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I'm SO embarrassed!

I swear these things just do not happen to other people. Somehow, I must be the designated clown/idiot to keep this part of the world entertained.

I spent 24 hours on "ride outs" on the ambulance last week. Now, you must remember that I'm an old student, a fat student, a semi-crippled student and an insecure student.

EMT students are usually young, strong, healthy and taking this training as a career. I'm just a first responder hoping to be a better one by becoming an EMT.

All the paramedics have been understanding, helpful and pleasant. They have patiently watched me hoist myself into the ambulance and carefully climb down.

They have taken pains to teach me all they can, and answer my questions with kindness.

Last week, however, I probably managed to become one of those "legends", a story that will be told for years with glee and laughter. The witnesses that day were paramedics Larry McDonald and Cliff Brooks.

Students ride in the jump seat in the back of the ambulance. There is a sign that reads "Fasten Seat Belts". It makes sense, because in the event of an accident, there is a lot of hard surface to bounce into.

But, we had taken one ambulance in for repairs and picked up a backup ambulance to use. Keep that in mind.

I crawled in, and within minutes there was a call. As the ambulance rolled, I buckled up, just like the sign said.

As we arrived at our destination I reached down to unfasten the seat belt. It wouldn't unfasten. I tried pulling, pushing, pressing tugging and cussing, but the belt wouldn't release.

You must realize that I'm claustrophobic and being strapped in like that was almost more than I could take. Fighting panic, I stared at the shears in my pocket, mind racing. "How much does a new seat belt cost...if I cut it, will they kick me out of my class? Is it worth it?" And, the worst thought of all came to be realized as Cliff spoke through the little window between front and back and asked me to bring the trauma bag.

I thought about fainting....that way they would have to get me out of the belt and I would be free without having to admit I couldn't unbuckle a seat belt. But I've never fainted in my life, and didn't know how.

I thought about bursting into tears and trying the "southern belle" routine of helplessness, but I don't do that too well either.

So, I just crumbled and begged for help. Cliff, to his credit, didn't outright laugh at me. He climbed into the ambulance, reached over and released the catch. I think I must have had it backwards, and the release button was inside, not on the outside. Besides, examination showed the buckle was a little rusty. Remember, this was a seldom-used backup rig. I'm just SURE it wasn't my lack of ability that caused me to sit there, strapped into my seat, suffering total humiliation.

My brother Marshal was the only one to come up with a solution to my problem. I wish I'd thought of it. I could have announced that it was a test of the paramedic's extrication skills! Oh well, I guess being laughed at one more time won't hurt me!

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DEPORT, LAMAR COUNTY, TEXAS

Thursday, September 5, 2002

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Deport under boil order again, low disinfectant level in water

The City of Deport is issuing a boil order for their water system, according to the wishes of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission. According to city employees there is no harmful bacteria in the system, but the disinfectant level is low.

TNRCC requires a .50 level parts per million and the system as of Tuesday morning was low.

To ensure destruction of all harmful bacteria and other micro-

bes, water for drinking, cooking and ice making should be boiled and cooled prior to consumption. The water should be brought to a vigorous rolling boil and then boiled for two minutes. In lieu of boiling, bottled water may be purchased or water from some other suitable source may be obtained.

Water system officials will notify their customers when the boil

order is lifted. It takes a minimum of 24 hours to get a water test run.

If anyone has questions regarding this matter, contact Charles Reavis, Water and Sewer Supt. at pager #783-8197 or call Sharon Francis, City Secretary at 652-3875.

If a water customer wants to contact the TNRCC they may call 512-239-6020.



FATALITY ACCIDENT-one person died Thursday and two were injured in a one vehicle accident on Hwy. 82. According to DPS Trooper Daniel Crook, Thelma Morris, age 70, of Wickes Ark., was pronounced dead at 1:06 P.M. at Christus St. Joseph's Hospital. The driver of the vehicle, Paul Anthony Morris, 42, also of Wickes and another passenger, Betty Harrison, 68, of DeQueen, Ark. were also taken to the hospital. Witness report that the driver of the vehicle almost had a head-on collision with another vehicle before leaving the roadway, hitting a telephone pole in front of Luna Wood Products, then becoming airborne before landing in a field, then traveling across the field and hitting a shed at the back of Blackburn's Antiques. Reno and Blossom VFD and Paris assisted with rescue efforts and traffic control. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



PATRIOT CHEERLEADERS (in background left to right) Jaci Chaney and Chesley Loveless paint faces at the Blossom Homecoming, to earn money for a trip to London as All Star Cheerleaders. Also pictured left to right is Adrian Thomas and Blake Connot. (Staff Photo)



TOTAL LOSS-this logging machine burned up south of Cunningham on Friday, August 30th. Cunningham and Deport fire fighters responded to the call but the machine was totally engulfed in flames before they arrived. (Staff Photo by James Whitney)

Pattonville VFD car show is Saturday, September 15th

Pattonville VFD will hold their 5th annual car show on September 14th from 10 a.m. to 3 P.M.

It will be held at the Pattonville Firehouse and Community Center on FM 196, 1/4 mile south of Hwy. 271, rain or shine.

Entry fees are \$10 before Sept. 7th and \$12 the day of the show.

For more information contact Ed or Sandy Ring at 903 652-9048 or 903 652-3668.

All makes and models of ve-

hicles are welcome and proceeds benefit Pattonville Fire Department.

The concession stand will sell BBQ sandwiches with chips and desserts for \$4.50.

Free dash plaques to the first fifty PreRegistrors. Make checks payable to Pattonville VFD. Send to Ed or Sandy Ring, P.O. Box 107, Pattonville, TX. 75468.

Entrants will do the judging and spectators judge the People Choice awards.

Minter Homecoming is September 7

The Abundant Life Church at Minter will host the annual Minter Homecoming/Fish Fry on Saturday, September 7 at the church.

Plenty of food and fun activities with live music will be included in the activities.

The fish fry begins serving at 5 p.m.

Former residents are encouraged to bring old photographs and come to the event.

For further information, contact Mike Gordon at 652-4823.

Fire department gains aid from Forest Service

Deport Volunteer Fire Department took advantage of equipment aid available from the Texas Forest Service, acquiring a free 2 1/2 ton flatbed truck, courtesy of the Federal Excess Personal Property equipment program administered by the agency. Under the FEPP program, equipment acquired through the military is transferred to qualifying fire departments at no cost.

Additional free equipment is available to rural fire departments, thanks to the Volunteer Fire Department Helping Hands program, through which companies and organizations donate used fire equipment for use by volunteer fire departments. Companies interested in donating industrial fire equipment should contact the TFS Rural Fire Defense Section at 936-639-8130 for more information. Volunteer fire departments may

save money through several other programs administered by the Texas Forest Service. A self-insurance vehicle liability insurance pool offers liability coverage for \$200 per vehicle, ambulances excluded. Fire Departments can also purchase firefighter clothing, hand tools and water handling accessories at discount prices through the Fire Safe program. TFS regional fire coordinators located across the state now provide local training in wildland firefighting techniques and assist fire departments with applications for equipment and financial assistance.

Detailed information on volunteer fire department assistance programs is available from the Texas Forest Service regional fire coordinators and from the agency's Rural Fire Defense Section, P.O. Box 310, Lufkin, TX 75902-0310.



PRAIRILAND SENIORS, Jaci Chaney and Chesley Loveless are pictured here as they display the Prairiland Project Graduation tickets that are now on sale for the "Gospel in the Field" fund raiser that they will be sponsoring on October 5 at 6:00 p.m. at Prairiland. Everyone is urged to bring their lawn chairs. Prior to the concert, there will be a carnival with games, food and fun for everyone beginning at 12 noon. Tickets may be purchased from any senior at Prairiland. (Staff Photo)

Cemetery donations

Donations for area cemeteries received from July 21 through September 3 are:

Highland Cemetery: From Mrs. D.H. (Marie) Wheat, from Silas McCrary; from Alpha Barnard, from Judith A. Smith (Harold R.). In memory of family members from Janette and Kenneth Burks. In memory of George Lee Holbert from Mavis Sowards and Karen Snyder. In memory of Janet Fagan Layne from Reba

Temple.
Old Deport Cemetery: From the Boyd Westbrook family; from Mrs. S. Hazel Johnson. In memory of Sion Benjamin and Mary Ann Price Griffin from Stephanie and William O. Whitehurst and from Mike and Kathryn Johnson.

Mt. Pleasant Cemetery: From the Boyd Westbrook family; from Ann and Sheldon Lee.

Highland Endowment Fund: from the Boyd Westbrook family.

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Country Cooking
By Liz Irwin



Do you know what comes in all shades of red, green and yellows; grown in all 50 states; is a member of the rose family; the largest ever picked was three pounds; 2500 varieties are grown in the United States and 7500 varieties grown throughout the world; and is the 2nd most valuable fruit grown in the United States (oranges are #1)? Can you guess the answer? If you guessed the apple, then you are correct! The glorious apple is the subject of our column this week. Many in our area lost their apple crop this year due to the late cold snaps from the winter season, but a few were still able to harvest some that had been saved from the prolonged cold weather.

Other facts that you might like to know about apples include: Along with that 2500 varieties that grown in the United States, over 100 are grown commercially; many growers use dwarf trees; the top apple producing states are Washington, New York, Michigan, California, Pennsylvania and Virginia (those must have been Johnny Appleseed's favorite states!); apple varieties range from the size of a cherry to as large as a grapefruit; and apples harvested from an average tree can fill 20 boxes that weigh 42 pounds each. Apples are a great source of fiber pectin, with one apple having five grams of fiber. They are fat, sodium and cholesterol free and one apple has only 80 calories! An apple's volume is 25 percent air and that is why it floats.

Americans eat 19.6 pounds or about 65 fresh apples every year.....remember, an apple a

day keeps the doctor away! The science of growing apples is called pomology (watch out Who Wants To Be A Millionaire?!). The trees take four to five years to produce their first fruit and most apples are still picked by hand. The average size of an orchard in the U.S. is 50 acres. Some trees have been known to grow over forty feet high and living over 100 years. America's longest-lived apple tree was reportedly planted in 1647 by Peter Stuyvesant in his Manhattan orchard and was still bearing fruit when a train derailed and struck it in 1866 (who does keep up with this stuff?). The Father of our country, George Washington, himself, enjoyed a hobby of pruning his apple trees.

Well, enough of the apple facts and on with the recipes. We have really great ones this week, so try one or two and see what you come up with.....see you in the kitchen! lizwin@hotmail.com or tppub@1starnet.com

-APPLE CAKE-a super moist and delicious cake for anytime!

FRENCH APPLE PIE-simple and easy to make!

APPLE-OATMEAL COOKIES-oats, fresh apples, spices and honey all rolled into one to make a nutritious cookie!

APPLE-RAISIN MUFFINS-these won't last long!

APPLE DUMPLINGS-bake and pour sauce over dumplings and a little ice cream on the side sure wouldn't hurt!

CANNED APPLE PIE FILLING-this recipe makes 7 quarts and will be great this winter!

Bogata V.F.W. News

* The Post is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 12:00 midnight and Saturday from 1:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. Pool tables and shuffle board are open to enjoy all the time.

*The Ladies Auxiliary will meet the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Members are urged to attend.

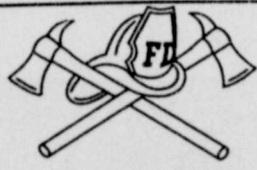
*The VFW men will meet the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Members are urged to attend.

*The Post has a shuffle board tournament every Saturday beginning at 3:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come out and share the fun. The board has recently been renovated and is ready for play.

McCrury Cemetery Assoc. to meet

The annual McCrury Cemetery business meeting will be held on Sunday, September 8, 2002 at the cemetery beginning at 2:00 p.m.

All with loved ones there are urged to attend.



IN ONE YEAR Texas Volunteer Firefighters donate \$32 million of their time...if they were only paid minimum wage!

Genealogical Society to meet

Everyone is invited to attend the regular monthly meeting of the Red River County Genealogical Society on Monday, September 9 at 7:30 a.m. in the Red River County Library.

Speaker for the month will be Phillip Payne of Paris, whose subject will be putting together a personal history. He will show examples of how this can be done.

All persons interested in researching their family history are encouraged to come and enjoy the program.

Fulbright News
BY BETTY RODGERS 652-6051

Bob and Karen Norris attended the going away luncheon for the Jay Tidwell family held at the Wise House in Paris recently. He was pastor of the church in Paris that Karen attended.

Linda Salters was a visitor last weekend of her parents, Katy and Clovis VanDeaver.

Jimmy King had as visitors this week Kutchie King of Reno on Wednesday, Dick King of Paris on Saturday. Her grandson, Randy Osburn of Midlothian visited Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night and played in the golf tournament in Idabel, OK Monday. Jimmy had lunch with Kyle and Kutchie King of Reno.

Betty Rodgers and Melissa Arriaga enjoyed lunch in Paris Monday.

Obituaries



Mrs. Vernona Young dies September 1

Mrs. Vernona Verlee Young, age 91 of Bogata and formerly of Ft. Worth, died on Sunday, September 1, 2002 in the Red River Health Care Center.

Graveside services were held on Monday, September 2, 2002 at the Cuthand Cemetery with Reverend Randy Lemme officiating.

She was born on June 15, 1911 in Fulton, Mississippi, the daughter of Charlie Alexander and Hattie Savannah Stewart Barnes. She married John Foster Young on December 22, 1928 in Cuthand, Texas. He preceded her in death on October 24, 1997; as did a daughter, Mary Walch in 1994; and seven brothers and sisters.

Survivors include three children, John Wesley Young of Ft. Worth, Carol Ann Young of Arlington, and Betty Lou Brock of Norman, Oklahoma; one sister, Marie Graves of California; 7 grandchildren, Don Brock, Jr. of Dallas, Kim Matthew of Mt. Pleasant; Brian McDonald and Erica McDonald of Ft. Worth; David Walch of Dallas, Daniel Walch of Seattle; Jason Walch of Georgia; 8 great-grandchildren; John, Johnathan; Jalen; Kate; Cole; Jesse; Elliott; and Stone; numerous nieces and nephews.

She was a long time member and Sunday School Teacher of First Assembly of God in Ft. Worth and later attended Pleasant View Baptist Church of Ft. Worth. She was very active in the Order of the Eastern Star, serving as Past Worth Matron of Everman Chapter 624 and was a former State Grand Officer of Eastern Star. She was also a very active member of the Social Order of Beauceant.

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Card of Thanks

God continues to bless my life. Thank you for the love and prayers, phone calls, visits, flowers and food during my illness. Your kindness is appreciated. God bless you, Tana Guest

C.V. (Buddy) Farris dies September 1

C.V. (Buddy) Farris, age 78 of Blossom, died on September 1, 2002 in the Christus St. Joseph North Campus ICU.

Graveside services will be held on Wednesday, September 4, at 11:00 a.m. in the Knights of Honor Cemetery with the Reverend Tim Young officiating. The family will receive friends Tuesday evening at the funeral home, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

He was born in Lamar County on May 18, 1924, the son of John Wesley and Martha Keturah Giles Farris. Mr. Farris had worked for Evergreen Cemetery, worked in construction and farmed throughout his life.

Survivors include his wife, Bernice of Blossom; his children Jerry and Linda Farris of Blossom; Linda and David Hicks of Detroit, and his son, Jack of Blossom; five stepchildren, Pam Reese of Oklahoma; Tammie Reese of Texarkana; David Reese of Huntsville, Laura Kindle of Oklahoma, and Danny Kindle of Deport; a sister, Annie Milam of Deport; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.

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Card of Thanks

We greatly appreciate the work on our county roads, done by Mr. Clay Dodd and crew. More has been accomplished in three weeks than has been done in years.

Durward & Margaret Bell

Card of Thanks

Thank you, Cuthand community for reaching out to us during our time of loss. A special thanks to Bro. Joe Gist, Red River Haven and Clarksville ETMC third floor staff for their excellent care and support. To each who brought flowers, food and uplifting words, thank you. God bless, The Family of Johnny Coggins

Card of Thanks

Thank you seems like such a small thing to say, but we do thank you. The First Responders, Life Net, all the churches that had us in your prayers, you are all so special to us. Thanks to all who sent flowers, cards, food and the phone calls. A special thanks to Joe Gist and Don Shovan, for being there with us. God Bless you all, it's so nice to live in such a caring community. Randall and Margie Mayes and Family

Thursday, September 5, 2002 Apples! Apples! Apples!

Cinnamon-Apple Cake

- 5 medium apples
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 16 tablespoons butter/margarine
- 3 cups flour
- 1 cup milk
- 2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 3 large eggs
- 3/4 cup chopped nuts
- 3 tablespoons apple jelly

Peel & dice 3 apples. Core & slice remaining apples into rings & cut in half. In large bowl with mixer on high speed, beat sugar & butter until fluffy. Reduce speed & add flour, milk, cinnamon, baking powder, salt, vanilla & eggs. Beat until just blended. Increase speed to medium & beat 3 minutes. Gently fold in pecans & diced apples/ Spread batter evenly into greased & floured 9x13 baking pan. Arrange apple rings on top of batter. In small saucepan over medium heat melt apple jelly & brush jelly over apple slices. Bake at 350 degrees for 45-50 minutes until cake test done. Cool & serve.

French Apple Pie

- 6-8 cooking apples
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 cup graham cracker crumbs
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/4 teaspoon ginger
- 8 tablespoons butter or margarine-melted
- 9-inch deep dish unbaked pie shell

Peel, core & thinly slice apples. Combine all dry ingredients. Sprinkle 1 tablespoon dry ingredients over bottom of deep-dish crust. Add layer of apple slices followed by layer of dry mixture. Continue alternating layers until apples are mounded in pie shell. Top with remaining dry ingredients. Carefully drizzle melted butter over all. Bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour.

Apple-Oatmeal Cookies

- 1-1/2 cup quick cooking rolled oats
- 3/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cup whole wheat flour
- 1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1-1/2 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1/2 cup raisins
- 1 cup finely chopped, peeled apples

- 1 slightly beaten egg
- 1/2 cup honey
- 1/2 cup oil
- 1/3 cup milk

Preheat oven to 374 degrees. In medium bowl combine oats, flours, sugar, baking soda, baking powder, salt & cinnamon. Stir to combine. Stir in raisins & apples. In large bowl combine eggs, honey, oil & milk. Stir in dry ingredients. Mix to form smooth batter. Drop batter onto ungreased baking sheets using a rounded teaspoon for each cookie & press lightly. Bake 10-12 minutes until lightly browned.

Apple-Raisin Muffins

- 3/4 cup oil
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 cups flour
- 3/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1-1/2 cups diced apples
- 1/2 cup raisins
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts

In large bowl beat oil & sugar for two minutes. Add eggs & vanilla & beat 1 minute. In separate bowl stir together flour, baking soda, cinnamon & salt. Add to creamed mixture & stir until just moist. Fold in apples, raisins & walnuts. Fill 12 greased muffin tins 3/4 full. Bake at 400 degrees for 25-30 minutes or until done. Remove from pan & cool on rack.

Apple Dumplings

- 6-8 apples
- 2 sticks real butter
- 2 can biscuits
- 1 quart whipping cream
- cinnamon
- sugar

Peel, core & dice apples. Flour flat surface & rolling pin. Knead & roll biscuits flat. Place 1/4 cup apple together & pinch closed. Turn upside down in pan that has been sprayed with Pam one inch apart. Melt one stick of butter & 1 cup sugar. After sugar-butter mixture has cooled, mix in whipping cream & 1/2 cup of sugar. Pour sauce over dumplings & bake at 325 degrees for 40-45 minutes until golden brown.

Canned Apple Pie Filling

- 4-1/2 cups sugar
 - 1 cup cornstarch
 - 2 teaspoons cinnamon
 - 10 cups water
- Mix in large pot & boil until thick & bubbly. Fill jars with apples & cover with juice mixture. Process in hot water bath for about 20 minutes. Makes 7 quarts.

ETMC to hold September 11 ceremony

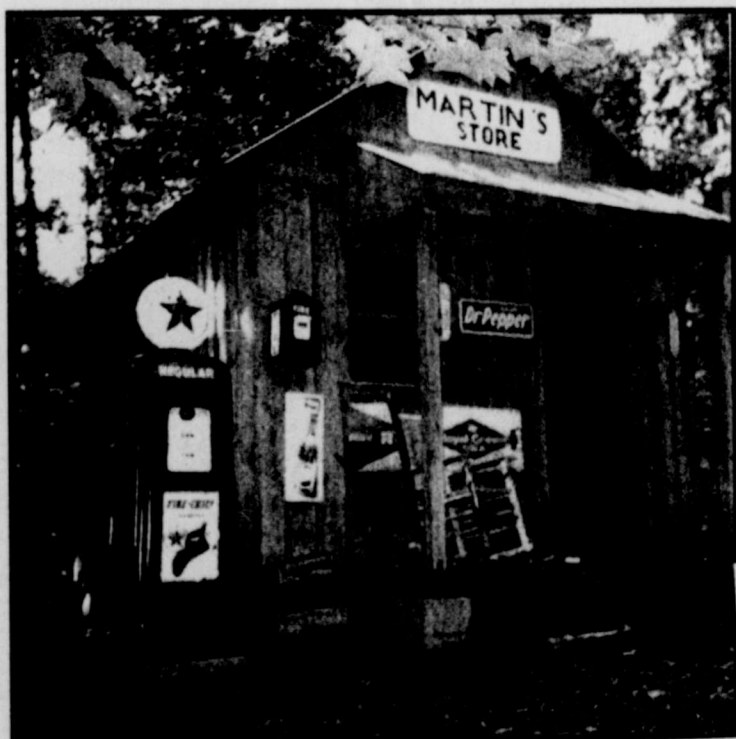
East Texas Medical Center in Clarksville is planning a special event for Sept. 11, 2002.

The hospital opened in its current location in 1976 without a flagpole. In memory of those lost in the Sept. 11, 2001 tragedy and in recognition of the bravery displayed by those who responded, the hospital will erect a flagpole and fly the American flag in a

ceremony planned for Wed. Sept. 11, 2002 at 9am on the north side of the hospital.

James Faulkner, representing the Clarksville American Legion has donated the flag. Other community members are being asked to participate.

For more information contact Stacy Holland, Administrator at 427-3851.



WELL TRAVELED PUMP-this old gas pump made a lengthy journey from Deport, Texas to Douglasville, Georgia. It was completely restored, and graces the "Martin's Store" at the home of Don and Tina Martin. The cabin is a guest house and a show case for their antique store and service station items. (Staff Photo)

The Lonesome Dove Cafe

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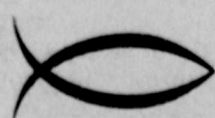
Red River Co. under burn ban due to dry conditions

Due to the continuing dry weather conditions, and emergency burn ban in the unincorporated areas of Red River County took effect on September 3, 2002 at 9:00 a.m. The order was issued to protect the health, safety and

welfare of the citizens of the county.

Unlawful burning is misdemeanor offense.

The order was issued by Red River County Judge Powell W. Peck.



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GRADUATION-Crystal Folsie of Deport celebrated her graduation from Texas A&M Commerce with family and friends on the 18th of August. She is now teaching 7th grade math and pre-algebra at Clarksville.

Local students graduate from A&M-Commerce

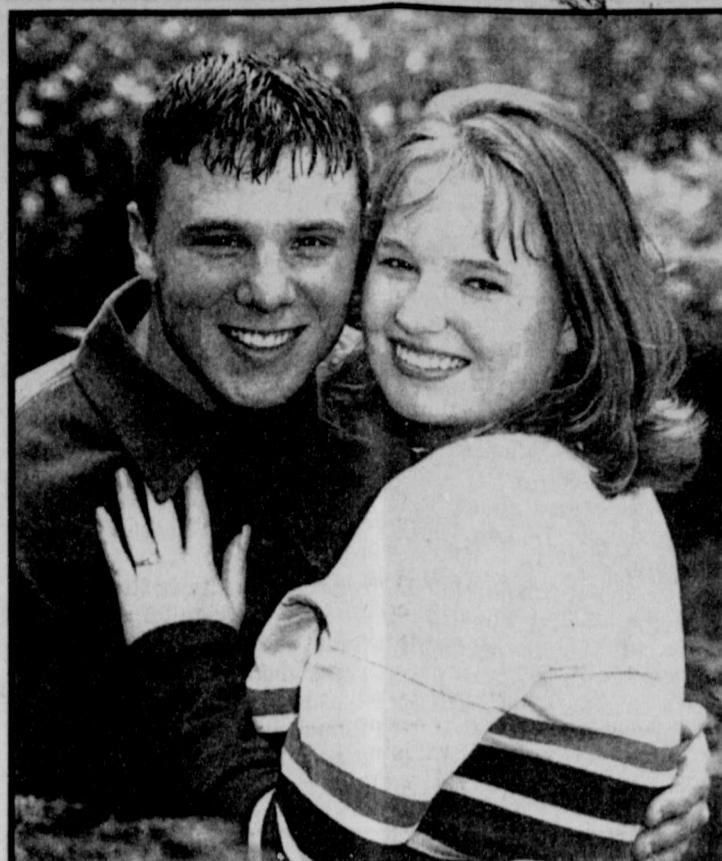
Graduation ceremonies were held August 10 for graduates in the College of Arts and Sciences, College of Business and Technology, Graduate School and College of Education and Human Services at Texas A&M University-Commerce.

A total of 425 students received diplomas at the commencement, 185 were bachelors, 230 were masters and 10 were doctoral de-

grees. Graduating from Blossom were Dorothy J. Brown with a MSW and William L. St. John with a B.A.

Graduating from Bogata was Susan M. Schmidt, BSIS, Magna cum laude.

Graduating from Deport was Crystal Simmons Folsie with a BSIS and Mark Douglas Jones with a BS.



Jaime Marie Moore with fiance David Benjamin Kane Peek

Moore-Peek to wed

James and Juanita Moore of Arlington announce the engagement of their daughter, Jaime Marie Moore, to David Benjamin Kane Peek, son of David and Kay Peek of Fulbright.

The bride is the granddaughter of Wilma Jean Starks of Nolanville, TX.

The bride-elect, a 1999 graduate of Killeen High School, is pursuing her degree in Elementary Education. She is attending Community College of Southern Nevada and is employed with Lin-

ens and Things in Las Vegas, Nevada.

The prospective groom is a 1996 graduate of Prairiland High School. After finishing four years in the U.S. Army, he is now employed with the Department of Energy in Las Vegas, Nevada.

The couple plans to be married September 21, 2002 at 2:00 o'clock at the First United Methodist Church in Pais with a reception to follow at Heritage Hall, 11th SW and Kaufman in Paris.



PREPARING TO SERVE the noon meal of barbeque and all the trimmings to a large crowd that turned out for the Blossom Homecoming are left to right Heath Connot, Marlene Connot and Peggy Johnston. The Oak Hill Baptist Church donated the dinner to thank everyone for their support at their bake sales that they hold each month. Area residents also donated baked goods for desserts. (Staff Photo)



BLOSSOM HOMECOMING VISTORS were welcomed to the Blossom Library on Saturday as they visited with old friends and enjoyed the cool air conditioning. (Staff Photo)



CHERYL BROCK is this week's Employee of the Week at the Deport Campus. Her favorite activities include spending time with family, attending Whitney's sporting events, skiing and going to the beach, along with traveling, watching good movies, picnicing, reading and taking long walks. She is a first grade teacher at Deport and is married to Chris and they have two children, Ryan and Whitney. She likes having the privilege of seeing little minds at work each and every day. Her favorite book is *When God Whispers Your Name*; favorite movie, *You've Got Mail*; candy bar, Heath; flavor, vanilla; time of year, fall; sport, basketball; TV program, Friends; music, Country/alternative. Her favorite quote is "Do the best you can!"

UMW meets September 2

The United Methodist Women met Monday night, September 2 for their first meeting since taking off for the summer.

President Marianne Ladd called the meeting to order and Juavane Carpenter read the scripture from Luke 23. Juanita Sparks had the program titled "The Meaning of Shalom". Nell Shull was hostess to ten members and one visitor, Laura Brooks. Ruth Cheatham led the Mizpah to end the program.

The next meeting will be October 7 at 7 p.m. with Margaret Parks as program leader and the hostess will be Martha Glover.



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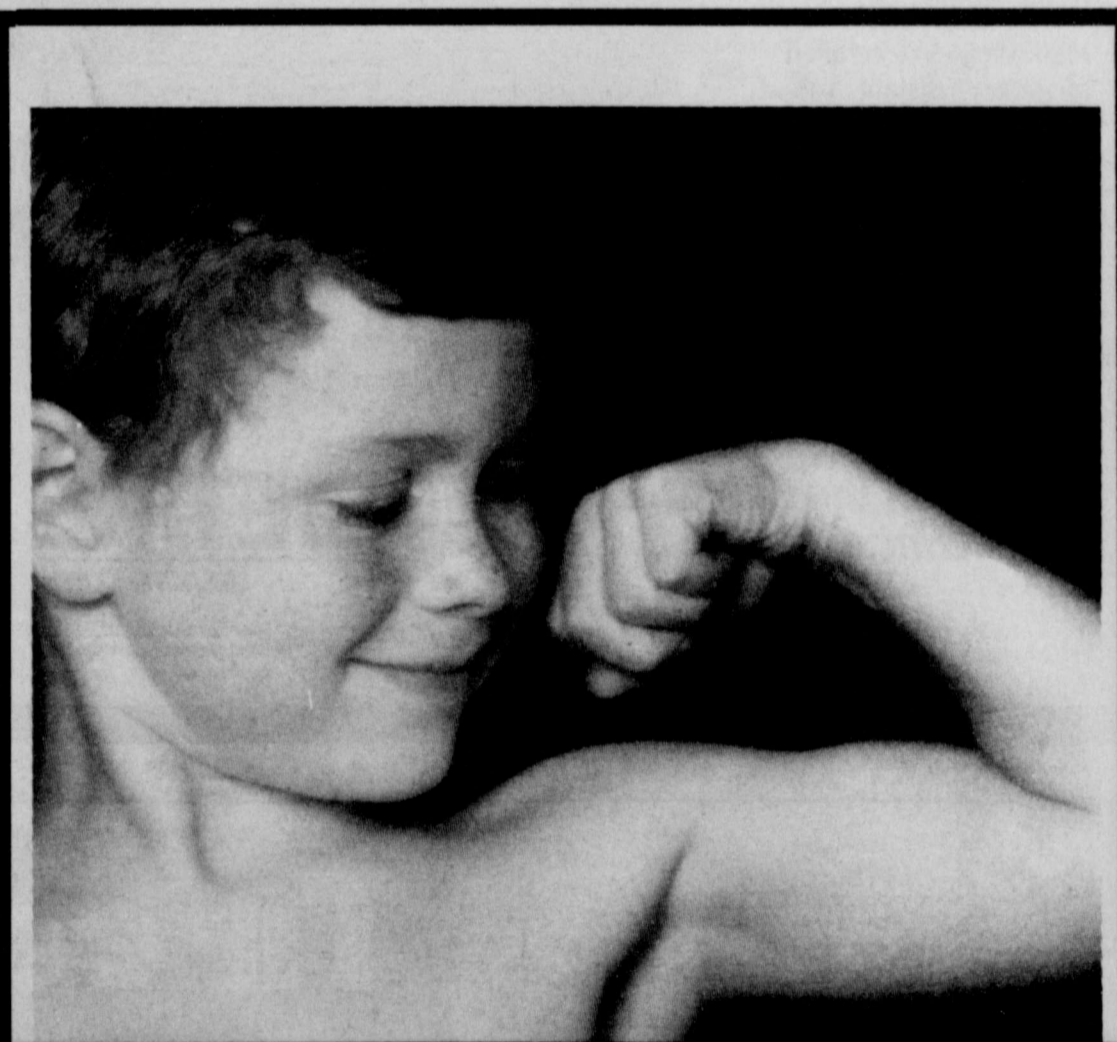
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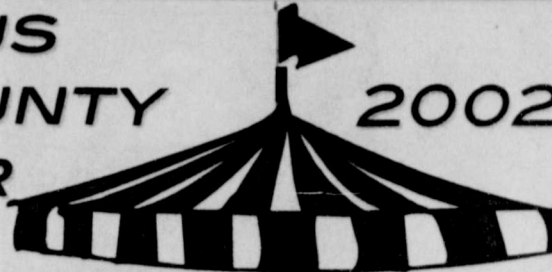
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Milton News



By Mattyly Upchurch

Joyce and Harry D. Wilson of Craig visited James and Dorothy Holt Thursday.

Claudell Powell of Queen City and Susie Evans of Pattonville visited their sister Edna Lee Saturday.

Tim Salter had dinner with Velma and John Temple Thursday evening.

Dale and Roxanne Holt of Colleyville visited James and Dorothy Holt Saturday afternoon.

Ollie and Ruth Lee of Paris visited his parents Frank and Edna Lee Sunday.

Visiting Mattyly Upchurch and Mary Elaine Lawler over the Labor Day weekend were Bobbie and Ed Hill, Matthew and Kellye Hill and Morgan all of Little Rock, Ar. Leah and Russell Schroeder of Grapevine, Don Upchurch of Paris and Billy Harris and son's of Grapevine.

Velma and John Temple visited Salena Bell and son Aaron of Paris Sunday.

Vickie and Steve Reeves, Kay Bowling and children, David Smith and T. J. Chappell visited Frank and Edna Lee Saturday.

Dorothy Holt visited Kay and Ronnie Preston of Minter Monday.

Patriots win big over Redwater

The Prairiland Patriots took on the Redwater Dragons on Friday night at Patriot Stadium in a season opener that saw the Pats open their year with a thrilling win of 33-14. Redwater was recently dropped from Class 3A to Class 2A in UIL standings.

The Pats began with a sluggish first quarter beginning and built up steam for the rest of the night. Eric Berry gained 232 yards on 32 carries and scored 4 touchdowns for the Patriots. Along with his runs of 5, 24, 1 and 2 yards he also added a two-point conversion run and intercepted a pass.


Freshman Cody Upchurch rushed for 126 yards with the Pats having a total of 397 for the game. The Dragons were held to three first downs in the first half and 22 yards in the total offense, punting six times in the first 30 minutes of the game.

The Patriots led 13-0 at halftime and led 27-0 in the third before Redwater could even score. The score read 7-0 in the first quarter as Berry ran five yards with Blake Smith adding the extra points. Berry ran his second TD in the second quarter, but the Pats failed to put any extra points on the board.

Berry scored in the third quarter from one yard with Justin Elrod hitting the extra points to make it 27-0. The Dragons ran two TD's in the final quarter, but Berry would add another to his roster in the final minutes of the game.

Redwater recorded five turnovers while the Pats would only record two with 51 passing attempts in the game. Prairiland will play at Aubrey this Friday night, September 6th with kick-off at 7:30.

Pattonville VFD Upcoming Events



September

9	Fire Meeting at 7 p.m.
11-12	ECA Class at 6 p.m.
13	Dance, 8 to 11 p.m., concession provided.
14	Fifth Annual Car Show, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. - 50/50 drawing, door prizes, live band, all makes and models welcome.
21	Breakfast, 7 to 10 a.m., AYCE, \$4
26-27	ECA class at 6 p.m.
27	Dance, 8 to 11 p.m., concession provided
30	Business meeting, 7 p.m.

Small business workshops set

Three small business workshops will be presented in September by the Small Business Development Center at PJC.



A small business tax workshop "Make Taxes Less Taxing" will be held September 11 from 9 a.m. until 12 noon.

On September 13, "How to Sell to the Government" will be presented from 10 a.m. until 12 noon.

"Basics for Starting a Business" will be presented September 20 from 9 a.m. until 12 noon.

To register for these classes, contact Continuing Education at 782-0447. For information on services offered by the Paris Small Business Development Center, contact Pat Bell at 782-0224 or pbell@paris.cc.tx.us.

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PATTONVILLE NEWS

By Peggy Parsons

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Sand volleyball tourney scheduled

A sand volleyball tournament will be held at the Clardy community center on Saturday, September 14.

For information, call David Skidmore at 785-1058.

Deport Housing Authority News



call Melba Ladd

Birthdays for August were celebrated for Glen Fulbright, Hunter Bratcher, Elishia Dearman, Mavis Sowards, Evelyn Roach, Phyllis Gifford, Jacqueline Brown, Mildred Wright and Alpha Barnard. Those attending the party on the 28th to celebrate were Frances Franklin, Evelyn Roach, LaVerta Westbrook, Maud Webb, Mavis Sowards, Boots Shipp, Irene and Lloyd Grogan and Phyllis Gifford.

On August 29, Martha and Duane Glover were with Melba and Carlos Ladd on an "eating outing" to Cooper. While at Gloria's Cafe they had the pleasure of visiting Chad Barnes and his family, former resident of Deport. Chad was pastor of the First Baptist Church in Cunningham and was called to Cooper three years ago to pastor a church. They had the opportunity to meet the Barnes' new daughter, four month old Elizabeth.

Lynne, Burt and Daniel Moses with their friend, Ryan from Plano, visited Melba and Carlos Ladd over Labor Day.

Happy birthday to Randy Boren, Kim Carlow, Jerrika McKee, Jenita Baker, Malcolm Osborne, Joey Ballard, Amy Ball, Amelia Butler, Mae Chesshir, Pat Rees, Lisa Martin, Carolyn Ballard, Aaron Murdock, David Newman, Joyce Allen, Laurilyn Crossland, Mary Bove, Sara Higdon, Ethan Borders, Leroy Pomroy, Charline Herndon, Felix Gibson, Jennifer Taylor, Sara Goree, Clemme Money, Christen Stout, Kenneth Murphy.

Happy anniversary to Thomas and Jean McGee, Dean and Connie Bell, Leroy and Anna Ruth Pomroy.

Congratulations to Ann Shelton Long of McKinney, who was married on the beach in Hawaii in a July ceremony to Steve Strohm of Wisconsin.

Jesse and Frances Anderson visited his sisters, Helen Northam of Paris and Lela Bullington of Tyler Wednesday. They had lunch at TaMolly's.

Delbert Haskins of Irving and Fred Hulett of Dallas were Sunday visitors of Jesse and Frances Anderson.

Jesse and Frances Anderson, Ruth Burke, Dalton and Brenda Gibson, Diane Woodall, Robert Gibson and family, Lorene Gibson, Sue Gibson, Carrie Brazeal, Kay Gibson and husband and her son Trevor and family of Lake Jackson, Larry and Brenda Gibson, Brad and Tammie Bassano were among those attending the wedding of Kimberly Gibson and Brian Choate in Clarksville on Saturday.

Doug Winters of College Station spent Friday night with Keith and Peggy Parsons.

Arriving Saturday to spend the Labor Day weekend with the Parsons were Bob and Judy Ellington of Huntsville, Greg and Connie Parsons, Alisen, Davis and Karyn Leigh of Commerce, Mark and Tonya Parsons, Haley and Ty of Rowlett and Leah Boren. John Nash of Sanders Cove was a Saturday visitor. Lois Kennett of Paris, Randy and Kristi Boren and Drew joned them for lunch Sunday. Nina Sparks of Deport visited and had homemade ice cream with them in the afternoon.

Bob and Judy Ellington, Nina Sparks, Keith and Peggy ate at Sandy Creek Cafe Saturday in celebration of the Ellington's anniversary.

Madeline and Kastley Greer of Clardy spent the weekend with their grandparents, Elvin and Joan Bell. Marie Bell of Honey Grove is spending several days with her son, Elvin and Joan Bell.

Howard Higdon was in Dallas for tests last week.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Granvel Gibson, 88, who died Friday, August 30 at Christus St. Joseph's Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Helen and sons, Dale and Kirk.

Randy and Kristi Boren, Drew and Leah attended the wedding of Ryan Cope and Renea Holt in Deport Saturday. Drew was an usher.

Ruby D. Blevins visited Jessie Newsom and Inez Wever in Paris Saturday.

Mickey Keener, Ashleigh McLean and Sandy Ring were visitors of Bill and Ruby D. Blevins.

Nina Sparks, Ophelia Payne, Virginia Reed, Lois Kennett and Peggy Parsons had lunch at Texas Bell in Paris on Wednesday.



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2002 Lady Patriot Volleyball Schedule

Date	Team	Location	Time	Teams
September				
3	Dual w/Paris, Bonham	Paris	4:30	All
6	Dual w/Grand Saline	Longview	TBA	JV, V
7	Fresh & JV tournament	Paris	TBA	F, JV
10	Pleasant Grove	Here	5:00	F, JV, V
13-14	NL tournament	NL	TBA	V
17	Dual w/John Tyler	S.Springs	TBA	F, JV, V
21	Texas High	Here	10:00	F, JV, V
24	Whitesboro	Whitesboro	TBA	F, JV, V
October				
1	Clarksville	Here	5:00	JV, V
4	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill	5:00	JV, V
8	Chisum	Here	4:30	F, JV, V
11	Clarksville	Clarksville	5:00	JV, V
15	Chapel Hill	Here	5:00	JV, V
18	Chisum	Chisum	4:15	F, JV, V
22	Clarksville	Here	5:00	JV, V
26	Chapel Hill	Chapel Hill	10:00	JV, V
27	Chisum	Here	4:30	F, JV, V
Nov. 1-2	District Certification			
Nov. 4-5	Bi-District			
Nov. 7-9	Area			
Nov. 11-12	Regional Quarterfinal			
Nov. 15-16	Regional tournament			
Nov. 22-23	State Tournament			
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CHAPTER OFFICERS of the Prairiland Family, Career and Community Leaders of America conducted a membership drive at the high school last week by serving ice cream sundaes during lunch to all the students enrolled in a Family and Consumer Science class. As they were being served, they were encouraged to join the organization in order to participate in all of the activities planned for the year. Pictured are Amanda Barnes, Emilee Bolton, Tiffany Osborn, Amanda Ball and Rose Bishop.



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For the second time in less than a month, unknown suspects forced entry into the business offices of Valley Feed Mill in Paris. The second burglary occurred during the night of Wednesday, August 7. Suspects attempted to enter into a safe causing over \$5,000.00 in damage to the safe and other property.

If you have any information on this, or any other felony crime, please call Crime Stoppers. If Crime Stoppers receives that information by September 9, 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).


Back to School!!

Prairiland High School
Week of September 9

10	VBall, Here, Pleasant Grove, 5:00, F, JV, V
11	Youth For Christ, Library, 7:45 a.m.
12	JV FBall at Whitesboro, 7:30
13	Homecoming Dance
14	V FBall, Here, Whitesboro, 7:30
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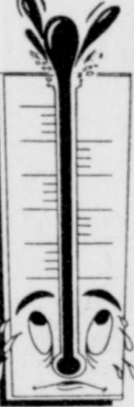
MODEL	PTO H P	DOWN PAYMENT	72 MONTHS W.A.C.	DOWN PAYMENT	72 MONTHS W.A.C.
TS 100	80	\$3,850	\$579	\$4,475	\$673
TS 110	90	\$4,070	\$612	\$4,700	\$707



WELCOME VISITORS to the Blossom Homecoming on Saturday, August 31 as memories were exchanged as well as addresses and bits of news from loved ones with a large crowd turning out for the event and spending the entire day at the park. (Staff Photo)

HOT!

Stay Cool!



October 9 & 10 set for Alive 55 Class

There will be a driving class for Alive 55 on October 9 & 10 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day. The class will be held at the Bogata Community Center. A fee of \$10.00 will be required. The event is being sponsored by the Bogata Lions Club. For more information call 903-632-5668.

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TL 90	76	\$2,300	\$346	\$2,750	\$414
TL 100	82	\$2,450	\$389	\$3,050	\$459

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Model	PTO H P	DOWN PAYMENT	72 MONTHS W.A.C.	DOWN PAYMENT	72 MONTHS W.A.C.
TL 80	66	\$2,700	\$414	\$3,200	\$481
TL 90	76	\$2,900	\$436	\$3,350	\$509
TL 100	82	\$3,050	\$459	\$3,650	\$549

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FIRE DANGER is high right now, and citizens are urged to be very careful with any outdoor burning due to dry conditions. Deport and Pattonville VFD have responded to several grass fires recently, including this one on CR 15400 Monday afternoon. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



BIG BERTHA,, Pattonville's grass truck, and members of the Pattonville VFD put out this grass fire Monday afternoon. Due to dry conditions, outdoor burning should be curtailed for now. This grass fire was near five houses on CR 15400. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

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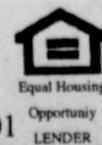
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Happy birthday to Angie Bratton, April Michelle Wesley, Richard Dixon, Haley Flenniken, Bryan Herfurth, Billy Anderson, Adrienne Andrews, Carol Kopriya, Kenny Gifford, Kim Carlow, Camen Calvin, Jerrika McKee, Randy Boren, Jill Foster, Jerry Cross, Nicki Davis, Butch Peek, Hali Screws, Elvis Wright, Jay Davis, Gary Annis, Amanda Singleton, Keyleigh Singleton and Stephen Rowland.

Happy anniversary to Joy and Kay Read, Cindy and Randy Talley and Doris and Deverle Elmore.

Kay Reed of College Station visited Ida Lou Read last weekend.

Reba Temple and Ruth Murrell attended a birthday celebration for Mame Cutshall's 80th in the home of Joe and Sharyl Thompson in Pattonville on Monday.

Lucille Pickering had lunch with her daughter, Eva Flenniken and husband, Boyce, and Blake and Kristin Flenniken at Sandwiches, Etc. on Tuesday.

Jayne and Dicky King and Thomas and Nanalee Nichols celebrated labor Day together. This is the 30th year they have shared the holiday with a trip and/or meal.

Raquel Phillips, daughter of Brad and Joyce Phillips of Rowlett is recovering from inor surgery. She is the granddaughter of Marshal and Sandra Jeffus of Garland.

Tom and Midge Foley of Livingston and Tim and Meyuki Foley of Dallas have returned from visiting with relatives and friends in the south east. They visited briefly with some friends in Deport.

Ruth and Stanley O'Brien spent a few days visiting their son, Captain Bradley O'Brien, Cindy and Tess in San Antonio. They all enjoyed shopping.

Rachael O'Brien is back in college at UT Arlington.

Rachael, Stephanie and Julie entertained their dad with a birthday party recently at their grandparents home in Garland. Dr. O'Brien resides in Grapevine and has a dental practice.

Ruth and Stanley attended the McDowell reunion August 10 in Paris. She is the granddaughter of Mary E. McDowell Day and great-granddaughter of John Hankins McDowell.

Dr. Randy O'Brien, Charlotte, Courtney and Ethan were accompanied by Ruth and Stanley to Weatherford to attend a reception for Dr. Stephen O'Brien and Holley Doubet announcing their engagement. A large crowd attended, including their children, families and employees.

Ruth O'Brien received word that her cousin, Cecil McDowell of McMinnville, TN had died.

Visiting Mervin and Colleen Slaton over the weekend and attending the wedding of Renea Holt and Ryan Cope were Donna and Jeff Blount of Temple, Tina and Dvid laton of Killeen, Jamey and Madelyn Slaton of Cooper, Amber and Curtis Putman of Commerce.



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School Menu

Deport Campus
Week of September 9
Monday

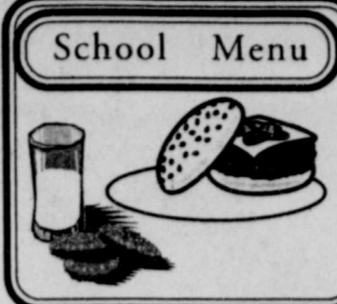
Breakfast: Cereal, toast
Juice, milk
Lunch: Pita pockets
French fries
Pineapple chunks

Tuesday
Breakfast: Breakfast pizza
Juice, milk
Lunch: Tater tot casserole
lettuce, tomato salad
Cornbread
Jello
Milk

Wednesday
Breakfast: Pancakes w/syrup, sausage
Juice, milk
Lunch: Chicken nuggets
Potatoes
Gravy
Biscuits
Green beans
rolls
Milk

Thursday
Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, bacon, toast
Juice, milk
Lunch: Cheese pizza
Lettuce, tomato salad
Peaches
Milk

Friday
Breakfast: Cereal, oatmeal, toast, jelly
Juice, milk
Lunch: Hot dog on bun
Hot dog sauce
Grated cheese
Cornchips
Dill pickles
Fruit cocktail
Milk



School Menu

Prairiland High School
Week of September 9
Monday

Breakfast: Breakfast burrito, salsa
Juice, milk
Lunch: Cheese pizza
Corn
Salad
Fruit
Milk

Tuesday
Breakfast: Sausage/cheese biscuit
Juice, milk
Lunch: Sloppy Joes
Potato salad
Baked beans
Cobbler
Milk

Wednesday
Breakfast: Sausage and pancake on stick, syrup
Juice, milk
Lunch: Chicken fried steak
Potatoes/gravy
Okra
Biscuits
Milk

Thursday
Breakfast: Breakfast pizza
Juice, milk
Lunch: Deli Turkey sandwich
Fries
Pickle spears
Cake
Milk

Friday
Breakfast: Choice of cereal, trail mix
Juice, milk
Lunch: Hot dogs
Chili/cheese sauce
Pork and beans
Corn chips
Fruit
Milk

School Menu



Blossom Campus
Week of September 9
Monday

Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls
Juice, milk
Lunch: Cheese pizza
Tossed salad
Peaches

Tuesday
Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast
Juice, milk
Lunch: Bologna and cheese sandwiches
Baked beans
Potato chips
Ice cream
Milk

Wednesday
Breakfast: Cerele, toast
Juice, milk
Lunch: Roast beef, gravy
Potatoes
Green beans
Rolls
Milk

Thursday
Breakfast: Breakfast burrito w/fruit
Juice, milk
Lunch: Spaghetti and meat sauce
Blackeyed peas
Carrots
Crackers
Milk

Friday
Breakfast: Cereal, toast
Juice, milk
Lunch: Hot dog on a bun
Cheese
Corn chips
Pork and beans
Pineapple chunks
Milk

Public Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Pursuant to Local Government Code, 102.006, the City Council of Blossom, Texas hereby gives notice of a Public Hearing to consider the adoption of the City's General Fund and Utility Fund Budgets for Fiscal Year 2002-2003.

The meeting will be held Thursday, September 12, 2002 at 5:00 p.m. at City Council Chambers, Blossom City Hall, 1240 W. Front Street, Blossom, Texas.

The City intends to adopt above budgets at a Public Meeting to be held immediately after above Public Hearing.

The public is encouraged to attend and to participate. For additional information, call 982-5900. 9-5

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Detroit ISD is requesting bids for the following items for the new high school, which will be completed November, 2002. Only those bidders need to apply who can guarantee delivery on the listed items no later than October 25, 2002. Delivery and set-up charges need to be included in the cost of the item bid.

1. Classroom furniture for all classrooms except (2) computer labs and science laboratory.
2. Computer furniture and accessories for two classrooms.
3. Office furniture and furniture for teacher's workroom.
4. Furniture, shelving, circulation desk, office furniture and all accessories associated with a media center (library).

Bids on the above mentioned items will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on Monday, September 9, 2002 at the Detroit Administration Office located at 210 Garner Street, Rt. 1, Box 370, Detroit, Texas 75436. For additional information or generic bid specifications, please contact Curtis Barnett, Superintendent, or Greg Jones, Business Manager for the Detroit ISD at 903-674-6131. Bids will be opened and tabulated after 4:00 p.m. on September 9, 2002 and all bids will be submitted to the Board of Trustees at the regular scheduled September meeting on September 9, 2002. Successful bidder will be notified immediately. The Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. 9-5

PUBLIC NOTICE
City of Blossom
Texas Community Development Program

The City of Blossom is giving notice of the City's intent to submit a Community Development Fund application for a grant from the Texas Community Development Program. The grant application request is \$250,000 for wastewater system improvements in the north central portion of the City. The application is available for review at City Hall during regular business hours at 1240 West Front Street. 9-5

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS
Prairiland Independent School District is accepting qualification statements for Construction manager-at Risk for a planned Instructional Facility Building Project. For a detailed project description containing the project scope and schedule, please contact James Morton, Superintendent, Route 1, Box 200, Pattonville, Texas 75468 or by calling 903-652-6476. Submit ten (10) copies of qualification statements to the Prairiland ISD administration building by 1:00 p.m. CDT on September 16, 2002.

Selection for Construction manager-at Risk will be made in accordance with Chapter 44.038 of the Texas Education Code, two-step process. Prairiland ISD intends to review the qualification statements on September 16, 2002 and to set interviews for the short listed candidates on September 23, 2002.

The district will use the following criteria in selecting five, or less, Construction managers for second step of the process.

- * 40%-Reputation and quality of Construction manager's goods and services
- * 40%-Regional experience and familiarity with area subcontractors and suppliers.
- * 20%-Project Safety Record

Prairiland ISD has the right to reject any and all proposals. Prairiland ISD is an equal opportunity employer. 9-5

NOTICE CITY OF BOGATA PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing on the proposed 2002-03 budget will be held on Monday, September 16, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. at the Bogata Community Center. The Council will vote on the proposed budget and set the tax rate at the meeting to follow immediately. Anita Couch, City Secretary 9-5

CITY OF BOGATA LEAK POLICY

The Bogata City Council wishes to inform the citizens who have a large water bill due to a leak, that after a City employee has checked to be sure that the leak has been repaired, the large water bill can be averaged with the previous five (5) water bills and the customer pays the average bill. This can be done only one (1) time in twelve (12) months. 9-5

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New weather station in Red River County

Clarksville Mayor Ann Rushing and County Judge Powell W. Peek have advised that a new automated surface weather observing station is now in place at the Clarksville/Red River County Airport. The station was installed in early August and is undergoing testing until September when it will become fully operational.

The weather station is a cooperative effort between Red River County, the City of Clarksville and the Texas Department of Transportation and is one of several stations being installed across Texas.

It will continuously monitor the atmosphere for the current temperature, dew point, wind direction and speed, barometric pressure and current weather condi-

tions. The station will also record climatological data such as the daily maximum temperature, minimum temperature and rainfall amounts.

The data collected will be transmitted on an hourly basis to the National Weather Service, FAA and the aviation community.

Lee Harrison, Meteorologist in Charge of the National Weather Service office in Shreveport said the addition of the station and the data from it will be a tremendous help to his staff as they track weather across Northeast Texas.

The Weather Service office in Shreveport is responsible for the routine forecasts and severe weather watches, warnings and advisories for Red River County.

Cunningham News

by Neva Jean Oats

Happy birthday to Cindy Anderson, Jenifer Taylor, Heath Kennedy and Karla O'Neal Colter.

Several in the community attended the wedding of Amber Norwood and Matthew Galloway at the home of Ross and Laura Miller of Blossom on Saturday.

Amber Norwood was honored with a bridal brunch by Georjeana Nutt and Neva Oats at Neva's home on Saturday.

Linda Anderson and Wendy, Carlos and Cord Ordorica went to Mexico over the weekend to visit family.

Zak Kennedy spent the weekend with Bobby and Shelby Kennedy.

Sunday guests of Jane O'Neal were Sue and Murray Jackson, Andrea, Kara and Aaron Palmer, Lisa, Dewayne, O'Neal and Weston Drinnon, Janee and Keith Black, Renae Jackson and David, Kathy and Sydney Jackson from Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

James and Pat Norwood spent the Labor Day holiday at their home on Lake Bob Sandlin. Joining them were Todd, Mendy, Lacy and Kelby Cole and Tracy Norwood.

Telma Norwood had weekend

guests at his home on Lake Bob Sandlin. They were Ronald and Susie Hicks, Pam, Jimilyn, Jay Kurt and Jerika McKee, Colton Ingram, Shane, Chelsie, River and Shanie Cole and Morgan.

Jamie, Teresa and Seth Smith, Kelly Mowery and Ricky Norwood spent the weekend at Lake Bob Sandlin.

Darold and Ida Mae Norwood visited Shelia Norwood in Denton Sunday.

Billie and Leonard Ford attended the King family reunion at the home of Thomas King over the weekend.

Velma Cox visited Dora Hester last week.

Sunday guests of Johnny and Nelta Musgrove were Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove.

The Corner Stone church family and friends enjoyed supper Sunday night.

Life Tabernacle Church members and friends enjoyed lunch Sunday. Special guests were Joe, Rhonda, Deanna, Landon, Nathaniel Merrill and Deanna's husband Noel and children Christian and Victoria. Joe was the guest speaker Sunday morning.

Post Oak News

By Geneva Lee
982-5309

Bro. Henry Blackmon had his brother and family from Arkansas visit them over the weekend and attended church with them Sunday.

Gary Don Davis and family of Henderson and Ladd Davis of Houston visited their mother, Glenda Davis of Paris and attended church with her here Sunday.

Bro. Henry Blackmon attended the funeral of Mrs. Ken Ashlock at New Liberty MBC in Garland Wednesday, August 28. Bro. Ken Ashlock is the pastor of New Liberty Baptist Church. She had suffered with cancer for several years. Bro. Ken has held many revivals in this area.

Willie Lee visited the Wilbourne Lees last Thursday.

Janis Reynolds son, Merele, of New Mexico visited last week Tuesday through Friday and took her to Dallas for tests on her back. She will be having back surgery later.


Don and Phylis Vaughn and Verlon and Gail Vaughn attended the Choctaw Indian Festival in Oklahoma this weekend.

Claude Tyler and daughter, Anna Crawford, attended the Tyler family reunion in Moore, OK Sunday. He reported most of his family was there with 25 present.

Mike, Susan and Heather Ingram spent the weekend holiday in Houston visiting their daughter and sister, Josh and Andrea Uhl and son.

Blossom Locals

By Liz Irwin
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Happy Birthdays this week to Coby Minton Bridges, Patty Misk, Jeremy Ballard, Amber Adams, Brandie Salus, Emma Willard, Daniel Cato, Shawn Harrison, Red Formby, Necah Bestul, Brett House, Tiffany Bishop, Ronald Johnson, Marla Moss, Linda Hicks, Kody McLaughlin, Ryley Johnson, Donna Malone, Shane Gonzales, Barbara Harrington, Becky Milford, Aaron Murdock, Richard Davidson, Meagen McDonald, Matt Croy, Eric Berry, Dana Perry, Melissa McLaughlin McFadden, Billy Springer, Duncan Gordon.

Congratulations to newlyweds this week: Ryan and Renea Cope, Tabitha and Elijah Brown, Kim and Bryan Choate.

Bryan, Marleena and Landree Proffer of Dallas were here for the holiday spending time with Irene Bryant.

Congratulations to the Patriots

and Lady Patriots on their victories this week. A great job!

Glenda Cobb of Duncan, Oklahoma was here over the weekend visiting with Ozella Prince of Paris and Carolyn Whelchel.

Everyone enjoyed the homecoming with lots of good food, visiting music and memories exchanged!

Visiting with Emma and Lloyd Willard this past week was Mib and Jo Myers of Post Oak, Karen Kraft of McKinney, Steven, Renea and Kaleb Long of Paris, Juanita Garrett of Woodland and Joey "Thomas" Negron and son of Kingswood.

Special gets wells this week to Pauline Weddle, Linda Hicks and Beaulah Wolf.

Juanita Harrison and Minnie Lee Shands visited with Ruby Huggins of Paris on Sunday. Viola Brendle and Beaulah Wolf.




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JULIA GROSSMAN dressed up Earl Gresham's dog, Midnight for "a night on the town" recently. The Kindergarten student may have enjoyed seeing Midnight dressed up a little more than the dog did, but the canine was patient with the whole procedure!

Hunter safety course offered

A course in hunter education is scheduled for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights, September 9, 10, 11 from 6-10 pm in the

Dairy program to provide needed relief

Texas dairy farmers can expect to receive much needed financial assistance with the Milk Income Loss contract program launched by the U.S. Department of Agriculture in August. Retroactive to December 1, 2001, the federally funded farm bill program activates a safety net for dairy farmers when the Boston Class 1 milk price drops below an established target price of \$16.94 a hundredweight. The Class 1 price has been below that rate since November, 2001.

MILC program payments are available to dairy operations that produced and marketed milk commercially in the U.S. since December 1, 2001. The program runs through September 30, 2005. Farmers may enter into a contract with the USDA's Farm Service Agency at any time during this period.

Payments are issued on a monthly basis when the Boston Class 1 milk price is below \$16.94 per hundredweight. Payment rates are determined by subtracting the Boston Class 1 price from the \$16.94 target price, then multiplying the difference by 45%. The farmer's eligible milk production in hundredweight is then multi-

plied by the resulting payment rate.

During fiscal years 2003-2005, farmers must designate a "start month" to receive MILC payments. Farmers will not be allowed to change their start month during a fiscal year, they cannot select a month that has already passed or a month that has already begun.

Payments will be issued starting with December's production and end the earlier of the fiscal year or once the 2.4 million pound cap is reached.

To receive payment, farmers must bring their monthly marketing payment stubs or other verifiable records to their local FSA office. At this time payments cannot be issued at the time of sign up. FHS will issue a payment within 60 days of receiving the documents. The first MILC payments will not be issued until mid-October.

For detailed MILC and applicant eligibility criteria or to schedule an appointment to file an application, contact the Lamar County office at 784-6679 or visit FSA on the web at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>.

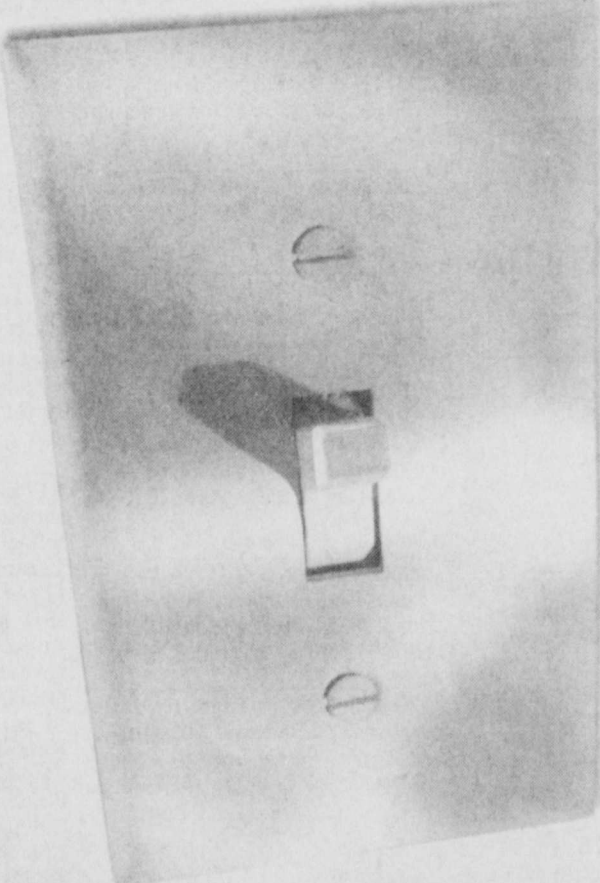
structor for the hunter education course.

The course is open to everyone, however, to receive a lifetime certificate you must be 12 years of age or older. The course will include instructions in hunter responsibility, wildlife conservation and management, firearm, bow, muzzle loading and handgun safety, wildlife identification, game care, survival and first aid, water safety and hypothermia and other special concerns in hunter safety.

With dove, deer and squirrel season set to begin this fall, this is a good opportunity for hunter to take the safety course before the hunting seasons get into full swing. Hunnicutt said, "I urge everyone who is not certified to take this opportunity to do so."

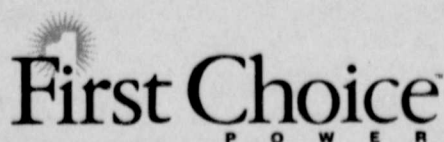
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CITY OF DEPORT BOIL WATER NOTIFICATION

Due to conditions which have occurred recently in the water system, the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission has required the system to notify all customers to boil their water prior to consumption. The Deport system at this time has a low disinfectant level. **There are no harmful bacteria in our system, just low disinfectant.**

To ensure destruction of all harmful bacteria and other microbes, water for drinking, cooking and ice making should be boiled and cooled prior to consumption. The water should be brought to a vigorous rolling boil and then boiled for two minutes. In lieu of boiling, you may purchase bottled water or obtain water from some other suitable source. When it is no longer necessary to boil the water, water system officials will notify you. If you have questions regarding this matter you may contact: Charles Reavis, Water and Sewer Supt. Pager # 783-8197 or call Sharon Francis, City Secretary, 652-3875. to call TNRCC call 512-239-6020

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