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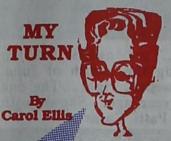
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"In The Agricultural Center Of Parmer County"

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HMMMMI It seems that Hillary Clinton has been consulting wellknown psychic and "spiritual adviser," Jean Houston. With this psychic guidance, Mrs. Clinton has been having "conversations" with such dearly-departed folks as Eleanor Roosevelt and Indian leader Gandhi. Isn't that interesting!

Well, here lately I've been having some intriguing conversa-tions with Martha Washington. Boy, did she have plenty to say about what is going on in 1996!

For instance, Martha, being very "old school," seemed to think that first ladies should be "seen but not heard" and she cited such examples as Mamie Eisenhower Jacqueline Kennedy, and Barbara Bush as good examples of how first ladies should act and/or react.

Martha thought we citizens (i.e. the government) had stepped way over the line on separation of church and state. She noted that the complete abolishment of any and all religion from the country was not exactly what the founding fathers had in mind.

When I mentioned the recent burnings of several black churches in the southern states, Martha pointed out that several white churches have also burned and that no one has even bothered to mention it. She said there aren't more churches going up in smoke now than there ever has been, but the politicians have suddenly begun making a big noise about this phenomenon in order to deflect attention away from several other issues which are more vital to the running of the nation.

Martha was appalled to learn that "freedom of speech" has been promoted all out of proportion just for the purpose of exploiting human decadence. "Of course the free expression of uplifting ideas should never be suppressed," the first First Lady noted. "However, filth and pornography simply shouldn't be rolerated by the people, and there should be no need for any

laws in that regard.' Of course, Martha was shocked when I explained that homosexual people have been struggling to get their same-sex marriages officially recognized and they want the courts to let them adopt children. "The fact that they want to raise children is proof enough that their practices are not normal," Martha said. they were completely at ease with their chosen lifestyle, they would not feel the need to spill over into

the real world of raising children." thought the spirit of Mrs. Washington was going to completey fade away when I mentioned that our voting ballots are now being printed in two languages. She said this goes against everything "The General" and the Colonial troops had fought for, so diligently, during those hard winters

of '77 and '78. I mentioned the problems caused years. Martha said that was another non-issue which has no place in debate by judges or politicians. "Doctors and mid-wives have always been faced with the problem of deciding whether to save the mother or the child. This is between a woman and her doctor. There is no need for public discussion, much less laws or government funding for this," Martha said...

I could see that the First Lady was tiring of all the talk about life in the nmeties but I wanted to ask her opinion of animal rights before she disappeared. "What animal rights?" she asked. "How do you

come up with this stuff?" I told her that activists are now demonstrating for the humane treatment of chickens, cattle and other farm animals that we raise for food. Mrs. Washington said, "Reason, morality and religion separate human beings from animals. It is irrational to think that animals have these same human traits. I think modern advancements have left you people with too much time on your hands" Then she left.



If tomorrow all the things were gone i'd worked for all my life And I had to start again with just My children and my wife. I'd thank my lucky stars To be living here today. Cause the flag still stands for freedom And they can't take that away.

And I'm proud to be an American Where at least I know I'm free And I won't forget the men who died Who gave that right to me. And I'd gladly stand up next to you And defend her still today Cause there ain't no doubt I love this land. God Bless the U.S.A.

From the lakes of Minnesota To the hills of Tennessee 'Cross the plains of Texas From sea to shing sea From Detroit down to Houston From New York to L. A. Well there's pride in every American heart And its time we stand and say

That I'm proud to be an American Well at least I know I'm free And I won't forget the men who died Who gave that right to me And I'd gladly stand up next to you And defend her still today Cause there ain't no doubt I love this land God Bless The U.S.A.

#### Some Wheat Yields Top Expectations

predicted to wind up this week, but five business an acre this year. In with the rainfall we received, maybe

According to Harry Johnson at Sherley Grain, the \$50 bonus for the first wheat derivery went to Dickie Steelman for a delivery on

Robert Fowler brought in the first load to Sherley Grain in Pleasant Hill on June 5.

Johnson says that total wheat delivery should be equal to last year since more acres were planted in wheat this year.

The price of wheat last Monday stood at \$5.48 a bushel. He said the test weight and quality of this year's wheat has been good, however vields vary widely. At the same time a year ago, the price of wheat was averaging only about \$3.75 per bushel.

Some growers have reported ax to seven bushels an acre, while one grower brought in 98 bushels

At Pleasant Hill, the average by the abortion issue in recent yield should be about 75 bushels an acre, according to elevator officials. The Pleasant Hill area was spared hail damage, while many farmers in the Bovina area suffered hail damage to their crops.

Because of the lingering drought, it was predicted that some

Area wheat harvest was dryland farmers might average only 1992, the elevator reported that average yield per acre was 50

#### Rainfall Looks Good In The Area

As of June 1, the Bovina area had officially received only .87 of an inch of rain.

As of Thursday, June 27, that total had risen to almost three

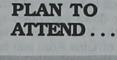
According to Maggie Moore, during the week of June 8-15, the area measured .74 of an inch.

Last Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday's rainfall added a total of 1.33 inches, with the heaviest rainfall on Monday measured at .83.

Altogether, it adds up to an official 1996 total of 2,94 inches.

Other measurements reported for Monday were .75 inch by Jimmie Cockerham two and onehalf miles north; over an inch by Wayne McClaran five miles south; Leslie McCain, four and one-half miles west measured 1,02; and Ricky Jamerson received half an inch, five miles east.

Clovis reported one inch







HOW MUCH IS THIS?.....Scooter Russell tours the First United Methodist Church's New Life Thrift Store last week. Pastor Neely Landrum is hoping Scooter will buy another purse. The store is open on Thursday and Friday. To donate items to the thrift store, call the church office at 238-1124. Story below.

#### Methodist Church Thrift Store Is Labor of Love

"The purpose of the New Life that he wears all the time. Thrift Store is to reveal the Father's heart to the people in our community by seeking to open the doors of our church, and our heart, to them. Our mission is to interact with and minister to the community....."

So says a part of the purpose and mission statement of the New Life Thrift Store.

The Thrift Store at Bovina's First United Methodist Church is

now over one year old.

It is a labor of love for church members who collect items, prepare them for sale, and volunteer their time to sell them on Thursdays and

According to Paster Neely Landrum, the church's three store will accept any items from anyone. The church will pick up items if necessary.

On a recent visit, we discovered an orderly display of the items for sale. There are many clothes, along with books, purses, shoes, and many miscellaneous items.

Reverend Landron confessed that he had purchased three suits

All the items appeared to be in good shape, and the prices were very low. In spite of low prices, all the items now are one-half price, according to Landrum.

The store is especially helpful for families with children in need of clothing for school, coats for the winter months, or day-to-day needs.

The church has half-price sales, bag sales where you pay one price for all you can stuff in a bag, and maintains some items in "free boxes" where you can just take the items for free.

Merchandise that goes through all the "sales" and does not sell is recognition of veterans, patriotic then donated to the Light House Mission in Clovis

Thrift Since Hours are Thursday Iron 2.6 p.m. and Friday,

from 9 am to 12 p.m. Persons in need, or flea market browsers, are encouraged to shop at

the store. Area residents who can donate items to the First United Methodist Church's Thrift Store are asked to call the church office at 238-1124.

#### City Hall To Close July 4

Residents are reminded that City Hall will be closed on Thursday, July 4 in observance of

the Independence Day holiday.

The office will open for regular business on Friday, July 5.

#### Community Worship

On Sunday, June 30 at 10:30 a.m. all members of the community are invited to worship together at the city park.

The services will include the music, a community choir, and solos by Debra Beauchamp and Grady Sorley.

Bill Shelly, Bovina band director, will play TAPS as a moment of silence is observed for deceased veterans.

The patriotic message, Let recedom Ring, will be given by Rev. B. L. Davis, interim pastor of the First Baptist Church.

After services, everyone is invited to bring a picnic dinner to the park. Drinks will be provided.

Also, restrooms will be provided this year.

#### College Fund Established For Children

A college fund has been established at the Friona State Bank for the children of Wendy and Craig Lookingbill. Mr. Lookingbill passed away June 21.

The Lookingbill children are Dollie, 7, and Cyle, 4.

Contributions can be made in person at the bank or by mail, Friona State Bank, in care of, Dollie and Cyle Lookingbill College Fund, PO Box 549, Friona, Texas, 79035.



#### Prairie Acres' Pet Project Announced

Profes Acres is interested in starting a pet therapy program once a month. If you are interested in helping organize this program or if you have a well trained pet you are willing to share, please contact Elizabeth Romero at Prarie Acres 247-3922.

Also Prairie Acres is organizing an auxiliary and would Elizabeth at Praire Acres or Mariene Drake at 247-3206.



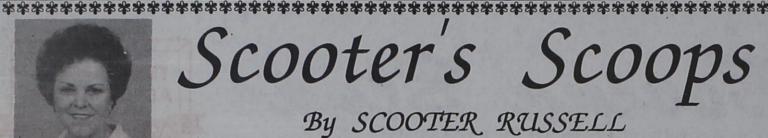
DRESS FOR SUCCESS..... The Methodist New Life Thrift Store has an abundance of nice clothing, clean and low-priced, in addition to other items.



SUMMER SMILES......Kids in the Bovina Summer School program are all smiles last week as they learn how to play monoply just after lunch break. Kay Venable and Helen Deen appeared to be losing



their monoply money to these happy youngsters. Summer School continues until July 15. Parents are like for anyone interested to contact reminded that there will be no lunch served on July 4 and July 5.



## Scooter's Scoops

By SCOOTER RUSSELL

expression "blue moon" means? It is when two full moons occur in one month. (Publisher Bill says he knew that, but of course, he's the "weather man".) June has a blue moon this year. One full moon was on the first day of the month and the other is June 30.

Now I don't know which one is supposed to be blue but that is interesting. (Editor's note: It's the second one, Scooter, why didn't you

The town of Bovina received about an inch of rain early Tuesday morning and more is in the Bovina on Saturday.

NEWS AROUND TOWN: Sandra Clayton's dad, Earl May of Levelland, underwent surgery on Monday of this week. His condition is serious and we are hoping the surgery will help. He is a patient in the Lubbock Methodist Hospital.

A.L. Nuttal has gone to Oneida, South Dakota to be with his brother, Delvin, who has leukemia and had been in very serious condition. A.L.'s wife, Sue, said Delvin's condition has greatly improved and he has been released from the hospital.

We had word that Archie

#### **Bovina School** Lunch Menu

Week of July 1-5

MONDAY--peanut butter and jelly sandwich, carrot sticks, cantaloupe and milk.

TUESDAY -- hamburgers, lettuce, pickles, chips, strawberries and milk WEDNESDAY -- ham and

cheese sandwiches, lettuce, tomato, cucumber slices, grapes and milk. THURSDAY-FRIDAY--July 4th holiday, no lunch served.

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McCutchan's sister, Eulah Pumroy, 93, passed away. She lived in Bovina about eight years ago and moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico from Bovina. She later was moved to a nursing home there and suffered from Alzheimers

Eulah was survived by one son, Clyde of Ft. Worth and two brothers, Archie McCutchan of Dumas and a former resident of Bovina, and Jack McCutchan of Ft. Worth. She also was survived by grand children.

Graveside services were held in

Kiley Roberts, great-

granddaughter of Vernon and Dottie Ward, has been in Bovina recently visiting with her great-grandparents. She came to Bovina with grandparents, Billie and Ken Harrison of Amarillo and stayed a few days with the Wards.

Kiley had recently spent a few days at WTA&M attending basketball camp there and stayed in the dorm. She had a great time according to her grandmother,

Delpha Vinson was hospitalized the first part of May with bleeding ulcers and had to have transfusions in the Clovis Hospital. She will enter the hospital again

this week for colon tests.

Billie Primrose said their grandson, Michael, of Farmington, New Mexico was visiting with them and he would be there until July 20, so they were looking forward to a good time with him.

Lee Stevenson and her sister, Wanda Cooper of Carlsbad, New Mexico, has been visiting in recent weeks. One night the ladies attended the Spirit Wind choir presentation held in Muleshoe. Wanda's grandchildren, Richard and Elizabeth Cooper of Hereford sang

There are 164 members in the choir and they are from all over the

Mine and Pat Kunselman's granddaughter, Gina Kunselman of Spearman also was in the choir this year and last. This is something to be proud of.

Vi Hutto and daughter Toya Englant attended the Bill Gaither Concert held in Ft. Worth with fifteen thousand people attending twice each day for the concerts.

Also in the concert were Howard Vestal Goodman, the Spears Family, James Blackwood, J.D. Sumner, Sue Dodge and the

The concert lasts three hours

Convention Center in Ft. Worth. Vi said they had tickets and will go back in February of '97.

While down there, they spent time with Vi's sister Evelyn Vineyard of Glen Rose and had a good time shopping. Vi said the program was

televised and would be aired in September on TNN.

Two of our girls have been invited to play basketball in Belgium, sponsored by Sports International. They will leave July 29, and will also spend time in Paris, France. They are Rachel Turner, daughter of Jack and Pat Turner and De'Anne Jones, daughter of Joe and Denise Jones. This is quite an accomplishment and we congratulate these girls!

I talked with Pat and she said twelve girls were on the team and they are from Borger, Canyon, Whitharrell and Friona. They will be playing against European teams. Ron will have a story when the girls return.

Cole Sorley and his wife, Judith, have been in Bovina visiting with grandparents, the Charles Corns and Grady Sorleys. They also visited Cole's great grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jones in Olton. They came on Father's Day.

Cole is on his third year in medical school at Southwestern in Ft. Worth and Judith is a jewelry designer for Barse in Dallas.

The Hromas family reunion was held June 7,8,9 in Bowie, Texas with about sixty people attending. We had a write up in last week's paper.

Following the reunion, several went different directions for more fun. Joe W. Hromas of Levelland and Glen Hromas of Amarillo and his sons, Jeff and Rod saw the Texas Rangers' game on Friday that

Sunday, following the reunion, Galen Hromas and his sons, Darren and Matt left Bowie to see the Texas Rangers' game. Also with them were other family members, Kelly Welburn, his wife Heather Welburn.

Shannon and Melany Welburn of Hereford and their children, Drue and Stephanie left Bowie and drove to San Antonio for a good time and to visit with Melany's cousin.

Shannon and Melany also helped host the reunion.

Funeral services were held for Jimmie Cockerham's second cousin

in Aurora, Colorado recently. He

was John Cockerham, 44, who died

Jimmie's wife, Barbara said John had been ill for about four or five

Smile: Psychologists say that no person should keep too much to himself. The IRS is of the same

...Thank God for the rain...Have a great week...Scooter.



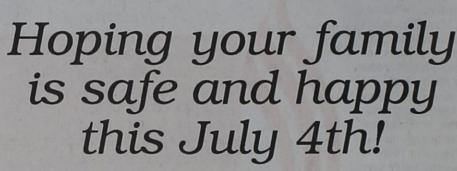
QUILT-OF-THE-MONTH......Two quilts are on display at Prairie Acres during the month of June. They were made by Betty Lewellen, right. The one pictured was quilted about a year ago. Shown with Mrs. Lewellen is nurse's aide Patti Casarez.

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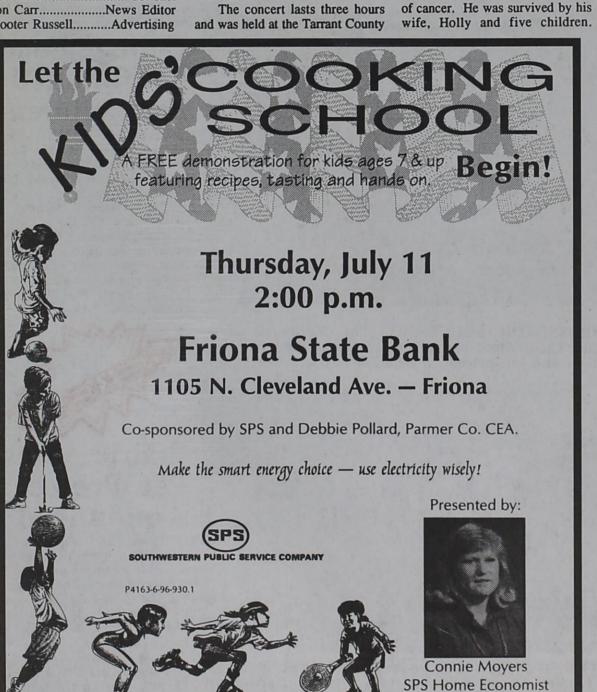
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#### BJRA Hosts 2nd Play Day June 16

Association had its second Play Day of the summer on June 16. The next Play Day is scheduled for June 29 at 6:00 p.m.

The BJRA is selling raffle tickets for a 16 inch seat Ammerman saddle. Tickets are \$10.00 and proceeds go to benefit the buckle series Play Day and for arena improvements.

Contact any member or Susan London at Friona State Bank, Donna Ware in Bovina at 225-4844 or Donna Martin at (505) 389-

The concession stand will be closed June 29. Everyone is encouraged to bring their own

#### Posse Meeting & Raffle Set

The Parmer County Sheriff's Posse will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, July 1, at Friona City Hall. The meeting begins at 8 p.m. and any interested citizen may attend.

To raise funds for radio and pager equipment, the posse is having a raffle. Winners will be drawn on July 4th during the celebration in City Park.

There are over 40 prizes to be given away, including gift certificates, savings bonds, and

Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5. Tickets are available from any Posse member. For more information, or to purchase "as many tickets as you want" contact Fred Ferguson of Lakeside Parts & Machine at 247-3939.

You need not be present to

#### Women's Softball Shootout

The Friona Police Department is sponsoring a women's team Softball Shootout Tournament for July 20 & 21.

tournament will be July 17. It is being limited to 20 teams.

First and Second place winners will receive individual and team Third place and consolation will receive a team eighteen-year-olds: Lisa Leffler

offensive and defensive Most Wilcox 14.97; and Joni Johnson

This will be an ASA Class "D" Women's tournament. Entry fee is \$120. Early bird entry fee of \$110 applies before July 15. Anytime after July 15 is \$120.

Anyone interested can contact Friona Police Department, 247-2711, or call 247-2384.

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Play Day results for June 16 are as follows:

For barrels, five-year-olds and under assisted: Keifer Ruthhardt 58.03; Michelle Zolman 1:25; and Gage Edwards 1:45.

Barrels, five-year-olds and under: Johnathan Edwards 36.88; Andrew Stowers 57.41; Holly Bufkin 59.57; and Danielle Bentley

Barrels, six and seven-yearolds: Justin Lide 26.31; Tanner Kube 33.87; Elisa Smith 34.60; Amber Bandy 37.59; Macy Martin 46.78; and Salida Edwards participated.

Barrels, eight and nine-yearolds: Matthew Edwards 21.93; Luke London 25.47; Bobby Bentley 30.35; Colton Sudderth and Justin Ware participated.

Barrels, ten through thirteenyears-old: Shasta Copley 19.69; Kim Lide 21.10; Amber Lide 21.75; Trevor Fields 26.15; Chad Bentley 26.88; Ashley Hartzog 27.03; Trent McDonald 28.44; Kristin Ford 29.62; Mandy Martin 30.72; Spencer Kube 36.53; Gaylen Sudderth 36.75; Jason Sudderth 42.32; and Bernice Lopez 50.84.

Barrels, fourteen through eighteen-years-old: Joni Johnson 19.44; Lisa Leffler 19.93; Robin Grantham 20.06; Michael Carson 22.92; and Shanee Wilcox 24.20.

For flags, five-years-old and under assisted: Keifer Ruthardt 36.37; and Michelle Zolman 1:06.

Flags, five-year-olds and under: Johnathan Edwards 22.28; Danielle Bentley 42.69; Holly Bufkin 44.78; and Andrew Stowers 46.19.

Flags, six and seven-year-olds: Salida Edwards 11.79; Justin Lide 14.97; Tanner Kube 21.15; Amber Bandy 21.53; Elisa Smith 25.50; and Macy Martin 37.53.

Flags, eight and nine-year-olds: Matthew Edwards 12.13; Bobby Bentley 17.82; Justin Ware 18.66; Luke London 19.75; and Colton Sudderth 37.25.

Flags, ten through thirteenyear-olds: Shasta Copley 11.44; Kim Lide 11.63; Mandy Martin 12.25; Trevor Fields 12.41; Chad Bentley 12.97; Trent McDonald Deadline for entering the 14.65; Amber Lide 14.75; Ashley Hartzog 15.79; Gaylen Sudderth 21.75; Jason Sudderth 21.75; Kristin Ford 23.25; Spencer Kube 23.25; and Bernice Lopez.

Flags, fourteen through 10.46; Robin Grantham 10.69; There will also be prizes for Michael Carson 11.00; Shanee

For poles, five-year-olds and under assisted: Keifer Ruthardt 1:03; and Michelle Zolman 1:36.

Poles, five-year-olds and under: Holly Bufkin 1:03; Danielle Bentley 1:10; Andrew Stowers Manuel Torres or Randy Geries at 1:49; and Johnathan Edwards participated.

Poles, six and seven-year-olds:

The Bovina Junior Riding snacks and drinks on that Play Day. Salida Edwards 24.66; Tanner Kube 35.19; Justin Lide 35.47; Elisa year-olds: Shasta Copley 8.53; Smith 47.19; Amber Bandy 48.18; and Macy Martin 55.19.

Poles, eight and nine-year-olds: Justin Ware 31.35; Luke London 33.88; Bobby Bentley 40.25; Matthew Edwards 41.38; and Colton Sudderth 1:13.

Poles, ten through thirteenyear-olds: Kim Lide 27.94; Shasta Copley 28.29; Trevor Fields 31.91; Chad Bentley 32.07; Mandy Martin 33.28; Ashley Hartzog 33.28; Amber Lide 34.75; Trent McDonald 37.40; Kristin Ford 39.81; Gaylen Sudderth 45.28; Spencer Kube 50.44; Jason Sudderth 54.00; and

Bernice Lopez 55.53. Pole, fourteen through eighteen-year-olds: Lisa Leffler 23.07; Robin Grantham 24.78; Shanee Wilcox 28.25; Michael Carson 35.53; and Joni Johnson

In stakes, five-year-olds and under assisted: Michelle Zolman

Stakes, five-year-olds and under: Johnathan Edwards 13.31; Holly Bufkin 19.53; and Danielle Bentley 30.82.

Stakes, six and seven-year-olds: Sailda Edwards 8.59; Justin Lide 12.69; Amber Bandy 14.47; Macy Martin 17.41; Tanner Kube 18.22; and Elisa Smith participated.

Stakes, eight and nine-yearolds: Matthew Edwards 8.69; Luke London 10.94; Justin Ware 11.14; Bobby Bentley 17.06; and Colton Sudderth 19.00.

Stakes, ten through thirteen-Trevor Fields 9.69; Kristin Ford 9.80; Amber Lide 9.84; Ashley Hartzog 10.37; Chad Bentley 10.60; Mandy Martin 11.81; Gaylen Sudderth 13.53; Spencer Kube 15.44; Trent McDonald 17.09; Bernice Lopez 18.11; Jason Sudderth 19.37; and Kim Lide participated.

Stakes, fourteen through eighteen-year-olds: Robin Grantham 8.25; Joni Johnson 8.31; Michael Carson 9.47; Shanee Wilcox 11.09; and Lisa Leffler participated.

In goat ribbon, five-year-olds and under assisted: Michelle Zolman 9.66.

Goat ribbon, five-year-olds and under: Danielle Bentley 3.71; Holly Bufkin 4.65; and Johnathan Edwards 5.16.

Goat Ribbon, six and sevenyear-olds: Amber Bandy 8.34; Macy Martin 10.15; Elisa Smith 21.84; Salida Edwards 25.53; and Justin Lide 44.34.

Goat tying, eight and nineyear-olds: Luke London 46.62; Justin Ware 1:39; Bobby Bentley 2:44; Colton Sudderth and Matthew Edwards participated.

Goat tying, ten through thirteen-year-olds: Ashley Hartzog 44.97; Mandy Martin 51.81; Kim Lide 53.88; Amber Lide 1:10; Chad Bentley 1:33; Trevor Fields 1:50; and Trent McDonald participated.

Goat tying, fourteen through eighteen-year-olds: Michael Carson

#### Tulia Livestock Auction

Monday, June 24, receipts 1987 head. Compared to last week's sale, good stocker calves sold mostly steady. Feeder steers and heifers sold steady to 1.00 lower. Packer cows traded 2.00 higher. High dressing cows up to 36.00. Packer bulls 38.00 to 44.00.

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| Canyon*             | Lubbock*        | Silverton         |
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Some irrigators may run out of money before they run out of water if they do not become more efficient in the production and distribution of irrigation water. Many irrigators are using pumping plants that are worn out or incorrectly sized for the amount of water they are pumping. This, coupled with water lost during irrigation system application--sometimes as much as 40 per cent--will likely result in many farmers having to abandon irrigation.

Now is a good time to do a self evaluation of your irrigation system, especially if you have difficulty meeting crop water needs. The first step is to identify where water losses are occurring and decide what type of system upgrade would help eliminate water losses. The tables below will help you evaluate your irrigation system and determine which type is the most efficient:

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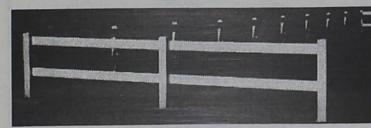
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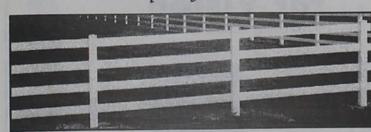
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Joe's is open each day from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. during the sale, with entertainment on the bandstand starting at 10:30 a.m. and running through closing each day.

Headlining the entertainment for the 1996 sale will be country music legends Johnny Bush and Johnny Gimble and the gospel group, Bob Wills and the Inspirationals. Back for another year are crowd favorites, Jody Nix and the West Texas Cowboy Band; and Bubba Cox and the Lariat Band. Performing each and every day of the sale will be Kim Blakey and the Home Cookin' Band.

The sale opens Wednesday, July 3, with Jody Nix as the feature performer of the day. Kim Blakey and Home Cookin' will also

Johnny Bush will be featured Thursday, July 4 as will Bubba more details.)

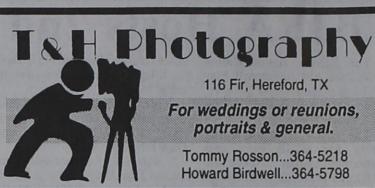
For the 13th consecutive year, Cox and Lariat. Accompanying Bubba and Lariat will be rising country music star Tommy Shane Steiner, son of former world champion bull rider Bobby Steiner.

Friday, July 5, the nationally acclaimed gospel group, Bob Wills and the Inspirationals, will take the stage. The group's leader is the nephew of western swing legend Bob Wills. Also featured will be Bubba Cox and Lariat and Kim Blakey and the Home Cookin'

Johnny Gimble, the world's foremost fiddle player, is the featured guest on Joe's stage Saturday, July 6. Gimble is seen regularly on Nashville TV and is heard playing on hundreds of recordings out of Nashville studios. Bubba Cox and Lariat and Kim Blakey and Home Cookin' will be on the stage as well.

In addition to the entertainment, Muleshoe artist, Rheata White, will present art demonstrations each day of the sale. Muleshoe's annual Fourth of July fireworks display adds to the list of events, as does the production of Keepers of the Legend, a musical play at the Muleshoe Heritage

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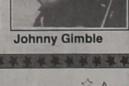


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#### Rites Held Monday For Mrs. Rejino

Friona resident Aurora "Dora"
Rejino, 81, died Thursday, June 20.
Rosary was recited at 7:30
p.m. Sunday in St. Teresa's
Catholic Church. Mass was
celebrated at 10 a.m. Monday in the
church by the Rev. Ed Sweeney.
Burial was at Friona Cemetery by
Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Mrs. Rejino was born in San Marcos. She married Ben Rejino, Sr. in 1938 in Hockley County. He died in 1987. She was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina and had served various offices on the Altar Society since 1958. She helped organize the Guadalupanas in 1960 and assisted in organizing the St. Ann's Parish Council in 1966, serving as chairman and secretary.

She was St. Ann's delegate to the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, was a member of the DCCW board and was DCCW Woman of the Year in 1972. She was chairman of the Rural Life Committee and received the Papal Award in 1985 for service to the ministry to the Diocese.

Survivors include two sons, Ben Rejino, Jr. of Friona and Richard Rejino of Carrolton; two daughters, Sister Carolina Rejino of Amarillo and Erlinda Rejino of Albany, New York; three brothers, Geronino Guajardo of Houston, Antonio Guajardo of Lubbock and Valentine Guajardo of Orange, California; two sisters, Guadalupe Hernandez of Houston and Paulina Montemayer of Anton; and four grandchildren.

The family requests memorials to Catholic Family Service, 200 S. Tyler St., Amarillo, Texas 79101.

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Speaking of your GTE bill, did you see that "Notice of Proposed Surcharge" in your last billing. They want to add a maximum \$1.06 monthly surcharge to each customer for each access line.

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But who really understands how the telephone companies work anyway. A quick spin through your telephone bill doesn't help.

My bill has something called a "Poison control surcharge" and a

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And when they talk to you about basic service, forget it. There is no such thing.

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My mother worked in a beauty shop and many times I remember asking the operator to "ring my mother at the beauty shop." "Is that you, Ronnie", she would say.

And long distance in those days? Well, you asked the operator to place the call and she would call you back when she got your party on the line.

I'm not sure how much all this service cost back then. I do know that life was slower and simpler.

I also read Dick Tracy comics where he could call people on his wrist watch and I said that would never happen. Ha!

And how about those cellular charges. Have you ever got a surprise billing for your cellular service? Wow, I didn't realize I talked that much.

Deregulation of the telephone industry did in fact lower telephone rates and improve technology and service.

But like any other business, rates can only go so low. Deals are made and confusion sets in.

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Wouldn't it make sense if the long distance companies that claim to save you money gave you a comparison on your bill each month? These are the calls you made and this is how much it would have cost, but this is what we charged. See how much you

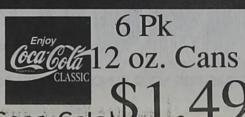
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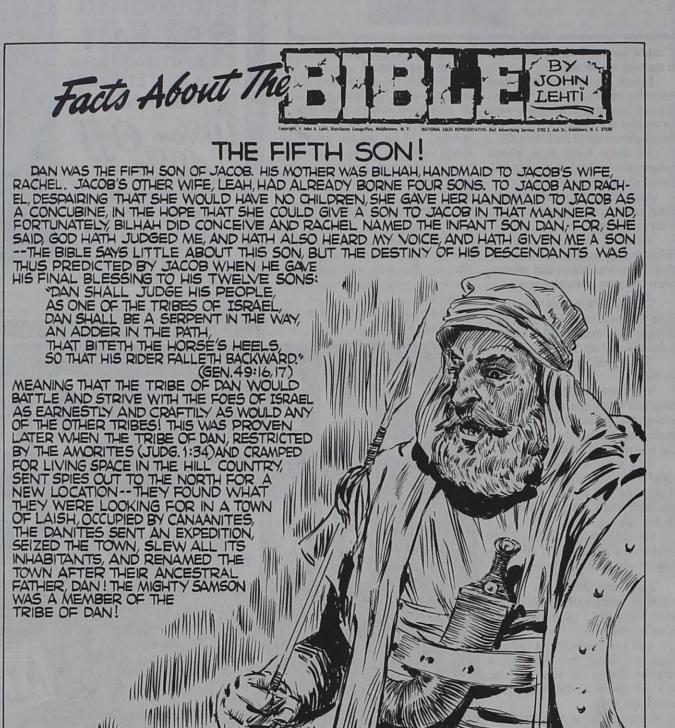


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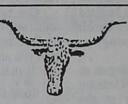
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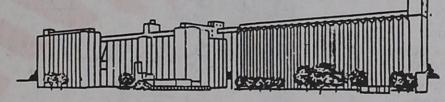
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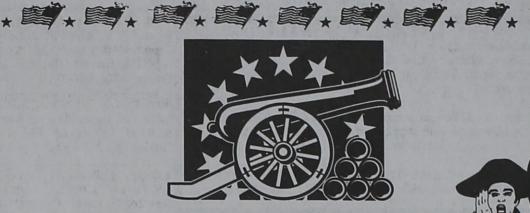
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Notice is hereby given that PARMER COUNTY SSA intends to destroy records of students who received special education services prior to 1989. These records include only those located in the Parmer County SSA office located at 909 East 11th Street, Friona. Texas. Records herein described include students receiving special education services in the following school districts: Bovina ISD, Farwell ISD, Friona ISD and Lazbuddie ISD. Legal parent/ guardian or adult student with disabilities may request copies of these records by contacting Sue Beene, Director of Special Education, at the PARMER COUNTY SSA office at 909 East 11th Street, Friona, Texas 79035, phone number (806) 247-3315 by July 1, 1996.

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The Bovina Independent School District will accept sealed bids to purchase one (1) diesel powered school bus. The bids shall be in the Bovina School District's business office at; P.O. Box 70, Bovina, Texas 79009, no later than July 8, 1996, at 3:00 p.m. Bid envelopes must be marked in lower left hand corner (School Bus Bid).

Specifications may be obtained from Mr. Charlie Teague, transportation director, at the school administration office at (806) 238-1336.

The bids will be presented to the school board at their regular meeting on July 8, 1996 at 8:00 p.m. Bovina Independent School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids in the best interest of the Bovina Independent School District.

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#### Couple Has Baby Girl

Nathan and Caralee Brockman of Amarillo are the parents of a daughter named McKinley Kay. McKinley was born Tuesday, June 25 at 1:59 p.m. at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

She weighed seven pounds and two and a quarter ounces and was twenty and one half inches long.

McKinley is the first child for the couple. Her maternal grandparents are Tommy and Marsha Hughes of Amarillo and Stephen and Georgina Jones of Denver, Colorado.

Her paternal grandparents are Ralph and Pat Walker of Grand Prairie and Tommy Brockman of Friona.

Maternal great grandparents are
Mrs. June Elliott of Amarillo and
J.L. and Annette Jones of Tulsa,
Oklahoma

McKinley's paternal great grandparent is Mrs. Nita Warren of Lubbock.

#### Bovina Birthdays

For week of June 30-July 6 June 30--Colletta Young July 1--Brandie Munoz, Teresa

July 2--Martha Schilling, Edna

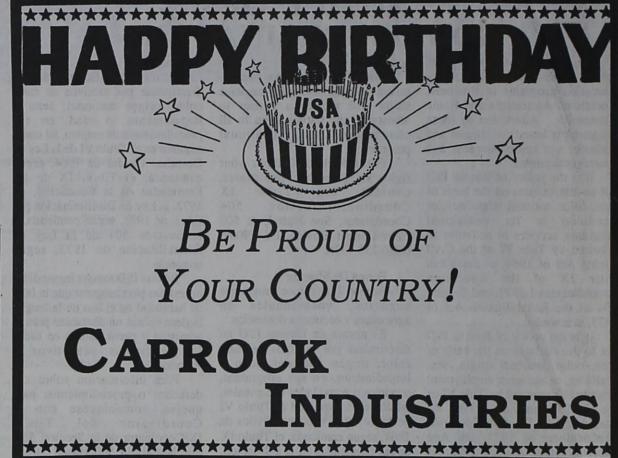
July 3--Shannon Wilburn, Liz Kessler

July 6--Janie Sudderth
To list a friend or relative on
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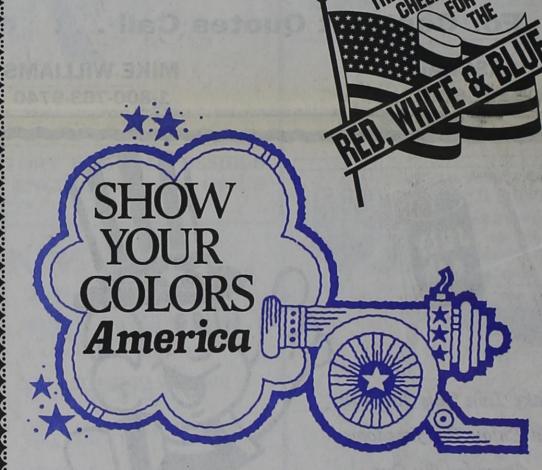
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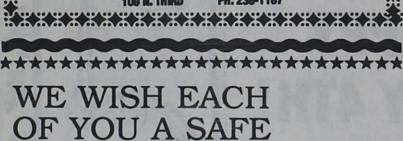
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#### Make it a fabulous Fourth of July!

Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative wants your Independence Day celebration to be fabulous — and safe. Here are some tips to help:

- ① Unplug electric grills when not in use.
- Place your grill away from dry grass, bushes, and your home. Protect the grill from the wind.
- Carefully observe all warnings on fireworks. Or better yet, go see a local fireworks show instead of doing your own especially if conditions are dry in your area.
- Don't use kerosene or gasoline in place of charcoal lighter fluid.
- Don't overdo on food and drink.

And, of course, have loads of fun. After all, the Fourth is one of the best birthday celebrations of the year!

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