerated dough into 1/4-inch slices and bake 7-9 minutes and cool completely.

Chocolate Mint Bars

1/2 cup Golden Crisco
2/3 cup granulated sugar
1/4 cup cocoa
1 egg
1-1/4 cups all-purpose flour
Topping:
1-1/2 cups flaked coconut
1 cup sliced almonds
3/4 cups mint Hershey chiplets
1 can sweetened condensed milk
1/2 teaspoon mint extract

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Cream shortening, sugar, cocoa and eggs until smooth. Stir in flour, mixing well. Press firmly into 13x9-inch pan. Bake for 10 minutes or until dry. Combine coconut, almonds, candy and sprinkle over base. Combine milk and mint extract. Pour evenly over top. Return to oven and bake 20-25 minutes longer. Cool and cut into bars.

Leprechaun Oatmeal Cookies

3/4 cup Golden Crisco
1-1/4 cups firmly-packed brown sugar
1 egg
1/3 cup milk
1-1/2 teaspoon vanilla
3 cups quick-cooking oats
1 cup all-purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
1 cup golden raisins
1 cup coarsely ground chopped walnuts

Frosting:
1/4 cup Crisco
2 cups icing sugar
3 tablespoons milk
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1-1/2 cups sweetened coconut
green food color.

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Combine shortening, sugar, egg, milk and vanilla in large bowl. Beat at medium until well blended. Combine oats, flour, baking soda, salt and cinnamon. Mix into creamed mixture until well blended. Stir in nuts and raisins. Drop by rounded teaspoonsful on to greased baking sheets 10-12 minutes or until done. Combine frosting ingredients and frost cookies when cool.

Mrs. Carolyn Sue Simmons dies March 10

Mrs. Carolyn Sue Simmons, formerly of Cuthand, died Saturday, March 10 in Lubbock.

Graveside services were held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 13 in Cuthand Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

She was born December 26, 1950 in Abilene. She attended Lubbock Coronado High School and was a bookkeeper for a plumbing company in Hale Center.

She is survived by her husband, Tommy Simmons of Plainview; one daughter, Shelaphon Spann of Mt. Pleasant; one son, Ronald Simmons of Hale Center; her parents, James and Thelma Newton of Lubbock; two sisters, Lisa McCandless of Lubbock and Denise Stamper of Kentucky; and five grandchildren.

She is also survived by her mother-in-law, Lila Simmons of Cuthand; two brothers-in-law, Terry Simmons and Bobby Simmons and his wife Anne. She was preceded in death by one sister, Debbie Newton; her father-in-law, Bob Simmons and a brother-in-law, Perry Simmons.

Obituaries



Birdie C. Randle Blalock dies March 11

Birdie C. Randle Blalock, age 87 of Mt. Pleasant died Sunday, March 11 at her residence.

Services were held at the Gladewater Baptist Church on Wednesday, March 14 at 3:00 p.m. with Bro. Leslie Rhea and Bro. Wesley VanDever officiating. Burial followed in Gladewater Cemetery in Mt. Pleasant. Bates-Cooper Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

She was born in Titus County on June 27, 1913. She was a homemaker and a member of Maple Springs Baptist Church.

Surviving are daughters and sons-in-law, Margie and Phil Ellsworth of Houston, Betty and Kent Henley of Mt. Pleasant and Mary Lynn and Eddie Emery of Mt. Pleasant; sisters, Thelma Kelly of Naples, Helen Smith and Myrtle Bell, both of Mt. Pleasant and Jean Dennis of Carthage; eight grandchildren, Donald Ellsworth, Donna Ellsworth, Tina Moss, Gregory Henley, Shawn Henley, Charlotte Taylor, Jerry Elliott and Tracy Elliott; three step-grandchildren, Harold Blalock Jr., Russell Blalock and Randy Blalock; 17 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; two step great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Izora Randle; her first husband Marvin "Cotton" Strutton; her second husband, Manuel Blalock; a step-son, Harold Blalock; a grandson, Michael Gene Elliott; sisters, Florence Bell and Ethel Coloeman; and brothers Marvin Randle and Ollie Randle.

Bearers were Tracy Elliott, Jerry Elliott, Greg Henley, Shawn Henley, Ashley Henley, Brandon Henley and Aaron Moss.

Card of Thanks

I want to thank my family and friends for their prayers, calls and concern for me while I was in the hospital and since I have returned home.

Eldon Chaloner

Card of Thanks

Thank you for all the cards, calls, flowers, visits and prayers before, during and after my stay in the hospital. I'm home now and doing well.

Thanks again,
Bruce Sparkman & Family



Ruth Hull Vaughan dies March 11

Ruth Hull Vaughan, age 92, died Sunday, March 11 in Paris.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 13 in Fry-Gibbs Funeral Chapel with Rev. Bob Bush and Rev. Kenneth Short officiating. Interment followed in Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home.

Mrs. Vaughan was born November 24, 1908 in Halesboro, TX to John M. Hull and Maggie Luella Pope Hull. She was a member of the Christian Church in Memphis, TX and was employed at The Parisian and Clyde's of Paris before retiring.

She was preceded in death by daughter, Madgie Lou Francis Stinson, February 13, 1970, her parents, an infant sister, Ruthie Hull, brothers Johnny M. Hull, Maxey Hull, Wayne M. Hull, Hazen M. Hull, sisters Lina Hull Young and Inez Hull Butler, half-brother, Elbridge Hull and half-sister, Vera Hull.

She is survived by a son, James C. Francis and wife Jeannie, Wilton, AR; two daughters, Martha Vaughan Evans of Paris, Nina Vaughan Barber of Corsicana; grandchildren, Kerry James Francis, Amy Francis Rhodes, Donald Wayne Evans, James Michael Evans, Pamela Dean, Laura Gay Barber-Wendt and Stephen Ray Barber; twelve great-grandchildren; brother, Hugh M. Hull and wife Hazel of Durant, OK; two sisters-in-law, Dessie Vaughan Dunsforth of Sanger, CA and Annie Vaughan Garren of Mesquite; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial gifts may be made to Bogata Library and Paris Public Library.

Bearers were Kerry James Francis, Donald Wayne Evans, James Michael Evans, Stephen Ray Barber, Steve Rhodes and Jerry Don Stone.

Tuesday 42 Club meets

The Tuesday 42 Club met March 6 with hostess Jimmie King.

There were seven members present. Lucy Fowler won high score. Bobbye King was visitor.

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The next meeting will be March 20 with Alma Scaff as hostess.

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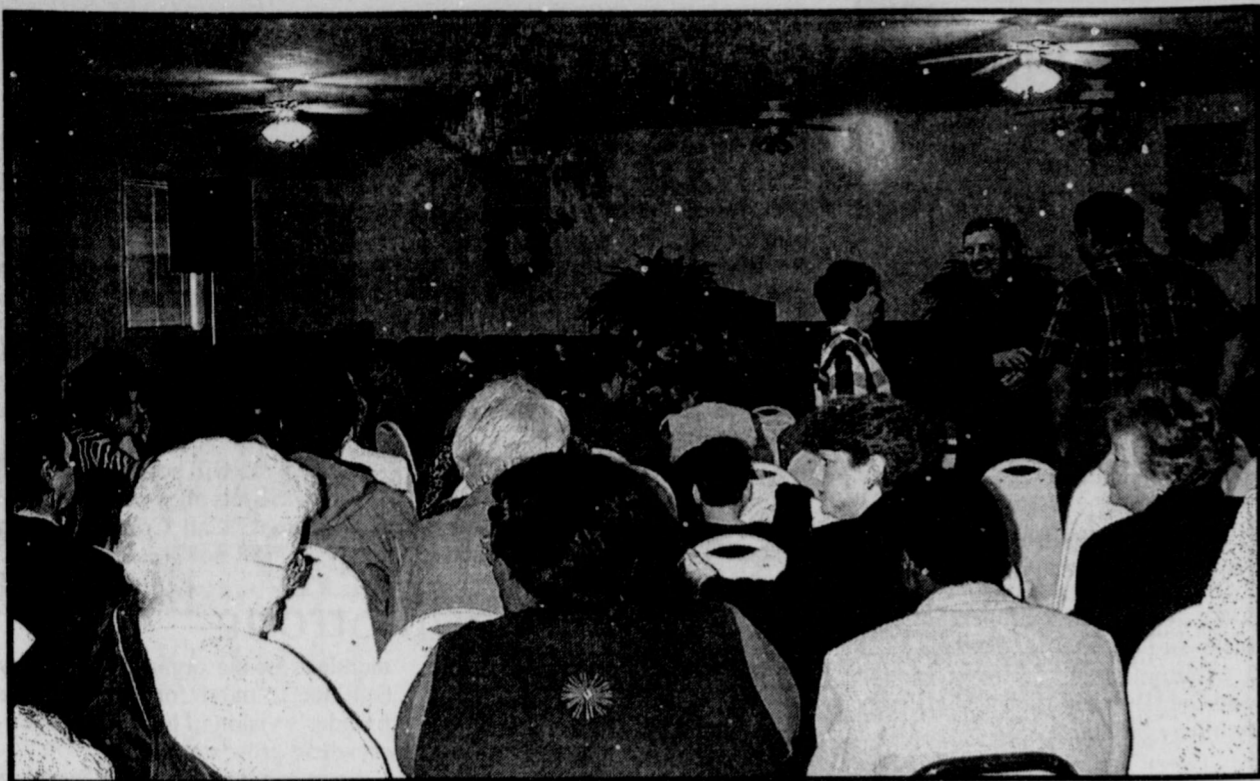
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GATHERING-Cornerstone Fellowship in Cunningham saw a huge gathering with people from four foreign countries and 32 states worshipping in the newly restored building March 3, 4 & 5. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

Cornerstone Fellowship welcomes people from around the world

By Nelta Musgrove

There is a scripture that reads "Remove not the ancient landmark which they fathers have set." Proverbs 22-28.

In the early years of 1900 a Pentecostal Church was established by our forefathers in Cunningham, Texas. The landmark was set. From this place many left and established more churches of the same, but their roots are still in Cunningham. Missionaries also went from the church to foreign countries and hundreds can call this their first or "home" church. The church remained active until 1990 when it was supposedly closed forever. The building fell into decay and looked like it would be almost impossible to restore.

A year ago, in March of 2000, the church was purchased and restoration began. First a new foundation

was taken care of, then all kinds of work was done.

In September of 2000 the work was completed and on October 21, 2000, the church was dedicated with a large crowd of 153 attending. The new name? Cornerstone Fellowship.

Last week, on March 2, 3 and 4, a convention was held in this building. It was probably the largest crowd ever attending the little structure. There were people from 32 states and four foreign countries. 325 people came from around the world to this tiny little spot on the globe.

This next week, March 16, 17, & 18 Lynn Hiles from Berkeley Springs, West Virginia will be ministering and another crowd is expected.

Everyone is welcome to come. The ancient landmark has been set and the cornerstone has been laid!

Deport Locals

Call Your News To
Cindy Talley
652-2954

The Deport Times is given to David Brooks for his birthday from his mother, Velma Westbrook.

Happy birthday to Aaron Skidmore, Lillian King, Lyn Wolf, Trent Evans, Heather Barnes, Latricia McFarridge, Mark Farris, Marla Evans, Patricia Sparks, Louise Jeffers, Patricia Wesley, Robert Kenneth Read, Jessica Hutchings, Jason Anderson, Sherri Judd, Anthony Barnes, Jade Danielle Bolton, Laura Kay DeFrance, Leo Barnes, Shirlene Harrell, Steven Foster, Terry Glasgow, Melody Bailey, Scotty Nichols, Minda Corso.

Happy anniversary to Dee Dee and Cliff Gifford, Dee and James Wood, April and Shannon McMikel, Pam and Buddy Humphrey.

Nina Sparks and Peggy Parsons attended an executive board meeting of McCuiston Auxiliary at the hospital Monday morning in Paris.

Barry Ballard and family from Cooper visited with Shorty Ballard over the weekend. Joe and Linda Ballard also visited Shorty.

Many are enjoying the spells of sunny weather. Heavy rains keep the farmers from getting in to their fields, though.

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SALLY ORDELHEIDE is being welcomed at Deport Nursing Home. Sally came from a rehab unit in Denver, CO to live. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herb Ordelheide and they reside in Paris. Sally flew from Denver and the facility picked her up at Cox Field in Paris.

Cunningham News

by Neva Jean Oats

Happy birthday to Pat Norwood and Amber Norwood.

Cunningham basketball fans made the annual trip to Austin to watch the state tournament last weekend. Those attending were James and Pat Norwood, Clyde, Gerrie, Chance, Jerrod and Susan Bankhead, Kristi, Brian and Kaden Callahan, Buddy Taylor, Billy Ray and Neva Oats, Baker, Weston Drinnon, Aaron and

Spur, Logan and Layton Norwood, Ronnie, Neal, Shannon and Jason Kenneth Palmer and Murray Jackson. They enjoyed 15 ballgames, shopping and eating.

Other basketball fans were in Abilene last weekend to watch the Deport PIP's perform at the PIP Festival. Those attending were Todd, Mendy, Lacy and Kelby Cole, Ricky, Pam and Hailey Norwood, Jamie and Teresa Smith, Kelty Mowery, Frankie, Julie and Caleb Norwood, Rusty, Cindy, Susan and Carrie Anderson and Michael, Gina and Dancy Smith. The PIP's brought home many individual medals.

Ricky and Marty Anderson and Carlos and Cord Ordorica spent the weekend at Lake Tawakoni.

Johnny, Fran, Johnna and Jenna Patterson spent the week skiing in Colorado. Fran celebrated her birthday on the slopes.

Jane O'Neal, Sue Jackson and Lisa Drinnon went to the new mall in Frisco shopping on Saturday.

Weekend guests of Canard and Delores Norwood were Seth Smith, Mattie Norwood and Frances Franklin.

Sunday dinner guests of Bobby and Shelby Kennedy were Heath, Missy, Laytner and Layker Kennedy.

Sunday dinner guests of Billie Joe and Georgia Oats were Brad and Georjeana Nutt.

Sunday dinner guests of Johnny and Nelta Musgrove were Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove, Shane and Zarinska Morton and Brad Hunt. Lynn and Betty Holeman spent the weekend with them and Alice McPherson spent Sunday night. Pam and Jessica White are spending this week of spring break and Spur and Amber Norwood joined them for breakfast on Monday.

The farmers are ready to get into the fields as soon as the rain stops. Prairiland students and staff are enjoying spring break.

The Cunningham Fire Department met Monday night. A hamburger supper is scheduled for Saturday, March 31 at 6 p.m.

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Government contracting programs presented at PJC

Two programs dealing with government contracting will be presented at Paris Junior College. "How to Sell to the Government" will be held Thursday, March 22 in the Alford Center. Included in this program will be the basics of government contracting at the federal, state and local levels. Topics to be discovered are regulations, uniform contract format, contract types, electric commerce and

more. "How to Write a Winning Proposal" will be presented Thursday, March 22. Small businesses desiring to become suppliers to large government agencies and prime contractors must develop effective marketing and proposal writing skills. To register, contact Continuing Education at 782-0447.

Association members attend luncheon

Wayne and Karen Beard, Agnes Breedlove, Eleanor Chapman, Gail Clarke, Dorothy Coker, Anna Davis, Juanita Davis, Dan and Patsy Gose, Alva Lee Jordan, Ray and Iva Lee Kennemer, Judy Martin, Edythe McIntosh, Clara Nance, Peggy Parsons, Ophelia Payne, Virginia Reed, Margaret Rheudasil, Freeman Safford, Sarah Smith, Nina Sparks, Henry and Marchita Thielman, Elaine Townsend, Elizabeth McGee, Juanita

Bowman and Earline Pool attended a luncheon Wednesday, given by Chisum School District during Texas Public School Week.

They were welcomed by Supt. Harvey Hohenberger, Asst. Supt. Diane Stegall, principals Lynn Patterson and Mike Erwin and Johnny North. Band director Frank Garza and the Chisum Jaza Band performed for the group.

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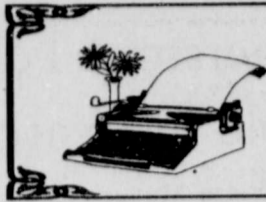
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Milton News

By Mattylu Upchurch

Ann and Sheldon Lee went to Texarkana to see a play at the Perot Theater Thursday night and spent the night. Friday morning they went to San Antonio to visit friends. They returned home Tuesday.

James Cunningham of Paris visited Morris and Mary Elaine Lawler Saturday.

James Holt had eye surgery in Greenville Thursday. He is reported doing well.

Harvey and Jean Bell of Winnsboro spent Sunday with Elizabeth Bell.

Visiting Bob and Buena Marshall the weekend was son Keith and Gini-Pettit and Adam of Dallas.

Don Upchurch of Paris spent Saturday with Mattylu Upchurch and

Billie Goheen. He fixed an enchilada dinner for them.

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

Visiting Dorothy and James Holt this week were their daughters, Barbara Maurischat and Kay Preston.

Velma and John Temple attended their granddaughter, Terra Lewis' wedding and reception Saturday. Terra and Jason Brown were married in Arlington.

Bob and Buena Marshall were in Dallas Friday for the funeral of their sister-in-law, Venita Marshall.

Aubrey Allen of Flower Mound and Greg Burel of Allen visited Peggy Whitney on Sunday.

Of late I appear / To have reached that stage / When people look old / Who have reached my age.

---Richard Armour

Trailer burglary is 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 Tuesday, February 12 and Thursday, February 15, unknown suspects stole a shop made trailer from a residence in the 1700 block of Sperry St. in Paris. There was a Miller Blue Star welder and other tools on the trailer at the time of the theft. This felony theft resulted in

the loss of over \$2,200.00 in stolen property.

If you have any information on this, or any other felony crime, please call Crime Stoppers. If Crime Stoppers receives that information by March 12, an arrest is made of those persons responsible, Crime Stoppers will pay you a cash reward of up to \$1,000.00. 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).

Girl Scouts: Still Strong

During Girl Scout Week, March 11-17, Girl Scouts from around the country will celebrate the anniversary of the organization's founding 89 years ago. With the same dedication that the eighteen initial Girl Scout members had in 1912, local girls will participate in activities that celebrate the fun and friendship that Girl Scouting provides. The 3.6 million

members in the organization today continue to move forward with the founder's vision of helping girls everywhere grow strong.

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ing Web sites in the year 2000, Girl Scouts has always been in step with the times.

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A "rendition" is a report to the appraisal district that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1st of this year. The rendition form is available at your local appraisal district office... or you may draft a similar form.

Who must file a rendition?

You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income—such as the inventory and equipment used by a business.

Are there any advantages to you?

The advantages of filing a rendition are:

- You give your opinion of your property's value. If the appraisal district believes the value is higher, it must notify you in writing of the higher value and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.
- You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.
- You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 2000. The district will look at your property before assigning a value in 2001.

What's the deadline?

The last day for filing 2001 renditions is April 16. Call your appraisal district for the last date the rendition may be post-marked, if mailing. You can get an extra 15 days if you ask for it in writing by the April 16 deadline.

Where do you file?

File renditions with your local appraisal district at:

Red River Appraisal District
101 W. Broadway P.O. Box 461
Clarksville, TX 75426 903-427-4181

For more information stop by your appraisal district and pick up

"Texas Property Taxes: Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies & Responsibilities"

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Patriot Baseball 2001

March 8-10	Leonard Tourney	TBA	T
March 13	*Chapel Hill	4:00	H
March 16	*Chisum	4:00	T
March 20	Maud	4:00	T
March 23	*Paul Hewitt	4:00	T
March 27	*Hughes Springs	4:00	H
March 30	*Rivercrest	4:00	H
April 3	*DeKalb	4:30	H
April 6	*Chapel Hill	4:30	T
April 10	*Chisum	4:30	H
April 13	TBA	TBA	TBA
April 17	*Paul Hewitt	4:00	T
April 20	*Hughes Springs	4:30	H
April 24	*Rivercrest	4:30	T
April 27	*DeKalb	4:30	H

*Denotes district games
Head Coach-Rick Connot Assistant-Bill Tesch
Athletic Director-Glen Schuelke
Principal-Ronnie Baker Superintendent-James Morton

JV Patriot Baseball 2001

March 8-10	Mt. Pleasant Tourney		
March 19	Mt. Pleasant	5:30	T
March 24	North Lamar	12:00	H
March 26	Maud	4:00	H
March 31	Paris (2X's)	12:00	T
April 2	Chapel Hill	4:30	H
April 9	Paris	4:30	H

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Prairiland High School

March 19

19	Softball, Here, 4:30, JV, Honey Grove
20	Softball at Chisum, 4:00, V
21	Youth for Christ, Library, 7:50 a.m.
22	Cheerleaders fit for uniforms, 10:30 a.m.
23	Tom Bean Track Meet
23	Academic UIL, District Meet, PJC
23	Baseball at Paul Hewitt, Here, 4:00
23	Softball, Here, 4:00, Rivercrest

Pattonville

News

By Peggy Parsons

Happy birthday to Bill Blevins, Margaret Wadley, Trent Evans, Miriam Epps, Patsy Gose, David Welch, Iva Mae Ross, David Hawkins, Benjamin Bartlett, Amanda Clark, Kaitlyn Hill, Heather Barnes, Marla Evans, Patricia Sparks, Anthony Barnes, Jade Danielle Bolton, Shirlene Harrell, Brian Long, Minda Corso, Scotty Nichols, Julie Shelton, Tonya Brown Newberry, Melanie and Melissa Griffin, Melody Bailey.

Happy anniversary to Talma and Margaret Fowler, Robert and Laura Killough, Ricky and Cristy Brazeal, J.R. and Era Butler.

Randall and Rita Cox spent the weekend at the Harvey House Hotel at DFW in Dallas and attended the State Steel Guitar Association meeting.

Congratulations to Kevin and Benette Russell of Paris on the arrival of Hayden Barkley Dunn Russell on March 5 at McCuiston Regional Medical Center. He weighed 6 lbs. 8 oz. and was 19 1/2 inches long. He was welcomed by big brother Holland and grandparents Janie Russell of Paris and Ben and Dorothy Holland of Taylortown.

Congratulations to Jessica Jade Semple of Prairiland High School, who was named Paris Founders Lions Club 2001-2002 queen Thursday in ceremonies at PJC. She is the granddaughter of Calvin and Judy Day.

Former resident Nelda Hight Campbell, who will retire after 30 years as executive officer of the Paris Board of Realtors, will be honored by the Paris Board of Realtors with a luncheon on Wednesday, March 21 at Paris Golf and Country Club.

Bill and Belinda Dickey of Sulphur Springs and Gary Allison of

Garland visited John and Claudia Whitney last weekend and Shane and Vickie Currin of S.C. called them.

Claudia Whitney, Debbie Currin, Jeremy and Dani visited Barbara and Charlie Smith in Bogata.

Barbara Smith and Teresa Smith of Texarkana visited Debbie Currin.

Christian and Dani Hunter spent a couple of days with their grandparents, Bob and Billie Hunter in Greenville. Travis Hunter and Jeremy were Sunday visitors. Bob will have surgery Tuesday in Greenville.

Christian and Jeremy enjoyed bowling and eating at Braum's in Paris Monday with other class members from church.

Tonya Hunter was chosen lab employee of the month at Christus St. Joseph's Hospital. She and Travis, Dani and Debbie ate at Applebee's in Paris Monday night.

Sunday lunch guests of Keith and Peggy Parsons were Nina Sparks, Randy and Kristi Boren, Drew and Leah, and Brittany Filkins, Greg Parsons, Alisen and Davis of Whitehouse arrived Sunday to spend the week. Monday visitors were Tonya Parsons, Haley and Ty of Rowlett, Zachary Horton of Blossom, Nina Sparks, Elois Sparks, Brent Burden, Chad Larkin, Kristi Boren and Drew and Leah.

Ruby Blevins, Sandy Ring and Heather Anderson visited Jessie Newsom Sunday in Paris.

Jerry and Joyce Allen of Blossom visited Vada Mae Hoover in Tyler



Wednesday.
Visitors of Bill and Ruby D. Blevins were Bernice and James Bell, Mickey Keener, Sandy Ring and Ashleigh McLean.



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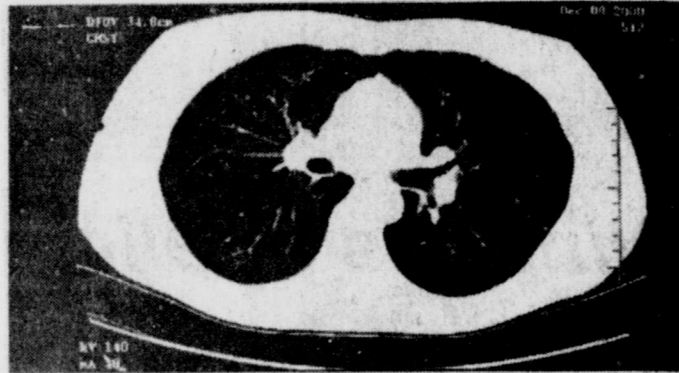
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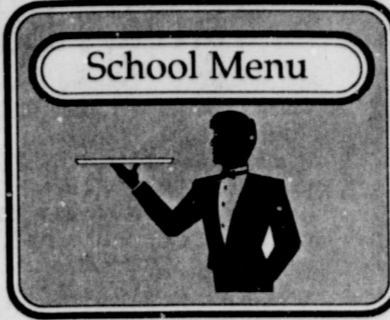
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Prairiland Menu Week of March 19 Monday

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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
Milk

Thursday

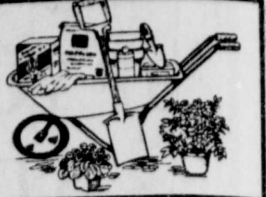
Breakfast:
Pancakes, toast, sausage
Juice, milk
Lunch:
Chicken fried steak
Mashed potatoes
Gravy
Corn
Rolls
Milk

Friday

Breakfast:
Oatmeal, toast
Juice, milk
Lunch:
Hamburgers
Pork and beans
Potato chips
Fruit cocktail
Milk

Post Oak News

By Geneva Lee
982-5309



Mrs. Louise Cagle was taken to St. Joseph Hospital Sunday morning suffering from a massive stroke. AS of Monday she was doing better, although her left side is affected but she had some movement in her leg.

Mrs. Cagle's daughter, Sue of Longview, and son Rayford of Burnet are here attending her and her daughter Kathy also.

Muriel Crawford is sick with pneumonia.

Several families from the church have gone camping this week. Some to Pat Mayes Lake and some to Cooper Lake. All are hoping for good sunshiny weather.

Bro. and Mrs. Willbourne Lee visited Willie and Vaughn Lee at Rugby last Thursday afternoon and

found them both feeling very well. Buford and Virginia Cleveland were here again this weekend and were at church Sunday morning.

The Fire Department regular monthly meeting was postponed again this week because of Spring break and members gone camping. It will be Monday night Mar. 19 at 7:00 at the fire station.

We extend our sympathy to the family of James Nations who passed away last week. Also to the family of Ester (Wheeler) Plant of Mesquite who died Friday.

Her funeral was there Monday morning and burial here at Post Oak Cemetery.

Mrs. Georgia Clark has moved to her new home at the Sterling House.

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by
Betty Rodgers
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The children in the community are enjoying spring break from their schools.

Visitors of Betty Rodgers were Monte Rodgers, Melissa and Gilbert ARriaga, Betty and Roy Smith, Pete and Hazel Ybera and Scott LaRue.

Caitlin Holbert spent several days with grandparents Marla and Preston Crump last week while her mother, Charity was ill. She and Bailey are staying this week during spring break.

The Crumps were lunch guests of Leon and Fannie Lamb at Sirloin Stockade recently.

Marla Crump went to visit her parents, J.T. and Lois Lane in Alvarado with J.D. and Charity Holbert and family Sunday.

Preston and Marla Crump visited with his sister, Lezette and Fran REMmers, Dean REMmers an Jonathon and Clint Mills of Will Point at the home of Leon and Fanni Lamb of Deport Friday.

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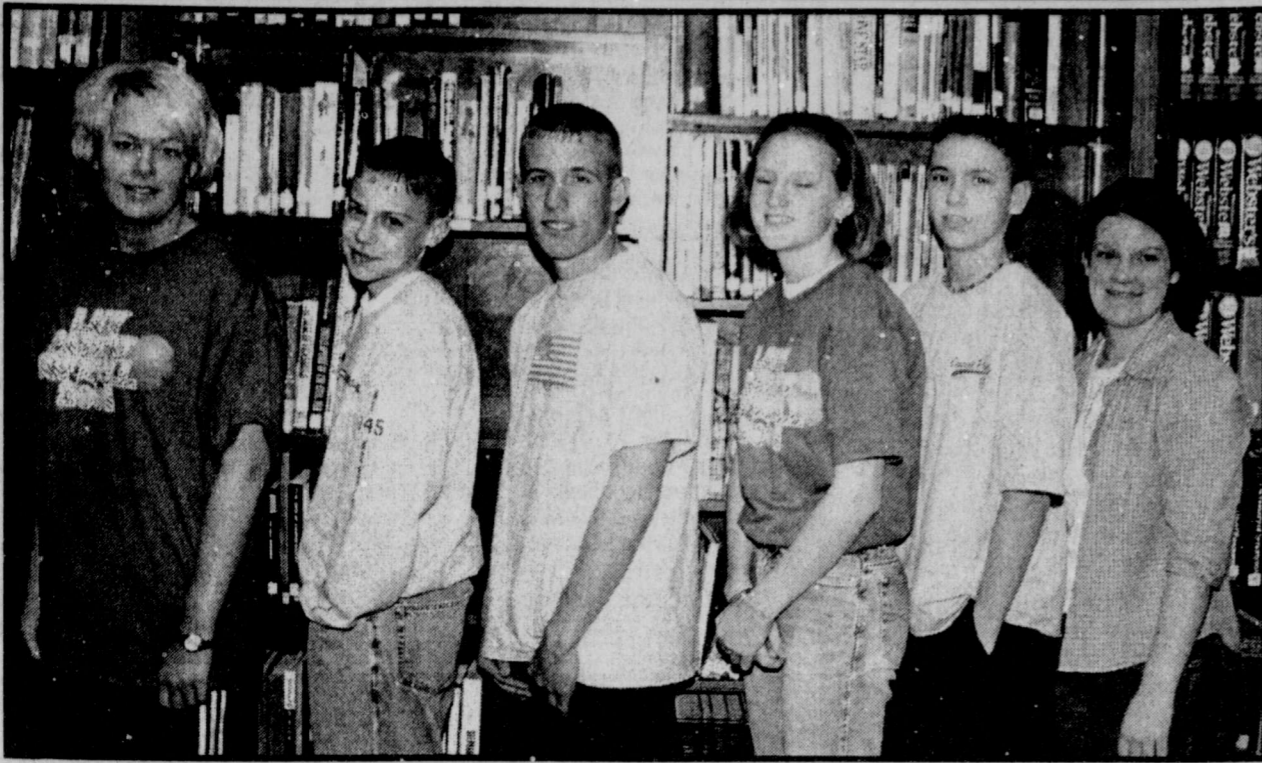
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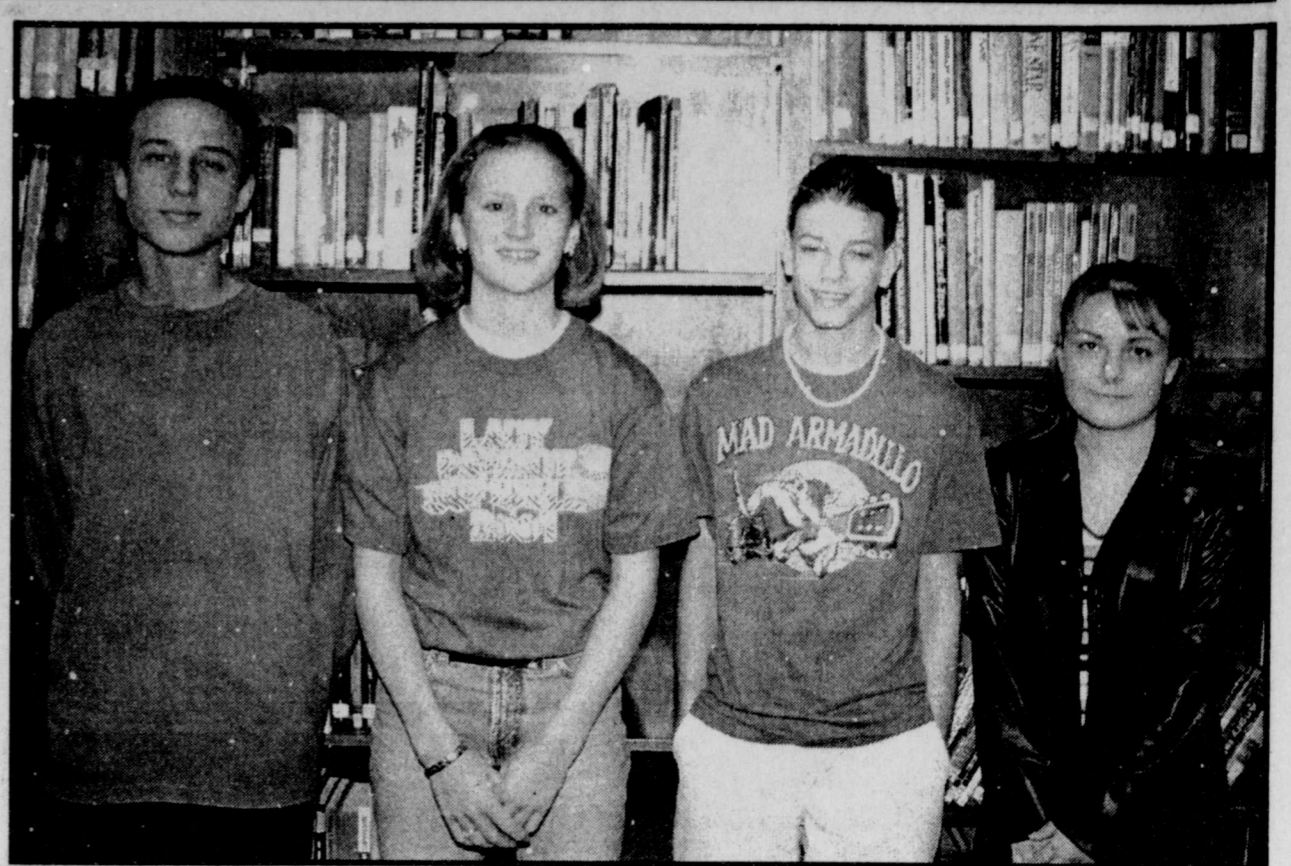


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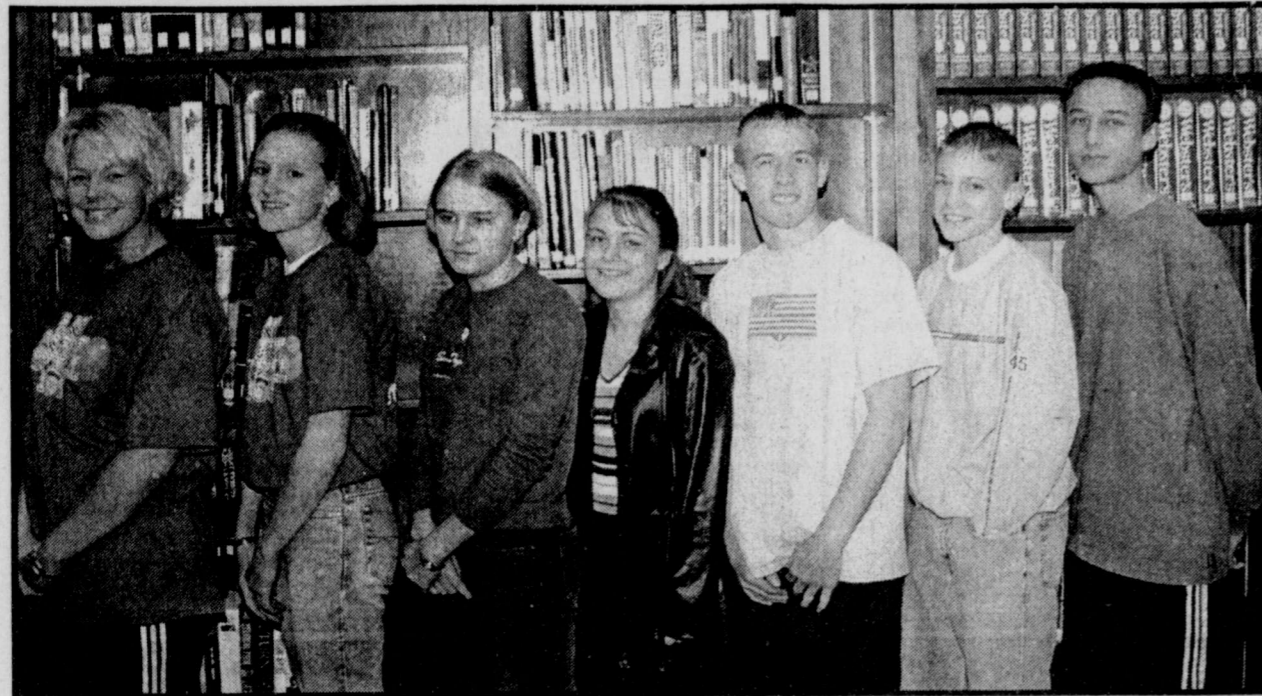
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PRAIRILAND FRESHMAN FAVORITES-Justin Burchinal and Sara Bolton (Most Humorous), Blake Smith and Brittany Ballard (Most Talented), and Josh Nation and Sarah Tubbs (Best Personality). (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



PRAIRILAND FRESHMAN FAVORITES-Heath Connot and Brittany Ballard (Strongest Leaders), Hamilton Doty and Heather Barnes (Best Smile). Not pictured is Cesar Tinajero and Julie Smith (Most Shy). (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



PRAIRILAND FRESHMEN CLASS FAVORITES-Sara Bolton, Brittany Ballard, Amber Trammel, Heather Barnes, Blake Smith, Justin Burchinal and Heath Connot. (Not pictured is Will Wood. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Blossom Locals

By Liz Irwin
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Visiting with Billie Jean Henry on Sunday was Phyllis Gibson of Paris. She also attended church with her. Schools are out for Spring Break this week! Everyone is having a great time! Our condolences to the family of James Nation. Karen Kraft of Dallas and Sandra and Ethan Rasberry of Plano has been here visiting with Emma and Lloyd Willard from Friday to Sunday. Steven, Renea and Kaleb Long enjoyed lunch with them on Saturday. Boys Scout from Blossom participated in the Pine Wood Derby on Saturday at the Blossom Church of God. Congratulations to the winners and participants! Randy Rasberry of Dallas traveled to Dothan, Alabama and returned home with Nell Deese. She will be spending some time with them and then coming to Blossom to visit with Emma and Lloyd Willard. The Lady Fire Belles of the Blossom Fire Department held their monthly breakfast on Saturday morning. More folks need to come out and support this group. They serve a great, affordable breakfast and help a worthy cause. Juanita and R.L. Garrett visited with Emma and Lloyd Willard on Friday and Jo and Mib Myers of Post Oak visited with them on Saturday. Pauline is recovering from knee surgery at St. Joseph's Hospital and is doing well. We wish her the best. Jim Irwin and Liz traveled to Hartshorne, Oklahoma on Sunday to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Aurby Irwin. Minnie Lee Shands visited with Annie Milam of Deport on Saturday. Eddie Tillman of Beckville spent Monday with Sally Mathena. Prairiland Project Graduation will be having a parent meeting on Thursday night at 6:30, March 22. All senior parents are urged to attend this very important meeting.

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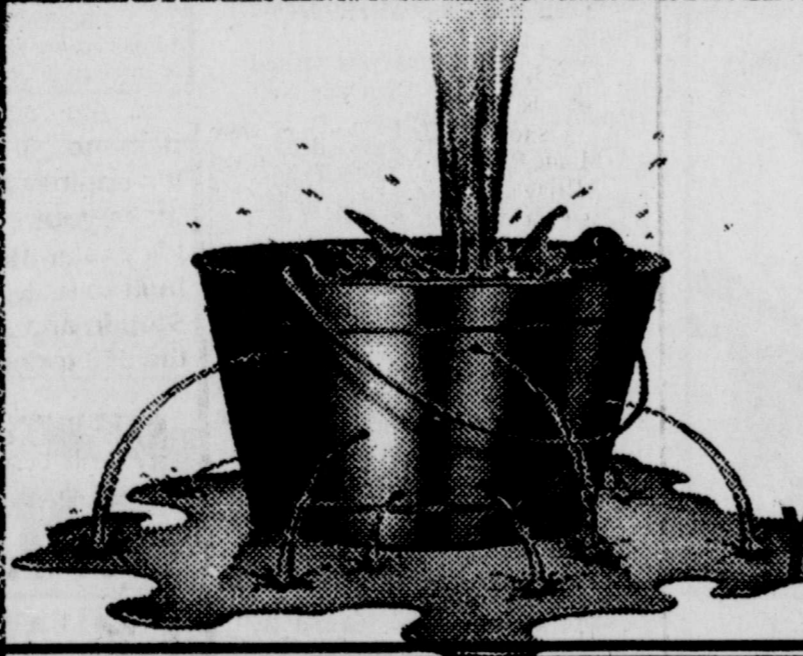
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DEPORT LADY PATRIOT 2001 BASKETBALL TEAM took 1st place at the Northeast Texas District Conference recently. Pictured back row left to right is Breanna Holley, Whitney Brook, Brittany Martin and Rachelle Yarbrough. Front row is Jessica Winters, Rebecca Murdock, Whitney Turner, Kandi Wright and Johnna Patterson. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



DEPORT EIGHTH GRADE UIL participants-Back row left to right is Spur Norwood, Josh Osborn, Matt Dickinson, Brent Burden, Brandon Wright, Drew Boren and Chad Larkin. Middle row is Rachelle Yarbrough, Breana Holley, Whitney Brook, Brittany Martin, Angel Mantooth and Laura Barnes. Front row is Johnna Patterson, Sara Benfer, Megan Hargrove, Jessica Winters, Whitney Turner and Rebecca Murdock. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



DEPORT SEVENTH GRADE UIL participants-Pictured back row left to right is Chase Smallwood, Shane Wilson, Lance Ballard, Jay Kurt McKee, Josh Allen and Kyle Kinslow. Front row is Savannah Brummett, Jaleah Fox, Amy Loftin, Kelcey Howington, Jenni Ballard, Rebecca Murdock, Alicia Lang, Mallory Owens, Leah Boren, Caralyn Corso and Brittany Filkins. Seated in front is Kacey Mitchell. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



DEPORT SIXTH GRADE UIL participants-Left to right is Leah Cathey, Amanda Matthews, Halie Screws, Charity Musgrove, Kalee Graham, Lacie Cole, Hailey Norwood and Brandi Richey. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Presbyterian Women meet

The Presbyterian Women met Monday, March 12 at the Glover Apt. Community Room with Eulene Nicholas as hostess.

Rev. Ed Dodson opened the meeting with prayer. From the study of "Women and the Word-Studies in the Gospel of John", Rev. Dodson directed lesson six, "The Gift of Life-Martha, Mary and Lazarus". This story tells how Jesus has come to bring eternal life both now and in the future resurrection.

Frances Franklin gave the Least Coin Devotion, "A Sinful Woman-The Repentant Woman", a voice of Egypt, by Dr. Hada B. Habash. The coins were collected and dedicated with prayer.

Moderator Reba Temple read an article from Horizon's magazine, "Fellowship of the Least Coin". This is a worldwide ecumenical movement of prayer for peace and reconciliation, celebrated in more than 80 countries. This mission was started in 1956 by Shanti Solomon, a native of India, who was part of an international goodwill mission to Korea sponsored by Presbyterian women in the U.S. The coins add up and are used to support ecumenical projects and organizations, natural disasters assistance and administration. Last year, \$143,000.0 was awarded Grant Recipients in six countries and organizations.

The meeting was closed with the Mizpah benediction. Refreshments were served by the hostess.



Deport Nursing Home News

By Sandra Mauldin

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

Sallie Ordelheide was visited by Laquita Johnson, Lou Ordelheide and Herb Ordelheide.

Lillie Dunham and Mamie Fletcher were visited Laquita Johnson and Royce and Winona Johnson and daughter.

Ann Austin was visited by Charles Austin.

Johnnie Warren was visited by Lucy Fowler, Evelyn Roach, Nell Wolf, Velma Cox, Dora Hester, Lila Screws, Dorothy Holt, JaLynda, Danbri, Jaylon Mitchell, Rodger and Anna Allen, Bobbie Hall and Jackie Taylor.

Katharyn Scroggins was visited by Mrs. Scroggin's Daughter Nell Donuny, Laquita Johnson.

Raymond Hignight was visited by Ima Griffin, mary Ray, Owen Davis, Larry Davis, Sonya Davis and Horace Roberts.

Verta Lynn was visited by Bill and Ruth Chipman.

Nell Wolf was visited by David, Angie, Aaron, Marcus and Allison Wolf.

Ima Griffin was visited by Roger Lynche, Nina Lee, Ima Gerald, Odessa, Floney Ray, D. Harriss, Patsy Curtis, Gary Cutis, Don 'etta Robinson, Tammy Aubrey, J.R. Brown, Eddie and Vicky, Mary Ray and Raymond Hignight.

Nora Barnett was visited by Rhonda Hoskins, Rita Thompson.

Clara Perkins was visited by Laquita, Wanda Dillon, Crystal Shelton, Brady Hostetler, Carol Shelton.

Nig and Margarette Martin were visited by Lois Bullock, Shane and Theda Rector, Shane and Theda Rector, Trista and Sarah Rector, Kenneth and Sue Martin, T.J. and Vanessa Martin.

Lucy and Tom Bledsoe were visited by Danny Perry, Ben, Wayne and Kay, Ben Glass, Walter Bledsoe.

Public Notices

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Sealed bids for the unit price general construction contract for water and wastewater system improvements will be received by the City of Deport at the office of City Hall until 3:00 p.m. March 29, 2001 at which time bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Plans, Specifications and other Contract Documents may be examined at the following places:

City Hall, 201 Main Street,
Deport, TX 75435
Hayter Engineering, Inc.,
4445 SE Loop 286, Paris, TX 75460,
Telephone 903-785-0303
CMD/Texas Contractor,
11101 Stemmons Freeway,
Dallas, TX 75229

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained from Hayter Engineering, Inc. at the above address upon the payment of \$65 (payable to Hayter Engineering, Inc.) for each set. The ENGINEER shall refund \$25 per complete set of Contract Documents that are returned in good condition to the ENGINEER within 30 days after the date bids are received.

The OWNER reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids.

Each BIDDER must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided for in the Information for Bidders.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the federally determined prevailing (Davis-Bacon) wage rate, as issued by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs and as set forth in the Contract Documents, must be paid on this project, and that the CONTRACTOR must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

This project is funded in part by a grant from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

All bids submitted shall be good for 90 calendar days and no BIDDER may withdraw his bid within 90 calendar days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

City of Deport
March 8, 2001
3-15

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

To the Registered Voters of the Rivercrest Independent School District.

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 5, 2001, for voting in general election to elect two trustees, for the Rivercrest ISD.

Location(s) of polling places:

Talco Elementary
Bogata Elementary Cafeteria
Absentee voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Rivercrest High School between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on April 18, 2001 and ending on May 1, 2001.

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

Janice Franks
Rivercrest High School
Rt. 1, Box 253
Bogata, Texas 75417

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of

business on April 27, 2001.
Issued this 7th day of February, 2001
Eddy Brown, Presiding Officer
3-15

ORDER OF ELECTION

An election is hereby ordered to be held on May 5, 2001 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. to elect two (2) school trustees for Detroit ISD.

Location of polling places:
Bagwell Community Center
Detroit High School
Manchester Fire Department
Woodland Methodist Church

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each week day from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Administration Office at 210 Garner, Detroit, TX from April 18, 2001 through May 1, 2001. Application for ballot by mail shall be mailed to Anita Whitley, Rt. 1, Box 370, Detroit, TX 75436 no later than Friday, April 27, 2001.
3-15

ORDINANCE NO. 01-06

An Ordinance To Amend Ordinance No. 89-02 Establishing A Returned Check Policy and Raising The Fee for a Returned Check from \$20.00 to \$25.00

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend Ordinance No. 89-02 to establish a returned check policy in order to treat all customers fairly;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BOGATA, THAT THE FOLLOWING BE AMENDED OR ADDED AS THE CASE MAY BE:

SECTION 1.

Section 9. RETURNED CHECKS
Change the entire paragraph to:
If a customer gives a check to the City of Bogata, and it is returned by the bank for non-sufficient funds, the customer will be notified and given ten (10) days to take care of the check. If, after ten (10) days, the customer does not come in and take care of the returned check and the returned check fee of \$25.00, service may be terminated and a reconnect charge also (\$20.00) will be charged before service will be reconnected.

If a customer gives a total of two (2) returned checks to the City of Bogata within a six (6) month period, payments from that customer must be on a cash or money order-only basis for the next year.

SECTION 2.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed.

SECTION 3.

This ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after date of publication, or April 16, 2001.

Passed and adopted this 12th day of March, 2001.

Jack Crane, Mayor
3-15

ORDINANCE #170

CITY OF DETROIT, TEXAS

An ordinance approving the general service rates including rate adjustment provisions and miscellaneous service charges to be charged for sales and transportation of natural gas to residential, commercial and industrial consumers in the City of Detroit, Red River County, Texas, providing an effective date therefore, and providing for the manner in which such rates may be changed, adjusted and amended.
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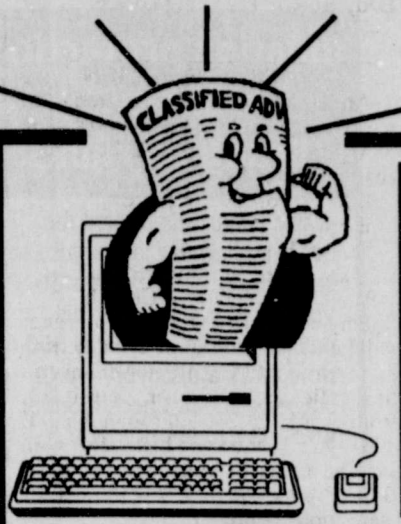
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March 20	*Chisum	4:00	TV
March 23	*Rivercrest	4:00	HV
March 27	*Hughes Springs	4:00	TV
April 2	Sulphur Springs	6:00	TJV
April 3	*Chapel Hill	4:30	TV
April 6	*Paul Hewitt	4:30	HJV/V
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