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It Must Be Nice

I know there are lots and lots of people out there in the big wide world who are just getting through their work days the easiest way possible. I know there are lots of people who don't care about the quality of their work. We've all run in to them in the service industry, and just about everywhere else, too.

I know there are many of who don't even feel like they owe their employer an honest day's work for their pay.

We've all been irritated by those people who obviously don't want to be where they are, doing what they do.

But, I do think we ran into one that really takes the cake the other day.

The phone rang, and I heard that peculiar, all-too-identifiable sound on the line that let me know I was in for a spiel from a telemarketer.

"Hello" this chirpy, pleasant little voice said. "May I speak to someone about updating our media list?"

"Ah," I thought to myself. "Not a sales call after all."

I informed this young woman that I could help her with her media list updates.

Now, I'll admit that this can be confusing. With five papers I can often save the person making the calls a lot of time by telling him/her up front which papers we publish.

This young woman, unfortunately, didn't get the picture very quickly. She just couldn't seem to grasp the idea that one call could do it all, and that we have five papers.

Finally, she did get that picture.

She asked "what is your e-mail address?"

Now, we don't just throw our e-mail address out for the world. We're happy to let our readers have it, and people sending ads or stories. But we don't need hundreds of soliciting e-mails tying us up.

So, I asked what I thought was a fairly simple question. "Who are you with?" I queried.

"McDire and McDire" (not the real name) she replied promptly.

Then, I asked my second simple (I thought) question. "What does your company do?"

There was a long pause on the other end of the line.

"Uh, what do you mean" she asked me.

"What does your company do?" I repeated. "You know, what kind of business is McDire and McDire?"

I am hereby reporting what her answer was, exactly. Then I'm closing out to let you ponder the answer just as I did.

"Well, I'm kind of new here and I don't KNOW what kind of business the company is" she chirped.

End of column, you think about it. Kind of scary, isn't it!

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Community Easter Service set for Palm Sunday

The Community Easter Service will be held on Palm Sunday this year. It will be at the First Presbyterian Church, Deport this Sunday, March 24th at 6:00 p.m.

A love offering will be received for our ministry fund. Everyone is invited to attend.

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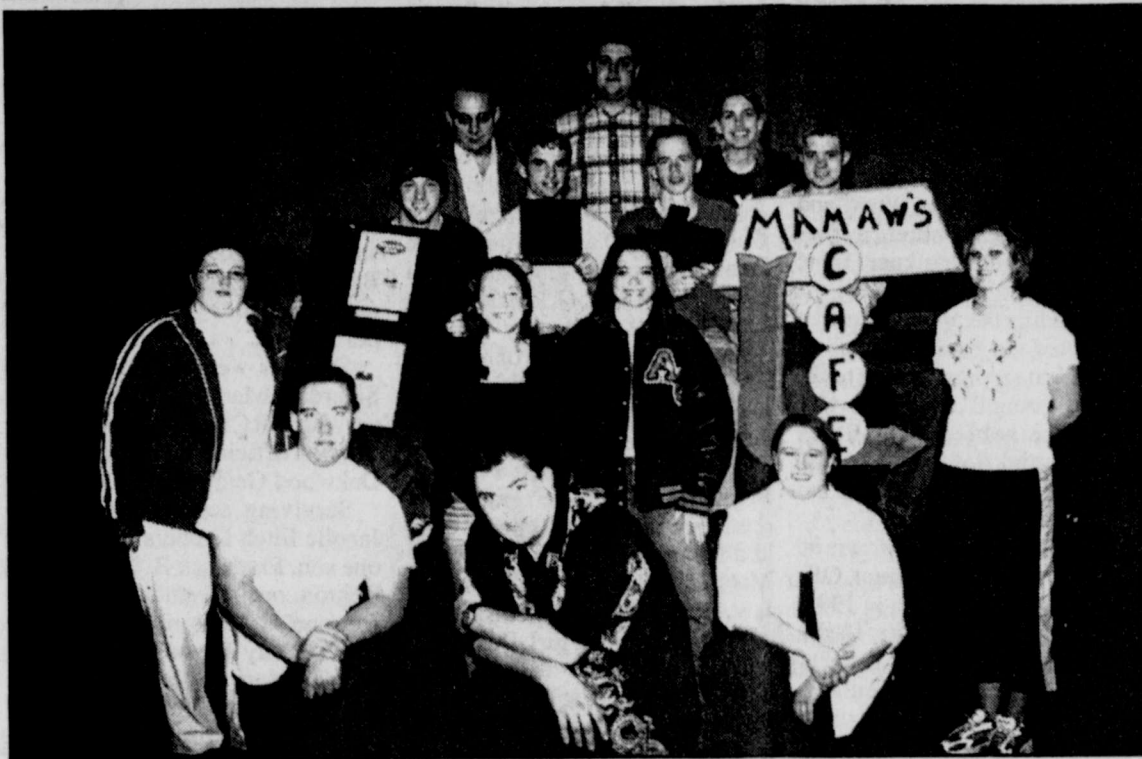
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WINNING CAST - These members of the Paris Junior College Theater Department won the state's top acting award at the Texas Community College Speech and Theater Association festival. The cast included, front row: Dustin Fudge, Dalen Hobbs, Sarah Labordus. Second row: Misty Brantley, Sheena Pepler, Keri Bradley, Tara Simmons. Third row: Daniel (D.B.) Bolton, Josh Howells, A.J. Tucker, Quinten Bell. Back: Instructor John Wright, Blake Hamman, Romelle Crutcher.

Cast wins State with "Mamaw's Cafe"

The Paris Junior College Theater Department swept the competition at the Texas Community College Speech and Theater Association State Play Festival at Angelina College in Lufkin.

"Mamaw's Cafe", an original script written by Deport native David Cannon and adapted and directed by PJC drama instructor John Presley Wright, captured a superior rating from the judges and won the top award for acting. The play is based on Mr. Cannon's childhood. He now resides in Dallas.

Festival judge Ms. Maureen McIntyre, Professor of Theater at Sam Houston State University, awarded the Bill Morton Acting Challenge Award to the entire PJC cast. Although the Bill Morton Award is usually given to an individual, Ms. McIntyre commented: "Instead of giving the full 17-member cast individual acting awards, it should receive the top acting award as an ensemble cast... for creating a true and realistic community based on living persons."

PJC was competing against 15 other colleges at the state play festival, but that didn't seem to

bother the "Mamaw's Cafe" cast, according to Wright.

"They just went out and gave the performance of their lives, leaving no doubt that they are the best in the state," he said. "I'm proud of them, and they should be proud of the way they represented the college."

The cast included Blake Hamman of El Campo, Keri Bradley of Bogata, Jerry Biggs, guest artist from Klondike; A.J. Tucker of Big Sandy, Quinten Bell and Robyn Huizinga of Paris, Dustin Eastwood of Boswell, OK, Paige Wolf of Clarksville, Josh Howells of Archer City, Sheena Pepler and Dalen Hobbs of Paris, Romelle Crutcher of Cooper, Matt Allen of Paris, Misty Brantley of Bailey, Daniel (D.B.) Bolton of Paris, Courtney Caraway, community cast member from Paris; Tara Simmons of Paris, and Sara Labordus of Hawkins.

Howells, Bradley, Hamman and Tucker each received a special award for Acting Excellence from the judges.

In addition to the acting awards, the cast received a number of Judge's Choice Awards for

work done on and behind the scenes. Hamman received a superior award in sound design. Crutcher and Wolfe received an award of excellence for properties design, and Brantley, Dustin Fudge of Cooper, Labordus and Tucker earned an award of excellence for set construction.

Eastwood and Pepler received an award of excellence in costume design, and Brantley was recognized with an excellence award in set design.

Directors of the festival gave Brantley and Queeny Jamin of Blossom a superior award in set design. Hamman won a superior award in sound design; Huizinga and Simmons received a superior award for makeup; Wolf and Labordus were given excellence awards for their assistance in directing, and Pepler won an excellence award for costume design.

At the conclusion of the festival, the Texas Community College Speech and Theater Association presented Ray Karrer, the recently retired chairman of the PJC Fine Arts Division, with a "Lifetime Service Award".

Ballard hired to teach Ag for remainder of year

The Prairiland ISD Board met in regular session March 18 with members Perry, Basinger, Sessums, Ray, Day, and Bankhead present. Patterson was absent.

Clyde Bankhead called the meeting to order.

In new business, no action was taken to approve vehicle/building/liability insurance.

The Textbook Adoption for 2002-2003 was approved unanimously and Curriculum Matters were also approved.

No action was taken to approve

the use of facilities for Northeast Texas Basketball Association.

In Executive Session, the board approved the contracts to teacher, coaches, library and school nurse. No action was taken to approve the elementary and junior high principal.

Max Ballard was hired for the Ag Teacher for the remainder of the year and Mrs. Richey's letter of resignation was accepted.

Principal training, open for one application per campus was approved before the Board adjourned.

Easter Egg hunt is March 30

The Deport American Legion and Deport merchants will be hosting the 20th annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 30 at 11 a.m. at the American Legion Park.

There will be four age groups: infants to 2; 3 to 4; 5 to 7; and 8 to 10.

There will be lots of prizes and

fun and the Easter Bunny will make a special appearance.

The Park is located at the north end of Main Street in downtown Deport.

Everyone is invited to come and bring a friend.



ProGrad to hold concert

A concert sponsored by Prairiland Project Graduation will be held this Friday night, March 22nd at the fairgrounds in Paris from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. The performing band will be the Stoney Creek Band featuring Stacy Musgrove. Tickets are \$5.00 at the door.

A concession stand will be available with barbecue, chips, cold drinks and an assortment of other items. Go out and support this worthwhile event.

PEOPLE 'N THINGS

There will be a public meeting on April 11 in the Prairiland High School gymnasium to discuss and answer any questions about the bond issue. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to be present.

Association to meet

The annual meeting of the Shady Grove Cemetery Association will be held Sunday, April 7 at 2:30 p.m. at the Shady Grove Methodist Church.

Anyone interested in the Cemetery is invited and urged to attend this meeting.

Red River Valley Dixie Girls Softball Association is searching for girls to form a 16-18 year old team for the league from Avery, Bogata, Blossom, Clarksville, Deport, Deport and Talco.

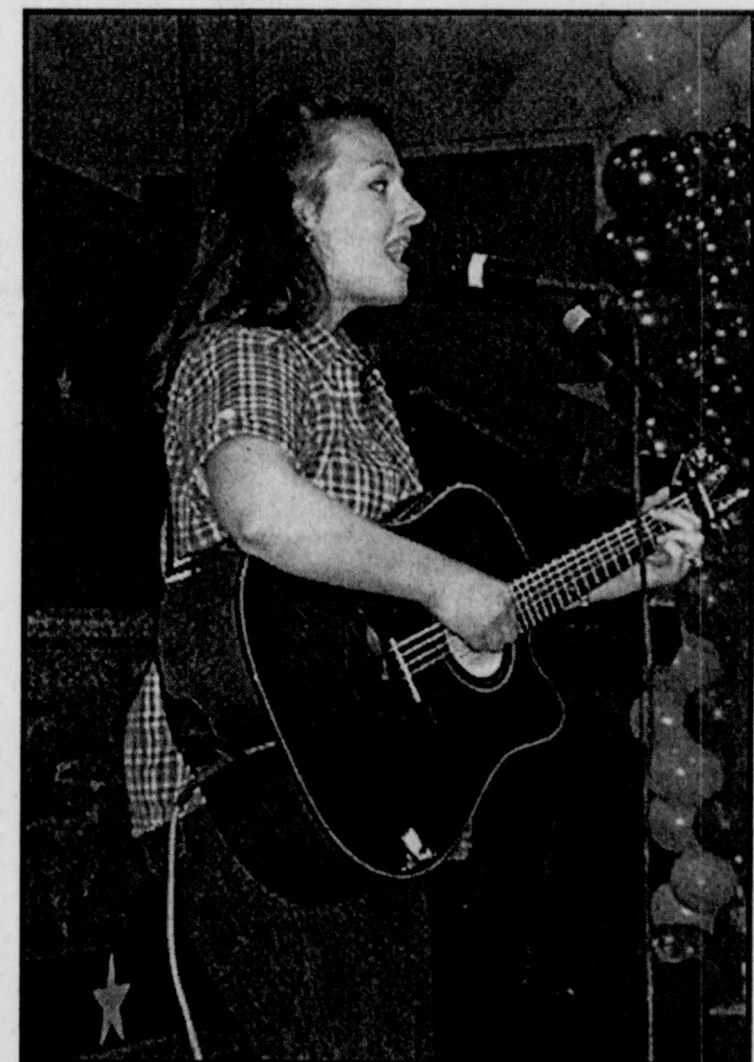
Any girls interested in playing are urged to contact John Carlisle, coach for the team at 903-632-0572.

Editor's Quotes

Some defeats are only installments of victory



ACCIDENT-at 6:00 a.m. last Thursday, March 14 resulted in two people being injured and two vehicles being totaled. The accident occurred at the intersection of Hwy. 271 & FM 1503 in Deport. A 1988 Blazer driven by Jessica Hutchings of Deport and a 1985 Buick Century slammed into one another. Martin Hernandez of Mt. Pleasant was the driver of the Century and Hutchings was in the Blazer. Deport VFD rendered aide and both were taken to Paris Hospitals. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



"Right Before My Eyes" written and performed by LaDonna Davis was a big hit with the crowd Saturday night at the Prairiland scholarship fund raiser. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



YOUNG BIDDERS-Jack Kraft makes a bid during the silent auction at the Prairiland Academic Trust Foundation Fund Raiser while his brother Trey Kraft watches. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

Free screenings planned

Christus St. Joseph's Health System will team with the American Diabetes Association in observing "Diabetes Alert Day" with a free blood sugar screening, foot sensation check, and circulation screening.

The free screenings, conducted by the Christus St. Joseph's Chronic Disease Management Department and the Wound Care Center, will be held Tuesday,

March 26, at both Christus St. Joseph's Medical Center South and Christus St. Joseph's North. Screenings on the South Campus will be held from noon until 2 p.m. and on the North Campus from 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. Screenings will be held in the main lobbies at each location, and everyone is invited to participate. It is not necessary to fast prior to having the blood sugar test.

Country Cooking
By Liz Irwin



Our cook this week comes to us from Johtown. She is Robbie Jean Cooper McLaughlin. If you notice the picture that goes with the article might not be recent.....well, you are right! It came from the 1947 Trojan Yearbook from Talco. Robbie was as 1947 graduate and this particular class will be honored at this year's Talco Homecoming on April 27th. So this is a perfect opportunity to invite everyone out for this year's event and thank Robbie for the use of her photo.

Now, down to business, Robbie enjoys cooking, canning and freezing her own vegetables and gardening. She has three sons, Ron who lives in Cooper, Randy, who lives in Gilmer and Keith, who lives in Clarksville. She was married to the late Morris Cooper. They lived in Dallas for 17 years before coming to the Bogata area. She is a member of the Clarksville Church of Christ.

Thank you Robbie, once again,

for sharing your recipes with us and we will see you in the kitchen!!!!!!

CHICKEN TAMALES CASSE-ROLE-this recipe uses frozen tamales as the base layer and the other ingredients are added on top and baked and also freezes well!

REFRIGERATOR ROLLS-great roll recipe!

PASTRY FOR DOUBLE-CRUST PIE-can never have too many pie crust recipes! If one won't work, maybe another will!

PASTRY FOR FRIED PIES-takes a little time to make these, but is well worth it!

PECAN PIE-she adds the hint that if you pie is baking too quickly or browning too quickly, you can make a tent over it with aluminum foil!

CINNAMON RED HOT APPLES-great snack for the cool evenings!

BUTTERMILK POUND CAKE-this moist, delicious cake is great anytime!



Robbie McLaughlin

Mrs. Lofton Brown dies March 6

Mrs. Lofton "Dixie" Brown, 92, of Woodland, died Wednesday, March 6, 2002 in Christus St. Joseph's Hospital South.

Services were held Friday, March 8 in the chapel of Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home with the Rev. Lee Everett and the Rev. Richard Gilmer officiating. Dr. Florence White was the eulogist.

Burial was in Woodland Cemetery.

Mrs. Brown was born August 10, 1909 in Blossom to Dan Starnes and Dixie Hancock Starnes, pioneer educators. She grew up in Walnut Ridge, Texas. Dixie was a homemaker and continued the operation of the L.B. Brown Ranch and Alfalfa Meadows until her death. She was a devoted member of the Woodland United Methodist Church, a charter member of the Faulkner Home Demonstration and held every office, including the presidency. She represented the Faulkner Club as their delegate representative to the W.H.D. Council meetings. She enjoyed the hobbies of quilting, gardening and flower gardening. She enjoyed the study and research of nutrition.

She married Lofton Brown on December 23, 1934 in Hugo, OK. He preceded her in death in 1992.

Surviving are two sons, Harlin Brown and wife Janice and Dr. Ralph L. Brown, all of Woodland; grandchildren, Beth Brown Gilmer, Brandon Brown, Mahona Brown Streety and Genia Landers; one great-grandchild, Nancy Gilmer; a sister-in-law, Mrs. Madell Fogleman; and a daughter-in-law, Betty Brown Landers; nieces, Joan Carlisle of Dallas, Ann Ford, Delma Vaughan, Myra Sheppard and Tommie Fodge, all of Paris, Edna Maddox of Blossom and Kathryn Parker of Sherman; nephews, Donnie Clay LaRue and Gary Nowel of Paris and many friends as well as devoted caregivers in the family for the past four year including Glenda Graves Coble, Dawn Hargan and Bertha Hargan.

Serving as bearers were Roy Chadwick, Mike Johnson, Charles England, Benton Moss, Jimmy Fodge, Clarence Graves and Jerry and Maurice Goolsby.

Those wishing to make a memorial contribution may direct them to the Woodland United Methodist Church, % Edna Maddox, Rt. 1, Box 147-A, Blossom, TX 75416 or the Woodland Cemetery Association, % Jamie Carter, Rt. 2, Box 314, Detroit, TX 75436.

Card of Thanks

We would like to express our undying gratitude for the support and love extended to our family due to the recent loss of our beloved Larry Dean Salter. While this sudden loss has created a tremendous void in each of our lives, the many wonderful expressions of compassion extended to us by our family, our Prairiland ISD school family, our friends, and our community have touched our hearts greatly and filled us with a secure sense of hope for the future.

We wish to thank the Paris Police Department, the emergency response teams, and the medical staff of Christus St. Joseph's Hospital South for their diligent efforts and assistance. To Ben Holland, Phillip and Lana Prichard, and the entire staff of Bright-Holland Funeral Home, your professional expertise and genuine care made a most difficult time easier to endure. To James Morton, Buddy Freeman and our Prairiland ISD family, your determination to meet our every need will forever remain as precious and cherished memories for which we shall always be grateful. The words of Dr. L.C. Stout not only lifted our heavy hearts, but provided each of us with the resolve to live our lives to that higher standard which Larry established for himself.

As the days continue and we begin our lives without Larry Dean, we will be blessed forever by these wonderful gifts of love and compassion that we have received.

May joy and peace be with you always,
The Family of
Larry Dean Salter

Card of Thanks

I would like to thank everyone for their calls, cards, prayers, visits and food during my recent illness. Special thanks to Bro. Rick Holeman and my church family. May God bless you,
Loyce Huddleston



Dorothy Hancock-Perry

Dorothy Hancock-Perry dies March 12

On March 12, 2002, our friend and sister followed the light to be with Jesus, her parents and brothers who have passed before. Born August 1, 1919 in Rugby, the daughter of Jeff and Hattie Griffin Hancock. Dorothy graduated from Bogata High School, later to marry Gerald Perry on January 4, 1942. They spent many years of military life, settling in Lubbock. Surviving are her husband of Lubbock; a daughter, Rose Moon of Sedona, AZ; and a son, Robert Perry of Fredricksburg; three grandchildren; three sisters, Mildred Bybee and Helon Latimer of Ft. Worth; Murl Jean Hawks and a sister-in-law, Billie Hancock of Bogata.

As a very young girl, Dorothy's great talent began with making doll clothes and sewing dresses for her sisters. She could make a doll look like a princess. As the years passed, making quilts became her hobby. When she was making one quilt, she was dreaming of another. She became a member of the Lubbock Quilting Gill (The Thursday Quilters), where she quickly made some of her best friends. She was a superb and talented artist and crafts person, a gifted and accomplished quilter. She was asked by a press reporter, "How many quilts do you expect to make?" She replied, "I guess when I can cover a football field," and that is probably what she accomplished. Even when she became ill, she continued to quilt with the help of her husband and a step-niece, Diann Grayson, whom she called her Bonus Niece. There became a very loving relationship between them. She would stay at her side as much as possible to comfort her. She has a way of making the bad times, better times. Dorothy was an expert. A flawless expert. She was admired. She was loved by all who knew her.

On Friday, March 15, Dorothy was laid to rest at Resthaven Memorial Park in Lubbock.

Jack Horton dies March 18

Jack Horton of Blossom died March 18, 2002 in Paris. He was born February 23, 1955 in Houston. He attended the Apostolic Pentecostal Church from an early age. He loved driving a truck and listening to the oldies.

He was preceded in death by his sisters, Billie Sue and Vickie Lynn. He is survived by his wife, Barbara Horton of Blossom; a son, Anthony Horton of Kaufman; stepsons, Rusty Campsey of Blossom and Miles Bradford of Dillon, CO; daughters, Anna Horton and Suzanne Horton of Ft. Worth; stepdaughter, Jennifer; grandchildren, Cassidy Breanna, Dustin Singleton and Ladessa Horton; parents, A.G. and Billie Horton of Terrell; brothers, Frank Horton of Terrell, Clifford Horton of Mesquite, Roger Horton of Garland and Tim Horton of Terrell; numerous other relatives and friends.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, March 22 in the Word of Life Church with Pastor Johnny Ford officiating. Interment followed in Highland Memorial Gardens under the direction of Anderson-Clayton Bros. Funeral Home.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our appreciation to everyone for their prayers, calls, visits, food and flowers sent during the loss of our father and brother, Don Wilson. God bless you all,
The Family of Don Wilson

Card of Thanks

To all of you who gave me your vote and support, I give m sincere thanks. I appreciate each of you. Sincerely,
Michael Garretson

Card of Thanks

I would like to say Thank You to all of the people who have shown me support and for their contributions during this election. Thank you everyone for your kindness to me.
Janice Bivins Gentry

Obituaries



Joe Lee Landers dies March 2

Joe Lee Landers, age 61 of Denton died Saturday, March 2, 2002 in Denton.

He was born May 2, 1940 in Deport to Clifton Landers and Willie Mae Dowdy.

He was a member of the Mt. Calvary Baptist Church in Denton, secretary of the M.W. St. Joseph Brand Lodge Masons #1492 and a member of the Friendly Five Gospel Singers.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 9 at Mount Calvary Baptist Church with Rev. L.E. Lawson officiating. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery in Denton.

Surviving are his wife, Ethel Janelle Fitch Landers of Denton; one son, Frederick B. Mitchell of Denton; one daughter, Adrean E. Johnson of Denton; three brothers, Tommy Dowdy of Denton, Roy Landers of San Diego, CA and Billy Dowdy Sr. of Ft. Worth; three sisters, Susie Fleming of Denton, Robbie Dowdy of Dallas and Bobbie Battle of San Diego, Ca; five grandchildren, Jacqueline Johnson, Draylon Johnson, Tia Johnson, Akkeena Johnson and Fredrick Bronshell Mitchell, Jr.; and one great-grandchild, Shamarion Deon Johnson. His parents preceded him in death.

Pallbearers were Luther Parker, Gerald Malone, Clyde Jones, Pete Clayton, Leonard Logan, Jr., Charles Maston, Spencer Washington, Freddy Garrett, Jimmy Breedlove, Tommy J. Simmons. Honorary bearers were Friendly Five Gospel Singers, M.W.S. Joseph Grand Lodge Mason #1492, Links Club, Billy Bradfield, James Beechum, Kenneth Beechum, Michael Beechum, Archie Hicks, Archie D. Hicks, Patrick Hicks, Kevin Dowdy and William Dowdy.

Mrs. Oakley L. Ebbs dies March 15

Mrs. Oakley L. Ebbs, age 84 of Forest Chapel, died Friday, March 15, 2002 in the Christus-St. Joseph's Hospital-South campus. Funeral services were held Monday, March 18 in the Chicota Methodist Church at 2:00 p.m. Burial was in Forest Chapel Cemetery, Chicota, under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

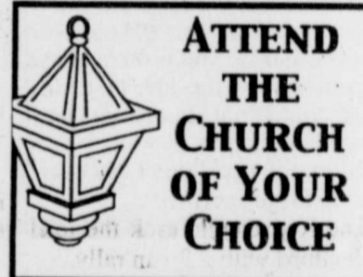
She was born November 4, 1917 in Hugo, OK, the daughter of Johnny and Liddie Norried. In 1936 she married Archel Golightly; he died in 1965. She then married Roger Ebbs in 1995 and he preceded her in death in 1997. She was also preceded in death by a daughter, May Pate; an infant daughter; two brothers; three grandsons; and one grand-daughter.

Surviving are her children: Junior Golightly and Carolyn of Forest Chapel, Larry Golightly and Nita of Bogata, Shirley Sessums and Lee of Paris, Pat Reeves of Paris, Earlene Cato and Kenneth Thompson of Paris, Shiela Golightly of Paris; two brothers, Willie Norried of Hammit, CA and Glen Norried of Conroe; six sisters, Ora Lee Covington and Eula Covington of Hugo, Queenie Golightly of Powderly, Johnnie Mae Hamilton of Battiest, OK, Essie Cody of Swink, OK, Dessie Trapp of Campbell; 27 grandchildren; several great and great-grandchildren; 37 nieces and nephews.

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Chicken Tamale Casserole
1 dozen frozen tamales
1 fryer-stew and de-bone
1-1/2 cups chicken broth reserved from chicken
1/4 small onion-chopped
1 can green chilis-chopped
1 can cream of mushroom soup
2 cups velveeta cheese
In deep oblong pan put tamales on bottom; layer chicken over these and then layer onion. Grate the velveeta or slice it and layer on top. In saucepan heat the broth, soup and green chilis to boiling. Pour over tamale, chicken and cheese, mixture. Cover with foil and bake at 325 degrees for 1 hour and 15 minutes.

Pastry for Fried Pies
1 cup flour
dash salt
1/3 cup Crisco
cold water to hold together
Combine all ingredients except water and add only enough to make crust stick together. Divide into small balls and roll out and fill with favorite filling. This will make 5-6 crusts for pies.

Pecan Pie
1 cup sugar
1 stick oleo
3 eggs
3/4 cups Karo-white
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup chopped pecans
Combine all ingredients and bake in crust at 350 degrees for 50-55 minutes. If it browns too quickly, make a tent of foil to place over top.

Cinnamon Red Hot Apples
4 large McIntosh apples
1 cup water
margarine
9 ounce bag red hot
1 cups sugar-divided
Quarter, core and leave peelings on apples. Add water to pan and bring to boil. This will fill a pan 9-10" in diameter. DAdd apples and dot with margarine and put on lid. When apples cook a little, add red hot gradually until mixture is as red as you would like. When red hot are melted add 1/2 cup sugar and then another 1/2 cup gradually.

Buttermilk Pound Cake
2 cups flour
1 cup Crisco
4 eggs
1 cup buttermilk
1/4 teaspoon soda
2 cups flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
dash salt
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 teaspoon butter-flavoring
Blend together Crisco and 2 cups flour. Add eggs, one at a time and beat after each. Alternatley add remaining ingredients and add vanilla and flavoring last. Bake in bundt pan for 1 hour at 350 degrees.

Refrigerator Rolls
1/2 cup sugar
1 teaspoon salt
2 cups water
2 tablespoons Crisco
1 package dry yeast
1/2 cup lukewarm water
5 cups flour
In saucepan combine sugar, salt, 2 cups water and Crisco and heat just until Crisco melts. Let cool to lukewarm. Dissolve yeast in 1/2 cup water and add to cooled mixture. Gradually add the flour to mixture in medium mixing bowl. When mixed well, sit in a warm place and let it double in bulk. Put on floured board and knead. Grease tupperware bowl and cover when you place in refrigerator. Make into balls and put two into greased muffin tin for Parkerhouse Rolls. After rising for about 3 hours place in preheated 375 degree oven until golden brown. In warm weather, it won't take as long to rise and recipe makes about 2 dozen. Dough keeps about 2 weeks in refrigerator.

Pastry for Double-Crust Pie
1-1/2 cup flour
dash salt
1/3 cup Crisco
cold water to hold together
Combine all ingredients except water and use a small amount at a time so as not to add too much. Roll out and chill before making pecan or buttermilk pie.

Peace Officers to host Easter Egg Hunt at Thomas Park
The Red River Valley Peace Officers Association of Texas will host an Easter Egg Hunt at Thomas Park in Bogata on Saturday, March 30, 2002 beginning at 10:00 a.m.
All children of Red River County and the surrounding area ages 1 year to 6 years and 7 years to 12 years old are invited to come for a fun day. There will be prize eggs and more. The Thomas Park is located on FM 909 in Bogata.
Any individual or business wishing to donate eggs, candy, money or prizes for the event are asked to call Angie at the Bogata City Hall 903-632-5315.

To Everyone
Who stopped by with cards, gifts & good wishes for Shorty Ballard on his 90th Birthday
Thank You!
Shorty Ballard and Family



Russell Gill

Russell Gill celebrates 95th birthday

Russell Gill celebrated his 95th birthday on February 22. Mr. Gill's niece, Betty Ramsey and her husband Buck, treated Mr. Gill and his wife of almost 70 years, Inez, to a fish dinner at Vaughan's Restaurant on Lake Bob Sandlin. Their daughter, Collette and her husband Mutt of Burleson continued the celebration over the following days to include a big country style dinner. Mr. Gill received many cards, visits and phone calls from well wishers.

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Chisum downs Prairiland

The Patriots were penned by the Chisum Mustangs on Friday, March 15, 7-14 at Patriot Field in 17-2A baseball play. This moves the Patriots 1-1 in district and 4-6 overall. Jared Gage took the loss on the mound going 2-for-4 with 2-RBI's and two runs scored. He hit a double and a triple. Freshman Jake Daugherty went 2-for-5 with three runs and an RBI.

Lady Pats fall in District

The Prairiland Lady Patriots fell to the DeKalb team 0-2 on Friday, March 15, 2002 with Kara Screws on the mound. She struck out three, gave up five hits and had no earned runs. Both runs for DeKalb came from Patriot errors. Megan Graham went 2-for-2 with a double and two stolen bases. Ashley Athas was 1-for-3 along with Screws. This leaves the ladies 2-1 and 11-6 for the season.

Baseball team beats Chapel Hill

The Patriot baseball team beat Chapel Hill 16-8 to move to 1-0 in District play. Scotty Nichols was the winning pitcher, striking out four, walking six while giving up only four hits. Second baseman, Robby Nichols, led off the game with a walk and came around to score on a Jared Gage sacrifice. The Red Devils took the lead in the third with a 3-run rally. In the fourth inning, the Patriots scored three runs on four hits to regain the lead.

Shady Grove Cemetery donations

Shady Grove Cemetery memorials, contributions and donations for the past year are as follows: In memory of Clyde Cunningham by Elois Sparks,

Prairiland participates in Cub relays

The Prairiland Jr. High 8th grade track team competed in the DeKalb Cub Relays meet on March 7, 2002. The following is a listing of the results of the meet with Prairiland finishing 1st with a total of 181-1/2 points.

Shot put-Ist-Cody Upchurch-40'2"; Cody Flatt-2nd-38'4"; 5th-Matt Owens-36'6".

Discus-5th-Matt Hostetler-75'6"; Cody Flatt-62'1"; Matt Owens-46'6".

High Jump-Cody Upchurch-Ist-5'6"; Lucas Morgan-6th-4'10"; and C. Smallwood.

Long Jump-J. Wright-3rd-15'7"; J.C. McKee-14'6"; Darren Lane-13'6-1/2".

Triple Jump-J. Wright-Ist-33'2"; Tate Mauldin-6th-26'9"; C. Smallwood-24'1-1/2".

2400 meter-Ricardo Cantera-Ist-9:17; D. Cheney and Blake Woodall.

400 meter relay-J.C. McKee, Lucas Morgan, Darren Lane and J. Wright-3rd-52.51.

800 meter-Cody Withers-Ist-2:27; Tate Mauldin-2:45; Matt Hostetler-2:51.

110 meter hurdles-J. Wright-3rd-20.78; J. Dooling-5th-21.3; C. Smallwood-22.4.

100 meter-Cody Upchurch-Ist-12.23; Darren Lane-4th-13.12; Matt Owen-13.99.

400 meter-Cody Withers-Ist-61.9; Jay Kurt McKee-3rd-62.24; Lucas Morgan-5th-64.15.

300 meter hurdles-J. Wright-Ist-50.58; J. Dooling-4th-54.96; C. Smallwood-6th-59.44.

200 meter-Cody Upchurch-Ist-24.96; Darren Lane-4th-28.30; Matt Owen-6th-29.22.

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1600 meter relay-Jay Kurt McKee, Lucas Morgan, Cody Withers and Cody Upchurch-Ist place-4:14.

On February 28, 2002, the 8th grade boys participated in the Rivercrest Rebel Relays with the following results finishing 1st overall with 190 points.

Shot-Cody Upchurch-Ist-37'11"; Cody Flatt-5th-30'7-1/2"; and Matt Owens.

Discus-Matt Hostetler-Ist-102"; Cody Flatt-2nd-95'5"; Dusty Cheney.

High Jump-Cody Upchurch-Ist-5'6"; Lucas Morgan-3rd-4'1-"; Cole White.

Long Jump-Cole White-3rd-14'7-1/2"; Chase S.-5th-14'4";

400 meter relay-B. Watson, T. Hughes, J. Walker and J. Coleman-4th-59.2.

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RED RIVER COUNTY ROOTS

This week's query is from Ray Chapman, 2635 Rosefield Drive, Houston, TX 77080. He is beginning his research on his Chapman family. His father, Homer Charles Chapman, was born March 25, 1908, probably in Clarksville. His mother's name was Minnie Hauser or Houser. He does not know his grandparents' names. He would like to hear from anyone who has any information about this family. If you have a query you would like to have placed in this column, please send it to the Red River County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 516, Clarksville, Texas 75426

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.
*Officers for the coming year in the Ladies Auxiliary will be elected April 8, 2002. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. All members are urged to attend and bring a friend. The group is in need of new members and all ladies are invited to attend and become a part of the organization.

TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE NEWS

by Jan Wyatt
4-H County Extension Agent
On Tuesday, March 26 at 6:30 p.m. a fashion show workshop will be held at the Paris Rodeo and Horse Club. Preparation for the fashion show scheduled for April 2 will include wardrobe selection, modeling, basic knowledge of clothing care and construction. Also with time permitting, additional work will be done on the Community Service Project.
For more information, call Jan Wyatt at the Lamar County Extension Office at 737-2443.

Girls place in powerlifting

Tina Carder and Stephanie Williams of Rivercrest, Susan Whittle of Prairiland and Sara Blasingame of Detroit all qualified for the state powerlifting meet as they met for the Regional competition in White Oak recently.

Carder and Williams of Rivercrest both won their regional classes with Carder taking the 97-pound class and Williams winning the 114-pound class. Carder had 600-pound total and set four regional records in bench, squat, deadlift and overall. She also received the Lightweight Lifter Award and is ranked number 1 in Class 2A. Williams finished with a 625-pound total in the 114-pound class.

Blasingame of Detroit finished third in the Division II-Region III meet. She had a total of 660-pounds in the 198-pound division. She is ranked number two in the state in Class A. Whittle of Prairiland came in second with a

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Post Oak News

By Geneva Lee
982-5309

Delayed one week:

We extend our sympathy this week to Mrs. Verlon (Gail) Vaughn on the loss of her mother Juanita Upchurch, last week. She passed away on Wednesday at St. Joseph and her funeral was held Friday afternoon at ANtlers, Oklahoma. Some from the Post Oak Baptist Church attended the funeral.

Mrs. Louis Cagle was taken to the hospital Saturday night with chest pains. Tests are being run and it had not been determined what her problem is. She was feeling some better Monday morning. We pray that she will soon be okay.

Last week's fire department meeting was canceled because of

the illness of Verlon Vaughn's mother-in-law. It is being held this week.

Fran Seay had several of her family attend church with her Sunday.

Stephen Paul Flatt returned to Lubbock Monday after spending a few days with his parents Ted and Sandy Flatt and grandmother Bonnie Flatt.

Steve and Vickie Reves, Darrell Vaughn, Buddy and Teresa Bell and children, Alex and Steven left Sunday night on a skiing trip to Durango, Colorado. Sue Ingram has a new great-grandson born recently. The grandparents are her daughter Janice and husband Ray Miller.

Post Oak News

By Geneva Lee
982-5309

The East Post Oak Missionary Baptist Church will be holding revival services next week, March 25-29 each night beginning at 7:00 P.M. Bro. Darrell Owens of Mt. Enterprise will be bringing the messages. Everyone is invited to attend.

Denver Ligon, age 71 who lived in the Beulah Woods died Wednesday and funeral was a graveside service here at Post Oak Cemetery.

Ellen Tuck had gallbladder surgery at St. Joseph's North Monday last week and is doing fine. She was released from the hospital Friday and was able to attend church Sunday.

Nora Tyler was admitted to St. Joseph Hospital last Thursday with a light case of pneumonia and other problems. At the time of this writing she remains in the hospital

but is improved.

Terri Williams and daughter-in-law, April and baby daughter Ashlyn visited the Wilbourne Lees one afternoon last week. Terri and husband Jerry took April and baby to Birmingham Friday where they met Jerald. After spending Friday and Saturday nights. There they returned home and Jerry and family went home to LeJeune, N.C.

The Lees attended the visitation at the Clarksville Funeral Home Friday night for Mrs. Harvey (Floy) Adams of the Midway community.

Wilbourne Lee was taken to McCuiston Hospital Saturday night with irregular heart beat and beating too fast. He was admitted and placed in ICU where he remains at this time, but he is improving.

A Honor Roll

Ashley Anderson, Laura Barnes, Gina Doyal, Emily Fendley, Cody Gage, Allison Hinkle, Ashley Lehman, Angel Mantooth, Rachel Murdock, Josh Osborn, Johnna Patterson, Ashley Taylor, Brandon Wright, Brittany Ballard, Heather Barnes, Amber Buster, Codie Koyhler, Matt Morgan, Bill Robertson, Mandy Weddle, Seth Bush, Megan Graham, Raynie Skidmore, Lance Westbrook, Susan Whittle, Ashley Athas, Brittany Bailey, Chance Bankhead, Ashley Brown, Amber Brumblow, Minda Corso, Megan Filkins, Brad Hunt, Kelly Kincaid, D.J. Loveless, Eric Loveless, Jemilynn McKee, Robert Robertson, Lacy Beaty, Mitch Whitaker.

A-B Honor Roll

Marty Anderson, Adam Ball, Drew Boren, Whitney Brook, Brent Burden, Jacob Bush, Aaron Cheney, Lance Connot, Katy Hall, Megan Hargroves, Daniel Hayes, Breanna Holley, Rocky Latham, Candice Little, Mallory Price, Justin Pynes,

Kacey Rodgers, Jill Self, Jessica Smith, Maranda Smith, Spencer Talbert, Casey Thornton, Whitney Turner, Kandi Wright, Aron Arrasmith, David Beyleran, Tiffany Bishop, Kayleigh Connot, Heath Connot, Brittney Hart, Cody Hicks, Grace Jordan, Jennifer Martin, Dakota Mitchell, Amber Philpot, Brian Ray, Cesar Tinajero, Sarah Tubbs, Seth Walker, Will Wood, Mandy Woodall, Cassie Arrasmith, Amanda Ball, Jaci Chaney, David Crossland, Lacy Davis, Amanda Denman, Justin Elrod, Tandy Green, Cheslie Loveless, Megan Merritt, Bryan Murdock, Tiffanie Osborn, Lori Pitcock, Catherine Smith, Hollie Allen, Leland Brasher, Jorry Briggie, Kelli Clarkson, John Dunn, Philip Elder, Josh Fendley, Andi Gillie, Becky Ham, Colt Hatfield, Jordan Hunold, Hloly Jones, Sheena Jones, Amie Love, Jennifer Mathews, John Merrill, Stoney Musgrove, Ashley Owens, Devin Peek, Kara Screws, Jimmy Smith, Jessica Spencer, Trey Unruh, Josh Williams, Mallory Woodall.

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Christus St. Joseph's expands services

The Board of Directors of Christus St. Joseph's Health System has approved implementation of long term acute care hospital within one of the existing campuses in the near future.

Dubuis Health System, a subsidiary company of Christus Health, will own and operate the much needed service for the aging population in the Paris area.

According to Monty McLaurin, president/CEO, Christus St. Joseph's, an LTACH focuses on acute care patients who require extended hospitalization. Such

services will include diagnostic and medical treatment or rehabilitation to patients who currently are required to remain in medicine/surgical units. Patients with ventilator dependency, respiratory disorders, medical complexity, post surgical extended care, rehabilitation, cardiac conditions or oncology treatment are all candidates for LTACH services.

Dubuis could be operational in Paris as soon as July 2002, and is expected to be located on the North Campus.

"Try Paris 2002" Triathlon

CHRISTUS St. Joseph's Wellness Centers will sponsor the Third Annual 'Try Paris 2002' Triathlon on April 20, with a large number of competitors expected to participate.

The USAT-sanctioned event will consist of a 425-yard swim, a 20K bike ride and a 5K run, with activities beginning at 9 a.m. at the Aerofit Center, 930 E. Austin St.

Both individuals and teams can compete for trophies, according to Race Director Gini Frisby. Teams can consist of up to three people, and all contestants must be at least 14 years old.

Entry forms are available at the RACE for Life Center, 1025 DeShong Dr., at Aerofit, or contestants may call (903) 737-3678 and forms will be mailed.

All entry forms must be received by April 19, with no registrations to be taken on the day of the race. The registration fee for individual competitors is \$30 until April and \$35 thereafter. The team entry fee is \$60 until April 1, and \$65 thereafter.

For more information about "Try Paris 2002," contact Mrs. Frisby, (903) 737-3678.

Kids Safe Saturday time is here!

The ninth annual Kids Safe Saturday, sponsored by the Kids Safety Society Coalition through NETCADA will be held Saturday, March 23 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at Love Civic Center.

The Think Child Safety fair is for children ages 3-12 and their parents. Families will have the opportunity to have fun in a safe environment while they see safety demonstrations, play games and view exhibits. KSS is a strictly volunteer safety fair and not a fundraiser for any organization. The community event has steadily grown with an attendance of over 23,100 people and 50 agencies participating.

There will be demonstrations on electrical, animal, water, gun, bicycle, home, phone, drug,

carseat, fire and many more topics. A demonstration of the Rollover Convincer will influence anyone of the need to wear a seat belt. Also this year a new Doom Room will be presented to alert adults of all the available drug paraphernalia that is being used.

There will be special appearances by Andy Ambulance, Billy Book, Zigster, Vince and Larry, McGruff, Sparky, SAVE Man, Daisy the Do Right Dog and others.

Four bicycles will be given as door prizes with other fun prizes being won throughout the day. Nothing will be sold and everything is free, even the hotdogs and cokes. Plan to attend this Saturday.



BROTHER & SISTER Stoney and Charity Musgrove performed for the Prairiland Academic Trust Foundation Banquet goes Saturday night, along with many other talented performers. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

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Happy Birthdays this week to Allie Blake Reynolds, Ryan Mackey, Erik Whitley, Kenny Dunn, Brenda Bear, Cody Upchurch, Joyce Bartlett, Norris Farris, David Adams, Phil Cantrell, Shaun Van Orsow, David Granger, Teri Ramsey, Paula Shelby, John Stevens, Dorothy Richardson, Jessica Gnerer, Lisa Clarkson, Chelsey Watkins, Joshua Watkins, Dayne Sessums, Roy Ritchey, Julie Hooge, Alison Morris, Tina Workman, Dona Presley Wolf, Kerry Jones, Claudia Ortiz, Stephanie Dunagan, Don Lewis, Sheena Jones, Lucas Miller, Tracy Watkins, Jeremy Little, Brent Bostic, Randy Rasberry, Katrina Garrison, Jessica Withers, Travis Prater, Isaac Unruh Casey Daughtery.

Happy Anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Burgie Thompson.

Congratulations to Brian Mitchell and Shannon Mayfield. They were married Saturday at DeShong Chapel in Paris.

George and Pam Wood attended the wedding of David and Melissa Bailey of Paris at the First Baptist Church and also attended the reception afterwards at Elks Lodge.

Dorothy Mitchell of Duncanville spent Friday night with Ruby Crawford and they attended the wedding of Brian Mitchell and Shannon Mayfield.

Emma Willard has returned home after spending several days at the home of her mother Nell

Deese in Dothan, Alabama.

Sandra Adams of Garland spent the weekend with her mother Sally Mathena.

Opening ceremonies for the Blossom Girls Softball Association will be held on Thursday, March 28, 2002 at the ballfield. Hamburgers will be served, pictures will be made, games will be played and a fireworks display will be held at dark.

School will be our for Good Friday on March 29! Make plans for your children!

The United Methodist Church will be holding a bake sale in downtown Blossom on Saturday, March 30 beginning at 8:00 a.m. There will be lots of baked items and something for everyone!

Prairiland Project Graduation will be sponsoring a concert featuring the Stoney Creek and on Friday night at the fairgrounds. Tickets are \$5 and everyone is invited to come out and support this group.

Mike and Teddy Brown and Zak of Woodland, Joel Brown of Powderly and Edna Earl and Starla Maddox of Faulkner.

Johnny Heurman, who attends college in Minnesota visited relatives in Texas during his spring break. He was honored Saturday evening with a dinner at the home of Wesley and Betty Wright. Others attending were his mother Jan Wright and brother and sister-in-law, Tom and Sandy Heurman all of Dallas; Pete and Margie Wright of Ore City and Webb Wright of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Barn fire is Crime of the Week

You can earn up to \$1000.00 in cash, by providing Crime Stoppers with the information that will lead to the arrest of the person or persons responsible for committing the following felony crime.

Sometime during the last week of February, unknown suspects set a hay barn on fire in the Chicota bottoms on Lamar County Road 36850. A travel trailer, a tractor and many other items were also destroyed in the fire. This arson resulted in over \$75,000.00 in lost and damaged property.


If you have any information on this, or any other felony crime, please call Crime Stoppers. If Crime Stoppers receives that information by March 18, 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).

RWNT to meet

Republican Women of Northeast Texas will meet Monday March 25 at 6:30 p.m. in the community room of Pilgrim Bank in Mt. Pleasant. Martha Down from Maud will present the program.

The meeting is open to all ladies who have an interest in learning about and participating in Republican activities and campaigns. For information, call Debe McGuire at 572-6661.

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Monday

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Lunch:
Spaghetti with meat sauce
Salad
Garlic bread
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Tuesday
Breakfast:
Cereal, trail mix
Juice, milk
Lunch:
Pizza
French fries
Pineapple tidbits
Milk

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Lunch:
Chicken
Fries
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Thursday
Breakfast:
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Juice, milk
Lunch:
Meat nachos
Pinto beans
Salad
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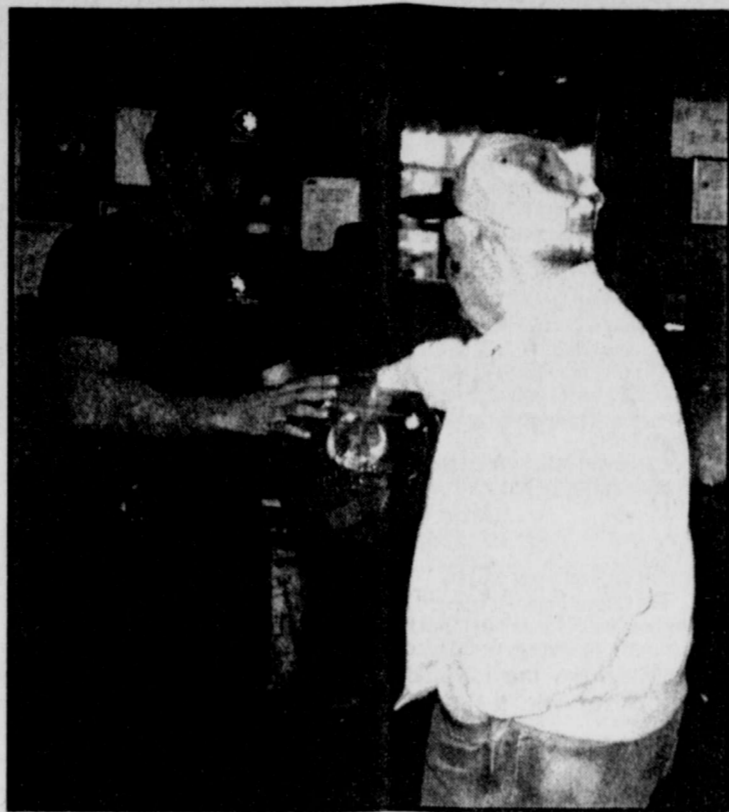
Holiday



BECKY HAMM sang "What If I Give AIP" at the PAT banquet to entertain the crowd. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



CHELSEA COLE sang a beautiful rendition of "Nowhere That Far" to a large crowd at the PAT Foundation Saturday night. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



PATTONVILLE FIRE CHIEF Ed Ring let **Billy Blevins** draw for a side of beef given away at the VFD breakfast last Saturday. (Staff Photo)

Pattonville VFD awards side of beef

Pattonville VFD held a drawing for a side of beef (donated by Wes Davis) last Saturday.

The winner of the beff was Jason Garrison of Detroit.

RRC looking for newspapers

As many reader are aware, the Red River County Geneological Society is looking for old Red River County newspapers. Among those not found are any of the papers known as the Rosalie Courier. According to an item published in Red River Recollections some years ago, the Bogata News office had one copy from April, 1898. Another source, written some years earlier stated that William C. Barnard had in his possession a copy dated December, 1901, which was Volume 11, Number 2. Who has these newspapers now?

The society would like to locate these issues and any other such papers, not only from Rosalie, but other towns in Red River County and have them preserved on microfilm before time destroys them. Anyone who has any old newspapers or knows someone who does may contact Miriam Stephenson at 903-632-5999 or Johnnie Lee and 903-982-5309. All papers will be returned to their owners when the filming is complete.

Annual Bake Sale March 30

The Red River County Humane Society will host its Annual Bake Sale on Saturday, March 30, 2002 beginning at 8:00 a.m. on the sidewalk at the Clarksville Wal-Mart Store.

Volunteers for the event are needed as well a bake good donations. Cash donations will also be accepted. To donate a baked good, cash or for more information contact Terri Henneise at 966-2000.

Presbyterian Women meet

Presbyterian Women met Monday, March 11 in the home of Joyce Davidson.

Reba Temple opened the meeting with prayer.

Clara Stalls gave the Least Coin Devotion, "Young Women Stand Up", a voice from Africa. The coins were collected and dedicated with prayer.

Joyce Davidson read from the Mission Yearbook of Prayer, "The Presbytery of South Dakotas", concerning the Presbyterian Church in Sioux Falls. This church now has three Sunday services, two in English and one in Korean.

Reba read a devotional from Women's Devotional Bible, taken from Job, "Why All the Trouble?" by Jeanette Lockerbie.

From the Bible Study Esther's feast, Frances Franklin directed lesson six, "Swapping Places". In an ironic twist, the king unwittingly compels Haman to honor Mordecai, whom he is plotting to kill.

The meeting was closed with the Mizpah benediction.

Refreshments were served by the hostess to members and guest, Ms. Bill McKinney of Paris.

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Cunningham News
by Neva Jean Oats

Happy birthday to Janee Jackson, Pat Norwood, Deana Watson Blevins, Ricky Anderson and Missy Kennedy.

Happy anniversary to Jeff and Cindy Kennedy.

Linda Anderson and Wendy Ordorica went to New Boston Saturday to watch Marty Anderson play ball and to Longview that afternoon to watch Susan Anderson play ball. Ricky Anderson and Carlos and Cord Ordorica went to Tawakoni Saturday fishing.

Pat and Jim West visited Ricky and Linda Anderson Sunday afternoon.

Charles Nichols helped work at the Boy's Home in Cooper last week. Cindy went to Carthage Saturday to watch Torrie White play ball. She had lunch in Longview with John, Chance, Torrie, Erika and Dana.

Stacy and Linda Musgrove spent a few days in Modesto, CA last week ministering in music.

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

James and Pat Norwood took Lacy and Kelby Cole to eat at Sandy Creek Catfish on Saturday and afterwards went to the mov-

ies. John Michael Winters went to the movies with them. Buddy Taylor ate Sunday diner with James and Pat.

Darold and Ida Mae Norwood visited Sheila Norwood in Denton last Wednesday.

Brad and Georjeana Nutt honored Raylene Nutt with a birthday party Friday night. Those attending were Ronnie and Jeff Nutt, Billy Ray, Neva and Brayden Oats.

Brayden Oats spent Friday and Saturday with Billy Ray and Neva Oats.

Several attended the Prairiland Pat Foundation Banquet Saturday. Frankie Norwood was emcee for the program and Spur Norwood, Johnna and Jenna Patterson, Stoney and Charity Mustgrove and Chelsea Cole entertained.

Ruth Ann Dye spent last week visiting friends in South Carolina.

Ruth Chipman visited Velma Cox Monday. Velma visited Walker Devlin and Dora Hester last week.

Layton, Logan and Spur Norwood participated in the Roxton FFA Livestock Show Saturday.

The farmers took advantage of the nice weather last week. The corn crops are planted and the cotton fields are ready to plant.

Swim lessons start April 1

Christus St. Joseph's Wellness Centers will be offering specialized aquatic programs starting in April.

Red Cross Swim lessons will begin April 1 at Aerofit on Mondays and Thursdays. All classes

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The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids and/or to waive any technicality benefiting the City.
For additional information, contact 903-982-5900.
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REQUEST FOR BIDS
The City of Deport is accepting bids for the demolition and removal of buildings on Main Street in Deport, Texas.
Contact Deport City Hall at 903-652-3875 for bid requirements during regular business hours.
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DUDE and the Blondettes absolutely amazed the crowds at the PAT banquet Saturday. The comedy skit was done by the Blossom Church of God. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



PATRIOT WELDER! Tracy and Paige Crawford stand behind the welder Paris Oxygen donated for the PAT Foundation banquet fund-raiser. Lone Star Paint and Boyd donated the red, white and blue paint job and the Patriot Logo. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



WILD WILD WEST- Amanda and Jennifer Matthews delighted the crowd Saturday night with their clogging to the song "Wild, Wild West". (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

Free screenings March 26-28

Christus St. Joseph's Health System will offer free health screenings March 26-28 in conjunction with National Patient Safety Awareness Week.

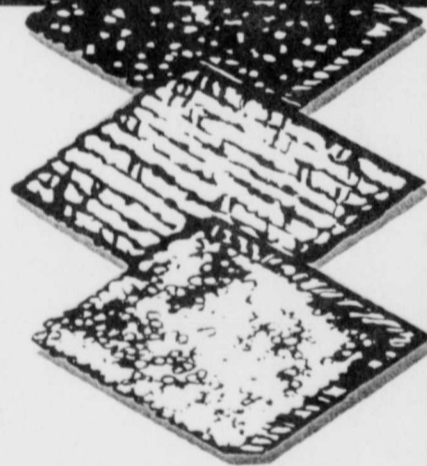
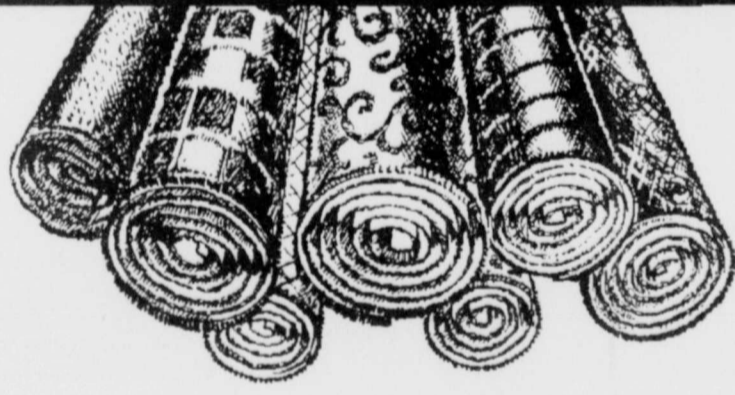
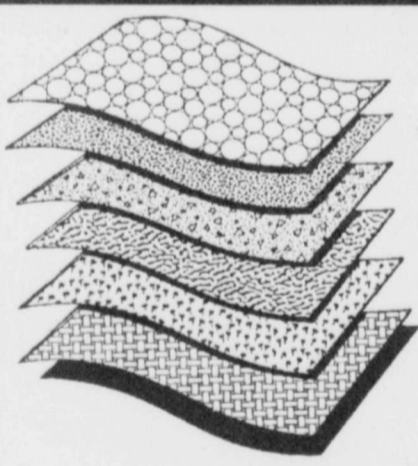
Screenings, to include blood pressure checks and distribution of safety literature, will be held

from 10 a.m. until noon at both Christus St. Joseph's Medical Center, Christus St. Joseph's, South, 820 Clarksville St. A pharmacist will also be available at each location to discuss various medications and potential drug interactions. Visitors are encouraged to bring bottles of any medication they may have that might be expired, and to meet with the pharmacist regarding continued use of those medications.

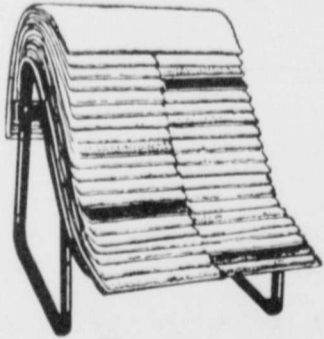
Door prizes will also be given at each location, and hospital departments are being encouraged to compete in a patient safety poster contest.

According to Charlotte Stephens, Christus St. Joseph's patient safety officer, the goal of the observance is to promote education and communication about patient safety, and partnerships between patients and healthcare providers to improve safety.

During this special week, Mrs. Stephens said the public is encouraged to clean out medicine cabinets of old and outdated medications, to check prescriptions twice and if there are questions to ask the pharmacist, and to find a health care provider with whom one can communicate effectively. The public is also encouraged to set aside any fears that might delay their seeking medical attention, to bring a friend or family member along to help listen and ask questions of your doctor, and to become an informed consumer by learning about your own health issues.



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Happy birthday to Jason Anderson, Sherri Judd, Jessica Hutchings, Anthony Barnes, Jade Daniel Bolton, Laura Kay DeFrances, Leo Barnes, Shirlene Harrell, Connie Parsons, Jimmy Wade Reagan, Robert Farris, Roy L. Davis, Sammy LaRue, Amy Grissom Holt, Mike Barnes, Jr., Travis Dodd, Laura Barnes, Terry Nailling.

Happy anniversary to April and Shannon McMikel, Suzy and Sam Kelsey, Diane and Tommy Minter. Virginia Kirkland, Ruth Murrell, Ruth Cheatham, Nina Sparks and Reba Temple ate lunch in Bogata after Sunday morning services.

Sandra Gifford visited her mother, Margaret Parks Saturday and they ate with the Heavenly

Delights of the First Methodist Church that night.

Kelly Anderson of Killeen spent Sunday night with her grandmother, Virginia Kirkland and visited her aunt, Ruth Murrell Monday.

Nina Sparks honored Peggy Parsons on her birthday with dinner Saturday at the Deport Methodist Church. Keith Parsons and Reba Temple were guests.

Sam and Margie Rice and Thomas and Nanalee Nichols celebrated St. Patrick's Day Sunday with a traditional corned beef and cabbage meal at Sam and Margie's home.

James and Sunny Whitney have returned from North Carolina where they took Sunny's Sister, Pat Faust for a visit with her children.

Maundy Thursday service set

There will be a Maundy Thursday Service on Thursday, March 28th at the First Presbyterian Church of Deport.

The service will be held at 7:30

P.M. and will be led by the Rev. Sam Rice.

Holy Communion will be served in remembrance of Christ's last supper with his disciples before his crucifixions.

Milton News

by Mattylu Upchurch



Velma Temple attended the funeral services Monday and Tuesday of her nephew, Larry Salter. Buena Marshall is at a nursing home in Terrell, Tx. Her husband, Bob Marshall, visits her several times a week.

Haley Williams of Paris spent Tuesday morning with her grandparents, Dorothy and James Holt.

Bonnie Huddleston of Bogata visited Elizabeth Bell Friday afternoon.

Tim Parks of Faught and Kay

Deport Housing Authority News

Dot Bailey, Executive Director from the Blossom Housing Authority, LeAnn Yarbrough, Executive Director from the Detroit Housing Authority, along with Melba Ladd attended a meeting of the East Texas Housing Association in Tyler on February 28. Training for ongoing computer reporting systems was continued.

March 13, Dot Bailey and Melba Ladd attended a training meeting for the Northeast Texas Housing Authority. More training from HUD personnel in the Ft. Worth office was offered.

The monthly luncheon was held on the 13th. There never fails to be an abundance of good food and fellowship. Those attending were Beulah Shipp, Maud Webb, Alpha Barnard, Mavis Sowards, Eunice L. Sugg, Lucy Fowler, Gladys Reid, Venice Bryson, Willie Mae Speir, Rose Newhouse, Frances Franklin, Evelyn Roach, Juanita Primm, Phyllis and Kenneth Gifford. The next gathering will be birthday/bingo party on the 27th.

Installation of the vinyl and metal to the C.B. Glover units has been completed. Insulation to all 26 units on Beville, Third and Mus-

Preston of Minter visited Dorothy and James Holt Sunday.

Ruth Johnston of Paris, Steve and Vickie Reeves, Kay Pierce and children and David Smith visited Edna and Frank Lee Sunday.

Hattie Hobbs of Paris visited Elizabeth Bell Wednesday.

Susan and Phillip Roach attended the third birthday party for their granddaughter, Katlyn Spray of Blossom Saturday.

Barbara Maurischat of Lone Oak visited her parents, Dorothy and James Holt Saturday.



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tang streets has been provided. The vinyl has given a "face lift" to the Glover units. The insulation should prove to be of economic benefit to tenants in reduction of use and cost for utilities while heating and air conditioning their units.



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Pattonville News

By Peggy Parsons
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Happy Birthday to Shirlene Harrell, Anthony Barnes, Jade Bolton, Connie Parsons, Jakeb Thomas Bove, Ruby D. Blevins, Dr. L.C. Stout, Kenneth Hill, Lesa Clarkson, Laura Barnes, Mike Barnes, Jr., Stanley O'Brien, Glenda Woodall, Travis (Skip) Dodd, Patsy Gose, Robert Norment, Lois White, Alva Lee Jordan, Michael Mazy, Reagan Barham, F.J. Campbell and Lola Parsar.

Happy Anniversary to J.R. and Era Butler.

James and Bernice Bell and Billy Blevins spent Thursday in Shreveport, La.

Congratulations to Ashleigh McLean, Kalee Graham and Jerika McKee for being selected Prairiland Junior High Cheerleaders for 2002-03.

Visitors of Barbara McDowra were Dale and Sing Hood of Paris, Keith and Ammie McDowra, Justin and Brock.

Lynn Hood of Shady Grove received a whiplash after being involved in a wreck on FM 905 Saturday night.

Keith and Peggy Parsons, Alisen and Davis met Connie Parsons and Karyn in Pittsburg Friday afternoon for their return home after spending a week with their grandparents.

Sympathy is expressed to the family of Greg McNabb, 38, who died at his home in Bedford, Wednesday, March 13. He was the brother of Jim McNabb.

Donald Bob and Patsy Merritt, Buddy and Sue Malone had lunch together in Bogata Sunday after morning services.

James merritt was dismissed from the hospital in Paris Wednesday after a week's stay with pneumonia.

Ophelia Payne treated Peggy Parsons with lunch at Ta Molly's for her birthday on Wednesday. Lois Kennett of Paris and Nina Sparks were guests.

Congratulations to Minda Corso for being crowned Queen of the

Lions Club in Paris recently. Amy Love, also of Prairiland, was runner up.

Jerry and Linda Short of Frisco visited Alice Evans Tuesday and attended the memorial service for Larry Dean Salter.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Jeff Smallwood who died Monday, March 11th. He is survived by his wife, the former Patti Bryant and sons Chase, Cole and Dillen Trent of Jennings.

Tom and Monda Fults visited his aunt of Ladonia in Christus St. Joseph's Hospital during the week.

Canyon and Carley Conley went skiing during their spring break last week.

James and Carol Hensley and family of Red Water attended Sunday morning services at the Pattonville Baptist Church where he was a former preacher.

Ruby D. Blevins, Sandy Ring, and Ashleigh McLean were visitors of Inez Weaver and Jessie Newsom Sunday afternoon.

Over ninety people enjoyed the VFD breakfast Saturday morning. \$1,800 was raised on the side beef that was won by Jason Garrison. Wes Davis donated the side of beef.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Faye Hulett of Dallas, who was killed in a car wreck there Thursday, March 14. She was the wife of Fred Hulett. Services were held Monday morning in Dallas with interment Monday afternoon at highland Cemetery.

Grady and Carol Reid, Terri Stowers and sons of Fayetteville, AR. Spent the weekend with Jesse and Frances Anderson They attended the services of Faye Hulett in Dallas Monday. Monday afternoon visitors of Jesse and Frances were Fred Hulett of Dallas, Delbert and Mark Haskins of Irving and David and Ruth Ellen Peters and Noah of Mesquite.

Caralyn Corso, Leah Boren, Kalee Graham, Dambri Mitchell, and Ty Figueroa of Deport attended a concert Saturday in Dallas at Fairpark.

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