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We're comfort food without the calories!

These are tense times. And, wherever we turn, all of us are bombarded with tales of war, of hostilities, of economic downturns. If you are like me, you may turn to "comfort food". Comfort foods are those which are high in carbohydrates and sugars, which actually have a tranquilizing effect on the human body! Unfortunately, comfort foods also add to weight problems, but I may have discovered a calorie-free solution!

I was talking with Harley Hitchcock from Texas Press Association the other day about the future of weekly newspapers. He says they are not only alive and doing well, but for some reason, actually attracting more readers while dailies are struggling to hold their's.

That set my brain to pondering why.

I think I have found the answer. We're comfort food of a sort. When the world is too much with us, when we need a laugh, or photographs of bright, smiling children's faces, when we crave some sign that the world is not totally in disarray, these papers are ready to provide just that.

They are a window into the world we actually live and function in day to day. These papers provide what television and daily newspapers cannot.....an in-depth look into OUR world, the world of our children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews. It is not a glamorous world, it is not a world of cutting-edge world shaking events. It is the world of retired people, working parents and school systems. Our sports photos aim at trying to make sure everyone on the team gets their picture run if at all possible, not just those who are the 'stars'. These papers try to present all sides of an issue, and don't see our job as that of stirring up trouble, but rather helping to find a way to resolve it. NO bit of news is too small for us.

Our cooking column doesn't deal with caviar or roasted peppers, but rather down-home, highly "cookable" foods.

This week, these newspapers will be in the homes of virtually every household within our coverage area. We are sample copying in hopes putting our product in front of some people who may not be current subscribers. They are on sale and we hope non-subscribers will subscribe.

We also thought it just might be time for everyone to have a little glimpse at a publication which is not aimed at world news...but YOUR news.

Give us a try.



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## Deport Christmas Parade is this coming Monday

The Deport Christmas Parade will be December 3rd at 1:30 p.m. Those entering the parade must meet at the Deport Park at 12:30 p.m. to be lined up and judged. There will be four categories: Cars, pickups, floats and miscellaneous, First, Second and Third

Place awards will be given.

For more information contact Sharon Francis, at 652-3875.

Don't miss it, there will be lots of creative and beautiful entries, plus Santa Claus will make an appearance.

## Deport American Legion to hold oratorical scholarship contest

Would you like to talk your way to college? You can if you are a winner in the American Legion High School Oratorical Contest. This year the Deport American Legion, Post 199 will hold a local level contest, which will be open to any High School Student attending Prairiland High School, Rivercrest High School or Detroit High School. There will be a \$250 scholarship to the winner of these tryouts. This contest is scheduled for January 4, 2002, at 4:00 p.m. at the Deport American Legion Post at the North end of Main Street in Paris.

The National Oratorical Contest sponsored since 1938 by the American Legion is designed to instill a greater knowledge and appreciation of the Constitution of the United States in high school students. Other objectives include the development of leadership, the ability to think and speak clearly and the preparation for acceptance of the duties, responsibilities, rights and privileges of American Citizenship.

Another purpose of the program is to assist students in paying the high cost of a college education. The American Legion Life Insurance Committee pro-

vides the scholarship money for this program.

The Legionnaires are proud of our organization and we are particularly proud of our youth activities which we feel offer much to the development of our country's young people.

The winner of the local contest will compete with other post's winners for the District One Winner. The District One Winner will compete for Division Winner and the Division winner will compete for state winner. The winner of the state contest will then progress to the national level of competition.

The local winner will, as mentioned, receive a \$250 scholarship. On a National level, First Round contestants receive \$1,500 in scholarships, second round participants who do not advance to the final round will receive an additional \$1,500 scholarship and First Place National winner will take home \$18,000 in scholarship.

There will also be two finishers who will receive \$16,000 and \$14,000 respectively.

Area entrants can learn more by contacting their high school office or calling Dorothy Rogers at 903-982-5871.

## Prairiland Board to cast ballots for Appraisal District, hear presentation on financing, Bond Election

The Prairiland Independent School District will hold a special meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the administration building at Pattonville on Thursday, November 29th.

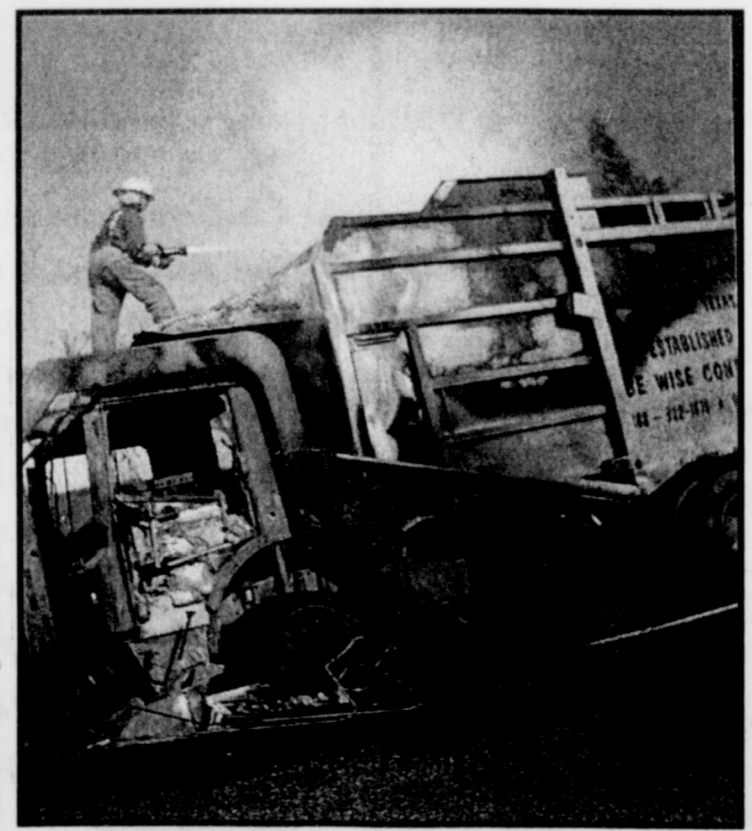
The agenda is as follows:  
A. Invocation, call to order, determination of quorum

B. Agenda

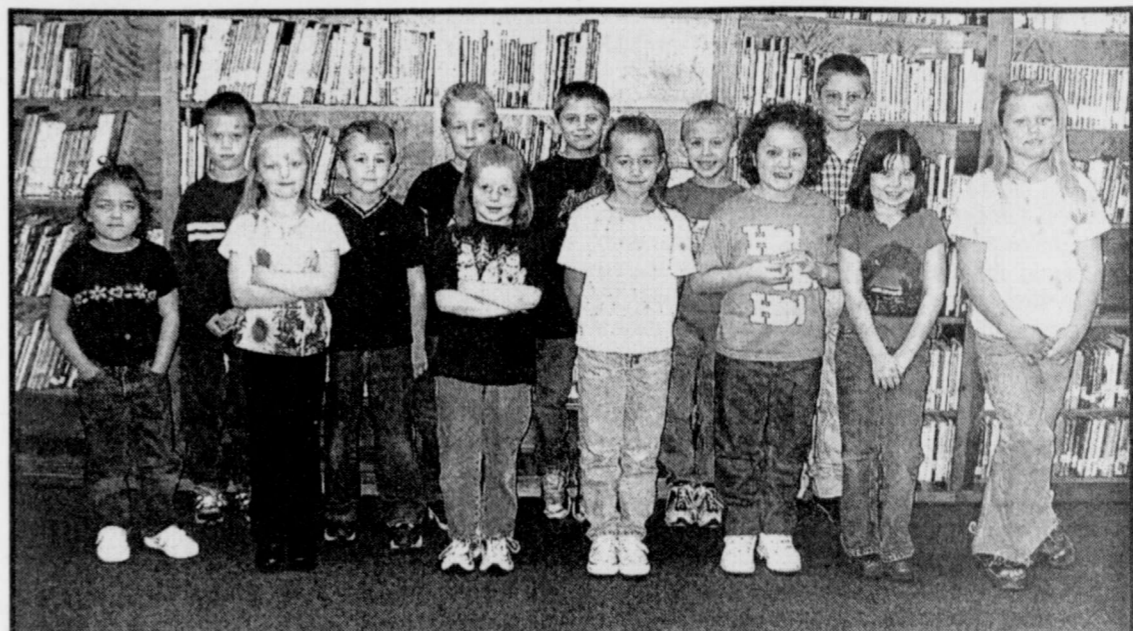
1. Cast Ballot for the Lamar County Appraisal District Board member.

2. Presentation by Dain Rauscher and Associates regarding Financing, planning and holding a Bond Election.

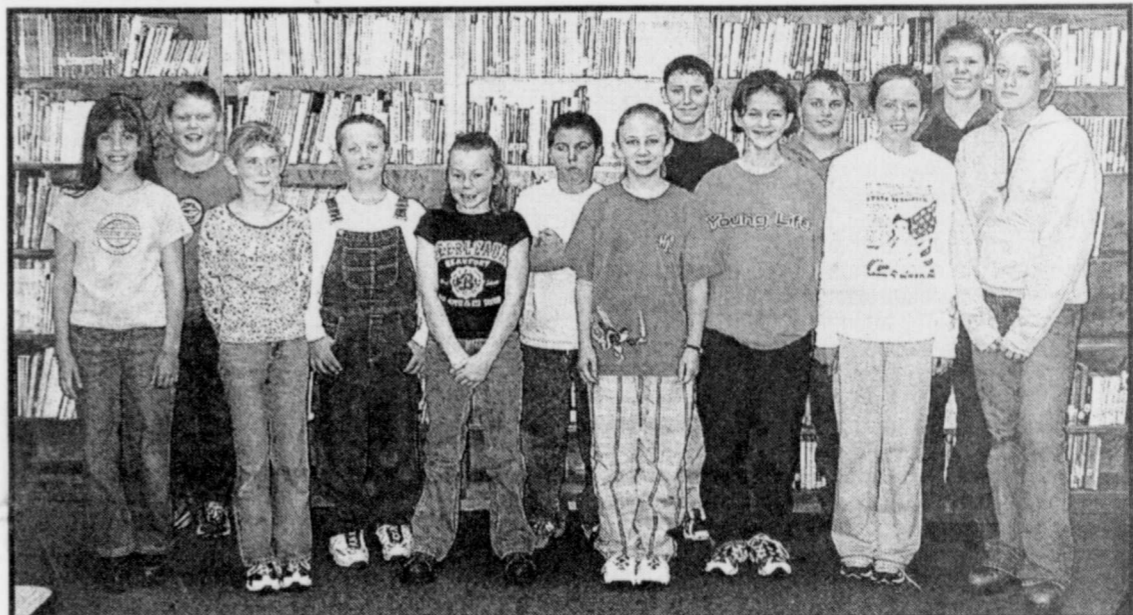
C. Adjournment.



**A VERY TRASHY FIRE!** Deport volunteer Fire Department responded to a vehicle fire at Rugby last Wednesday, and discovered a B&B Trash Truck fully engulfed in flames upon their arrival. Charles Reavis pours water into the bed of the truck, which was partially filled with garbage and difficult to extinguish. (Staff Photo by Mike Francis)



**CHRISTMAS ROYALTY-**The Kings and Queens of the Deport Christmas Parade have been selected in anticipation of the parade Monday, Dec. 3. From Kindergarten through 3rd Grade are, Front row, from left: Queens are Karen Lumsden, Kaitlnd Borden, Chelsey Kelley, Michelle Taylor, Kastley Greer, Janet Smoot and Makynzi Watson. Kings (back row) are: Colton McMikel, Kelby Cole, Drew Osborne, Tyler Plemons, Dustin Martin, Dustin Womack and (not pictured) Sean Dodson. (Staff photo by Mike Francis)



**THE ROYAL COURT-**Kings and Queens for the Deport Christmas Parade have been chosen. They are: Queens, front row, from left, : Reana Burnett, Anna Baker, Danci Smith, Abby Ball, Jerrika McKee, Hali Screws, Morgan Searls. Kings, back row, from left: Dylan Cathey, Chase Stogdill, Ryan Ford (not pictured), Antonie Hagood, Landon Syrus, Bradlee Watson and Josh Allen. (Staff Photo by Mike Francis)

## "Between Turkey Dinners" meal to raise funds

The Deport VFD Bucket Brigade is holding a "Between Turkey Dinners" meal on December 1st beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the fire station. There will be no charge for this meal, but donations are welcome. The meal will consist of Pinto, Navy made

cornbread, home fried style potatoes, all the trimmings such as sliced onions and jalapeno peppers, dessert, coffee, tea or water.

Everyone is urged to come enjoy the meal, help raise money for the fire department, and enjoy the company of other citizens.

## Time to share your Christmas memories

It's time to send in those Christmas memories in order to share them with readers everywhere! Again this year Thunder Prairie Publishing is holding a contest for Christmas memories that will run in their big Christmas edition.

These memories can be new or old, include Christmas traditions or memories of a special holiday, memorable gift, amazing visit from Santa or whatever.

An independent panel of judges will select First, Second and third Place winners plus Honorable Mentions. First place will receive a photo album and all winners will receive a certificate of award. These memories can be typed, handwritten or even e-mailed to

us. Submit your memory of a special Christmas to Thunder Prairie Publishing P.O. Box 98 Deport, TX 75435

or e-mail to tppub@1starnet.com

Please remember to include your name and address on the memories so proper credit can be given! The deadline for receiving these memories is December 13th, so take amoment to jot them down.

The memories are one of the favorite portions of the Christmas edition, so please send yours in to help make the paper the greatest one ever!

## Santa letters need to be in on Dec. 10th

Thunder Prairie Publishing is asking that all Letters to Santa Claus be in by December 10th in order to get them published in the newspaper's big Christmas edition.

Santa letters may be mailed to P.O. Box 98, Deport, TX. or there are boxes at the schools, and boxes to leave letters in at the Bogata News office and the Deport Times Office.



**SIGNS OF THE SEASON-**City Employees Charles Reavis and Sam Nichols put up the Christmas decorations in downtown Deport this week in preparation for the parade Monday. (Staff Photo Thomas Nichols)



*Country Cooking*  
By Liz Irwin



The Blossom Lady Fire Belles have been raising extra money for the Blossom Fire Department for the past two years. Everything from bake sales, garage sales, carnival games, monthly breakfasts, etc. They recently put together a cookbook with some of their favorite recipes and wanted to share them with others. The books have made it in just in time for Christmas and the holidays. They can be purchased from any of the ladies or contact Mary Couch at 903-982-5816 or Angie Taylor at 903-982-6235.

These ladies furnish refreshments for the firemen when they go out on long calls such as house fires, grass fires and other incidents where they are needed. They also collect food and clothing for families who have lost their homes due to fires or other tragedies. They depend on the community's goodwill and donations for these activities and appreciate all donations whether monetary or goods. Several area merchants are on call with any items needed such as ice, drinks and other needed foodstuffs.

Each month, the ladies serve up a "good 'ole country, down home style breakfast". For \$4.00 you get an all-you-can-eat, plate-full of sausage, bacon, gravy, biscuits, scrambled eggs, hotcakes, coffee, milk or juice along with lots of

jellies and syrup and butter. They begin early in the morning, cooking up all of this and begin serving the meal at 7:00 a.m. sharp. So next time you get hungry for a great breakfast, visit them and support the ladies as they do what they can to keep our volunteer fire department with much needed funds. The next breakfast is on Saturday, December 8. Be sure to go out and support this group of ladies.

Officers for this year are Mary Crouch-president, vice president-Ann Steele, secretary-Angie Taylor, treasurer-Ann Eddins, and historian is Mary Jane Lowry. We hope you enjoy their recipes and we will see you in the kitchen!

Pepper Poppers-Angie Taylor-need a new appetizer for the holidays.....well this is it!

Potato Soup-Ann Eddins-great for these cold days coming up!

Taco Soup-Mary Jane Lowry-here is one to enjoy and snuggle up with a good book afterwards!

Squash Enchiladas-Mary Crouch-uses yellow squash instead of beef or chicken and roll up in tortillas!

Meal-in-a-Dish-Ann Steele-can't beat this one.....meal all in one dish!

Special K Candy-Irene Bryant-this is one of those easy, delicious candy recipes and it will not last long!

**Wednesday, November 29**  
**Blossom Lady Fire Belles**

**Pepper Poppers**  
**Angie Taylor**

- 8 ounce cream cheese
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese
- 1 cup shredded Monterey Jack
- 6 bacon strips-cook and crumble
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon chili powder
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 pound fresh jalapeno peppers-halve and seed
- 1/2 cup dry bread crumbs
- Combine cheeses, bacon and seasonings. Mix well. Place about 2 teaspoons mixture into each half pepper. Roll in bread crumbs and place in greased baking pan. Bake at 300 degrees for 20 minutes for hot and spicy; 30 minutes for medium; and 40 minutes for mild. Serve with ranch dressing.

**Potato Soup**  
**Ann Eddins**

- 4 medium potatoes-diced
- 1 medium onion-chopped
- salt and pepper to taste
- 1 can cream of celery soup
- 3-1/2 cups milk
- Boil potatoes until tender. Drain; add onions, soup and milk. Simmer on low heat until potatoes are tender enough to fall apart.

**Taco Soup**  
**Mary Jane Lowry**

- 2 pound ground beef
- 1 small onion-chopped
- 3 cans stewed tomatoes-undrained
- 2 cans pinto beans-undrained
- 1 can yellow hominy
- 1 can chopped green chilis-undrained
- 1-1/2 cup water
- 1 package ranch style dressing mix
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper

Cook ground beef and onion in Dutch oven until meat is browned. Drain; add stewed tomatoes and other ingredients; cover and reduce heat and simmer for 1 hour. Stir occasionally.

**Squash Enchiladas**  
**Mary Crouch**

- 2 pounds yellow squash
- 1 teaspoon salt
- black pepper to taste
- chopped jalapenos to taste
- 8 ounces grated cheddar cheese or mexican velveeta
- 1 can cream of mushroom soup
- 1/2 cup milk
- 2/3 cup chopped onion
- Boil squash until tender. Drain and mash. Add salt and pepper, onion and jalapenos. Soften tortillas in hot oil. Fill each tortilla with 3-4 tablespoons squash mixture and approximately 2 tablespoons cheese. Roll up and place seam down. Mix soup with left over mixture and pour over enchiladas. Top with remaining cheese. Bake at 350 degrees until bubbly and cheese is melted.

**Special K Candy**  
**Irene Bryant**

- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1/3 cup white Karo
- 1/3 cup peanut butter
- 2-1/3 cup Special K cereal or corn flakes
- Bring sugar and syrup to boil. Add peanut butter and cereal. Pour into buttered dish or drop by teaspoons onto waxed paper.



**Brad Miars**

**dies November 17**

Brad Miars, born December 22, 1981 in Dallas, passed away November 17. Brad was a sophomore at the University of Texas at Dallas.

He is survived by his parents, Bob and Sue Miars; a brother, Stephen and Jennifer Miars; a niece, Piper Miars; grandmothers, Ivy Miars and Billie Welch and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Restland Funeral Home conducted services at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 20 at Restland Memorial Chapel.

Memorials may be made to Hidden Lake Academy, Chapel Memorial Fund; 830HiddenLake Rd.; Dahlonega, GA 30533.

**Wilma Jean Smith**

**dies November 21**

Wilma Jean Smith, age 69 of Bogata died Wednesday, November 21 in Bogata.

Services were held in Bogata Cemetery on Saturday, November 24 at 3:30 p.m. under the direction of Bates-Cooper Funeral Home of Mt. Pleasant. Bro. Billy Daniels and Bro. Donnie Sherrill officiated.

She was born October 9, 1932 in Dodd City and was a homemaker. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Bogata and of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary.

Surviving are her husband, George Robert Smith of Bogata; her mother, Pauline Hembel Cleaver of Wichita Falls; a son and daughter-in-law, George R. Smith, Jr. and Lisa of Mt. Pleasant; a daughter and son-in-law, Barbara Gail Kelley and Keith of Bogata; brothers, John Cleaver of Georgetown and Odis Cleaver of Wichita Falls; three grandchildren, Christopher Eric Smith, Alex Smith and Ashley Smith.

She was preceded in death by her father, Odis Gordon Cleaver and a brother, Billy Dean Cleaver.



**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 12:00 noon 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.

**Christmas light show returns!**

The 19th annual Christmas Light Fantasy has returned to the home of Allen and Pansy Parsons and everyone is invited to view the spectacular array of lights.

This year's show will begin November 22 and run through December 29, featuring over 750,000 lights and many new displays. The lights can be viewed



*John Tate Davis*

**John Davis**

**dies in Tennessee**

John "Tate" Davis of New Market, Tennessee passed away on November 12 after a 10-year battle with cancer. He was buried in Camden, TN.

He was born July 8, 1931 in Talco to his parents, Pat and Jessie Tate Davis.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Reba Presson Davis; sons Steven and Stuart Davis; sisters Verbeth Davis Coe of Tuckerman, AR, Lavonne Davis Hershner of Houston and Patricia Davis Loftin of Salem, Utah; and a brother, Quinon Davis of Houston.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a son, Stanley Tate Davis.

Tate came to Bogata from Talco in 1942. He was a 1949 graduate of Bogata High School. He attended Paris Junior College in 1949-50 and entered the football program as a walk-on. He was a unanimous selection on the 1950 All American first team.

He is a charter member of PJC's Dragon Athletic Hall of Fame, having been individually inducted into the Hall of Honor. He served his country as a young lieutenant in the Army infantry.

He believed in giving back. Always grateful for the scholarship support given him by PJC and the University of Tennessee, he established scholarships to help others.

He was a master storyteller who could draw a crowd, whether on a cruise ship at a captain's table or in an athletic locker room. When Tennessee sports scribes wanted a colorful story about the Fols 1951 National Champions, they usually came to "Tex".

He always felt privileged to have been "one of the Bogata boys who grew up in Mr. Bill Wilkinson's front yard." And cotton patch.

When it comes time to leave this world for a better place some day, the only thing you get to keep is what you gave away.

Rest in peace, Tate. See you later.

**Mildred Stansell**

**dies November 26**

Mildred Stansell, age 85, a resident of Villa Residential in Mt. Pleasant, formerly of Talco, died November 26 at Titus Regional Medical Center in Mt. Pleasant.

Services were held Wednesday, November 28 at 2:00 p.m. at Curry-Welborn Funeral Home Chapel with Don Malone officiating. Burial followed in Talco Cemetery.

She was born February 12, 1916, a daughter of Paul and Nora Storey Brummett, in El Dorado, Arkansas.

She was a housewife and member of the Bible Christian Assembly of God Church. Her husband, Buck Stansell, preceded her in death along with a son, Derald Stansell; sisters Eula Frisby, Daisy Deer and Myrtle Brummett; and her parents.

Surviving are sons Jerry and Pat Stansell of Talco, Richard Stansell of Talco, Handy and Sue Stansell of Mt. Pleasant, Johnny and Kim Stansell of Talco; a daughter-in-law, Barbara Stansell of Talco; a brother, Garrett Brummett of El Dorado; seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Kip Stansell, Kyle Stansell, Gary Anderson, Bubba Abernathy, David Stansell and Cliff Dublin.

**Agnes L. Shulver**

**dies November 21**

Agnes L. Schumann Shulver, age 92, of Granbury died November 21 in Granbury.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, November 25 in Martin's Funeral Home Chapel in Granbury with Rev. Barry Millett officiating. Burial followed in Highland Cemetery in Deport.

Mrs. Shulver was born October 26, 1909 in Deport. She is survived by nieces Geraldine Bryson, Ann Schumann, Sara Mazy, Beth Sullivan and Pat Simmons; a nephew, Ron Schumann; and a sisters-in-law, Joan Shulver, Edna Hope and Mildred Harpin.

*Card of Thanks*

The family of Donald Jean would like to express their gratitude to everyone who sent flowers, visited, made telephone calls and offered prayer for him while he was in the hospital and since he has returned home. Thank each of you who remembered to ask about him. We appreciate your care and concern for us. God bless all of you.

Matyly Upchurch & family

**John Wesley Burns**

**dies November 19**

John Wesley Burns of Bogata died November 19 in Christ St. Joseph Hospital in Paris.

Graveside funeral services were held at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 21 in Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Homes.

Mr. Burns was born February 19, 1934 in Johntown, the son of John Wesley and Velma Rector Burns. He was a retired construction worker.

He is survived by his mother, Velma Hill of Bogata; two children, John Joseph Burns and Nancy Elizabeth Stevens and husband Tony, all of Little Rock, AR; one brother, Clifford Leon Watson of Bogata; three sisters, Doris Watson Morris of Salem, IL, Mary Kelley of Powderly and Norma Wooten of Wylie; and a grandson, Chase Stevens.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Ralph Watson and Jackie Watson.

**Julia Vaughdean Lee**

**dies November 27**

Julia Vaughdean Lee, age 81 of Bogata died November 27 at Christ St. Joseph North.

Services were held Thursday, November 29 in Bogata at the First Baptist Church with Rev. Billy Daniels and Rev. Rick Holeman officiating. Burial was in East Post Oak Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

She was born July 4, 1920 in the Hopewell community in Red River County, the daughter of James Thomas and Elvira Marrow McNabb. On November 7, 1946 she married Willie Lee at Post Oak. She retired from Rivercrest Schools as a cafeteria cook. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Bogata.

Surviving are her husband, Willie Lee of Bogata; two sons, James Lee of Bogata and Edwin Lee of Glen Heights; one daughter, Brenda Lee of Paris; three brothers, J.T. McNabb of Blossom, Basil McNabb of Clarksville, Marshal McNabb of Laurinburg, NC; two sisters, Inez Childers of Sulphur, LA and Sarah Reno of Wilcox, AZ; one grandson, Daniel Lee of Bogata and a number of nieces and nephews.

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**COOKS OF THE WEEK** this week are the Blossom Lady Fire Belles. They recently published a cookbook loaded with lots of great recipes. Pictured left right back row is Angie Taylor, Ann Eddins, Mary Crouch and Velma Chesney. Front row is Ann Steele and Teresa Goodin. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)





AUSTIN BOUND! Members of the Prairiland Lady Patriot volleyball team were ready to load the bus for Austin last week, as they prepared for State volleyball competition. The ladies came back with the State Championship! Congratulations, girls!

## JH defeats Devils & Mustangs

by Sandy Flatt

The Prairiland 8th graders are having a great start this year. On Thursday, November 15, they traveled to Chapel Hill to take on the Red Devils. Although the Pats are divided into two teams, they played together for this first district game. The boys had a great start and everyone got a chance on the floor. Cody Upchurch led the scoring with 24 points for the night with Cody Withers on the board for 12. Cole White put in 6 points, Josh Allen 4, and Weston Drinnon put in 2. Others helping with the win were Justin Wright, Lance Ballard, Cody Flatt, Logan Norwood, Jay Curt McKee, Matt Hostetler, Blake Woodall, Darren Lane, Taylor Mauldin, Brandon

Mauldin, Dusty Cheney, Michael Middleton, Jason Thomas, Shane Wilson, and Chase Smallwood. The Pats won 48-37.

The young Patriots played again Monday night. This time the opponent was the Chisum Mustangs. The Pats again came out strong and quickly dominated the game. Upchurch scored 16, Withers -14, Matthew Owens -6, White -4, Lane -4, Flatt -2, and Wright -1. Also, doing more than his share to win, was Drinnon and Allen. Ballard, Hostetler, Taylor Mauldin, McKee and Smallwood contributed a great effort to the team. The Pats had a 47 to 17 victory over the Mustangs.



### Prairiland High School Week of December 3

**Monday**  
**Breakfast:** Breakfast burritos  
 Fruit juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Ham and cheese sandwiches  
 Pickle spears  
 French fries  
 Cake  
 Milk

**Tuesday**  
**Breakfast:** Sausage, cheese, biscuit  
 Juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Tacos  
 Salad  
 Mexican beans  
 Fruit  
 Milk

**Wednesday**  
**Breakfast:** Cinnamon rolls  
 Juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Chicken fried steak  
 Potatoes, gravy  
 Green peas  
 Biscuits  
 Milk

**Thursday**  
**Breakfast:** Breakfast pizza  
 Juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Hot dogs on bun  
 Pork and beans  
 Corn chips  
 Cobbler  
 Milk

**Friday**  
**Breakfast:** Cereal, fruit  
 Juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Hamburgers on bun  
 Lettuce, tomato  
 Pork and beans  
 Potato chips  
 Fruit  
 Milk

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## Prairiland to host tournament Nov. 29-Dec. 1

The Prairiland Patriots will host a basketball tournament November 29 through December 1. On November 29, Rivercrest will meet Boles at 11:30 a.m.; Avery meets Honey Grove at 2:30; Roxton meets Bonham at 5:30 p.m. and Prairiland meets Detroit at 8:30 p.m. On November 30, games will be held at 11:30, 2:30, 5:30 and 8:30 p.m.

On December 1, the consolation game will be placed at 1:30 p.m. with the championship game played at 7:30 p.m.

There will be a hospitality room for coaches and officials and concession for all players and fans. Trophies will be given for first, second, third and consolation. There will be an All Tournament team and one MVP.



STATE VOLLEYBALL CLASS 2A MOST VALUABLE PLAYER named was Emilee Bolton of the Lady Patriots. Emilee helped the team to the state title with 29 kills, 6 blocks and two aces. (Staff Photo by Chad Johnston)

## Local students included in Who's Who

Students from this area who are included in the 35th Annual Edition of Who's who Among American high School Students are as follows:

**Blossom:** Tabitha Baxter, Daniel Crow, Catherine Smith, Landra Stewardson, Amanda Williams, Amy Branham, Benjamin Roberts, Randal Smith, Lige Stewardson, Justin Williams.

**Bogata:** Brittany Bull, Lauren Corbell, Trista Shupp, Erica Williams, Tim Carder, Kimberly Shirley, Rebecca Stewart.

**Deport:** James Foster, Charla Hines.

**Detroit:** Brandon Brown, Sharon Coleman, Crystal Hagan, Monica Melton, Duska Pardue, Chad Reger, Heather Smith, Nichole Smith, Galatha Williams, Vatisia Wilson, Holly Coleman, Chad Dilbeck, Felicia Huzzie, Elvis Nichols, Christy Patt, Joshua Robbins, Kristi Smith, Nancy Snodgrass, Lesley Wilson.

**Pattonville:** Megan Filkins, Daniel Lee.

**Talco:** Candace Davis, Robyn Hollis, Mark Jackson, Holly Minter, Chassity Hale, Shelly Hollis, Charles Johnson, Laci Taylor, Jamie Wilson.



## Prairiland High School Week of December 3

December 3..... Deport Christmas Parade  
 4..... JVG, JVB, VG, VB, Honey Grove, there, 4:00  
 5..... Youth for Christ  
 6..... VG, VB, Sulphur Bluff Tourney  
 ..... PIP Practice  
 7..... Sulphur Bluff Tourney  
 8..... Sulphur Bluff Tourney

## Papers on sale now, save money, give the perfect gift

This year, when you are looking for an easy, yet great way to fill your Christmas gift list, think about your local newspaper. As usual, the Blossom Times, Bogata News, Deport Times and Talco Times are on sale NOW for \$2 off the yearly price. Regularly \$20 for an entire year, during the last two weeks of November and through December the paper will only be \$18 in Lamar, Red River or Titus Counties, and only \$20 everywhere else!

These newspapers have been around serving local people with the best in news, photos and advertising for many years. The Deport Times began in 1908, as a matter of fact! And though times have changed, one thing hasn't,

that's the fact that people love to see their kid's pictures in the paper, they love to read humorous columns (that have won numerous state-wide awards) they love to clip the recipes out of the cooking column, and they love to keep up with upcoming events and what their friends are doing. Everyone enjoys feature stories and photos of local people.

Any of these papers are a great gift for old and young alike. Young families look forward to the school news, photos and sports, retired people enjoy those recipes. Everyone enjoys knowing what is going on in THEIR own town, somewhere far from home.

So use the handy coupon on the full page ad and send in your subscriptions today!

# Good Luck Teams!

The following businesses extend the best of luck to area school sports teams this year!

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## Holiday blood donors needed

The holiday season brings dire need of blood donors during this time of year.

Between Thanksgiving and New Years, patients in East Texas hospitals will use over 5,000 pints of blood.

Donors who donated in astounding numbers after the World Trade Center tragedy are now eligible to donate again. Blood donors can donate every 56 days.

Stewart Regional Blood Centers are open Monday through Friday from 8:30 until 6:30.

Anyone who is 17 years old, weights at least 110 pounds and is in general good health is encouraged to help alleviate this ongoing problem in the community. Eat prior to a donation, and bring a valid driver's license. All donors will receive a T-shirt with their donation.

An upcoming blood drive is scheduled in Paris. On December 1, the mobile blood unit will be at Christmas in Fair Park with K95 at the Lamar County Fairgrounds from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Enjoying Thanksgiving Dinner with Lee and Kathy Bicke and "Ross" and "Hoss" were Ruth Whittle, Susan Whittle and Carla Filkins, Brittany and Courtney and "Little Bit". Jesse Filkins got in about 3:00.

Visiting later throughout the afternoon and evening were Jeanna Borders Smith, Josh and Danci of Rt. 1, Bogata and Chance Crawford, Bill and Joyce Smith of Paris, Jeff and Cheryl Whittle of Paris, Cheryl's daughter Gwen and her boys, Tyler and Miston of Blossom and Larry and Judy Whittle and grandchildren, Anna and Houston.

Kathy Bice and Ruth Whittle and Nancy and Cristina Murphy were in Mt. Pleasant Saturday evening.

Carla Wolfe Caldwell of Rt. 6, Clarksville visited Monday afternoon.

Kathy Bice talked with Edward Helleny of Herrin, Illinois Monday morning. He said the weather was nice but cold there.

Hugh and Vicki Jeffus and Thomas and Nanalee Nichols celebrated Thanksgiving together Thursday.

Saturday, Mary Mantooth hosted a Thanksgiving dinner for the Nichols family. Attending were Angel and Chris Mantooth and Brittney, Thomas and Nanalee Nichols, Paul and Betty Nichols, Sam and Dot Nichols, Aaron and Heidi Nichols.

Ruth Grayt and Chloe Ann Byrd visited Verdine Betterton and Henrietta Burns in DeKalb last Tuesday.

Mavis Sowards spent the Thanksgiving holiday with Kay and Sid Snyder of Austin.

Taylan Jade Cobb was born October 13 to Chris and Bren Cobb. Grandparents are Mike and Lila Screws of Deport and Geraold and Terry Cobb of Paris. Great-grandparents are Donald and Judy Screws of Bogata and Mrs. Glen Fletcher of Deport Nursing Home.

Happy birthday wishes to Kathy Holt, Darla Keys, Edna Earle Wright, Dr. Keith young, Sue Clifton, Carol Read Denison, Chad Robinson, Eddie Pickering, Hal Bratteli, Susan Whittle, Brandon Denison, Sue Ellen Barnes, Carla Filkins, Debbie Benfer, Dr. Wayne Couch, Jr., James Garmon, Susan Roach, Jerry Brooks, Zackary Allen, Regina Flenniken, Stacy Huddleston, Dr. T.H. Glover.

Happy Anniversaries to Judy and Larry Whittle, Joyce and Bill Smith.

Kay and Joy Read of College Station, Shena Kay Read of Elgin, Ken and Kristi Read, Teresa and Kenneth read of Wray, Co. spent Thanksgiving with Ida Lou Read. Virginia Kirkland returned home Friday from Elkhart after visiting Marijo Bono and Shelby.

Ruth Murrell visited her son Grant Murrell and family in Houston and returned home Sunday.

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Happy Anniversery to Larry and Judy Whittle.

tonya and Haley Parsons of Rowlett joined Keith and Peggy Parsons and Ty Parsons for lunch last Monday.

Nina Sparks, Mary Alice Enox, Ellen Whitaker, Ophelia Payne, Freeman Safford, Doris O'Donnell, Deanie Hensley and Peggy Parsons helped with the Christus St. Joseph's North Bake Sale Tuesday at the hospital.

Greg Parsons, Alisen and Davis of Whitehouse, arrived Wednesday to spend the Thanksgiving Holidays with Keith and Peggy Parsons and other family members. Joining them on Thursday were Nina Sparks, Lois Kennett of Paris, Mark and Tonya Parsons, Haley and Ty, Randy and Kristi Boren, Drew and Leah.

visitors of Elois Sparks in heritage Care center in paris included Mike Sparks, Nina Sparks, Margaret Fowler, Dorothy Richey, and Melba Moore.

Martha Hill of Longview, Mickey Keener, Sandy Ring and Heather Anderson, and Alice Ruth Gravett of Reno visited Bill and Ruby D. Blevins.

Kevin McLean and Ashleigh McLean spent the Thanksgiving Holidays in Arizona with her grandparents. Casey Anderson returned home with them.

Bill and Ruby D. Blevins had Thanksgiving dinner with Ed and Sandy Ring and heather Anderson.

Ruby D. Blevins, Sandy Ring and Heather Anderson visited jessie Newsom in Paris Saturday afternoon.

Mary moss attended the wedding of her granddaughter

WendiShea Trenado and Nickolas Joshua Burton Saturday afternoon November 24, 2001 in paris. Marla Fortner of Houston served as her matron of honor and Derek Bristow, cousin of the bride was the Bible bearer.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Earline Woodall who died in Paris Saturday, nov. 24, 2001.

She was the aunt of Nancy Sue Nichols and Vivian Day.

Jesse and Frances Anderson and Lorraine Reid of Paris visited Grady and Carol Reid in Fayetteville, Ark. over the weekend. Joining them to visit were Dave and Kandy McEntire, Kendel and Kaylan of Broken Arrow, OK. and Tim and Terri Towers, Nikolas, Clay and Luke of Fayetteville

Debbie Currin, Tonya Hunter and Dani visited Shane and Vickie Currin in S.C. recently where Shane had quadruple bi-pass surgery.

Claudia Whitney, Debbie Curin, Tonya Hunter and children went to paris to Tinsel and Tidings following breakfast at the VFD the Saturday before last. That night John and Claudia Whitney, Debbie Currin, Tonya and kids attended a family Thanksgiving dinner in Bogata with Jim and Linda Ferguson.

Glen Maddox of Ft. hood visited John and Claudia Whitney recently.

Thanksgiving Day visitors of Debbie Currin, Travis and Tonya Hunter and kids were John and Claudia Whitney, Bill and Belinda Dickey, Jaclyn and Daniel Winn, Darrell Lynn, Brian, Katherine and Jonathan Johnson of Sulphur Spring. Travis and Tonya Hunter, Jeremy, Christian, and Dani visited Bob and Billie Hunter in Greenville Saturday and piked up pecans.

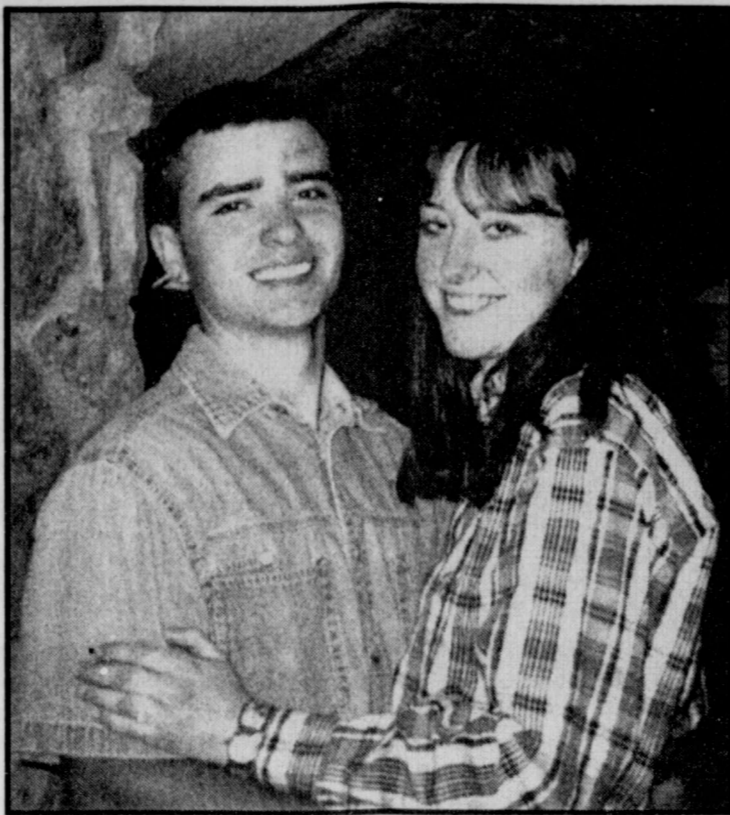
Saturday John and Claudia Whitney and Debbie Currin went shopping in Mt. Pleasant.

Eating lunch Sunday with John and Claudia Whitney were Debbie Currin, Travis and Tonya Hunter and Kids.

Maureen Womack of Reno, john and Claudia Whitney, Debbie Currin, and Bruce Drake of California visited Jim and linda Ferguson in Bogata Tuesday night.

Tonya Parsons, Ty and Haley and Leah Boren were among those attending a birthday party for Cade Sparks in the home of his grandparents, Ernie and Rita Sparks in Paris Saturday night. Cade is the son of Wade and Karen Sparks of Blossom.

Randy and Kristi Boren and Drew ate Thanksgiving dinner with Dee and Betty Boren and other family members in Paris.



Robbie Lynne Somerville with fiancé Jeremy Dean Todd

**Somerville-Todd announce engagement**

Tim and Marcelle Somerville proudly announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Robbie Lynne Somerville to Jeremy Dean Todd, son of Dean and Betty Todd of Paris.

The couple will be united in marriage on Tuesday, January 1, 2002 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon at the bride's home in Detroit.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of John and Connie Somerville of Bagwell and J.C. and Hattie Abernathy of Bogata. She is a 2000 graduate of Detroit

High School and attends Paris Junior College majoring in Agriculture Economics/Economics Finance. She is employed by Braum's Ice Cream and Dairy stores.

Her fiance is the grandson of Hammond and Wilma Ward of Paris and Iris Todd of Paris. He is a 2001 graduate of Chisum High School and attends Paris Junior College majoring in Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Technology. He is employed by Braum's ice Cream and Dairy stores.

**First Federal Community Bank announces expansion project**

First Federal Community Bank has announced that its Board of Directors recently approved a major expansion/construction project, expected to begin in the first quarter of 2002 at an estimated cost of \$3 million and will enable the bank to meet customer needs and growth projections into the 21st century.

First Federal Community Bank's present location will be transformed into a state of the art financial center, increasing in size from 10,000 square feet to 28,000 square feet. The new multilevel building will enhance First Federal community Bank's ability to serve its growing customer base.

Bank Design and Construction of Dallas, a design/build construction firm specializing in the construction of banks, was chosen for the project. Local contractors will be given the opportunity to bid on all phases of construction.

The new facility will have an increased number of teller workstations to reduce customer waiting to a minimum. Customer service representative offices will increase to speed up service and increase the level of privacy for customers. Additional loan offices will be included in the new facility and the drive through banking lanes will be repositioned, expanding the current four to seven lanes with a dedicated ATM lane.

First Federal Community Bank is a \$260 million financial institution which has been serving Northeast Texas since 1922, from a traditional savings & loan to a full service bank offering real estate loans, commercial loans, consumer loans and a full menu of deposit services. They also have centers in Clarksville and Mt. Pleasant.

**Light contest is upcoming**

The Red River County Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the Christmas Lights Contest for Avery, Bogata, Clarksville, Detroit and all the surrounding communities for home and business.

Call the Chamber at 427-2645 to enter your home or business. All entries must be in by December 14 and judging will be at dusk on December 17 and 18.



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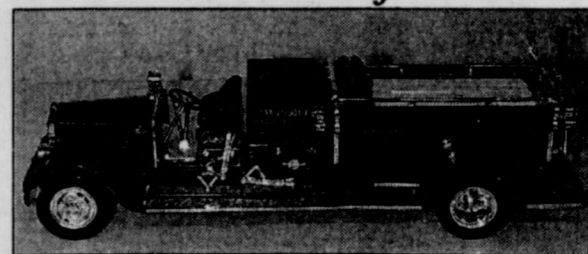
The Red River Dance Express will appear in the Paris Christmas Parade on December 1; the Detroit Parade and the VFW All Star Shows on December 8 and the Christmas Show at Detroit High on December 13.

**Retired Educators hear from Mark Homer**

Among the 70 attending the monthly meeting of the Paris Lamar Retired Teachers and School Employees Association luncheon at PJC Monday to hear State Representative Mark Homer were: Dr. Gary Ballard, Joyce Allen, Buddy Taylor, Nina Sparks, Wayne and Karen Beard, Dee Bonham, Juanita Bowman, Rachel Braswell, Marcy Campbell, Eleanor Chapman, Ivy Fendley, Miriam Eppes, Alma Flippo, Sarah Gambill, Felix Gibson, Weldon Hume, Dora Jones, Alva Lee Jordan, Ray and Iva Lee Kennemer, Earline McFtridge, Clara Nance, Peggy Parsons, Paul and Ophelia Payne, Ruth Perkins, Earline Poole, Virginia Reed, Margaret Rheudasil, Freeman Safford, Helen Rogers, Georgia Seamon, Sarah Smith, Henry and Marchita Thielman, Ruth Welch, Mary Ann Stephens, Betty Toland, Ellen Whitaker, Elaine Townsend, Alma Twitty, Pat Waters, Ruth Wigley, Jane Sheen, Romie Stewart, Johnny Scoggins, Anderson Parsons, Martha Robinson, Trudge Morris, and guest Eddie Barker. Dr. Ballard presented the awards to Mark Homer, Eddie Barker and Joyce Allen. Paul and Ophelia Payne served as host and hostess and used a fall theme in decorations.

They awarded door prizes to Alma Flippo, Nina Sparks, Felix Gibson. Paul auctioned some of his state award winning pecans toward the scholarship fund to the highest bidders, Freeman Safford and Rachel Braswell. The next meeting will be January 28, 2002.

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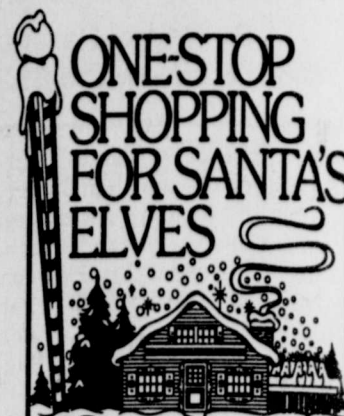


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PRAIRIELAND FCCLA OFFICERS Lori Pitcock, Elizabeth Dunn, Cheslie Loveless and Meagan Merritt display some of the projects made by members of the Family and Consumer Science Apparel Class. The items were cancer turbans, quilts, pillows, red work cup towels and apparel. Each student made several cancer hats to donate to the American Cancer Society.



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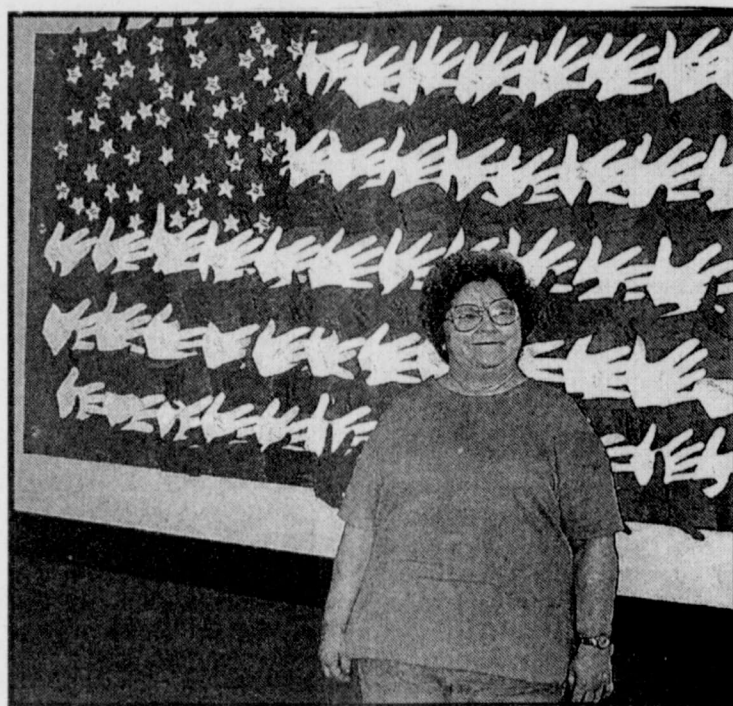
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**Christus St. Joseph teams with PJC for scholarship**

CHRISTUS St. Joseph's Health System and Paris Junior College are teaming up to create two new medical certification programs. According to Monty McLaurin, President/CEO of CHRISTUS St. Joseph's, the CHRISTUS Health Education Fund has provided \$70,000 to Paris Junior College to bring specialty training for medical coders and surgical technologists. The CHRISTUS Health Education Fund support will be used to fund two instructors, one for each program area, personal computers for a coding lab, specialized software for coding programs, and several scholarships to encourage participation in the program. Each certificate graduate will be eligible to take certification exams following a period of on-the-job experience. Both programs are expected to be completed in a 12-month time frame. While a computer lab has been made ready on the PJC campus, surgical technologist will utilize the ultra-modern hospital surgical suites on both campuses plus the Red River Valley Surgical Center as a training site. High school students are encouraged to consider these programs as a career choice as well as persons interested in changing careers will find either program challenging and rewarding. Ms. Putnam may be reached at the College at 782-0730. It is expected PJC will begin accepting applications for the program during Spring 2002.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**  
**Pattonville VFD Upcoming Events**

December	
10	Fire meeting, 7 p.m.
14	Dance, Concessions provided, 8 p.m.
15	Breakfast, \$4.00. AYCE, 7 to 10 a.m.
28	Dance, concession provided, 8 p.m.
31	Business meeting cancelled

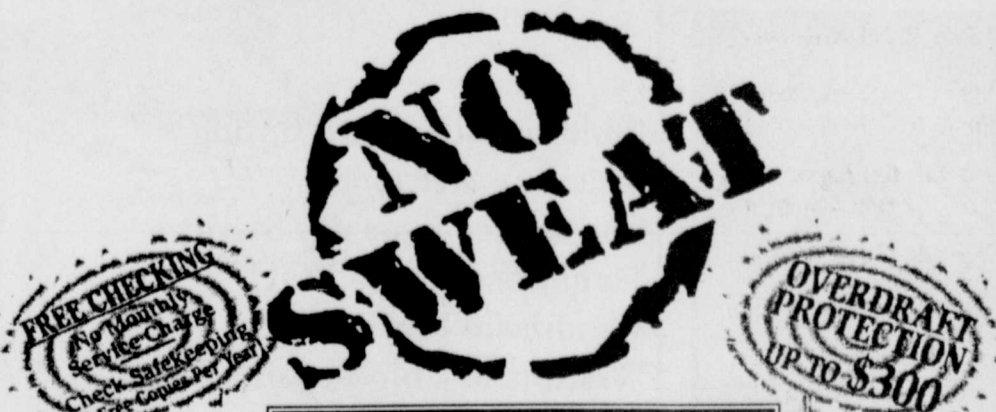
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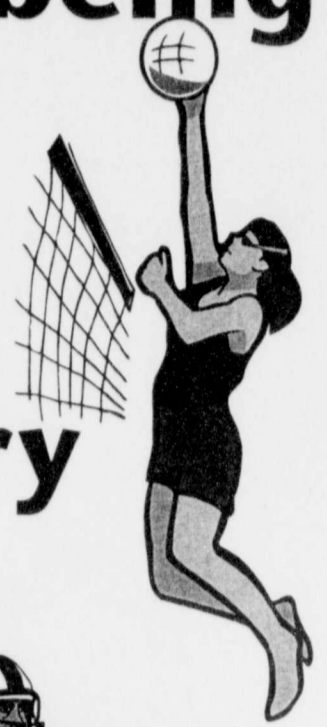
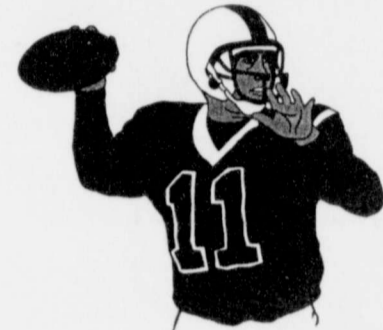
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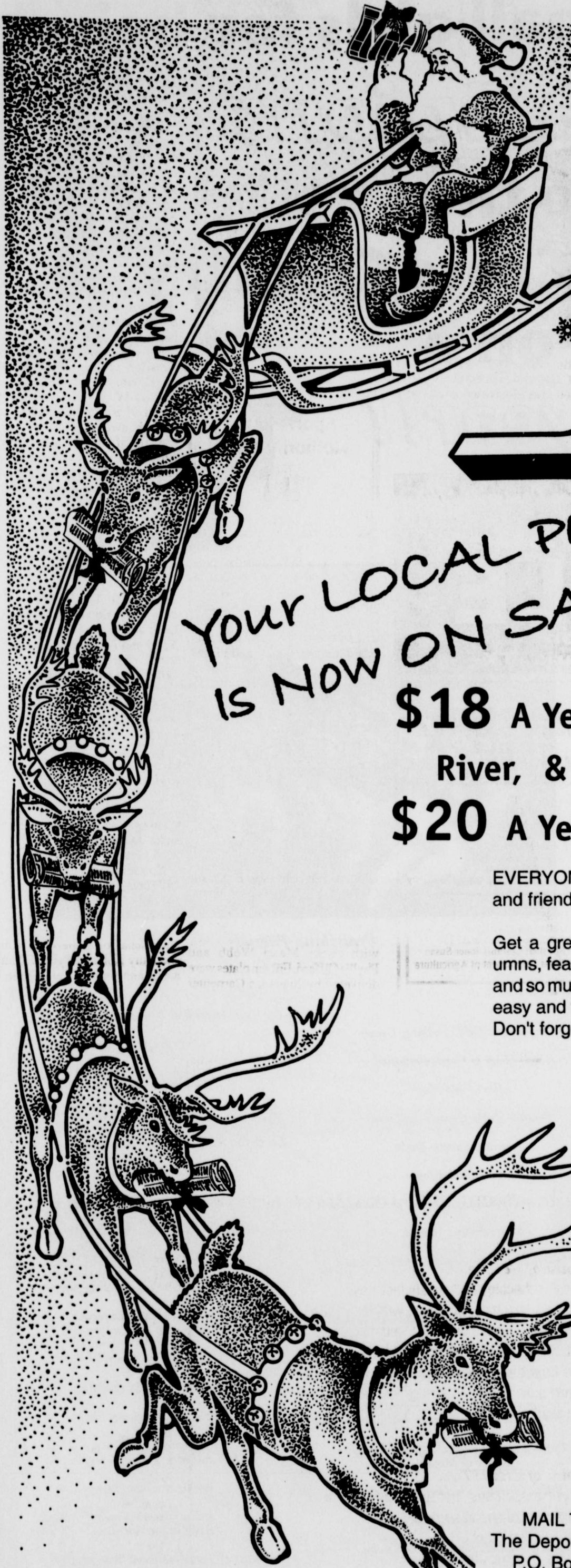
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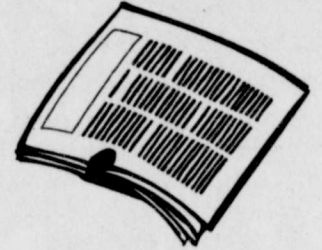
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## Milton News

By Mattylu Upchurch

Harvey and Jean Bell of Winnsboro and Bradley Hoyle and Mary Bell of San Antonio spent Thanksgiving Day with Elizabeth Bell.

Ann and Sheldon Lee returned home Monday after spending several days with their son, Trey Lee of Wichita, Ka. They helped him move into his new home.

Visiting Nell Shull over the weekend was her son Geary and wife Carol Shull and son Glyn from Shreveport, La., daughter Karen and Chuck Michie and children Caitlin, Nathan and Travis from Marble Falls, Tx.

Austin Watson of Denton spent Sunday to Tuesday with his grandparents John and Velma Temple. Colleen Watson and Hannah came Tuesday and he returned home with them.

John W. Harvey and Shirlee Benzi of Greenville, Thelma and Andy Krawczyk of Irving, Peggy Haravey of Carrollton, and Norma Nunley of Aubrey, visited with their aunts, Maattylu Upchurch and Mary Elaine Lawler and visited Morris Lawler in hospital Sunday.

Spending Thanksgiving Day with John and Velma Temple was, Tim Salter and Edna Towers of Paris.

Spending Thanksgiving Holidays with Mattylu Upchurch was Leah and Russell Schroeder, Jeff Todd and friend Mark of Grapevine, Michelle and Keith Wildermuth of Dea Moines, Ia., Tracy Upchurch, El Paso, Shaw Allen, Sheadon and Andrew of Albuquerque, N.M. Don and Steve Upchurch, Paris.

Jeff and Salen Bell and Aaron visited Velma and John Temple, Friday and Tabatha Purcella visited Saturday.

Susan and Phillip Roach spent Thanksgiving weekend with her sister Janet Jones and family of McKinney.

Spending the Thanksgiving Holidays and Thanksgiving Day with Dorothy and James Holt were Michael Wirta and Shelby Sanchez of San Antonio, Barbara Maurischat of Lone Oak, Chris and Amy Holt and Tyler, Johnny, Kathy and Rena Holt all of Milton.

### Wedding shower to honor Mrs. Jason Anderson this Sunday

A wedding shower honoring Mrs. Jason Anderson, nee Kelly Kae Gifford, will be held on Sunday, December 2nd from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church of Deport.

Kelly and Jason's wedding was moved from December 1st to November 10th because Jason had received overseas orders. He is now in Kuwait.

### School Menu

#### Deport Campus Menu Week of December 3 Monday

**Breakfast:**  
Cereal or white rice, toast  
Juice  
Milk  
**Lunch:**  
Hamburgers  
Shoestring potatoes  
Peaches  
Milk

**Tuesday**  
**Breakfast:**  
Breakfast pizza  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:**  
Chicken tetrazinni  
Salad  
Garlic bread  
Oranges  
Milk

**Wednesday**  
**Breakfast:**  
Pancakes, syrup, bacon  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:**  
Beef fingers  
Creamed potatoes  
Gravy  
Fried okra  
Rolls  
Milk

**Thursday**  
**Breakfast:**  
Biscuits, gravy, sausage  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:**  
Pizza with cheese topping  
Salad  
Peach cobbler  
Milk

**Friday**  
**Breakfast:**  
Cereal, oatmeal  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:**  
chili dogs with cheese  
Pork and beans  
Corn chips  
Pineapple chunks  
Milk

### Deport Housing Authority News



call Melba Ladd

A great kick-off to the holiday season was held Wednesday, Nov. 14 in the Community Room at the Glover units. Turkey, dressing and all the trimmings were prepared by Maud Webb and Phyllis Gifford and served to 30 seated tenants, board members, staff and guests. The tables were decorated with fall decor and colors. Mums were placed on the entrance porch and inside. Those attending were Eunice Sugg, Lucy Fowler, LaVerta Westbrook, Eunice Ervin, Evelyn Roach, Alpha Barnard, Mavis Sowards, Eulene Nicholas, Alma Scaff, Ruth Cheatham, Clara Stalls, Dorothy Mobley, Juaneve Carpenter, Estelle Chesshire, Mauna Kid, Hazel Relford, Betty Andrews, Frances Franklin, Willie Mae Speir, Irene and Lloyd Grogan, Venice Bryson, Patsie and Cecil Abel, Emilene Sturdevant, Juanita Primm, Irene Walker, Mabel Lynn, Gladys Reid, Beulah Shipp, Mary McKnight, along with cooks Maud Webb and Phyllis Gifford. Fifteen plates were delivered by Juaneve Carpenter to those who were unable to attend. Reports were positive to very good food and a good time for everyone.

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## Cunningham News

by Neva Jean Oats



### REWARD

A \$5000 cash reward is being offered for information that leads to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for burning down a hay barn located on the west side of FM 410 approximately 7 miles north of Detroit, TX. The arson occurred on or about Nov. 11, 2001. The reward will be paid after the person or persons responsible for this arson are convicted. Persons with information should call the **Red River Co. Sheriff's Department at 903-427-3838**

Congratulations to Marsha and Brandon Oats on the birth of their son, Billy Brayden Paul Oats, born November 21 in Titus County Hospital in Mt. Pleasant. He weighed 8 lbs. 15 oz. and was 20" long. He is the grandson of Billy Ray and Neva Oats, Jerri Howard and Danny Banister and is the great-grandson of Geneva Norwood and Georgia and Billie Joe Oats. He is the great-great-grandson of Marie Watson and Ruby Banister.

Teresa and Jamie Smith honored their son, Seth, with his first birthday party November 18. Helping him celebrate were Kelly Mowery, Ricky, Pam, Haley and Mattie Norwood, Canard and Delores Norwood, Frances Franklin, Jerry Don, Marlene, Randle, Miranda, Geanna and Dillon Smith, Sharon McEver, Betty and Michael Perkins, Michael, Jessica and Danci Smith and Josh Allen. Everyone enjoyed hamburgers, hot dogs, cake and ice cream.

Mendy Norwood Cole had surgery last week. We wish her a speedy recovery.

The Ladd family celebrated Thanksgiving at the Cunningham Community Center. Those attending were Taylor Ldd, Melba and Anna Baker, Johnny, Jamie, Jennifer and Landon Syrus, Bobby and Shelby Kennedy, Jeff, Cindy, Zak, Garrett, Taylor and Asa Kennedy, Heath, Missy, Laytner and Layker Kennedy, T.L., Carol, Brigette and Swede Ladd, Brittney and Bailey Gant, Steve and

Happy birthday to Crystal Davis and Vickie Davis.

Congratulations to the Prairiland Lady Patriots! Several in the community attended the

State Volleyball Tournament in San Marcos over the weekend. The Lady Patriots won the class 2A division. Lacy Davis represented Cunningham on the team. Lacy is the daughter of Clint Davis and Vicki Davis. She is the granddaughter of Roy and Skeeter Davis.

Sunday guests of Nelta and Johnie Musgrove were Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove, Shane and Zarinska Morton, Barbara and Barry Wisdom and Lynn and Betty Holeman. Alice McPherson spent Sunday night with them.

Jane Norwood, Amber Norwood, Layton Norwood and James and Pat Norwood attended the UPRA Rodeo Finals in Sulphur Springs over the weekend.

Sunday dinner guests of James and Pat Norwood were Mendy, Lacy and Kelby Cole.

The Sterling House had fall festival and family night Saturday.

Marie Watson's family attending were Geneva Norwood, Johnie and Nelta Musgrove, Dean and Ada Watson, Frankie and Julie Norwood and boys, Brad and Rachel Watson, Bruce Watson, Deana Blevins and family and Zarinska and Shane Morton.

Scotty Norwood had a successful coon hunt in Gainesville over the weekend. He and Treda shopped during the day and he hunted at night.

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

Pam and Larry O'Neal attended

an early Thanksgiving dinner in Winnsboro with her family Sunday.

Bobby, Shelby and Garrett Kennedy, Billy Ray and Neva Oats, Fran, Johnna and Jenna Patterson, Stoney Musgrove, Chance Bankhead, Vickie, Crystal and Jesse Davis, Skeeter Davis and Mendy, Lacy and Kelby Cole attended the State Volleyball Tournament in San Marcos. Toni, Brittney and Jacee Baker met Mendy and her family there.

Carolyn Ladd, Craig, Meredith and Chandler Ladd, Shelly and John Landers, Fay Richardson and Scooter Bills.

The Marie Watson family celebrated Thanksgiving at the Musgrove Countryside Store. Those attending were Marie, Dean and Ada Watson, Geneva Norwood, Nelta and Johnny Musgrove, Billy Ray and Neva Oats, Brandon Oats, Kaylee Lane, Brad and Georjeana Nutt, Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Scotty, Treda, Amber and Spur Norwood, Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove, Shane and Zarinska Morton, Brad, Rachel, Bradlee and Brett Watson, Deana and Reese Blevins and his children, Dillon Gibson, Brooklyn Legate and Billie Joe and Georgia Oats.

Cindy and Charle Nichols were hosts for the Norwood Thanksgiving dinner Thursday. Those attending were Darold, Ida Mae and Shelia Norwood, James and Pat Norwood, Rodney, Robin, Hannah, Hunter, Erika and Jase Norwood, Tracy Norwood, Lacy Cole, Teresa and Seth Smith, Dameon and Courtney White, John, Erika, Torrie and Chance White and Robert, Ruth Ann and Melissa Dye. Geneva, Neva, Billy Ray, Brandon and Amber visited

in the afternoon. John and his family spent the weekend with Cindy and Charles. Friday night they ate at TaMolly's.

Canard and Delores Norwood had an early Thanksgiving dinner at their house November 17. Those

attending were Frances Franklin, Ricky, Pam, Haley and Mattie Norwood, Jamie, Teresa and Seth Smith and Kelly Mowery.

Billie and Leonard Ford had all of their children home for Thanksgiving. Thomas King also joined them. Billie visited Shirlene Owens in Rosalie Sunday. Shirlene had surgery in Dallas. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood with Jamie, Johnny, Jennifer and Landon Syrus went to Roxton to have Thanksgiving dinner with Mike and Joan Stribbling.

Brad and Georjeana Nutt had Thanksgiving dinner with Ronnie and Raylene Nutt.

Treda, Scotty, Amber and Spur Norwood and Linda, Stacy, Stoney and Charity Musgrove had Thanksgiving with Ross and Laura Miller Thursday night.

Nelta Musgrove, Geneva Norwood, Julie Norwood and Zarinska Morton shopped in Frisco Friday.

Sunday guests of Johnny and Nelta Musgrove were Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove, Shane and Zarinska Morton, Barry Wisdom and Lynn and Betty Holeman.

Geneva Norwood had all of her family and her new great-grandson, Brayden Oats for dinner Sunday.

Brandon, Marsha and Brayden Oats and Kaylee Lane spent the night with Billy Ray and Neva Oats Saturday.

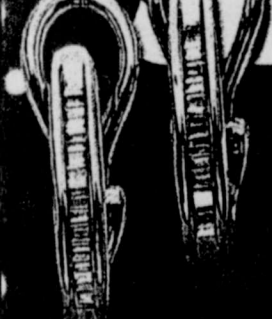
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- 99 Chevy Cavalier
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- 99 Pontiac Grand Prix
- 99 Ford Escort
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- 99 Ford Taurus
- 00 Chevy Impala
- 00 Buick LeSabre
- 00 Pontiac Grand Am
- 00 Ford Taurus
- 00 Chevy Metro
- 01 Buick Century
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- 01 Pontiac Grand Am
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- 96 Chevy 1500 TX/OK
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- 97 Ford Windstar
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- 98 Chevy Venture
- 98 Chevy S10 X Cab
- 98 Ford Windstar
- 98 Ford F150 TX/OK
- 99 Dodge Durango
- 99 Chevy Suburban
- 99 Chevy C1500 X Cab LS
- 99 Chevy S10 Reg Cab
- 99 Dodge 2500 Diesel
- 99 Chevy 2500 X Cab 4x4
- 00 Chevy 3500 Crew Cab
- 00 Chevy 1500 X Cab 271
- 00 Chevy C1500 X Cab
- 00 Chevy S10 Extreme
- 00 Nissan Pathfinder
- 00 Olds Bravada
- 00 Jeep Wrangler Sport
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**Public Notices**

PUBLIC NOTICE  
ORDINANCE NO. 01-27  
An ordinance prohibiting the keeping of wild animals inside the City of Bogata and its extra territorial jurisdiction, making the offense a Class C Misdemeanor, and calling for a fine of up to \$500, and an effective date of December 1, 2001.  
11-25

ports. Call 903-674-6131 for further information. Bids are due December 7, 2001. Send to Detroit I.S.D., Curtis B. Barnett, Van Bid. Rt. 1, Box 370, Detroit, TX 75436.  
12-6

PUBLIC NOTICE  
The City of Detroit is accepting resumes for the position of City Secretary. Must have a high school diploma, computer knowledge, experience required in double entry bookkeeping, water/sewer utility billing a plus. 30+ hrs. a week. Deadline for applications is Friday, December 7, 2001.  
12-6

INVITATION FOR BIDS  
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FOR SALE: 3BR, 1B brick home on hurricane fenced lot at 303 2nd S.W. in Bogata. Carport and storage room plus 12x16 storage shed. 903-632-4008. *MA 12-6*

HOUSE FOR RENT IN BOGATA: 2BR, 1B, 226 S. Sulphur, available December 1. 903-632-4543. *MA 12-13*

NOW SELLING Mary Kay Cosmetics in Bogata. Call Janice Brown, 903-632-4544. *MA 12-5*

BABYSITTING in my home. FM909 E of Bogata. Monday-Friday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call Shawna Earley, 632-0400. *MA 11-29*

NEED HOME REPAIRS? Will do general repairs from painting to plumbing. All types of general repairs. Over 10 years experience, have references. Call 903-652-5602, ask for Travis. *MA 12-6*

BACKROOM FLORAL DESIGN: Plants, funeral and wedding flowers. 903-632-2003 or Touch of Country, Mt. Vernon, 903-537-2042, next door to Sonic, come by and visit. *MA tjc*

HOUSE FOR RENT: 4BR, 1 1/2 B home located at Rugby on Hwy. 271 between Deport & Bogata. First and last months rent up front. 903-632-5248. *MA 12-13*

NEED HOME REPAIRS? Will do general repairs from painting to plumbing. All types of general repairs. Over 10 years experience, have references. Call 903-652-5602, ask for Travis. *MA 12-6*

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FOR SALE: 2BR, 2B, 14x60 recently renovated mobile home to be moved. Includes refrigerator, stove/oven combo and sofa. \$5,500 OBO. 903-632-0947. *MA 12-13*

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FOR SALE: 300 gallon diesel fuel tank with stand. 903-652-5823 or 652-4205. *MA tjc*

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MATTRESS SALE: Twin set, \$19 down; full, \$29 down; queen, \$39 down; king, \$49 down. Instant credit, no interest or finance charges and free delivery. Save-More Furniture, 1806 W. Main, Clarksville, TX. M-F, 9-6; Sat, 9-5. *MA tjc*

Livestock & Ag Supplies  
HAPPY JACK SKIN BALM: Relieves hot spots & scratching. Promotes healing & hair growth on dogs & cats without steroids. Available at Buckman Drug, 125 N. Main, Bogata, TX. *tjc*

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FOR SALE: Priefert headgate with auto catch. 903-784-4450 after 5 p.m. *tn/nc*

TWO FAMILY YARD SALE: Clothes, Home Interior, misc., books. 148 Depot St., across from cotton gin in Deport. Friday, Nov. 30, 8 to 4; Saturday, Dec. 1, 7:30 until 11. *11-29*

FOR SALE: Counter tops, sizes range from 18" to 5". Many colors. Nothing over \$20. 652-9986. *nc*

FEED: For all your feed needs, call Stanley Store in Hagansport. Special X feeds in sack or bulk. Delivery available. 903-632-0956. *MA 12-13*

CHRISTMAS AUCTION: Tuesday, December 4, Stanley Store, Hagansport. Used items, farm to household, special Christmas auction, new toys, decorative items, glassware & more. Come enjoy the fun, door prizes. *MA 11-29*

FOR SALE or who needs 1 pr. dress boots w/2 1/2" heels, plus 5 or 6 prs. of dress shoes in size 7 1/2 AA & narrow. Joyce, Selby Life Stride, all like new, heels to high. *MA 12-6*

FOR SALE: Beautiful afghans, bed sized, small, large, lots of other good stuff. Call 903-632-5774. *MA 12-6*

HUGE SADDLE & TACK AUCTION December 9, 1 p.m. in Hagansport. Over 30 saddles, large amount of tack. Just in time for Christmas. 903-632-0956 for info. *MA 12-13*

TEXAS TREASURES: Usables, home stuff, tools & collectibles. 2320 S. Church, Paris. *MA 11-29*

OLDER small SEARS welder, Victor torch & gauges, computer desk, Polar 400 auto. 4wd, 4-wheeler, sell for parts or could be fixed. House for sale, 3BR, 2B freshly painted, new roof, 1/2 mile past corner store on 909 (Cuthand). 632-0400. *MA 12-13*

GARAGE SALE: Nov. 29-30 Dec. 1. 8 a.m. until ?? Theford Homes, Apt.#19, off 909, Bogata. *11-29*

FOR SALE: Sears side-by-side refrigerator, \$65; washer, \$50; and dryer, \$40. 903-632-4447. *MA 12-6*

ANYONE HAVING knowledge of the whereabouts of r. James Salter, please call 903-632-5872. *MA 12-13*

GARAGE SALE: Saturday, Dec. 1. 165 Depot St., Deport. *11-29*

**Real Estate**  
FOR SALE: Meadowbrook Gardens Cemetery, Lot 90, Section F, spaces 3 and 4. Both lots for \$500.00. 903-652-6052. *tjcnc*

HOUSE FOR SALE: 2 bedroom, 3 bath frame w/carport on 1 acre, approximately 10 miles southwest of Clarksville off SH37, fireplace w/insert, central H/A/C, all electric, has been piped for LPG, large recreation room, covered front porch, screen porch & nice wood deck, 12x12 frame storage building & smaller metal storage building, \$50,000. James Vaughan, Jr., 903-427-3858 or Garry Davis, 903-737-5428. *MA tjc*

GARAGE SALE: Saturday, Dec. 1. 165 Depot St., Deport. *11-29*

FOR SALE: 2BR house, 2B, large living area, den, dining room. 720 S.W. 5th St., Bogata. Double carport, storage room, fenced backyard. \$19,900. 903-632-5394. *MA 11-29*

ROZELL TREE SERVICE: Tree trimming/removal, 70' bucket, stumps ground. Free estimates. Insured \$2 million. David, Neil & Russell Rozell, 903-632-5617. *MA tjc*

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RENT TO OWN: Home in Bogata, 2BR. Call 972-606-0750 after 7p.m. for more details. *MA tjc*

ROADRUNNER SELF STORAGE: Call Neil Rozell, 903-632-5752. Now 3 locations to serve you! A size to meet your needs. *MA tjc*

CHARLIE'S HOME REPAIRS: Small job specialist and trim carpentry, all types of wood fencing, 30 years experience. 903-784-3737. Pager 903-783-8608. *MA tjc*

NEED TO SETTLE ESTATE: House, 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, on large lot, 1 3/4 acres, 312 N. Hudson St., Bogata, TX 75417. Call A.D. Stephenson, 903-632-5999. *MA tjc*

TRI-COUNTY CONTRACTORS: 20 years experience in carpentry, painting, roofing and other types of contract work. Owners Terry & Josh Brown, 903-652-9805, home; 249-3456 or 249-3457 mobiles. *MA tjc*

JACK'S TREE SERVICE: Insured with reasonable rates, trees trimmed or removed. Brush clean-up and stump grinding. Edna & Jack Tucker, Detroit, TX. Home 903-674-4945, mobile 903-491-8321. *MA tjc*

FOR SALE: 25 acres, 3 miles east of Deport on FM410. Road frontage, 903-784-2870 or 982-5270. *MA 11-15*

FOR SALE: 1998 Fleetwood mobile home, 16x80, 3BR, 2B vinyl siding, composite roof, CH/CA & more. 903-379-5221. *MA 11-29*

LOST-Gray & white Cockateil, family pet. \$50 reward for return. Please call 903-379-4121 or 379-3231. *nc*

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BARNWELL CONSTRUCTION: All types of dirt work. Backhoe, dozer, dumptruck. Donnie Barnwell, owner-operator. 903-563-2389 days; 903-632-4544 nights. *MA 12-5*

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**Letters to Editor**

**Letter to the Editor:**  
As published in the Paris News dated Friday, November 23, the Cap Rock merger hasn't been completed yet and Smith said he doesn't want to quit with the task unfinished. Does that mean the merger is not a done deal, as some would have us believe?

The by-laws were revised when the LEC Board wanted to clean up the by-laws by removing misspelled words and grammar punctuation errors as stated by Smith, LEC Board of Director in District 4. In order to correct these errors, was it really necessary to give the Board of Directors the power to change the by-laws to require 1/3 of its members, instead of 10% of its members as required by previous by-laws, for a member to bring charges against a board member, and at all general meetings of members, either annual or special, a member may vote by proxy unless the board of Directors, at its discretion, determines that voting by proxy will not be allowed at any such meeting. If proxies

are allowed, all proxies must be filed for certification with the secretary no later than two (2) days before the designated meeting in order for the proxy to be valid at such meeting. How can this possibly be in the best interest of LEC members? If it takes a big boy to clean up the by-laws in this fashion, then thank the Lord for small people.  
W.P. Mitchell

**A-B Honor Role additions**

Katrina Skeen and Jason Thomas' names were left off of the A-B honor Role last week for Deport Campus.  
This was due to the paper's error, entirely.



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**Three announce candidacy for Lamar Electric Board**

Members of Lamar Electric Co-op:

I would like to know how a merger with a stock company is better for Lamar Electric Co-op members than remaining as a non-profit co-op.

How many Lamar Electric Co-op members voted for the merger with Cap Rock?

What will be the final merger agreement?

What is the management agreement between Lamar Electric Co-op and Cap Rock Electric costing the LEC membership?  
Under the Cap Rock management agreement, are we receiving more or less for our money?

How many directors on the board of Lamar Electric Co-op are now serving past their 3 year elected term of office?

Is it legal for the Board of Directors for Lamar Electric Co-op to serve past their 3 year elected term in office without being re-elected by the members of Lamar Electric Co-op?

How can the LEC Board of Directors remain as directors after their 3 year term has expired? Is it possible for the board to re-elect themselves?

Are the Lamar Electric Co-op Board of Directors trying to circumvent the by-laws and not have an election to assure their agenda?

There are approximately 150 members of Lamar Electric Co-op in District 4 that does not understand what is happening to their co-op.

My name is Billy Bratton. I am a candidate in District 4 for board of Directors of Lamar Electric Co-op.

I ask for your vote and if elected, I will do my best to find answers to problems that plague our co-op.  
Billy F. Bratton

My name is Allen Jumper and I am running for the Lamar Electric Co-op Board of Directors, District 2.

I am in the ranching business and realize how important it is to have a co-op run by the members it serves.

A vote for me will be a vote to return the Co-op back to its members.

If elected, the doors to the co-op will always be open to its members. I will represent all the members to the best of my ability.  
Allen Jumper

I am James W. Smith, Jr. and am running for election to the Lamar Electric Co-op Board of Directors for District 3.

I am a professor at Texas A&M University, involved in research and teaching since 1970 and am a rancher. I am currently a Wildlife Consultant and Real Estate broker for recreational and income producing properties and am a member of the Texas Nature Conservancy and Ducks Unlimited.

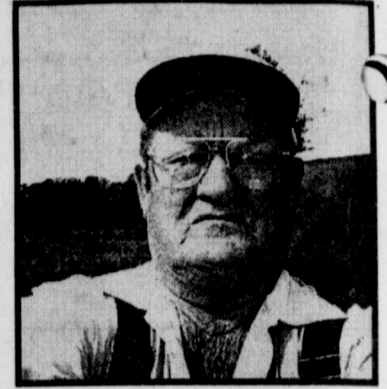
My wife, Roberta H. Smith, and I live in Clarksville. We have two children, Will Smith and Cristine Smith-Morgan.

If elected, I will listen to the views of the membership and voice their views to Lamar Electric Co-Op Board of Directors. I will strive to assist Lamar Electric run an efficient enterprise that is responsive to the membership.

My wife and I recently became permanent residents of Red River County residing on a ranch approximately 16 miles north of Clarksville. Our pending retirement will allow more time for involvement in public service and Lamar Electric is a good place to start.  
James W. Smith, Jr.



James W. Smith, Jr.



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<b>CHARMIN TISSUE PAPER</b> 16 Double Roll Pk. \$8.99	<b>PRINGLES CHIPS</b> ALL KINDS 5 3/4 Oz. 99¢	<b>OAK FARMS ICE CREAM</b> 1/2 Gal. All Flavors \$2.99	<b>NABISCO RITZ CRACKERS</b> 1 Lb. \$2.29	<b>JIF PEANUT BUTTER</b> Creamy & Crunchy 18 Oz. \$1.69	<b>PARADE BUTTERMILK BISCUITS</b> 4/\$1	<b>DEL MONTE CHOPPED SPINACH</b> 14 Oz. \$1.99	<b>WHOLE LEAF SPINACH</b> 14 Oz. \$1.99
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