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GRAND PRIZE SMILE....Jerry Roach was a happy camper this week as he took possession of his \$150 check from Penny Dutton. Roach is the 1999 grand prize winner in the football contest. Dutton is the manager by teachers at school and of the Fast Stop Conoco in Bovina, a football contest sponsor.

Roach Captures Grand Prize In 1999 Football Contest contestants received credit for time he has managed to win

It had all the excitement of a last minute field-goal. With one football contest to play and \$150 at stake, Bobby Joe Johnson, Del Ray Sudderth and Jerry Roach were tied at 114 total points. A. M. Wilson was only one point back at 113.

To make it more interesting, the Arkansas vs. LSU game was thrown out because it started prior to the 5 p.m. Friday deadline. All

Santa Letters Due Soon

It is time for children to send their letters to Santa for Christmas '99. As in the past the Bovina Blade will publish Santa Letters from children in our last issue before Christmas.

Letters should be collected turned in to the school office it. When the final gun

sounded on the last contest, Johnson had picked 8 correct, Wilson had 9, Sudderth had 10 and Roach went into the end zone standing up with 11 correct games.

His total of 125 points over the 13-week contest earned the grand prize of \$150. Roach has been a long time entrant in the football contest and this is the first

no later than Wednesday,

Letters can also be dropped off at the Santa

mailbox at the Blade office

December 15 are not

guaranteed to be included in

Letters received after

December 15.

Tuesday-Friday.

the newspaper.

the top prize.

EIGHT PAGES

As of December 2, 1999

bales of cotton had been ginned in Parmer County. Friona Star and Bovina Blade Survey

> The winner of the last weekly contest was Bovina high school coach Jeff Neal. He was one of four contestants to pick 12 correct and won the \$20 cash prize with a tie-breaker that was 17 points off the Atlanta 28, Carolina 34 game.

> Tyson Kerby won second place with 12 correct and 22 points off while Don Spring captured third place with 30 points off. Jan Smith also had 12 correct but finished out of the money with 37 points off the tie-breaker.

We would like to sincerely thank all the contestants who took the time to have some fun with us this year. We especially appreciate the sponsors who provided the means for us to enjoy another contest year.

Thanks to all of you and we look forward to the 2000 contest.

Christmas Tree Choir To Hold Three Performances

The combined 84 voices of help defray the costs of new musicians from the com- lighting and decorations will



LUCKY 13....Bovina coach Jeff Neal won the 13th and final week in the 1999 football contest. Presenting his \$20 check is Penny Dutton, manager at Fast Stop Conoco in Bovina, a football contest sponsor.

LAST WEEK you ate your last Thanksgiving dinner of the 20th century. And the week before that you spent your last odd day on this earth. The date, Friday 11-19-1999, contains all odd digits. The next totally odd day will be 1-1-3111, well over a thousand years from now. Unless you believe in re-incarnation,

MY TURN By Carol Ellis

you probably won't be around in the year 3111. But take heart! You will be here for the next totally even day which is scheduled for Wednesday, 2-2-2000. It will be the first even day since 8-28-0888.

Yes, somebody sent me that on the internet. You don't think I figured it out by myself, do you? People who think up that sort of stuff have W-A-Y too much time on their hands.

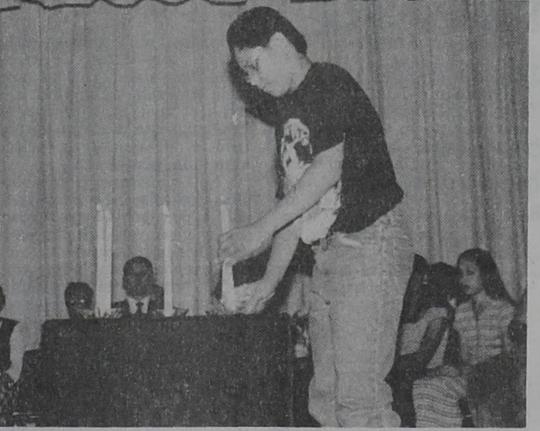
Thanksgiving is such a nice mellow holiday. There's nothing commercial about it, nobody expects you to buy them a present, and you can gorge without guilt. It's the great American pig out. Families get together wearing elastic waistbands and take turns snoozing in front of the TV in between repeated trips to the kitchen for left-overs.

We are into December now and the month long munch-athon is underway. I love it! Staff members brought left-over Thanksgiving sweets to the newspaper office this week. For the next four weeks there'll be Christmas gatherings, club meetings, open houses, receptions, teas, end-of-millennium parties, New Year's Eve parties, etc., and goodies galore at every event.

Fat is a group effort in December. Folks try to outdo each other in preparing succulent snacks, nifty nibbles and merry munchies. Ooooh! I've got to have your recipe for that! It is rude to refuse food in December. Some one went to a lot of trouble to fix something tasty, and they'd like to see you enjoy it. Everybody gains between one to five pounds between Thanksgiving and Christmas, and once a pound is there, we usually don't lose it.

Chocolate. Now there's a great idea for a Christmas present. A nice box of chocolates can provide your total daily





CEREMONIES for the National Junior Honor Society inductions were held at the school last week. Top, school counselor John Broeker and NJHS president Maria Perez presented credentials to the students. Below, NJHS treasurer Martin Carrillo takes part in the photos by k'dawn scroggins ceremony.

Christmas **Band Concert** Wednesday

Bovina band director Bill Shelly has announced that Bovina's Bands will present their annual Christmas concert on Wednesday, December 8, at 9:30 a.m. in the auditorium.

Participating will be the varsity band, junior varsity

munities of Friona, Hereford, Amarillo, Bovina, Muleshoe, Dimmitt, and Broadview, New Mexico will herald the coming of the Christmas Season as they present traditional and modern selections in the 1999 Living Christmas Tree again directed by Jim Parker.

Performances will be in the Friona Junior High Auditorium, Friday, December 3 and Saturday, December 4, at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, December 5, at 2 p.m.

No tickets are being distributed, and admission is free; however, donations to

be welcome.

Local performers are excited to have the addition of the twenty-four voices from the Texas Plains Chorale of Hereford and several voices from surrounding communities com-bining to make the largest number of choir members in the fourperformance history of the Living Christmas Tree, and promising to be the best yet. Child care for children 5 years old and younger will be provided at the 10th Street Church of Christ during each performance.



FIREMEN CHECK THE SCHOOL....Bovina volunteer firemen and law enforcement officers answered a fire alarm at the school on Tuesday. All students were evacuated and it turned out to be a false alarm. ron carr photo



intake of calories all in one place. Isn't that handy? Chocolate has many preservatives. Preservatives make you look younger. If you eat equal amounts of dark chocolate and white chocolate they actually counteract each other and it counts as a balanced diet. Chocolate covered raisins, cherries, orange slices and strawberries all count as fruit, so you can eat as many as you want. Here's a nice diet tip: eat a little bit of chocolate before each meal. It'll take the edge off your appetite and you'll eat less. If you have any chocolate left over, it will last a long time in the freezer, preferably hidden behind a large chunk of beef and no one but you will know that it's there.

Nobody expects you to diet in December. There will be plenty of time for that next month, next year, next century, day, December 15, the next millennium (all starting January 1st). So fold up your Stairmaster and NordicTrack. Drape something over your exercise bike. Stash your treadmill out in the garage. There'll be no powdered drinks, no diet pills, no frozen calorie- fourth grade students will less entrees. Just for now, forget those sugarless, salt-less, fat sing, dance and act in a less, butter-less, tasteless diets. And then the tension and musical play titled "The Xirritability caused by abstinence from food will give way to mas Files." love, warmth, and caring and the Christmas spirit will surround us all.

band, the fifth grade band and the school choir.

Shelly asked that all who attend the concert bring a can of food for the school's food drive for the needy.

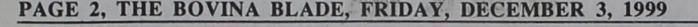
Elementary **Musical On** December15

At 10 a.m. on Wedneselementary school music program will be presented.

The second, third, and

The public is invited to attend.

BOVINA FIREMEN pack up to leave the school last Tuesday. The volunteers responded to a fire alarm at the school. It was a false alarm caused when a student pulled an alarm box. ron carr photo





....from the files of The Bovina Blade

40 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.

35 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 Drilling on the wildcat oil Parmer County Community well on J. G. McFarland's Hospital in Friona last week land north of Bovina had following surgery.

An era has ended in Bovina. W. E. (Willie) Williams is no longer in business here. He sold his store, Williams Mercantile Co., to Otis and Wayne surgery and is home and Spears last week with the trade being effective. Saturday.

30 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.

86, died Tuesday morning at two pheasants per day during Hillcrest Nursing Home in hunting season. Plainview.

Mrs. and Mrs. Robert through Bovina this week. Kregg Wilson of Bovina He is a determined young became parents of a baby man with one leg and being boy, Christopher Poyntz handicapped does not have to Wilson, born Tuesday at mean disabled, was his 11:28 a.m. at Clovis message. Memorial Hospital.

Some 55 children, 10 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 6, 1989 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.

20 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 12, 1979

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

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 getting along fine.

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

15 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 12, 1984 This year the Wildlife Commission voted to lower the bag limit from three to

Bovina Junior High Honor Roll Released

gomery.

The Bovina Junior High School honor roll for the Viernes, Laura Rocha, Irma

Sixth grade-----Bacilio

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Susan Kerby of Bovina.

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D. who is presently employed by the Rusk State Hospital at Rusk.

25 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 4, 1974 Funeral services for Mrs. Ina Lacewell, formerly of Bovina, are pending at Lemons Funeral Home in

Plainview. Mrs. Lacewell, **Bovina Man's Rites Held** Wednesday

Mass for Manuel S. Florez, 78, of Bovina, was held Tuesday at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina with the **Reverend Fernando Colture** and deacon John Nino officiating.

Graveside services were held Wednesday at Calvary Catholic Cemetery in San Angelo with the Reverend

Joe Bastuez officiating. Burial was under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Florez died Sunday, November 28, 1999, at Parmer County Community Hospital.

He was born September 16, 1921, in San Angelo. He married Eva Florez on July 25, 1971, in San Angelo. He had served in the U.S. Army and was a veteran of World War II. He worked for Bermea Brothers of Friona.

Survivors include his wife; two brothers, Pablo and Ramon, both of San Angelo; and two sisters, Frances Rodriguez of Phoenix, Arizona, and Carmen Valencia of San Angelo.

second six weeks was released this week by K' Dawn Scroggins, principal.

The honor roll was as follows:

All A's Honor Roll: Sixth grade-----Elizabeth Ortiz, Vanessa Garcia, Zane Anderson.

Seventh grade-----Jessica Amparan, Victoria Carrillo.

Eighth grade-----Christopher Ortiz.

Rocha, Karla Rivera, Sandra Perez, Saul Martinez, Cody Jamerson.

the final week of the contest.

place last July.

Melody Montgomery.

5 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 3, 1994

Seventh grade-----Giselle Alvarado, Chad Scroggins, Daniela Quintero, Jose Guevara, Rebeca Carrillo, Elizabeth Alonzo, Gloria Rocha, Rogelio Martinez, Hugo Martinez, Jeffrey Casas, Hugo Aguillon.

Eighth grade--Yuriela Vela, Gonzalo Quintero, All A's and B's Honor Maribel Ortiz, Sandra Roll: mining somori river biller Moreno, Maria Perez.

INTERRUPTED LUNCH....These elementary school students were enjoying lunch in the cafeteria when the fire alarm interrupted. They spent about 10 minutes outside while officials checked out the source ron carr photos of the alarm. ron carr photos

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High Plains Water District, NRCS Begin Pre-Plant Moisture Survey

Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 and United States Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS) are now collecting data for the 2000 pre-plant soil moisture survey.

The annual survey is conducted to determine general pre-plant soil moisture availability and deficit trends within the 15-county High Plains Water District service area. Information gathered during the survey enables producers to conserve ground water by applying only what is needed to bring the five-foot root zone soil profile to field capacity during pre-plant irrigation.

Three teams are now collecting pre-plant soil moisture data. USDA-NRCS Soil Scientist Gerald Crenwelge and Engineer Technician Terry Bridges are

Technician Glenn Blackmon counties. Engineer Technician aluminum access tube. Arnold Husky and Agriculturist Becky Britten are collecting data in Bailey, Cochran, Crosby, Hockley and

Lynn counties. in November each year to avoid as much bad weather as possible," said Carver. "Also, we want to finish the survey before producers begin irrigating winter crops."

Weather permitting, the data collection for the 2000 pre-plant soil moisture survey should be completed by the end of December.

Water District and USDA-NRCS personnel use troxler neutron moisture meters to gather data at more than 300 permanently-installed soil

McCathern Book Is Available

Gerald McCathern, author of the exciting historical western novel, Horns has completed his latest novel, Dry Bones. The book is currently on sale at the Friona Star for \$24.95.

Dry Bones is the con-uing story of early days in He added that rainfall tinuing story of early days in

Personnel from the High working in Armstrong, Deaf moisture monitoring sites ins Underground Water Smith, Parmer, Potter and within the Water District. Randall counties. Engineer Readings are taken at sixinch intervals throughout the and Agriculturist Scott Orr five-foot root zone profile by are working in Castro, Floyd, lowering the neutron probe Hale, Lamb and Lubbock into a previously-installed

Soil moisture monitoring sites are selected according to soil type, local crops grown and the saturated thickness of the Ogallala Aquifer, which "We begin data collection indicates potential water well yields. Each site represents typical dryland or irrigated farming practices in the area where the site is selected.

Data collected is used to construct maps illustrating the amount of soil moisture available for plant use within the root zone soil profile and the amount of water needed to bring the soil profile to field capacity.

These maps, as well as the results of the 2000 preplant soil moisture survey, will be distributed to area news media and published in the Water District's monthly newsletter, the Cross Section, prior to the pre-plant irrigation season.

"We expect the northern portion of the Water District service area to be wetter than normal when we begin our pre-plant soil moisture survey. This area received from two to six inches of rainfall at the end of the 1999 crop season. The top two to three feet of the soil profile should be

was scattered across the southern portion of the Water District service area at the end of the crop season. "We should find drier conditions in that area because the crops were maturing and using quite a bit of water," said Carver. Additional information moisture survey is available from the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1, 2930 Avenue Q, Lubbock, TX 79405-1499, or by calling (806)762-0181. The Water District's web site address is www.hpwd.com, and its e-mail addresses are hpwd@hpwd.com and info@ hpwd.com

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HELPING OUT for the holidays. Middle school students collected over 800 canned and nonperishable food items to help the needy during this Christmas season. photo by k'dawn scroggins

the Texas Panhandle, with the same characters and setting as Horns. Beginning in 1875-1881, it covers the seven year period when hundreds of thousands of longhorn cattle were brought into the Panhandle and the huge cattle ranches, the JA, LS, LE, Turkey Track, Quarter Circle T, Matador about the 2000 pre-plant soil and many others, were born.

Dry Bones is an exciting fictional story built around the actual history of the Texas Panhandle, with buffalo hunters, cattle drives, Indian battles, cattle rustlers and gun battles. The only law was the six-gun, and you either lived by it or died by

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Emergency Farm Loan **Applications** Accepted

caused by flooding, hail and Agriculture. It is authorized wind, are being accepted at to provide disaster emerthe Farm Service Agency gency loans to recognized (FSA) office located in farmers who work at and rely Farwell, Thomas S. Taylor, on farming for a substantial said today.

eight in Texas recently individual farms who are U.S. named by Secretary of citizens and farming part-Agriculture Dan Glickman nerships, corporations or eligible for loans to cover part cooperatives in which U.S. of actual production losses citizens hold a majority resulting from the flooding, hail and winds.

Thomas S. Taylor said farmers may be eligible for loan of up to 80 per cent of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to partment of Agriculture continue in business, whichever is less. For farmers nation in its programs on the unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, origin, sex, religion, age, the interest is 3.75 per cent.

farmer must have suffered at least a 30 per cent loss of apply to all programs.) production to be eligible for Persons with disabilities who an FSA emergency loan, require alternative means for Thomas S. Taylor said. communication of program Farmers participating in the Federal Crop Insurance program will have to figure in proceeds from those programs Communications at (202) 720in determining their loss.

"Applications for loans 7808 (TDD). under this emergency desig-nation will be accepted until July 3, 2000, but farmers U.S. Department of Agricul-should apply as soon as possible. Delays in applying 20250, or call (202) 720-7327 could create backlogs in processing and possibly over into the new farming season," Thomas S. Taylor said.

Applications for emer-gency farm loans for losses the U.S. Department of part of their living. Parmer County is one of Eligibility is extended to interest.

> The FSA office in Farwell is open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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> To file a complaint, write the Secretary of Agriculture, (voice) or (202) 720-1127 (TDD). USDA is an equal employment opportunity employer.



It is millennium month! This is the last December we will ever spend in the 1900s and it promises to be the most bizarre month of all time up 'till now.

As we creep ever closer to December 31, 1999, the crescendo of Y2K wailers will increase. The frenzy and panic of the doomsayers among the great unwashed will build.

Every cuckoo and wacko on earth will feel free to offer their opinions whether we want them or not. And we don't. Or at least I don't.

I predict some wild and crazy things are going to happen at the stroke of midnight as the last seconds of 1999 disappear but they won't be because of Y2K. It will be because the idiots of the world are rehearsing as we speak to make sure dire predictions come true.

. As the December days pass, a large segment of mankind will get increasingly crazier. There is no way to predict what manner of manmade mayhem will occur during the Thanksgiving at midnight 2000.

I have avoided wrtiing much about Y2K and the millennium this year. In fact this might be the first time I have used the word "millennium" in a column.

overused by the media. which turkey in the picture People speak of "the they were referring to. See millenium" as though when how crazy this Y2K stuff will

Oh yes, we will all be better off in the new millennium as we leave behind the racism, prejudice, and hatred of the 1900s! Let us join hands and hug a tree and plant a seed and rejoice in the newness of our lives.

Had enough? I thought so! You can look forward to preachers and politicians and motivational folks from all walks of life "millenniuming" you to death in the next few weeks.

But not me. After this column, I only have three more 1999 column opportunities and I promise not to mention the word millennium again between now and January 1.

I cannot leave the 1900s and head for the wonderful new millennium without saying a few words about the impeached, dishonored, selfcentered, deceitful liar president of America, Billy Jeff Clinton and his soon to be ex-wife Hill Rod.

I could not help but note a picture in a newspaper holidays of a big Tom Turkey in Washington, D. C. In the picture were the turkey, a couple of other fellows and Billy Jeff.

The caption said simply, "Turkey Is Pardoned." I It is a word that has been couldn't help but wonder

grandparents. He cares feel better now. about Billy Jeff Clinton. Period.

Out Here

By Ron Carr

"Let The Countdown Begin"

He doesn't really care up on bottled water and whether Hillary runs for the Senate or not. I think he wishes she wouldn't. Billy Jeff does not like to be overshadowed.

My prediction is that Billy Jeff Clinton will never go away. President or not, he will never go away so you Clinton lovers should be grateful that your hero will grace your lives until you die. Or he does. That's what you have to look forward to.

Sorry about the cynicism but I haven't said anything hope you all are not to busy about politics for a while. I worrying to read them.

I don't worry so much about Y2K. I'm not stocking

canned goods. probably be sorry. I will Holding true to tradition, we will not publish a paper the last week of this year. There will not be a December

31 issue. If our computers do not crash and if our cars will start, we will be back to work and publish our first new millennium newspaper on January 7, 2000.

In the meantime there are three more columns to write to finish off the 90s. I

SWCD Supports Producers In Protecting Rangeland

Texas' 216 Soil and Water burrows 7-10 centimeters in Conservation Districts (SWCDs) at their 59th annual meeting on Tuesday put their support behind agricultural producers in the Texas Panhandle who want some type of regulated control of the black-tailed prairie dog population.

That large concentrations of these animals can compete with livestock or damage cultivated crops cannot be questioned," said Eddie Harlan of Skellytown, member of the Hutchinson

Directors representing composed of a system of diameter stretching 2-5 meters below the ground.

Prairie dogs construct crater-like mounds, often 30 centimeters high, of packed soil around the entrance to their burrows to protect the burrows from floods and to serve as lookout posts. Their primary food sources are lowgrowing grasses and weeds.

During the meeting SWCD directors voted in favor of a resolution sponsored by the Hutchinson SWCD that seeks to form a plan of action with appropriate state and federal agencies for controlling the animals and for making sure they are not considered as a candidate for the endangered species list. Approximately 600 SWCD directors representing the state's 216 SWCDs and other conservation leaders attended the 59th Annual State Meeting of District Directors held October 18-20



SWCD. "Therefore it is very important that an effective and comprehensive plan for controlling these animals be

Prairie dogs are somewhat large, ground-dwelling squirrels now found mainly in the Panhandle of Texas. They live in colonies or "towns" that vary in size from a few animals to thousands of individuals. Prairie dogs favor short-grass prairies to build their homes, which are in Lubbock,

Congratulations. to the past and present football contest winners! Thanks for playing faithfully each year-

1998--Dorothy Harris 1999--Jerry Roach

Friona Star Champions

Year--Winner 1959--Martell LeVeque 1960--Waymon Wilkins 1961--Thelma Watkins 1962--C.H. Veazey 1963--Kenneth Watkins 1964--Waymon Wilkins 1965--Edward White 1966--Danny Murphree 1967--John Wilson 1968--Winston Wilson 1969--Norma Mohr (Skip Sirnic) 1970--Frank Truitt 1971--Laverne Mabry 1972--Anndrea Wilkins 1973--Hank Outland, Jr. 1974--Roy Smith 1975--Bobby Drake 1976--Clay Bandy 1977--R.L. Blakely-Jerry Hinkle 1978--Marlene Drake 1979--Jerry Hinkle 1980--Ron Harkey 1981--Mark Neill 1982--Jack Clark 1983--Bobby Davis 1984--Tommy Moss 1985--Jack Clark 1986--Vicky Moss 1987--Mark Neill 1988--Dianne Morgan 1989--Koby Rogers 1990--Mal Manchee 1991--Jackie Morgan 1992--Roddy Berend 1993--Don Max Vars **1994--Jerry Bentley** 1995--John Seright 1996--Mark Neill 1997--Mark Zachary 1998--Colby Carthel 1999--Mal Manchee

"MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS" Crystal Morton shown here with Western Chevy-Oldsmobile Service Manager Mitch Terry (left) and General Manager Jerry Ripley with a 2000 Impala, one of the many cars at Western Chevy in Friona.

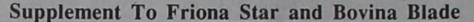
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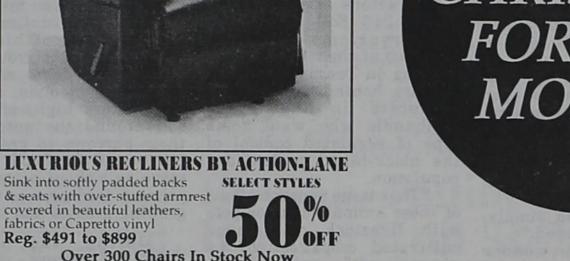
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The 1999 edition of the Friona Star football contest is in the record books.

Here are the final point standings for the regular players that submitted an entry in Week Thirteen. 162-Jerry Hinkle, Mal Manchee, Mark Zachary 160-Cindy Carthel 159-Jon Field, Don Max Vars 158-Rusty McFarland, Glen Morton, Mark Neill 156-Jim Johnston 155-Courtney Carthel, Thomas Reed, Max Steinbock 154-Raul Braillif, Mike Hutson, Landon Martin, Larry Rogers, Shirley

Steinbock 153-Wayne Amstutz, Scottie Brown, Danny Guerra, Scottle Brown, Danny Guerra, Sr., Dana Jameson, Enrique Rodriguez, Bobby Wied 152-Colby Carthel, Eddie Gauna, Myrtle Melton, Jimmy Walker 151-Jennifer Gonzales. Mitch Smiley 150-Andy Carthel, Lisa Reed, Mark Walker 149-Tim Elmore 147-Scott Brown, Teddy Fangman 146-Raymond Diaz, Scott Fangman 145-Joy Morton 143-Donita Martin 142-Lana Bracken, Don Spring 141-Hoon Bros 139-Celia Loflin, Ernest

Mills, Ben Weatherly 138-Martha Clements 133-Sally Puttman 132-Shirley Fangman, Rodney Shelby, Francisco Torres 129-Martha Rodriguez, Ray Stanley



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128-Eufemia Torres 126-Larry Johnston, Harroll Redwine, Leslee Redwine 125-Leola Summerlin Bovina----Here are the final 1999 totals in the Bovina Blade football contest. Listed are the totals of those regular contestants that submitted an entry in the Week Thirteen contest. 125-Jerry Roach 124-Del Ray Sudderth 122-Matt Hromas, Bobby Joe Johnson, A. M. Wilson 121-Denise Anderson, Blake Clements, Susan Kerby, Roy Lee Stowers, Scott Sudderth 120-Jeanne Kerby, Al Kerby, Jr., Nikki Page 119-Josh Kerby, Frances Johnson, Janie Sudderth, Jan Smith 118-Jason Kerby, Don Spring, Virginia Steele, Christen Stowers 117-Travis Lockmiller 116-Cameron Charles, Glenden Sudderth 115-Tyson Kerby 114-Zane Anderson, Dorothy Harris, Danny Harris 113-Janie Sherbon, Kenny Sherbon, Linda Sudderth 112-Jerry Sherbon, Doug Johnson 111-Walter Kessler, Blake Sudderth 110-Peggy Hargrove, Darren Hromas, Dorothy Stowers, Eufemia Torres **109-Billy Sherbon** 108-Bruce Scroggins 107-Curtis Drager 105-Cody Jamerson **102-Francisco Torres** 96-Flossie Rhinehart Immunization **Clinics** Are Set For Dec.

Immunization clinics offering vaccines that give your children protection against several childhood diseases are scheduled in the area for December.

Protection will be against polio, diphtheria, lockjaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (Haemophilias Influenzae Type B) and vari-



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We would like to thank all the people who came by, brought food, sent cards or flowers or just kept us in their prayers during the loss of our precious mother, wife and grandmother. There are no words to express the heartfelt gratitude that we feel. Especially for all the ladies who volunteered their time to take our mother to her treatments in Lubbock. You are truly very special people! Our family is very blessed knowing that our little mother was surrounded by all the love and support you showed her and us during her illness and during our time of grief. A very special thanks goes out to all the ladies who prepared the wonderful meal for our family at the church the day of the funeral and to those who brought refreshments to the Rhea Community Center after the services. Also, to Bro. Gary Morgan and Bro. Manny Longoria for the beautiful services they provided and to everyone who helped in the services. God Bless You All!

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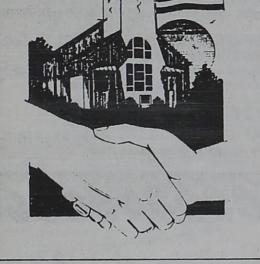
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BALANCED WAGE MEASURE

The ancient Greek scholar and physician Hippocrates advised begin ning doctors to first "...do no harm." The same advice should hold true for Congress, particularly when considering legislation that has the potential to affect the U.S. economy.

We are enjoying a strong economy today, the envy of the world, and we want to ensure it remains strong. So when Congress began debating a measure to increase the federal minimum wage, it was important to me that the legislation we approve should be balanced: providing a raise for working people, but tax relief for small businesses and the self-employed as well.

Whatever we do, we don't want to stop the success of today's small business operators. The number of small businesses in the United States is up 49 percent in the last 15 years; three-quarters of all new jobs in our country are created by small business.

The minimum wage measure under consideration would provide hourly employees a raise of \$1 over three years, which should not shock the economy or farmers and ranchers concerned about containing costs.

There are ways to ease the impact of raising the minimum wage. The legislation Congress has under consideration includes tax cuts to help small businesses offset the additional costs.

One provision changes the tax rules for small businesses when they invest in business equipment, increasing the maximum dollar amount they may deduct from \$19,000 (this year) to \$30,000, and putting that increase into effect earlier, in 2001.

The measure also would provide employers with a permanent work opportunity tax credit to encourage job creation, extending a tax credit of up to \$2,400 for wages paid to new employees hired from welfare. This is a wonderful way to encourage formerly down-and-out people to become contributing members of society.

Another provision of this "balancing act" repeals the "temporary" federal unemployment surtax imposed in 19/6 and extended through 2007. This will reduce the federal unemployment tax small businesses pay from 0.8 percent to 0.6 percent.

Our plan allows the self-employed to deduct 100 percent of their healthcare and health insurance costs, the same percentage allowed employers who provide health insurance for their workers. Some people have major medical bills but no insurance. It is only fair to allow them to deduct the cost of buying insurance, or to deduct their medical expenses if they don't have employerprovided insurance.

The measure also includes an important provision that I originally introduced: the Bonus Incentive Act. This would allow employers to pay performance or incentive bonuses to their employees without being forced to

Area Production Credit Associations Merged

Amarillo Production Credit Associations, two prominent farm credit institutions providing credit service to over 1300 farmers, ranchers and agri-businesses in the Panhandle and South Plains, have merged.

The merger, as approved their stockholderborrowers, became effective in October. Carroll Haygood, the Association president, said, "We are fortunate to serve this highly productive and diversified lending territory which makes a major contribution to the serves 177 stockholder/ agricultural economy of Texas and the nation."

Geographically, Panhandle-Plains PCA serves a 20county chartered territory in the western two-thirds of the Panhandle and upper South Plains covering 20,000 square miles. The Association has \$146 million in assets.

"We believe our stockholders will benefit from combining the strengths of these organizations that includes a \$30 million capital position," said Troy Christian of Farwell, Plainview PCA's Board Chairman and the new Board Chairman of Panhandle-Plains PCA.

Mike McLain of Gruver, Amarillo PCA's Board Chairman and now Vice-Chairman of Panhandle-Plains PCA reports the merger met the board's philosophy of combining two strong Associations with a contiguous territory while maintaining the regional identity of this significant agriculture production area. He added, "we will still know our Stockholders and have a good understanding of their

The Plainview and agricultural sales of over \$5 billion, which is 37.4% of all Texas counties.

The Panhandle-Plains PCA active loan volume of almost \$141 million is the largest in the state among PCA offices.

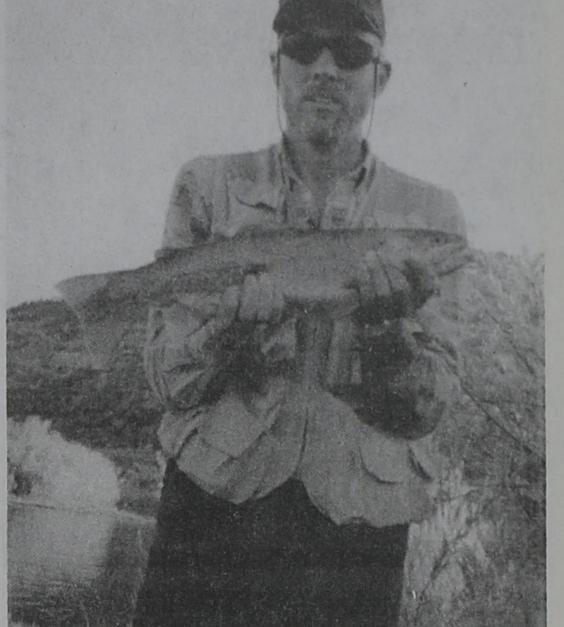
In addition to Board Chairman Troy Christian, other directors of Panhandle-Plains PCA for the Plainview Region are Dennis Anthony, Friona; Earl Harkins, Hereford; Dwight Teeple, Lockney; and Joe Stokes, Hale Center.

Currently the Friona office borrowers in Parmer County and surrounding areas. Robert Jones, Vice President, Cliff Daniel, Assistant Vice President and Mary Ford who handles the accounting duties, are all longtime Plainview PCA employees. They look forward to continued service to farmers and ranchers of **Parmer** County

Santiago Completes Course

Marine Private Juan Santiago, son of Juan and Arminda Santiago of Friona, recently completed the Motor Vehicle Operator Course at Marine Corps Detachment, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

Santiago acquired the specialty skills and technical ability necessary to operate light and medium tacticalwheeled vehicles during various field and convoy operations. Santiago spent more than 1,800 hours of classroom instruction and practical application learning



THIS ONE DIDN'T GET AWAY Rev. Gary Morgan, pastor of Bovina's First Baptist Church, proudly holds his five-pound, 21-inch Rainbow Trout that he caught while on a fishing expedition with Jack Patterson on the San Juan River in New Mexico in October. Jack said they caught several fish, most of which were returned to the river, including this big one!

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go back and recalculate their pay. Right now the law makes it relatively easy for employers to give their salaried employees bonuses, but forces them to recalculate an entire year's worth of overtime if they want to give a bonus to their hourly employees. This discourages employers from rewarding their hourly workers the same way they reward those paid a salary.

Bottom line here is that my provision would make it much easier for employers to pay all their employees well earned bonuses. There is no reason to have a long, complicated set of regulations for businesses to plow through before they can give their employees a bonus.

Taken as a whole, I believe the legislation is a fair approach that benefits workers and employers alike. Small businesses, which create so many of the new jobs in our economy, get tax relief to balance their higher payroll. We want to keep that job-generating machine going strong.

I would like to hear what you think about this legislation. Please write my office with your comments. Our address is:

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Panhandle-Plains PCA is headquartered in Amarillo with regional credit offices in both Amarillo and Plainview. Other credit offices are located in Dimmitt, Dumas, Floydada, Friona, Muleshoe, Olton and Tulia. Doug Reinart at Plainview is Senior Vice President in charge of the South Plains lending operation.

Total ag sales in Parmer County, according to the 1997 Census of Agriculture was \$550,904,000. The 20county Panhandle-Plains PCA lending territory boasts total

how to drive designated courses on and off road. He also conducted vehicle recoveries and inspections, simulated driving vehicles under blackout conditions and learned how to prepare operator, maintenance and accident forms.

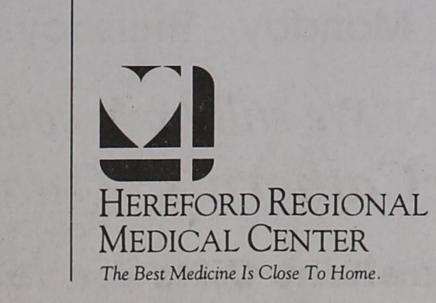
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GINA NICHOLE KUNSELMAN and CODY SCOTT COLEMAN....Mr. and Mrs. John Kunselman of Spearman and Mr. and Mrs. Ken Coleman of Amarillo announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Gina Nichole Kunselman and Cody Scott Coleman, both of Amarillo. A 1998 graduate of Spearman High School, she is a student at Amarillo College and is employed at the Kitchen Gallery in Amarillo. He is a 1994 graduate of Borger High School, 1998 graduate of Amarillo College with a computer information systems degree and is currently attending West Texas A&M University, where he will graduate in May of 2000 with an engineering degree in technology. He is employed at Corner Stone Testing. The couple will exchange wedding vows January 15, 2000 at the Ambassador Hotel in Amarillo. A reception will follow. Gina is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Russell and Mr. and Mrs. Pat Kunselman, all of Bovina.



Many of our people were gone during Thanksgiving holidays and some had company. The day was beautiful for travel and this week it has been cooler and rain is in the forecast.

We'll see, but seems like the panhandle and many parts of Texas are needing moisture badly.

NEWS AROUND TOWN...

Keith Garner has been moved to "rehab." His condition is improving but he still can't walk and in a lot of pain, due to a broken leg, ankle and all of his ribs are broken.

If you would like to send cards, his address is: IHS of Amarillo, 5601 Plum Creek Drive, Room 306, Amarillo, Texas 79124.

Patricia Matinez is still in the hospital at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. She underwent surgery on her brain stem. If you want to send a card, the address is: Northwest Texas Hospital, 15015 Coulter, Room 451, Amarillo, Texas 79106.

Patricia is the daughter of Jimmie and Lola Parsons of Bovina.

Sid Lloyd, former resident now living in Hale Center, was hospitalized after she fell and pulled muscles in her hip. While in the hospital, she suffered bruises on her head, when she fell again.

If you would like to send

brought Pat's mother, Doris Wilson from the nursing home and she was able to spend the day.

Gaylon and Shelby Rhodes and daughters, Pam and her son, Justin; and Mendy and her husband, Scott, spent Thanksgiving in Dallas. The girls were in a wedding there.

Shelby said they went shopping at the Galleria Mall the day after Thanksgiving and it was 'pretty wild.' She said there were just people everywhere.

Durward and Fern Bell had family members visiting during Thanksgiving. Royce and Karen Grissom came from Grand Junction, Colorado, and their daughter Kathy and Bill Baker and their son, Shandon, also of Grand Junction.

The Bells' son and his wife, Greg and Pam Bell were with them and live in Bovina.

Fern said Karen was able to come a week before Thanksgiving and spend time with them.

Emmagene Calaway had company over the Holiday weekend, her son Bobby and wife Shirley came from Baxter Springs, Kansas and her son James and wife Beverly came from Capitan, New Mexico and stayed until Sunday.

came from Hereford. The Hromases' son, Galen and Judy Hromas of Bovina were there with their two sons, Matt and Darren.

Visitors in the home of Edwin and Esta Lee Lide were their daughter, Donna Beth, and her daughter, Angela, of Moriarty, New Mexico.

The Lides' son, Eddie Don and family were with them also, and they live in Bovina.

Virginia and Charlie Steele had family visiting over Thanksgiving. Daughter Bonnie and Tommy were there and Charlotte and Bob Middleton were there from Vega.

Tommy and Bonnie went to Lubbock over the weekend and visited with their sons. Blake is manager of a

> Cannon AFB Elves Gearing Up For Christmas Bazaar

in full-swing getting ready for accepted way of life for Christmas and his elves at Cannon and the surrounding Cannon Air Force Base are getting ready for one of the highlights of the eastern New Mexico holiday season--the 11th Annual "Ultimate" Christmas Bazaar.

Traditionally held the first full weekend in December, this year's bazaar to non-traditional arts and is scheduled for Saturday, crafts, collectibles, antiques, December 4 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and continues through Sunday, December 5 from 10

restaurant in the mall and Scotty is a nurse at Methodist Hospital.

Tommy was telling me about his grandfather, John Barton, who turned 100 years old October 30. They were in Jayton, Texas, helping him celebrate. Tommy said his grandfather's mind was very sharp and he was in the room with three other men, who were all older than John was. One was 105 years old.

THINK ABOUT IT: The happiest people don't necessarily have the best of everything. They just know how to make the best of everything.

One advantage of growing older is that you stand for more and fall for less...Thanks for helping with the Scoops.....Scooter

Santa's workshop is now a holiday tradition. It's an communities," said Pat Grah, coordinator of the event.

This year is no exception. "It's a virtual Aladdin's cave," said Grah. "We are expecting over one hundred vendors to provide a wide variety of merchandise from traditional

Bovina High School Honor Roll Released

released this week.

and Melissa Cano; juniors, Yancy Graves; sophomores, nandez, Christen Stowers, Kelcey Scroggins and Angela Diego Ruiz, Danny Martinez, Villarreal.

Students making "A's and Kenneth Sherbon. B's" were: seniors--Lucas Freshmen--Randa Ramos, Leticia Vargas, Englant, Juan Vara, Annabel Patricia Robles, Joshua Quintana, Walter Kessler, Adriana Kerby, Courtney Jamerson, Guevara, Steven Clements Carlos Moreno and Maritssa and Marisol Antillon.

Juniors--K'Leigh Scrog-gins, Cristina Perez, Christian Zatarain, Elizabeth Vitolas, **Happy**

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Bovina High School's first Tyson Kerby, Christopher six weeks' honor roll was Antillon, Fabian Viernes, Levi Steelman, Juan Those making "All A's" Saucedo, Marlena Gomez and included--seniors, Mary Juarez Cameron Charles.

Sophomores--Lorena Her-Veronica Herrera and

Loe, Jonathan Olvera, Josh Salazar.

Birthday Bovina

Birthdays for the week of December 5-11, 1999. Dec 5 Larry Hodnett Dec 6 Jessie Fuentes, Leona Steelman, Kent McClaran Dec 7 Patricia Turner Dec 8 Velma Grisham Dec 9 Judith Jennings Dec 10 Sabina Schilling,

Guest, Marilyn Rains, B. J. Charles

To make changes and corrections or to add a friend Drawer B, 79009.

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her a card, you can send it in care of Larry Webb, Box 161, Hale Center, Texas 79041.

Visitors in the home of Bobby and Irma Jo Englant during the holidays were their daughter and family, Devanee and Galen Cogburn and sons, Andrew 4, and Kyler 2, of Ulysses, Kansas. Irma Jo said one day little Kyler was bothering their computer and his mother was getting onto him, telling him to leave it alone. He argued with her in his two-year-old gibberish and ended with, "And dot com!"

Dick and Pernie Free are having such a good time with their only child, Cherry Ann Meads from Bakersfield, California. She came on Sunday and may go home on Sunday of this week.

Pat and Pat Kunselman had a houseful of company on Thanksgiving. Their son, Arty and Tami Kunselman and daughter, Jamie, came from Spearman; their daughter, Vickie and Leland Jennings came from Flagg. Their sons, Chad and Drew were also here. Arty and Tami's daughter, Gina and her finance, Cody Coleman were there from Amarillo.

Some of the family members went to Clovis and

BHS Honor Roll Given

The second six weeks honor roll for Bovina High School was released this week.

Students making the honor roll include: ALL A's

Seniors--Marisol Antillon, Melissa Cano and Mary Juarez.

Juniors--Tyson Kerby and Yancy Graves.

Sophomores--David Garcia, Danny Martinez and Angela Villarreal.

Freshmen--Sandra Guevara.

A's and B's Seniors--Walter Kessler, Alvaro Martinez, Janet

Emmagene's granddaughter Julie and husband Randy came on Friday afternoon and had dinner with the family. They got in a lot of visiting during the Holidays.

Arnold and Amy Hromas had a houseful of family for Thanksgiving supper. Their a snack area in the back daughter and family, Charlotte and Jerry Wilburn came from Hereford. The Wilburns' sons, Kelly and family came from Hereford mereford family came from Hereford mereford programs and activities, the and Shannon and family also

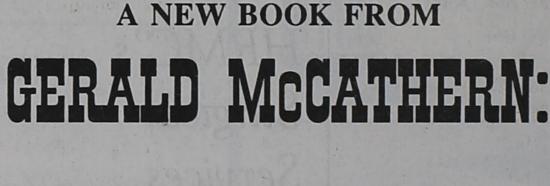
a.m. to 5 p.m. It will once again be located in Hanger 208 which accommodates the large number of vendors expected while leaving ample room for

bazaar has become more than Pat Grah at (505)784-6381.

furniture, toys, household and electrical items, Beanie Babies, jewelry, clothing, perfumes and cosmetics, Western cuisine gift sets, candy and more."

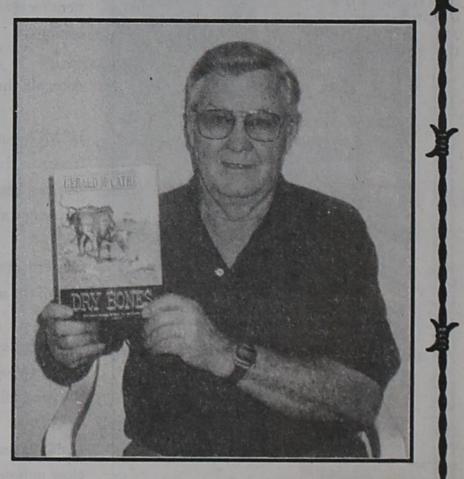
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For additional information on the 11th Annual Ultimate Christmas Bazaar, contact



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