

"MY TURN"

By
Carol
Ellis



FIRST SEMESTER TESTS are on the minds of those who head back to school following the Thanksgiving holidays. At least, they are on the minds of the teachers, while students try to avoid thinking about such things as long as possible.

Recent research at the University of California at Irvine has established a meaningful link between musical scores and test scores. The study found that students who used the music of Mozart as a backdrop while studying for tests, achieved test scores eight to nine points higher than students who listened to a recorded relaxation message.

Nine points on a test is nearly a whole grade higher. If they had researched students who studied while listening to rock, rap or any of that other mind-numbing noise that passes for music in 1994, then the ones listening to Mozart would probably have scored nineteen points higher. Just think, one to two grades higher could mean the difference between a college scholarship or a student loan.

Parents... before your young person gets set to study for a big exam, go out and buy up a whole bunch of recordings of Mozart music. Then sneak into your kids' rooms (if you have boys, be sure to get a tetanus shot first) and steal all those awful tapes or CDs and replace them with the Mozart recordings. The bright spot in all this is, classical music is priced real cheap... about a tenth of the cost of White Snake, Meat Loaf, et al.

Of course your kid will have a fit when he/she finds out what you've done. Tell them about Mozart. He was the Bon Jovi and Mick Jagger of his time. He was one of those unbelievable prodigies who annoys the heck out of everyone else who has to put in a little effort in order to achieve anything.

He wrote his first composition at age six. For a couple of decades he put in more touring time than most rock musicians while, at the same time, he churned out symphonies, serenades, operas and sonatas at an astounding rate. He was surly, had a foul mouth and enjoyed pulling pranks on his friends. He was a constant source of entertainment and annoyance, just like some of the rock stars of today.

After a serious blowout with his boss, the tyrannical Archbishop of Salzburg, Mozart lost his cushy job as concertmaster and fled to Vienna, Austria where he managed a modest living as a freelance composer, performer and teacher. He scandalized society by marrying the sister of the woman he loved. He was a constant source of embarrassment to his friends and family.

Interest in his music eventually began to die down and people turned to more fashionable pop composers of the time... just like people do today. After that he had a difficult time financially and his health began to fail. He composed some of his finest music during those troubled years just before his death.

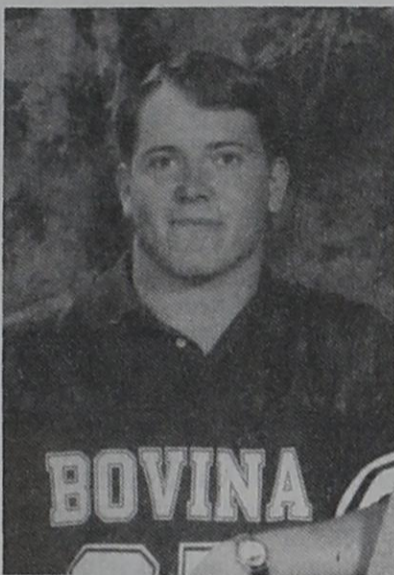
He died at age 35 and was buried in a pauper's grave. During his short life he composed 789 important pieces of music including operas, symphonies, concertos, piano quartets, sonatas for piano and violin and compositions for string ensemble.

Two centuries later, his music continues to stir the heart and stimulate the mind. Researchers are testing the theory that listening to such music stimulates the neural firing patterns in the brain which are important for cognition. They say that Mozart's music is more effective than that of Handel or Tchaikovsky or, for that matter, The Grateful Dead, because Mozart wrote music that is highly structured but doesn't drone you to sleep with repetition.

Surely, adding a whole grade to your semester test would be worth the effort of studying for a few evenings while Mr. Mozart provides your background music.



ANDY ESPINOZA



JIMMY BONHAM

Two Bovina Footballers Honored

Bovina High School senior runningback Jimmy Bonham was named to the 1994 All-District 2-1A team. The 5' 10", 210-pound Bonham garnered a second team nod on offense of the coaches' district elite squad. The two-way starter has been a four-year letterman for the Mustangs.

"It's an honor and privilege to be named All-District," said Bonham. "However, I can't take all the credit myself. I have to give credit to our offensive line."

Senior Andy Espinoza achieved recognition on the District 2-1A Academic All-District squad. To qualify for the academic team, student-athletes had to maintain a 90 average in all subject during the

football season and participate on the varsity football team. Espinoza played offensive tight end and defensive end for the Mustangs.

"I believe academics is just as important as athletics to me," said Espinoza. "You have to maintain your eligibility if you want to play."

Nine Bovina seniors also received honorable mention all-district. Offensively, wide receiver Richard Beauchamp, runningback Lance McClaran, lineman Lance Teague, runningback Rey Reyes, and wide receiver Zeke Lara were honorable mention picks. Defensively, linebacker Bonham, defensive end Espinoza, and lineman Enrique Mares received honorable mention.

CPR/EMT Classes To Begin

A CPR class is set to begin Monday, December 5 from 7-11 p.m. and December 12 from 7-11 p.m. at the EMS Building in Bovina. The class will be taught by Larry Mitchell and the fee will be \$20.

Mitchell will also be teaching EMT (Emergency Medical Technician) classes. The EMT class will be 100 classroom hours and 20 hospital hours and will be \$100 plus a fee for the book.

Anyone interested is urged to attend these very necessary and beneficial classes. Persons interested in the EMT classes must first take the two CPR classes offered December 5 and 12.

For more information contact Larry Mitchell or Donna Mitchell at 238-1443 or 238-1167.

Lazbuddie Man Wins Contest For 2nd Time

Donnie McDonald of Lazbuddie is the Grand Prize Winner of the Blade's Football Contest for the second year in a row! He was awarded the \$100 grand prize money. His total was 121 points.

McDonald only picked five correct games in this final week of the contest, but was still able to pull it off.

McDonald is the only person in the history of this contest who has won the Grand Prize for two years in row. There have been four other people who have won twice, but not consecutively.

Emmett Tabor won in 1962 and 1974; Allen Cumpton in 1965 and 1977; Harry J. Charles in 1973 and 1978; and A.M. Wilson in 1975 and 1992.

Jerry Roach was a close second in this year's contest with 120 total points. He was in the lead during much of the contest.

Not far behind was Jeanne Kerby and Kay Roach with 118 total points each.



GRAND PRIZE WINNER--Donnie McDonald is shown holding his \$100 grand prize money for winning the Blade's 1994 Football Contest. This is the second year he has won the big prize.

A complete listing of the contest standings can be found elsewhere in this issue of the Blade.

In the final week of the contest, Christen Stowers was the winner with eight correct games picked and the tie-breaker missed by 14 points. Christen was awarded \$10 prize money.

Mary Jane Wilson, coming in second, also had eight correct games but missed the tie-breaker score by 20 points.

Al Kerby, Jr. came in third. He correctly picked seven games and missed the tie-breaker score by 11 points.

Six other people correctly picked seven games. Virginia Steele missed the tie-breaker by 15 points; Aubrey Parson by 16; Doug Johnson by 16; Becky Johnson by 18; Phillip Johnson by 20; and Jerry Stowers by 36.

Ten people correctly picked six games; eight correctly picked five games; and five picked four games.



FINAL WEEK WINNER --- Christen Stowers is shown accepting her prize money for being the winner of the last week of the football contest. Lori Stormes of Sherley Anderson Grain, a contest sponsor, is presenting her check.

Bivins Envisions 'New Look' Senate

State senator Teel Bivins of Amarillo said the changes in state government brought about by the voters on November 8 should make for a new look in the state legislature.

"Although the numerical changes in our state lawmakers wasn't as great in Texas as it was on the national level, the magnitude of change should be just as great in the state senate as it was on the national level," Bivins said.

"Having a change at the top, with George W. Bush as governor, is much better for us than it is on the national level, where the president still holds office," Bivins added.

The senator made the remarks at a "Town Hall" meeting Thursday morning at the Depot at Friona's City Park, which drew a packed house.

Bivins profiled the four main campaign points by governor-elect Bush, as *Education reform; *Welfare reform; *Juvenile justice reform and *Tort reform.

In education, Bush wants to return control of the schools to the local level, the senator stated. He said he was in favor of the state assisting local school districts when they need to build facilities, on a "sliding scale." As it now stands, the local districts have to bear all of the debt on expanding school facilities.

On juvenile justice, Bivins said we need to return discipline to the classroom, and give local administrators more power to handle problem students, and give local districts authority to turn over extreme problems to the state's juvenile justice department, where they would be considered a "child in need of supervision."

Bivins added that the state's

criminal code needs to be re-written, and specifically to lower the age at which a charged criminal can be tried as an adult. "Presently it is 15 years of age. Maybe we should lower that to 13," Bivins suggested, referring to the prevalence of crimes by younger children.

On the subject of welfare, the state senator said he was in favor of giving needy people a helping hand, but that he'd like to see a two-year maximum on how long they can stay on welfare.

"In the case of a welfare recipient having illegitimate children, I think the mother should be required to identify the father so we can seek other means of support," he said.

Regarding tort reform, Bivins said that Texas has been the worst

Christmas Band Concert Is Slated

A Christmas Band Concert will be presented at the Bovina School Auditorium on Thursday morning, December 15 at 9 a.m.

"The bands will be playing a selection of Christmas tunes," said band director William Shelley.

Included in the concert will be the Mustang Band, the Fifth Grade Band, the Sixth Grade Band, and the Fourth Grade Band will be playing recorders.

Temperatures	
Date	Hi-Low
Friday, November 25	68-33
Saturday, November 26	65-35
Sunday, November 27	49-35
Monday, November 28	52-17
Tuesday, November 29	44-19
Wednesday, Nov. 30	62-27
Thursday, December 1	66-34
No precipitation	



RICHARD GRISHAM, pastor of First Baptist Church, presents Bobbie Pierson, employ at First Bank, an autographed copy of his new book of Christmas poems, "Christmas Is Forever!" Richard will be signing books at the First Bank's Community Room Monday morning, December 5 from 9:30 a.m. until noon.

Local Pastor Authors Christmas Poems

"Christmas Is Forever!" is the title of a new book of Christmas and New Year poems written and published by Richard Grisham, pastor of Bovina's First Baptist Church.

The book consists of over 40 original poems in a variety of forms and styles, plus three prose pieces. Richard's wife, Velma, did most of the books illustrations.

"Really, it's just a compilation of poems I have written during the Christmas and New Year holidays over the past twenty-five years," says the author, who is known by most local folks as "Bro. Richard."

"Many are poems I wrote for

church newsletters during my last three pastorates. Others were just personal poems written about family Christmas times or Christ," Richard emphasizes.

"Only a few have been composed with the idea of printing them up for this book. Writing a Christmas poem or two has become sort of a holiday tradition for me!"

Poem titles include, "My Christmas Day", "Ode to His Star", "Baby's First Christmas," "Cotton Stripping Christmas," "Addicted to Christmas," and "Fear Not the Fear Knots of Christmas." Eight Christmas sonnets and are also included, and five poems for the New Year.

"Richard states, "I wish I could just give one to everyone who would like a copy, but each book will be \$7.95 so I can pay for the publishing and printing." Books are available from either Richard or Velma.

Nursing Home Asks Assistance

Prairie Acres is busy getting ready for Christmas for the residents. Many of the residents do not have a family who can help furnish Christmas gifts.

In order to be sure that all residents receive necessary clothing and Christmas gifts, Prairie Acres has again asked the community to come by and "Adopt a Resident" for Christmas.

If you are interested in being a part of this project, please call Prairie Acres 247-3922 (Activity Department) or come by 201 East 15th Street, Friona.

Christmas gifts will need to be wrapped and the resident Christmas party is at 6:30 p.m. on December 22, 1994.

Deadline Set For Christmas Project

The Community Christmas Card Fund has been set up at the First Bank in Bovina and residents are asked to donate what they would normally spend on Christmas Cards for friends and neighbors in Bovina.

The donations will be divided between the Bovina Ambulance Service and the Bovina Volunteer Fire Department.

Deadline will be December 16, and the names of those donating will be listed in the Christmas issue of the Bovina Blade.

The Christmas Card Fund has been sponsored by the Bovina Woman's Study Club in the past, but the club is no longer in existence. It is now a community project being sponsored by the Bovina Ambulance Service.

Reflections

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

35 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 9, 1959

Mr. and Mrs. John Hartwell and Tom Hartwell of Hartwell Machinery Company, Case dealership here, left Friday for Bal Harbour, Florida to attend the 1960 Case Premiere and Sales conference.

The hails descended and the floods came...but the Bovina area will produce some 10,000 bales of cotton this year. To date, the three gins in the area have processed about 8,114 bales.

30 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 2, 1964

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at Bovina Methodist Church for a longtime resident, Mrs. Della Mae Ezell.

C. R. Brandon, who moved from Bovina to Hereford recently, was confined to Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona last week following surgery.

An era has ended in Bovina. W. E. (Willie) Williams is no longer

Ola Langer Buried Here

Graveside services for Ola May Langer, 67, of Muleshoe were held Sunday in Bovina Cemetery with the Rev. Joe Augustine officiating.

She died Wednesday, November 23, 1994, in Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

She was born August 12, 1927, in Childress. She married Joe L. Langer in 1950 in Clovis, New Mexico. She was a Catholic and a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband; two daughters, Penny Lee Graham of Pogo, Oklahoma, and Linda Jo McCledon of Severn, Maryland; a brother, Raymond Self of California; a sister, Loretta Seebes of San Antonio; four grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Mrs. Langer was Marie Venable and Helen Blalock's sister-in-law.

Bridal Shower Is Set Locally

Katie Akens, bride-elect of Todd Ware, will be honored with a bridal shower on Saturday, December 10 from 2:30-4 p.m. at the home of Patsy Sherrill, 813 Sherwood Lane.

Hostesses are Patsy Sherrill, Bonnie Scaff, Mary Jane Wilson, Janie Sudderth, Bonnie Clayton, Kay Venable, Laura Bartlett, Yvonne Stevenson, Pat Read, Kay Williams, Wendy Curry, Patti Brown, Marie Venable, Frances Willard, Carolyn Beauchamp, Martha Schilling and Dottie Neal.

Selections are at Roden Smith, Heartfelt, J.C. Penney, Wal-Mart and Floral Expressions.

AUCTION ANNUAL CONSIGNMENT SALE

December 2 & 3, 1994
Time: 9:00 A.M.
Location: 3 miles Northeast of Portales, N.M. at the Bill Johnston Auctioneers Lot on Hwy. 70.

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Tractors, Trucks, Trailers, Backhoes, Loaders, Vehicles, RV's, Shop Equipment, Swathers, Hay Equipment.

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in business here. He sold his store, Williams Mercantile Co., to Otis and Wayne Spears last week with the trade being effective Saturday.

25 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 3, 1969

Funeral services for James Harvey Floyd, 89, were held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Tenth Street Church of Christ in Friona.

Mr. Floyd was a longtime resident of Bovina and Parmer County.

A doctor who is interested in moving to Bovina and practicing here will visit the community over the weekend. He is Dr. Michael Murphy, M. D. who is presently employed by the Rusk State Hospital at Rusk.

20 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 4, 1974

Funeral services for Mrs. Ina Lacewell, formerly of Bovina, are pending at Lemons Funeral Home in Plainview. Mrs. Lacewell, 86, died Tuesday morning at Hillcrest Nursing Home in Plainview.

Mrs. and Mrs. Robert Kregg Wilson of Bovina became parents of a baby boy, Christopher Poyntz Wilson, born Tuesday at 11:28 a.m. at Clovis Memorial Hospital.

Some 55 children, grandchildren and other relatives of Bessie Webb of Bovina and Hugh Webb of Clovis were present at a Webb family reunion Thanksgiving Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Englant in Bovina.

15 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 12, 1979

Porter Roberts of Friona was appointed as acting County Judge by the county commissioners.

Drilling on the wildcat oil well on J. G. McFarland's land north of Bovina had reached 7,200 feet this week, it was learned.

28,799 bales of cotton had been ginned in Parmer County as of December 11.

Nathan Moore underwent surgery and is home and getting along fine.

Pete Meason underwent exploratory surgery at the Hi-Plains Hospital in Clovis.

10 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 12, 1984

This year the Wildlife Commission voted to lower the bag limit from three to two pheasants per day during hunting season.

Jeff Keith came running through Bovina this week. He is a determined young man with one leg and being handicapped does not have to mean disabled, was his message.

5 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 6, 1989

Kay Roach, who had been in first place in the Bovina Blade's football contest for the last several weeks, held on to win the Grand Prize of \$100 cash by scoring a ten during the final week of the contest.

Travis Gene Lambert was found guilty by a Parmer County jury on Wednesday of last week in the shooting of Bovina Police Chief Gary Coleman. The shooting took place last July.

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CHRIS ANTILLON, named "Outstanding Student" for the second six-weeks at Bovina Middle School is shown with teacher Peggie Arnold who nominated him. Chris is the son of Ricardo and Maria Antillon.

Letters To The Editor

THE OZONE HOAX

I wish to write a rebuttal to the letter on "Farm certification," Oct. 31. This blatant hoax needs to be addressed. Let me first say, I have a BS in chemistry, and have taught chemistry and physics for many of my 26 years in teaching.

Now, a lesson in ozone. Ozone is a molecule containing three atoms of oxygen. It is produced when ordinary oxygen molecules (which contain two atoms of oxygen) absorb energy (commonly ultra-violet light or high voltage electric sparks). Because ozone results from oxygen having absorbed energy, ozone is very unstable and will quickly, at its first opportunity, release that energy in the form of heat and reassemble back to the stable state of ordinary oxygen molecules.

Thus, we have the cyclic, God ordained, oxygen-ozone cycle. It happens naturally, with or without the presence of chlorofluorocarbons. I seriously doubt if any of these chlorofluorocarbons ever make it to the stratosphere in the first place, because these are some of the heaviest (most dense) gasses that ever exist, especially when compared to the atmospheric gasses.

A little research will show that if all the ozone in the stratosphere were contained in a single layer where it occurs, and was converted to standard temperature and pressure, it only would be two millimeters thick. That is a layer of ozone about the thickness of one side of a fruit jar that is supposedly protecting us from the sun's ultra-violet radiation. These so-called atmospheric scientists' own mouth betray them, because they say for us to take extra precautions from the extra ultra-violet exposure you get on the ski slopes and mountain tops when you visit there. That same ozone layer is above you, whether you are on top of a mountain or not. The truth is that it is not the ozone that does the protecting. It is the atmospheric oxygen that absorbs the ultra-violet radiation. Any ozone found in this oxygen-containing atmospheric layer is proof that the system is working. God's creation declares His majesty and even the elements obey Him.

Well, what about the ozone hole? Let me ask you, how much ozone would you expect to find above the pole in Antarctica, where the sun's light hasn't been present for six months? Also, as the sun's



rays retreat at the beginning of the Antarctic winter, wouldn't you expect this ozone hole to be increasing in size as winter progresses, due to the lack of ultra-violet light? Isn't it amazing that this ozone hole disappears every summer and, of course, gradually, as the amount of solar radiation increases. There also is a semi-annual "hole" above the Arctic, but this is a little closer to home, and the hoax might be discovered!

Why does this falsehood continue? Because these pseudo-scientists are loyal to where their paycheck comes from--directly or indirectly from the government. Also, anyone who refutes their counterfeit science won't get any help from the major media, because the same Eastern establishment that now controls our government also controls the media.

Why the need for a hoax? "People control!" The Environmental Protection Agency is designed to control people with all its laws and regulations. No one escapes, and the need to control farmers is especially great, because farmers tend to be an independent lot! The Eastern establishment (Council on Foreign Relations and the Trilateral Commission) wants everyone to be dependent on them, and independent isn't even in their (double-speak) dictionary. Welcome to the New World Order! Alvie Laverty, Laverne, Oklahoma

Bovina School Lunch Menu

Week of December 5-9
MONDAY--pizza, corn, salad, fruit and milk.

TUESDAY--stew, crackers, slaw, cinnamon rolls and milk.

WEDNESDAY--meat loaf, potatoes, green beans, fruit, cornbread and milk.

THURSDAY--Mexican casserole, beans, salad, rice, crackers, fruit, cowboy bread and milk.

FRIDAY--McRib on a bun, fries, pickles, cookies, fruit and milk.

1st Bank Of Muleshoe To Feature Works Of Art

1st Bank of Muleshoe will be displaying 50 to 60 works of art on December 7-8 during banking hours in their lobby and in Bovina on Friday, December 9.

Original works by such artists as Dalhart Windberg, Tom Lovell, Frank McCarthy, Paul Calle and G. Harvey will be exhibited. Limited edition prints by such artists as Howard Terping, Bev Doolittle, G. Harvey, Tom Ryan, Frank McCarthy and Robert Abbett will also be exhibited.

The exhibition will include western, wildlife, landscape and figurative art. Oil paintings, watercolors, drawings, bronzes, limited edition prints and books are included in the show. All works of art will be available for purchase. Prices of the artwork will range from \$100 to approximately \$48,000.

The artwork represents many nationally known artists from across the country and is presented by Rice Fine Art of Amarillo, Texas.

Frank C. McCarthy has been an illustrator for 21 years for most national magazines. He became immediately successful as a fine art artist. A member of Cowboy Artists of America since 1975, retrospectives of his work have been held at the Gilcrease Museum in Tulsa, Oklahoma, Museum of the Southwest in Midland, Norton Museum in Shreveport and the Cowboy Artists of America Museum in Kerrville. He is the subject of three major books.

Tom Lovell has had illustrations in magazines such as Life, True, McCall's, National Geographic, etc. He was commissioned by Abell Hanger Foundation to do a series of fourteen historical paintings that now hang in the

Mustangs Win Two Games

The Bovina Varsity Mustangs won both of their basketball games last week against Boys Ranch and Morton.

The Mustangs played Boys Ranch on November 21 and won 72-54.

High scorer for the game was Lance McClaran with 23 points. Jimmy Bonham scored 21 points.

Cruz Marrufo and Benji Mitard each scored seven points. Zeke Lara scored six points. Arnold Reyna and Jerry Rocha scored three points each and Richard Beauchamp scored two points.

When the Mustangs played Morton on November 22, they beat them 59-53.

Jimmy Bonham was high scorer in this game with 16 points.

Lance McClaran scored ten points; Zeke Lara eight points; Richard Beauchamp and Cruz Marrufo seven points each; Benji Mitard five points; Jerry Rocha three points; Enrique Mares two; and Arnold Reyna one point.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum in Midland. He is a member of the National Academy of Western Artists, Cowboy Artists of America and the Society of Illustrators Hall of Fame.

Paul Calle is best known for his pencil drawings. He wrote a book titled "The Pencil." As an official NASA artist, he designed the "First Man on the Moon" stamp and many others including Robert Frost, Douglas MacArthur and Fredric Remington. A major retrospective of his works was held in 1991 at the Gilcrease Museum. A book was published on his works in 1992.

G. Harvey was born in San Antonio in 1933. He has been featured in "Southwest Art" and many other art magazines and is the subject of three major books. A series of his paintings was done for the National Archives and a show was held at the Smithsonian during 1991-92. He is probably Texas' most popular western artist.

Dalhart Windberg was born in Texas in 1933 and currently resides near Austin. He is probably Texas' most popular landscape artist and was commissioned to do an official painting for the opening of the Lyndon Baines Johnson Library in Austin. He is the subject of two major books.

Happy Birthday Bovina!!!

- December 4--Sherrie Ventura.
- December 5--Larry Hodnett.
- December 6--Jessie Fuentes, Leona Steelman, Kent McClaran.
- December 7--Patricia Turner.
- December 8--Velma Grisham.
- December 9--Judith Jennings.
- December 10--Sabina Schilling.

(Editor's note: If someone in your family is observing a birthday, please call 238-1523, in advance, to get the name on our birthday calendar.)

Srs. Invited To Muleshoe

The Muleshoe Senior Citizens want to invite senior citizens in the Bovina area to join them every Tuesday evening from 7 p.m. until 10 p.m.

The location is in the 1400 block of Avenue B. Turn at Church's Chicken and it is the large building at the end of the block.

No smoking or drinking is allowed on the dance floor but a room is set up for the smokers.

A meal is served from 8:30 p.m. until 9 p.m. and everyone over 55 is invited to come. They have a live country and western band and lots of good music.

For more information you can contact Thesia Davis, reporter at 806-272-5618 or 806-272-5440.

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SENATOR VISITS....State senator Teel Bivins visited Parmer County on Thursday for a Town Hall meeting at the Old Depot in Friona. A nice crowd was on hand to greet the senator. He is shown visiting with Forrest Osborn, Bivins' district director, Tammy Shaklee, is in the center.

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Parallel Terraces Help Prevent Soil Erosion

Erosion control and moisture conservation are two big advantages of having parallel terraces or a set of terraces on your land. By building a set of parallel terraces, the land is using the water that normally runs off in the form of silt.

Terraces can be planted to grass or wheat and used as windstrips. Today's terraces are not as big as the old contour base terraces built years ago. Terraces can be designed for a steep 6:1 side slope or a flatter 8:1 slope whichever fits your needs. Diversion terraces work well on steeper slopes. Erosion occurring on part of a field can be corrected with a diversion terrace in most cases.

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), formerly the Soil Conservation Service of the United States

Department of Agriculture (USDA), provides technical and, in some cases, financial assistance through cost-share programs to landowners or operators in planning and applying conservation practices and systems to reduce soil erosion, protect and conserve water and reduce upstream flood damage.

Producers or landowners interested in erosion control, moisture conservation and wanting more information on terraces, contact the NRCS office, 1306 West Ninth, Friona, Texas, or call 247-2220.

Programs and services of the National Resources Conservation Service are offered on a non-discriminatory basis without regard for race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, marital status or handicap.

Bovina Contest Standings

- 121--Donnie McDonald.
- 120--Jerry Roach.
- 118--Jeanne Kerby, Kay Roach.
- 117--Virginia Steele, Ella Jo Stormes.
- 116--Mary Jane Wilson.
- 114--Al Kerby, Jr., A.M. Wilson.
- 112--Jo Blackwell, Hattie Burnett, Doug Johnson, Susan Kerby.
- 111--Don Spring.

Home Tour December 4

For over 25 years, members of the La Madre Mia Study Club have sponsored the Annual Holiday Home Tour and this year the event is planned from 1-5 p.m. Sunday, December 4, in Hereford.

In the past, three local homes have been featured on the tour, but this year, four outstanding redecorated and new homes can be viewed by the public.

Opening their homes for the tour will be Pat and Don Graham, 128 Liveoak; Glenda and Keith Hanson, 111 Rio Vista Drive; Karen and John Sherrod, 140 Redwood; and Linda and Rosindo Gonzalez, 2100 Plains Avenue.

Tickets for the tour are priced at \$5 per person and may be obtained from study club members or at the featured homes on the day of the tour. A door prize will be awarded to a lucky ticket winner.



CAROL LYNNE PHIPPS and MARK EDWARD McALISTER....Mr. and Mrs. T. Lynn Phipps of Clovis, New Mexico announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Carol Lynne, to Mark Edward McAlister, son of Thomas and Lois McAlister of Floyd, New Mexico. The bride-elect is a 1990 graduate of Clovis High School and will receive her B.A. degree in agricultural business from ENMU in May. The prospective bridegroom is a 1988 graduate of Melrose High School and received his B.A. degree in agricultural education from NMSU in 1992. He currently teaches in the Bovina school system. The couple will exchange wedding vows on Saturday, December 17 at 5 p.m. (MST) at Sandia Baptist Church in Clovis. All friends and family members are invited to attend.

CRIME STOPPERS MEETING

8 P.M., DECEMBER 14

Any And All Interested, Please Attend. We Will Be Electing New Board Members.

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GOLD STAR RECIPIENTS....Pictured with their certificates are the two 4-H'ers from Parmer County who were selected as Gold Star Recipients at the 1994 4-H Gold Star Banquet, (l-r): Jason Kerby and Melody Montgomery.

Two Receive 4-H Gold Star Awards

Two 4-H members from Parmer County were selected as Gold Star Recipients at the 1994 4-H Gold Star Banquet. They are Jason Kerby and Melody Montgomery.

Jason is the son of Al and Susan Kerby of Bovina. His 4-H projects include: Swine, Leadership, Gardening, and Foods & Nutrition.

Jason has participated in local, county, area-wide, and state stock shows; county and district record book contests; and the county 4-H project fair.

During Jason's seven years as a 4-H member he has been awarded the "I Dare You Award"; swine project pin; two ball canning plaques; grand and reserve champion swine trophies; and showmanship trophy. Melody is the daughter of Richard and Sheree Montgomery of Farwell.

Melody's 4-H projects include: Swine, Sheep, Clothing & Textiles, Foods & Nutrition, Photography, Consumer Education, and Citizenship.

Melody has participated in local, county, area-wide, and state stock shows; the county 4-H project fair; county and district fashion shows; county and district food shows; county and district round-up activities; county and district camps; and county and district record book contests.

During Melody's six years as a 4-H member, she has been awarded swine, sheep, and consumer education project pins; grand and reserve champion sheep trophies; two showmanship trophies; cotton award at district fashion show; and high individual at consumer judging contest.

Happy Homemaker

By JUNE FLOYD



Our December Happy Homemaker columns will be borrowed from one of my favorite cookbooks, "Granny's Nutritious Home Cooking." It is a small publication but is full of health and nutrition suggestions, recipes and menus.

It was compiled by Clessy Stroud, a former Friona resident. She and her husband, Luther, were our down the street neighbors several years and from them I learned many things about growing home grown herbs and their nutritive value.

She was a nutritionist and Registered Nurse and was employed as Dr. Lee Spring's nurse several years when she was named Foster.

This week we will be featuring Mexican food.

TACO FILLING (BEEF)

- 1 pound ground beef
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/2 cup tomatoes, chopped
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1 tablespoon shortening

Melt shortening in skillet. Stir in meat until brown. Add onion, salt, tomato, garlic and flour. Stir until done.

TACO FILLING (CHICKEN)

- 3 cups chopped cooked chicken
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1/2 cup chicken broth
- 1/2 teaspoon each salt and pepper

Mix and stir in greased skillet until thick.

GREEN CHILE CHICKEN

- 3 cups chopped boiled chicken
- 3 cups chicken broth
- 1 onion, chopped
- 2 cups tomato sauce, canned
- 1 cup chopped green chile, canned
- 1 tablespoon maple syrup
- 2 cups grated cheddar cheese
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1 teaspoon salt and pepper
- 1 large bag corn chips

Place chicken, broth, salt, pepper, tomato sauce, onion, sour cream, green chiles and syrup in a saucepan and heat gently. In a buttered, deep baking dish, layer corn chips, 1-1/2 cups cheese and chicken. Pour the broth mixture over the top with the remaining 1/2 cup cheese. Bake in a 300 degree oven for 45 minutes.

MEXICAN CORN

- 1 large can of hominy
- 1 small can chopped green chile
- 1 small can tomato sauce
- 1 tablespoon maple syrup
- 4 strips bacon

In large skillet, cook bacon until crisp, remove from skillet and crumble-save. Pour hominy, green chile, tomato sauce and maple syrup into a skillet with bacon drippings and cook five minutes.

Friona Basketball Tournament

Friday, Dec. 2: 4 p.m. Coronado JV vs Farwell girls; 5:30 Nazareth vs Farwell boys; 7 p.m. Friona vs River Road girls; 8:30: Friona vs River Road boys.

Saturday, Dec. 3: 3 p.m.--River Road vs Farwell girls; 4:30 p.m. River Road vs Farwell boys; 6 p.m.--Friona vs Coronado JV girl; 7:30--Friona vs Nazareth boys.

Place in bowl with bacon crumbs on top.

SPINACH TACO CASSEROLE

- 1 large onion, chopped or 2 tablespoons onion flakes
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 2 tablespoons lean ground beef or chopped chicken
- 1-1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic
- 2 teaspoons chili powder or 1 tablespoon chopped green chile
- 1/2 teaspoon cumin, oregano and pepper
- 16 ounce can tomato sauce
- 2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 1 package tortilla chips or corn chips
- 1/2 pound shredded cheddar cheese
- 2 packages frozen chopped spinach, thawed and dried
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1 avocado
- 6 or 7 ripe, pitted olives

In a large frying pan, saute onion in butter until clear. Add meat and cook until done. Stir in salt, garlic powder and chile. Add tomato sauce and vinegar. Cover and simmer 15 minutes. Layer bottom of buttered 2-1/2 quart casserole with chips. Add 1/3 of the cheese, 1/2 of the spinach and 1/2 of the meat sauce. Cover with another layer of chips, 1/3 of the cheese and the remaining cheese and poke chips around the edge. If

desired, cover and refrigerate at this point. When ready to use, bake at 350 degrees for 40 minutes or until heated through. Spoon sour cream on top. Arrange avocado in a pinwheel on the sour cream. Ring with the olives.

EMPANADAS

- 1-1/2 cups flour
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 3 tablespoons shortening
- 4 tablespoons cold milk

Mix flour, baking powder and salt. Cut in shortening. Add milk slowly to moisten dough. Stir dough until it forms a ball. Roll out on floured board into thin 5" circles. Fill each circle with 1 tablespoon fruit filling: applesauce, apricot, peach or cherry preserves or mincemeat. Fold dough over in half, pinching edges together. Fry in deep fat until golden brown.

Dust with powdered sugar and serve warm.

COLE SLAW

- 3 cups finely shredded cabbage
 - 1/2 cup real mayonnaise
 - 1 teaspoon maple syrup
 - 1 tablespoon lemon or lime juice
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- Mix well and serve with green onions and radishes.

GUACAMOLE SALAD

- 1 large ripe tomato
 - 1 large ripe avocado
 - 1 small onion, chopped
 - 1 tablespoon green chiles, chopped
 - 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- Beat all ingredients with a mixer until smooth. Serve on bed of lettuce.

Next week, we will be having fruits and vegetables.

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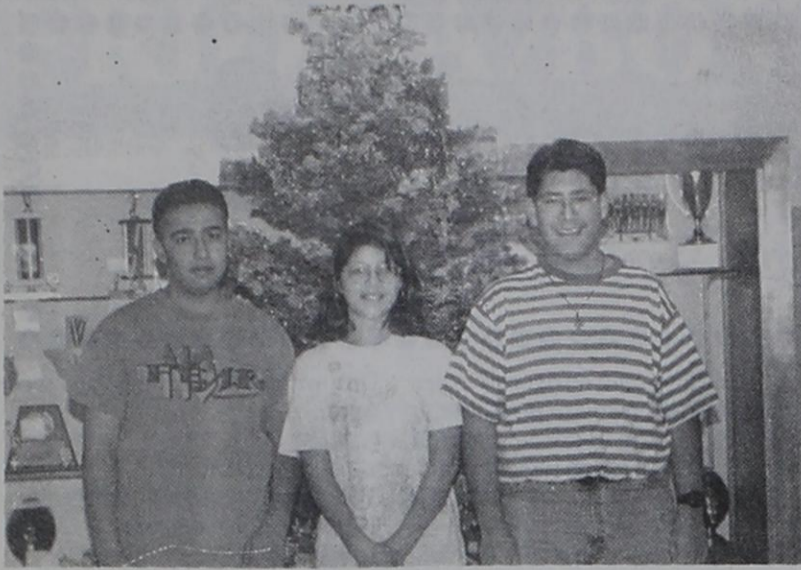
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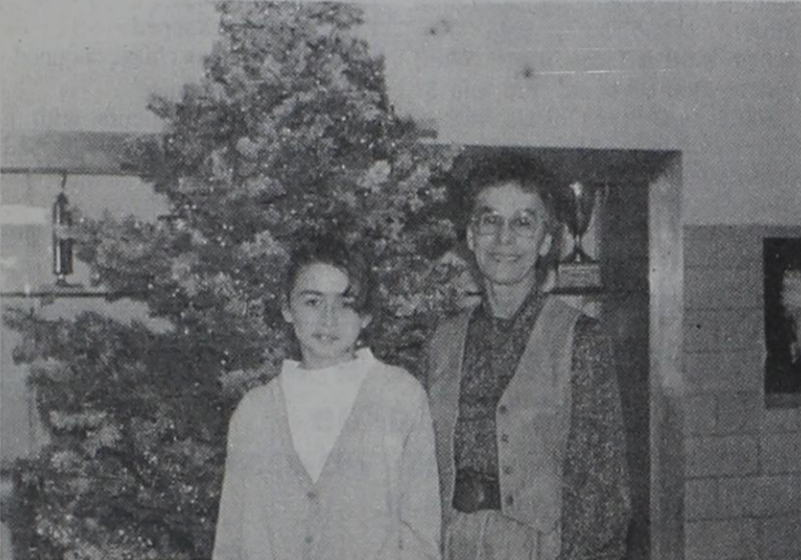
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OUTSTANDING STUDENTS....Students nominated for "Outstanding Students" for the second six weeks at Bovina Middle School included Pete Rocha, seventh grader, son of Viola Rocha; Nancy Vela, seventh grader, daughter of Baudelio and Gregoria Vela; and Alfred Uriegas, eighth grader, son of Ruben and Tina Uriegas.



PATRICIA ROBLES was named "Outstanding Student" for the second six-weeks at Bovina Middle School. She is shown with teacher Gladys Spring who nominated her. Patricia is the daughter of Luis and Lupe Robles.

Reorganization Brings New Name For FmHA

Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) has a new name under the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) reorganization; however, the same work continues, according to George Ellis, FmHA state director.

Ellis is now named the acting state director for Rural Economic and Community Development (RECD).

Congress passed a bill

Junior High Honor Roll Is Released

The honor roll for the second six-weeks for Bovina Middle School was released this week by principal Brenda Wilson.

All A's

Sixth Grade-- Tyson Kerby.
Seventh Grade-- Marisol Antillon, Walter Kessler.

Eighth Grade-- J. T. Roach, Alfred Uriegas.

All A's & B's

Sixth Grade-- Lorena Carmona, Marlena Gomez, Krysta Morris, Levi Steelman.

Seventh Grade-- Blake Clements, Karla Garcia, Julie Grisham, Alvaro Martinez, Misty Pruitt, Sara Sorley, Lety Vargas, Nancy Vela.

Eighth Grade-- Gina Beauchamp, Luciano Carmona, Evang Casas, Vickie Ortiz, Noemi Perez, Derrick Vanegas, Jose Vitolas, Josh Willard, Ashley Zehner.

authorizing the reorganization late in September, and Secretary of Agriculture Mike Espy issued orders making the changes on October 20, 1994.

"The entire USDA was reorganized in an effort to provide better service to the public while reducing the number of agencies required to do the same work," Ellis said. "Over the next five years, savings to the taxpayers will total \$3.6 billion through the elimination of 14 separate USDA agencies and staff reductions of up to 11,000 nationwide."

Ellis said the FmHA and the Rural Development Administration (RDA) have been abolished. Most of the loan and grant programs of these two agencies are being taken over under the RECD title.

The farm lending, rural housing, water and waste disposal, community facility, and business and industry programs formerly administered by FmHA or RDA will still be available at the newly named RECD offices. The farm loan programs will eventually become part of the new Consolidated Farm Service Agency, which was created under reorganization.

"For the time being, people wanting these important services should go to the local office that probably will still have a Farmers Home Administration sign out front," Ellis said. "As additional changes are made, we will be letting the communities know about them."

Scooter's Scoops

By SCOOTER RUSSELL



The Christmas Card Fund has been set up at the bank and this year it is sponsored by the Bovina Ambulance Service. Donations will be divided between the Fire Department and Ambulance Service. The deadline is December 16 and names of those contributing will be listed in the Christmas issue of the Blade.

NEWS AROUND TOWN...

Vernon and Dottie Ward were in Amarillo with daughter Billie and her husband, Ken Harrison. They went on Monday before Thanksgiving and returned home on Friday. During these days they had a good time with all of their grandchildren and also their great granddaughter.

Those present were the Harrisons' children, Kathy and Jim and daughter Kiley; Steve and Casey; Sharon and Jason; and Pat, all of Amarillo. They all had a great time and a good visit.

We express our sympathies to Marie Venable and Helen Blalock. Their sister-in-law, Ola Langer of Muleshoe passed away. She was 67 years old and survived by her brother Joe, two daughters, four grandchildren and a great grandchild. Funeral services were held on Saturday.

Emmagine Calaway visited in Lubbock and Midland over the Thanksgiving holidays. She went to her aunt's in Lubbock on Wednesday, Orpha Wickard, then she and her aunt went to her sister and brother-in-law's, Audine and Bill Wells of Midland on Thursday and stayed until Saturday. Emmagine returned to Bovina on Sunday.

Margaret Charles was taken to the Methodist Hospital by ambulance at the end of last week. She is still a patient at Lubbock Methodist CCU and her room number is 488 S. I talked with the nurse on Tuesday and she said Margaret was getting along real well.

Gladys Wright is hospitalized in the Friona Hospital. I called over on Tuesday and she was in Clovis having tests run.

Joe Looney's niece, Betty Jo Work, of Colorado Springs has been visiting with Joe for about a week. Joe said Betty Jo lived twenty miles out in the woods near Colorado Springs, by herself and loves it.

She said she leaves for about three months because it gets too cold and the snows get deep. Joe said Betty lived in an apartment for a time but preferred the woods and moved back.

Floyd and Ann Lee Englant have celebrated Thanksgiving for about a week, she said. First they went to their daughter's home, Mary Rose and Rick Webber of Claude, and had dinner with them.

Other family members present were the Englands' sons and families, Randy and Rene and two children from Tulia; Mark and Toya and daughters from Bovina; and Tony Bob and Angela and their four children, also of Bovina.

On Thanksgiving day the family gathered at Floyd's and Ann Lee's for dinner. Besides the sons and their families they also had their daughters and families, Dearbara of Clovis; Kathy and son of Amarillo; Katie and her three children from Amherst; Mary Rose and children from Claude; Mike and family from Dimmitt; Tim and family from Clovis; Mark and family and Tony Bob and family from Bovina.

Ann Lee said they had nine of their twelve kids with them so they had a great time.

Ella Jo Stormes and daughter Tammy went to El Reno, Oklahoma, last week to visit with Ella Jo's in-laws. Ella Jo and Tammy went by Canyon and picked up another daughter Darla who is in college there.

Ella Jo's husband Sam is still in Oklahoma with his parents. His mom is hospitalized there following a heart attack and stroke.

Sam thought he may be home the middle part of the week because his mom's condition has improved a little.

Pat and Pat Kunselman had all of their family with them for the holidays. Their son Rick and family came from Killeen, Vicki and family came from Flag and Arty and family from Spearman. They had a good visit and Rick came on Friday night and stayed until Sunday.

Joe and Dorothy Harris had a good time with their family visiting over Thanksgiving. Their son Carl and family from Amarillo; daughter Betty Shepherd and family from Levelland; son Jimmy and family from Muleshoe; Danny from Amarillo; and Ruby from Bovina.

Jim and I took dinner to my mother, Meca West, at Hereford and visited with her and Jimmy's mom, Mae Russell in the afternoon.

We went to the nursing home later in the day and spent time with Henry and Nellie Spicer.

Terry and Sabina Schilling hosted Thanksgiving for members of their family. Their parents were there, Leon and Martha Schilling of Bovina; Al and Ingrid McNamara of Clovis and their neighbors; Terry's

brother and his wife, Todd and Lisa Schilling. They had a good day together.

THINK ABOUT IT:

"People who never make mistakes lose a lot of chances to learn something"....Have a great week and thanks for helping with the Scoops.

4-H Youths Compete At Dist. Show

Nine Parmer County 4-H members competed in the District II 4-H Food Show held in Levelland, Saturday, November 19.

Placings were as follows in the three age divisions:

Senior division--Jacque Sides, fruits and vegetables, blue; Sarah Montgomery, snacks and desserts, blue.

Junior II division--Ashlee Hunt, breads and cereals, blue; Leesa Patterson, main dish, blue; Jade Mahaney, fruits and vegetables, red; Chrystal Woven, snacks and desserts, red.

Junior I division--Khallie Foster, breads and cereals, blue; Keith Hunt, main dish, blue; Amber Widner, snacks and vegetables, blue.



COMPETE AT DISTRICT....Several Parmer County 4-H youngsters participated in the 1995 District II 4-H Food Show held in Levelland, Saturday, November 19. Those in the competition are: (back row, left-right) Leesa Patterson, Jade Mahaney, Sarah Montgomery, Jacque Sides and Ashlee Hunt; (front row) Chrystal Woven, Keith Hunt, Amber Widner and Khallie Foster.

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