

MY TURN

By Carol Ellis



METAPHORS. . . those colorful little descriptive phrases which our parents and grandparents used to sprinkle into their conversations just to make sure we were paying attention. I don't think people use them much any more.

For instance, you could be: smart as a whip, sick as a dog, wet as sop, hotter than a firecracker, high as a kite, or lower than a snake.

When being compared with various birds, we looked pretty good: happy as a lark, soaring like an eagle, light as a feather, wise as an owl, graceful as a swan, delicate as a sparrow, or free as a bird.

However, we didn't fare so well when it came to barnyard animals, because we might be: mad as an old wet hen, stubborn as a mule, fat as a hog, or clumsy as an ox.

Some other colorful animal comparisons were: poor as a church mouse, blind as a bat, weak as a kitten, crazy as a loon, sly as a fox, mad as a hornet, snug as a bug in a rug, cute as a bug's ear, and meek as a lamb.

I had a group of ladies over for lunch the other day and asked each one of them to contribute a metaphor for this column. Here's what they came up with: green as a gourd, dumb as a doorknob, sharp as a tack, warm as toast, pretty as a picture, neat as a pin, cute as a button, innocent as a new born babe, simple as falling off a log, and nervous as a cat. In fact one friend said she had heard an embellishment of that last one which goes: nervous as a long-tailed cat in a room full of rocking chairs.

When I didn't bustle around at the pace my mother thought was appropriate, she'd tell me that I was slow as the seven-year itch, or sometimes I was just as pokey as molasses in January. I never found out what the seven-year itch was. Mom also thought I was generally wound up like an eight day clock or as fidgety as a worm in hot ashes.

My good old boy grew up with a granny who was the Bailey County queen of metaphors. She had one for every aspect of life, such as: skinny as a rail, tough as nails, white as a sheet, black as the ace of spades, or someone might be lying like a dog, or as honest as the day is long. She also threw in: clear as a bell, cool as a cucumber, fresh as a daisy, tight as a drum, and easy as pie.

Well, pie may have been easy for Grandma Ellis, but it took me many years to learn how to make one. When I asked for her recipe she'd just laugh. Never used one. I'd sit in her kitchen and watch her cook 'till I learned how. Perhaps 'easy as pie' referred to the eating of, rather than the making of.

What if you were light as air, strong as an ox, could run like the wind, were as fast as a runaway train, could sleep like a log, and float like a top?

Do any of these ring a bell? How about: straight as an arrow, clean as a whistle, cheap as dirt, sweet as honey, smooth as silk, shiny as a new penny, innocent as a lamb, or rough as a cob.

You might be hungry as a bear or full as a tick.

Our Panhandle weather is dry as a bone and we all wish it was raining cats and dogs.

Some other parent-to-child admonitions which were in constant use from the 20s to the 50s, were: "You'd cut off your nose to spite your face. Don't strain at a nat and swallow a camel. If that had been a snake it would have bitten you. Pretty is as pretty does. What I say to you goes in one ear and out the other. You would try the patience of Job. You're clumsy as a bull in a china closet. I could plant a garden in the dirt under your fingernails."

Those of us who can remember using some or most of the metaphors listed above are, for the most part: old as the hills and/or wrinkled as a prune, with a face like a road map. We probably shouldn't go out and buy any green bananas.

Athletic Banquet Honors For Fillies And Mustangs

With the theme of "Taking It To The Next Level", the 1996 Fillies and Mustangs were honored at the annual Athletic Banquet May 14th, 1996.

The Master of Ceremonies was Athletic Director Bobby Ortiz. Invocation was given by Luke Steelman.

Players in all sports were recognized with participation awards by the coaching staff.

Receiving individual awards during the evening were:

Football: Fighting Heart Award-Joe Villarreal, Most Improved-Albert Larrea, and Most Valuable Player (MVP)-Cruz Maruffo.

Cross Country, Fillies-Most Improved-Stephine Villarreal, Regional & MVP-Carmen Campos.

Cross Country, Mustangs-MVP-Martin Reyna, Most Improved-Jay Grisham.

Basketball, Fillies, Most Improved-Evang Casas, Fighting Heart Award-Kasey Bell, MVP-Bonnie Quintana.

Basketball, Mustangs-Fighting Heart Award-Jerry Rocha, Most

Improved-Luke Steelman, MVP-Tony Beauchamp.

Track, Fillies-Fighting Heart Award-Tammy Stormes, Most Improved-Ashley Zehner and Elia Maruffo, MVP-Lisa Hromas.

Track, Mustangs, Fighting Heart Award-Adan Perez, Most Improved-Robert Perez, MVP-Tony Beauchamp.

Golf MVP's were Will Bell and Lori Beauchamp.

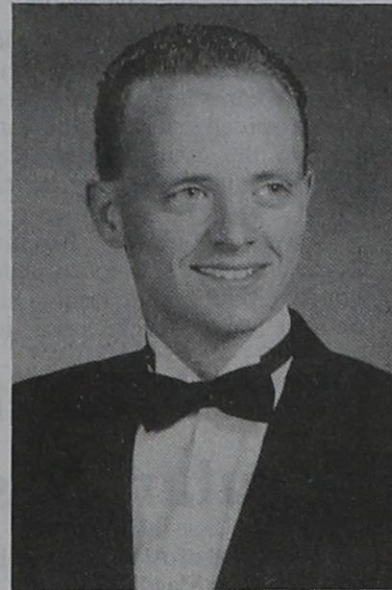
The Mustang Award was given to Tony Beauchamp.

Winner of the Fillie Award was Lori Beauchamp.

The Booster Club also awarded a Business-of-the Year plaque to Bovina Medical Clinic for their support and their Fan-of-the-Year plaque to Dorothy Stowers.

Officers for the 1996 Booster Club will be Frank Galvan, president, Deborah Beauchamp, vice-president, Ella Jo Stormes, secretary, and Susan Kerby, treasurer.

The evening closed with the cheerleaders leading the singing of the Bovina School song, followed by the benediction given by Alex Dopp.



JAY GRISHAM
Valedictorian



ANGELA URIEGAS
Salutatorian

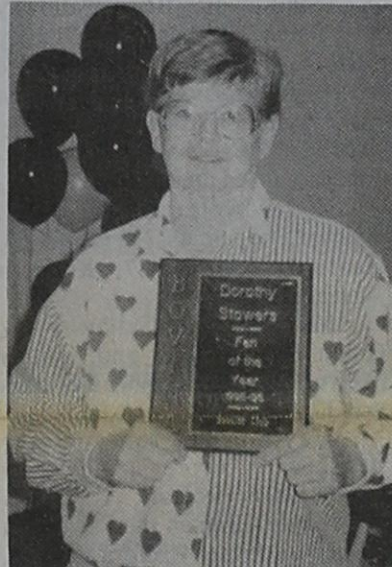


CARMEN CAMPOS
Historian

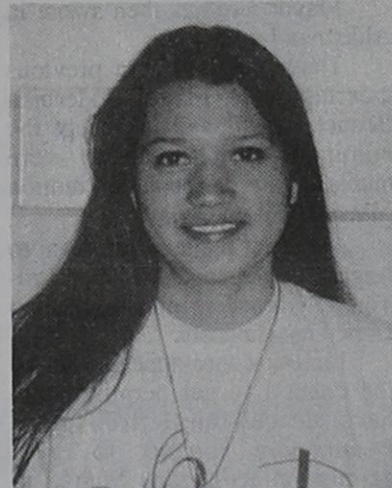
Teacher Reception Set May 23

A going away reception will be held for Brenda Wilson, Wanda Royce, Rachel Beets, and Kathy Rundell at the high school library on May 23.

Times are: 2-3 p.m. for students and 3-4 p.m. for the community.



DOROTHY STOWERS
Selected as Fan Of The Year at the athletic banquet.



CARMEN CAMPOS
C. Campos Is Student of the Week

Senior honor student Carmen Campos was selected as the student of the week.

She is the daughter of Alicia Bisig and has attended Bovina Schools for 13 years.

She plans to attend the Bryman School in Phoenix, Arizona.

Carmen has been an active student in all school activities, both athletic and scholastic.

H. S. Graduation Is Set For May 25

The Bovina High School Class of 1996 will have their graduation ceremonies on Saturday, May 25 at 8 p.m. in the Bovina School Auditorium.

The valedictorian is Jay Grisham, with a grade point average of 96.8. He is the son of Richard and Velma Grisham. He plans to attend West Texas A & M in Canyon.

Angie Uriegas is salutatorian with an average of 95.3. She is the daughter of Ruben and Tina Uriegas. She plans to attend the University of Dallas.

Ranking third is Carmen Campos with an average of 93.0. She is the daughter of Alicia Bisig. She plans to attend the Bryman School in Phoenix.

Jose Angel Perez was fourth with an average of 90.3. He is the son of Jose and Gregoria Perez. He plans to attend South Plains College.

Alexandria Dopp ranks fifth with an average of 90.0. She is the daughter of Larry and Linda Dopp. She plans to attend either Lubbock Christian or West Texas A & M.

Ranking sixth is Rose Ann Cantu with an average of 88.9. She is the daughter of Ben and Delia Cantu. She plans to attend South Plains College.

Class officers for the 1996 class are: Carmen Campos, president; Alex Dopp, vice president; Rose Ann Cantu, secretary/treasurer; and Anna Quevedo, student council representative.

Class sponsors are Margaret Durben, Bill Drumma, Michael Todd, and Lawrence Widner.

Maroon, silver, and black are the class colors and the class flower is the white rose.

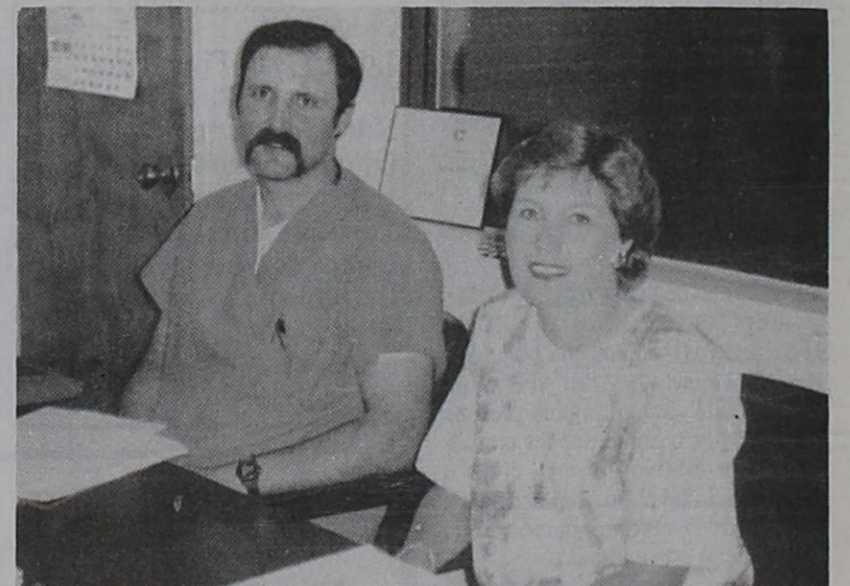
The class motto is "Give me a place to stand and I will move the earth", by Archimedes.

Honor Guards will be Lisa Hromas and Lori Beauchamp.

Ushers will be Nora Uriegas, Miguel Perez, Melissa Nicolas, and Minerva Vitolas.

The 1996 graduating seniors are Maria Amparan, Martin Brito, Carmen Campos, Rose Ann Cantu, Bernardo Cervantes, Omar Delgado, Alexandria Dopp, Jackie Gonzales, Jay Grisham, Cruz Maruffo.

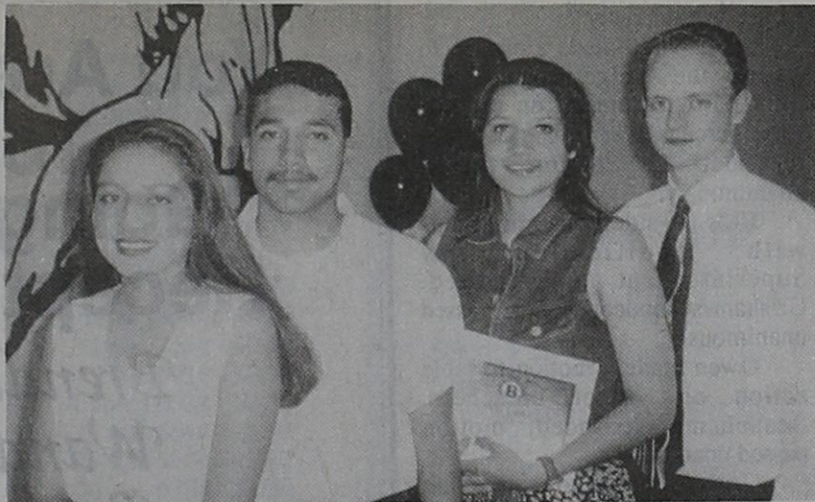
Also, Misty Peace, Jose Perez, Rosario Ramirez, Rey Reyes, John Stormes, Rachel Turner, Anna Quevedo, Angela Uriegas, and Alfredo Vara.



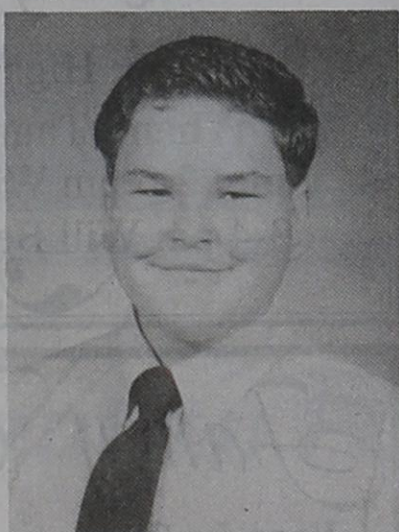
NEW SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS.....Justin Brozek and Susan Kerby attend the first of many school board meetings as they take their seats for business last Monday.



TONY BEAUCHAMP & LORI BEAUCHAMP
1995 Mustang & Fillie Award Winners



1995 CROSS COUNTRY AWARD WINNERS:
Stephine Villarreal, Martin Reyna, Carmen Campos, and Jay Grisham



WALTER KESSLER



MELISSA CANO

8th Grade Graduation Is On Friday, May 24

The Bovina Middle School Eighth Grade graduation ceremonies will be Friday, May 24, 1996 at 8 p.m. in the Bovina School Auditorium.

Honor students for the eighth grade class are Walter Kessler, valedictorian, 94.20 average; Melissa Cano, salutatorian, 93.72; Marisol Antillon, third, 93.08; Misty Pruitt, fourth, 90.40; Blake Clements, fifth, 89.80; and Sara Sorley, sixth, 88.84.

1996 eighth grade graduates are Marisol Antillon, Melissa Cano, Cynthia Carrillo, Steven B. Clements, Laura De La Rosa, Veronica De La Rosa, Dora Flores, Adrian Garcia, Julie Grisham,

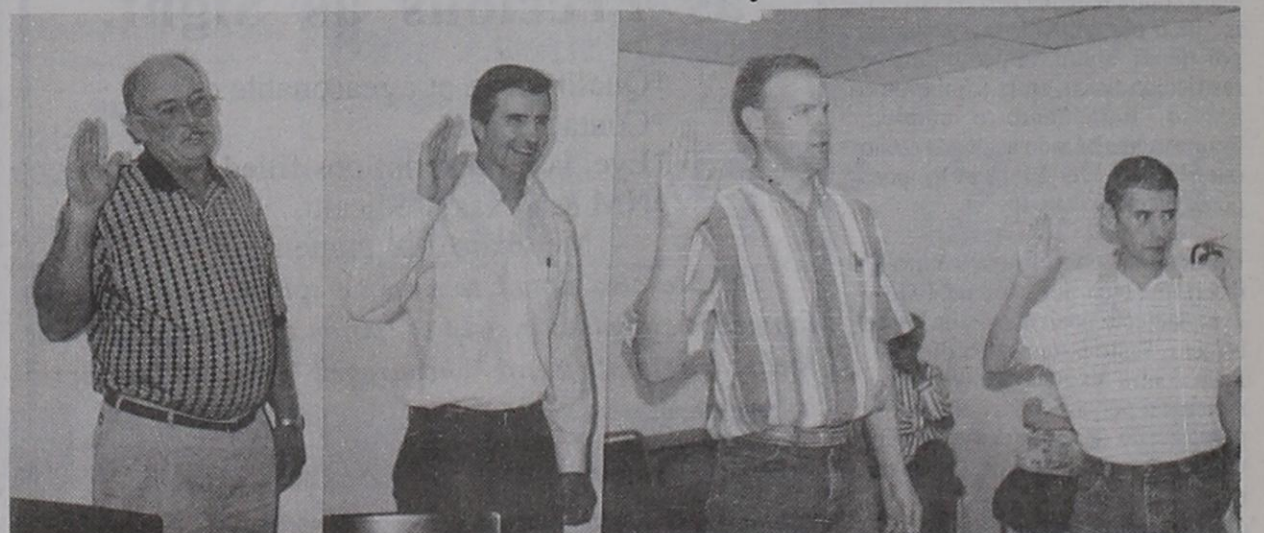
Adriana Guevara, Miguel Hernandez, Walter Kessler.

Also, Jorge Lopez, Emanuel Marquez, Daniel Maruffo, Alvaro Martinez, David Martinez, Linda Martinez, Anthony McNeely, Sergio Nieto, Joseph Olvera, Misty Pruitt.

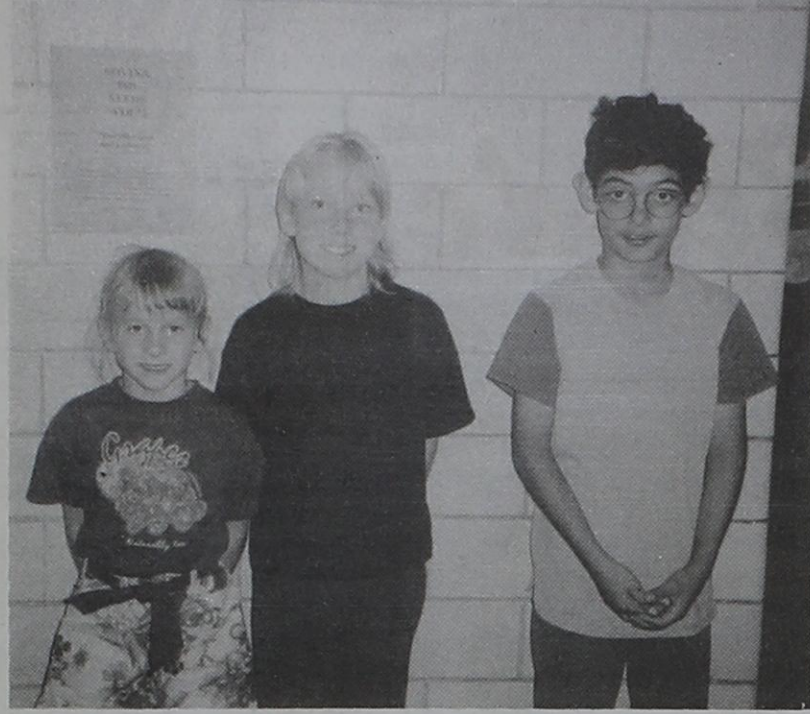
Also, Joshua Quintana, Janet Quiroz, Miguel Ramon, Ruben Rios, Clifford Rocha, Pedro Rocha, Joe Rodriguez, Adrian Rubalcava, Sara Sorley, Leticia Vargas, Linda Vargas, and Nancy Vela.

Escorts will be Walter Kessler and Melissa Cano.

Ushers will be Marisol Antillon, Misty Pruitt, Blake Clements, Sara Sorley.



YES I WILL.....Newly elected city officials are sworn in at last week's city council meeting. They are, l-r, Radford Venable, Mayor Galen Hromas, Kenneth Waters, and Joe Olvera. Olvera was appointed to Hromas' vacated council seat as Hromas became mayor.



READIN' & WRITIN'.....These youngsters placed in the UIL Literary meet in Sudan on April 23. From left, Skyla Cockerham, 2nd grade, 3rd in creative writing and 4th in storytelling, Crystal Morris, 3rd grade, placed 5th in ready writing, and 4th grader Romualdo Ruiz, 4th in ready writing.

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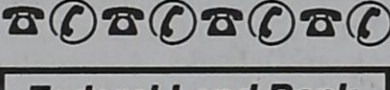
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Reflections

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

40 YRS AGO-MAY 30 1956
 Oakley Stevenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stevenson, received his B.S. Degree Monday night from Texas Tech University in Lubbock. He majored in animal husbandry.

Janie Wheeler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Wheeler, was burned Wednesday morning when hot tea spilled on her. She was taken to the doctor Wednesday afternoon and is feeling much better.

Wayne Young, Bovina electrician, suffered a broken ankle Saturday evening while loading his furniture on a truck, prior to

moving to Midland. His right ankle was broken when he lost his balance and fell from the truck while trying to cover it with a tarp.

35 YRS AGO-MAY 31 1961
 Mrs. Harold Hawkins was feted with a surprise birthday dinner Thursday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Estes.

Charles Thompson, Bovina High School science teacher, has been awarded a stipend scholarship to Eastern New Mexico University by the National Science Foundation in Washington, D.C.

Mrs. C. E. Trimble was

honored with a birthday party Tuesday evening by members of 39ers Birthday Club.

Graduate School at Texas Tech in Lubbock has announced 59 candidates for master's degrees. Commencement exercises were Monday at which time more than 900 men and women will be graduated as Texas Tech's class of 1961. Degree candidates include Woodfin Arvin Mann, psychology major, from Bovina.

30 YRS AGO-JUN 1 1966
 Don Stone, minister of Bovina Church of Christ since July of 1961, has resigned his position here effective June 20.

George Turner is in a Lubbock hospital after surgery last Tuesday morning. He is doing well and should return home next week.

Philip Caldwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bedford Caldwell, was one of more than 1,500 students receiving degrees from Texas Tech University in commencement exercises Saturday.

Roy Donaldson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Donaldson of Oklahoma Lane, will be participating in the National Amateur Intercollegiate Association (NAIA) meet in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, June 3-4. Roy is a 1964 graduate of Farwell High School and is presently a sophomore at Wayland Baptist College.

25 YRS AGO-JUN 2 1971
 Grand Opening of Allsup's 7-11, Bovina's newest grocery and convenience store, is scheduled for Friday and Saturday.

Richard Carson, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Carson of Bovina, left the U. S. , May 19 for a two-year tour with the Peace Corps in Cameroon, Africa.

Dedication ceremonies for the Official Texas Historical Marker for the site of Parmerton will be held Sunday at 3:30 p.m. according to Hugh Moseley of Farwell, chairman of the Parmer County Historical Survey Committee.

20 YRS AGO-JUN 2 1976
 A total of 239 students have been named to the dean's honor roll

**City Aldermen Meet In
 Regular Session May 8**

The Board of Aldermen met in regular session May 8, 1996.

Those present were Aldermen Waters, Anderson, Beauchamp, Olvera, and Venable, and Mayor Galen Hromas.

The meeting was called to order and Alderman Olvera started with a prayer.

Alderman Hromas moved to pay the bills. Alderman Anderson seconded, motion carried unanimously.

The discussion of canvassing the votes for the election was discussed. The results were: Aldermen position, Richard Bonham 53, Joe Olvera 83, Radford Venable 87, and Kenneth Waters 127.

For Mayor: Brian Galloway 11, Galen Hromas 140, Stanley Miller 26. The votes were miscounted. Alderman Anderson made a motion to correct the tally sheets. Beauchamp seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Correct votes for Aldermen: Richard Bonham 48, Joe Olvera 83, Radford Venable 87, Kenneth Waters 127.

Mayor: Brian Galloway 11, Galen Hromas 140, and Stanley Miller 26. Total number of voters was 178.

Mayor pro-tem Garry Beauchamp swore in the new mayor, Galen Hromas.

Mayor Hromas then swore in the new Aldermen Radford Venable, Kenneth Waters.

Venable moved to appoint Joe Olvera as alternate Alderman. Beauchamp seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Hromas then swore in Alderman Joe Olvera.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. Alderman Beauchamp moved to accept the minutes after corrections were made. Venable seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Venable made a motion to select Beauchamp as Mayor Pro-Tem. Olvera seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Lazaro Munoz appeared before the council to get permission to have dances until 1:00 a.m.. Beauchamp moved to give permission to Lazaro Munoz to have two dances in the month of May until 1:00 a.m. Venable seconded. Voting for were Venable Olvera, and Beauchamp. Anderson abstained.

Anderson made a motion to build on the north side of the ball park with proceeds from the county water purchase. Venable seconded,

motion carried unanimously.

Venable made a motion to buy the Mac-O-Matic 2400-T Plus Pump for the sewer. Beauchamp seconded, motion carried unanimously.

A discussion of schooling for Leon Saddler and Sarah Alonzo was held. Saddler will go to a narcotics school in Lubbock and Alonzo will go to T.M.C.C.P. schooling. Waters moved to approve both schools. Anderson seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Council went into closed session at 10:35 p.m. to discuss personnel. Open meeting resumed at 11:10 p.m.

Venable moved to adjourn. Waters seconded and the meeting adjourned at 11:10 p.m.

**Bovina ISD
 Trustees
 Met May 13**

The school board held a regular meeting at 8 p.m. on Monday, May 13, with all members present.

Grisham made a motion to pay the vouchers, Brozek seconded, motion passed unanimously.

The Service Center contracts were discussed. Beauchamp made a motion to accept the contracts. Steelman seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Beauchamp made a motion to amend the budget to pay the principal and interest on the bus lease purchased in 1995. Steelman seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

Bids on sidewalks and ramps with modifications by Superintendent as required. Grisham seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Owen made a motion to table action on visitor bleachers. Beauchamp seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Grisham moved to table action on the air conditioners at Ridgelea, Steelman seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Beauchamp moved to accept the 1996-97 transfers. Kerby seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Beauchamp made a motion to have faculty meal for end of school on May 24 at noon. Steelman seconded, motion passed unanimously.

Kerby made a motion to accept the resignations of Brenda Wilson and Kathy Rundell at the end of the 1995-96 school year. Steelman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Steelman made a motion to accept Athletic Director Bobby Ortiz's recommendations on coaching personnel: Israel H. Carrera as first assistance coach, Derrick Byrd as head boys basketball coach, and Jeremy Tharp as head girls basketball coach. Beauchamp seconded, motion passed unanimously.

The Board went into Closed Executive session as authorized by Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Section 551.074, at 10:58 p.m.

The board came out of Closed Executive Session at 12:08 a.m.

Beauchamp moved to accept salary recommendations of Superintendent Nuttall as presented. Superintendent salary is to be figured using 1.40 as multiplying factor. Grisham seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The principals and Superintendent Nuttall gave their reports.

Beauchamp made the motion to adjourn, Jamerson seconded, motion passed unanimously.

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 "Going Away"
 Reception For:**

*Brenda Wilson
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By RON CARR



It has been a busy week here at the paper with all the end of the school year activity, graduations, sports and awards banquets.

Writing a column takes some concentration and quiet. Since I haven't had much of either this week, I decided to do one of my no-brainer columns.

Before we finish, I know you will agree.

Recently, I moved. Changed places of residence. That is a foreign thought to some Farmer County people.

Many of you have lived where you live now for a long time, 20, 30, 50 years or more.

I think if I made a list of all the places I have lived in the last 40 years, it would be bigger than our local GTE phone book. Not something I am proud of but I have moved around.

To those who have lived where they live now for many years, life probably seems pretty comfortable. I tend to equate many day-to-day events and habits to life.

For instance, you may have had to replace an appliance. Say you had your refrigerator for several decades, freezer on top, refrigerator below. Ketchup and biscuits and stuff in the door racks, milk on the top shelf, lunch meat in there, etc.

You could reach in blindfolded and get what you want. Life is good.

One day you decide to get a new one. It is a side-by-side, real pretty, with an ice-water spigot in

the door. Looks so good in the kitchen you have been cooking in for 30 years.

Only trouble is, now you can't find the milk and butter. To get in the freezer, you keep reaching up where the old handle used to be, but now it is over there to the left. Life is not so good.

At least once since you have had that new refrigerator you have thought, "I can't find anything in here. I wish I had my old one back".

Life is like that too. As soon as you manage to get rid of some old troubles, you will get some new ones and chances are you will wish you had your old ones back instead.

At my new place, I throw trash on the floor because my wastebasket is not in the same place it used to be. I don't have a dishwasher here, and I forgot which side of the double sink you drain dishes in, but I haven't forgotten how to dry them with a towel. Mother used to "let me" dry dishes.

Life is like that too. Some of the things we learned from our parents long ago, we never unlearn, even if we don't use them very much.

In your house, you can probably walk from the kitchen to the bedroom in the dark and never stump your toe, unless some one pulled that foot stool out a couple of inches too far. Man that hurts to hit your toe in the dark.

Life is like that too. Just

about the time we can find our way around, somebody pulls something out in our way. And sometimes it really hurts.

My light switches are not in the same familiar place, my microwave won't go under the cabinet, and I can't see the TV in the morning from the bathroom anymore.

I had a closet I could walk into, but now my closet, while it is big enough, has two sliding doors. I haven't figured out which door my pants are behind yet and always open the wrong one.

Life is like that too. We can walk into life and look around, or try to figure out which door life is actually behind. Sometimes we choose the wrong one.

Then there is my shower. I don't do baths, I do showers. At your house you know exactly how your shower works. Showers have a personality. You can adjust yours without even sticking your hand under it to see if its ready. Even though you always do.

You like the way the water comes out. It is just right. Comfortable and familiar.

Then you go visit a relative or stay in a motel and they have one you have to fiddle with and adjust and the streams of water sometimes are so far apart you could stand directly under the shower head and never get wet.

Or there is not enough water pressure to even get the soap off and you stand there wishing you were back in your own shower which you know so well.

When your shower head wears out, your new one won't spray like your old one either. There should be a way you could try out a new shower head before you buy it.

Life is like that too. Every day we get up, adjust the day, test it with our toes, and jump in. Sometimes we come out clean, other times there is too much pressure. Don't worry, you get another one tomorrow.

Finally, there was this wealthy, retired, Farmer County farmer who had to go to Houston for a funeral. In all his life he had never been on an airplane.

He wanted to drive, but concerned friends convinced him to fly. It would be safer and faster for

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Beware Of Dangers In Holiday Traffic

As the Memorial Day weekend kicks off the peak vacation driving season, the Texas Department of Public Safety reminds motorists not to become complacent about traffic safety.

"Each year, too many people are killed or injured over the Memorial Day weekend," said Trooper Wayne Beighle, spokesman for the Texas D.P.S. in Amarillo, "and the tragic part is that most of the crashes will be preventable."

Each driver holds the key to their own safety. By ensuring that your vehicle is in good working order, pre-planning your travel to allow plenty of time, and concentrating on the driving task at hand will allow us to have that extra edge needed to avoid a

collision. Beighle gives the following suggestions to ensure a safe Memorial Day weekend:

- *Observe all speed limits.
- *Use safety belts--lap and shoulder belts reduce the chance of death or serious injury by 55 per cent.
- *Drive defensively. Yield the right-of-way, even if the other guy is wrong.
- *Keep a safe distance from the car ahead.
- *Stay alert. Make regular stops to get out and stretch, avoid heavy meals and keep the car ventilated.
- *Drive during the day whenever possible and use headlights to attract attention to your vehicle.

Watch For Youngsters During Summer Break

School is out! This signals a lot of outdoor fun for kids, and for drivers it should necessitate a change in our driving habits. "With warmer weather and longer days, children play outside from early morning to late at night. Since there will be many more children outside during the summer, drivers must remain alert and ready for almost anything," advised Trooper Wayne Beighle, public information officer for the Texas Department of Public Safety in Amarillo.

Most people understand that children are not just small adults. They lack experience with traffic and also have limited perceptual

skills; consequently they are unable to accurately judge the speed and distance of vehicles. Drivers, therefore, have the responsibility to watch out for children at play.

"The key to avoid hitting a pedestrian is leaving yourself plenty of time and space for proper reaction. Scanning from curb to curb, well ahead of your vehicle, will afford a driver the time and space," Beighle added.

Everyone who enters a roadway is vulnerable to injury or death, but kids are at greater risk. As the number of kids outdoors increases this summer, we, as drivers are obligated to keep them safe.

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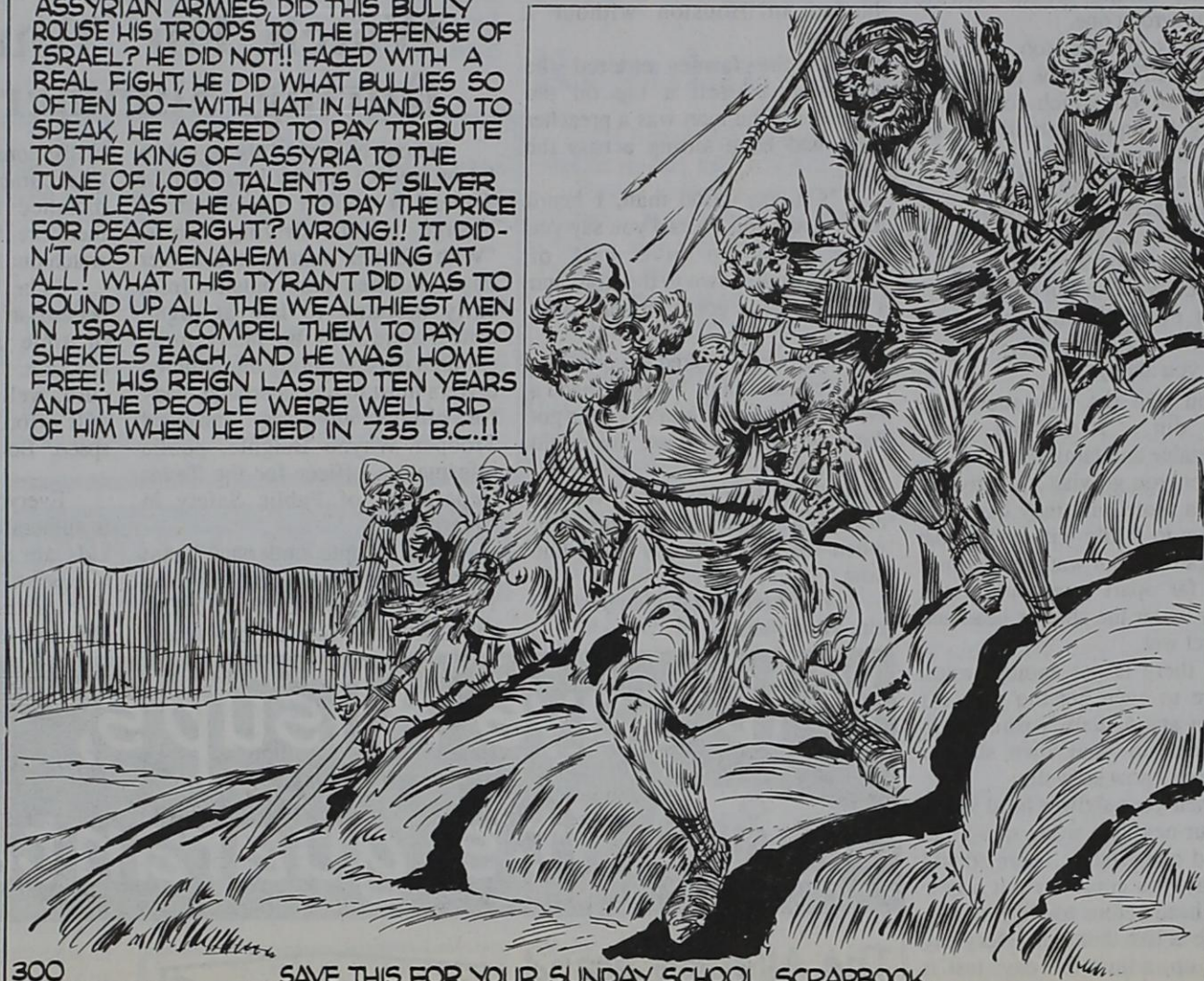
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FRIONA/BOVINA DEVOTIONAL PAGE

Facts About The **BIBLE** BY JOHN LEHTI

SOME KINGS WERE TYRANTS!

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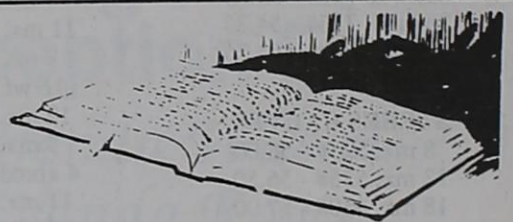
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AS OF MAY 3

Local Writer Observes 40th Anniversary With Newspaper

By JUNE FLOYD

Forty years ago today (which was Thursday, May 3, 1956), my first "In And Around Friona," the forerunner of "Town Talk," appeared in the *Friona Star* for the first time. That same day, I put the papers in the mail for the first time.

So many changes have been made in every aspect of putting out a newspaper since that time that it would be impossible to point all of them out.

However, looking back over the years has given me a lot of pleasure, so I've decided to share some of my memories with our readers.

That 1956 issue was the first one published under the ownership of Joe Osborn and W.H. (Sonny) Graham. The office was in the front of what was then the Reeve Chevrolet building next door south of Jack Anderson's barber shop, which now belongs to Lee Gibson.

The only thing that hasn't changed since that time is the telephone number. I was the only full time employee. "Sonny," which was changed to "Hop" a few years later, was the publisher and editor and the advertisements were sold by Dolph Moten of the *Bovina Blade*, and Joann Getz, an employee of the *State Line Tribune*.

One of our first major projects was a subscription campaign, which was conducted by members of the senior class of Friona High School. Some of the seniors whose mothers did a lot of the work on this project were Sally Osborn, Leta O'Brian, Marilyn Fairchild and Barbara O'Brian. The subscription rate was \$3 per year in Parmer and

adjoining counties and \$4 for anywhere else.

One front page story concerned a Lions Club benefit program and was accompanied by a picture of "EIGHT DAINY DANCERS as can can dancers." They were J.G. McFarland, Dan Ethridge, W.L. Edelson, Wes Long, Frank Spring, Elvie Jennings, Joe Douglas and G.B. Buske.

Another announced a double-header for the Chiefs baseball team which had been scheduled for the following weekend. New red and white uniforms had been issued to the following players: Donald Petty, pitcher; Gerald Floyd, catcher and fielder; Wesley Barnett, pitcher and short stop; Philip Weatherly, first base; Jim Roy Clements, second base; Cotton Renner, third base and shortstop; Jerry Houlette, third base; Don Reeve, Gerald Neel, J.R. Knight and Wayne Weatherford, fielders.

Admission prices were ten cents, grade school kids; 25 cents, high school kids; and 50 cents, adults.

Eighth grade honor students were also announced on page one. They were Adele and Judy Smith, co-valedictorians and Ronnie Wood, salutatorian.

In other stories, readers were informed that construction on a new building to house the post office was slated to begin. At that time, the post office was in part of the present quarters of Ethridge-Spring Insurance Agency and the new building was to be at the corner of Seventh Street and Euclid Avenue.

Also, thirteen building permits had been issued during the month of April and sixteen patients had been admitted or dismissed from Parmer County Community Hospital, which was on the location now occupied by Friona State Bank.

An announcement that the following Monday would be Dollar Day was supported by eight or nine ads from local stores.

For one day only the following items were available: Rockway-Hurst Department Store--Fieldcrest sheets 91"x99" over 130 thread count, \$1.89; one group ladies' shoes, \$2.98 and boy's short sleeve sports shirts, \$1.00; Wares--Cannon wash cloths, 10 cents each; men's western straw hats, \$2.98; Pure Irish linen 2 yards, \$1.50; men's khaki suits (shirts and pants) genuine army twill, \$4.00; men's briefs, 3 for \$1.00, matching t-shirts, 2 for \$1.00.

Also Foster's--all ladies' spring dresses, hats, bags and wool sports coats, 1/2 price; Lewis Variety Store--pampered cotton prints (no ironing), 75 cents per yard; boy's packaged socks, four pair for \$1.00 and ladies' rayon slips, \$1.00.

Specials in the grocery ads included the following: Houser's Grocery and Market--round steak, 69 cents per pound; ground beef, 25 cents per pound; slab bacon, 39 cents per pound; tall can Carnation

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HITS MILESTONE.....June Floyd observed her 40th anniversary writing for the *Friona Star* on May 3. She is shown with her grandson, Barrett Dickson, who is five.

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milk, 13 cents; and Delsey toilet tissue, two rolls 25 cents.

Also, Piggly Wiggly had Gladiola flour, 10 pound in print sack, 79 cents; Lane's Mellorine, 1/2 gallon, 49 cents and Dole frozen pineapple juice, six ounce can, three for 39 cents.

At Crow's Slaughter Plant, customers could buy a half or whole beef and have it cut and wrapped ready for the freezer for 38 cents per pound. Also, the following bargains were available from LuNora's--ladies' hose, two pair for \$1.50 or boy's ties, two for \$1.00.

Then, too, if one was interested in purchasing a new three-way griddle, they were on sale for \$1.95 at Vestal-Brewer Hardware. Or 98 cents would buy a set of eight Libby eight-ounce juice glasses for 98 cents.

On the inside pages, a reader could learn of six different club meetings--Friona Woman's Club,

Black Study Club and the following home demonstration clubs: Hi-Point, Northside, Lakeview and Friona.

From May 3 until August of 1958, the *Friona Star* was printed by letterpress in Farwell. Then Plains Publishers came into existence with the second offset press west of the Mississippi River and the *Star* and a large number of other publications from far and near were produced locally.

The changes in the processes of preparing a newspaper for publication have been phenomenal and much too difficult for me to understand and try to explain. For example, my first column was produced on a manually operated typewriter and I'm composing this one on a 3VGA, without having any idea what those letters stand for.

This past forty years have been fun and rewarding. Who knows what the future holds?



RUNNERS PASS THROUGH PARMER COUNTY Dennis Black, founder and coach of Sacred Run, waits at the finish line of the day's 30-mile run. The scene is at the roadside park west of Bovina. See related article for details.



CULTURAL EXCHANGE.....Dennis Black, standing, and other members of the Sacred Run sang native songs and told stories to a big crowd at the Bovina City Park last Monday. Black is shown organizing a native American circle dance, while the runners prepare to play the drum. See related article.

Atlanta Sacred Runners Get Sample Of Texas Hospitality

BY RON CARR

If you were driving along Highway 60 between Texico, New Mexico and Amarillo this week, you may have noticed some runners, carrying sticks with feathers, some older with long hair and beards, others younger and stronger.

You may have seen a few vans and RV's either following or waiting ahead with words painted on them like "The Longest Run 1996, Los Angeles to Atlanta, 2600 miles or Sacred Run III 1996"

Sacred Run is both the name of the organization and what they do. Last week they ran through the Panhandle with stops in Bovina, Hereford, and Canyon. Then around and through Amarillo to Panhandle, Pampa, and Canadian.

In Bovina they were hosted at the high school cafeteria with supper and breakfast and were allowed to use the gym to spend the night.

They entertained with song and dance in the city park across the street drawing a large crowd, especially young people.

Friona was the 15-mile halfway point on Tuesday's run from Bovina to near Summerfield.

In Hereford, the Chamber of Commerce let them use the Bull Barn for the overnight stop.

A private donor in Canyon paid for 10 rooms for two nights at the Goodnight Inn, where they will spend their rest day too, before continuing the run.

They often sleep in their cars, vans, RV's, and have bedrolls and tents for the times they have to sleep outdoors.

It is called Sacred Run III 1996 which began in Santa Monica, California on March 28, with an estimated arrival date in Atlanta on July 11, 105 days later.

The 19 runners, with 16 support personnel and 10 support vehicles, run 30 miles per day, with every fourth day a rest day.

While it is a Native American organization (there are runners from nine tribal nations), the entourage also has runners from Japan, Australia, Poland, Russia, and the U.S.

Out of 105 days they will run 30 miles a day on 84 of the days, a distance of 2600 miles, through nine states and countless small towns.

According to literature from Dennis Banks, founder, director and coach of Sacred Run, their message

is "All Life is Sacred".

Sacred Run is a multi-cultural, international, spiritual relay run led by Native American runners, joined by runners from other traditional cultures.

Sacred Run was organized by Banks, a member of the Anishinabe tribe, in 1978. Since then, they have traveled 48,180 miles carrying the message of the sacredness of all life, our relationship to all living species, and of the need to maintain the delicate balance that exists between humankind and our Mother the Earth.

The runners carry a Sacred Staff and pray for all living species "every mile" of the run.

Every evening they gather in a circle for ceremonies of prayer and purification.

According to Banks, "It is a run for our young generations, a time to respect our elders, and to prepare the direction for the Seventh Generation. We shall not be in the presence of alcohol or drugs."

At each stop, also in the evening, a cultural exchange program is presented during which the runners perform their different tribal songs and dances for the local community, who are invited to share their heritage and culture in return.

In 1984, the group held its first cross country run from New York City to Los Angeles, a distance of 3,600 miles. The effort was repeated in 1988, when the group flew to Japan and ran the length of the Japanese islands, ending on the northernmost island of Hokkaido.

In 1990, the Sacred Run traversed Europe, through thirteen countries covering a total of 7,130 miles, 88 days, from London to Moscow.

The group will stop in Atlanta where they will spend a few days and are invited to be among those who do the traditional ceremonial run into the Olympic Stadium.

Before the Olympics are over though, they will be off running to Savannah, Georgia, for an International Pow-Wow of tribal nations.

At the Pow-Wow, the runners will be presented with an eagle feather, the highest honor a Native American can receive.

When asked what the runners eat to maintain their stamina, M. J. Medrano, the 60-year-old lady who is the "road and route scout", said "We all eat lots of fruits, especially

bananas and lots of vegetable and pasta items like spaghetti or macaroni. Pasta is the best for the runners. We eat very little heavy meat."

The local Bovina citizens had just fed them steak, baked potatoes, salad, macaroni and cheese, and cakes and pies for dessert. Medrano said, "Yes, we ate it all and it was delicious."

Sacred Run is supported through private donations and local community support from Chambers of Commerce and, as Banks says, "just nice people like these along the way."

An organization or business can sponsor an individual runner, organize a fund-raising community event, or simply make donations.

For more information or to make donations contact Sacred Run Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 315, Newport, Kentucky 41071. Phone 606-581-9456. Fax 606-581-9458.

Farm Credit Reports First Quarter Results

The Farm Credit Bank of Texas (FCBT) and the 64 Federal Land Bank and Production Credit Associations in the Tenth Farm Credit District has reported net income of \$27.6 million for the first three months of 1996, compared with net income of \$19.6 million for the same period a year ago.

Contributing to the improved income for the first quarter were a \$3.7 million increase in total interest income, a \$3.4 million decrease in total interest expense and a \$3.0 million increase in gains on other property owned.

During the quarter, there was an increase in loan loss provisions in response to low cattle prices, widespread drought conditions and the possible adverse effects the recently passed Farm Bill may have on farm income.

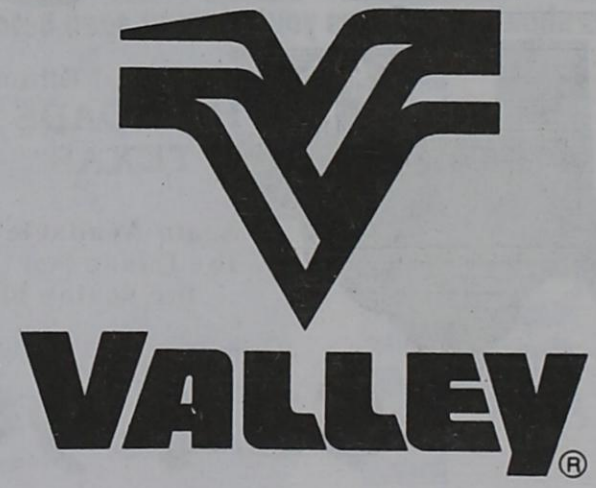
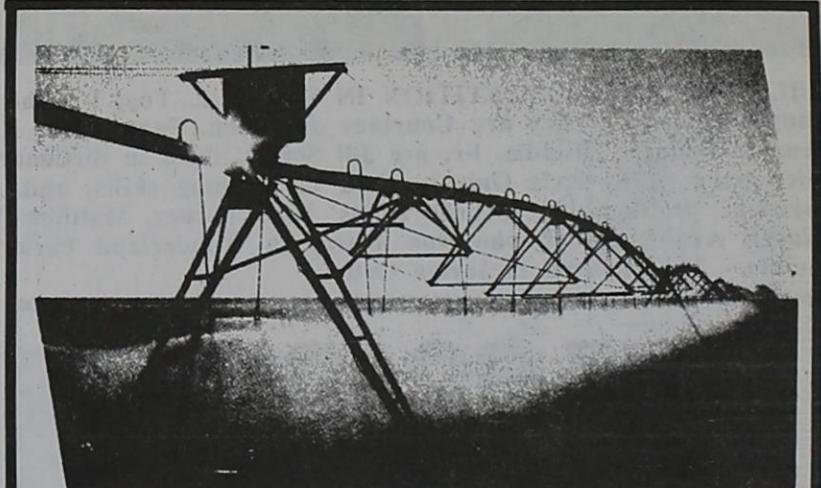
Loan volume at March 31, 1996, was \$3.76 billion, down less than one per cent from year-end 1995, but an increase of \$164 million from the same period a year ago. While production lending experienced a \$57.1 million decrease in volume in the first quarter due to seasonal payment patterns inherent in agricultural operating loans, mortgage lending

posted a \$44.9 million increase from year end, its strongest quarterly increase in recent years.

During the first quarter, total high-risk loans declined by \$3.0 million and nonaccrual loans were reduced by \$5.3 million. However, accruing loans more than 90 days past due and formally restructured loans both increased by \$1.4 and \$9 million, respectively, during the quarter, reflecting the negative effects on borrowers of record low cattle prices and drought conditions.

"While we are monitoring the cattle and drought conditions closely, the district is well positioned to weather these adversities," said bank CEO Arnold R. Henson. "We are strongly capitalized and have the ability to provide for potential loan losses. This isn't the first time agriculture has faced tough times, and it won't be the last. As we have in the past, we intend to do everything we can to help our borrowers through this period."

Nationwide, the Farm Credit System reported combined net income of \$354 million for the quarter ended March 31, 1996, as compared with combined net income of \$294 million for the same period last year.



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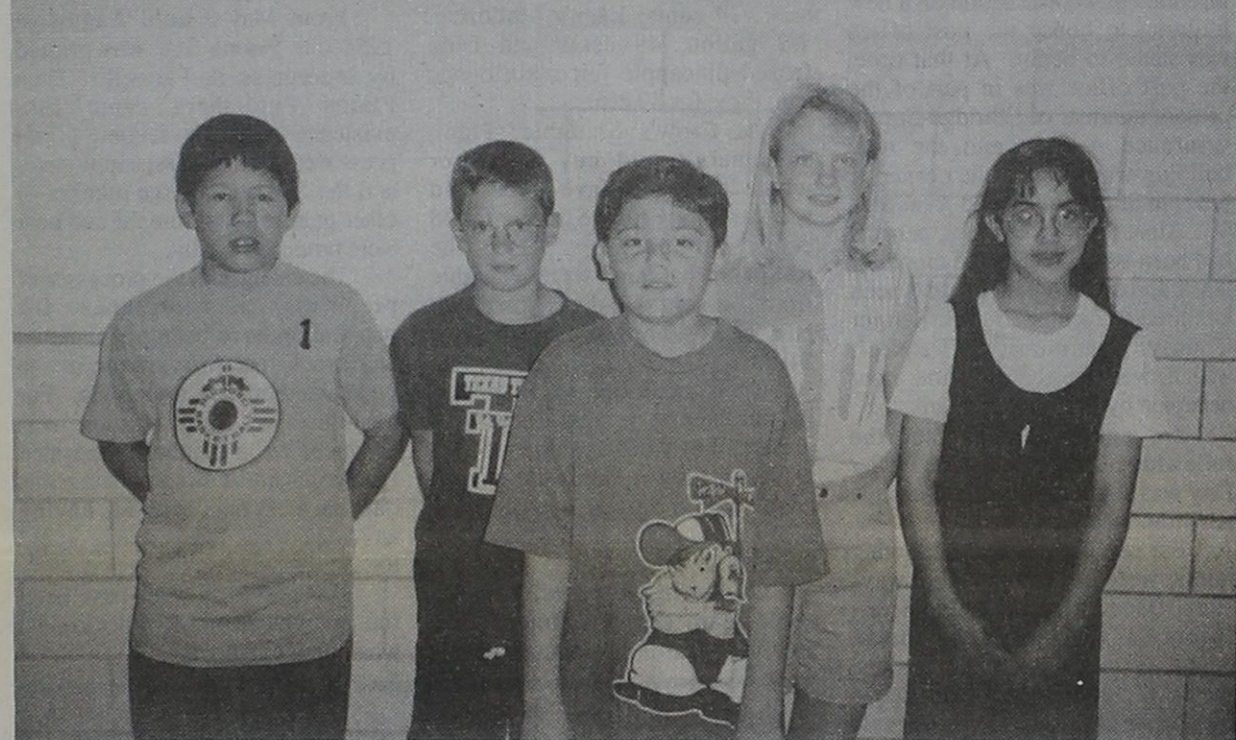
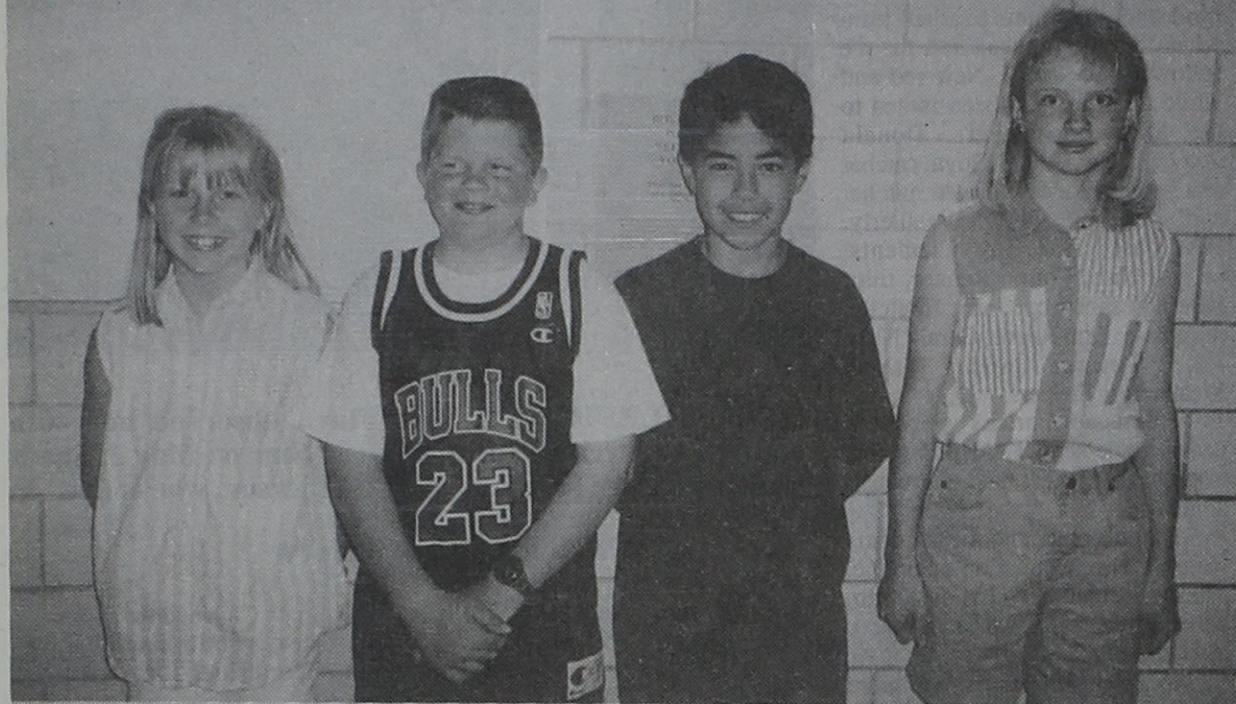
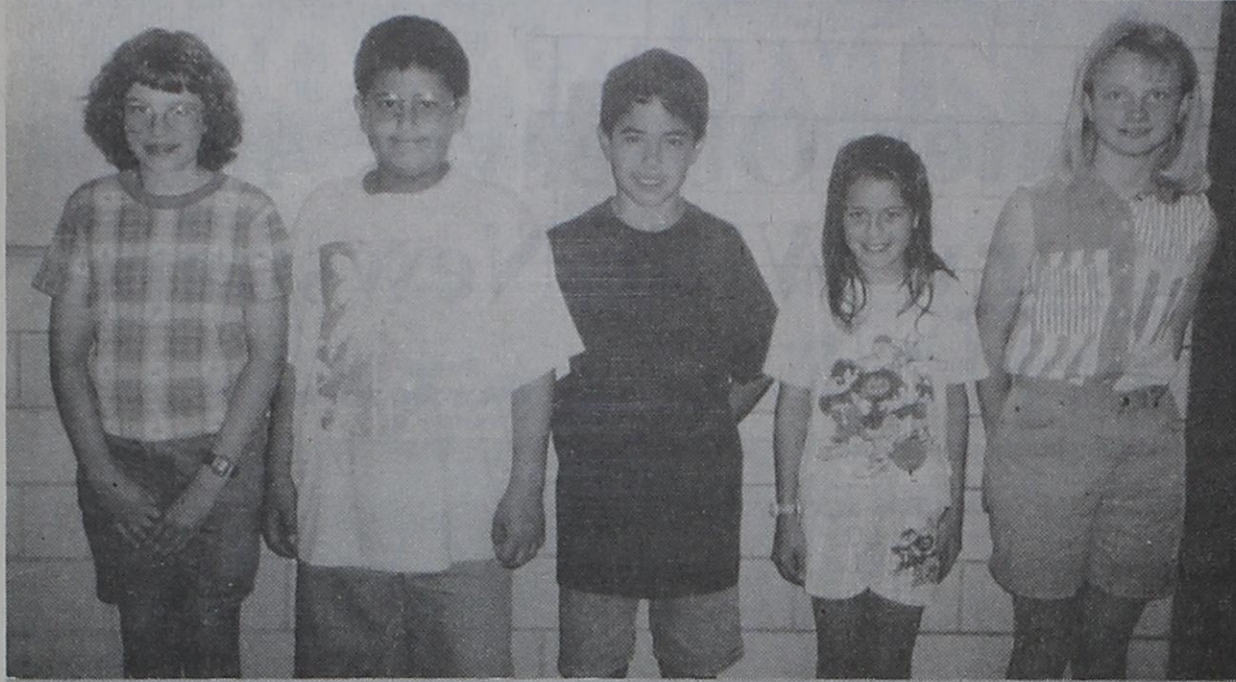
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UIL LITERARY COMPETITION IN SUDAN.....Top, l-r, the 5th grade team placed 4th in music memory. They are Courtney Jamerson, Juan Vara, Kris Galvan, Destiny Cruz, and Amber Widner. Middle, l-r, are Jill Sorley, third in dictionary skills, Josh Kerby, fourth in dictionary skills, Kris Galvan, sixth in listening skills, and Amber Widner, fifth in ready writing. Bottom, l-r, Ricardo Rojas, Troy Turner, Matthew Villarreal, Amber Widner, and Nayeli Avasle, all of who won a trip to Wonderland Park for earning over 200 reading points. Not pictured is Joylne Ortiz.

BJRA News

The Bovina Junior Riding Association or BJRA, had its first meeting for 1996 on May 2 at First Bank-Bovina. Members present decided that presidents and officers would serve one year terms and board members would serve two years.

All seats were voted upon and officers are as follows: Glen London, president; Don Bandy, vice president; Donna Martin, secretary/reporter; Susan London, treasurer; C.E. Trimble, Donna Ware and Jerry Martin, board members.

Members present decided to have Play Days every other Saturday evening beginning at 6 p.m. The date for the first Play Day was set for June 1. There will be practice nights every Tuesday evening at 6 p.m. for all interested persons to come out and practice.

The age divisions for the Play Days will be: five and under (assisted and unassisted); ages 6-7, 8-9, 10-13 and 14-18. A child must attend five out of six Play Days to qualify for awards at the end of the activities. This series will be called The Buckle Series as the top winners in each age group will win buckles. Entry fees will be decided upon at their next meeting.

The events this year will include barrels, poles, flags, stakes and goat tying. Goat tying will be a new event for this year with the rings being dropped as interest in this event seemed low. Anyone between the ages of 5-18 are encouraged to attend.

A full concession stand will also be available. Any and all donations are greatly needed and appreciated, as this is a non-profit organization. Between 40-50 children participated in the BJRA in 1995, so your donations help a lot of youngsters.

The first Play Day will be held Saturday, June 1 at 6 p.m. Anyone with any questions or if you would like to donate to this organization, call Glen London at 238-9909, C.E. Trimble at 238-1529 or Rick Anderson at 238-1390.

Bovina School Lunch Menu

Week of May 20-23

MONDAY--hot dogs with chili, fries, pickles, fruit and milk.

TUESDAY--McRib on a bun, fries, lettuce, tomato, fruit and milk.

WEDNESDAY--Frito pie, cheese, salad, corn, crackers, fruit and milk.

THURSDAY--bologna and cheese sandwich, lettuce, tomatoes, fries, fruit and milk.



25TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY....Mr. and Mrs. Bill Polley of Buda will be honored with a reception in celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary on Sunday, May 19 from 3-5 p.m. at the Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church. Polley and the former LaNelle Christian were married May 22, 1971 in Oklahoma Lane. The couple requests no gifts, please. As the couple celebrate their anniversary, their daughter, J.J. Polley of Austin, will be introducing her fiance, Lee Haley, as they announce their upcoming marriage. The reception will offer an opportunity to "shower" the new couple with gifts if desired. Hosting the event are the Dennis Willard family, the Joe McLellan family, the Ed Corn family and Wendol and Royce Christian. All friends and relatives are invited to attend this joint celebration.

You Are Invited!!

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Recently Neil Moore, grandson of Elton and Marie Venable of Bovina took advantage of his Air Force CPR training to save a life.

Moore, who is stationed in Biloxi, Mississippi, as an Air Force x-ray technician, was coming out of the base hospital and found an older lady having difficulty with a heart attack.

Moore performed CPR until help arrived and they told him he probably saved her life as they later did a triple bypass operation on her. Ironically the lady was the mother of Moore's lieutenant.

Moore will graduate from the x-ray technician school in Biloxi on May 28 and then be transferred to Cape Canaveral, Florida.

Moore is the son of Owen and Margaret Moore of Lubbock and surprised them by arriving unannounced in Lubbock a week earlier than scheduled in time for Mother's Day.

The Moore's, with their sons Neil and Logan then spent Mother's Day in Bovina with Elton and Marie Venable. Margaret is their daughter, and grandson Logan is a senior at Lubbock Coronado High School.

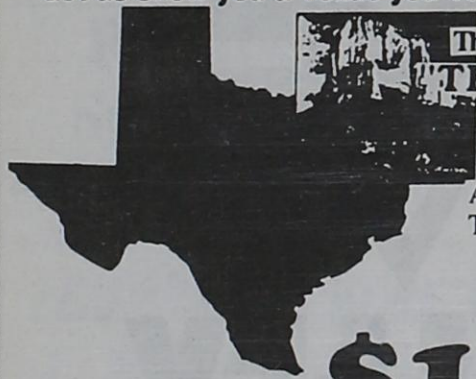
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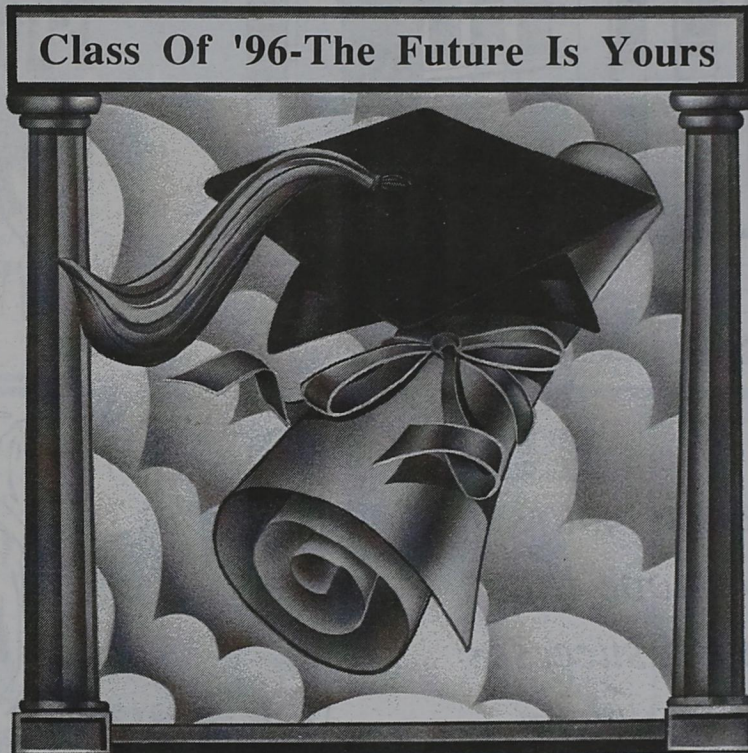
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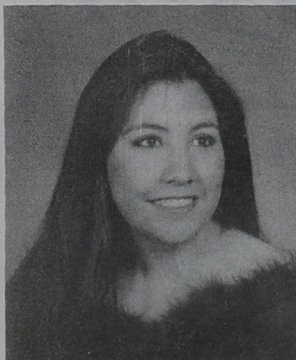
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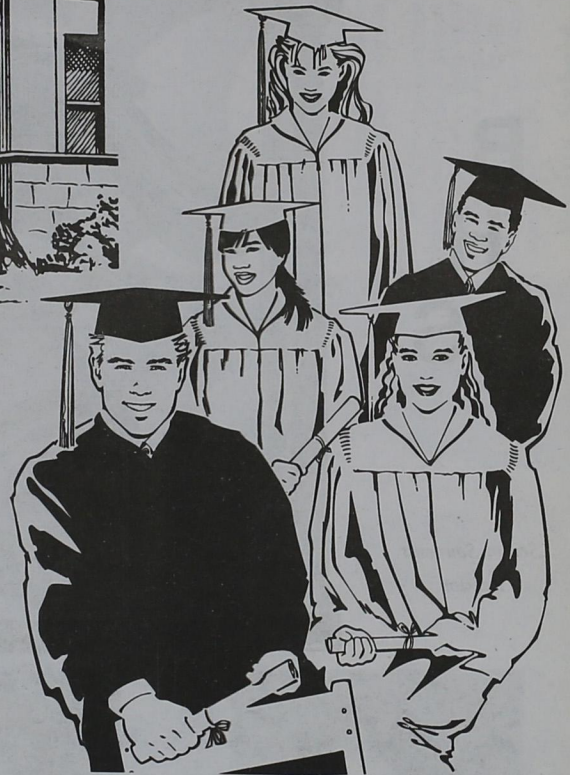
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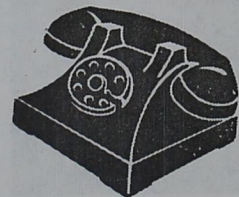
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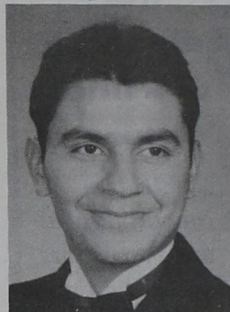
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JOHN LEWIS STORMES has been a student in Bovina Schools twelve years, will be getting married on June 1 and plans to move to Canyon. His parents are Sammy and Ella Jo Stormes. John played basketball and baseball his freshman and sophomore years; was on the Student Council his freshman year; ran track his sophomore and junior years; played football, was in FHA and FFA four years. John was named Outstanding Junior Ag Student, received the Ag Mechanics Proficiency Award, Swine Production Proficiency Award, Greenhand Award, Outstanding Ag I, II and III Awards,



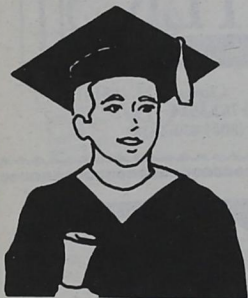
JOHN STORMES

competed in the San Antonio Calf Scramble; and was on the honor roll this past year. He served as FFA sentinel his freshman year and was 4-H Club vice president and reporter. His hobbies are working on cars and listening to country music. He attends the Methodist Church.



REY REYES

REY REYES, son of Juana Maria Reyes, has attended Bovina Schools twelve years, and has made no definite future plans. Rey was in FFA his freshman year; FHA his freshman, sophomore and junior years; played football, basketball and baseball. He enjoys playing softball and basketball.



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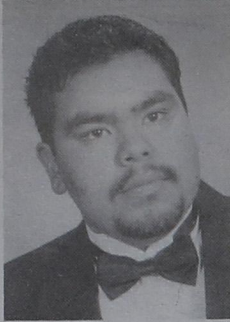
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MARTIN BRITO

MARTIN BRITO is the son of Antonio and Lilia Brito. He has been a student in Bovina Schools twelve years and will attend South Plains College, Levelland, after graduating from Bovina High School. He was in FFA his senior year. Martin's hobbies are hunting and kicking back. He attends the God The Firstborn.

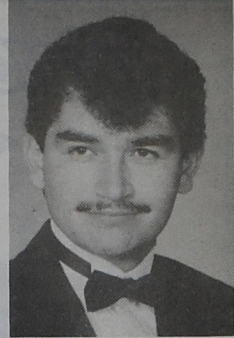
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JACKIE GONZALES is the daughter of Mickey and Delmira Gonzales and has attended Bovina Schools twelve years. She plans to attend Midland Junior College after her graduation from Bovina High School. She was on the Student Council and school paper staff her freshman year; was a member of the contest play cast her junior year; choir member her senior year; played basketball two years; ran track three years; and cross country four years. She was listed in the 1993-94 and 1994-95 publications of Who's Who Among American High School Students and served as Student Council representative. Jackie's hobbies include hanging out with her friends, talking on the telephone and going to dances. She attends St. Ann's Catholic Church.



JOSE ANGEL PEREZ, son of Jose Concepcion and Gregoria Perez, has attended Bovina Schools seven years, and will attend South Plains College, Levelland. He was in NHS his sophomore, junior and senior years; played basketball and volleyball; ran track; was listed on the honor roll; received awards in Spanish II, Spanish I, Biology I, Tech Prep I and Tech Prep II. His favorite hobby is music and he is interested in the electric keyboard. Jose attends the Catholic Church.



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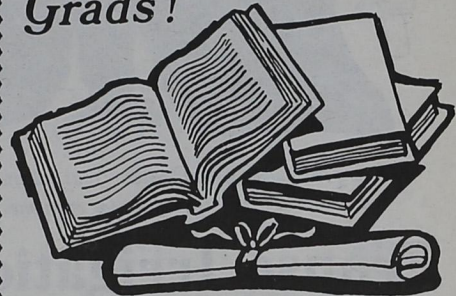
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ROSARIO RAMIREZ is the daughter of Jaime and Alicia Lara and has attended Bovina Schools twelve years. She is undecided as to her future plans. While at BHS, she was in the band her freshman year; FFA her sophomore and junior years; and FHA her senior year; played volleyball and basketball. Her hobbies are watching television, listening to music and dancing.



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CARMEN LORIANN CAMPOS is the daughter of Alicia Bisig, has attended Bovina Schools twelve years and plans to attend the Bryman School, Phoenix, Arizona, studying to become a medical assistant, after her graduation from Bovina High School. She was active in athletics, playing basketball, running track and cross country four years; was a regional qualifier in track her freshman year; regional qualifier in cross country her senior year; and played tennis one year. She was in NHS and Student Council her sophomore, junior and senior years; was a member of the campus improvement team her junior year; contest play

cast member her senior year; and was in FHA four years. Carmen was selected to appear in the Who's Who Among American High School Students publications four years; received the Xerox History Award in 1995, was on the honor roll, was the recipient of the American Scholar Award her junior and senior years and was the third ranking student in her graduating class. Offices she held included freshman, sophomore and junior class secretary; FHA president her junior year; FHA secretary, was on the Executive Student Council and served as senior class president this past year. Carmen's favorite hobbies include



CARMEN CAMPOS

hanging out with her friends, having fun down Main Street, dancing and visiting new places. She attends St. Ann's Catholic Church.

MISTY DAWN PEACE, daughter of Darla Peace and Ray Peace, has attended Bovina Schools three years. Her future plans include attending South Plains College, Levelland, following her high school graduation. She was in choir her freshman year and FHA her sophomore and junior years. Her interests include swimming, dancing, going out with her friends, working in the yard and shopping.



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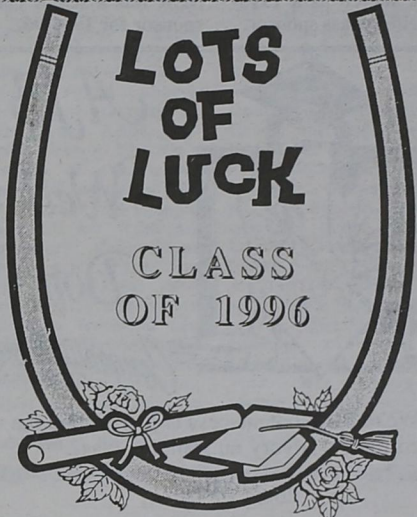
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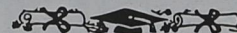
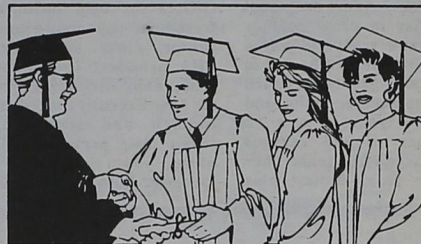


MARIA CLAUDIA AMPARAN, daughter of Isidra Morales, has been a student in Bovina Schools three years and will attend Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, this fall. She was in Thespians, choir and on the cast of the contest play her freshman year; FHA her freshman, sophomore and junior years; FFA her sophomore and junior years. She served as FHA vice president her freshman year. Her hobbies are dancing, singing, talking, reading, talking on the telephone, being with her friends and writing. Maria attends St. Ann's Catholic Church.

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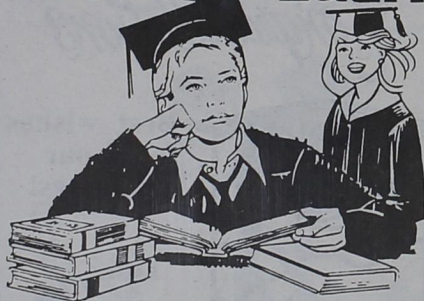
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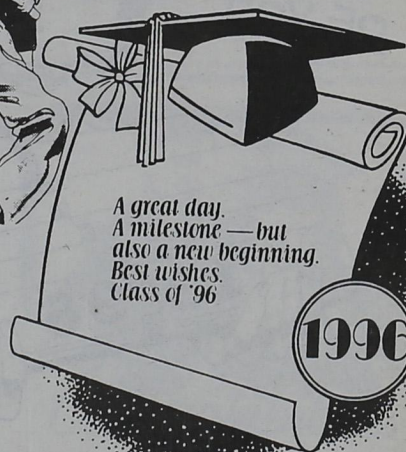


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JAY DEE GRISHAM plans to attend West Texas A&M University, Canyon, following his graduation from Bovina Schools. His parents are Richard and Velma Grisham and he has been a student in Bovina Schools

ten years. While attending BHS, he was in FHA and FFA his freshman year; band and Student Council his freshman and sophomore years; played basketball his sophomore and junior years; Thespians, FCA and played football his junior and senior years; NHS his sophomore, junior and senior years; was a member of the contest play his freshman, junior and senior years; and ran cross country as a senior. He was an honorable mention selection on the all-star cast of the one act play; received the John Phillip Sousa Award; was on the honor roll; was the recipient of the Director's Award in band; was a regional qualifier in cross country running; was an academic all-district selection in football; and was named valedictorian of his graduating class. Jay served as class president his freshman, sophomore and junior years; NHS vice president his junior year; and NHS president his senior year. His interests include sports, playing the piano and listening to music and he attends the First Baptist Church.



JAY GRISHAM



ALEXANDRIA DOPP

ALEXANDRIA DAWN DOPP, daughter of Larry and Linda Dopp, is undecided as to whether she will attend Lubbock Christian University or West Texas A&M University, Canyon. She was a member of the school paper staff and was in FHA her freshman year; played basketball her freshman, sophomore and senior years; ran track her freshman, junior and senior years; and played golf as a freshman and sophomore. Alexandria was in NHS her sophomore, junior and senior years; contest play cast member her junior and senior years; was on the yearbook

staff her junior year; Student Council and ran cross country four years. She was listed in Who's Who; was a candidate for Football Queen and Basketball Queen; was a nominee for Girl of the Year; and was named Student of the Week two years. Offices she held included Student Council executive board member her sophomore, junior and senior years; class vice president her junior and senior years; Student Council vice president as a junior; and Student Council president this past year. Her hobby is attending youth activities and she attends the Church of Christ.

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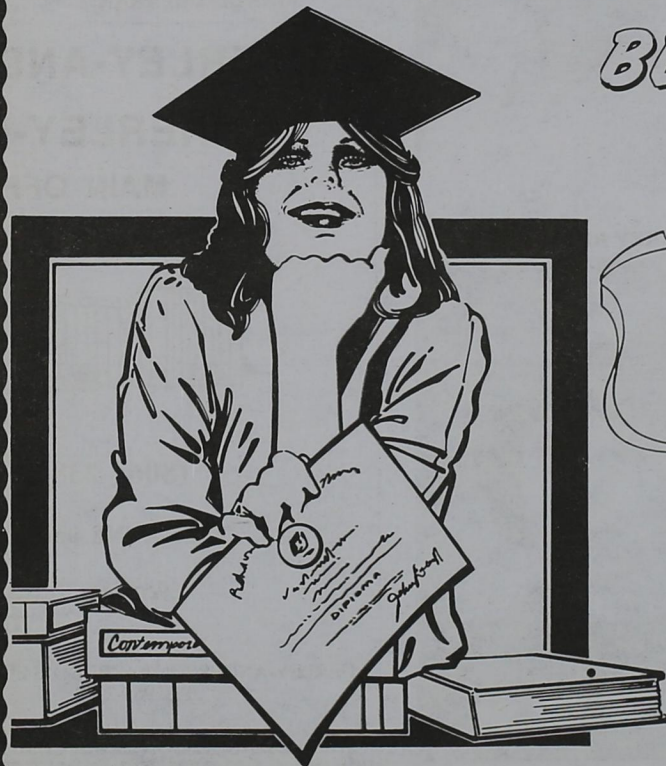
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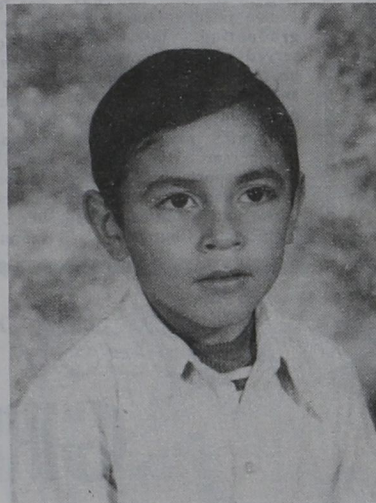
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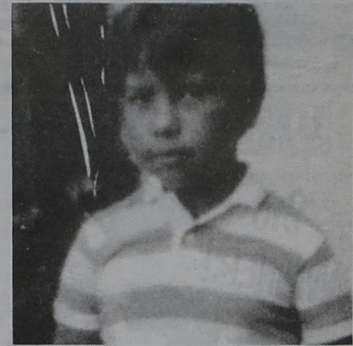


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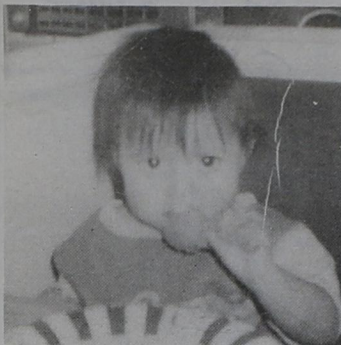
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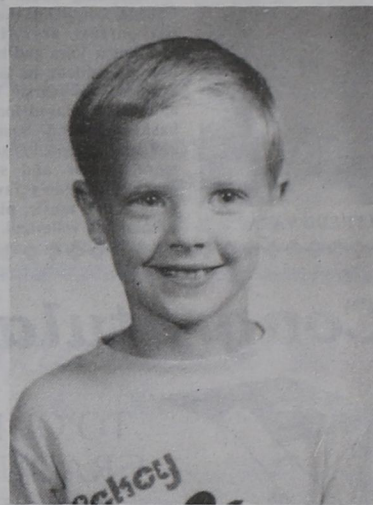
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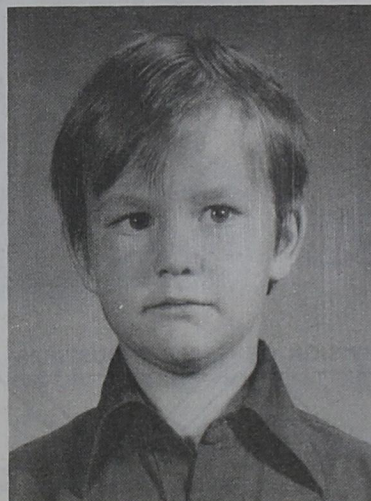
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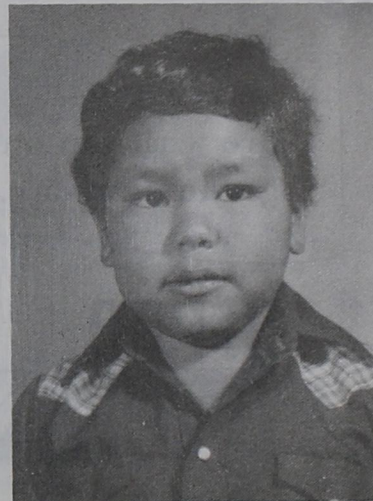
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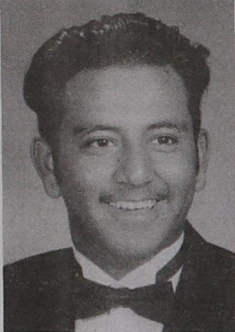
ROSE ANN CANTU has attended Bovina Schools six years and plans to attend South Plains College, Levelland, following her high school graduation. Her parents are Ben and Delia Cantu. While a student at BHS, Rose Ann was in band her freshman year; Student Council her sophomore year; played basketball, ran track and cross country her freshman, sophomore and junior years; was in FFA her junior year; and contest play cast member her junior and senior years. She was listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students in 1994 and 1995, was on the honor roll and



ROSE ANN CANTU

served as senior class secretary-treasurer. Her favorite pastimes are being with people she cares about and hanging out and she attends St. Ann's Catholic Church.

ALFREDO VARA, JR. will be attending South Plains College, Levelland, this fall. His parents are Alfredo and Juana Vara and he has been a student in Bovina Schools four years. While at BHS, he played football, basketball and baseball; and was in FFA his sophomore, junior and senior years. Alfredo's favorite hobbies are music, playing softball and volleyball.



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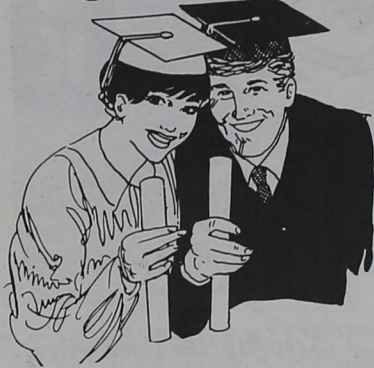
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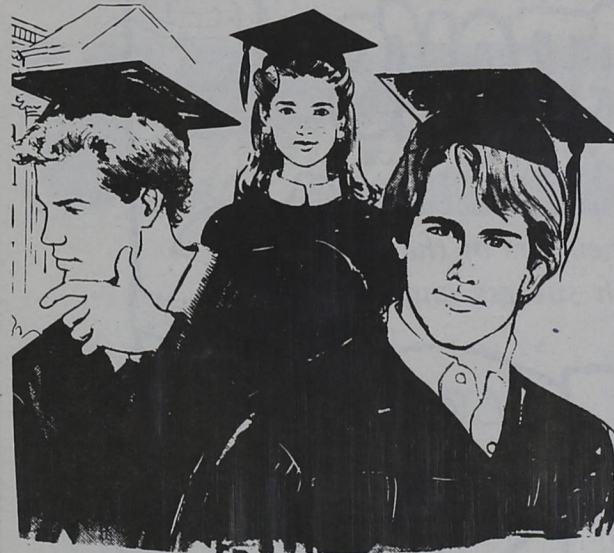
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RACHAEL LEIGH TURNER plans to attend South Plains College, Levelland, this fall, where she plans to major in law enforcement. Her parents are Jack and Patricia Turner and she has attended Bovina Schools twelve years. Rachael was in FHA her freshman and sophomore years; was on the Student Council her freshman, sophomore and junior years, serving as a representative her junior year; FFA her sophomore and junior years; FCA her junior and senior years; and contest play cast member her senior year. She was very active in athletics, where she played basketball and golf, ran



RACHAEL TURNER

track and cross country, was named honorable mention all-district in basketball and was named Basketball Homecoming Queen her senior year; and most improved basketball player her junior year. Her interests include sleeping, hanging out with her friends and shopping and she attends the First Baptist Church.

BERNARDO CERVANTES, son of Bernardo and Ernestine Cervantes, attended Bovina Schools nine years and plans to work at Excel after graduation. He was in FFA his senior year and played football. His hobby is playing football and he attends the Church of God of the Firstborn.



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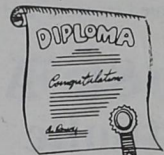
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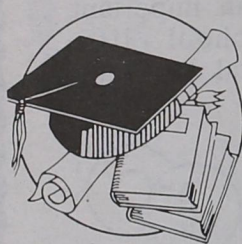
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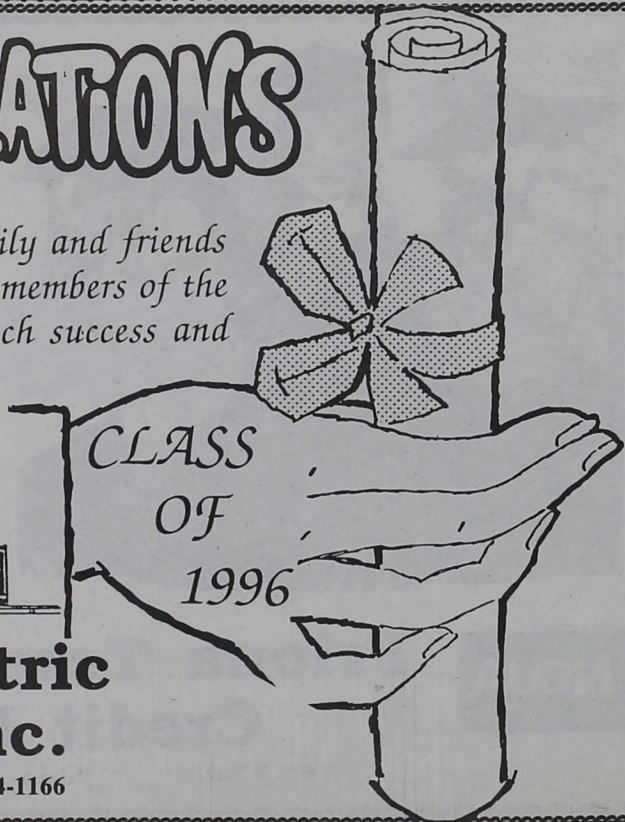


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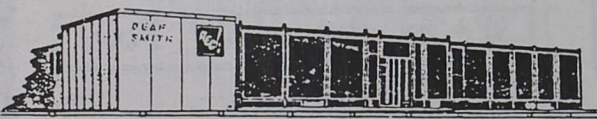


We join your family and friends in wishing all the members of the Class of 1996 much success and happiness.

Good Luck!



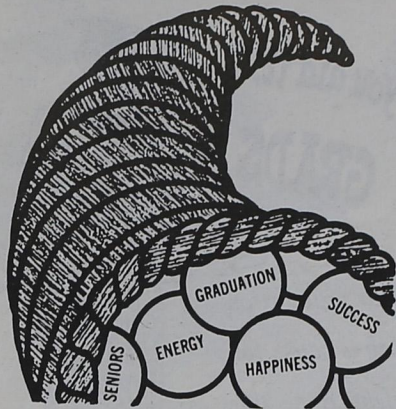
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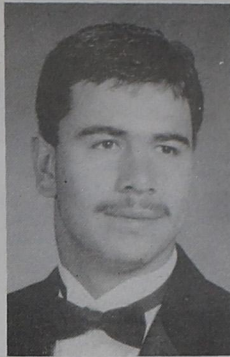


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J. CRUZ MARRUFO, son of Isabel and Victoria Marufo, has been a student in Bovina Schools twelve years. His future plans include attending West Texas A&M University, Canyon, following his graduation from Bovina High School. He played baseball his freshman and sophomore years; was in FHA his freshman year; FFA his junior and senior years; played football and basketball four years. His favorite hobbies include playing basketball, playing summer league softball, hanging out with his friends and meeting girls. Cruz attends St. Ann's Catholic Church.



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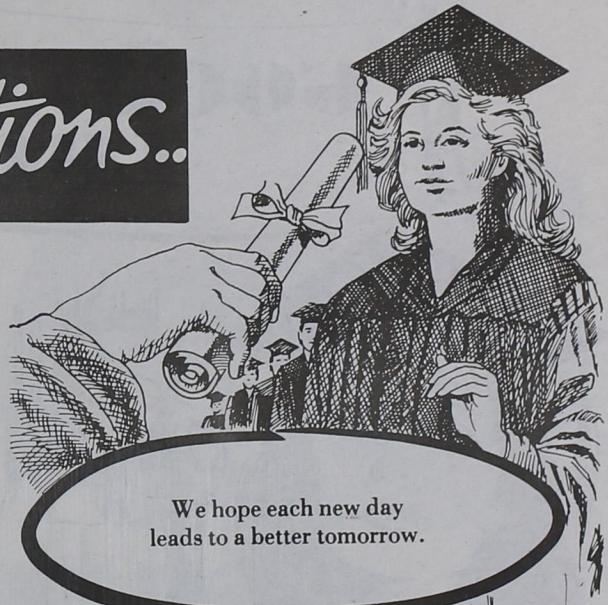
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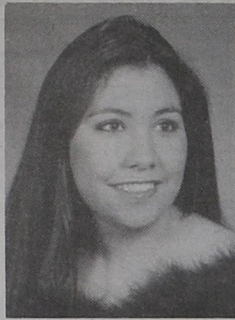
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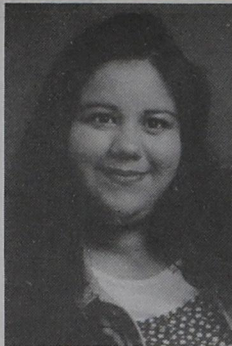
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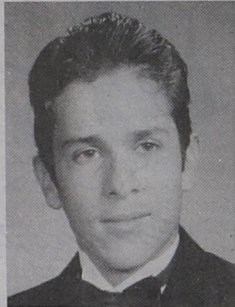
ANGELA URIEGAS, daughter of Ruben and Tina Uriegas, attended Bovina Schools twelve years. Her plans include attending the University of Dallas, Irving. While attending BHS, she was in the Student Council her freshman, sophomore and junior years; NHS her sophomore, junior and senior years; was on the yearbook staff her junior and senior years; Thespians this year; and was a member of the Catholic Youth Organization four years. She was listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students, was an ambassador to the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Conference, received the physical science award her freshman year; biology, Algebra I and geometry awards her sophomore year; was named BHS Student of the Week; received the world and U.S. history award and was named salutatorian of her graduating class. Offices she held included Student Council secretary her junior year and CYO president her sophomore, junior and senior years. Hobbies include singing in church and she attends St. Ann's Catholic Church.



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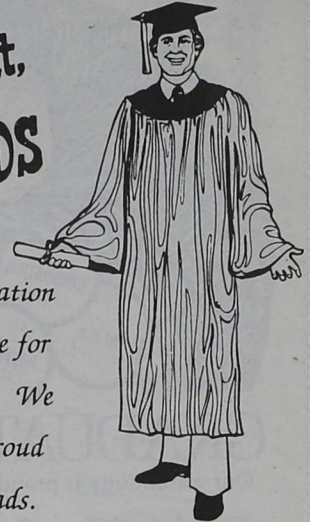
ANNA MARIA QUEVEDO is the daughter of Nora Rivera. She has been a student in Bovina Schools ten years and will attend South Plains College, Levelland, this fall. She was listed in the 1993-94 edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students; was in FFA her junior year; was in FHA, Student Council and was a member of the contest play cast her senior year. Anna served as Student Council representative and FHA president her senior year. Her favorite pastimes are being with her friends, watching television, listening to music and dancing. She attends St. Ann's Catholic Church.



OMAR DELGADO is the son of Adrian and Norma Delgado. His future plans are indefinite. He ran track while attending Bovina High School this year. Collecting coins is his favorite hobby.

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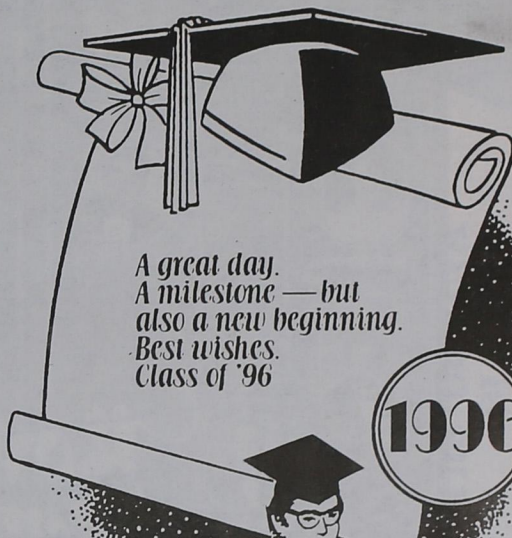
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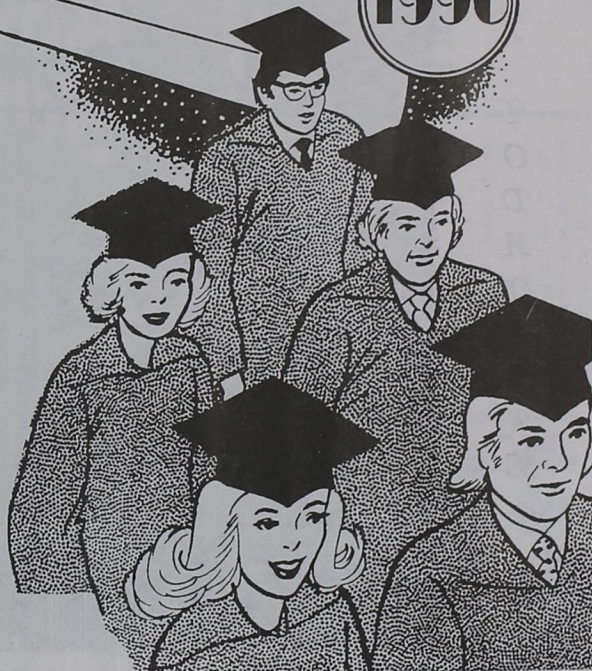
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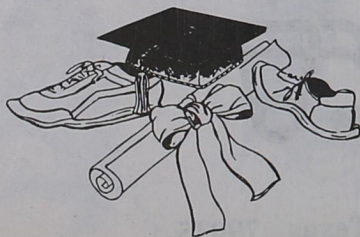
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