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MEMORIAL DAY
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BAND LEADERS.Receiving 1998 Leadership Awards for their dedication to the Mustang Band were, l-r, Jamie Stanberry, Chris Solorio, Kathy Rodriguez, Martin Reyna, Imelda Castro, and Noemi Perez. Not pictured: Amanda Smith.

Assistance Is Available

A sign-up period is currently underway and runs through May 29, 1998 at the NRCS office in Friona and at the FSA office in Farwell for the Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP). Cost-share of up to 75 percent with a \$50,000 limit and incentive payments are available for conservation practices with emphasis on irrigation water savings. Applicants funded have up to twelve months to complete practices. USDA personnel are urging anyone with irrigation needs for 1998 or 1999 to apply during this sign-up.

O.L. Cemetery Work Day Set

Harold Carpenter, president of the Oklahoma Lane Cemetery Assn., announces a work day for Monday, May 25 (Memorial Day). Those working at the grave sites will need to bring their own hoes, rakes, etc. A business meeting will be held beginning at 10 a.m., and everyone is invited.

City Holiday
Bovina City Hall Will Be Closed on Monday, May 25, In Observance of Memorial Day.

Scholarship Fund Established In Memory of Kelli Mitchell

The parents and friends of Kelli Mitchell have established a scholarship fund in her memory at First Bank-Bovina. Each year, the scholarship fund will award money to a Bovina High School graduate to further their college education. The amount of the annual scholarship will depend on contributions made to the fund. Contributions can be made in person or by mail to the Kelli Mitchell Scholarship Fund c/o First Bank, P. O. Box 100, Bovina, Texas 79009.

THE BEST WE CAN tell, the English language is still "evolving." At least, the American, or "West Texas" branch is.

For example, when we were kids, we looked forward to Saturday afternoon, because that's the day we could go to town and see the "picture show." Even old-time actors refer to their trade that way. "We were making a picture down at" we've heard more than one say.

Now-a-days, the picture show has been replaced by "movies," and at quite an inflated price, if we may say so. In the good old days of black and white picture shows, you could take a quarter allowance and parlay it into your movie ticket (nine to 12 cents), Coke and popcorn (5 cents each) and still have change.

Today, you're lucky to find a movie that doesn't cost \$7 admission, and by the time you've got the customary snacks, you've spent about that much more, "per head." You'll be lucky to have a quarter left out of a 50-dollar bill, if you're taking the family.

When Carol and I were first starting out, folks told us we needed a little "nest egg." (And they weren't suggesting a baby). Today, it's more likely to be your "portfolio," or perhaps your I.R.A.

And true to form, having worked 40 years and contributed considerably to Social Security, which has enabled countless millions of older folks to have retirement money, and almost as many single mothers to continue to have babies, we're told that we'd better have this "nest egg" to fall back on, since Social Security may be bankrupt by the time we'd hoped to get it.

Do you remember when the term "string bean" referred to a very skinny person? Or when fat people were called "portly." My late mother-in-law used to say "Why, Bill, aren't you getting a little heavy?" I should have recorded that statement. It used to cause me to cut down on my rations immediately.

Some of my older relatives used to refer to the refrigerator as the "ice box," although I can't personally remember having the "fridge's" forerunner, which was, indeed an ice box, built to hold ice and keep it from melting within the next 30 minutes.

Carol, being a "city girl," says she remembers when she was about four or five years old, the ice truck came by a couple of times each week and the ice man would use large metal tongs to bring in a big 50 pound block of ice for the ice box.

Do kids still take "Kings' X" when taking a "safe" time out while playing a game?

Do folks still drink "hooch," or is it just beer or some other brew?

A "hood" was what you once called a hoodlum or a gangster. Lately a "hood" has been referred to as your home territory, being slang for the "neighborhood." So I guess you could now have a hood from the hood. My dictionary doesn't give either of these explanations, but says that a hood is a covering for the head or a metal cover over an automobile engine.

Those of you who have heard all of these terms are like Ye Editor, in that you've been around for more than one-half of the 20th century. Hope you stick around for a good chunk of the next one!

BULL TOWN BULL-ETINS
By Bill Ellis



Summer Schools Begin June 15

According to elementary school principal Darla Sealey, there will be three summer schools this year.

All three begin on June 15 and run through July 10.

The all day "English as a second language (ESL)" program is open to any student in PK-1 who is in ESL and needs help, has been absent 18 days or more, or is failing.

The AT-Risk program is mandatory for students who have missed an excessive amount of school days or is failing. If your child has to attend this program a letter will be sent to you.

There is also a summer reading program for any student who wishes to attend. There will be two sessions each morning for 1 1/2 hours each. The shifts are 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. for grades 3-5 and 10:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. for grades K-2.

Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for all children under the age of 18.

Registration forms are available by contacting the school office.



So Long Sarah Owen!
Sarah Owen has mended cuts and tended to runny noses of Bovina students for a long time. Twenty-one years according to school records. At the end of this 1997-98 school year, Mrs. Owen will retire from Bovina ISD.

Retiring Teachers To Meet

Bovina Classroom Teacher's Association would like to invite the community to join them Tuesday, May 26, 1998 at 4 p.m. in the school cafeteria to say good-bye to some of the dedicated BISD staff.

This year four friends, Sarah Owen, Margaret Durben and Carolyn and Lawrence Widner will be retiring.

Everyone is invited to help wish these retirees the best of luck for the future.

First Case Of Rabies In Parmer County Confirmed

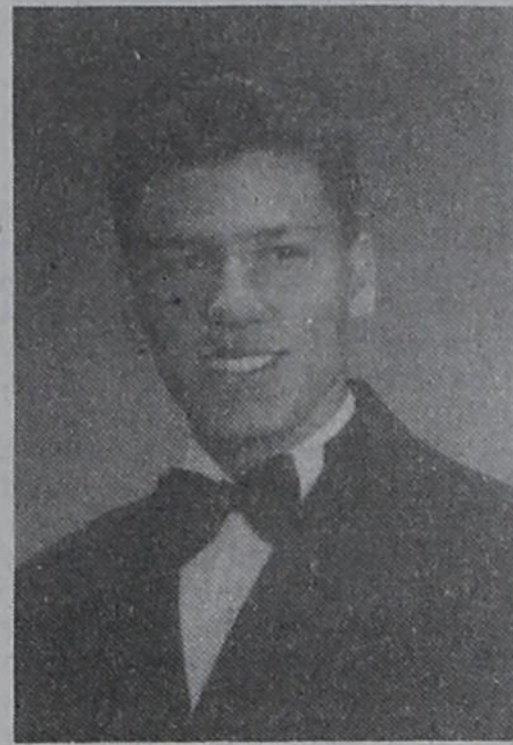
BY RON CARR
Dr. Gary Cash, owner of Friona Veterinary Clinic, is taking a series of rabies shots after a lab confirmed that a horse treated by Cash had rabies.

The horse, owned by Randy Weatherly, was being kept and trained by a family at Clay's Corner. They were training the horse as a roping horse when it developed an eye irritation.

Cash determined the horse had a facial paralysis on the left side of its face which prevented the horse from blinking its eye, causing the eye infection.

In the next couple of days, Cash said, the horse began to do things like press his head against walls and walk in circles, indicating a neurological disorder. When it's condition worsened, the vet had to put the animal to sleep.

He then removed the horse's brain and sent it to a veterinarian laboratory in Amarillo. The Amarillo lab sent a portion of the brain to a lab in Austin where the rabies was confirmed.



LUKE STEELMAN



JAMIE STANBERRY



PRISCILLA MARTINEZ

Honor Graduates Told For BHS 1998 Class

The Bovina High School senior class of 1998 will graduate May 29 at 8 p.m. in the Bovina Schools Auditorium.

Valedictorian for the class is Luke Steelman. His four-year grade point average is 99.27.

Salutatorian is Jamie Stanberry. Her four-year grade point average is 97.36.

Ranking third is Priscilla Martinez. Her four-year grade point average is 97.28.

Luke Steelman, son of Joe and Esther Steelman, was a member of the National Honor Society his sophomore, junior and senior years. He has received many academic awards throughout his high school years.

While attending BHS, he was in FFA, FCA, played football and basketball four years, played golf as a sophomore and contest play cast member his junior year.

Honors Luke received in athletics included being

named to the academic all-district team his sophomore, junior and senior years; named all-district as a junior and senior, team captain and was a candidate for Homecoming King his senior year in football; and in basketball, he was named to the academic all-district team his sophomore and junior years; all-district selection, served as team captain and was the Mustang basketball high pointer and was a candidate for Basketball King his junior year.

He plans to attend Texas A&M University, College Station, this fall.

Jamie Stanberry, the daughter of Dean and Wendy Stanberry, was in band, FHA, UIL competition, National Honor Society, Student Council and choir her senior year.

She received the President's Education Excellence Arion Award and was listed in Who's Who Among American High School

Student.

Jamie received the U.S. National Merit English, Science and Mathematics Merit Awards and served as HOBY ambassador.

She plans to attend Texas Tech University, Lubbock, in the fall.

Priscilla Martinez, the daughter of Pablo and Linda Martinez, was in the National Honor Society her sophomore, junior and senior years, Thespians her junior and senior years, contest play her senior year, and was listed in Who's Who among American High School Students.

She was named Student of the Week her sophomore, junior and senior years and received the John Phillip Sousa Band Award her junior and senior years.

Priscilla played basketball her sophomore and senior years, ran cross country her sophomore and junior years and was in choir her junior year.

She plans to join the U.S. Navy after graduation.

1998 Academic Honors Announced For BHS

The 1998 Bovina High School Honors Banquet was held on Tuesday, May 19 at the school cafeteria.

The top ten students at Bovina High School in order of final average were Luke Steelman, valedictorian, Jamie Stanberry, salutatorian, Priscilla Martinez, historian, Marcy Guevara, Tony Beauchamp, George Villarreal, Wanda Munoz, Sarah Rocha, Hector Vela, and Rebecca Gomez.

Ag awards presented by Lawrence Widner went to Jason Stone and Cameron

Charles, Outstanding Ag I Ag Mechanics; Hector Vela, Outstanding General Ag Mechanics; Tyson Kerby and Yancy Graves, Ag I Leadership; and Alvaro Martinez, Best Sophomore in Ag Mechanics.

Coach Greg George presented awards to George Villarreal, U. S. Government; Priscilla Martinez, Economics; J. T. Roach, World Geography.

Biology I award went to Melissa Cano; and Blake Clements Biology I Mad Scientist award.

In Biology II, J. T. Roach received the Biology II Academic award and Derrick Vanegas won Biology II Mad Scientist award.

Jamie Stanberry received both the Chemistry I Academic and the Chemistry I Mad Scientist awards.

The Current Events award went to the UIL Regional team of Melissa Cano, Blake Clements, Luke Steelman, and Walter Kessler. Also honored were Melissa Cano, history; Crystal Fuentes, economics; and Luke Steelman, government.

Coach Ted Maple gave certificates to Luke Steelman in Physics and Yancy Graves in Physical Science.

In English, Daniela Newton was honored in English I and Lory Noriega in English III.

Homemaking teacher Jan Thieman presented award certificates for Outstanding Comprehensive Homemaking to Adam Ramirez, Casey Riley, Marissa Rodriguez, and Santiago Vargas.

Outstanding Child Development/Advanced Child to Evang Casas, Derrick Saddler, and Jamie Stanberry.

Outstanding Foods /Advanced Foods to Jose Garcia,

Crystal Fuentes, Paula Borquez, Ismelda Castro, and Lisbeth Antillon.

Computer Lab instructor Denise Anderson gave the following awards: 2nd Period Keyboarding, Juan Saucedo and Fabian Viernes; 4th Period Keyboarding, Tyson Kerby, Marissa Rodriguez, Adam Ramirez, and Carlos Rivera.

Also, 7th Period Keyboarding, Jonathan Zehner; Advanced Keyboarding, Santiago Vargas.

Coach Ryan Bridenstine gave Highest Average Algebra Awards to Joyce Martinez and Ruth Espinoza.

Coach Derrick Byrd honored Priscilla Martinez with the Health award and Alvaro Martinez for Advanced Health.

The American History Award was given to Tyson Kerby by instructor Coach Daryl Hill.

Teacher Robin Bailey handed awards to the Computer Science team of J. T. Roach, Erik Galvan, Walter Kessler, and Blake Clements. Also, Erik Galvan and Hector Vela earned Computer Science II honors and Noemi Perez and Blake Clements received Computer Science I honors. Debbie Brito earned a top Math of Money certificate.

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Graduation Schedules

Kindergarten graduation will be held Thursday, May 28, at 10 a.m. at the school auditorium.

Middle School will hold graduation ceremonies at 8 p.m. Thursday, May 28.

High School graduation is set for Friday night, May 29, at 8 p.m.

Bovina Reflections

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

40 Yrs Ago-May 21, 1958
Members of the 1958 graduating class of Bovina High School were honored with an informal breakfast Friday morning in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E.C. Berry.

Bovina's Post Office will go from a third to a second class rating effective July 1, according to Gene Ezell, postmaster.

Mr. and Mrs. A.M. Wilson and daughters left Sunday afternoon for a vacation. They planned to go to Oklahoma City and then make a tour of several parts of the country.

Mrs. Don Owens was honored with a pink and blue shower Thursday afternoon by members of the Bovina Town and Country Club.

James D. Taylor, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Taylor of Bovina, recently was promoted to specialist third class at Fairchild Air Force Base.

35 Yrs Ago-May 22, 1963
They cut wheat early over a wide area north of Bovina last night, but they didn't cut it with combines or use grain trucks to haul it. Hail did it. What was considered the most severe hail in the history of this farming community dumped eighteen inches of the frozen rain on the level, destroying all crops in the area where it struck.

Janice Richards of Bovina will receive a B.S. Degree from McMurry College on May 27, at 10 a.m. in the spring graduation exercises to be held in Radford Auditorium on the campus.

Mrs. Lillian Wheeler entertained members of Widow's Club, Friday at her home with a covered dish luncheon.

30 Yrs Ago-May 20, 1968
Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie J. Fowler were hosts to an open house at their new "Blue Flame" home Sunday, located four miles west and one mile south of Bovina.

Miss Grace Paul, pioneer Parmer County teacher, received her 20 year pin from the Bovina School system Sunday.

Clean-up chores are underway at the McCutchan building on Highway 60. The building was severely damaged by fire last summer.

Larry McKay of the U.S. Marine Corps will be home in Bovina, May 29.

25 Yrs Ago-May 23, 1973
The high school diploma in piano has been awarded to Jan Kassahn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kassahn of Bovina.

Bovina Blade and Bovina Gin-Three Way jumped off to

leads in the Pee Wee and Little League, respectively, in the season openers of the 1973 summer baseball program.

Matt Moten was honored with a farewell party Friday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Harris.

Larry Mitchell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean McCallum of Bovina, received a bachelor of science degree in agricultural science from Texas Tech University at Lubbock in ceremonies Saturday night.

20 Yrs Ago-May 24, 1978
The Bovina Jaycees were honored at the state Jaycee convention last week with a number of first place awards in competition with Jaycee chapters statewide.

Twenty-three Bovina High School seniors will graduate in commencement ceremonies Friday, May 26, at 8 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Steve Cockerham was the recipient of the Tophand Award at the FFA Banquet, Monday night.

Kyle Jones, Bovina High School graduate of the class of 1975, and his wife, Lee Ann Williams Jones, a graduate of Farwell High School, 1976, pre-vet students at Texas A&M University for the past two years, have received their letters of acceptance to attend th Texas A&M Veterinary School of Medicine beginning with the fall of 1978.

15 Yrs Ago-May 25, 1983
Billy Scott Sudderth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glendon Sudderth, has been accepted from our area to the Summer Enrichment Experiences program. The Summer Enrichment Experiences are a special summer program for achieving students that combine a week-long learning camp with recreation and exploration of new people, places, and ideas. The camp will be held at the University of New Mexico campus in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

10 Yrs Ago-May 25, 1988
Two students from Bovina were among a record number of 659 persons who received diplomas or certificates Friday, May 13 during South Plains College's 30th commencement exercises. Bovina graduates are Terry Moore and Roger Scaff, receiving associate of science degrees in business administration. Terry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Moore and Roger is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Scaff.

5 Yrs Ago-May 22, 1993
Graduation exercises for Bovina High School's graduating class of 1993 will be held Saturday, May 22 at

the high school auditorium. Darren Hromas, the class valedictorian, has the highest four-year scholastic average-a perfect 100. The class salutatorian, Stephanie Rackley, has an average of 94.7.

C. Holman's Services Held In Childress

Services for Charles Holman, 59, of Childress will be at 10 a.m. Monday in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Larry Crabtree of Childress officiating.

Burial will be in Childress Cemetery under direction of Johnson Funeral Home.

Holman died Friday, May 15, 1998, in Childress.

He was born November 10, 1938, in Sterling. He was a U.S. Army veteran. He was director of Owner Operator Independent Drivers Association. He was a truck driver.

Survivors include his mother, Flossie Holman of Childress; a daughter, Audrey Powell of Kenna, New Mexico; two sons, Tim of Childress and Jay of Bovina; two sisters, Grace Holman of Anaconda, Montana, and Lila Hoobler of Iowa Park; three brothers, Robert of Childress, Wayne of Houston and Wilson of Santa Fe, New Mexico; and two grandchildren.

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Funeral Services Are Held For Tiny Walling

Funeral services for Tiny G. Walling, 64, of Brashear, Texas were held at First Baptist Church in Bovina on

Bovinan's Daughter Passes Away

Graveside services for Claudia Jan Reed, 56, of Longview were held Saturday, May 16 at the Pleasant Grove Cemetery in Sulphur Springs, with the Reverend Frank Kuhl officiating.

She died Thursday in a hospital in Longview.

Mrs. Reed was born April 11, 1942 in Memphis, Texas and had been a resident of Longview for the past 22 years, moving from Hale Center. She was a homemaker and a member of the Woodland Hills Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Morris A. Reed of Longview; daughter and son-in-law, Jana and Richard Byford of Marshall; sons and daughter-in-law, Allen Reed of Harleton and Faron and Jacqueline Reed of Longview.

Also surviving is a sister, Sonja Perkins of Lubbock, brothers, Michael O'Hair of New Boston and Fred O'Hair of Longview; mother, Artie Faye O'Hair of Bovina; and grandchildren, Reed, Cole and Kailyn.

Wednesday, May 13. Officiating were Dorman Duggan and Rev. Gary Morgan, pastor of First Baptist Church.

Burial was in Bovina Cemetery under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Walling died Sunday, May 10, 1998 at his home in Brashear following an extended illness.

He was born in Dimmitt January 16, 1934, the adopted son of Jesse Alford and Lucille Williams Walling. He married Jeanette Holbrooks November 1, 1973 in Canyon.

Mr. Walling was a 1952 graduate of Bovina High School. He was a retired farmer and rancher and a resident of Hopkins County since 1989. He attended New Life Family Fellowship in Caddo Mills, Texas.

Survivors include his wife, Jeanette; his father, Elmer Englant of Spokane, Washington; one son, Haden Walling of Bovina; a step-son, Shane Owsley of Brashear; two daughters, Rebecca Murphy of Paris and Donna Flores of Sacramento, California;

Also surviving is one brother, Ted Walling of Hereford; a half-brother, Leon Englant of Oakland, California; and seven grandchildren.




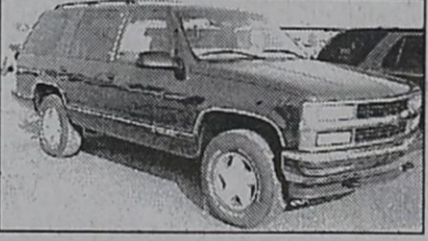

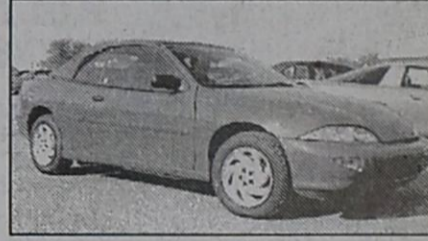
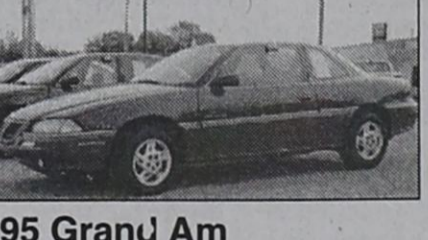

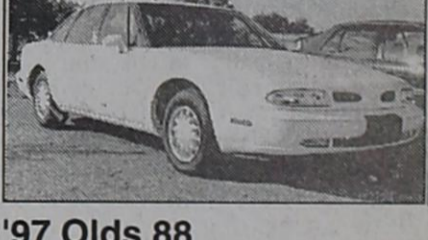
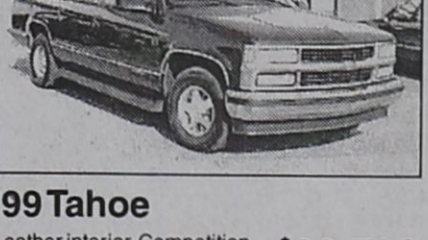

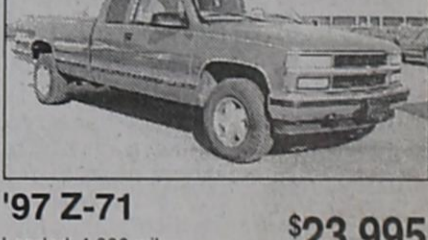


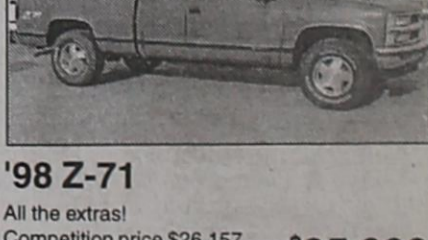
He was preceded in death by a son, Steven Walling.

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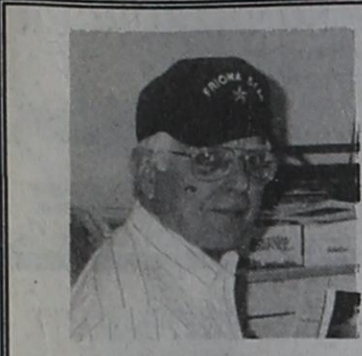
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Out Here

By RON CARR

Good Luck! Goodbye! Thanks For All The Fun & Memories!

There are several special events in life for parents. The first day of school, losing the first tooth, learning to walk, talk, then drive, are among memorable times in the lives of our children.

When you "become an adult" significant events also come along. A college degree, getting married, landing a new job, and welcoming your own first little one.

I have been through all of those phases, some of them more than once. This week I attended the all-sports banquets at Friona and Bovina High Schools.

Before the Friona presentations, while I was waiting for the auditorium to fill up, I wandered along the school hallways looking at the pictures the booster club had used for decorations.

They had taken various athletic action photos and enlarged them on a color copier then used poster board to frame them. The color photos were pasted all along the hallway wall.

I was proud to note that many of them were pictures I had taken throughout the athletic year. I remembered both the heat and the cold on the football sidelines, the noise in the Dimmitt gymnasium, the silence as the track runners take their positions, and trying to be in the right spot to shoot some baseball action.

Don Spring and Kenny Austin and many parents also had pictures on display. To the 1998 graduates, these pictures will increase in importance as years go by.

For all the phases and stages of life, I think high school graduation is the biggest change. It is a total redirection in a young life.

After high school, everything else in life is optional. For the first time, these young people can make decisions for themselves.

That is a big step. Some will make good choices, some will not.

From the high school glory days, they melt into the masses of college or the military or the workplace.

Work habits and attitudes are formed during the twelve years of local education. Habits, attitudes, and friendships they will carry forever.

It is a time for athletes to say goodbye to their coaches, men and women who have been like a second set of parents. In some cases, coaches and teachers are more like parents than a kid's parents if they have any at all.

Of course the sophomores and juniors are glad that the seniors are finally going. This year's juniors, at last get to be next year's seniors.

At the all-sports banquets, awards were given, last goodbyes were said and future plans were announced.

In Friona, Oscar Torres and Daniel Cuevas, last year's high school football players will be next year's Marines as they leave June 1 for San Diego.

A Friona cheerleader, Amanda Sanchez plans to go into the Marines also. In Bovina, all-district footballer Erik Galvan will be off to Chicago and Lake Michigan to enter the U. S. Navy.

The usual number of Parmer County grads will be heading up Highway 60 to WT in Canyon, or south to Tech.

Then suddenly the classes of 1998 will be scattered and the classes of 1999 will take the field for more pictures, and awards, and future planning.

New coaches and new teachers will take over the lives of another class of kids, complete with the joy and heartbreak that comes with being a teacher or coach.

Coach James Morton, who moved to the head coach position at SA Lubbock Monterey, returned to Friona to attend the sports banquet. I knew he would.

He started coaching this group when they were in the 7th grade. I knew he had to be back. Some people that would know told me that Coach Morton probably saved the lives of several young men by keeping them in the athletic program, which meant they had to make passing grades to play.

The varsity boys football team presented Coach Morton with a framed bronze football player. The inscription on the front said their record since 7th grade was 60-6 with 5 district titles and a trip to the 3A semifinals.

Quint Ellis, the senior who won all-everything and who goes 6'5" and 225, tried to read the words on the back to Coach Morton, he had to have help.

Emotions which had been held back finally made their appearance. There were tears of joy and sadness not only from the players but from Coach Morton too.

Here is what they wrote on the back of his plaque:

"To reach the goal we must at times

Run with the wind,
Other times against it.

But we must certainly run
Not walk nor stand still."

I would like to say to all the young men and women athletes in Friona and Bovina, a personal thanks for letting me hang around and stick my camera in your face every now and then. Thanks to each of you for your courtesy and cooperation and for furnishing the excitement that good pictures are made of.

Good luck in life and stop by to say hello when you are back in town.

God bless each one of you kids. Oops, I meant men and women.



HONORS AT PA
Sharing honors this month at Prairie Acres are employee-of-the-month Jennifer Baize and resident-of-the-month Blanche Boyle. Jennifer has been employed since August 1997 and Blanche has been a resident since June, 1990.



QUILT TIME AT PRAIRIE ACRES....Displayed this month as quilts-of-the-month are a couple of quilts that were quilted by Prairie Acres resident Polly Whatley. ron carr photo

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PARMER COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BUDGET

The County Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 1999 fiscal year.

The public hearing will be held on Thursday, June 11, 1998 at 8 p.m. at the Parmer County Appraisal District Office Board Room, 305 3rd Street, Bovina, Texas.

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

- The total amount of the proposed budget is \$195,100.00.
- The total amount of increase over the current year's budget is \$12,900.00.
- The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget will be 4.
- The number of employees compensated under the current budget is 4.

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the Parmer County Appraisal District Board of Directors at the Public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities, and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection at the Parmer County Appraisal District Office.

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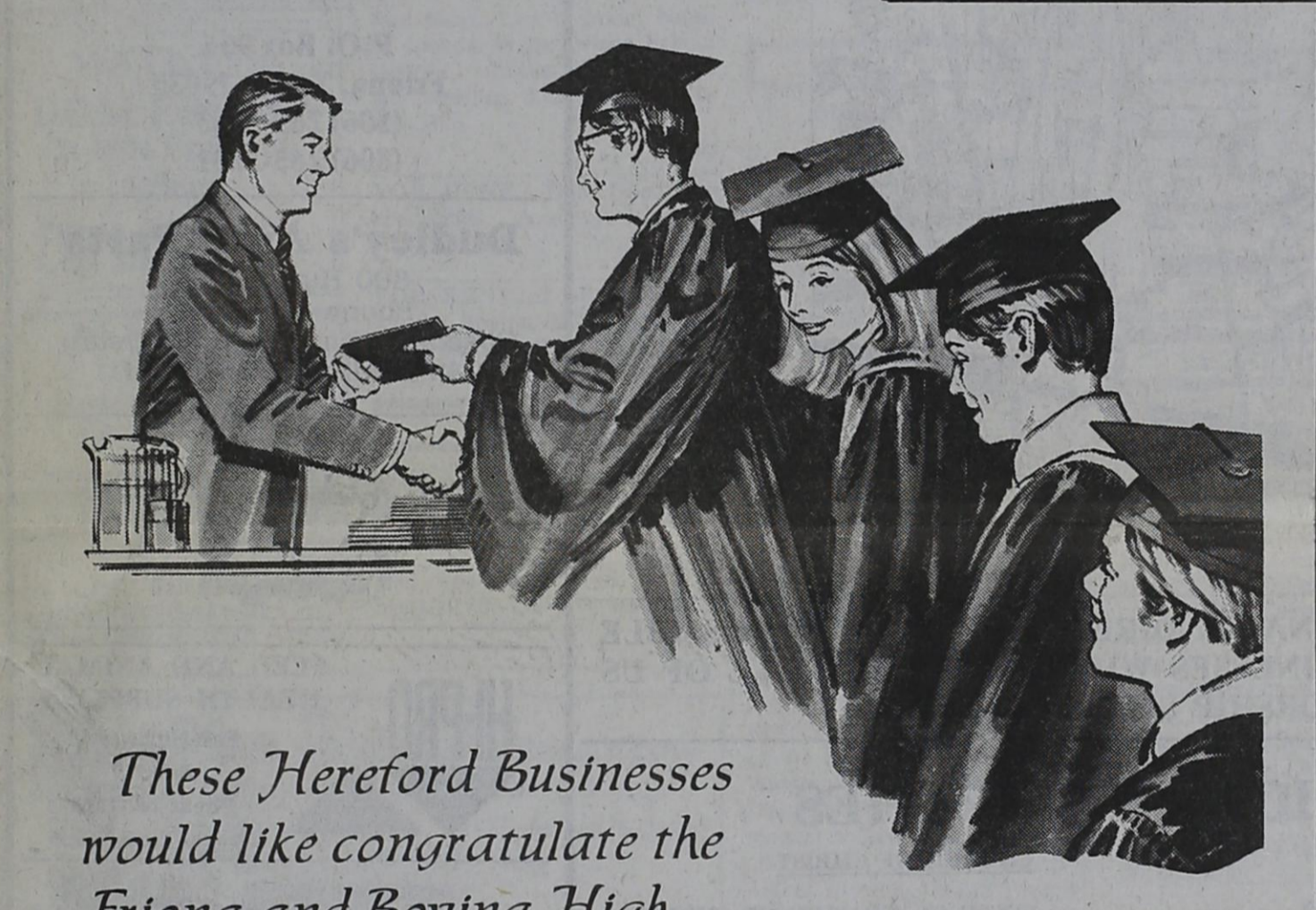
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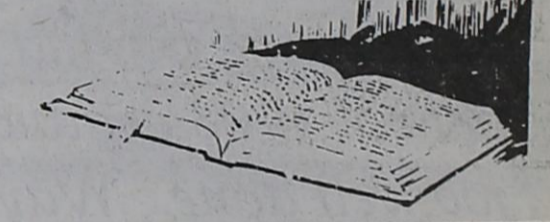
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THANK YOU

The family of Kelli Mitchell would like to extend our deepest gratitude to those who sent flowers, food, cards, memorials, loving words, kind deeds and mostly your continued prayers.

Words cannot express our heartfelt thanks during this difficult time. Kelli was very fortunate to live in a community where she was not only loved, but accepted as well. She truly loved all she met with Christlike love. May all of you be as blessed in the days to come as we were while she was here with us. Our angel has now gone to her heavenly home where she is ultimately healed.

Much love and thanks,
Larry & Donna Mitchell
Keri, Michael & Brock Waldie
Kory, Kevin & Chase Mitchell
Dean & Arlene McCallum
Martha Tyler
Montie Turner
All her Aunts, Uncles & Cousins

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LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Friona Independent School District announces the sponsorship of the Summer Food Service Program. Meals will be provided at the Grade School Cafeteria as follows:
June 1-June 26
Breakfast 8:30-9:30 a.m.
Lunch 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

People who are eligible to participate in this program must be at least 1 year old but not over 18 years of age. They also must not be discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, religion or political belief. Anyone who believes that they have been discriminated against should write immediately to: Director, Civil Rights Division, NC W-106, Texas Department of Human Services, P.O. Box 149030, Austin, Texas 78714-9030 or the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250. NOTE: Discrimination complaints based on religion or political beliefs must be referred only to the Director, Civil Rights Division, Texas Dept. of Human Services. 31-2tc

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NOTICE OF SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

The Parmer County Commissioners Court is currently offering for SALE one (1) used 1986 Toyota 4-Runner, one (1) used 1989 F350 Ford Pick-up, and one (1) 1973 Chevrolet Suburban. Sealed offers may be mailed or brought to Bonnie J. Clayton, County Judge, at 401 Third Street, Room 104, P.O. Box 506, Farwell, Texas 79325, to be received no later than 10:00 A.M., Monday, June 8, 1998, at which time all offers will be considered. Please include an original and four (4) copies in your offer packet.

Any questions concerning the surplus property should be directed to Sheriff Walt Yergler at 806/481-3303 or 481-3304. A copy of the specifications is on file at the County Judge's office.

Offers must reflect each item bid separately.

The Parmer County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all offers.

By order of the Parmer County Commissioners Court, Bonnie J. Clayton, County Judge. 1tc

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NEW SUMMER HOURS

PARMER COUNTY TAX COLLECTORS OFFICE

At The

Friona Texas Federal Credit Union

June 4, 11, and 18
9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

July 9, 16, 23, and 30
9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

We will be Closed June 25 and July 2

Doris Herington - Tax Collector

*NEW LISTING-Country home-10 acres 4BR 3 1/2 bath..\$149,000
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*NEW LISTING-IMPRESSIVE 3/2/2, fireplace, corner lot..\$65,500
*NEW LISTING-NEW flooring, fresh paint, 2BR, 1bath...\$25,500
*NEW LISTING-LARGE 3/2/2 with sunroom by FHS...\$73,000
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*PRICE REDUCED-3BR, 2bath, two living areas.....\$87,000
*EXTRAORDINARY-4BR, 4BA two living areas....SOLD
*CELLAR, two living areas, 3BR, 2bath.....\$59,900
*REMODELED 3BR, 2BA w/siding near schools....SOLD
*EXCEPTIONAL, 3BR, 2bath, double garage, near FHS...\$59,900
*New carpet, 3BR, 1BA, vinyl siding.....SOLD
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3 BR, 1-3/4 BA, den/family rm., near school.....\$68,000
3 BR, 1-3/4 BA, 3 living areas, double garage.....\$65,000
3 BR, 1-3/4 BA, lots of storage, kitchen/den, living room, garage, nice location.....Reduced to \$57,900.....\$59,900
NEW LISTING--3 BR, 2 BA, 3 living areas, 1 with fireplace, large kitchen, dining, utility, new carpet.....\$59,500
3 BR, 1-3/4 BA, kitchen/dining/family room with fireplace, 2 car garage, storage building.....\$54,900
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3 city lots, good location.....inside lots \$3,000/corner lot \$4,000
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Honors....

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In Business courses, Crystal Fuentes won a Business Computer Applications II award and Priscilla Martinez won in BCA I. An Accounting award went to Luke Steelman.

A Special Computer Application award was presented to J. T. Roach, Derrick Vanegas, and Alfred Uriegas.

In UIL Accounting, Luke Steelman, Derrick Vanegas, and Marcy Guevara were honored for their 1st place in the Regional UIL competition.

Computer Applications awards went to Derrick Vanegas, Alfred Uriegas and J. T. Roach for their district and regional competition.

Becca Gomez was given a certificate for top Classroom Aide.

Bovina ISD Lunch Menu May 25-29

***MONDAY-** Chicken fried steak, cream potatoes, green beans and a variety of fresh fruit.

TUESDAY- Hamburger basket, veggies, ketchup, mustard and a variety of fresh fruit.

WEDNESDAY- Ham and cheese croissant, lettuce and tomato, potato chips and a variety of fresh fruit.

THURSDAY-LAST DAY OF SCHOOL- Sub sandwich, lettuce and tomato, potato chips pickle spears and a variety of fresh fruit.

***FRIDAY- NO SCHOOL- SEE YA NEXT YEAR!!!!**

*Hamburger basket is an alternate choice each day.

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BAND AWARDS were presented to eighth graders Paula Chavez, left, who received the Director's Award and Briselda Rodriguez with the Patrick S. Gilmore Award.



SENIOR BAND MEMBERS Jamie Stanberry, left, was honored with the John Phillip Sousa award and Imelda Castro won the Arion Award for their efforts in the 1997-98 Mustang Band.

Scooter's Scoops

By SCOOTER RUSSELL



Bovina residents experienced lots of sadness last week as funeral services were held for five of our people.

Services for Lois Smith were held May 14, at the Baptist Church. Her Bovina children were Larry Smith and Shirley Ware. She was such a lovely person and will be missed by her many friends.

Funeral services were held on May 13, for Tiny Walling. Everyone knew Tiny and he was living in Brashear, Texas at the time of his death.

He was a retired farmer and rancher. His son, Haden, lives in Bovina. Tiny lived in Bovina many years and graduated from high school here in 1952.

Graveside services were held May 11, for Charles Crowell of Dallas. He grew up in Bovina and graduated from Bovina high school.

We also, express our deepest sympathies to Artie Faye O'Hair in the death of her daughter, Claudia Reed of Longview, Texas.

Claudia died of cancer after a short illness. She is survived by her husband, Morris; three children, Allen, Faron, and J.J.; also three grandchildren. Graveside services were held in Sulphur Springs.

Funeral services were held for little Kelli, daughter of Larry and Donna Mitchell on May 14. This child touched our lives and we had a feeling she was a little angel that belonged to all of us, as we watched her precious years go by.

The day came when God called her home, and we were all saddened and shared in the family's grief.

When we would ask how she was, she would grin and say, "I'm fine." and welcome a hug.

So we give thanks to God for the privilege of having known this child and say thank you, Larry and Donna

for being very special parents and for sharing her with all of us. May God bless her precious family.

Congratulations to Manny Saiz and Candida Lee Cada, who were married May 4, by Justice of the Peace, Vi Hutto.

Candida is the daughter of Marty and John McPhearson of Plainview and Manny's mom is Linda Pena of Bovina.

Manny works at Lowe's Grocery in Bovina. He has a nice personality, always pleasant and helpful to the customers. Just seems to make everyone's day a little better, to visit with him. Anyway, congratulations!

Our sympathies to Shirley Garrison, whose father passed away. He was Lois K. Stone of Ralls, Texas and died in the Crosbyton hospital. He had been ill a long time and had been on oxygen for the past fifteen years.

Shirley's mother Lorene preceded him in death in 1969. He was survived by his wife, Mable, five children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Vernon and Dottie Ward went to Amarillo and spent Mother's Day with their daughter, Billie and Ken Harrison.

Dottie said they went on Friday before Mother's Day and spent the weekend. All of their family members were with them. Billie is their only child but the grandchildren there were Kathy, Sharon, and Steve. Also with them were their great granddaughter, Kiley.

Jimmy and I spent five days in the mountains and were surprised at how chilly the nights were. The first couple of nights the temperature dipped to fifteen degrees but it did warm up a

little after that. Jackets felt good all day. The fishing was good even though there was a full moon. We enjoyed Mother's Day there with some of the kids.

Kory Mitchell, son of Larry and Donna Mitchell, graduated from West Texas A&M in Canyon on Friday, May 15th, with a Bachelor of Science degree. His mother said he will now go to Arlington to work on his master's degree. Congratulations, Kory, we're proud of you!

I visited with Lily Berhendson of Cimarron, New Mexico, a former Bovina, resident. She said she had all of her children with her on Mother's Day except daughter Deborah, who lives in that area but was out of town.

Her sons, Randy and Daryl Kirkpatrick of Bovina were there and also daughter Carol of Lubbock. Said she had a wonderful Mother's Day and the family enjoyed a meal that day at the County Line Restaurant in Lubbock.

Thanks for your help with the Scoops, call if you have had company, on vacation, or illness in your family. Have a good week. . . Scooter.

Happy Birthday Bovina

Birthdays for the week of May 24-31, 1998.
May 25 Lauren Gray
May 27 Estella Ortiz, Rock Stanley
May 31 Tomas Fuentes, Jr., Dorothy Ellison
To make any changes or to add friends or relatives to our birthday roster call 238-1523 or write Drawer B, 79009.



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