

Tira volunteer firefighter Kevin Wingfield Jr. was killed in a one vehicle accident on Tuesday, Aug. 6. Funeral arrangements are pending. The Delta County Sheriff's Office, where Kevin was employed as a deputy/jailer, is collecting donations to help with funeral expenses. We want to extend our sympathy and prayers to the family.

I received the following note from Sheila Boyd and I'm sorry that I was not aware of this death in time to report it until now. Sheila says, "I would like to thank our community for the support and prayers during the passing of my stepdad, Dennis Powell. It is never easy to lose a loved one, but with family, friends and God's help, the recovery has began." Please continue to pray for the family.

Posey Baptist Church will host a one-day Bible School Summer Camp this Saturday, Aug. 10, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The congregation would like to encourage children from kindergarten to sixth grade to "come discover The Gift." Lunch will be served. For more information, contact Nancy Potts at 903-243-6707.

Yvonne Weir, Sue Janway and 18 others from First Assembly of God Church in Cooper traveled to Eureka Springs, Ark., on Friday, July 26, to see the Great Passion Play. They spent the night in Rogers, Ark., then traveled back to Eureka Springs to see the Thorncrown Chapel and have lunch. They arrived back in Cooper around 10 p.m. Yvonne comments, "Everyone made it to church the next morning."

Shirley Evans and Betty Weir traveled to Blossom on Wednesday to the home of Dorris Prunty, where they enjoyed a wonderful meal prepared by Mrs. Prunty and spent the afternoon visiting. Mrs. Prunty is a retired teacher, who worked in special education at North Hopkins school. Mrs. Evans will begin teaching in that position again later this month. Following their visit, Shirley and Betty met Shirley's daughter-in-law, Mendy Evans, her children, Lindsay and Levi, her niece from Oklahoma and Mendy's father, Mr. Harness, in Paris. Mendy and her family were returning to their home in Colorado Springs following a visit to Texas and Oklahoma.

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Bobbie and Debbie Harris at Pleasant Grove Farms had a back-to-school party on Saturday. Sherry Smiddy reports, "A huge lunch was served with brisket, hot dogs, hamburgers, baked beans and the best potato salad ever! There were water slides, swimming, four wheelers and everything that every kid would ever want to do!"

Those attending included Richard and Carolyn Markland, and Adam and Shea Stewart, along with Salem, Baylor, Caleb and Kason from North Carolina; Nick and Tonya Moore with Gracie and Evan, Kathy Day, Joseph and Tammy Flemens with Blaine, Micah and Maggie, Nancy Moore, Eric and Wendi Hatley with Conner and Meagan, Cole Silman, and Ray and Phyllis Flemens, all from Sulphur Springs; Michael and Heather Harris with Marcus, Wilder and Daniel and Chris McClendon from Wylie; Jackson Friddle from Yantis; Jodi Goodman and Neeley Campbell from Caddo Mills; and Chance Fite and Brandi Day with Aysa and Daylee, and Powell and Sherry Smiddy Vickery from Tira.

Chip and I went to Waco on Thursday (Aug. 1) to visit our son, Delayne, and take him out to lunch for his birthday. We enjoyed a delicious meal at Ninfa's Mexican Restaurant.

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](mailto:janvaughn73@gmail.com).