

The North Hopkins Cemetery Annual Memorial Service will be held on Sunday, May 26, at 11 a.m. in the cemetery chapel. Shirley Glossup also reports that there will be a barbecue lunch at noon.

The Aiguier Homecoming is scheduled for Sunday, June 2. A covered dish luncheon will begin at noon, with a brief business meeting to follow. In case of rain, the event will be moved to the North Hopkins School.

Linda, Mick, Rick, and Judy Petty met Ken and Suzi Chapman for the Ranger game on Saturday night. The game was a delayed birthday treat for Mick and Rick from Ken and Suzi. They also took a tour of Cowboy Stadium and spent the night at the Sheraton Hotel. Linda reports, "It was a really great time with great friends."

On Sunday evening Linda cooked a birthday dinner for her mother, Fay Burns, who turned 88. Joining Mick, Linda and Fay were James, Hesston and Reagan Humphrey.

Joyce Weir Dodd and Betty Weir met Rosemary Horn and Grace Blevins at the Church of the Nazarene Saturday, where they attended the "Riders on the Orphan Train" program sponsored by the Hopkins County Genealogical Society. Joyce's mother, Helen Flippen Weir, was a rider on one of the trains from New York to Sulphur Springs. Helen was reared by Rosemary's parents, Perry and Modena Flippen of Nelta. They report that they really enjoyed the outstanding program, in addition to meeting many other relatives of children who arrived in Hopkins County and other area counties via one of the many trains. Also in attendance from Tira were Floyd and Martha Payton. Betty reports that more information can be found at www.ridersontheorphantrain.com.

Sandra Wester, Linda Andrasko, Mary Lou Jeter and Jean Colley went to Beavers Bend, Okla., for a get away last week. Sandra reports that there was no phone service, internet or television at the cabin by the river. They enjoyed playing games, sitting on the deck enjoying nature and wildlife, reading, taking short walks, sightseeing and good food. Lou stayed with Sandra when they returned on Thursday afternoon. Linda and Jean continued on to Henderson. Chelsea and Joe Jeter came to visit Thursday night. The Jeters returned home to Temple on Friday.

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I appreciate Nelda Jeanne Crone Hudson, of Laveen, Arizona, and Ronald Crone, of Lake Havasu City, Arizona, contacting me to let me know that their mother, Jacqueline Bruton Crone, had passed away on April 21, 2013, at the age of 93. She is also survived by another son, Paul Settrini of Laveen, Az., and a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Jacqueline was born to Ben and Mamie Record Bruton in Tira on Feb. 27, 1920. She and her husband, Bill Crone, of Tucson, had 61 years together. Funeral services were held at Funeraria del Angel, under the direction of Lietz-Fraze Funeral Home and Crematory, with interment at Desert Lawn Memorial Park in Yuma, Aa. Jeanne shared about her mother that "even though she left Texas with her parents in her late teens, Texas never left her. The Brutons were and are Texans to the end!" Jacqueline still has some cousins and distant relatives in the area. Thoughts and condolences can be sent to her family at www.lietz-frazefuneralhome.com.

I always need and appreciate input from my friends to help keep me informed of news in our community. If you have any news pertaining to Tira residents, past or present, please contact me, Jan Vaughn, at 903-945-2190 or 903-438-6688 or janvaughn73@gmail.com.