

## **There's something good here . . .**

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Don't pass up an opportunity to attend a family reunion. It might be the last time you see a loved one. My husband's family meets at the Sulphur Bluff community center every year on the second Saturday in June with the Jobe-Hargrave clans. We'll be missing Roy Leon Jobe who died in August. I will certainly miss his sweet smile and gentle disposition. He always had a kind word for everyone.

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Have you noticed how many school children are gathering items for our soldiers? No matter how you feel about the wars we're fighting, it is encouraging to see the support for our men and women in uniform running so deep. It seems we learned our lesson from the tragedy of Viet Nam.

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My practically perfect spouse and I are going to Rockwall for lunch next Wednesday. We're meeting Kirby Prickett, the man who called me from out of the blue two years ago after reading one of my posts on the Korean War Education Project website. Kirby was a young Air Force policeman who happened to be at Tachikawa Air Base in Japan the day my father was killed in 1953. For more than 50 years, Kirby had kept the horrific memories of the C-124 Globemaster crash that killed 129 men to himself. Our families met in Salado for the first time in 2009. It will be good to see him again.

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Some of my fondest summer memories involve going to the Carnegie Library in Winnsboro. We lived right down the street, so my mom would let me walk the two blocks and check out books all by myself. I felt like a grownup. This summer, the Sulphur Springs Public Library will be hosting a reading program called "Diggin' Up a Good Book," which begins June 7 from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Additional dates are June 14 from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., June 21 and June 28 from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. All programs will be held in the large conference meeting room at the library at 611 North Davis. Call 903-885-4926 for more information.

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The SSMS Destination Imagination teams placed in the top 15 of the global competition. Think about that for a minute. Our kids stood toe-to-toe with some of the best and the brightest and, like the good Hopkins County kids they are, they rose to the top with the other cream of the crop! Congratulations.

### ***There's something good here . . .***

Hot, dry conditions make for dangerous situations when it comes to fires. The men and women who fight blazes are put under extra stress when the temperature rises. The next time you see a member of our fire departments, thank them for protecting our lives and property.

### ***There's something good here . . .***

Check out the *News-Telegram's* redesign. It's cleaner (more white space) and looser (more stories). Check out the back page of the first section of the weekend edition for the Neighbors feature story on Johnny "JP" Moseley, special agent for homeland security investigations, who

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hails from Cumby, but who has spent much of his career in far-flung parts of the world.