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Running on Empty

There's an old song and an older expression about "running on empty".

Well, I think everyone I come in contact is doing just that, and no one more so than me.

Is it spring fever? If so, it has reached epidemic proportions.

Everyone I know is just barely shuffling their feet clear of the ground, groaning and moaning as they force themselves to "make and effort".

We had company Monday afternoon, and all six of us ended up out on the deck, parked in chairs with the energy of a bag of sand. Even the conversation was a wee bit soggy and slow, usually the last thing to happen when we get together with friends.

To lazily or exhausted to cook, we snacked around on cheese and chips and dip, a few boiled shrimp (the extent of my cooking that evening) and cookies.

Even the dogs, usually the most active of beggars, simply sat at our feet, half heartedly looking up.

Mind you, this isn't just an "old people's" syndrome, two of our guests are in their early 20s.

On Main Street Tuesday morning I watched as everyone going up or down the sidewalk shuffled along much like a sleepwalker.

As I visited at various businesses, to a man or woman it was "I'm just exhausted" or "I just have to get some energy, I have so much to do, but I worn out".

Uh huh, I know how you feel!

The sad thing about being so spring feverish is that there is invariably so much to do.

Grass and weeds sprout up at a rapid rate. Before the intense heat of summer comes on it's time to clean up, paint up, fix up....but who has the strength to do so!

So, here I sit, with two days work to do because of the Monday holiday....and not enough energy to wade through a regular day. And, the rest of the crew isn't any better off than I am!

Oh well, I don't suppose a massive epidemic of spring fever will prove fatal. But, wow, this one's worse than usual. We're running on empty and that's a fact.



Get ready to dial 10 digits!

Two big changes are around the corner for East Texas residents signaling tremendous growth in the region. VALOR Telecom is informing its CUSTOMER who is in the 903 area code about the new way to dial a call this summer., using 10-digits, in preparation for the introduction next year of the new 430 area code.

Valor is notifying their entire customer base about the new changes since the 10-digit permissive dialing period begins July 20th.

Due to the high demand for phone, fax, pager and cell phone numbers, the Texas Public Utility Commission (TPUC) last year assigned the new, 430 area code as an overlay to the existing 903 area code. Texas residents living in the 903 area code will be affected by these changes.

The TPUC also designated July 20, 2002, as the beginning of the permissive dialing period. Residents are encouraged to begin using 10-digit dialing to complete a phone call. During the next few months, callers will dial 903-xxx-xxxx, to make a local call to a 903 number. In April 2003, when the new area code is introduced, callers will dial 903-xxx-xxxx or 430-xxx-xxxx to complete a local call. Toll calls from both of these area codes will require dialing 1+(area code) xxx-xxxx.

Important things for 903 area code residents to keep in mind are: Dialing 911 is not impacted in any way. Existing area codes and phone numbers are not changing, start thinking of phone numbers as 10-digit numbers, start using 10-digit dialing now. Telephone rates will not be affected. Mandatory 10-digit dialing will go into effect on February 15, 2003. New 430 area code numbers will not be assigned until April 2003.

It is also important that parents begin teaching their children about dialing 10-digit calls.

Valor residential and business customers are advised to add 10-digit dialing to: phone equipment such as cell phones, pagers and fax machines, features such as Call Forwarding and Call Blocking, home security systems, business phone systems, business cards, stationary, letterheads, invoices, purchase orders and advertising materials, internet and intranet sites, and personal checks and personal identification items.

Counties in 903-430 overlay include: Anderson, Bowie, Camp, Cass, Cherokee, Delta, Fannin, Franklin, Freestone, Grayson, Gregg, Harrison, Henderson, Hopkins, Hunt, Lamar, Leon, Marion, Morris, Navarro, Panola, Raines, Red River, Rusk, Smith, Titus, Upshur, Van Zandt and Wood.



SCHOOL BELL AWARD-Media Coverage and Nanalee Nichols were awarded the School Bell Media Coverage Award for the *Deport* and *Blossom Times* last week at the regular meeting of the Paris, Lamar County Retired Teachers and School Employees Association in Paris. Dr. Gary Ballard made the presentation at the meeting and spoke on the "unmatched media coverage" Prairiland School system gets by their local newspaper. (Staff photo)

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The week of May 13th the residents of *Deport Nursing Home* released about sixty bright red balloons filled with helium. Each had an address of the nursing home inside it. The week of May 23rd, the nursing home received the following letter:

Deport nursing Home
Deport, Texas

I thought you might like to know, I found your four red balloons and red ribbon floating on our farm pond on Saturday, May 18, 2002. Three of them had burst, but the one with your address in it was almost flat. I was surprised to see how far it had come.

I live six miles east of Union Mississippi, which is about 90 miles east of Jackson, Mississippi.

May God Bless all of you
Sincerely,
In Christian love,
Nettie Chesney

June 2 is Charles Foster Appreciation Day

Sunday, June 2 is designated as Charles Foster Appreciation Day in Deport.

A ceremony will be held at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center in Deport from 2 to 4 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

L.D. Williamson President of Ark-La-Tex Council of Governments will serve as Master of Ceremonies.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Retired teachers organization gives awards

Dr. Gary Ballard was installed as President of the Paris/Lamar County Retired Teachers Association for 2002-2004 at the association's meeting held last week on the campus of Paris Junior College. Installing the officers was Past President, Dora Jones.

Others installed were Rhea Brown, First Vice President, Rachel Braswell, Second Vice President Judy Martin, Secretary Peggy Parsons, Treasurer Wayne Beard, Parliamentarian and Ophelia Payne, Historian. Outgoing officers are Wayne Beard, President and Virginia Reed, First Vice President.

Several awards were presented to association members. The "Twenty-First Century Teacher Award for Promoting Better Public Relations" was presented to Dan Gose, Paul Payne and Ophelia Payne. The "Silver Award for Member Recruitment" was awarded to Iva Lee Kennemer,

Peggy Parsons, Virginia Reed and Judy martin. "Appreciation Awards" were presented to Lenore Nichol, Karen Beard and Charlotte Norris (PJC Food Service). Special recognition went to Ray Kennemer for his 1, 847 hours of volunteer service to his community during the past year.

The "School Bell Award" was presented to the *Deport Times*, Thomas and Nanalee Nichols, for outstanding coverage of school and educational activities in their service area.

The local association meets the fourth Monday at 11:15 in the PJC Student Center September through November and January through May. There are currently 250 members, and the association is recruiting members for the 2002-2003 year. Retired school employees who wish to join may contact any member or Peggy Parsons at 652-5022.

Red Oak Cemetery homecoming is June 2

The Red Oak Cemetery Homecoming will be Sunday, June 2 at the cemetery, 3.5 miles northeast of Blossom on FM1502.

Bring a picnic lunch. Anyone interested in the cemetery is encouraged to attend.

Milton Homecoming is June 2

Milton's annual Homecoming will be Sunday, June 2 with lunch at noon under the Pavilion on the cemetery grounds.

It is hoped that all interested parties will bring a dish and lawn chair and come for a visit. In case of bad weather, the affair will be moved to the *Deport School Cafeteria*.

Patriot Baseball camp set for June

Rick Connot is holding a Patriot Baseball Camp on June 10, 11 and 12th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Prairiland. Cost is \$40 and the camp is for grades 3 through 7. For more information please call 982-5834.

Free program to help "Jump Start" reading

"Jump Start Reading" is an opportunity to give a child the gift of reading.

The Abundant Life Church at Minter is offering holding a "Jump Start Reading Program Free to any child this summer. Several certified teachers and interested parents will offer the pilot program two days a week beginning in the next several weeks.

They are planning to meet on Tuesday's and Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. And continue through the summer months.

Anyone with a child who is Pre-K or will be entering Kindergarten or first grade this year, and would like to give them a "jump start" in reading, or maybe just encourage their already learned reading skills, then take advantage of this opportunity, which costs nothing.

The parents need to hear from parents as soon as possible if it sounds like something of interest for your child. For more information contact Tony Corso at 785-2521 or Janice Patterson at 652-2621. Leave a message and they will get back in contact.

Cunningham Fire Department having Sale and Trades Day

The Cunningham Fire Department will have a Farm Equipment and Trade Day at 10:00 a.m. on June 8th at the Cunningham Center to help pay for the new Fire Station. There will be a concession stand. Everyone is invited to set up a booth, donate items for the Fire Department Garage Sale or Sale Farm Equipment items.

For information call James and Pat Norwood at 652-2672.

Project Graduation is Friday

Prairiland Project Graduation will be held on Friday night after the graduation ceremonies with lots to do for the graduating seniors.

Parents are needed to bring finger foods, chips, dips and drinks for this event. If you would like to donate something, bring it to the high school gym after graduation or drop it off at M&M Food Mart or call 632-2321.



FIRST RESPONDERS for *Deport* enjoyed the barbecue meal and door prizes given out at the event honoring all Lamar County First Responders Tuesday night. Paris EMS spearheaded the evening, and other sponsors were Christus St. Joseph's Health Systems, Coston & Son Concrete, Paris Medical Supply, Mike Williams Construction and Rita Haynes. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



END OF SCHOOL BLUES-This basset hound waits for the school bell outside of *Deport Elementary School* as if he knows that those bicycles in the background will soon pedal off for the summer months, taking his friends with them! Schools all over the area are in their final week this week. (Staff Photo by Mike Francies)

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Fulbright Homecoming June 8

The annual Fulbright Homecoming will be held Saturday, June 8 at the Community Center. Those wanting to come early to visit will have coffee available.

A "Pot Luck" dinner will be served at noon. Bring your favorite dish and enjoy the meal, visiting with former residents and lots of picture taking. Plates, napkins, silverware, ice and tea will be furnished.

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Country Cooking
By Liz Irwin



With Memorial Day just past and graduation in the forefront, things are hectic for everyone. This is also the time for weddings and showers, brunches, lunches and other assorted gatherings. The weather has also taken a turn for the better.....well, you must agree that all of that rain did put a damper on things. But anyway, this week, we are thinking fast and cool, so I am including some great salad recipes that will help in this area.

Several of these can be made ahead of time to cut down on the kitchen time. They can also be packed easily and carried to the places that you were supposed to be at an hour ago!.....have you ever been caught in that situation?

Anyway, try some of these and see if they are not the best and will see you in the kitchen!

FOUR STAR HAM SALAD-add a little pasta to this and voila!.....great!

BACON-RANCH POTATO SALAD-this is a wonderful, light meal for anyone!

BACON-PASTA SALAD-bacon, veggies and pasta!.....outstanding!

QUICK BLT SALAD-you like BLT sandwiches?.....you will love this!

EASY EGG SALAD-great on a sandwich or with crackers!

FRUIT SLAW-a little different on the slow scale, but try it!.....you will like it!

New cardiac triage units available at Christus St. Joseph's

CHRISTUS St. Joseph's Health System has recently purchased a second "Biosite Triage Cardiac System" for use in its emergency rooms, a device that dramatically reduces the time it takes to confirm or rule out suspected heart attacks.

Mark Mallory, RN, director of emergency services for CHRISTUS St. Joseph's, said a Biosite system is now located in the emergency rooms on both the North and South Campuses. "These units are ready for immediate use in the ER when a suspected heart attack victim arrives. Three tests critical to diagnosing a heart attack can be performed right in the emergency room in a matter of minutes."

Previously, suspected heart patients had blood drawn and sent to the laboratory for analysis, a process that took considerably more time. With the new Biosite system, three important basic tests can be completed in 20 minutes.

"The Biosite system allows the ER staff and physicians to begin early intervention therapeutics much sooner, generally within 30 minutes of arrival," Mallory said. "Time is a critical factor in successfully treating those suffering

a heart attack. Quick intervention often leads to shorter stays in the hospital and faster recovery times."

The portable Biosite Triage Cardiac System measures the presence of three cardiac "marker" proteins, typically released into the bloodstream following an acute myocardial infarction, or heart attack. The same device can also be used to conduct yet another blood test associated with diagnosing heart failure, the BNP test. That test measures B-type natriuretic peptide in blood plasma, the circulating blood protein secreted by the overloaded and failing heart.

Mallory said six million Americans visit emergency departments annually suffering from chest pain, yet only 11 percent are ultimately diagnosed as having had a heart attack. "But," he cautioned, "this does not mean that those who have classic heart attack symptoms should not seek immediate medical help." With the addition of the Biosite systems, he added, those suspected of having a heart attack can be diagnosed much faster, treatment can begin sooner, and - hopefully - outcomes will be much better.



CHECKING FOR HEART ATTACK - Jo Cook, RN in the CHRISTUS St. Joseph's Medical Center, North emergency room, uses the Biosite Triage Cardiac System to confirm or rule out a suspected heart attack.

Wellness Centers to offer free classes

CHRISTUS St. Joseph's wellness centers, RACE For Life and Aerofit, will offer a free "tag team aerobics" fitness class for the public as well as center members on Thursday, June 13.

Activities get under way at 5:30 p.m. at the Aerofit gym, 950 E. Austin St., and will conclude at 6:45 p.m.

"Tag team aerobics is a fun, energetic way to see what kind of classes the fitness centers offer," said Fitness Leader Traci McDonald. "Come ready to try a combination of abs, step, hi/lo, jump jab alotta kick, and we'll cool you back down with stretch -n- strengthen, a new class."

Child care will be provided in the Aerofit aerobic room from 5:15 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. Reservations are required by calling (903) 782-2900.

Obituaries

Juanita Collins Gibson dies May 21

Juanita Collins Gibson, age 73 of Irving, formerly of Dallas, died Tuesday, May 21 in Baylor Medical Center, Irving.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, May 24 at Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home Chapel in Irving with burial following in Oak Grove Memorial Gardens under the direction of Donnelly's Colonial Funeral Home.

Mrs. Gibson was born May 5, 1929 in Glendale, the daughter of Corbett Collins and Davie Burns Collins. She was retired in 1996 after 50 years with Southwestern Bell in Dallas in operator service and was the former owner of Gibson Fence Company.

Surviving are a daughter, Vicki Pierce and husband Bill of Irving and Rhonda Espinoza and husband Sal of Irving; a sister, Kathleen Bartlett of Denton; a brother, Wayne Collins of Royce City; grandchildren, Summer Hamilton, Brandon Hamilton, Ashley Pierce, Montana Pierce, Jordan Pierce, Nick Espinoza and Michael Espinoza.

William E. Grant dies May 24

William E. (Billie) Grant, 79, of Blossom died Friday May 24, 2002 at his home.

Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home conducted graveside services at 10:00 a.m. Monday May 27, 2002 at Knight of Honor Cemetery in Blossom with Rev. Buddy Greer officiating. The family received friends at the funeral home Sunday 5-6 p.m.

Billie was born July 6, 1922 in Deport, a son of Joseph A. and Ocie Ellis Grant. He married Viola Davis October 28, 1941 in Deport.

Billie served his country in the Army Air Force during World War II. He retired from Campbell Soup in 1984 after 20 years of service and was a member of the Methodist Church in Deport.

Survivors include a son Tommy Grant of Blossom; a daughter Peggie Anderson and husband Don of Blossom; grandchildren, Tera Kay Anderson, Clark and Melissa Grant; great-grandchildren, Amber and Casey Grant; two brothers, Arthur and wife Bobbie Grant of Paris, Wayne Grant of Fairfield, Calif.; a brother-in-law, Thomas Burnett of Blossom; two sisters-in-law, Mary Grant of Mission and Nancy Reeder of Garland; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 60 years, Viola, who died March 2, 2002 and a brother, B.C. Grant.

Pallbearers will be Clark Grant, DaKota Wright, David Grant, Donnie Grant, Timmy Grant and Bradley O'Brien.

Card of Thanks

Dayna Mauldin and family send a sincere thank you to everyone for the flowers, stuffed bears, prayers, phone calls and visits during my recovery at the hospital and home.

Colleen Slaton

Fulbright News
BY BETTY RODGERS
652-6051

A wedding shower for Bob and Karen Baker Norris was held in the home of Mrs. Viola Long of Paris on May 18. They received many nice and useful gifts.

Betty Rodgers and Melissa Arriaga spent the weekend in Boyd with Bernice Thomas.

Monte and Stephanie Rodgers and Melissa Kelley went to South Texas and visited a few days with Richard and Tonia Gaudet in Humble.

Visitors of Jimmie King were Kutchie King of Reno, Randy Osburn and daughter, Rebecca of Midlothi9an and Dick King of Paris. Jimmy had dinner Sunday with Kyle and Kutchie King of Reno and Duane and Bobbie King were also there.

Linda Salter of Brady spent the holiday weekend with her parents, Clovis and Katy VanDeaver.

Fulbright Homecoming is June 8 at the community center. Lunch will be served at noon.

Sunday visitors of Clovis and Katy VanDeaver were Linda Salter of Brady, Larann and John Denison of Rosalie, Mitzie, Gary and Michael Pirtle of Paris, Gordon, Helen and James VanDeaver and Vivi Avila of Pattonville.

The children of Fulbright Baptist Church had an end-of-school party Sunday afternoon.

PLEASE NOTICE
If you would like an obituary placed in these five newspapers and you are dealing with an out of town funeral home, please let them know. Or, if you would like an obituary run, you may send it to **Thunder Prairie Publishing, P.O. Box 98, Deport, TX. 75435 (FAX) (903) 652-6041 (Phone) (903) 652-4205** There is a nominal \$10 charge for obituaries. This places them in all five of the Thunder Prairie Publications

Malone, Jopes & Phipps Reunion to be held

There will be a Malone, Jopes and Phipps Reunion at the Malone Ranch Lake Vasco, Texas in Delta County on Sunday, June 2nd. For more information call 395-4371 or 785-1592 or 652-3193

Attend The Church of Your Choice

PJC to host girls basketball camp

Paris Junior College will host a girls basketball camp June 10-13. Information on the camp may be picked up at Rivercrest High School Office.

Ages 7 years through 8th grade will attend morning sessions and 9th through 12th grades will attend afternoon sessions.

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.

RED RIVER COUNTY ROOTS

This week's query is from Vivian Cogbill, Rt.#2-Box 433-B, Jasper, Texas 75951. She is interested in her husband's family who is buried in the Halesboro Cemetery. Those known to be buried there of his family are: William Washington Cogbill, Francis Marion and Samantha (Patton) Cogbill and W.R. Patton, as well as an aunt, Fannie (Cogbill) Brown. She wonders if W.R.'s wife, Amanda (Ringo) Patton was buried there in an unmarked grave. Amanda was the daughter of Peter Ringo, an early Red River pioneer. Mrs. Cogbill would appreciate hearing from anyone who may have information that would be helpful to her. If you would like to write to Mrs. Cogbill, do so at the above address. If you have a query you would like to have placed in this column, please send to the Red River Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 516, Clarksville, Texas 75426.

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Thursday, May 30, 2002

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| <p>Four Star Ham Salad
9 ounces baked ham-cut into match sticks
4 ounces Swiss cheese-cut into match sticks
2 cups rigatoni-cook, drain & keep warm
3 scallions-chopped
1 cup sour cream
1/4 cup orange juice
2 tablespoon fruit chutney
2 teaspoons Dijon-style mustard
2 teaspoons horseradish
1 teaspoon McCormick Brandy Extract
lettuce leaves
1 orange-peel & section for garnish</p> <p>Combine all ingredients except lettuce and orange and toss well. Line plates with lettuce leaves, add salad and garnish with oranges sections.</p> <p>Bacon-Ranch Potato Salad
1/4 teaspoon Miracle Whip
1/4 Ranch dressing
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon black pepper
1/8 teaspoon garlic salt
3 small red potatoes-cook and drain
6 slices bacon-crisp and crumbled
1/2 cup celery
1/2 cup thin sliced red pepper strips
1/2 sliced green onions</p> <p>Mix dressing and seasonings in large bowl. Add remaining ingredients and mix lightly. Serve.</p> <p>Bacon-Paste Salad
8 ounce rotini pasta-cook & drain
8 ounce bottle zesty Italian dressing
6 cherry tomatoes-quartered</p> | <p>2 green onions-sliced
2.8 ounce can bacon bits
Mix pasta, dressing, tomatoes and onions. Refrigerate 2 hours and stir occasionally. Sti in bacon just before serving.</p> <p>Quick BLT Salad
1 package Suddenly Salad Ranch & Bacon
1/2 cup Miracle Whip
3 cups finely shredded lettuce
1 large tomato-coarsely chopped
1/4 cup bacon bits</p> <p>Cook as directed on package and stir in lettuce, tomato and mix lightly. Sprinkle with bacon bits over top.</p> <p>Easy Egg Salad
6 hard-cooked eggs-peel & chop
1/2 cup chopped celery
1/4 cup mayonnaise
1 teaspoon dry mustard
1/2 teaspoon onion powder
1/2 teaspoon season salt</p> <p>In medium bowl, combine first 6 ingredients. Cover and chill and top with paprika before serving.</p> <p>Fruit Slaw
3 cups finely shredded green cabbage
1 cup finely chopped Granny Smith apple
1/4 cup dried cranberries or cherries
8 ounce can crushed pineapple-drain ad reserve juice
2 tablespoon unsalted sunflower nuts
1/2 cup plain yogurt
1 tablespoon honey
1 teaspoon Dijon mustard</p> <p>Mix apple, cabbage,cranberries and pineapple. Set aside. Combine yogurt, 2 tablespoons reserved pineapple juice, honey na mustard. Mix well and stir into cabbage mixture. Serve.</p> |
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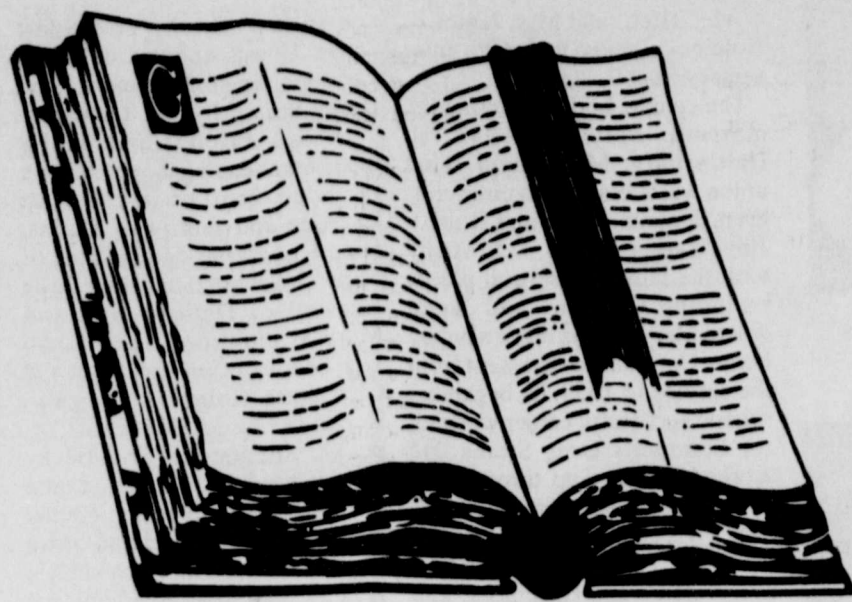
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Fellowship Baptist Church
Pastor, Neil Higginbotham
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Hwy. 82 W.
Blossom, TX

Faith Baptist Church, SBC
Ruth St,
Deport, TX

Pastor, Dr. L.C. Stout
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7 p.m.
Youth Class 7 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
801 N. Main
Bogata, TX 632-5218
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday 6 p.m.
Prayer Meeting, G.A.'s, R.A.'s,
Mission Friends, Coed Youth Group

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Hwy. 271 S, Bogata
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Class-toddlers-5-Christy Cooper & Mandy Sherrill
Children's Church-ages 6-11-Bill Higgins
Teen Class-age 12-18
Young Adult Class Sr. Adult Class
Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7 p.m.
For Information, 632-4311

First United Methodist Church
202 N. Main, Bogata, TX
903-632-5610
Rev. Joe Gist
Service Times:
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.

Blossom Church of Christ
640 W. Front St., Blossom, TX
982-5667
Service Times:
Bible Class 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
Sunday evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday evening 7 p.m.
Ministers Evan Butler, 982-6083
David Ballard, 982-7245

Bogata Missionary Baptist Church
Hwy. 271, Bogata, TX 632-9922
Pastor Billy Daniels 632-2948
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday
Discovery Bible Clubs 6:45 p.m.
Teen Discovery 6:45
Adult Bible Study 7 p.m.
Other Youth Activities as announced

Detroit First Assembly of God
Pastor Claud Plunk
Service Times:
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Wed.
Whiz Kids 6 p.m.
Bible Study & Royal Rangers

Day Spring House of Prayer
Pastor Buddy Hines
Service Times:
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wed. Service 7 p.m.
115 Church St., Deport

Deport First Presbyterian Church
Visiting Pastors
Service Times:
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.

First Methodist Church
Cunningham, TX
Pastor Ted Willis
Service Times:
Morning Worship ... 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

NAZARENE CHURCH & CHILDCARE
100 Front St., Blossom, TX
Service Times:
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m. & 5 p.m.
Wed. Cottage Prayer 7 p.m.
Daycare M-F, 6:30-5:30
Pastor Michael Bolton

Deport First Baptist Church
Pastor Freddy Burden
Service Times:
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship . 10:50 a.m.
Sunday evening 6 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 7 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
177 Pecan St., Deport, TX
Ted Willis, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study 6 p.m.
Everyone Welcome

Cuthand United Methodist Church
Hwy. 1487, Bogata, TX
Rev. Joe Gist
Service Times:
Church 9:45 a.m.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Wednesday nights, Youth
John Purviance, Youth Leader

First Baptist Church Detroit, TX
Pastor, Danny Robbins
Youth Director: Jody VanDeaver
Service Times:
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Youth 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Evening Worship 7 p.m.

Martin Memorial United Methodist Church
Detroit, TX 674-4455
Pastor Lee Everett
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Bible Study 6 p.m.
Sunday Choir Practice . 7 p.m.
Tuesday Quilting 1:30
Wednesday Youth 7 p.m.

If you would like to advertise your church service times on this page, please call the Deport Times, 903-652-4205. Cost of the page is \$10.00 per month, \$120.00 per year.



Robert Holmes, Jeanie Shone, Scott Holmes. Back row: James and Mary Holmes.

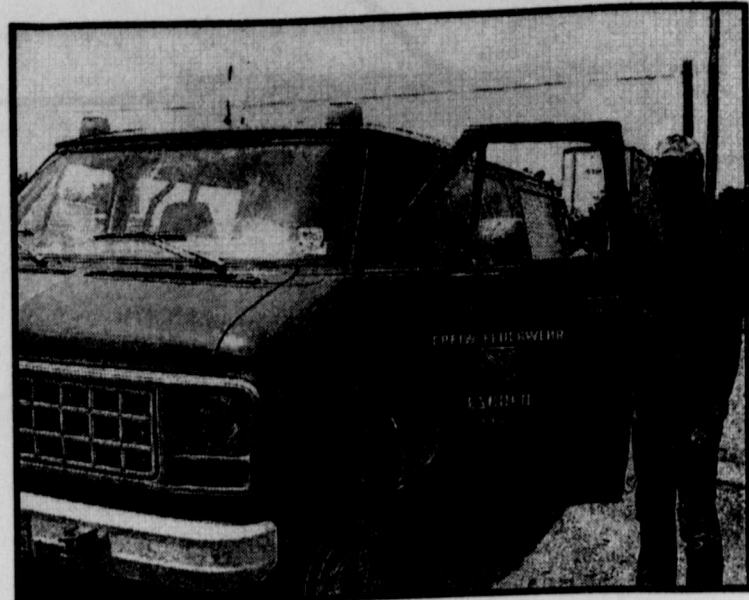
Holmes celebrate 60th anniversary

Maj. (Ret.) and Mrs. James R. Holmes celebrated their 60th anniversary May 9, 2002.

The couple, both of Pattonville, married May 9, 1942 in Hattiesburg, Mississippi. This union was blessed with three children, Jeannie, Scott and Robert. Jim's career in the U.S. Army took the family to several places including Germany and Japan where Mary always made a happy home. Upon Jim's retirement from the service in 1959, he began his second successful career working for Sommer's Drug Stores. He worked his way up through the company and retired in 1978 as senior vice-president of the company's 43 stores in Austin, San Antonio and Beaumont. The couple has lived in San Antonio since 1967.

A party was held in their honor in Dripping Springs at the home of their granddaughter and grand-

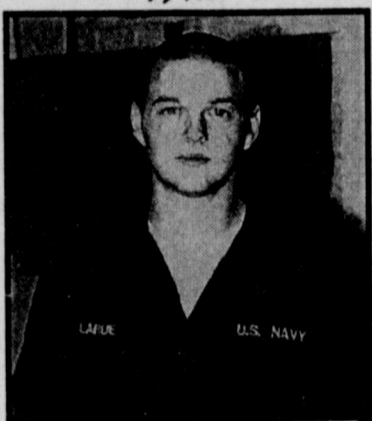
son-in-law, Becky and Scott Davis. Guests enjoyed delicious barbeque, beautiful weather and lively music by the Campfire Cowboys. Friends and family members attending the celebration included brother-in-law, Pat Carbone and family of Dallas, friend Lorraine McFarland of Mineral Wells and daughter Susie Harwell of DeSoto; Jim and Mary's children, Jeannie and Don Shone of Garfield, Scott and Charolette Holmes of Seguin, Robert and Jacqui Holmes of Corpus Christi; grandchildren Becky and husband Alan Seiler, Kenny Kelly, Cindy and husband Steve Hafner, Richard Holmes and Kyle Holmes and great-grandchildren Kristin, Mary Catherine, Kaitlyn, Spencer, Daniel, Jason and Kayley enjoyed the day with their very special grandparents.



A GIFT FROM Liechenstein-this 1981 Chevy van was built in the good old USA and shipped to Liechenstein where it was custom fitted to be used as a fire truck. It has been used as a volunteer fire department truck since 1981. This month, the Chevy came home to the USA and was delivered to Brushy Creek Farms east of Cunningham, Texas. David Basinger, shop foreman for Brushy Creek Farms, said that when he took delivery the truck was still equipped with red flashing lights. The compartments used for fire fighting equipment now house tools for repairing farm equipment. And the kicker is, the truck only has 9,000 miles on it since 1981!



Mary and James Holmes 1942



Navy Fireman Apprentice

Christopher J. LaRue

Sailor had role in Operation Enduring Freedom Mini-football camp set June 3-5

Brockton's Christopher J. LaRue, who is aboard the USS Dubuque, attached to the USS Carl Vinson Battle Group, had a job during Operation Enduring Freedom, to ensure the 15th MEU elements embarked on Dubuque were able to perform their mission. The 15th MEU is a special operations capable task force made up of 2,100 personnel, including both sailors and marines. Navy Fireman Apprentice LaRue is a damage control specialist. He ensures personnel are properly trained to combat fires and other emergencies and is the son of Jeffery and Cheryl LaRue of Brockton.

"I felt we played our part in taking the Marines out to perform their missions, we were like a taxi

service," said LaRue, a two year Navy veteran.

On November 26, 2001, Marine aboard Dubuque were launched into Afghanistan and landed near the city of Kandahar. They subsequently provided security for the airfields where U.S. Forces were operating.

When done with their mission in late January, they reboarded the ships and headed to liberty ports in Australia. "Getting paid is a rewarding part of my job," LaRue said.

the perks of being aboard a ship also come with long work day needed for mission accomplishment. The kind of commitment and dedication the sailors demonstrated aboard the Dubuque has contributed to the success of OEF.

The 2002 Patriot football mini-camp will be held June 3-5 from 8:30 a.m. until 12 noon at Prairiland High School at a cost of \$40.00.

The camp is conducted by Coach Glen Schuelke and Rick Connot. Incoming grades 1-9 are allowed to attend.

Cleats or sports shoes, T-shirt and shorts are needed. All camp-

ers will receive a camp T-shirt. Drinks will be sold.

This is a non-contact camp designed to introduce young players to the basics of football. Campers will learn fundamental techniques that apply to all levels of play.

You may call 783-9107 or 652-5681 to reserve a spot.

"Amazon Outfitters on Expedition" is theme for Bible School

"Amazon Outfitters-On Expedition with the One True God" is the theme for the Vacation Bible School to be held June 9-13 at the Bethel Baptist Church in Clardy.

Built around an Amazon adventure expedition, the week will be full of exciting Bible stories, a la-

music festival and rain forest related refreshments and recreation.

School times are 6:30 to 8:30 on June 9 and 7 to 9 p.m. June 10-13. A picnic and registration will be held June 8 at noon.

The church is located on FM905 in Clardy. For information, call Judy Price at 784-0158.

Beware sun's harmful rays Basics for Starting a Small Business

When heading outdoors this summer, it is essential that special attention be placed on protecting yourself from the sun's harmful rays to prevent skin cancer.

Skin cancer is the most common type of cancer in the United States; it is estimated that 40 to 50% of fair skinned Americans who live to be 65 years of age will have skin cancer at least once in their lives. An estimated 9,200 people in the United States will die of skin cancer this year.

Knowing the signs and symptoms of skin cancer can assist in early detection and treatment. These include a growth or sore that doesn't heal; a change in the size or color of a mole or other dark colored growth; scaliness, oozing bleeding or change in appearance of a bump; spread of skin color beyond its border; an a change in sensation such as itchiness or pain.

Avoid extended or continuous exposures to the sun longer than 1 hour, during intense sun hours.

Before going outdoors, always apply a sunscreen with sun protection factor of at least 15.

Keep infants and children from extended exposure to the sun. Avoid tanning booths.

Wear sunglasses, hats and other protective clothing.

Give yourself a monthly exam for any change in size, shape or color of a mole and see your doctor if you detect any changes.

"Basics for Starting a Small Business" will be presented Friday, June 7, 9:00 am-12 noon, in the Alford Center at Paris Junior College.

Learn what it takes to start and operate a small business including legal requirements, writing a business plan, market research, where to find financing and how to apply, SBA guaranteed loan programs, preparing a cash flow projection, record keeping and tax requirements, and basics of managing your own small business. Handouts and forms are included. Instructor is Rudy Slusher, counselor for the Paris SBDC.

To register, contact Continuing Education at Paris Junior College at 903-782-0447. For more information on programs and services of the Paris Small Business Development Center, contact Pat Bell at 903-782-0224.

PATTONVILLE NEWS

By Peggy Parsons

Happy birthday to Pam McNabb, Leonard Ford, James Morton, Rachel Birch, Brandon Bell, J.A. Sparks, Ty Merritt, Jeanne Kraft, Randy Ellington, Nita Johnson, Mary Jo Hoover, Blake Gentry, Lorene Butler, Matt Basinger, Pam McKee, David Glover, Doug Phillips, Jeanna Smith, Jim Benfer, Tanner Blake Waggoner, Tom Bramlett, William St. John.

Happy anniversary to Al And Ethel Cerakno, Jack and Jeanne Armstrong, Joe and Alyse Michalka, Billy and Roxanne Ferguson.

Steve and Carolyn Ladd attended an ice cream festival in Brenham.

Jonathan Wickes, son of Sam and Lori Wickes of Clardy, broke his leg playing baseball. He is the grandson of James Charle sand Kay Kennedy of Clardy.

Jason Bailey of Paris High School has signed a letter of intent for a scholarship to play baseball at PJC. He is the grandson of Bob and Dorothy Bailey of Blossom, great-grandson of L.E. Clement of Paris and the son of Chris and Karen Bailey of Paris.

Visiting S.C. Short in the hospital Wednesday were Carl Ray Hatcher, Henrietta Watts, James Cunningham, Freeman Safford, Nina Sparks, Peggy Parsons and Elois Sparks.

Lance Stout of Cooper High was named to the All Red River Valley Boys second team in

basektball. He is the grandson of L.C. and Jerry Nell Stout and son of Jerry and Mizi Stout.

Spending Memorial Day with Keith and Peggy Parsons were Mark and Tonya Parsons, Haley and Ty of Rowlett.

The Mid American Youth Basketball Tournament was held at Prairiland gym during the week-end.

Susan Richey of Dallas visited her parents, Jerry and Dorothy Richey Sunday and Monday.

Buster and Loise Crossland, Michael and Kristina Crossland, Ty and Blake attended a cookout in Paris Monday at the home of Travis and Rachel Crossland. Annette Crossland and friend of Lindale also attended.

Buster and Louise visited Ruby Ray in Blossom Monday. Clayton Bogard was a visitor of the Crosslands.

Mickey Keneer, Beatrice Cope of Paris, William and Marilyn Cope of Burkburnett, Sandy Ring, Ashleigh McLean and Heather Anderson were visitors of Bill and Ruby D. Blevins.

Ruby Blevins visited Jesse Newsom in Parkview Nursing Home Saturday.

Heather and Cassie Anderson's grandparents from Arizona are visiting them, Ed and Sandy Ring and Ashleigh.

William and Marilyn Cope of Burkburnett and Beatrice Cope of Paris visited Travis Crossland Sunday.

Deport Housing Authority News

call Melba Ladd

The monthly birthday/bingo party was held in the Community Room at the Glover Units on May 23. Fun, fellowship and food was enjoyed by LaVerta Westbrook, Evelyn Roach, Eunice L. Sugg, Alpha Barnard, Irene and Lloyd Grogan, Mavis Sowards, Maud Webb, Frances Franklin and Phyllis Gifford. Birthdays celebrated were Venice Bryson and Cecil Abel.

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Austin College awarded 325 Bachelor of Arts degrees at commencement ceremonies May 19th on the campus.

Actor Henry Winkler offered the commencement address. The student address was presented by graduating senior Tyler Owen of Round Rock.

Bachelor of Arts degree candidate Aubrey Anne Clark of Bogata graduated Cum Laude, Psychology. She is the daughter of Charlotte and David Rozell of Bogata and Gary and Susan Clark of Azle.

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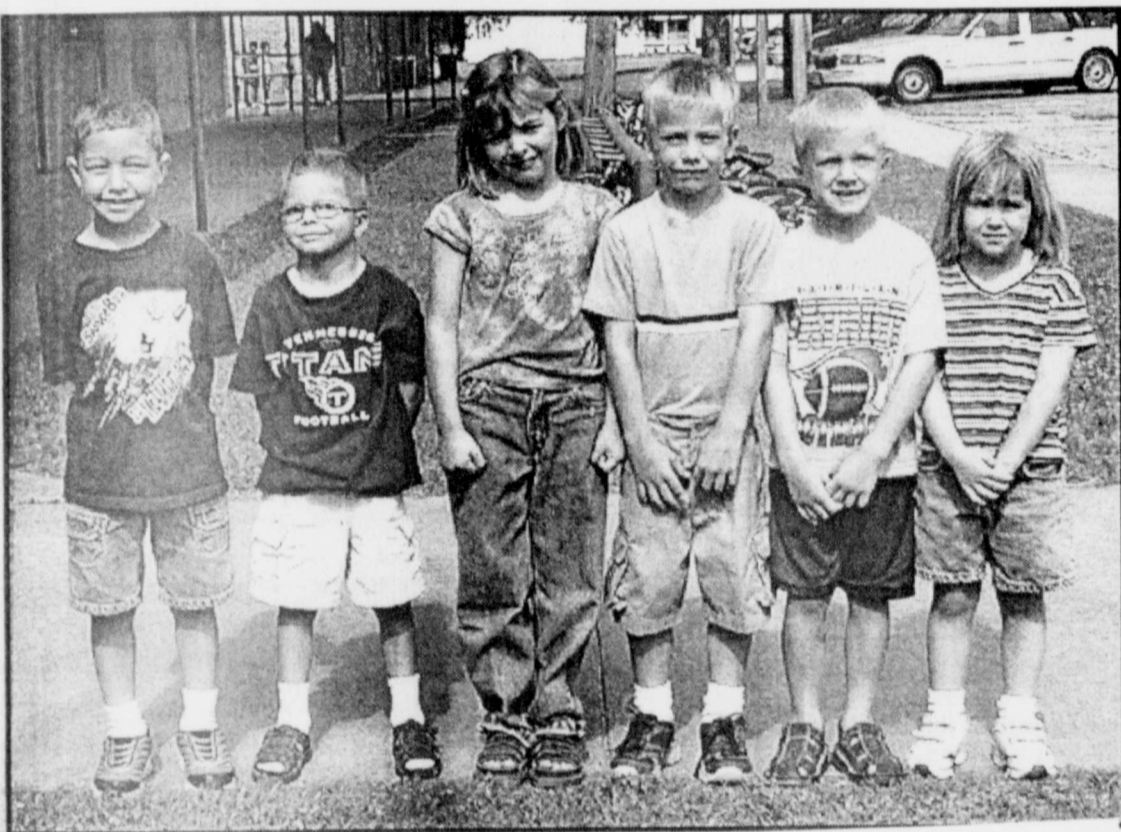
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READING TAAS TESTS - Pictured from left to right are Philius Fogg, Ponyboy Curtis, Harriet Jacobs, Huckleberry Finn, Robert Peck, Mr. Connors and Flagan Sackett, better known as Blossom 8th grade students Matt Hosttetter, Colby Reavis, Chelsey Anderson, Amanda Neel, Jessica Chapman, Dusty Cheney and Cole White.



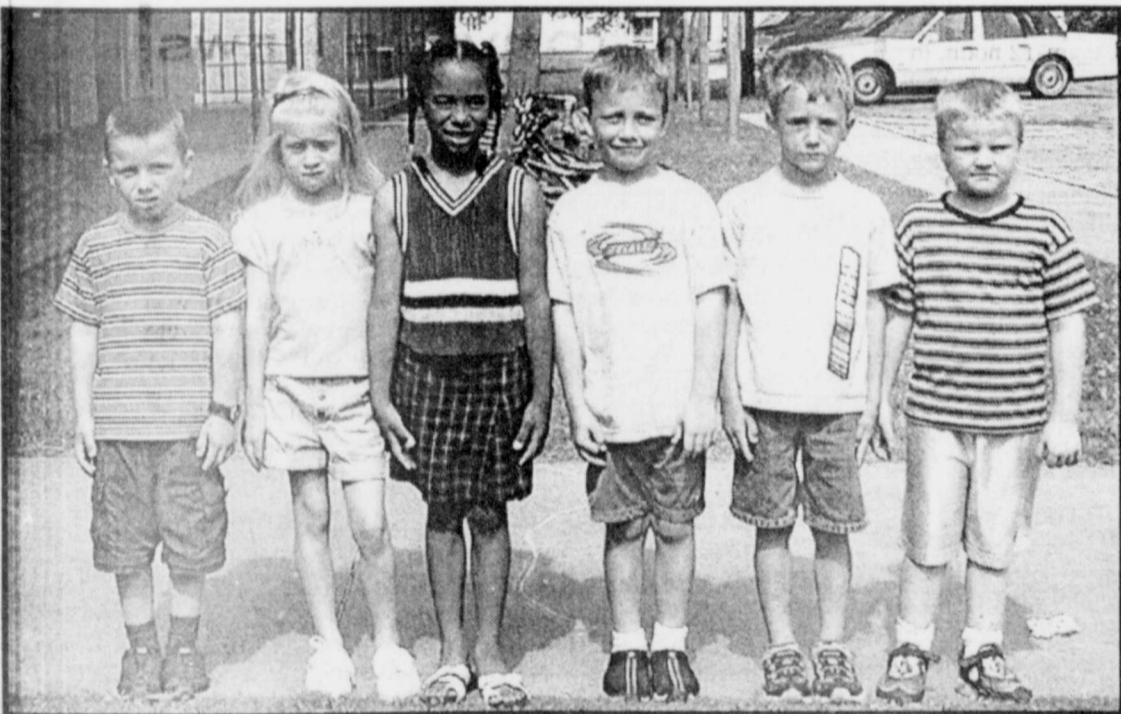
PRAIRILAND GIRLS GOLF TEAM members are Emily Fendley, Jhonna Patterson, Holly Jones, Hollie Allen, Kami Hudson, Whitney Brook, Mallory Price.



MRS. FREEMAN'S Kindergarten Class Star Students from left are: Jordan Jones, Dylan Tesch, Kristen Patterson, Earl Filkins, Seth Greer, Kalee Owens. Not pictured is Andrew Rick. (Staff Photo by Mike Francies)



PRAIRILAND BOYS GOLF TEAM members are Will Wood, Blake Smith, Brandon Bettis, Josh Fendley, Trey Unruh, Josh Osborn.



STAR STUDENTS From the Deport Campus for the last six weeks are: Kindergarten-Mrs. Boren's Class, from left: Chase Canida, Lorrie Plemons, Megan Kindle, Jordan Freeman, Kelby Cole and Cody Chavers. Not pictured are Kasey Bowling and Kaitlynd Border. (Staff Photo by Mike Francies)



BLOSSOM LITTLE ANGELS-Ryley Brakebill, Chelsea Williams, Hilary Adams, Courtney Pryor, Jessica Garrett, Keleigh Burchinal, Ashley Adams, Kaitlyn Doty, Sarah Talley and Shelby McCain. Back row are coaches Rhonda Burchinal and Tim Adams. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



BLOSSOM FIRESTIX-Back row left to right are Coach Sissy Nation, Jessica Roddy, Katie Clark, Coach Chasiti Weeks, Alisa Lane, Ashley Ballard and Coach Pam Withers. Front row is Haley Trammel, Kara Nation, Bailee Berry, Jessica Withers, Colby Chapman and Courtney Outland. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

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RED RIVER VALLEY HONKERS toured the Blossom area on Saturday and ended up at the home of Norma and Seburn Bryan north of Blossom. They enjoyed lunch and other activities as well as the tour. Pictured in no order are J. R. and Marlene Ray, Dalton and Brenda Gibson, Sid and Dora Jones, Susan and Gary Bishop, Becky and Melvin Webb, John and Libby Schasfe and James and Mae Crawford. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



GOOD MEAL-members of Pattonville and Blossom Volunteer First Responders Units enjoyed a barbecue meal Tuesday night in honor of Lamar County First Responders. The meal was sponsored by Paris EMS Christus St. Joseph's Health Systems, Coston & Son Concrete, Paris Medical Supply, Mike Williams Construction, Paris EMS and Rita Haynes of the Red River Valley Fair Assn. furnished the building. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Prairiland High School
Week of May 27



27	Review for Finals
28	Review for Finals
29	Youth for Christ, 7:50 a.m., Library
	1, 2, 3 period Final Exams
	1:15 dismissal
30	4, 5, 6, 7 period Final Exams
	1:15 dismissal
	Eighth grade graduation
31	Teacher Workday
	Graduation

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STRANGE Strange, strange! The Deport First Responders taking the Emergency Medical Technician's course under PJC Instructor Larry McDonald, clustered around the television Saturday with their stethoscopes to listen to a special video with various "breath sounds". It still made a rather strange photograph, though! Taking the EMT course to better serve the community's medical needs are Mike Francies, Sunny Whitney, Jeremy Day, Charles Reavis and Nanalee Nichols (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



NEW TRACTOR-Charles Foster of the Deport American Legion was busy last week spreading dirt with the new 30 hp diesel tractor, equipped with a front-end loader and estate mower. The Legion recently purchased the tractor from LaRue New Holland in Paris. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

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Sign-up time for Bogata Rodeo Princess contest

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EDDY DENNY, member of the First Baptist Church of Bogata, works on a Texas Baptist Men Retiree Builders construction project near Paris, building a home for an 11 year old girl and her family.

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Equal Housing Opportunity LENDER

Local man helping building "Courtney's House"

The staccato pounding of nails and whirring of circular saws ripping lumber echoed through the post oaks near Hopewell. And, Eddy Denny of Bogata is one of the "Baptist Builders" who were helping to run these carpentry tools.

The Texas Baptist Men Retiree Builders began work May 14 on the home for the family of 11-year-old Courtney Akard. The sixth grade honor student with a beaming smile has been confined to a wheelchair since a car wreck five years ago injured her spinal cord.

The Retiree Builders typically build churches or facilities for Baptist camps. They seldom build private residences.

But the volunteers agreed to make an exception for "Courtney's house" after Debbie Drake called the Texas Baptist Men office at the urging of her pastor, Randall Scott at Immanuel Baptist Church in Paris.

Drake, a registered nurse, explained that an auto accident had left Courtney unable to walk and with severely limited use of her hands and arms. She lived with her mother and two teenaged brothers in a one-bedroom rent house.

Their home on a busy highway north of Paris lacked insulation, and Courtney could barely maneuver her electronic wheelchair through it's narrow hallways. All the countertops and fixtures were beyond her reach.

Courtney's mother had worked as a home health care provider before her daughter's accident. Since then, she has scraped together a living for her family by selling advertising and promotional fund-raising items, painting houses and doing other part time jobs during school hours.

"God is good. He let me have a roof over my head and I'm not complaining. I'm still proud to have it. It could be worse," Dianne Akard said.

She managed to buy a 1.3 acre lot in the Hopewell community and she and her sons cleared a site by hand on the heavily wooded property where she dreamed of building a home for Courtney.

But, she soon learned that the government considered any property that was currently unoccupied to be a financial asset. Until she moved on the property or sold it, Courtney was ineligible for any state or federal financial assistance or medical benefits.

Akard struggled with the decision, but she chose to hold onto the land and give up government benefits until they could build a house. She saw it as Courtney's security into the future. And, she dreamed of a handicapped accessible home that would provide her daughter the opportunity to regain a degree of independence.

"I'm getting older. There's going to be a point in my life when I can't pick up Courtney", Akard said.

She looked forward to the prospect of a home where her daughter could bathe herself, cook her own meals and learn other independent living skills.

Courtney's mother contacted Chris Whitaker, a local homebuilding and layman at First Baptist Church of Paris. He worked with a PJC architect to draw plans for a house that would be fully handicapped accessible and he secured many donated building supplies. But the project could not be completed without volunteer laborers to coordinate it.

"A lot of people were willing to come out and help, but it just wasn't enough. We all have to work for a living, and people have to provide for their won families", Akard said.

The Texas Baptist Men Retiree Builders met the challenge. "I think we should step out occasionally and take on tasks that are outside the norm of church building" said James Griffin of Seven Oaks Baptist Church in Wills Point.

Members of churches related to the Baptist General Convention of Texas help support the TBMRB through their gifts to the Mary Hill Davis Offering for Texas Missions. The builders live in their own RVs and donate their labor, the missions offering provides them a fully equipped tool trailer and local churches provide meals.

The Retiree Builders agreed to frame the house, put sheathing on the outside and install the ceiling joists. The contractor will install rafters and decking. Volunteers from Immanuel Baptist Church will roof the house and a local bricklayer already agreed to donate his time.

It is hoped that Courtney will be in the house by the time school begins next fall.

The new house is three times the size of the rent house where the Akards currently live in. Dianne Akard finds it hard to press the depth of her gratitude for the Retiree Builders' role in what she calls "Courtney's House".

"We're just so happy and grateful people care. You know how the world gets; sometimes you wonder how things really are. But there's good people still around" she said.

Every day Courtney's mother brought her to the building site. While her mother wheeled her around the slab, Courtney stretched her arms as wide as she could, showing how spacious the hallways would be. "Oh, momma, I won't be scraping my elbows against the walls," she said.

Courtney turns twelve next month, looks forward to the independence her new handicapped accessible home will provide.

The Dragon Slayer

by Bobby Maddox

As I drive around this area there are things that always catch my eye. One of these is the rusty scoreboard at the north end of what was once the Bogata football field. Now the location is occupied by a softball field. I was witness to many football games on that field between the Bogata Bulldogs and the Deport Tigers. Farther east is also the remains of another football field, the home of the Talco Trojans where I also saw several football games in the late 1940's.

A year or so ago, my wife Sherri and I stopped at the Talco School during the summer months and met the principal, Kelly Stansell. She kindly consented to allow us to take another look at the football field and gym where I once played basketball for Deport Elementary School in 1948-49. There wasn't much left of the field. There were slight traces of the asphalt track around the field and the concrete bleachers on the east side were still there and probably always will be.

To prove what a small world it is, I found that Mrs. Stansell's father-in-law is Gerald Stansell, a friend of mine when I attended Paris Junior College in the mid 1950's. When we were getting in the pickup I said to Sherri, "When I went to school I never had a principal as attractive as Mrs. Stansell."

At Deport, sadly, there are no traces left of the two football fields I remember there. The oldest field was on the gin lot just across Mustang Creek on land now occupied by a large warehouse used by Blackland Prairie Gin. This field never had lights and seemed to get very muddy on the southern end. The baseball diamond was located on the northeast part of the lot. Recently Larry McGill and I recalled the game in which his older brother, Gaylon, while batting, was struck by a bean-ball. The im-

print of the ball's stitches were clearly visible on Gaylon's head for quite a while. This was before batting helmets were used. At this time, the coach at Deport was my father, R.L. Maddox.

The other football field was on land now occupied by the City of Deport Housing Authority. This field had lights and metal bleachers on the north side. Deport High School could now have night games at home. A few weeks ago, I stopped by the Housing Authority and had a very interesting conversation with the administrator, Melba Ladd, her husband Carlos, and Kenneth Gifford. Melba found some old photographs, and one of them showed the remains of the metal bleachers just before construction of the Housing authority began.

We moved to Powderly just before I began my freshman year, so I never had the opportunity to play high school football, but I did my share of playing baseball in high school at the Paris Boys' Club and in the Lamar County League. I was never a good hitter and didn't have a strong enough arm to make a hard throw from third or short-stop, but I could catch a ground ball fairly well and considered myself to be an adequate second baseman.

Some of the earliest games I remember playing in were against Pattonville in the late 1940's. When we played in Pattonville, we played on the baseball diamond located in a pasture just east of town and had some very exciting games there. We didn't have a coach. We just organized ourselves with the older boys usually playing the key positions. As I recall, southpaw Cotton Anderson did most of the pitching for Pattonville. We were lucky to have two or three baseballs and a few bats, some of which had tape around the handles to cover the

cracks. In the summer of 1950, I played in a league at the Paris Boys' Club. The league I played in had a team for each Ward School in Paris. I played for the Graham Crackers and was issued my first baseball uniform. I don't remember the age group, but the league was between the Soda Pop League for 12-year olds and the American League.

When we were organized, we found that nobody wanted to play catcher. I knew just the person. My good friend, Donnie Bryson from Deport, was just what we needed. Donnie had the skin between his forefinger and middle finger on his right hand split by a foul tip while playing for Deport High School, a few weeks before. He taped these two fingers together and continued to play that summer for the Graham Crackers.

I'll never forget the time that Donnie and I were in Deport with no transportation to Paris on game day. We put on our uniforms and walked down to the highway. With our baseball shoes in hand, we hitchhiked to Paris, played the game and came back to Deport the same way. We enjoyed playing baseball very much and had no intention of missing the game. I'm glad we went because for the first and only time I got three hits in a game. I think organized baseball is a great way for a boy to spend the summer.

A few weeks ago, as I was about to leave the house to go for a ride, my wife said, "Where are you going?" I replied, "Oh, I don't know, just driving around." She continued, "What are you going to do?" I paused a moment and answered, "I may find a goose that can lay golden eggs, or a pot of gold at the end of a rainbow. If I feel real energetic I might even slay a dragon." As I walked out the door, Sherri just stood there shaking her head.



Donnie Bryson & Bobby Maddox

Post Oak News
By Geneva Lee
982-5309

East Post Oak will be having Vacation Bible School next week June 3-7. It will begin at 9:00 a.m. and let out at noon each day. Classes will be for 4 years old through 6th grade. The church bus will run each day and there will be a teenage class this year. There will be an ice cream supper this Saturday beginning at 4:00 p.m. and everyone is invited.

Some out of town relatives attending the funeral of Nora Tyler last week was her twin sister Ora Blasingame and daughter Rosetta, Mrs. J. D. Lee and daughter Martha, Wallace and Freida Lee all of Ft. Worth. Those of Mr. Tyler's family were his three brothers, Wesley, Virgil and Herbert and two sisters, Lois and Janis. Two other brothers Forest and William could not attend. William is living in Missouri and fell recently and broke his back below his neck and since then they found other problems, one being an aneurism.

Bro. Henry Blackmon and family, Bro. and Mrs. J. T. McNabb and Bro. and Mrs. Wilbourn Lee attended the Red River Baptist Association preacher and wives fellowship on May 13 at Sirloin Stockade in Paris. A large group of 25 attended.

Donald Reynolds and son Tracy of Henderson came Friday night to visit his classmate Johnnie Lee

and Bro. and Mrs. Wilbourn Lee. They attended the Tractor Club show at the Love Civic Center in Paris Saturday. Donald brought his '48 John Deere tractor and also corn meal grinder that grinds corn and sells home ground meal. They returned home Saturday night.

Louise Cagle and daughter Kathy attended the 100th birthday celebration of Laura Miller in Detroit on Saturday afternoon.

Glenda Davis had 4 of her grandchildren attend church with her Sunday morning.

The Post Oak VFD will have their regular monthly meeting Tuesday night at the fire station beginning at 7:00 p.m. All members and anyone interested are urged to attend.

James and Mickie Freelan and some of their family attended the Freelan family reunion Sunday. James Alvin and Patricia Freelan of Rugby attended.

Newman and Betty Low had a fish fry at Sanders Cove at Pat Mayse Lake Monday afternoon. Those attending were their daughter Terri Williams and daughter Katie and her friend David, Jerald and April Williams and baby Ashlyn, April's mother Fracis Bush, 2 friends of Jerald and April's and Wilbourn, Geneva and Johnnie Lee. All enjoyed the meal.

out to Minnie Lee Shands. She had surgery on her knee last week and is recovering quite well.

Mary Jane Lowry spent from Thursday to Saturday in Gilmer visiting with Janie and Mike Ballard. They attended the 4th birthday party of Ryan Alyssa Lindsey on Saturday at the park in Hughes Springs. Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. Glen Lindsey of Marlan and Mr. and Mrs. Ryan Ballard of Bogata and other friends.

Carol and Kenny Wood of At-las, Keith and Crystal Wilson of Pattonville and Patsy and Patrick Smith of Hulbert, Oklahoma spent the holiday with Ruby Crawford.

Steven, Renea and Kaleb Long enjoyed Memorial Day lunch with Emma and Lloyd Willard.

Nikalus Clarkson of Magnolia, Arkansas and Tyler Flook of Columbus, Mississippi were here over the weekend visiting with their grandparents Sue and Randle Clarkson and Nikalus' parents Randy and Lesa Clarkson.

Bessie Garrett and Paul Garrett attended the Garrett Reunion at Woodland at the Methodist Church on Sunday. There was a good turnout. On Saturday night, they attended a senior citizen's banquet at the Blossom Church of Christ along with Jerry and Sue Garrett of Lake Tawokani and Kim and Clay Redditt of Arlington. Kim and Clay spent Saturday night with Bessie. Also visiting them for the weekend was Jamilyn Garrett and a friend from Abilene.

Fair rulebooks are ready

The 2002 Red River County Fair Exhibit Building and Livestock Show rules are available and may be picked up at the County Extension Office, located at 402

N. Cedar St. in Clarksville. For information concerning the County Fair, call the Extension Office at 427-3867.

There are two times in a man's life when he should not speculate: when he can afford to and when he can't.

-Mark Twain

Blossom Locals
By Liz Irwin
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Happy Birthdays this week to Shane Gonzales, Devon Phillips, Brittany Baker, Justin James, Sarah Keen, Ann Sanders, Wes Nance, Juan Peralta, Paula Pool, Chris Molina, Phillip Elder, Marissa Lyon, Katherine Halenkamp, Merari Blanco, Autumn Nation, Dakota Swindle, Morgan Hostettler, Kandace Jackson, Rachel Ruckman, Jennifer Robertson, Amanda Wood, Bonnie Flatt, Brett Price, Trenton Thompson, Jeremiah Jones, Tammie Anthony.

Hope everyone had a great Memorial Day holiday.....school will be out with this publishing, so watch out for the little ones!

Detroit Volunteer Fire Department will be having an all-you-can-eat fish fry this Saturday beginning at 4:30....everyone is invited to attend!

The Blossom Community Club will be holding their monthly meeting at 8:00 a.m. this Saturday at the civic center.....they need new members.....go out and visit with them and enjoy!

Prairiland Project Graduation needs parents to bring finger foods, chips, dips and canned drinks for Friday night's activities. Anyone wanting to donate something may bring it with them to graduation or drop it by M&M Food Mart in Pattonville or call 652-2321.

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Happy anniversary to Donna and Charlie Slayden, Debbie and Sam Campbell.

Jayne, Dicky and NeLeigh King celebrated the Memorial Day Holiday on Monday with a meal at Thomas and Nanalee Nichols' home. Jeff Jeffus was also a visitor.

Elvin and Joan Moore Bell of Pattonville enjoyed spending time with their families over the Memorial Day weekend. Their son, Brandon and wife Mandy Babb Bell came on Friday and Mandy's brother, Scotty Babb got married Saturday and they attended the wedding. On Monday, they had a hamburger cookout with Brandon and Mandy Bell of Dallas and Mandi Bell Greer and husband Shane of Clardy and grandchildren Kastley, Seth and Madeline and Elvin's mother, Marie Bell from Honey Grove attending.

Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE
 Prairiland I.S.D. is requesting bids for the 2002-2003 school year for the following items: Fuel (gasoline & diesel), bread products and propane. Submit all bids to James Morton at Prairiland I.S.D., P.O. Box 200, Pattonville, TX 75468 by June 14, 2002.
 6-6

PUBLIC NOTICE
 Detroit I.S.D. is now accepting bids on bread and ice cream products for the 2002-2003 school year. Deadline for submission of bids is June 5, 2002 at 12:00 noon. Mail bid proposals to Detroit ISD, Box 370, Detroit, TX 75436. Bids will be opened at the June 10, 2002 board meeting. Detroit ISD reserves the right to reject any and all bids. If you have any questions you may contact Paula Swint at 903-674-6131.
 5-30

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ON AGENCY PLANS
 May 31, 2002
 Office of Bogata Housing Authority
 The Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 requires the Housing Authority of the City of Bogata to prepare a Five Year Plan and an Annual Plan covering operations of the Public Housing and Section 8 Programs. On May 31, 2002 at 9:30 a.m., the Board of Commissioners for the Bogata Housing Authority will hold a public meeting to receive comments on the Housing Authority's Five Year Plan and Annual plan. The meeting will take place at the business office of the Bogata Housing Authority on Thedford Street in Bogata.
 The draft Plans and all supporting documents are available to the public for viewing at the administration office of the Housing Authority located at 100 Thedford Street on weekdays during the hours of 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. May 31, 2002.
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Milton News
 By Matty Lu Upchurch

John and Velma Temple recieved word Monday night that John's cousin T.M. Temple of Cleburn had died. Funeral services were pending.

Josh Allen and Danci Smith of Cunningham and J Kirt McKee of Minter spent the weekend with Peggy Whitney.

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

Ruth Day of Garland visited Elizabeth Bell Saturday.

Edna Lee and Ruth Johnson of Paris spent Thursday and Friday with Ruby Lee of Dallas who is recuperating from back surgery.

Randy and Velma Shull and son Charlie of Longview spent the weekend with his mother Nell Shull.

Ann Ford of Paris visited Matty Lu Upchurch and Mary Elaine Lawler Monday afternoon.

Tim Salter of Paris had dinner with Velma and John Temple Friday evening.

Tim Parks of Faught had dinner with his grandparents James and Dorothy Holt Sunday. Kay Preston of Minter visited in the afternoon.



MISS ROYAL SOUTHERN SUPREME crowned May 4 is Trystan Camille Chapman of Blossom, daughter of Skipper and Amy Chapman. Trystan won the Sportsman, Photogenic, Prettiest Smile, Royal Southern 2nd runner-up in the 4-year olds and Miss Southern Supreme Overall. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

PET TALK

If your fat cat suddenly turns up his nose to his favorite kibble, it's no time to applaud his dieting efforts. A cat that doesn't eat -- even for one day -- may catapult its delicate system into hepatic lipidosis, or fatty liver disease.

"When a cat stops eating for any reason, the body begins to use muscle and stored fat for energy," says Dr. Polly Peterson, a resident in medicine in the College of Veterinary Medicine at Texas A&M University.

"Hepatic lipidosis occurs when the liver becomes clogged with fat droplets and ceases normal function. The normal liver processes nutrients for the body, filters out toxins and bacteria, and makes proteins and sugars."

Hepatic lipidosis accounts for about 40 percent of liver disease in cats, making it the most common liver disease in cats, adds Peterson.

"This disease can affect cats of all ages and weights, but is more common among overweight and middle-aged to older cats," she explains. "These cats exhibit anorexic behavior, vomiting and may have a yellowing of the whites of the eyes, gums or inside the ears."

Peterson says it is not fully understood if hepatic lipidosis always caused by other disorders, or if other disorders cause hepatic lipidosis. It is likely a combination of the two. Stress, changes in diet, and illness are factors that may cause a cat to stop eating.

But hepatic lipidosis causes stress, anorexia and illness. Whatever the cause, if a cat stops eating veterinary care should be sought and food given as soon as possible since hepatic lipidosis may become fatal if left untreated.

If your veterinarian suspects hepatic lipidosis, he or she will perform a series of blood tests to determine if it is secondary to another condition. If so, the primary disease will be treated along with the hepatic lipidosis.

Treatment begins with food. In mild cases, an appetite stimulant or even exposure to a smellier food may be all that is needed. In severe cases, cats may require hospitalization and a feeding tube.

Treatment can last from one to eight weeks.

While there is no way to guarantee your cat will never develop hepatic lipidosis, Peterson recommends a few measures you can take to lower the risk.

"Provide your cat with an easily digestible, high quality, high protein diet," she says. "Help your cat avoid becoming overweight to begin with and then monitor its weight for fluctuations. When possible, minimize stress to your cat. Also, offer several small meals a day instead of just one or two. This may help your cat maintain a healthy metabolism."

Helping your cat lose excess weight has other benefits as well. Obesity in cats can cause pain in the hips and joints of an arthritic cat, can aggravate heart disease and even lead to diabetes.

Be aware that other diseases, such as lymphosarcoma (liver tumor) and bacterial liver infection can cause symptoms similar to hepatic lipidosis. For this reason, it is important for a veterinarian to diagnose and prescribe the appropriate treatment specific to each cat's condition. In any case, Peterson says if your cat refuses food, even for a day, promptly seek the advice of a veterinarian.

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If you love homemade ice cream make sure to come early to Bogata for "Frontier Days", Saturday, June 29, 2002. Frontier Days is sponsored by Bogata Lions Club.

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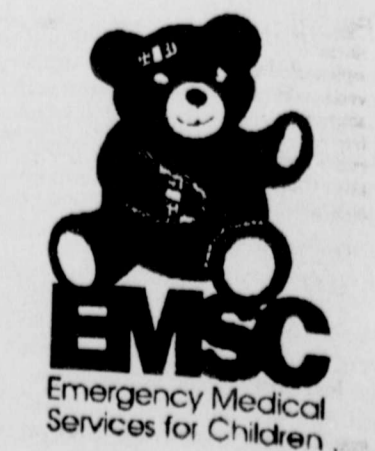
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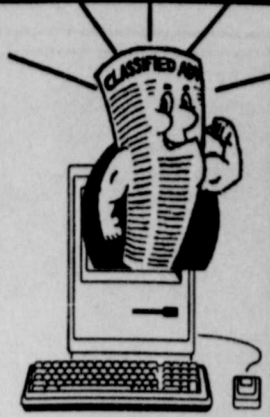
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Saturday June 1, 2002 10:00 am
 Tabernacle in Detroit, Texas
 South side of Hwy 82 ~ Watch for auction signs

Inspection: Thursday & Friday, prior to sale, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm and morning of sale

China, Pottery, Glassware, Ceramics: numerous pieces including FiestaWare, Shawnee, Rayson, Hull, Frankoma, Puritan, Gilmer, McCoy, Cronin, Harker, Mexicana, La Hacienda, Anchor Hocking Fire King, Camark, Royal Bavarian, Fenton, Currier & Ives, Red Wing, Art Deco, Amber glass, Carnival glass, Venetian glass, Cranberry glass, Depression glass, Milk glass, Stoneware, Knowles, Vaseline dishes, etched glassware, lead crystal, China sets, Cobalt, Coca Cola glasses & bottle opener, Big Chief & other pop bottles, banana split bowls, vases, Chinese deco dish, little brown jug, Italian relish dish, salt & pepper sets, casseroles, candle holders, cake plates, fruit bowls, pie plates, decanters, sugar & creamer sets, crockery, platters, copper tea kettle, cookie jars, tins, teapots, canning jars, dessert plates, silver plate, stainless silverware in mahogany box, crock churn

Household & Miscellaneous: kitchen & table linens, crocheted handwork, metal scales, iron bracket, water can, funnels, meat grinder, Longhorn door knocker, kerosene irons, hames, level, scythe, hasp, screw driver, glass chicken feeder, Cream of Wheat thermometer, wooden box, crystal door knobs, pictures & prints, framed 1950 calendar, boxing gloves, pure Castile soap, saw blade, antique campaign buttons, clay pots, doors, light fixtures, books including cookbooks, harmonica, money banks, cigar boxes, ashtrays, shaving mug with razor & brush, Avon cologne chess pieces, boxed chess set, miniature kerosene lamps, tin signs, wall plaques, child's iron stove, antique cards, box of dominoes, weight bench

Furniture: Duncan Phyfe drop leaf table, oak & other buffet, dining room suite chairs, dinette w/6 chairs, blue bead board shelf, barn wood shelves, what not shelf, old pine cupboard, Hoosier cabinet, barn wood tile inlaid table & 2 chairs, barn wood 3 display case, barn wood coffee table, end table, white cabinet w/glass doors, glass top coffee table, assorted lamps, 4 drawer chest w/mirror, library style table, antique oak dresser w/mirror, antique fireplace mantle, glass show cases, old paper roll holder, mirrors, small red rocking chair, old trunks, antique armoire, imported armoires, old vanity w/mirror, leather seat chair, round side table w/marble top, quilt box, several pieces that need refinishing including: sofa table, dining table, hutch, sideboard, silverware table

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VOLUNTEERS met to put flags on the graves of veterans at Highland Cemetery last Saturday. The flags were flown all weekend and on Monday, Memorial Day. Placing the flags has become a tradition, which began in 1988. Most of the volunteers are still part of the annual tradition. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



HAPPY BIRTHDAY-Darden-Sparks Department Store celebrated their fifteenth birthday last week with cake and punch for all. Other Dept business people came to help note the anniversary. From left are: Dawne Darden, Juanita Sparks, Sue Sheppard, Marilyn Glover, Mayor Gilbert Arriaga, Dot Nichols, Floy Williams, Tim Wood, Mike Francies and Sunny Whitney. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Cunningham News

TAAS class does book reports

Happy Birthday to Dean Watson and Neal Baker.

Happy Anniversary to Brandon and Marsha Oats, Ricky and Linda Anderson and Scotty and Treda Norwood.

Linda Anderson went to Prairiland Saturday to watch Marty Anderson play basketball.

Charles Nichols spent last week in Elk Point, South Dakota working on a church.

Bobby and Shelby spent Saturday and Sunday in Garland watching Laytner Kennedy play baseball.

Stacy and Linda Musgrove honored Johnny and Nelta Musgrove's 46th Anniversary with a supper Friday night. Others attending were Marie Watson, Shane and Zarinska Morton and Brad, Rachel and Gavin Watson.

Sunday visitors of Johnny and Nelta Musgrove were Billie Smith from Paris, and Bill and Beverly Phillips from Columbus, Ohio.

Zarinska and Shane Morton and Stoney Musgrove went to Oklahoma on a canoe trip Sunday.

James and Pat Norwood spent Saturday and Sunday in Shreveport watching Lacy Cole play softball.

John Darold Walker spent the weekend with Darold and Ida Mae Norwood. Phillip, Del and Zak Walker joined them for lunch Sunday.

Joyce and Haley Yazell and Andrew Brazhaw spend Saturday night with Billie and Leonard Ford.

Billie and Leonard took Lillian King to Ruby Sanford's birthday party at Jerry and Marlene Smith's Saturday. Joyce took David Ford to Temple for treatments Monday.

Frankie and Julie Norwood honored Logan Norwood with a party to celebrate his 14th Birthday Friday night at the Cunningham Community Center. About 50 friends and family enjoyed hot dogs, cake, ice cream and nice gifts.

Teresa Smith went to Bay City Thursday to attend the graduation of her godson.

Brad and Georjeana Nutt spent the weekend in Dallas.

Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Amber Norwood, Matt and Dusty Gallo-way, Brandon, Marsha and Brayden Oats and Kaylee Lane spent Saturday at Geneva Norwood's cabin on Lake Bob Sandlin. Joining them Sunday were Scotty, Treda and Spur Norwood, Billy Ray and Oats and Geneva Norwood.

Don't forget the Farm Equipment Sale and Trade Day in Cunningham, Saturday, June 8th.

Leslie Martin's 8th grade Reading TAAS class recently did book reports with a variety of activities to go along with their assignment.

Students could choose to do a collage or 3-d poster, make a model of something in the story, sketch a favorite part of their book, make a time line, create a life sized model of their favorite character along with a summary, or dress as one of the characters and give a summary of their book.

The students really did a great job, and teachers and students enjoyed seeing the models and posters, and viewing characters from their books along with hearing their summary's.

Other students who took part in the project are: Cody Flatt, Ricardo Cantera, Cody Withers, Kim Wilson, Courtney Curry, Lucas Morgan, Landon Woodall, Brandon Mauldin, Blake Woodall, Heather Scott, Cassie Cullum, Cody Upchurch, Taylor Mauldin, Darren Lane, Jackie Miller, Dane Benson, Nikki Bishop, Erica Bishop, Victoria Sawyer, Andrew Philpot, Laura Cervantes, Justin Enox, Jessica Harell, and Kim Pate.

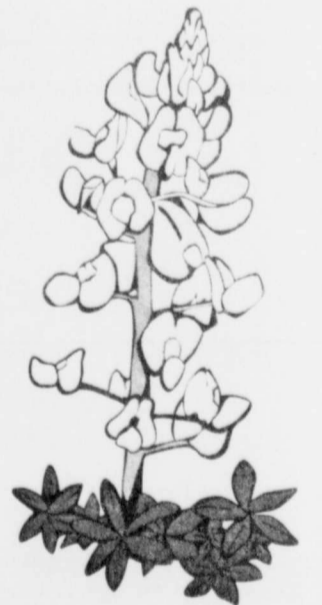


BLOSSOM VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT received a new flag and flag pole on Saturday donated by the Blossom Fire Belles just in time for the Memorial Day holiday celebrations. The flag pole was constructed and installed by Kenneth Steele. Many thanks go out to the Blossom Telephone Company for bringing their equipment to assist in standing the pole. (Staff Photo by Cari Irwin)

Cemetery donations

A correction is being made from donations listed last week. It should have read In Memory W.M. and Agnes Hastings Skaggs from the Skaggs Family and not W.E. and Agnes Hastings Skaggs.

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