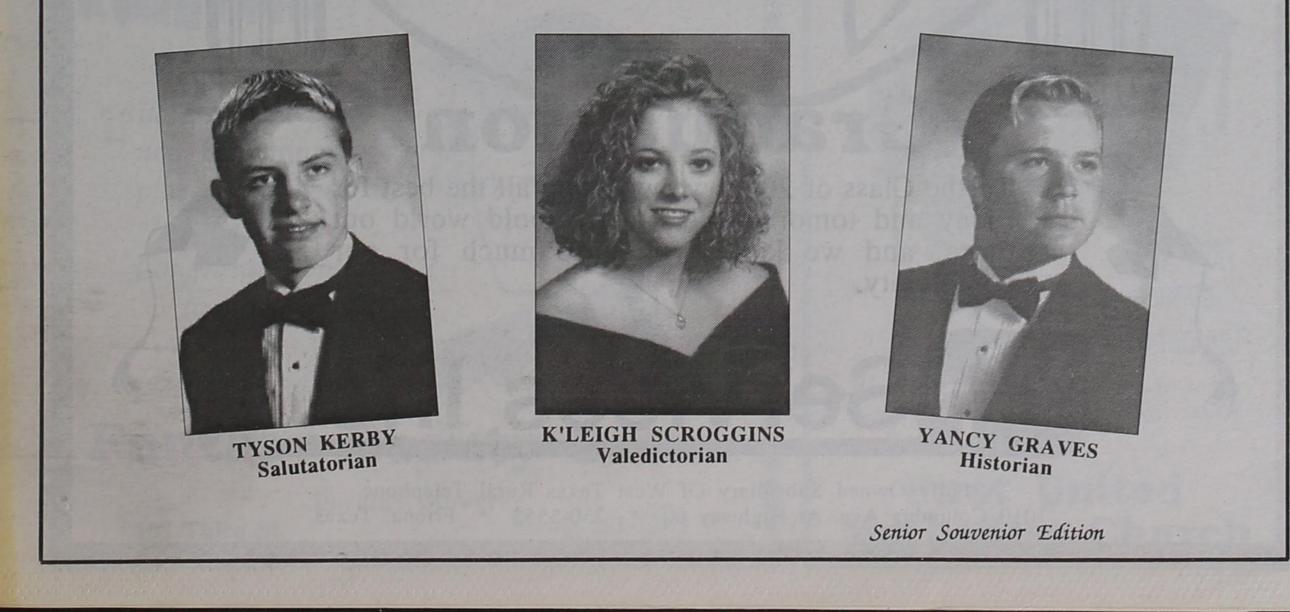
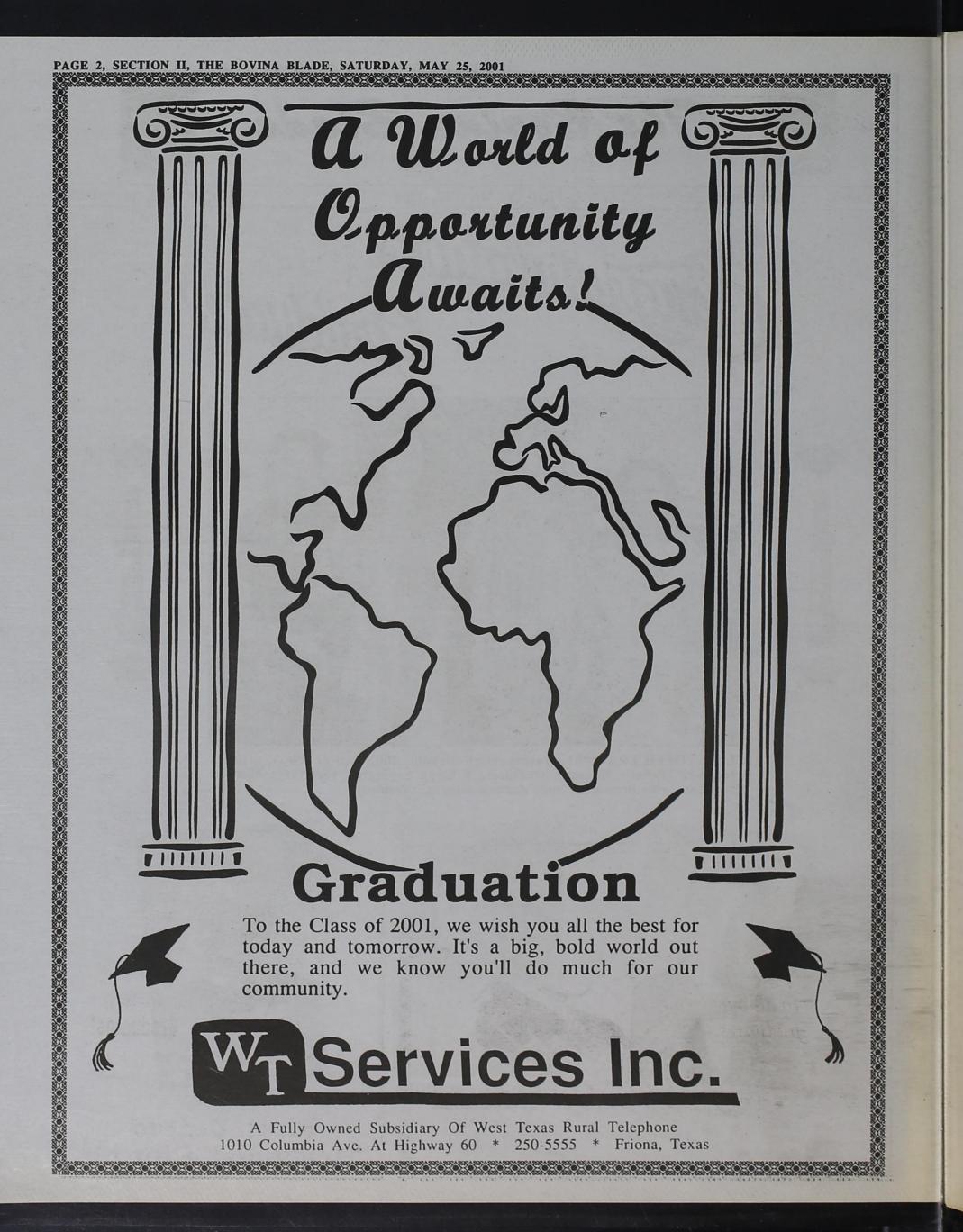


CLASS OFFICERS 2001...Bovina High School 2001 senior class officers were, I-r, Michelle Guzman, treasurer; K'Leigh Scroggins, secretary; Marissa Rodriguez, vice president; and Marlena Gomez, president.





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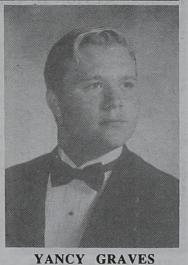
YANCY GRAVES, son of Kathy Graves, has attended Bovina Schools twelve years and is planning to join the Marine Corps after his graduation from Bovina High School. He was in 45 Graduates FFA his freshman, sophomore and senior years, earning his Green-hand and Chapter de-grees; Student Council his freshman year; UIL debate as a junior; NHS his sophomore, junior and senior years; and contest play cast member this year. Yancy was listed on the A-B honor roll and received a perfect attendance award three years; computer science team member, You have our most sincere best wishes for work well done. **Kevin's Auto Parts** 3rd & Hwy. 86 Phone 251-1219 DRUSILLA GUZMAN *********************** H And continued success in all your new beginnings, places to go and things to do. Congratulations to all our graduates.

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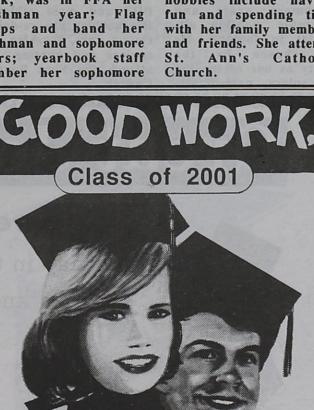
winning first in 1998 and 1999, second indi-vidual in 1998 and first individual in 1999; outstanding freshman, sophomore and junior; nominated Mr. BHS, one of the top six senior students, honorable mention all-district all-star cast of the one-act play and named Outstanding Boy of the Year this year. He was named to the Texas Fly High 2000 and academic all-district lists three years; and in football, he was an alldistrict second team selection on defense in 1998; all-district first team offense in 1999; all-district first team offense and defense in

DRUSILLA GUZMAN, daughter of Hermino and Martha Guzman, has attended Bovina Schools twelve years and will be attending Clovis Com-munity College before transferring to the Uni-versity of Texas at San Antonio. She played basketball and golf and ran track; was in FFA her freshman year; Flag Corps and band her freshman and sophomore years; yearbook staff member her sophomore



2000; and all-South Plains offensive 1-A player four years. He attends High Plains Baptist Church in Clovis, New Mexico.

and senior years; NHS and was a varsity cheerleader her junior and senior years. Drusilla was named in Who's Who Among American High School Students three years; was named to the academic all-district list; and served as senior class treasurer. Her favorite hobbies include having fun and spending time with her family members and friends. She attends Ann's Catholic



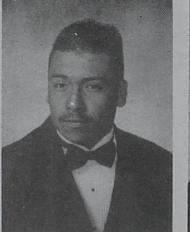
Very best wishes, Graduates!

We extend greetings and best wishes to the members of the Bovina High School graduating class.

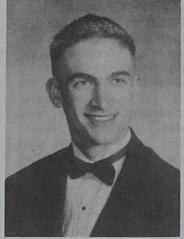
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VICTOR BANUELOS JASON STONE has been student in Bovina Schools twelve years and will attend South Plains College, Levelland. His parents are Jessie and Alice Stone. He was in FFA and played basketball four years; yearbook staff member as a senior; played golf and football two years; and ran track three years. During his basketball career, Jason was an all-district selection three years; academic all-district, MVP, and all-tournament his sophomore year; and honorable mention alldistrict in football. He was chosen by the faculty as one of the top six seniors, named Mr.



CAMERON CHARLES



BHS and most athletic. His hobbies are re-doing classic cars, working on engines and hunting. He attends the First Baptist Church.

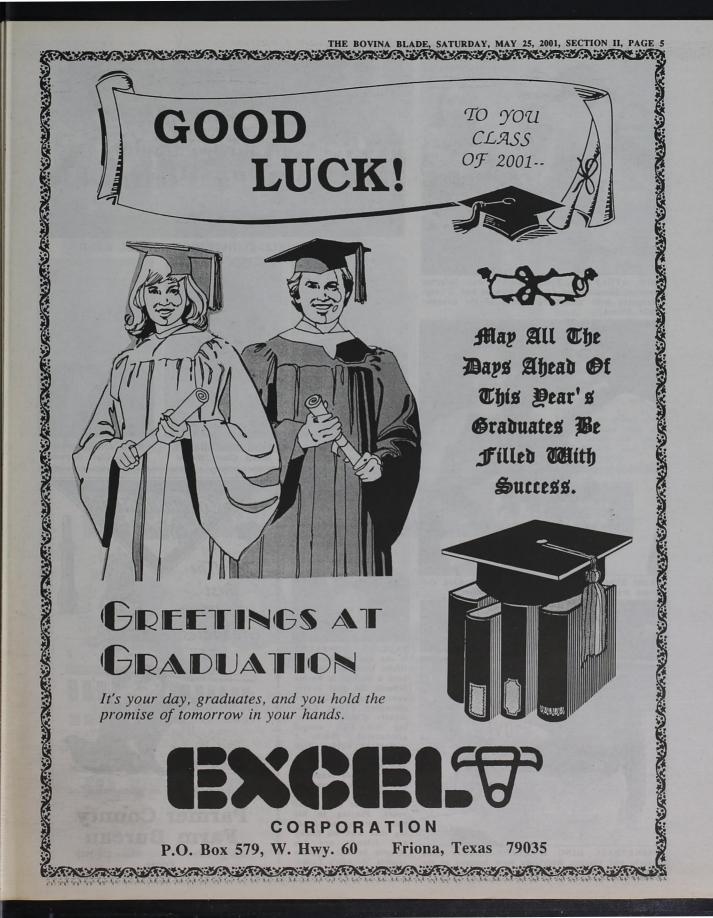
son of Bill and Barbara Charles, has been a student in Bovina Schools twelve years. His future plans include attending Texas Tech University, Lubbock. He played golf, basketball and football four years; was in FFA his freshman, sophomore and senior years; NHS his sophomore, junior and senior years; year-book staff member and UIL debate team member his junior year; and contest play cast member this past year. Cameron was listed on the A/B honor roll, was a member of the Texas Fly High Class of 2000, received the Texas achievement award and served as NHS president. Honors he received in football included being named to the academic all-district list three years and honorable mention all-district wide receiver two years; and in basketball, he was named to the academic all-district list two years and all-district honorable mention one year. Playing golf, hunting, cars music are and his hobbies. He attends the Methodist Church.

CAMERON CHARLES.



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TOP ATHLETES....Tyson Kerby was selected Greatest Mustang and Christen Stowers and K'Leigh Scroggins were named co-winners of the Greatest Fillie Award.



PROM KING & QUEEN....The 2001 Prom King and Queen are Juan Solorio and Marissa Rodriguez.

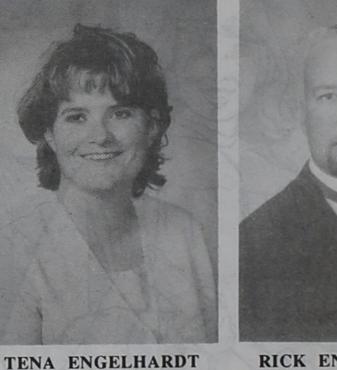


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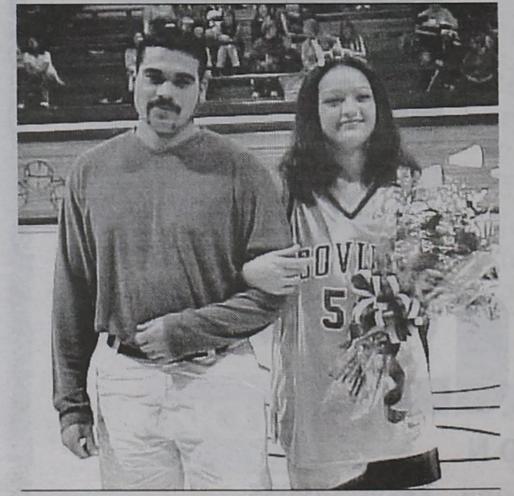
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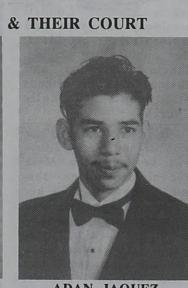


BASKETBALL KING & QUEEN....Seniors John Solorio and Marissa Rodriguez were honored as the 2001 BHS Basketball King and Queen.

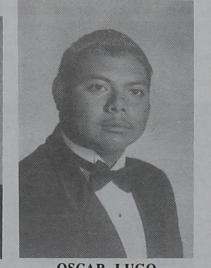
PAULINO GONZALEZ is the son of Jose and Ofelia Gonzalez. He has been a student in Bovina Schools the past twelve years and will be attending Clovis Community College following his high school graduation. While a student at Bovina High School, he played football his freshman year; ran track his freshman and sophomore years; and basketball his sophomore, junior and senior years. Playing in his band, working and spending time with his family and friends are his favorite hobbies. Paulino attends St. Ann's Catholic Church.

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JESSICA GONZALEZ, daughter of Jessie and Jackie Reyna, is planning to attend Clovis Community College after her high school graduation. While a student at Bovina High school School, she played basketball her freshman



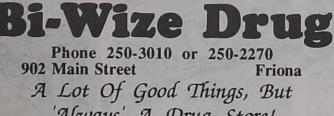


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OSCAR LUGO has been student in Bovina Schools two years and will be attending South Plains College, Levelland, after his high school graduation. His parents are Manuel and Bertha Longoria. While a student at Bovina High School, he played football and baseball and ran track one year; was in choir and FCA his freshman year; and UIL participate his junior year. Oscar enjoys sports and spending time with his friends and family. He attends the First







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SULI IBAVE is the daughter of Emma Rodriguez. She has been a student in Bovina Schools the past six years and will be attending Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, following her high school graduation. While at Bovina High School, she was in Student Council her freshman and sophomore years; band and FHA her sophomore, junior and senior years; was listed on the A/B honor roll; received the John Phillip Sousa band award; and served as FHA president. Her favorite pasttimes include reading, writing and playing with her dog, Rocky.

MARLENA GOMEZ is the daughter of Roman and Eduarda Gomez. She has been a student in Bovina Schools twelve years and will be attending West Texas A&M University, Canyon, this fall. She was in NHS and on the Student Council four years; FCA, band and FHA her freshman and sophomore years; choir as a freshman and junior; and FFA her freshman, sophomore and junior years. Marlena placed first at the UIL competition in news writing; won national awards in English, oceanography, meteorology, theology and math; served as



MARLENA GOMEZ freshman class vice president, Student Council vice president two years, Student Council president one year and senior class president.

Her hobbies are singing, dancing, drawing and having fun. She attends St. Ann's Catholic Church. CASEY RILEY, daughter of R.B. and Cathy Riley, will be attending Mesa Technical College this fall. She was in FHA her freshman, sophomore and junior years; yearbook staff her senior year; served as basketball team

manager three years; and FHA Student Council representative.

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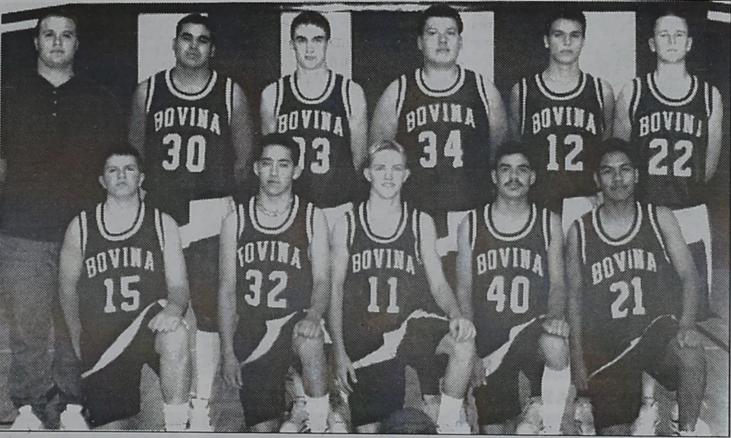
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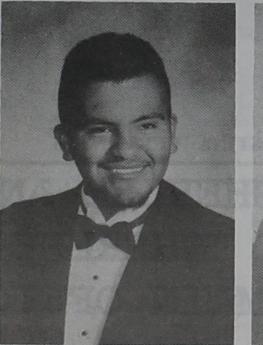
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Jason Stone and Marissa Rodriguez NOMINEES--Yancy Graves, Tyson Kerby and Cameron Charles; Michelle Guzman, K'Leigh Scroggins and Yvette Marquez.

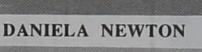


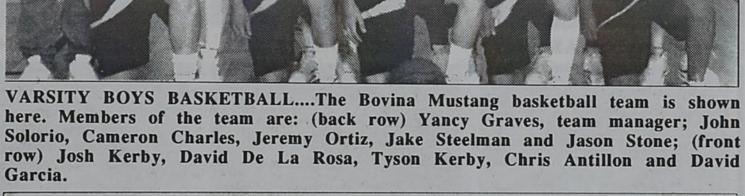
here. Members of the team are: (back row) Yancy Graves, team manager; John Solorio, Cameron Charles, Jeremy Ortiz, Jake Steelman and Jason Stone; (front row) Josh Kerby, David De La Rosa, Tyson Kerby, Chris Antillon and David Garcia.





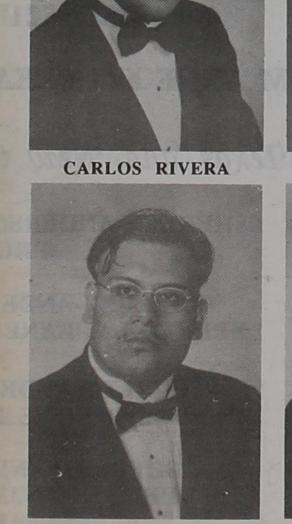
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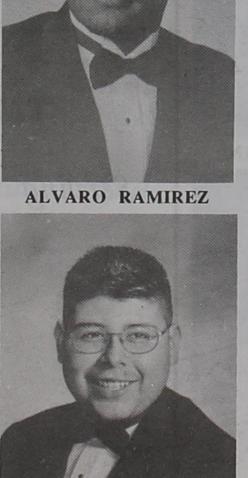






VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL The 2001 girls varsity basketball team is pictured above. Shown are team members: (back row) Courtney Jamerson, K'Leigh Scroggins, Marissa Rodriguez, Maritssa Salazar, April Martinez and Coach Wes Weemes; (front row) Jennifer Cantu, Veronica Herrera, Christen Stowers and Destiny Cruz.

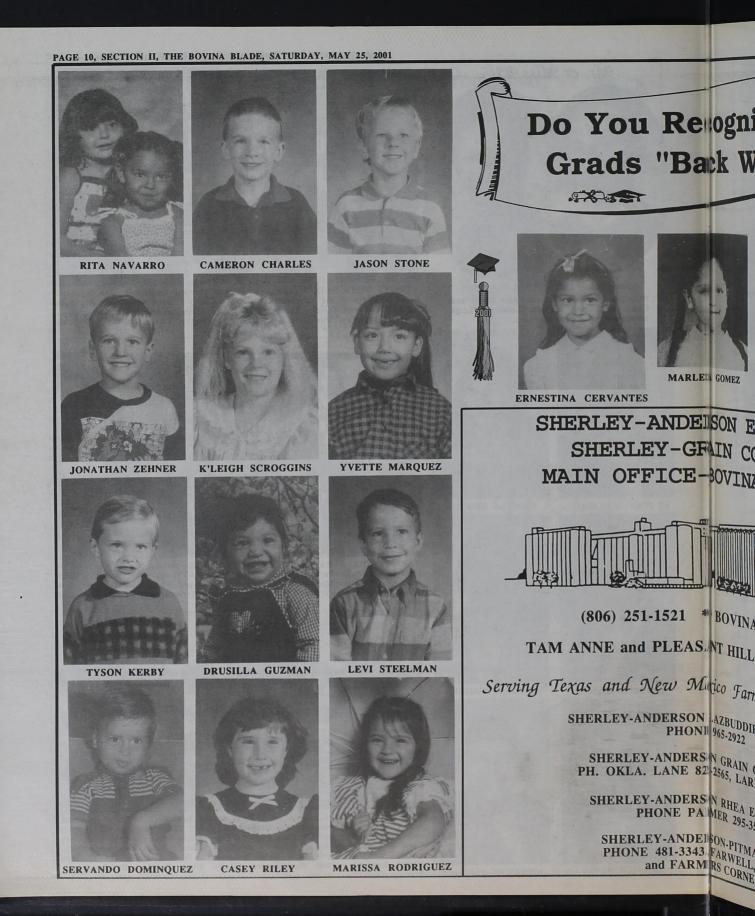




VARSITY FOOTBALL (back row) Jason Stone, Jeremy Ortiz, Jake Steelman, A.J. Carrasco, Cameron Charles, Christian Zatarain, Yancy Graves, John Solorio and Tyson Kerby; (middle row) Mike Olvera, Alvaro Ramirez, Fabian Viernes, Chris Antillon, Josh Kerby, Rene Flores, Ralph Ramos, Carlos Rivera and Oscar Lugo; (front row) David De La Rosa, Juan Vara, David Garcia, J.C. Contreras, Victor Banuelos, Chris Shufelberger, Silvino Silva, Nemecio Rodriguez and

CHRISTIAN ZATARAIN

ARMANDO SANCHEZ



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MARISSA RODRIGUEZ



is the daughter of Oscar and Efigenia Rodriguez. A student in Bovina Schools twelve years, she will be attending the University of Texas, San Antonio, after her high school graduation. While at BHS, she played basketball four years; ran track two years; competed in UIL activities her freshman and senior years; yearbook staff member as a sophomore; Student Council her junior year; and NHS her sophomore, junior and senior years. Marissa was named football and basketball Homecoming Queens, Prom Queen, named all-district honorable mention in basket-



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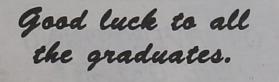


MARISSA RODRIGUEZ

ball and served as class vice president this year; and junior class president. Her interests include spending time with her family and friends.

ERNESTINA CERVAN-TES plans to attend El Paso College after having been a student in Bovina Schools twelve years. Her parents are Bernardo and Ernestina Cervantes. She was in FHA as a sophomore and junior. Her favorite pasttimes are playing volleyball and football, talking on the telephone and being with her friends. Ernestina attends the Church of God of the

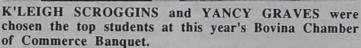
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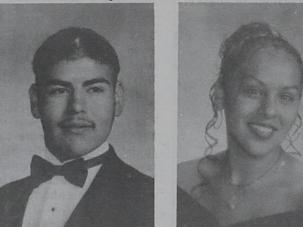


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YVETTE MARQUEZ is the daughter of Myrna Barraza and Joel Marquez. A student in Bovina Schools four and one-half years, she will be attending the University of Texas-El Paso, this fall. She was in Student Council four years; played basketball and ran track two years; cross country and golf one year; yearbook staff member her sophomore and junior years; FHA her junior and senior years; FFA this past year; served as president three years; and was a cheerleader. Spending time with her friends and family is her favorite pasttime. She attends St. Ann's Catholic Church.



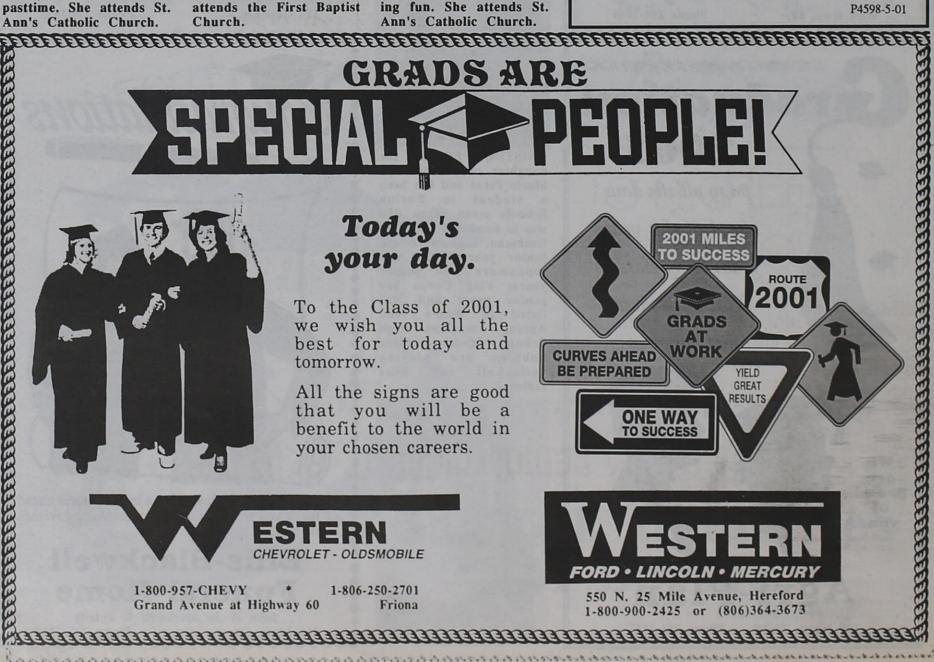
CHRIS SHUFELBER-GER, son of Connie Merrell and Maurice Shufelberger, has been a student in Bovina Schools twelve years and will be moving to Dallas. He was in FCA four years; played football and basketball three years; Student Council his freshman and sophomore years, where he served as a representative; Thespians as a sophomore, junior and senior, contest play cast member his sophomore year; and FFA this past year. Watching tele-vision, being with his friends and having fun are his hobbies. He attends the First Baptist



DAISY LOERA, a stu-dent in Bovina Schools eleven years, plans to attend Amarillo College or join the Navy this fall. Her parents are Juan and Monica Loera. While at BHS, she played basketball, ran track and was in choir her freshman and sophomore years; ran cross country as a sophomore; FHA her sophomore, junior and senior years; NHS and listed on the A-B honor roll her junior year; and Student Council this past year. Her interests include spending time with her friends and family, visiting Cannon Air Force Base and hav-ing fun. She attends St.

Congratulations to the year 2001 Graduating Seniors of Bovina High School

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Student Council her sophomore, junior and senior years; yearbook staff member as a junior; and contest play this year. She was a member of the NASA Fly High team her junior year; named Fillie of the Year her sophomore and junior years; Student of the Year, Miss BHS nominee and outstanding senior this year. Offices she held included Student Council secretary and executive member; and NHS vice president her senior year. Her interests include playing basketball, reading and listening to music. She attends the First Baptist



SERVANDO DOMINQUEZ ness Church.



K'LEIGH SCROGGINS

SERVANDO DOMIN-GUEZ is the son of Juana Maria and Fransisco Dominguez. He has been student in Bovina Schools three years and has made no definite future plans. While a student at Bovina High School, he was in the Student Council his freshman year; band his sophomore and junior years, where he was a member of the marching band, and named most improved. Soccer, playing basketball, reading and being with his friends are his favorite pasttimes. Servando attends the Jehovah Wit-

A Year To Remember

We salute the graduates and wish them success in their chosen careers. You've done a fantastic job and keep up the good work.

Best Wishes To The Senior Class of 2001 H.PR

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TYSON KERBY, son of Al and Susan Kerby, has been a student in Bovina Schools twelve years and will be attending South Plains College, Levelland, where he will major in mechanical engineering. While at BHS, he played football, basketball and golf, competed in UIL activities and was in 4-H all four years; FFA his freshman, sophomore and junior years; FCA and Student Council as a freshman and sophomore; NHS his sophomore, junior and senior years; yearbook staff member his junior year; and LEVI STEELMAN has attended Bovina Schools twelve years and plans to attend Texas A&M University, College Station. His parents are Joe and Esther Steelman. He was in NHS four years; FFA, played basketball and football his freshman, sophomore and junior years, making the academic all-district list in football; and contest play cast member as a sophomore and junior. Riding motorcycles is his favorite pasttime. He attends the First Baptist Church.

contest play cast member this year. Honors he received in athletics included football's academic all-district list three years, served as team captain and honorable mention all-district two years; in basketball, team captain, academic all-district three years, honorable mention alldistrict and named alltournament at Morton and Anton one year; and in golf, most improved one year, most valuable player and regional team qualifier two years. He was listed on the A/B honor roll four years; was a nominee for Mr. BHS; voted most likely to succeed; student of the



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The Catholic Community of Bovina and the Parish of Saint Ann congratulate the Senior Class 2001.

May God bless each of you

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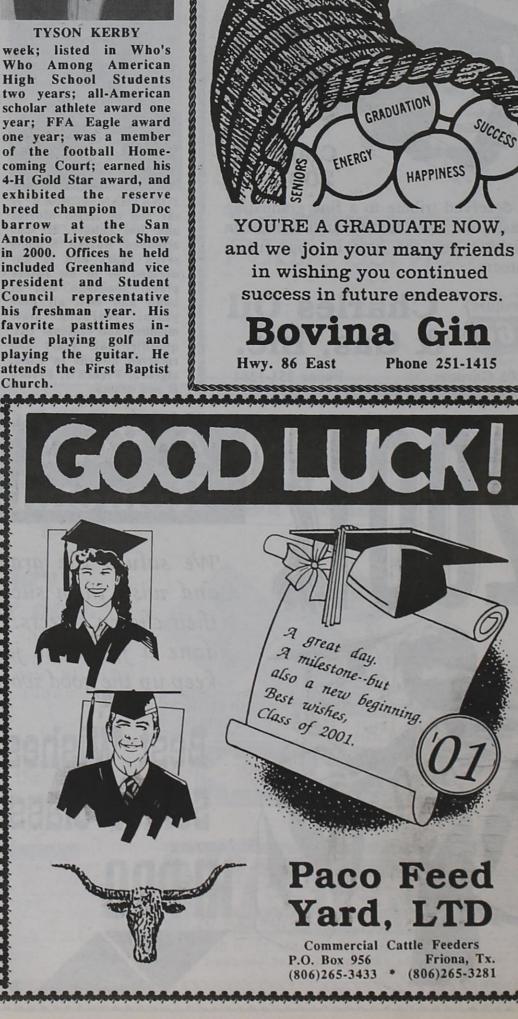
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Muchas Felicidades!



Who Among American High School Students two years; all-American scholar athlete award one year; FFA Eagle award one year; was a member of the football Homecoming Court; earned his 4-H Gold Star award, and exhibited the reserve breed champion Duroc barrow at the San Antonio Livestock Show in 2000. Offices he held included Greenhand vice president and Student Council representative his freshman year. His favorite pasttimes in-clude playing golf and playing the guitar. He attends the First Baptist

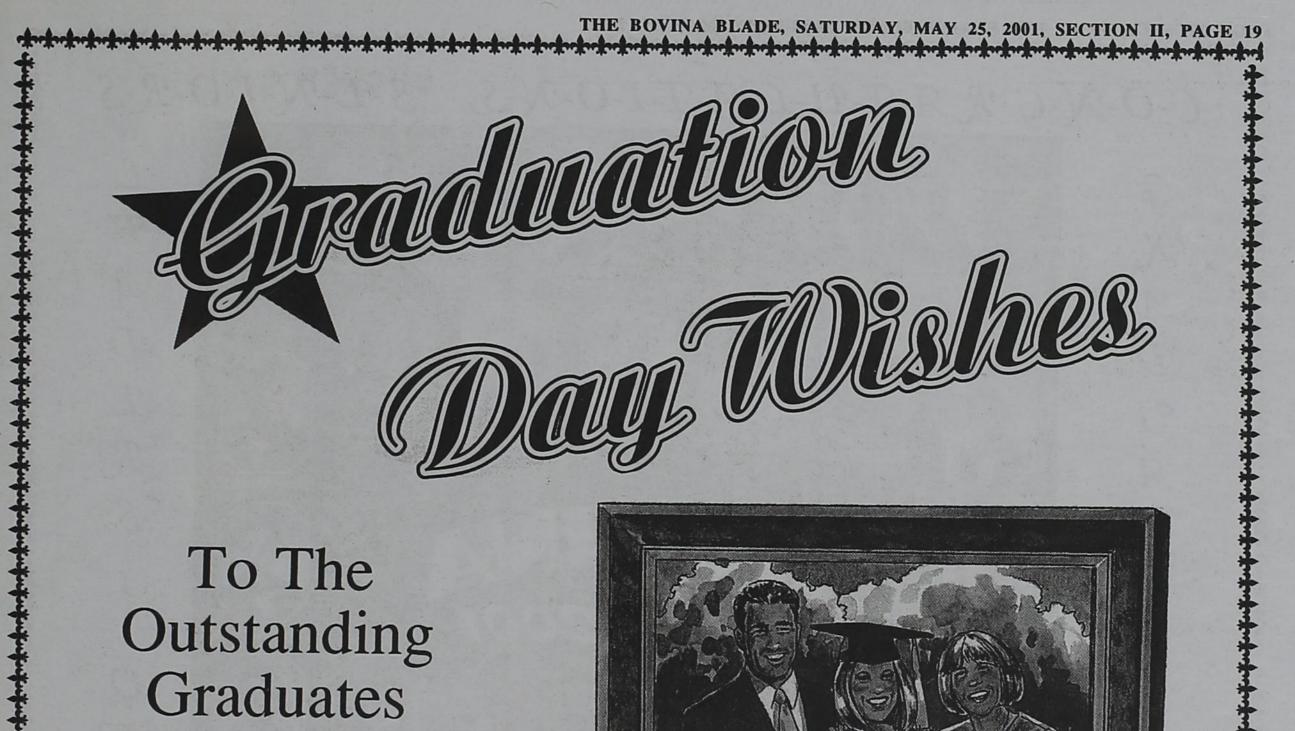


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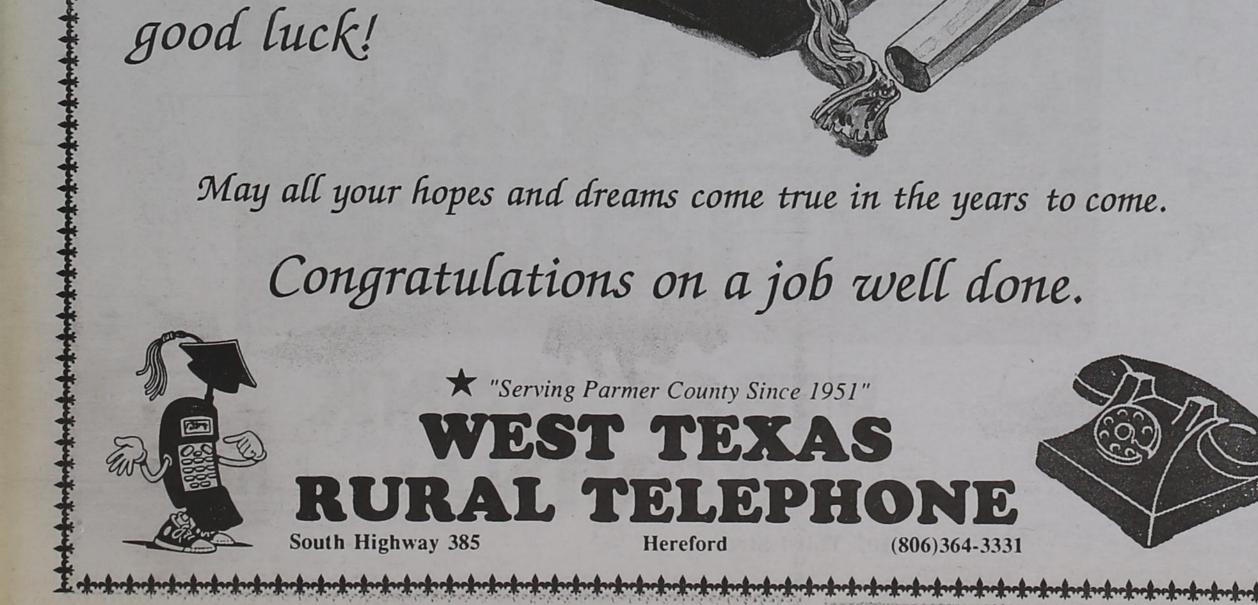
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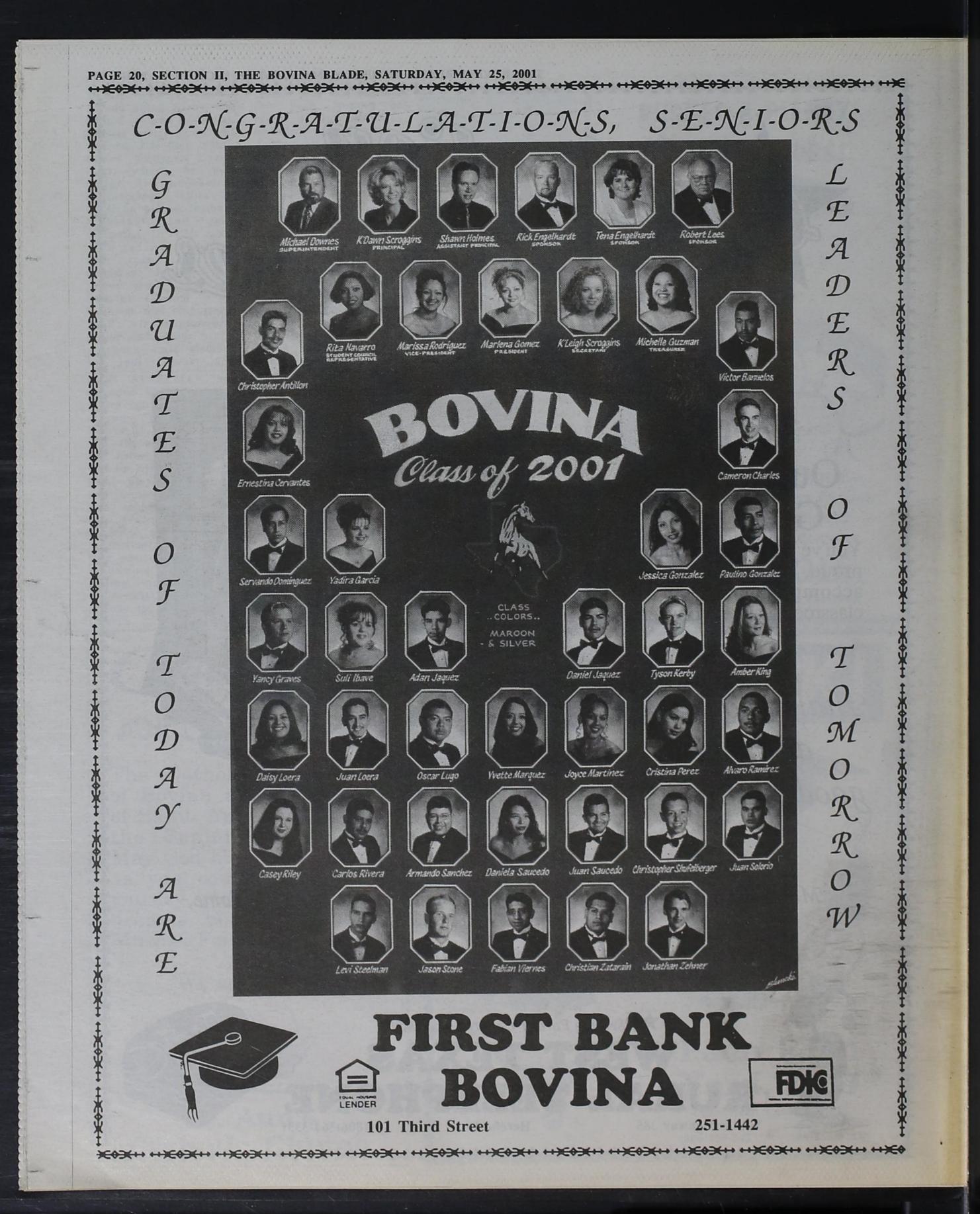
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IN FLANDERS' FIELDS By Colonel John lilcCrae

In Flanders' fields the poppies blow Between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place: and in the sky The larks still bravely singing fly, Scarce heard amidst the guns below.

We are the dead. Short days ago we lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, Loved and were loved and now we lie In Flanders' fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe, To you from failing hands we throw The Torch be yours to hold it high; If ye break faith with us who die We shall not sleep, though poppies grow In Flanders' fields.



TOP THREE GRADUATES of Bovina Middle School were named this week. Victor Carrillo, left,

Leading 8th Grade Graduates Named

Top graduates of Bovina Middle School were named this week.

Leading her classmates into high school next year will be Jessica Amparan, Middle School valedictorian.

Jessica's average was 94.78. She is the daughter of Moncerrat Varela. Middle School salutatorian

is Victoria Carrillo who scored a grade average of 94.18. She is the daughter of Ramuel and Maria Carrillo.

Class historian is Rogelio Martinez with an average of 93.20. Rogelio is the son of Rogelio and Alicia Martinez.

Local Co. Puts Japanese **Rock Band In The Shade**

Employees at American Canvas were busy last week putting the final stitches on what will be the top of an outdoor stage set-up for a Japanese Rock & Roll Band. The almost 16,500 square foot "roof" was built in twelve

foot "roof" was built in twelve sections. Each section has over 100,000 stitches from the company's heavy duty sewing machine.

It was built with 3,000 grommets, velcro attachments that hold up to a 70 mph wind then release to prevent tearing down the stage framing, and the whole rig will weigh in around 3,000 pounds.

American Canvas owners Randy and Deborah Campbell have been sewing canvas covers for tractor-trailers for years. It is the foundation of their business.

A few years back, they made a small top for an outdoor stage for some friends. Someone saw the work, asked for a quote on another cover and a new specialty dimension to the business was born.

Through word of mouth

Rounding out the top six graduates are Hugo Martinez with an average of 92.56. Hugo is the son of Alvaro and **Frances Martinez**

Rebeca Carrillo finished Middle School with an

average of 91.84. She is the daughter of Antonio and Martimiana Carrillo.

Jeffrey Casas had a grade average of 91.76. He is the son of Javier R. and Sandy Casas.

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MEMO

Best of luck to all the Middle School graduates as they prepare for their high school careers. **TEX DOT AWARDS---Lehmon Jacobs, Bovina roadway**

maintenance supervisor (left), and Mike Wilson, assistant roadway maintenance supervisor (right), received a 15year safe operator and no personal injury award, and a 30-year safe operator award, respectively, at a Texas **Department of Transportation Awards Banquet held last** month in Plainview. The Bovina Maintenance Section was also recognized for one-year no lost time.

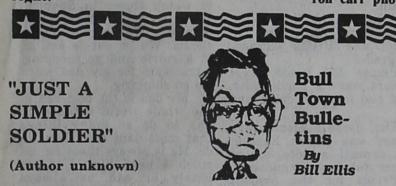
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contracted through a com-pany in Midland, Texas, who builds outdoor stages and employs American Canvas to After completion, the 198 foot long and 83 foot wide black cover was taken down to Midland for a "fitting" before shipping out to Japan. Campbell says the completed job, which employ-ed 8-10 people, will be worth about \$20,000 to Friona's economy, with other orders on

> ABOUT 100,000 stitches will go into this panel at American Canvas. Because of the length and weight of the material, it takes a crew to man the machine. See story at left for more. ron carr photo

is salutatorian; Rogelio Martinez is historian; and the top graduate is valedictorian Jessica Amparan, right. ron carr photo



He was getting old and paunchy, his hair was falling fast, And he sat around the Legion, telling stories of the past. Of a war that he had fought in, the deeds that he had done. In his exploits with his buddies; they were heroes, everyone.

And 'tho sometimes to his neighbors, his tales became a joke, All his buddies listened, for they knew whereof he spoke. But we'll hear his tales no longer, for ol' Bob has passed away, And the world's a little poorer, for a soldier died today.

He won't be mourned by many, just his children and his wife. For he lived an ordinary, very quiet sort of life. He held a job and raised a family, quietly going on his way; But the world won't note his passing, 'tho a soldier died today.

When politicians leave this earth, their bodies lie in state, While millions note their passing, proclaiming they were great. Papers tell of their life stories, from the time they were young, But the passing of a soldier goes unnoticed, and unsung.

What's the greatest contribution, to the welfare of our land, Some jerk who breaks his promise, and cons his fellow man? Or the ordinary fellow, who in times of war and strife, Goes off to serve his country, and offers up his life?

The politician's stipend and the style in which he lives, Are sometimes disproportionate, to the service that he gives. While the ordinary soldier, who offered up his all, Is paid off with a medal, and perhaps a pension, small.

It's so easy to forget them, and it was so long ago, That our Bobs, Jims and Johns went to battle but we know It was not the politicians, with their compromise and ploys Who won for us the freedom, that our Country now enjoys.

Should you find yourself in danger, your enemies at hand, Would you really want a cop-out, with ever waffling stand? Or would you want a soldier, who has sworn to defend, His home, his kin and Country, and fight until the end?

He was just a common soldier, and his ranks are growing thin, But his presence could remind us, we may need his like again. When countries are in conflict, then we find the soldier's part, Is to clean up all the troubles that the politicians start.

If we cannot do him honor, while he's here to hear the praise, Then at least let's give him homage at the ending of his days. Perhaps just a simple headline, in the paper that might say: "Our country is in mouriing, for A SOLDIER DIED TODAY."



within the industry, American Canvas has made about 25 stage and bandstand covers of different sizes. They use the same material as the trailer covers except they flame-proof the material.

They have shipped a stage cover to the Canary Wilson, were recognized last month in Plainview. accident or personal injury. Islands (off the coast of Africa) recently at the Texas The annual safety Jacobs, Bovina and went there personally to Department of banquet in honor of maintenance supervisor,

by **BILL ELLIS**

way to cut down on the oil

shortage would be for

producers who have wells

currently not producing, or "capped," to go in and get such wells back into

"There are some producers

in the Permian Basin, for

example, who already have some wells which have not

been producing for one reason

or another, to get such wells

back in service," Combest

speaking to a group of seven

newspaper publishers and

writers in a conference telephone discussion this

week. "I believe that this is

where there should be an

increase in oil and gas production. This can be accomplished much quicker

than going out and exploring

for oil and digging new wells," Combest told the

Combest slammed the

environmentalists who are so

loudly protesting drilling for

oil in Alaska's Anwar Region.

"This region contains some 19

billion acres, making it

roughly the size of North

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Bovina TxDOT Employees Recognized For Safety

Combest Has Ideas To

Two Bovina employees, Transportation's Lubbock employees who have gone Lehmon Jacobs and Mike District Awards Banquet held years without a driving

received a 15-year Safe Operator and a 15-year No Personal Injury award.

Wilson, assistant maintenance supervisor, received a 30-year Safe Operator award.

Winners of this year's Bovina "Roadeo" were Maintenance Technicians, J'Don Kube and Joe Villarreal, who came in first second place, and respectively, in the Bovina contest. They then competed with the winners of 17 other maintenance sections dictrict wide but did not place high enough to compete in Austin.

The Bovina maintenance section was also recognized for one year no lost time.

"Safety is extremely important in our business. The banquet is our way of recognizing employees who put safety first on the job," said Ken Sylvester, Lubbock District safety coordinator.

The awards are an incentive for employees to practice safety in every aspect of their jobs, Sylvester added. "Many of our employees

have gone 15 years and more without an accident or a personal injury," he said. "That says a lot for our safety program."

The Lubbock District rates 5th statewide in vehicle collisions. The accident rate dropped 7 percent from last year, which is the fourth year in a row that the rate has been reduced.

"We 're doing something right if we're seeing reductions and not increases, Sylvester said.

TEMPERATURES

Friday, May 18: 86-58; Saturday, May 19: 79-54; Sunday, May 20: 82-41; Monday, May 21: 61-40; Tuesday, May 22: 77-46; Wed., May 23: 84-49; Thursday, May 24: 84-48.

there would have to be some new pipelines built, and this will take time, he said. Larry Combest said that a quick

natural gas which could be tapped into, that could be a

can't be shipped in, what do you do then?" he posed. There is a similar problem

in California's current energy crunch, Combest said. Areas of California have been opposed to large electric or energy plants being built in their neighborhoods, and now they're out of power.

"There has not been a new refinery built in the last 25 years, plus the fact that in that time a number of plants have closed down. We need a minimum of 200,000 miles of delivery lines, just to meet the short-term need," Combest said.

The country could use 200 new plants per year for the next 20 years, and still not have too many, the congressman said. In regard to the escalating cost of gas at the pump, Combest said there has been some evidence of prices stabilizing to some extent, although this price is somewhat higher than the recent prices.

Asked by this writer if he thought there was a chance that Texas could suffer blackouts such as California has

Combat Energy Crunch experienced, he was quick to say "No." "Texas has been a leading energy state, in terms of fossil fuel production. We have an adequate supply of electricity in Texas. However, we can't sell power to California, because there are no transmission lines," he said.

In regard to the farm bill, Combest said he had completed the series of hearings regarding the bill, and has invited commodity groups and farm groups to tell him how they would like to see the bill written. "We want specific, rather than general reforms," he said.

Subsequent to the hearings, he has requested for an additional \$79 billion to Agriculture's base line. In July, Combest will begin hearings on an overall market bill, and hopes to have the new bill written by August 1, 2001. "We need to get this done so farmers will know how they stand."

As to the tax reduction bill, which was being voted upon in the Senate at the time Combest was speaking, he said "What better time could you find to send tax money back to the taxpayers after they've just paid their taxes.

In other matters, the congressman said he was hopeful to reform the Estate or "Death Tax," as well as the marriage penalty tax. "Both of these bills have been passed by the House, but as you know, the House is from earth, and the Senate is from Mars, at the present time.

"There is a huge amount of

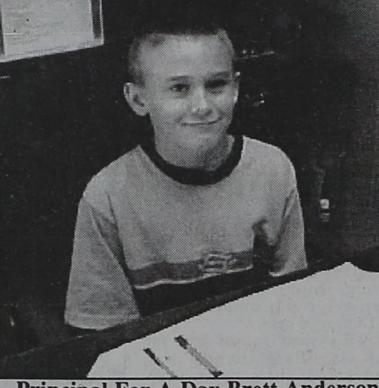
big help, at least for the immediate future," he said. Combest pointed out that the people in the Northeast are against any pipelines being built across their states. "But whenever their rivers and lakes freeze and supplies PAGE 2, THE BOVINA BLADE, FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2001



ALL THESE STUDENTS in Mrs. Deen's 3rd grade class put on a last minute surge and earned their 100 points in the reading program.



Principal For A Day Hannah Miller



Principal For A Day Brett Anderson



... from the files of The Bovina Blade

45 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. * * *

40 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.

College, Nevada, Missouri. George

celebrated his 72nd birthday Monday, June 1.

15 YRS AGO-JUN 2 1986 "End of school" rains have

benefited area farmland with up to three inches of rainfall being reported. The weekend rain amounted to .9 inch, according to Maggie Moore. Farmers have lauded the rains of the past couple of weeks as lifesavers. The for harvest, but has been put Grisham, with a grade point on hold due to wet fields. average of 96.8. Angie Meanwhile, the moisture has Uriegas is salutatorian with

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Donna Griggs and Corey Douglas Kirkpatrick were Bovina's representatives at the 1991 state track and field meet. Miss Griggs won a third-place medal in the jump, and Kirkpatrick placed fifth in the 300-meter intermediate hurdles race.

5 YRS AGO -- MAY 18 1996

The Bovina High School Class of 1996 will have their graduation ceremonies on Saturday May 25 in the Bovina School Auditorium. wheat crop was about ready The valedictorian is Jay been a boon to new row an average of 95.3. Ranking third is Carmen Campos with an average of 93.0.

Results Of School Writing Contests

This was the second year for the Bovina elementary and middle schools writing contest in conjunction with Mother's Day. High school students did not participate this year.

Last year the students wrote on why their mother should be mother of the year. This year teachers expanded the writing to include any person who fulfills the role of parent.

Each grade submitted 5 essays. A panel of judges win most of the time. We do determined the winners based so much fun stuff together. on content, grammar and punctuation. One student from each grade was selected and an overall winner was selected from elementary and middle school. The merchants of Bovina sponsor this activity by donating prizes that students and parents receive. This year the participating sponsors were: Excel, Shirley Grain, Kevin's Auto, Floral Expressions by Celia, Fast Stop, Parmer County Farm Bureau, Caprock Industries, Charles Oil, FirstBank, Bovina Chamber of Commerce, Bovina Lions Club and Allen Theatres of Clovis. Grade level winners were Kyla Salinas, 2nd grade, Mrs. Steelman; Angelica Gallagher, 3rd grade, Mrs. Deen; Hannah Miller, 4th grade, Mrs. Gallegos; Haylee Hughes, 5th grade, Mr. Martin. Also, David Rojas, 6th grade, Zane Anderson, 7th grade; and Britta Gordon, 8th grade. Prizes for grade level winners were a movie pass, pizza and fountain drink and \$30. The overall elementary winner was Aaron Ramon. The overall middle school winner was Jorge Trinidad. Prizes for the overall winners were a movie pass, pizza and fountain drink, \$30, and a \$50 Savings Bond. Parents of the overall winners received a movie pass, pizza and fountain drink, \$50 Savings Bond, gift certificate to Kevin's Auto, oil change from Charles Oil and flowers from Celia's. The overall elementary winner, Aaron Ramon, wrote about his dad:

My final reason is probably the best reason of all. FUN! I can have fun with my friends but that's just a fragment of the fun I have with my father. We like playing baseball and basketball, but there's one game we like playing the best, CHESS! When he gets home I ask him if we can play a game or two. He never turns down an opportunity to beat me. He does sometimes beat me but I

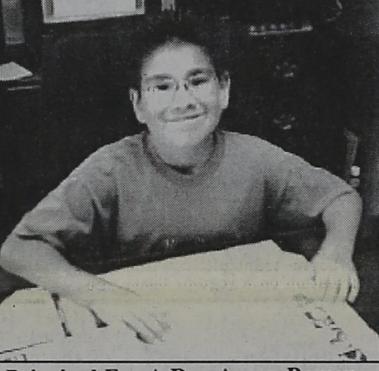


100 Point Reader Ruby Vela



BISD RECEIVES AWARD....Bovina ISD was given an award for their work in migrant education. Shown at the Region 9 migrant education conference are, l-r, Susan Nevad, **Region 16 Migrant Coordinator, Michael** Downes, Christine Salas and Karen Shawver, **Region 16 Migrant Education Specialist.**

Thanks to all the 2001 Graduates!



Principal For A Day Aaron Ramon

Letter To **The Editor** EXTRA! EXTRA! EXTRA! Treasure Found In Bovina!!!

Yes, May 16 was a very special day. It was the day on which the Bovina Mustang Band presented the annual Spring Concert. What a treat!

All bands, elementary through high school, performed beautifully, displayed a professional attitude and showed pride in their work.

Mr Shelly and Mr. Barnard deserve all the praise that our community can muster, and then some, for the outstanding work they have done with our students. The music was wonderful and it filled everyone with pride in our little school.

Let's support this program to the best of our abilities, and hope for many more concerts by these talented people.

Anne Corn, Bovina

35 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.

30 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.

25 YRS AGO-JUN 2 1976 A total of 239 students have been named to the dean's honor roll at South Plains College in Levelland for the spring semester. Parmer County students named to the honor roll included Mrs. Christie McCain of Bovina with all A's; Karla J. Smart, all A's; and Sharon Booth, both of Farwell; and Gayla Self and Becky G. Walker, both of Friona. * * * * * 20 YRS AGO-JUNE 3 1981 Thirty-one seniors graduated in the commencement exercises held on Friday night. Marie Kriegel was awarded her twenty year pin and plaque for her 20 years of service to the Bovina Like right now as I write this schools.

Father of the Year BY AARON RAMON

Do you have anyone that you admire? I do! He's my fabulous father. I can't describe the way I feel about my father with just words. He's my inspiration for everything I do. I would go raving mad if I didn't have a father like him. I'm writing this to show yoou how I feel about my father.

When I feel gloomy or if there is something bothering me I can talk to him about it. He always greets me by saying, "Hi buddy!" When he says that, I just feel like a new glorious day is starting again! When I've had a rough day I think about my dad. When I do, I feel like the whole day was worth it. It is the most wonderful feeling in the world. Another reason is if I have an idea he supports me. He's always behind my every idea 110%. Other than that, he gives me ideas to see what I can make out of them. Sometimes when he's gone I sort of give up on things. Alicia Gail Spring, Amarillo but I'm not giving daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don up on this because I'm

We have such a strong connection with each other, I hope we never lose it. It's so wonderful to have a father like him. I hope I never lose him. These are all the reasons why I think my father should be "Father of the Year!" *****

Overall Middle School winner Jorge Trinidad's entry was also about his father.

My Dad BY JORGE TRINIDAD

My dad is my dad and he is my mom too. When I was 8 years-old my mom passed away. So my dad has been both parents to me. He is also

my best friend. My dad works at Excel. He also works at home. He does all the cooking and I do a lot too, but he always has time for me.

My dad and I like to watch TV together. We like to watch shows in Spanish. We always go everywhere together. We enjoy going to Clovis. We go out to eat, go to a movie and go shopping. I translate for my dad when we go shopping.

My dad is the best dad in the whole world because he has to do so many things that most dads don't have to do. He is always there for me when I need him. If I am lonely or sad he always cheers me up. He tells me jokes and makes me laugh.

I am so thankful my dad is my dad. I know he will always be my dad. I know he will always love me and we will always be close. I am lucky to have my dad because he works hard to take care of me. He works a hard life. Some day I will take care of him like he took care of me.

Happy Birthday

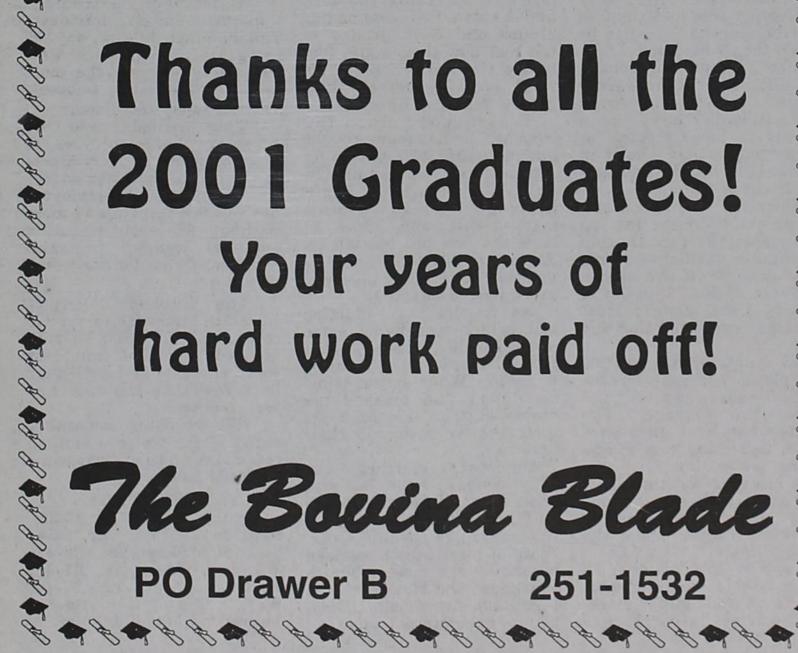
Birthdays for the week of May 27 to June 2, 2001.

May 27 Estella Ortiz, Rock Stanley May 31 Tomas Fuentes,

Jr., Dorothy Ellison

Jun 1 Katherine Harbison, William Drumma

Jun 2 Les McCain, Erik Galvan (Hi, Erik)



Spring, received the associate writing this for him.

For any changes, corrections, additions or deletions to our birthday list, call 251-1523 or write Drawer B, 79009.

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Her brief valedictory remarks at the 2001 Friona High School graduation ceremonies will be made in English.

She did not speak English in 1990 when she entered a bi-lingual second grade class at Friona Elementary.

The quiet, diminutive young woman, with her dark eyes, warm smile and killer dimples, began life in Durango, Durango, Mexico on December 19, 1981. Her mother died during the childbirth.

Her family was poor. So when she was 5 years-old her widowed father, Juan Velazquez, brought Veronica and her older sister Lorena to the U.S.

They lived in Bovina. Veronica was 5, Lorena graduated from Bovina High School. It was in 1986.

Veronica attended first grade in Bovina. Then her dad went to New Hampshire to work and Veronica lived with her sister in Juarez, Mexico, and went to first grade again.

The work Juan found in New Hampshire, packing plastic forks, knives and spoons, proved to difficult and too far away. He came back, gathered up Veronica and moved back to Parmer When I talked to Veronica County, this time to Friona.



VERONICA

She says that she has always had to work hard in school. Learning did not always come easy. With her father leaving home early for work, Veronica would have to walk the several blocks to school.

That is until coach Lisa Reed found out about Veronica. Mrs. Reed saw to it that Veronica had rides to and from school and began to fill the motherly void in her life. She took Veronica to church at the Sixth Street don't have to scream, and Church of Christ.

Kay and Gary Snead became taught me self-control and further caretakers for her. how to be focused." this week, she said that Lisa and Kay had been like mothers to her. She also gave credit to the late Jeffie Tally, a 7th grade English teacher who encouraged her through junior high. Veronica said the first time she thought about being a valedictorian was in 7th grade when she watched as Kayla Wyly gave the 8th grade valedictory address. "While I was listening to Kayla, I realized that I wanted to be where she was."

The next year, Veronica was named valedictorian of her 8th grade class. I went to her house and took a picture of her with her dad for the paper. I believe it was junior high principal Kevin Wiseman that alerted me to Veronica's story back then.

She joined the band in junior high to "have an excuse to go to football games." Her father didn't see the value of extra-curricular activities. He was concerned it would take away from her studies. Band director Zane Polson called her dad and convinced him to give her permission to play.

In high school she continued in band, playing the French horn. This year she served as co-drum major of the award-winning Chieftain Band.

She joined the FHS Thespian Troop as a stage crew member. This year she was stage manager and was selected as Best Stage Manager at the Area One-Act Play competition.

Veronica credits veteran thespian leader Joy Morton, the kids call her Morton, with a strong influence on her life. "She taught me that you lose your temper, to take There, church members charge in your life. She

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PARMER COUNTY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL employees have been busy with continuing education seminars. See the story below for more information. Pictured are, l-r, Dita Jubay, Emmeline Green, Sterling Graham, Rhonda Wilkins, and Debbie Abeyta.

Parmer County Hospital Thanks Community For Recognition

Bill Neely, administrator soon.

at Parmer County Community Hospital, wishes maintenance department to thank all who helped attended continuing education make National Hospital Week for structural pest control in a success.

"The dedication to providing quality medical care lasts throughout the year," Neely prepared for those summersaid.

"We are thankful all year but it is nice to set aside a special time to recognize what a vital part our physicians, employees, board of directors, the nursing department auxiliary and Modern Study handed out safety booklets at Club members provide in the Senior Meals and hopes helping make "a stay in the that the information will be hospital" as comfortable and helpful for all those receiving pleasant as possible," he the booklets. added. Neely gave the following information concerning hospital staff members: Emmeline Green and Dita Jubay attended a cancer meeting in Lubbock earlier this month to get the latest information and director Rhonda Wilkins training on state-required attended the Texas laws designed to track Association Home Care different types of cancer. The conference in Fort Worth medical records department where she gained valuable will begin transmitting this information on ways to mation Systems, Microcominformation on a regular basis continue

Sterling Graham of the March for licensure. With the employees' summer time fast approaching it is nice to know that the facility will be time critters.

> Lynn Nelson, Director of Friona. Nurses, wished to welcome back Debbie Howard, LVN to PCCH. Lynn also said that

homebound patient's with quality nursing care.

Mrs. Wilkins also voiced her thanks to everyone who turned out for Blood Pressure, Glucose Screening and Advance Directives education at Friona State Bank, Security State Bank of Farwell, First Bank in Bovina and the Friendship House in

Laz Students Receive Diplomas

Two students from

Her dad went to work for Paco Feedyard. He put Veronica in school and looked after her, but Mexican traditions and attitudes often clashed with U.S. customs.

Veronica says she learned a lot of English in her bilingual 2nd grade class. She tried her best to speak as much English as she knew. In 3rd grade she was in an English speaking classroom, where she started to learn even more of the language.

WTRT Awards **Scholarships**

West Texas Rural Telephone Service in Hereford awarded scholarships to three Parmer County students. Kayla Smiley of Friona High School, Kati Mimms of Lazbuddie High and Jo Pierson of Oklahoma Lane, a special education/elementary

education major at West Texas A&M University, were each selected to receive \$1000 scholarships from West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative.

Miss Smiley, the daughter of Mitchell and Kim Smiley of Friona plans to major in history or international studies at Texas A&M, Southwestern University or Austin College.

Miss Mimms, daughter of Clay and Reta Mimms of Hub, will attend Lubbock Christian University and major in secondary education with an emphasis on business.

Mrs. Pierson, wife of Wayne Pierson, is working toward completing her degree at WTAMU.

Other scholarship recipients include Ashley Fangman and Brad Reinart of Hereford High School, Kasey Torres of Dawn, a 1999 graduate of Hereford High School, Justin Schenk of Dawn a 2000 graduate of Canyon High School, Gus Correa of Dimmitt High School, and Nathan Parson, a 2000 graduate of Hereford High School.

Following a vote of approval by the membership in 1995, WTRT's board of directors opted to use unclaimed funds from capital credit checks to finance scholorships.

This year's grants bring total scholarships awarded by WTRT to over \$40,000.

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Life hit a bump for Juan Velazquez. On January 23, 1999, a Saturday, Veronica overslept and missed a speech tournament in Hereford. At 9 a.m., Friona Police Officer Joe

Herrera came to her door. Her dad had caught his leg in a grain augar at the feedyard. He was on the way to Amarillo on a Lifestar helicopter where he would eventually lose his leg above the knee.

Kay Snead took her to Amarillo that morning and would become even more important in Veronica's life for the next year as Juan struggled through recovery and rehab.

I asked this shy lass if she was a natural brain and whether good grades came easy. She laughed. "My classmates wonder how I ever made it to valedictorian. I was always the last to finish a test and I asked so many questions in class they made fun of me."

She admits "slacking off" a little this senior year and credits the competition of her class with keeping her grades up. Veronica's average was 4.70. The tenth highest student had an average of 4.48.

We were a good and competitive class and I think that helped all of us," she said.

This year she was selected by those classmates as the 2000 FHS Homecoming Queen.

This year she was selected by the Friona Chamber of Commerce as the 2001 girl Student-of-the-Year.

Veronica Velazquez will give her farewell speech tonight. Afterwards I figure she will cry. I feel pretty sure that Kay Snead and Lisa Reed will cry a few tears too. Tears are a part of all graduations.

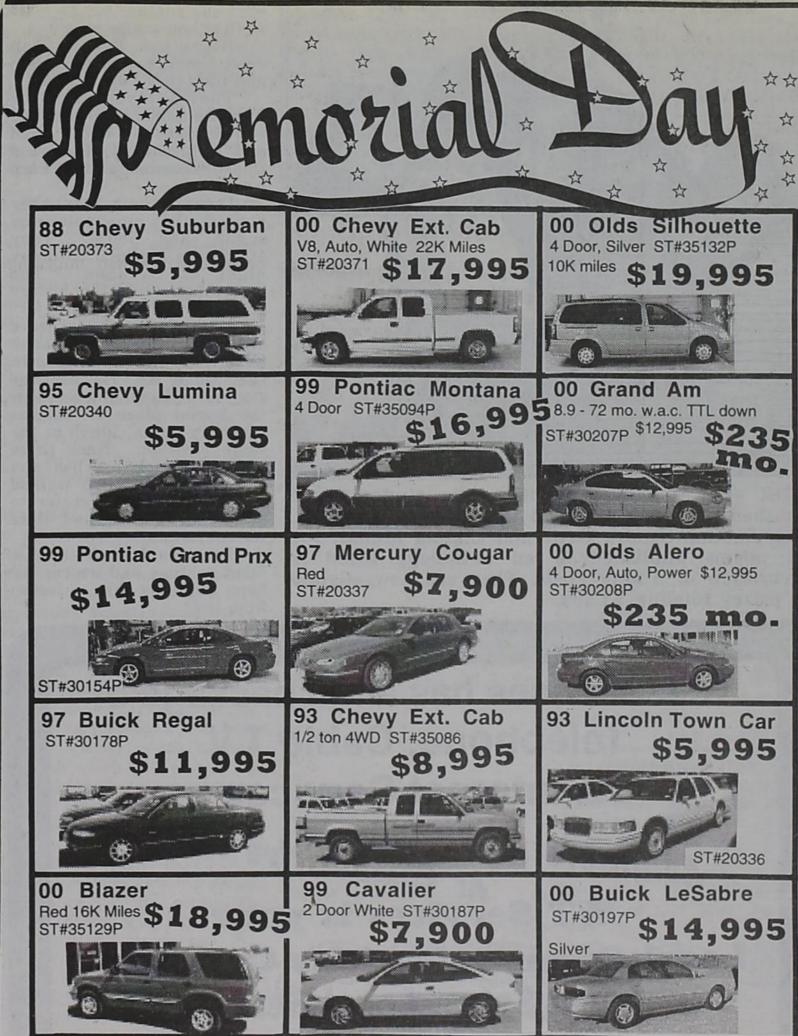
She hopes to attend Abilene Christian University and become a teacher and a Spanish professor. She could still use some scholarship help. If you have any suggestions or assistance or money to invest, I know it would be put to good use.

The hospital's class "C" patients) is staffed by Donna Ratke, consulting pharmacist and Debbie Abeyta, Certified Pharmacy technician.

PCCH home health

Lazbuddie received associate pharmacy (for hospitalized degrees or certificates of proficiency Friday, May 11 during the 43rd annual commencement exercises at South Plains College in Levelland.

The recipients are Teresa Thomas, Associate of Applied Science Degree, Associate Degree Nursing, and Roberto Aguilar, Certificate of Proficiency, Computer Inforproviding puting Certificate Option.



Summer Registration All Students - May 29-June 6 Room 126 • 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Summer classes meet June 4 - July 29 www.clovis.cc.nm.us • 769-4025

Good luck, Veronica. You have been special. And remember to look after those dimples, sweetheart!

Dimmitt's City Garage Sale

Dimmitt's 14th Annual City Wide Garage Sale begins at 8 a.m. on Saturday, June 2, with maps and garage sale directories available at the stoplight at the intersection of highways 385/86 beginning at 7 a.m.

This year, bargain hunters will find vending machines, Planters Peanuts collectibles and a cast iron cook stove among the num-erous furniture, clothing and household goods being offered for sale.

*All vehicles plus TT&L, with approved credit.

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We received an email this week from former Bovinan Montie Howell. Jacque Light, daughter of Herb and Montie Howell, recently received an award of "Outstanding Elementary Counselor." She is the Western Texas College in counselor for Sam Houston Snyder in December with a Elementary School in Odessa.

The award is voted on by the Permian Basin Counseling his summer in Michig Association. The PBCA working at a course there. covers Big Spring to the New Mexico state line, up to Seminole and all the way down to the Ft. Stockton area. She is also finishing up

Clinic Set June 21, 22 In Friona

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic at Parmer County Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Avenue in Friona on June 21 and 22.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing breast self-exam each month.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each woman will receive a breast health risk

a three year term as senator representing PBCA.

week about what her kids, Will and Casey, are up to. Will will graduate from degree in golf course management. He is spending his summer in Michigan

Casey has been attending Oklahoma Central University in Edmond, Oklahoma. She will be working full time at an architectural firm this summer.

Phyllis Steelman's brother and sister-in-law, Wayne and Carmen Tucker of Titusville, Florida, were in town recently to attend their 50th class reunion at Texico High School.

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Dixie and M.H. Carson have company this week. His nephew, Ronald Carson of Powell, Wyoming was here for a couple of days. Ronald was traveling with his daughter and grandson, Rhonda and Kyle Church of Kileen. They were on their way to Wyoming and decided to stop in Bovina and visit with the family.

Last weekend M.H. and Dixie went to their granddaughter, Erin Carson's, high school graduation in Custer, South Dakota. Erin's dad and step-mother are Gary and Barbara Carson of Pequot Lakes, Minnesota. Erin's brother, Jared, of Ft. Bragg, was also there.

their daughter Christen also drove to the graduation. Dixie said Sunday they went Talked to Pam Bell this to see Mount Rushmore and it snowed!

> Carlene Jones enjoyed having all her children visiting for Mother's Day. Her children are Reggie and Sandra Jones of Amarillo; Kathy and Lowell Boozer of Canyon, Brenda and Jon Riddle of Bovina and Donald Jones of Farwell.

> She said that after church they ate lunch at the Lions' Mother's Day meal at the school. They have a great time.

Mrs. Jones reported that she attended her greatgranddaughter's birthday party this past Saturday. Brittany Carson celebrated her first birthday with family, including her parents, Allen and Christy Carson and grandpa, Donald. There were seven other couples there with one to two little children each, you can bet the party was a little active!

Mrs. Jones also reported that she attended her greatgrandson, Joshua Longley's, kindergarten graduation in Farwell. His parents are completed two years of study Cindy and Paul and his at SPC and we wish them all grandpa is Donald.

Kelly of Ozona, visited his university or enter the mother recently. His son, workforce with the skills they Casey, who attends South have attained in our technical Plains College in Levelland, received an engineering award and Kelly came to see the presentation. Casey just completed his freshman year Reese Center in Lubbock. there.



STUDENTS AND PARENTS gathered before Mother's Day for the 2nd annual Essay Writing Contest. The winning entries were presented and read during a meeting in the auditorium. See page 2 for contest results.

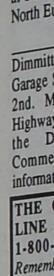
J. Garcia Receives Degree

Jose Garcia from Bovina received an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Drafting Technology Friday, May 11 during the 43rd annual commencement exercises at South Plains College in Levelland.

"Graduation is an important milestone in the lives of these students," said Dr. Gary McDaniel, SPC president. "They have completed two years of study the best as they pursue future endeavors, whether they Erra Jamerson's son, continue their education at a



OVERALL WINNER Aaron Ramon is shown with his father at the Essay Contest assembly. See page 2 for contest results and Aaron's story.



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Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance.

All exams are done by appointment only. Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information.

Traveling with M.H. and Dixie were son and daughter, Richard of Bovina and Joan of Cedar Park. Son and daughter-in-law, Galen and Elaine Carson of Bovina and



FOUR OF Mrs. Neal's 4th grade students are published poets for a second time. Danna Guerrero, Jason Sheena, Sandra Ortiz and Cinthia Munoz, I-r, had poems published in an anthology titled A Celebration of Young Poets. They are now eligible for prizes totaling \$1,500.

Rose McCain answered the phone one day and her son Ben asked, "Would you like to go to Maui?" Well, guess what she said?

Rose flew out of Amarillo May 10 to Dallas. She met a cousin, Bobbie Jean Ford, at the airport during her three hour lay-over. They haven't seen one another for 20 years so they had a nice visit.

Rose then flew to San Jose, California to meet Ben and then they flew to Maui.

They stayed at the Kamolie Sands hotel and had two bedrooms, a living room and a kitchen. Rose said their accommodations were wonderful.

During their stay they visited the pineapple and sugar cane fields. They attended a big luau Saturday night at La Iana. The entertainers told the history of the Hawaiian Islands.

Mother's Day they drove around and saw the waterfalls and flowers. On the Road to Hana they stopped at Kipahulie and saw the burial place of Charles Lingburg and a church at the same location. Near there was the black beaches and volcano crater. Ben walked all the way to the crater to get a better look and Rose waited for him.

Rose said they had a fabulous time and we can all hope our sons take a lesson from Ben!

education training programs." Graduates represented SPC's campus locations in Levelland, Lubbock and the

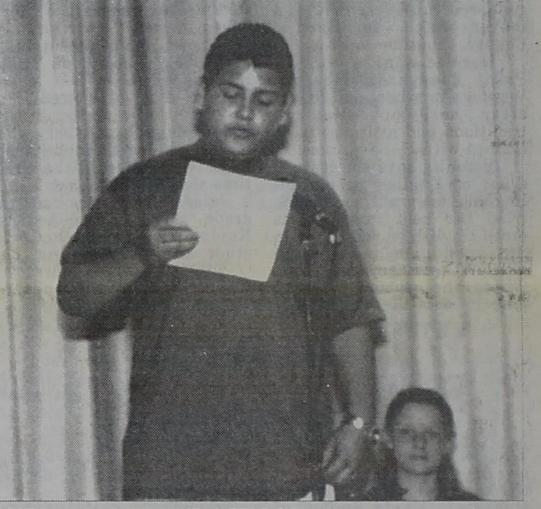
M. Jones **Is Inducted** In Society

Marilyn Denise Jones was inducted into the Alpha Tau Nu Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa at Clovis Community College on April 29, 2001.

Jones, majoring in Executive and Legal Secretary, is the daughter of Gwen Clements and her children are D'Anne Baker and Jimmi Dawn and Montana Jones, all of Bovina. Established in 1918 by

two-year college presidents, Phi Theta Kappa is the oldest and most prestigious honor society serving two-year colleges around the world. The Society serves to recognize and encourage the academic achievement of two-year college students and provide opportunities for individual growth and development through honors, leadership and service programming.

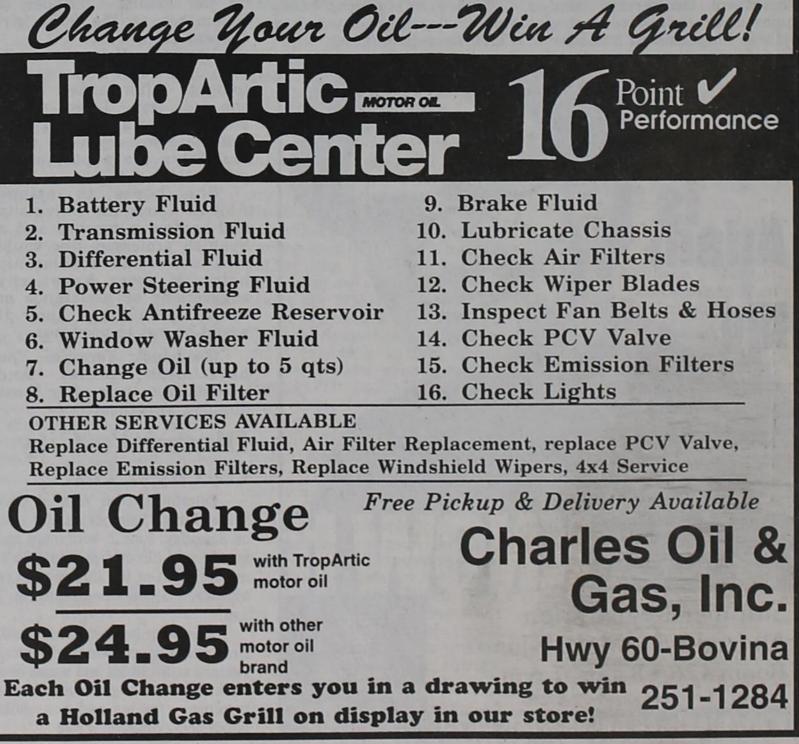
Students must rank in the top 20% of the class to be invited to membership in Phi Theta Kappa and must maintain high academic standing during their enrollment in the two-year college.



OVERALL MIDDLE SCHOOL essay contest winner was Jorge Trinidad, shown reading his story. See page 2 for more on the writing contest.







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READ & USE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friona Masonic Lodge No. 1332 Stated Meeting-1st Tues. 8 P.M.-7th & Ashland John R. Blackwell, W.M. Larry J. Knowles, Sec.

ATTENTION!!!! **Consignments** Needed for household sale to be held in late June. Call by May 10, John Tannahill, 250-3336 or 265-7917. tfnc-6/20

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Alcoholics Anonymous meetings every Saturday and Monday, 8 p.m. at Union Congregational Church on North Euclid St. in Friona.

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Dimmitt's 14th Annual City Wide Garage Sale-8 a.m. Saturday, June 2nd. Maps and directories at Highway 385/86 intersection. Call the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce (806)647-2524 for information. F-1tc-5/25

THE CHILD ABUSE HOT LINE PHONE NUMBER IS 1-800-252-5400. Remember that our children today are our future tomorrow. F&B-tfnc

FOR RENT

FOR RENT....2 bedroom house. No pets. Call (806) 250-3818. F-tfnc-2/16

NOW LEASING

FOR RENT....2 bedroom, 1 bath, \$300 plus deposit. 104 4th Street, Bovina. Call (806)995-3441. B-tfnc-5/25

FOR SALE

FOR SALE....1977 Chevy Caprice classic car. Call 247-2191 for appointment to see. F-2tp-5/18-5/25

Big Screen TV for sale Take on small payments. Good credit required. 1-800-398-3970. F-2tp-5/25-6/1

HELP WANTED

Opening for full time RN in Nursing Dept. Contact Lynn Nelson, R.N./D.O.N., Parmer County Community Hospital for details. (806)250-2754, Ext. 120. F-4tc-5/4-5/11-5/18-5/25

IMMEDIATE OPENING FOR STAFF ACCOUNTANT

Performs accounting duties such as preparation of monthly financial reports for the board meeting, recording entries in general ledger, preparing reports and maintaining accounting documents and files. A BBA in accounting is required and two years of accounting experience in a medical setting is preferred. Resumes may be sent to: H.R.M.C. 801 E. 3rd St.

EASTRIDGE MANOR APARTMENTS leasing, one or now two bedrooms in Bovina. Call 251-1102, Connie Garza.

LOST & FOUND

FOUND....An easy-lift control WANTED....Someone to play bar. Please call 250-3615 to claim. F-2tp-5/18-5/25

LOST Set of keys from south

Legal Notice

Texas Natural Resource **Conservation Commission** Notice Of Application And Preliminary Decision For Water Quality Land Application Permit Amendment Of Industrial Wastewater

PERMIT NO. 01350



days of the date of newspaper publication of the notice.

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CLASSIFIED ADS

F-tfnc-5/11

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision or who requested to be on a mailing list for this application. The mailing provide will also instructions for requesting reconsideration of the executive director's decision and for requesting a contestéd case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court. A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn. Issues that are not raised in public comments may not be considered during a hearing.





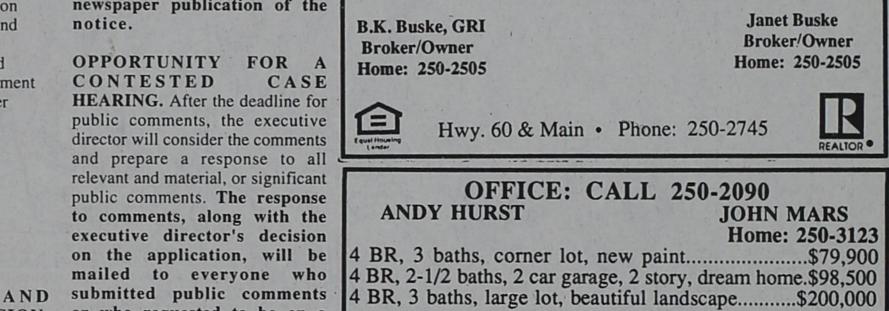
CONGRATULATIONS!

First, our sincere congratulations go to one of the finest senior classes in FHS history. The awards ceremony was so impressive and the prospects for this group are simply tremendous.

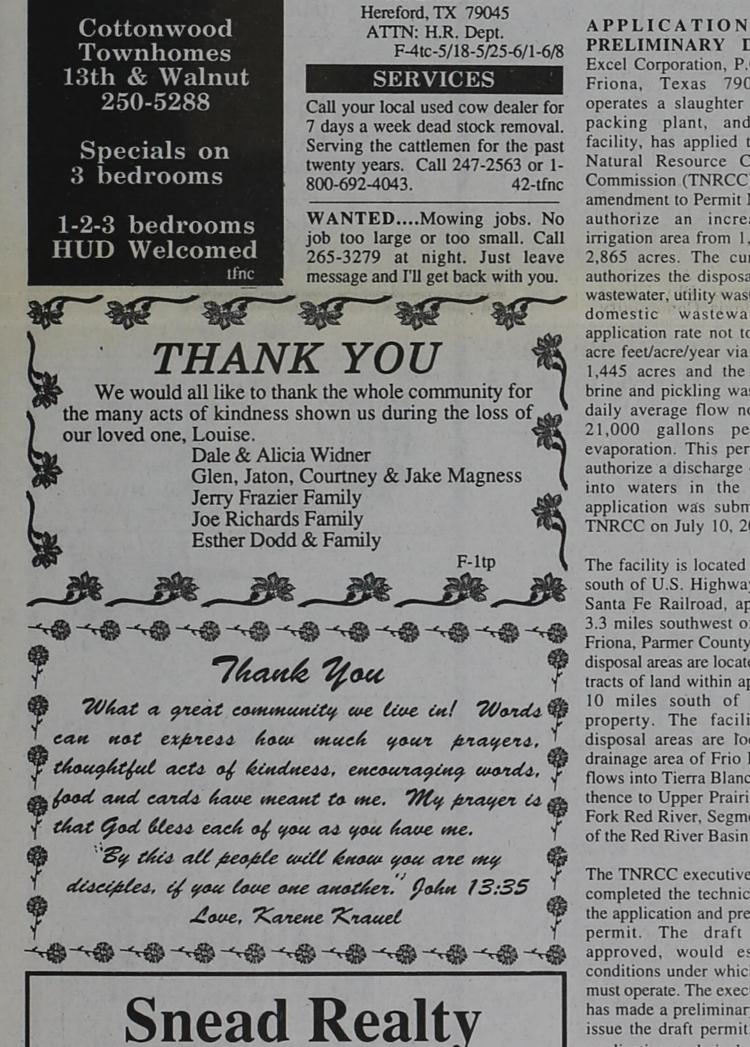
We particularly would like to congratulate three seniors who we have worked with for some time. We wish much continued success to Christina Ortega, Dustin Campbell and Garland Buske.

Second, we would like to take this opportunity to thank our community for the friendships and fellowships we have enjoyed over the past 25 years. We hope for continued success for Holly Campbell and Dale Hart as they make the move to Property Associates, Realtors.

B. K. & Janet Buske



player. Will play ladies singles, doubles and mixed doubles. After 5 LOST....Set of keys from southp.in. and teave a message.5th Street. Please call Judy at Hi-5704 and leave a message.F-1tp-5/25F-1tp-5/25 p.m. and weekends. Plase call 250-



908 W. 11th St. Gary Snead, MFLA,				
NEW LISTING3 BR, 1-3/4				
Office bldg., brick, new heat		and the second se		
3 BR, 1 bath, HUD, fireplac	e, lg. stor	age	SOLD	\$32,000
2 BR. 2 baths metal siding			SOLD.	

PRELIMINARY DECISION. Excel Corporation, P.O. Box 579, Friona, Texas 79035, which operates a slaughter house, beef packing plant, and rendering facility, has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for a major amendment to Permit No. 01350 to authorize an increase in the irrigation area from 1,445 acres to 2,865 acres. The current permit authorizes the disposal of process wastewater, utility wasteswater, and domestic wastewater at an application rate not to exceed 4.2 acre feet/acre/year via irrigation of 1,445 acres and the disposal of brine and pickling wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 21,000 gallons per day via evaporation. This permit will not authorize a discharge of pollutants into waters in the State. This application was submitted to the **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** TNRCC on July 10, 2000.

The facility is located immediately south of U.S. Highway 60 and the Santa Fe Railroad, approximately 3.3 miles southwest of the City of Friona, Parmer County, Texas. The disposal areas are located on various tracts of land within approximately 10 miles south of the facility property. The facility and the disposal areas are located in the drainage area of Frio Draw, which flows into Tierra Blanca Creek, and thence to Upper Prairie Dog Town Fork Red River, Segment No. 0229 of the Red River Basin.

The TNRCC executive director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The executive director has made a preliminary decision to issue the draft permit. The permit application, technical summary and executive director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at City Hall, 623 Main Street, Friona, Texas 79035.

PUBLIC COMMENT / more information about this permit PUBLIC MEETING. You application or the permitting may submit public process (such as being added to the

ACTION. The executive director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or a timely request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the executive director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and requests to the TNRCC Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

MAILING LISTS. In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to obtain additional information regarding this application. You may request to be added to: (1) the mailing list for this specific application; (2) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (3) the permanent mailing list for a specific county. Clearly specify which mailing list(s) to which you wish to be added and send your request to the TNRCC Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

INFORMATION. If you need

MARS-HURST REAL ESTATE & INSURANCE 611 West 11th, Friona Also, Insurance Needs: *Health *Medicare Supplement *Crop *Life *Annuity

REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE IN BOVINA.... 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 living areas, double car garage, fireplace, fenced yard, \$67,500. Call 251-1262. B-tfnc-10/6

HOUSE FOR SALE....Great location, 201 W. 14th. Bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, large family room with fireplace, kitchen with pantry, lots of storage space, finished double car garage, storage building, large yard with sprinkler system. Call 505-762-0041.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of SEVA W. STRUVE, Deceased, were issued on May 15, 2001, in Cause No. 2476, pending in the County Court of Parmer County, Texas, to: KAY STRUVE RAY.

The residence of the Independent Executrix is Amarillo, Randall County, Texas; the post office address is:

c/o: JEFF ACTKINSON Attorney at Law 402 Third Street Farwell, Texas 79325

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 17th day of May, 2001.

ALDRIDGE, AYCOCK, **ACTKINSON & RUTTER, L.L.P** P. O. Box 286 Farwell, Texas 79325 **By: JEFF ACTKINSON** Attorney for the Estate State Bar No.: 24001624

REPO SPECIAL!!!! Large (2,670 sq. ft.) ranch style home that needs some TLC. 3 bedrooms and 3 baths. 2 car attached garage. Large 140'x150' lot. REDUCED TO \$84,000 with FINANCING AVAILABLE. Drive-by 707 2nd St., Farwell, then call Dennis Whalen, Property Sales Dept., 1-800-757-9201, Ext. 7374 (M-F 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) Pacific Time.

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FOR SALE....3 BR home, oversized garage, separate apartment, 1301 Columbia in Friona. Call (806)359-1657.

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Offering for sale 1/2 section of Deaf Smith County grassland. Located 26 miles west of Hereford on Highway 1058. Southeast corner of property line is located 1 mile west of Bootleg Corner and runs 1/2 mile north and 1 mile west along Hwy. 1058. Property is fenced and has a 5 room fixer-upper dwelling with domestic well and out buildings. Purchase offers can be sent to Johnny Buse, P.O. Box 23, Sunray, Texas 79086. You may call 806-948-5203 for additional information. Offers in response to this ad must be submitted by July 1, 2001 for consideration. Seller reserves the right to reject any or all offers.

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TEMPERATURES Friday, May 18: 86-58; Saturday, May 19: 79-54; Sunday, May 20: 82-41 Monday, May 21: 61-40: Tuesday, May 22: 77-46; Wed., May 23: 84-49; Thursday, May 24: 84-48. Precip: .24 May 18, .16"

May 20.

2 BR, 1 bath, cute home, good neighborhood	\$33,0	000
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5 BR, 2 BA, sunroom, basement, carport, large lot	.\$58,	000
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comments or request a mailing list), please call the public meeting about this TNRCC Office of Public application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit written or MC 105, P. O. Box 13087, oral comment or to ask questions about the application. The TNRCC will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

Written public comments and requests for a public Issued May 14, 2001 meeting should be submitted to the Office of the Chief LaDonna Castanuela, Chief Clerk Clerk, MC 105, TNRCC, Texas Natural Resource P.O. BOX 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 within 30

Assistance, Toll Free, at]-800-687-4040 or write to them at Austin, Texas, 78711-3087. General information about the TNRCC can be found at our web site at www.tnrcc.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from Excel Corporation at the address stated above or by calling Mr. Steve Thompson at (806)295-3201.

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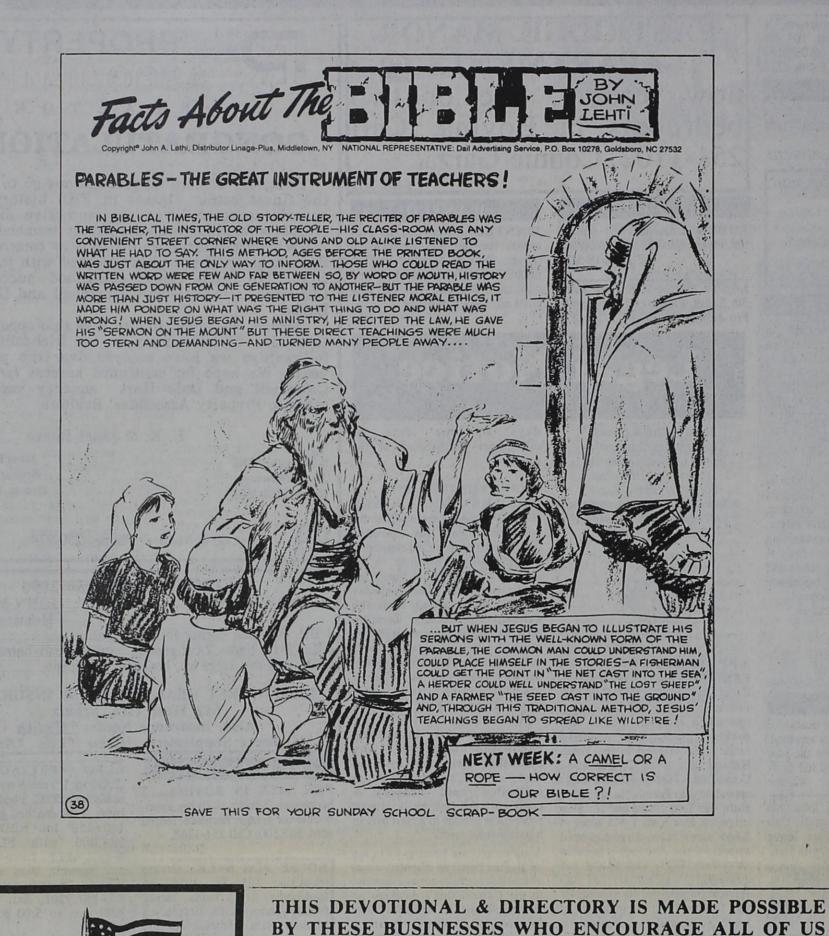
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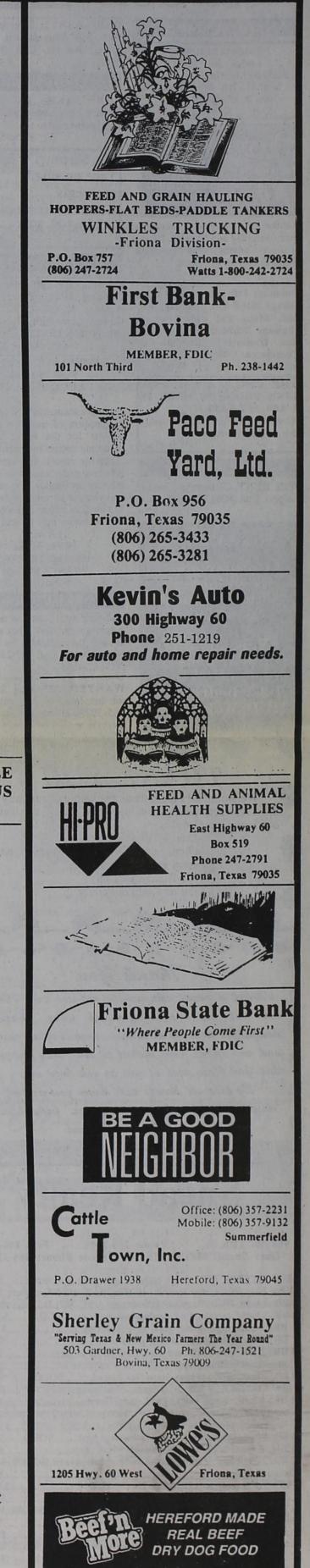
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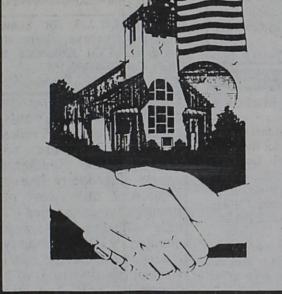
Words cannot even begin to express how the people of Friona and Bovina have helped us during our loss of our wife-mother, grandmother-Matilda Baca. Many, many thanks for memorials, flowers, food, cards, visits, phone calls and most of all, your prayers and support. May God bless each and every one of you.

With love, John Baca Teresa, Raul, Candi, Brandi Braillif Peggy, Stephanie, Andrew Cabrera F&B-1tc PAGE 6, THE BOVINA BLADE, FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2001

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FRIONA CHURCHES

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

VICTORY FAMILY WORSHIP CENTER 5th & Ashland Ricky Beard, Pastor 250-2207

TEMPLO "MARANATHA" SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD 301 Grand Rev. Isidro Jimenz

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CALVARY BAPTIST 14th & Cleveland Alvin Petty 250-3000

FIRST BAPTIST Sixth & Summitt 250-3933

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North end of the Congregational Church 1601 Euclid David Williams, pastor 265-5267

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CHURCH OF CHRIST

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TENTH ST. CHURCH OF CHRIST 10th & Euclid

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IGLESIA COMPANERISMO CRISTIANO 7th & Washington Ruben Rivera, Min. 247-8011

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