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In praise
of the Mimosa Tree

The mimosa tree is considered a "trash" tree. And, I'll be the first person to say that they are messy.

But this southern tree, which doesn't like anyplace with a bitter winter, is so glorious in so many ways that it is worth the hassle.

Mimosas grow with these wonderful forks, graceful and just right for children to climb. I spent uncounted hours at my grandparent's home, snuggled down in my favorite tree fork reading.

The mimosa blooms smelled so sweet and their pink and white "powder puff" blossoms made it feel like being in fairy land.

The mimosa tree we have now came up voluntarily next to our deck. As time has proceeded, we have actually expanded the deck to surround the trunk of the tree. It isn't where we would have planted it, but rather where nature put it.

It's messy. Right now the deck has to be swept constantly to keep the blooms from littering it like thousands of dead spiders. Later this year the bean pods will rattle with the coming of autumn, making a lonely, pensive sound. And the deck will have to be swept constantly to keep the beans from littering it.

But right now I can sit down under that tree in a deck chair and look upward. The tree is working alive with butterflies, hummingbirds and chickadees, wrens and cardinals. Golden winged tiger swallow tailed butterflies and blue-black swallow tails flutter over the blooms, competing with jeweled hummingbirds who abandon the feeders for the fragrant blossoms.

The birds love the bees and other insects and spend hours feeding in the tree. The chickadees in particular make a show, hanging upside down and twittering in delighted tones.

The sunlight filters through the fronds in golden streams, and it's always cool under the dense shade.

In addition, the shade helps keep our master bedroom cool, shielding the walls and windows of the house from the blazing summer sun.

So, I feel like I can live with the mess left by this southern delight...the lowly mimosa, which still serves so many purposes, bird and butterfly feeder, shade tree and object of artistic elegance!

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An American talks

about Independence Day...and corn

By Renate McCoin

This morning as we were sitting on the front porch Johnny Van asked me if I had written up something interesting for the 4th of July Homecoming. My reply was something like all my creative juices had been used up for last week's item and I had mentioned all the things that were planned for the great event.

So he had some ideas about things I could write about. You know how some people are, they just can't help it. They have to help. Some of his headlines were along these lines: Grandson buys flags and balloons to decorate 4-wheeler...Family overeats at BBQ lunch...and...German Immigrant sweeps streets in Detroit in old world style. Since the 4-wheeler has not been decorated and we haven't eaten yet and who cares about sweeping the streets it got me to thinking.

I grew up in a communist country where holidays were very important. Particularly political or patriotic ones. There were parades with kids in matching uniforms and flags and lots of speeches and songs and all kinds of hoopla. And fireworks. Very, very impressive. No one, and I mean no one missed it.

I came to America on April 22, 1960 and I have a stamp in my German Reisepass to prove it. Landed in Fort Dix, New Jersey. We made it to Texas and particularly Detroit as fast as our little Volkswagen with the sunroof could make it. I liked America almost from the first look I had of it. Not Fort Dix, never Fort Dix. But people in Texas were nice, friendly, a little on the nosy side. And my new family welcomed me with open arms. I was sooo relieved! So I was looking forward

to how this great nation that I was about to become a part of would celebrate "their" Independence Day.

Was I in for a surprise! Daddy (Ebb McCoin) went somewhere and returned with a pick-up load of corn. Still in those long green leaves. And the whole family, including some of the older boys, spent the day shucking corn. I swear, I believe that is what we did all day long. And then mama did some more stuff to that stuff and then scraped it off the cobs and poured it into plastic or paper cup things and put it in the freezer. And you know what? They were going to eat that stuff later. My new family was going to eat chicken scratch and pig food!

Not exactly an auspicious beginning. America was letting me down! And also, do you remember that was in the years before air conditioning? We shucked that stuff outside and not only that there were some really intimidating green worms in some of them ears. And that long hair in there.

Some of the ears could have had hairdos made out of that. But no! It had to be picked out and scraped out with old toothbrushes. For all I cared they could have left it in there. I was not going to eat any of it!

Since that first Independence Day I have encountered many more. Much different from that one. With Johnny Van in the Army there were parades and music and balloons and food. And people in festive moods and lost kids and sunburns and singing of the National Anthem. And almost always we all stood up, put our hand over our heart and recited the Pledge of Allegiance. To this day the words of it bring

a lump into my throat and tears to my eyes. Does that happen to you, too? If not, please take a moment to reflect on the words you repeat: I, (myself, of my own free will), pledge, (give freely, promise), allegiance, (my loyalty, devotion, and fidelity), to the flag, (the outward symbol), of the United, (made one), States of America. And to the republic, (a government in which supreme power resides in the people who vote), for which it stands. One, (united, welded together), nation, (a community of people from many places), under God, (the only being perfect in power, wisdom and goodness whom we worship as our creator and ruler of the universe), indivisible, (not able to be divided), with liberty, (the power of choice), and justice, (the entitlement to fairness, equality and equity), for all, (every one).

Contrary to most of you I was not born here. I became an American on 1 September 1964 in Tyler, Texas. I chose to become an American. I swore my Oath of Allegiance and I meant it. I promised to forsake all old and former allegiances and to defend my chosen country against all enemies, foreign and domestic. Then and now. Each day. I am an American. Not a German. Not a former German. Not a German-American. Just an American.

So, this Independence Day let us all repeat the Pledge of Allegiance with full knowledge of what the words mean. Let us renew our pledge to this great country, again. No, it is not perfect. Yes, we have problems. But in spite of all that let us love it, protect it and cherish it.

P.S. I still don't like creamed corn. But I will eat it on the cob.

Deport must decide, to repair or to replace water tower

The Deport City Council held a special meeting last Friday morning to discuss the city's dilemma concerning the water tower located on the north end of Main Street.

A report from U.S. Underwater Services, Inc. of Burleson, revealed the city's 50,000 water tower, built in 1936, is in pretty good shape, except for a paint job that the tank received in 1992.

Tests on the paint found peeling off the inside walls of the tank tested to contain lead levels higher than acceptable limits. According to Alan Vanderburg of Hayter Engineering, the acceptable limit for lead content is .5 and the test made last week tested .761.

Water tests have repeatedly shown to be normal, so the paint doesn't appear to have been affecting water quality in any way.

According to the report from U.S. Underwater Services, Inc. 3 inches to 5 inches above the water line inside the tank approximately

25% of the inside surface of the tank is peeling off.

The tower was painted in 1992 by Watertank Management of Grove, Ok. All tests up to two weeks ago have been good. Two weeks ago Water Superintendent Charles Reavis found large chunks of paint in the water samples taken. After having the samples of paint analyzed at a certified lab, the lead content was revealed. What the city officials face now is the decision on whether to rehabilitate the tank or replace the tank with a new facility.

According to Bill Hayter of Hayter Engineering, several problems are to be considered. If raised 50 ft. (to better accommodate temporary water usage) the project could cost over \$100,000. Help in the form of a grant is available to replace the tank, but not to rehabilitate the old one. Estimates are that a new, 100,000 gallon facility could be constructed for around

\$275,000. A grant for \$250,000 could be available for a new tank.

The council gave Hayter Engineering the okay to apply for the grant. As of now, the city is operating off of Lamar County Water Supply's 150,000 gallon water tower located on the west side of Deport.

Council members discussed the possibilities of raising water rates for the city's customers to help defray the unexpected expenses that are being incurred by the water system.

According to city council members the city of Deport has the cheapest water in the county.

Hayter Engineering is also in contact with TNRCC to keep them abreast of the situation.

A public hearing is set for next Monday, July 5th at 6:30 P.M. At the Deport City Hall.

Open for discussion for the city to apply for a grant from Texas Community Development Program.

SonCanyon Adventure will delight children at Methodist VBS

First United Methodist Church of Deport invites all the children in the area to join us at SonCanyon River Adventure!

"This year's Vacation Bible School promises to be an adventure your children will never forget" said Juanita Sparks, VBS director.

"SonCanyon River Adventure provides Bible teaching with an exciting river rafting theme. Singing, crafts, Games and Discovering survival skills for living will be some of the things

experienced.

We are looking forward to sharing this exciting event with the children and their parents in our area. We hope all will join us at the SonCanyon River Adventure as we learn what the Bible says about making wise life choices."

This adventure will be July 8 through July 12 from 6:00 to 9:00 P.M., ages nursery through 5th grade (school year 2001-2002). Watch this paper for more details!



HONORED-American Legion post 199 Commander Gilbert Arriaga and First District Commander Frank Hopkins presented plaques of appreciation for a total of over 100 years of combined service to the Legion. The plaques went to Dwayne Rhodes, Charles Foster and James Foster. The awards were presented last Saturday at a special Barbeque meal served in their honor. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

Frankye Sessums selected All Star Coach

Frankye Sessums has been voted by the coaches of Texas as the head coach of the 2002 East Volleyball All Star Team. Her assistant coach will be Denise Johnson of Cleveland; Tarkington, 3A state runner-up.

On July 8, Sessums will meet with the 12 All Stars at the University of Texas at Arlington and begin five two hour workout ses-

sions in preparation for meeting the West All Star team on July 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the Daniel Meyer Coliseum on the TCU campus in Ft. Worth.

Sessums will also be a speaker at the retirement banquet of long time TGCA director, Billy McKown Monday.

On July 10, she will present a volleyball demonstration with the

12 East All Stars at 9:30 a.m. All Star coaches, state championship coaches and All Star players will have an awards luncheon at 1 p.m. at the Bluebonnet Ballroom at UTA where Sessums will receive her state championship ring from the Texas Girls' Coaches Association. Sessums was a '98 All Star Coach, also and has been named as the 2002 Texas Sports Writers Association 2A Volleyball Coach of the Year.



TINY FRIEND-this three day old pot bellied piglet belongs to Brittney and Courtney Filkins of Deport. The little piglet is named "Prancey" and loves to take her bottle. She's not too happy about the showers the girls give her, though. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Prairiland ISD Board holds special session

Prairiland ISD Board met in special session on June 28 to administer the oath of office to newly appointed board member, Harold Morrison.

In executive session the board attended to several personnel mat-

ters, including hiring Sharon Ramsey as teacher at Blossom Elementary/Jr. High. Accepting the resignations of Sheila Huffman and Derrick Byrd, and honoring Sandra Burnett's request to teach Special Education next year.

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Information from the Texas Firemen's & Fire Marshal's Association

I personally measure success in terms of the contributions an individual makes to her or his fellow human beings. -Margaret Mead

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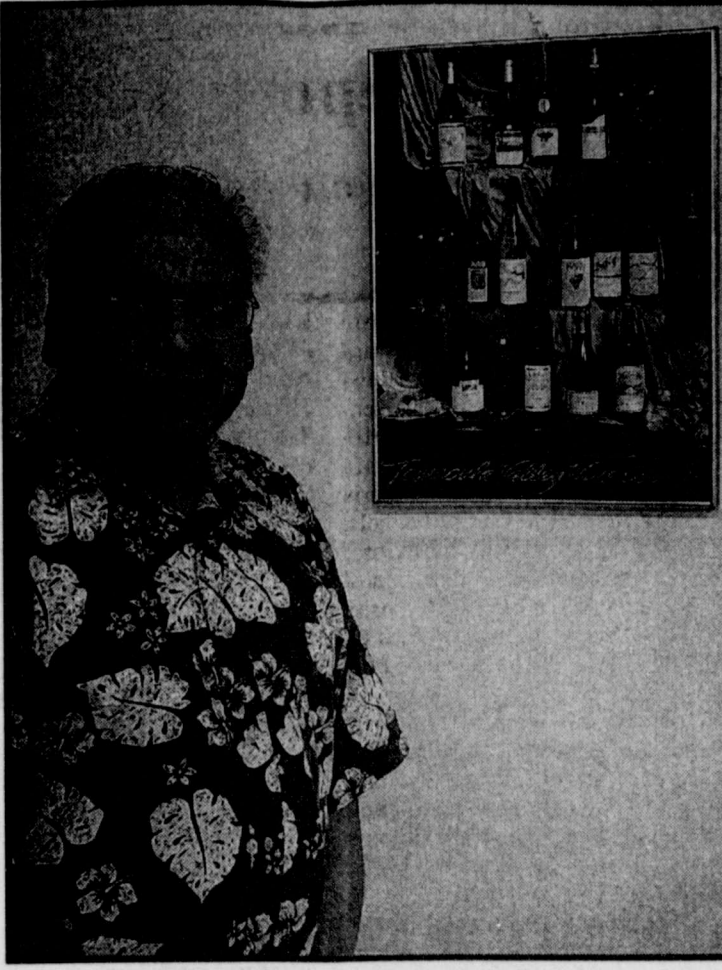
Our cook this week is from Deport and is Gilbert Arriaga. Gilbert decided to throw his hat in the political ring this year and run for mayor of Deport. I had been after him to be a guest in the column for several years and finally told him if he was elected that it would be his civic duty! So let me introduce to you, Mayor Gilbert Arriaga, of the City of Deport.

Gilbert is noted to be a great cook and I am sure that is true from these great sounding recipes. He is employed at Kimberly Clark and is married to Melissa. Thank you Gilbert for your recipes and we will see you in the

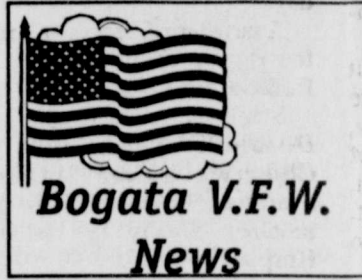
kitchen! **Happy Fourth of July!**
TUNA CASSEROLE-this can be used with turkey for chicken.
COWBOY STEW-always a favorite with loads of veggies and spices!
GRILLED LAMB CHOPS-lamb is fast becoming one of the favorite meats in this area!
CHERRY CHOCOLATE CAKE-begin with a chocolate cake mix, add some cherry pie filling and top with luscious chocolate icing!
EGGPLANT CASSEROLE-if you have a garden this year, chances are you have eggplant....great recipe!

Thursday, July 4, 2002
Gilbert Arriaga

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| <p>Tuna Casserole
1/2 cup milk
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup onion
1 can cream of mushroom soup
1 (7oz.) can tuna
2 boiled eggs, chopped
1/4 cup ripe olives
1/4 cup chopped celery
1/2 cup crushed potato chips</p> <p>Mix all together except chips. Pour into greased casserole dish and top with chips. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes. Boned chicken or turkey may be substituted for tuna.</p> <p>Cowboy Stew
2 1/2 pounds beef cubes
2 tablespoons all purpose flour
1 tablespoon Paprika
1 teaspoon chili powder
2 teaspoon Salt
3 tablespoon Lard
2 onions, sliced
1 clove garlic, minced
1-28 ounce can tomatoes
3 tablespoon chili powder
1 tablespoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon ground cloves
1/2 to 1 teaspoon dry crushed red peppers
2 cups chopped potatoes
2 cups chopped carrots</p> <p>Coat beef in mixture of flour, paprika, 1 tsp. Chili powder, and salt. Brown in hot fat in a large dutch oven. Add onion and garlic and cook until soft. Then add tomatoes, chili powder, cinnamon, cloves and peppers. Cover and simmer 2 hours. Add potatoes and carrots and cook until vegetables are done (about 45 minutes).</p> <p>Grilled Lamb Chops
1/4 cup butter, softened
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 teaspoon minced green onion
1 large clove garlic, minced</p> | <p>1/4 tsp. salt
1/8 teaspoon pepper
1tablespoons chopped fresh rosemary
4 (4 ounces each) lamb chops</p> <p>Preheat the grill. Combine first 7 ingredients in a small bowl; reserve half of butter mixture to top grilling vegetables, if desired. Rub remaining half of butter mixture on both sides of lamb chops. Cook chops, covered with grill lid, over medium coals (300-350 degrees) 5 minutes on each side or to desired degree of doneness.</p> <p>Cherry Chocolate Cake
1 chocolate cake mix
1 can cherry pie filling
3 eggs
1 cup sugar
5 tablespoons margarine
1/3 cup milk
6 ounces semi-sweet chocolate chips</p> <p>Mix cake mix, cherry pie filling, and eggs until well blended. Bake in 9x12 pan at 350 degrees 35-40 minutes.</p> <p>icing: Mix sugar, margarine, and milk in a sauce pan. Bring to a boil and boil one minute, stirring constantly. Remove from heat and stir in chocolate chips. Stir until melted and smooth. Spread on cooled cake.</p> <p>Eggplant Casserole
1 large eggplant
1 teaspoon salt
3 cups water
dash black pepper
1/2 large onion
1/3 cup celery
1/2 sweet pepper-minced
1-2 eggs
1 stick margarine
1 cup milk
1 cup bread crumbs</p> <p>Peel and slice eggplant and boil in salted water until tender. Drain and mash. Add remaining ingredients and mix well. Bake at 350 degrees for 30-40 minutes. Makes 6-8 servings and sprinkle with parmesan cheese on top if desired.</p> |
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Gilbert Arriaga



* 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.

* A July 4th celebration will be held at the post on July 4th with a hot dog/hamburger lunch served at 12:00 noon. Everyone is invited to come out, enjoy the food and share in the fun.

* The Ladies Auxiliary report a lot of good cakes brought for the Cake Walk at the Frontier Day Saturday, June 29, 2002. Appreciation is extended to all the ladies who baked for the event and worked at the event.

*July 11 the Semi-Annual 42 Tournament will begin. If you have won 1st or 2nd place since January 1, this tournament is for you.

*Happy Birthday to J.C. Smith, Margie Garrett, Buddy Rushin and Marie Barnes.

Genealogical society to meet

Everyone is invited to attend the regular meeting of the Red River County Genealogical Society on Monday, July 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the Red River County Library.

Speaker for the month is Dr. C.D. McMillian of Paris, whose subject will be Ben McCullough, pioneer in frontier life of Texas.

All interested persons are encouraged to attend.

Support group to hear Lisa Rutherford

Lisa Rutherford will speak at the July 8 meeting of the Bereaved Parent Support Group at 7 p.m.

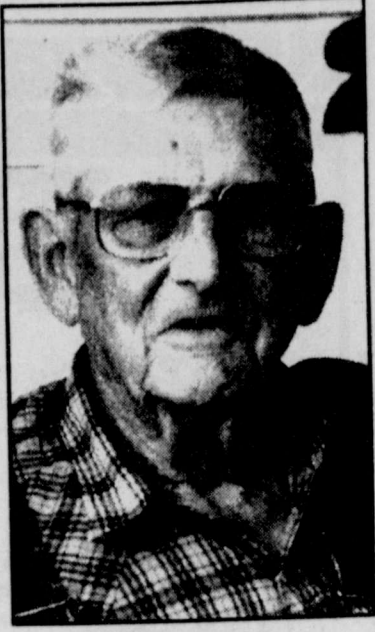
Ms. Rutherford is employed in the Mission Department of Administration at St. Joseph's Hospital, moving here from North Carolina where she worked with hospice groups.

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Obituaries



Gordon Reed Alsbrook dies July 1

Gordon Reed Alsbrook, age 83 of Deport, passed away July 1, 2002 in Christus-St. Joseph South ICU.

Funeral services were scheduled for Tuesday, July 2, 2002 at 11:00 a.m. in the Wood Funeral Homes Chapel with the Rev. C.G. Renfro officiating. Burial was made in Highland Cemetery. The family received friends from 6-8 pm Monday evening at the funeral home.

Pallbearers were Corey Alsbrook, Lyle Alsbrook, Bryan Alsbrook, Scott LaRue, Daniel Zachary and Curt Phillips; Honorary pallbearers were Jerry Burnett, David Parks, and Terry Bell.

He was born on June 30, 1919 in Manchester, Texas, the son of Walter and Douglas Moore Alsbrook. He married Clois Brown on October 8, 1938 in Clarksville. He was a share cropper, farmer and heavy equipment operator. He moved his small family to the Rugby and Deport area in 1943 and lived in that area except for a small period that he lived in Grapevine and Slaton, Texas.

Survivors include his wife, Clois of Deport; a brother, Benny M. Alsbrook and wife, Flora of Baytown; a son, Benny W. and wife Barbara Alsbrook of Howe, Texas; two daughters, Janice Phillips and husband, Danny and Nancy Gresham and husband, Earl all of Deport; numerous grandchildren, Lyle Alsbrook and family of McKinney, Corey Alsbrook and family of Royce City, Bryan Alsbrook and wife of Plano, Gina Alsbrook of Sherman, Randy Gresham and family of Manchester, Wendy Renea Reavis and family and Curt Phillips, all of Deport; 13 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Highland, Mt. Pleasant, and Old Deport Cemetery or the charity of choice.

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Card of Thanks
The Rivercrest Washington Club would like to thank the Bogata Rodeo Association and the Lions Club for letting us participate in the weekend activities.

We would also like to thank those that sat in the Dunking Booth. To those that bought juice, sno-cones and glo-sticks, you helped us raise a considerable amount that will help in reaching our goal. Mrs. Hinton and Mrs. Carlisle we do appreciate your support and all you do for our us. Special thanks to Armadillo and Judy Sloan for the donations.
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Howard W. Reaves dies June 28

Howard W. (Hack) Reaves, 85, of Paris died Friday, June 28, 2002 at Heritage Care Center at which time Bright-Holland Funeral Home received him into their care.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday, July 1 at the funeral home chapel with Rev. Scott Cox and Rev. James Barnes officiating. Burial followed in Evergreen Cemetery.

Mr. Reaves was born June 27, 1917 in Lamar County, the son of Ramond V. and Lucy Ann Wright Reaves. He married Christine Burns December 14, 1957 in Paris. She preceded him in death July 2, 1996.

He served in the U.S. Air Force during World War II and was a traveling salesman for the Keebler Company for 25 years. He was a faithful member of the Southside Baptist Church where he was deacon and taught Sunday School for many years.

Surviving are brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Arthur and Robbie Grant of Paris, Willie D. Nelms of Dallas and Joann Burns of Ringgold, GA; numerous cousins including Wesley and Betty Wright of Detroit, along with several nieces and nephews.

Casketbearers were Ray Crowell, Robert Skidmore, Thomas Roach, Scott Roach, Benny Fields and Bill Montgomery.

If desired, memorials may be made to the Southside Baptist Church in Paris.

George C. Taylor dies June 28

George C. Taylor, age 85 of Tuttle, OK passed away peacefully on June 28, 2002. He was born October 20, 1916 in Atoka, OK.

George enjoyed woodworking, gardening and fishing. He had worked in the potash mines in Carlsbad, NM, had owned a laundromat in Roswell, NM and had worked at L&S Bearing in Oklahoma City where he retired.

He is survived by his wife, Mary, whom he married November 5, 1980 in Wichita Falls; a daughter and her husband, Jackie and Bill Wanzer of Harrah, OK; two stepsons, Don Stubblefield and wife Barbara of Tuttle and Dan Stubblefield of Lane, OK; two stepdaughters, Pat Davis and her husband Tim of Paris and Carolyn Marini and her husband Mike of Mart; eight grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; nine step grandchildren; 16 step great-grandchildren; one step great-great-grandchild; a brother of Woldworth; a sister of Slaton, a sister of San Angelo and numerous other family and friends.

He is preceded in death by his first wife, daughter, three brothers, two sisters and one grandson.

Services were held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 2 at Bill Eisenhour Northeast Chapel with interment in Memory Lane Cemetery, Harrah.

Zula Nell Mansfield dies June 23

Zula Nell Sullivan Mansfield, age 89, died Sunday, June 23, 2002 in Bisbee, AZ.

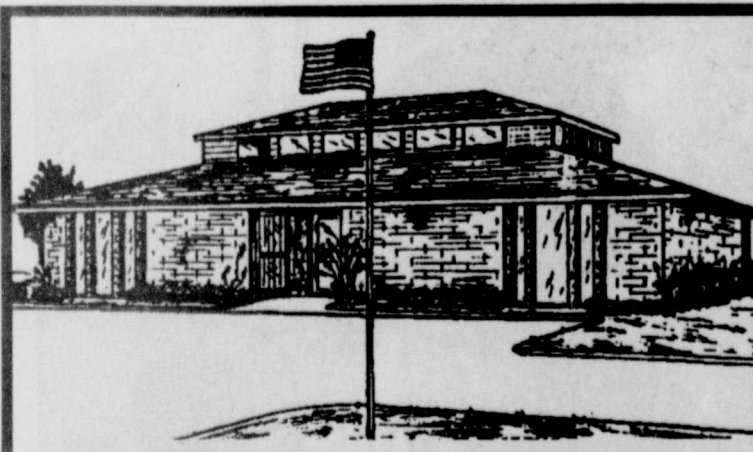
Zula was born south of Deport in 1913, a daughter of Nellie Lee and Eugene Sullivan.

Surviving are a son, Mark of Bisbee; a daughter, Jeanine of Bisbee, a brother Jim Sullivan of Bisbee.

She was preceded in death by her husband, C.P. and two brothers, Truitt and Eugene.

Card of Thanks
Thanks for the flowers, food, calls, visits, prayers and other acts of kindness shown during the loss of our loved one, Tawana.
Tawana Merritt Family

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Texarkana Gazette features local restaurant owner in story on AEDs

The Texarkana Gazette has run a story written by Ashley Gardner about Duane Benson and the use of AEDs in small communities.

The story mentioned that an average of 685 people in the U.S. die from sudden cardiac arrest, over 250,000 people a year, but many of those lives could be saved if an electric shock could quickly be delivered to the heart and return it to a normal rhythm.

The article points out how time is a key element, survival rates going down for every minute that passes.

Deport restaurant owner Duane Benson recalls his experience with the AED and First Responders of Deport.

In part the article reads: The day Duane Benson died, the ground was covered with six inches of snow and ice and the roads were very treacherous.

The day, Jan. 26, 2000, started out like any other. He fed his cattle and left his home in Clarksville to go to his restaurant in Deport, a community of about 700 people.

Benson was expecting a food delivery. All the delivery trucks but his had turned back because of the weather. It would later become one of the many things that would strangely come together to save his life.

The article details how Duane's chest began to hurt, severely.

He drove his truck to the pharmacy, a half mile down the road. Once there, he went in and asked the local druggist, Duane Glover, for a nitro tablet.

"I've known him all my life. In fact, I was named after him" the article quotes the 53 year old Benson as saying.

Glover couldn't give him the nitro because Benson had no history of heart problems, but he did immediately call 911.

First Responders on the Deport Volunteer Fire Department Thomas Nichols and Mike Francies were next door at the newspaper when they heard the call.

They had oxygen on him in less than two minutes.

The article then details Benson's worsening condition, and how the Automatic External Defibrillator was hand carried from the fire station because ice had sealed the doors shut.

Benson said the last thing he remembered before waking up in the emergency room was tightly gripping his fists.

Fire Marshall Thomas Nichols was interviewed by phone by the Gazette. He is quoted in the article as saying, "His eyes rolled back in his head, he collapsed and quit breathing".

The first responders immediately opened his shirt and began attaching the electrode pads of the AED to his chest.

Nichols said "it is a wonderful piece of equipment because it actually talks you through the process. It will advise you to shock the person or to perform CPR."

In this case, it advised to shock, so they shocked Benson and performed CPR. They had him back in less than one minute.

He was stabilized and ready to go when the ambulance got there 45 minutes later. They were delayed because of the weather conditions.

"There is no doubt the AED saved my life" Benson said.

Doctors called Benson's heart condition the "widow maker" because 90% of the people that suffer from this sort of heart attack don't survive.

The article closes with Benson saying "it all seemed like fate, because it could have happened two hours earlier when I was in the pasture and feeding my cows".



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Happy Anniversary to Randy and Laurie Ellington, James and Marla Evans, Johnny and Carol Dawson, Billy and Frankye Sessums, Larry and Lisa Bartlett, Bill and Iva Mae Ross.

Kristi Boren visited Elois Sparks and Nina Sparks in Deport.

Nina Sparks visited and ate lunch with Keith and Peggy Parsons Monday and Saturday.

Congratulations to Nora McDowra and Jimmy white on their recent marriage. They are residing in Paris.

Bonnie Malone of New Boston, Judy Chapman of Texarkana, Travis and Rachel Crossland of Paris, Annette Crossland and Jimmy of Lindale, Cindy Burks of Campbell, Brandon Wright, Mrs. Himes, and Johnny Hatcher were visitors of Buster and Louise Crossland.

Kent Wright is on vacation in Colorado.

The Pattonville Church of Christ members had their 5th birthday luncheon at the Pattonville Community Center.

Helen Northa is doing better after recent bypass surgery. Lucille Nash has been in the Paris hospital, but is improving at home now.

Heather Anderson has returned home after visiting her uncle in Michigan for a week.

Ruby D. Blevins, Sandy Ring, Heather Anderson and Ashleigh McLean visited Jesse Newsom in Paris.

James and Katy Winters, Ruby D. Blevins, Sandy Ring, Jan Tomblin, granddaughters of Roger and Betty Scaff, Erika Ham, Dale and Peggy Crenshaw and Ruth Crenshaw were among the large crowd at the Cunningham Baptist church Sunday night for the 5th Sunday singing.

Mickey Keener of Longview and Jim Wilkins of Pittsburg visited Bill and Ruby Blevins Monday morning and picked purple hull peas. Among the many pea pickers this week were D.B. and Patsy Merritt, Glenda Woodall, Peggy Parsons, Ethel Pomroy, Norman Davis and John Norton of Paris.

Have a Happy and Safe Fourth of July. Call your news in to me at 652-5022!

Happy birthday to Estelle Chesshire, Gala Francis, Howard Sparks, Lorraine Barnes, Melba Elmore, Dr. Agnes Zavier, Kenneth Harold Allen, Marzella Walden, Tom Webb, Virginia Bryant, Clayton Carlow, Doris Jackson, J.D. Minter, Lat Nichols, Ruth Skaggs, Benny Crawford, Nathan Yoder, Amy Talley, Carol Ward, Sallie Martinez, Susan LaRue, Ashley Ebarb, James G. Wood, Alisen Parsons, Mark Waggoner.

Happy anniversary to Melissa and Joel Chipman, Gloria and Randy Gresham, Laurie and Randy Ellington, Marla and James Evans, Carol and Johnny Dawson, Frankye and Billy Sessums.

Celebrating Virginia Kirkland's birthday on Tuesday with a luncheon at Texas Belle were Ruth Marie Denison of Paris, Nina Sparks, Reba Temple and the honoree.


Ruth O'Brien hosted a cookout on Father's Day. Attending were Dr. Stephen O'Brien, Holley, Stephanie, Rachael and Julie of Grapevine, Dr. Randy O'Brien, Charlotte, Courtney and Ethan, Lt. Bradley, Cindy and Tess of San Antonio and Stanley O'Brien.

Stanley O'Brien is recuperating from major surgery in a Dallas hospital. His children and grandchildren and family friends were there with Ruth during the surgery. He is reported doing well.

Eleanor Chapman and Dorothy O'Brien visited their uncle and brother-in-law, Monday and had lunch with Ruth at Furr's.

J.A. and Juanita Sparks entertained with a luncheon at their home Saturday honoring Dwight King of Kagreb, Croatia, Ray and Brittany King of Litchfield, NH, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bevel, William and Michael of Grant, Alabama. Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. Ramond King of Pattonville, Mr. and Mrs. Victor

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James and Sunny Whitney and Pat Faust took a Sunday drive and ate.

Sam and Margie Rice and Thomas and Nanalee Nichols went to Omaha Friday night to eat and celebrate Thomas' birthday.

A number of people attended the Bogata Frontier Days and Rodeo from Deport.

Stephanie Jones, daughter of Donald Crawford and Sue Clifton was critically injured in a motorcycle accident Saturday morning. She is in Parkland Hospital in Dallas.

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BONNIE TINNEY'S second grade class received awards last week for their year's work. Pictured back row left to right are Dominique Jamin-citizenship, Meghan Caldwell-citizenship, Tyler Holloway-citizenship, Caleb Talley-citizenship, AB honor roll, language, handwriting and Best All Around, Dyllon Adkins-citizenship, perfect attendance, Vince Gibson-citizenship and perfect attendance, AB honor roll and perfect attendance, Joshua Esch-citizenship, AB honor roll, perfect attendance, math and social studies, and Ashleigh Adams-citizenship, AB honor roll, perfect attendance and reading. Front row is Cole Clemmer-citizenship, AB honor roll and science, Jose Zermeno-citizenship, Garon Booth-citizenship, Cobyn Brakebill-citizenship, Joaquina Cortes-citizenship and art, Jessica Ebbs-citizenship, Payton Connot-citizenship. Not pictured is Christine Blanton-most improved and Tate Mauldin-best all around and citizenship. (Staff Photo)

Post Oak News

By Geneva Lee

987-5200

Bro. Henry Blackmon and family and his mother-in-law returned last Friday from attending the American Baptist Association and then a week of sight seeing in Tennessee and other places in the general area.

There will be a deacon ordination service here at the East Post Oak MBC this coming Sunday night at 6:00 p.m. those being ordained are Mike Ingram, Steven Reves and Verlon Vaughn.

Bro. Henry Blackmon and family, Bro. and Mrs. Wilbourne Lee and son Johnie and Janis Reynolds attended a Fish Fry Saturday night at the Bogata Missionary Baptist Church for the preacher and wives of the Red River Bowie MB Asso-

ciation It was hosted by Bro. and Mrs. Calvin Permenter who furnished the fish. There were 22 in attendance and all enjoyed the fish and fellowship.

Ruth Johnston, Kay Bowling and Vickie Reves of Post Oak church helped Hillcrest Missionary Baptist Church of Paris last week in their Bible School.

Wilbourne, Geneva and Johnie Lee attended the visitation and funeral service of Katie Low last week. Also, Newman and Betty Low attended the visitation on Monday night at Clarksville Funeral Home. she was a cousin by marriage to Geneva Lee and Newman Low.

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Cunningham News
by Neva Jean Oats

Happy birthday to Todd Cole, Georgia Oats, Brad Watson, Bruce Watson and Susan Anderson.

Happy anniversary to Todd and Mendy Cole.

Several in the community attended the Bogata Rodeo. Stacy Musgrove, Stoney Musgrove and Scotty Norwood played in the band each evening.

Logan Norwood, Spur Norwood and Jeremiah Jones were in the calf scramble at the rodeo Thursday evening. Jeremiah won the \$500 prize to go toward his FFA project next year.

Linda Musgrove, Nelta Musgrove and Zarinska Morton shopped in Sherman last Wednesday.

Don Whitt from Hot Springs, AR spent a few days with Johnny and Nelta Mustgrove. While he was here, he visited Marie Watson in St. Joseph Hospital and attended the Bogata Rodeo.

James and Pat Norwood went to Hugo, OK Thursday to watch Jase Norwood participate in the OYRA Rodeo Finals. Friday they went to Rowlett to watch Lacy Cole play softball.

The Cunningham Baptist Church was host for the five church Fifth Sunday Singing on Sunday.

Leonard and Ryan Ford have accompanied David Ford to Temple for treatment this week.

Velma Cox visited Walker Devlin Sunday.

Teresa and Jamie Smith were in Mt. Vernon over the weekend to watch Kelly Mowery play in the All Star tournament.

Brad and Georjeana Nutt, Raylene Nutt and Betty, Andrea and Craig Slakey went to Canton on Sunday.

Neva Oats, Larann Denison, Georjeana Nutt, Marsha Oats and Kaylee Lane attended the musical "Wizard of Oz" at Fair Park Music Hall in Dallas Saturday.

Ethelyn Davis honored her sister, Donnie Morrison with a birthday dinner Saturday night. Others attending were Clovis Morrison and Pete and L'Wanda McKnight.

Don Whitt was a special guest of Geneva Norwood and her family for lunch Sunday.

Fran, Johnna and Jenna Patterson and Johnna's friend, Aaron Cheney, ate with Pete and L'Wanda McKnight on Sunday.

Ira and Larry Norman from Edmond, OK were visiting Marie Watson in St. Joseph Hospital.

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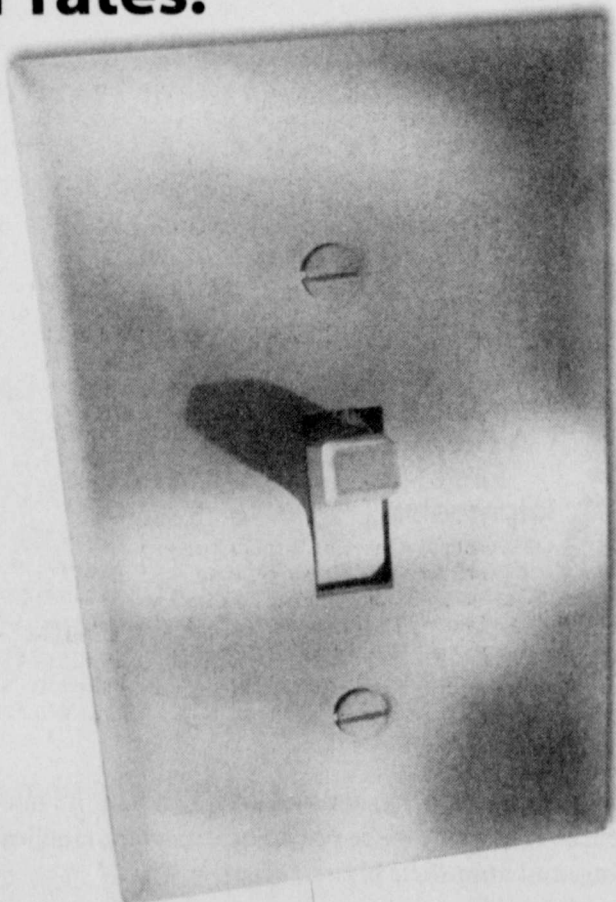
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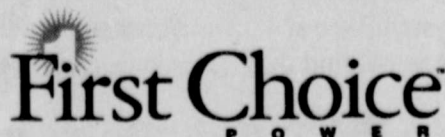
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Awards given to the following grades during the last two weeks of school were: 3-A Ernestine Connot-Kacey Blount-citizenship, Ashley McCain-citizenship, AB honor roll and Citizenship Trophy, Jessica Stewart-citizenship and AB honor roll, Clayton Thomas-citizenship, AB honor roll, math, reading, science, spelling, handwriting and GT, Saleste Malpass-citizenship, Justina Little-perfect attendance, Tyler Brown-citizenship and AB honor roll, Tommy Procella-AB honor roll, social studies and language, Edgar DeLaRosa-art, Kody McLaughlin-most improved and Jordan Chapman-GT.

Rita Smith's 3-B class: Cesar Alonso-citizenship, AB honor roll, perfect attendance and Citizenship Trophy, Juan Cortes-citizenship, A honor roll, math, science, social studies and spelling, Taylor Davidson-citizenship-AB honor roll and art, Cheyenne Duke-citizenship and AB honor roll, Dalton Ginn-citizenship and AB honor roll, Brandon Graham-citizenship, perfect attendance and AB honor roll, Jeff Halliday-citizenship, Chase Hunold-citizenship and A honor roll, Justin James-citizenship, A honor roll, GT and Best All Around, Chris Rhoades-citizenship and AB honor roll, Courtney Sessums-citizenship, Jaci Sikes-citizenship and A honor roll, Tiffany Smith-citizenship and AB honor roll, Alivia Stanphill-citizenship and AB honor roll, Kayla Thomas-citizenship, A honor roll, perfect attendance and handwriting, Ariel Tyler-citizenship and AB honor roll, Sara Upchurch-citizenship

and A honor roll, Ashley Lawson-citizenship, Justin Ballard-citizenship and Alicia Brown-most improved.

Sheila Huffman's 4-A class: Maci Adkins-citizenship and perfect attendance, Jhonatan Cervantes-citizenship, perfect attendance and art, Blake Gordon-citizenship, AB honor roll, perfect attendance, handwriting and GT, Chris Hyde-citizenship, Jerica Langston-citizenship, Jaime Sanchez-citizenship, perfect attendance, AB honor roll, health, Citizenship Trophy and Best All Around, Jordan Tyler-citizenship, A honor roll, math, language, social studies, spelling, MAPs and GT, Ty Halbert-citizenship and reading, AB honor roll and GT, Todd Fendley-AB honor roll, Kate Robertson-citizenship, AB honor roll and perfect attendance, Steven Ruckman-AB honor roll, Tanner Sisson-AB honor roll and MAPs, Aaron Coburn-perfect attendance and MAPs, Jesse Clark-perfect attendance and most improved-Matt Merritt.

Michelle Gillie's 4-B class: Ethan Barnard-citizenship, A honor roll and science, Melanie Barnes-citizenship, Ben Blount-citizenship, Tanner Connot-citizenship, AB honor roll and math, Ty Crawford-citizenship, AB honor roll, Michael DiGiovanni-citizenship and most improved, Brandy Enox-citizenship, AB honor roll and art, Zach Horton-citizenship and perfect attendance, Ryley Johnson-citizenship and math, Jennifer Justice-citizenship and AB honor roll, Tommy Kuehn-citizenship, AB honor roll, health, social studies and GT,

Pecos McDonald-citizenship, AB honor roll and Citizenship Trophy, Autumn Nation-citizenship, AB honor roll, social studies, handwriting and spelling, Arturo Peralta-citizenship, perfect attendance and Best All Around, Clint Winters-citizenship, A honor roll, GT, MAPs and reading, Michael Womack-citizenship and AB honor roll, Karissa Woodall-citizenship and AB honor roll, Joaquin Zermezo-citizenship and Randal Sessums-perfect attendance.

Barbara Harrington and Cindy Winters-Fifth grade-citizenship: Kayla Berry, Amanda Bishop, Tyler Bowden, Kaci Burchinal, Morgan Burchinal, Zach Cullum, Stormy Easley, Phillip Filkins, Tonya Fry, Katy Garrison, Staci Harrell, Courtney Outland, Sherri Patterson, Alyssa Pitcock, Kaleb Price, Roxy Sawyer, Dayne Sessums, Whittnei Stone, Meagan Thomas, Cade White, Jessica Withers and Juana Zermezo. Other awards were: Alyssa Pitcock-A honor roll, math, reading, language, science, social studies and GT awards. Kayla Berry-AB honor roll. Kaleb Price-AB honor roll. Rachell Procella-AB honor roll, Citizenship Trophy and GT. Meagan Thomas-AB honor roll. Dayne Sessums-AB honor roll. Dakota Parker-GT. Jacob Todd-GT. Phillip Filkins-Citizenship Trophy. Katy Garrison-perfect attendance. Chris Wilkins-perfect attendance. Kaylon Merrill-perfect attendance. Staci Harrell-perfect attendance. Resource math certificate-Dakota Swindle. Roxy Sawyer-MAPs.

Mary Jane Lowry, Janie and Mike Ballard of Gilmer and Bill and Ginnifer Lindsey, Ryan Alyssa and Carter of Hughes Springs all met at the home of Ryan and Marla Ballard of Bogata and attended the Bogata Rodeo where they presented the winner of the James Wilford Lowry Memorial calf scramble a certificate for the purchase of a calf. It was Jeremiah Jones of Deport and a student at Prairiland High School. Jane Roddy also attended.

Faye Shores and Minnie Lee Shand visited Viola Brendle, Marie Shelton and Alpha Lewis at the Regency Medical Center in Paris on Thursday.

Minnie Lee Shands visited with Annie Milam of Deport on Friday. Randle and Sue Clarkson attended the family reunion of the John Henry Watson decedents at the Blossom Community Center on Sunday.

Happy Birthdays this week too: Kayli Sugg, Courtney Weehunt, Roger Hunt, Tifany Klein, Gina May, Cruz Ortiz, Joseph Stevens, Candi Naylor, Olivia Stanphill, Joel Crawford, Carolyn Hensley, Virginia Barber, Rudy Applegate, Vickie Pitcock, Amy Talley, John Halenkamp, Kaleb Whitaker, Matt Lovelady, Steven Weddle, John Cunningham, Jason Thornton, Ashley Mullins, Jimmy Crite, Kaleb Price, Tim Cox, Kelly Kincaid, Jill Owens?, Penny Diaz, Orene Bonner, Steven Yarbrough, Candice Browning.

Happy Anniversaries this week too: Paul and Shirley Smith, Ola and Edward Himes and Pam and George Wood!

Happy Fourth of July and only five months until Christmas!

Oak Hill Baptist Church will be having their monthly bake sale on Front Street this Saturday. Be sure to go out for some great baked goods and barbecue.

Blossom Locals

By Liz Irwin
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Pattonville VFD events

Pattonville VFD will hold a fire meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday, July 8. The dance will be Saturday, July 12 at 8 p.m. Concessions provided, hamburgers and sausage burgers.

The VFD breakfast will be July 20 from 7 to 10 a.m., AYCe for attendance and Best All \$4.00.

The second dance will be July 26 at 8 p.m. and a business meeting will be July 29 at 7 p.m.

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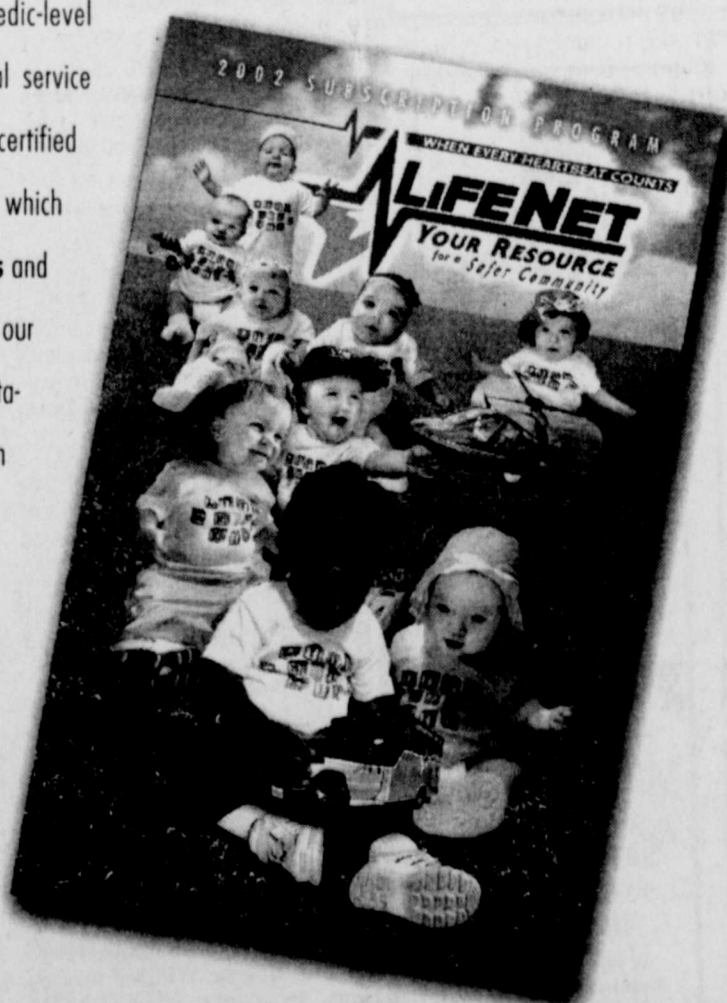
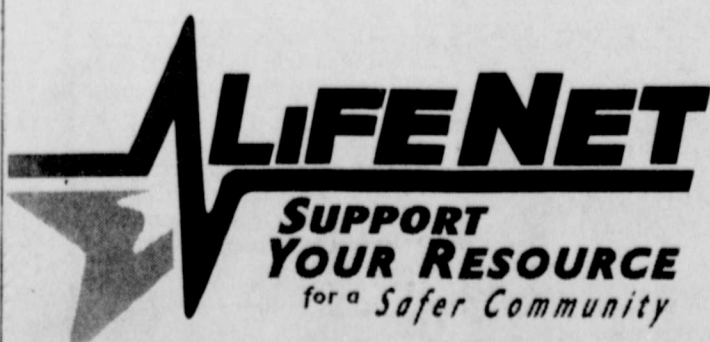
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