

## Bull Town Bulletins

By  
Bill Ellis



**HAVING SUPPORTED** and urged editorially for the widening of U.S. Highway 60 through Parmer County for almost 30 years, it has been highly gratifying to this writer to see the actual work on this project underway.

A number of times ye editor has told our friend Rhea Bradley, resident engineer for the Texas Department of Highways and Transportation that "I hope to live long enough to see this project completed," since it is one we have pushed for so long a time.

Whether or not we live to see it completed, Praise the Lord: we have at least seen it begun, and the work is well underway.

The first stage of the project is widening the highway from two lanes to four lanes from the Deaf Smith County line into Friona, and the work is currently underway to construct the two new lanes on this portion of the road.

After these two new lanes are completed, the old existing highway will be torn up, and a new roadway will be built in its place.

Highway officials say they expect to be able to open up the two new lanes to traffic by the late summer. After that, the work on reconstructing the old two lanes from Friona to Summerfield will begin.

Meanwhile, Bradley tells us that plans for the second stage of the road improvement, from Friona to Bovina, have been completed and have been submitted to the TDHT state office in Austin for approval.

District Engineer Mel Pope of Lubbock says that funds are in place for this second stage of the project, and the TDHT hopes to award the contract for this "middle section" of the road in December of this year.

All of the right of way needed for the project between Friona and Bovina has been secured, with some utility adjustments yet to be made.

Hopefully, construction on this second stage of the roadway can get underway early in 1992. The highway department anticipates about a year to build each new segment of roadway (a year to build the new lanes, Friona to Bovina, then another year to reconstruct the old roadway).

The only question mark, in terms of dates, concerning the project, is the third stage, which is the Bovina to Farwell segment of the road.

Funds for this stage of the project are not in place, since it could be 1993-94, at the earliest, before it will come up. Funding may depend in part on how the budget-writing, currently underway in the state legislature, comes out.

We would take this opportunity to encourage the TDHT to actively seek funding for the third stage of this project.

According to our unofficial count, there have been three fatalities from wrecks on Highway 60 between Friona and Summerfield in the past six months. The Amarillo DPS office reports five fatalities in Parmer County for the calendar year 1990. These fatalities most probably could have been avoided if the highway had been a four-lane facility.

As the local residents realize, this highway undoubtedly has the highest percentage of truck traffic, per capita, for any road in the country, and its completion will be just cause for celebration.

Ye editor hopes he lives to see the day.

## Game Slated Here Monday

The senior-faculty basketball game will be held Monday, April 22 at 7:30 p.m. at the high school gym.

The teachers will play against each other so this should be a very good game.

Everyone is invited to attend. Admission is \$1 for students and children and \$2 for adults.

# First Hosp. Meeting Is Well-Attended

The first of two informational meetings pertaining to the election in which voters will be asked to vote for or against a Parmer County Hospital District was well-attended Tuesday night in Friona, when about 300 people turned out.

Members of the board of directors of Parmer County Community Hospital made statements and answered questions, along with hospital manager Phil Langston, pertaining to how the proposed hospital district would work.

Following are some of the questions asked, and how they were answered:

Q--You're not at the present time doing operations or delivering babies. Do you plan to re-instate these if the hospital district is approved?

A--No, this is not in the present plans. We would have to have a surgeon, plus invest in extra equipment and costs.

Q--Why hire an outside administrator, from Oklahoma, at a cost of \$8,000 per month?

A--We consulted for some time with High Plains Baptist Hospital, and they showed us where we could get some help. Preferred Management Corp. now pays all the hospital salaries, pays fringe benefits, and provides much expertise. We feel we're getting our money's worth. We're getting a lot of side benefits. It would cost us \$75,000 to \$90,000 a year for strictly an administrator.

Q--What problems will we be facing if we approve a hospital district?

A--A hospital district does not necessarily guarantee the survival of PCCH, but it will give it a CHANCE. It's up to the local people, if they are concerned enough to want to keep their hospital. We hope to be able to expand, and to continue to offer quality health-care service.

Q--How much would a 25¢ per \$100 valuation raise?

A--The maximum would be \$511,000 per year.

Q--What is the situation with the pharmacy?

A--We hire a proprietary firm to run the pharmacy. They provide the pharmacist. We still own the

pharmacy and the inventory. The firm gives us the qualified help. Our revenue from the pharmacy might be down \$60,000 this year, but our net profit could be up \$12,000, and this is important.

Q--Isn't \$500,000 a year a lot of money to spend to keep the hospital open?

A--Our annual budget is around \$1.3 million. We have a list of equipment and improvements we need to make, at an estimated cost of \$763,000, and after this is done, the amount we need from taxes should not be as much.

Q--Isn't there any alternative to the hospital district and the extra taxes?

A--We thought long and hard about this. It wasn't an overnight decision. We did the survey about six months ago, which led us in this direction. We didn't feel we could ask for donations, because donations tend to be a one-time deal, and we need on-going financial assistance.

Q--Are we trying to compete with Amarillo hospitals?

A--No, but we need to be able to pay our employees adequate salaries, and upgrade our facility. We have a group of dedicated Auxiliary members, but we can't expect them to do it all. We're talking about basic support to bring our facility from the 1960s to the 1990s.

Q--What would happen to the taxes if we passed the hospital district and the hospital still didn't make it?

A--If there were no hospital, there'd be no board and no taxes.

Q--Is indigent care an unlimited liability?

A--Legally, the sky's the limit, but in practicality, what we end up with isn't that bad. In 1990 we marked off about \$28,000 to indigent care, and about \$19,400 the year before.

Q--Rather than just have a few people in the hospital, wouldn't you be better off with several indigents?

A--No, we'd be better off with the few paying patients. Most of our revenue comes from outpatients rather than inpatients. Inpatient stays tend to be shorter than previously. We need to

generate more outpatient services. We opened a physical therapy department with the help of Excel last year, and this has been a big benefit to the hospital.

Q--Why can't we use the sales tax rather than the hospital district?

A--That was the thoughts of most of the people completing the survey, but we discovered that in light of the fact that our hospital district would not follow the county boundaries, we could not collect such a tax until at least 1993. Also, the sales tax would not produce nearly as much as the hospital district taxes.

Q--Why not just charge the patients who use the facility more money for the services rather than taxing everyone through the hospital district?

A--You can't gouge the people who use the facility. There is still some "shopping around" as to which hospital people will use. It just doesn't work to raise what you need through increased prices.

Q--Do you think it will be right for a tax-supported hospital pharmacy to compete with a privately owned pharmacy downtown?

A--no response.

Karim Moshrefi, lab technician at the hospital, said in part: "You've come a long way, and have worked so hard to have the hospital. We have some dedicated people at the hospital. The doctors are very honest. We need to have some better equipment, which would bring more patients and more benefits."

## Meeting To Discuss Hosp. Vote

The second public meeting concerning the proposal to create a Parmer County Hospital District will be held in Bovina Tuesday, April 23.

The meeting will be held at the EMS Building (re-modeled American Legion Hall) beginning at 8 p.m.

Officials of Parmer County Community Hospital will be available to explain the proposed district and answer questions.

## Summer Baseball Deadline

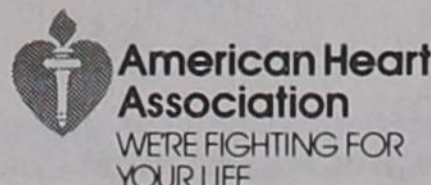
All youngsters interested in playing baseball or softball this summer in Bovina, need to sign up by April 25. Forms will be distributed this week at the Bovina Schools and they need to be returned by Thursday, April 25 for those interested in playing.

Ages are 5-14 years for baseball and 7-12 for girls softball. Any youngster who turns five by August 1 is eligible to play.

Entry fee is \$10 per player. This will help pay for the baseball t-shirts, cap and insurance for each player. The entry fees are due by May 10. Birth certificates are also required for all first time players.

The Bovina Baseball League is also seeking volunteers to help coach or help in any way. Anyone interested in helping should indicate so on the forms being sent home with the students.

You can also contact any committee member if you want to help or have any questions: Joe Rackley, president; Galen Hromas, vice president; Susan Kerby, treasurer; Janie Sherbon, secretary; Joe Black, player agent; Pablo Martinez and Kenny Sherbon, committee members.



**REGIONAL-BOUND...**The girls' golf team heads for the regional tournament. Pictured (left-right) are Keri Mitchell, Stephanie Rackley, Darla Stormes and Kim Kirkpatrick, alternate. Not pictured is Cindy Quintana.



**FILLIES' QUALIFIERS...**Kim Kirkpatrick and Donna Griggs are the two members from the girls' track team who have qualified for the regional meet.

## Coach Returns To Bovina High School

Rock Stanley, Bovina High School football coach and algebra teacher, finally returned home Sunday, April 14 to his family and friends.

Stanley is a Reserve Major with the Marines and was called to active duty in February. He was stationed in Billings, Montana, as a Casualty Assistance Officer.

The job entailed notifying parents of wounded soldiers and of deaths that may have occurred overseas during the Persian Gulf War. Luckily, there weren't as many deaths as was anticipated,

but as Stanley pointed out, one is too many.

Coach Stanley left Bovina on February 10 and he said he felt as if he were deserting his family and students. But as he said, he had to help in any way he could to defend his country.

Stanley says he is relieved and gratified to be home with his wife, Karen, and his two sons, Kenneth, 19, who is a sophomore at Frank Phillips College in Borger, and Brian, 15, who is a sophomore here at Bovina High School. He said he was glad to finally get a good home-cooked meal.

## Hospital Becomes "Smoke-Free"

Effective April 15, 1991, the Parmer County Community Hospital will become a smoke free hospital. This policy, approved by the Parmer County Community Hospital board of directors, prohibits smoking in all areas of the hospital and applies to employees as well as visitors and patients.

In an attempt to inform the public of the new policy, "No Smoking" signs will be prominently displayed throughout the facility and all ashtrays will be removed from the hospital. Healthcare institutions should lead the way in the implementation of policies that create safer and healthier work environments. Protecting employees, patients and the visiting public from involuntary exposure to secondhand tobacco smoke was the impetus for the new policy.

While the health effects associated with mainstream smoking have long been recognized as the leading cause of preventable death and disability in the world, the deleterious effects of environmental exposure to tobacco smoke to non-smokers has only recently been documented in medical literature.

Parmer County Community Hospital now joins the ranks of a growing number of hospitals now

proclaiming a smoke free environment.

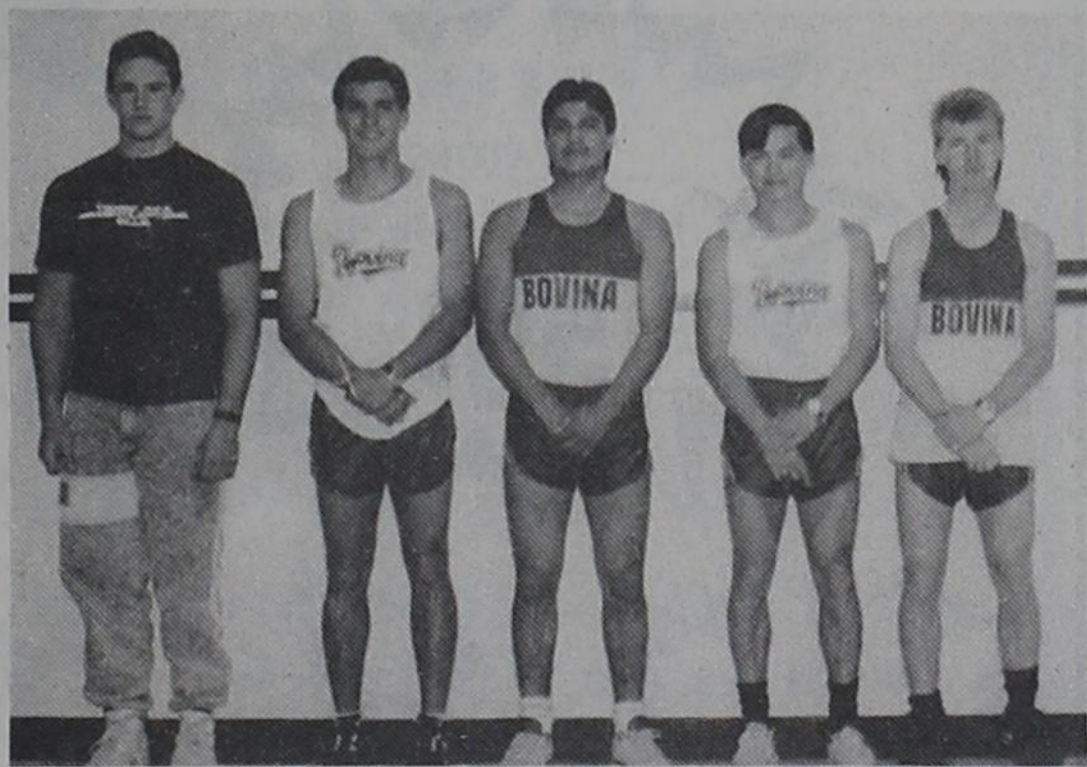
## Several Qualify In Track

The Bovina High School boys and girls track teams traveled to Sudan Friday, April 12 to join other area schools in a district track meet.

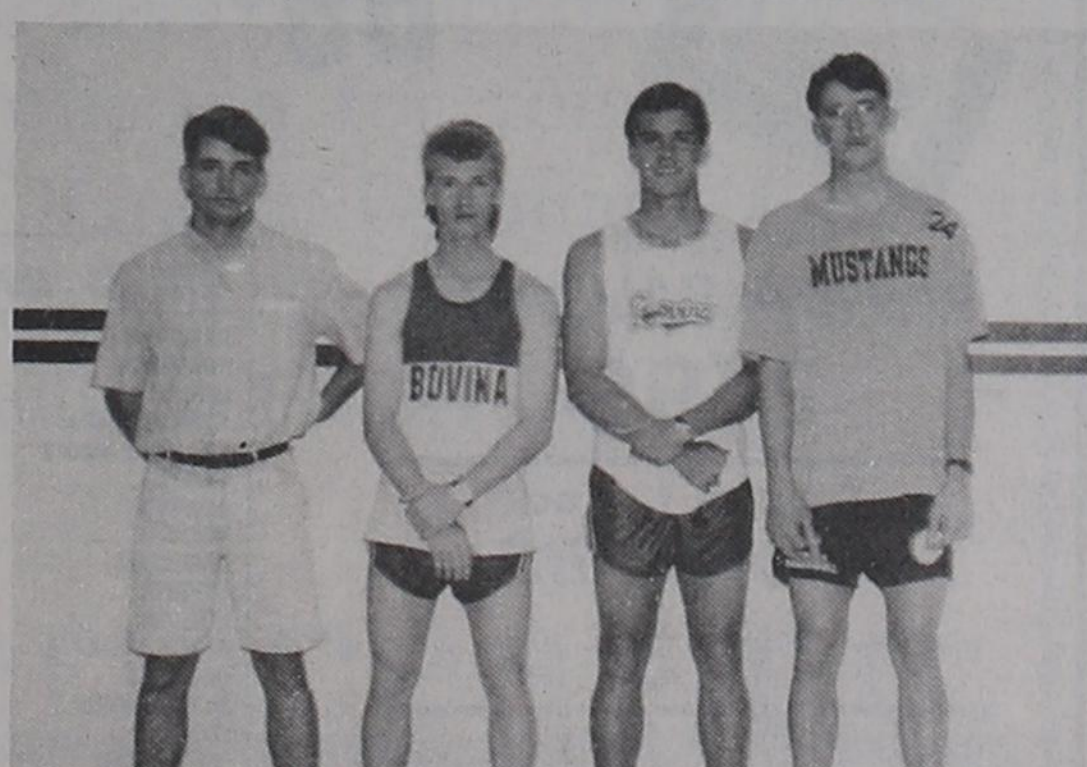
Among those qualifying for the regional meet were Cain Neal, who placed first in the shot put; Corey Kirkpatrick placed first in the 300-meter hurdles; and the sprint relay team (Robert Guevara, Corey Kirkpatrick, Isabel Marrufo, Hugo Renteria and Kory Mitchell, alternate), who placed second.

For the girls, Donna Griggs came in first in the high jump as well as the 100-meter hurdles and the 300 hurdles. Others placing were Kim Kirkpatrick, third in the 100-meter hurdles; Teresa Stone, fourth in the discus; and Keri Mitchell, Christina Noriega, Stephanie Rackley and Nancy Vargas placed sixth in the 800-meter relay.

The regional competition will be held April 26-27 at South Plains College in Levelland.



**BOYS TRACK...**Five members of the Mustang track team have qualified for regional. From the left are Cain Neal, Corey Kirkpatrick, Robert Guevara, Hugo Renteria and Kory Mitchell, alternate. Not shown is Isabell Marrufo.



**GOLF TEAM...**Bovina's boys' golf team placed fourth at the district meet. Pictured are: (left-right) Andy Stormes, Kory Mitchell, Corey Kirkpatrick and Rusty Venable.

# Fund Assists Local Students

We would like to take this opportunity and remind students and parents of the existence of the Bovina Community Study Fund. This low interest loan fund is an outgrowth of the Grace Paul Fund, which was established in April, 1969, in memory of Miss Grace Paul, who was a noted educator in the Bovina Schools.

Many persons have contributed to the fund over the years and a major contribution was made by the Cary family, who turned all proceeds from memorials to Kenneth Cary over to the student loan fund. Cary was vitally interested in all aspects concerning the education and training of young people and the Grace Paul Fund seemed a fitting way to keep those aspirations alive.

Because so many persons have graciously involved themselves in this project, it was decided to call it the Bovina Community Study Fund. So far, approximately 20 students have benefitted from this project. They are gainfully employed and respected members of their individual professions. We point with pride to these determined young people. At the present time, there is one student on this plan.

The Bovina Community Study Fund is part of the Opportunity Plan, Inc., which is located in Canyon, Texas. They have no affiliation with any Institute of Higher Learning. The aims and goals of this organization are best described in the following paragraphs:

### What is the Opportunity Plan?

The Opportunity Plan, Inc., is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing financial assistance to individuals who wish to further their education in colleges, universities, trade schools or other institutes of higher learning.

According to Milton Morris, founder of the program, a real tragedy exists when a student possesses ability, ambition, character and leadership, and yet finds himself unable to attend college because of financial problems. This plan does not offer a free ride to an education; rather, it functions as a helping hand to those who want to help themselves, and who have the determination to do so.

### What is the purpose of the Opportunity Plan?

This plan provides an opportunity whereby any worthy high school graduate may obtain a higher education and attain whatever height or position in life his abilities will permit.

### What are the requirements?

Acceptance in the Opportunity Plan is based upon the character and ambition of the student and upon his financial need. Outstanding scholars are always welcome; however, the Opportunity Plan recognizes that successful businessmen and dedicated citizens are not always great scholars.

Acceptance depends greatly upon the four required references. These letters come from hometown acquaintances who will recommend the student and

perhaps agree to assist in his/her supervision.

### Facts and figures:

The Opportunity Plan, Inc., started in 1954 with a contribution of \$500. Since that time 8,000 students have received loans amounting to more than \$10,000,000 of which 98% was or is being repaid to be loaned again.

The Opportunity Plan administers 135 loan divisions and 30 scholarship/merit award divisions. Much time is spent each year showing students how to apply for all types of scholarships, grants and other federal and state programs.

Students funded through the Opportunity Plan, Inc. may attend the school of their choice; students on the program have attended 140 different institutions of higher education.

### How does it work?

Funds are loaned to students according to budgets established at the beginning of each semester. Amounts needed by the students vary according to their individual situations. In one sense, the Opportunity Plan is like a bank. Each student has an account that reflects the amount of his budget, the amount drawn, the amount deposited, and the amount he owes.

Most Opportunity Plan students are encouraged to work, if at all possible, to decrease the balance they owe. This eliminates a huge debt from accumulating that the student would find difficult to repay.

Students are required to keep an accurate record of their spending and income. During the middle of the semester, students must obtain progress reports from their instructors and at the end of the semester, turn in final grades.

### To the contributor:

The Opportunity Plan, Inc. provides a unique financial aid service to students; most of the students assisted are from the Panhandle area. All Opportunity Plan money comes from philanthropic gifts and contributions from businesses, clubs, civic organizations, foundation, community projects and individuals.

Memorial gifts are given printed and special attention. Printed acknowledgment cards are sent to the families as directed by the contributor.

Anyone needing information may contact either the Opportunity Plan direct at: The Opportunity Plan, Inc., P.O. Box 1035, Canyon, Texas, 79015, or contact Virgie Cary or Anne Corn in Bovina.

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**TEACHER OF THE WEEK....**Martha Morris, first grade teacher at Ridgelea Elementary, was chosen this week's Teacher of the Week. She is shown here with her students teaching them about rocks. Mrs. Morris has been a teacher five years, two of those here in Bovina. She and husband, Stanley, have three children, Charlie, 12, Robert, 8, and Crystal, 4.

## Prairie Acres School Lunch Party Line Menu

By CAROL DELEON

Several staff and residents have been enjoying the warm and sunny weather. They have planted a flower bed in the front of the building and rose bushes out by the big Prairie Acres sign. Be sure and notice us when we are in full bloom. We are excited about this. We haven't had flowers or plants outside since we remodeled.

Also, take notice of all the hard work Mr. Holley does on the trees on the side of the building and in the garden. He is already getting the place in good shape.

The Senior Citizen luncheon this month was really nice. About ten residents and four staff members went across the street for it. Everyone is always so friendly and helpful. We want to thank Zonah Bass in particular for helping us fill plates.

Last week I welcomed Julia Fairchild. Well, she comes and goes so much that we hardly know she's here. Friends come visit her a lot and take her out for coffee at Dairy Queen or wherever they want to go. Julia is really a fun person to be around.

We are planning a Resident Cookbook, and really are looking forward to many different recipes from them. If you have family or friends here, you may want to have some input in this by telling them your favorite recipe of theirs or something like this.

This week's thank you's go to: Perry Bros. for the rose bushes they donated to us that I mentioned earlier and to Becky Riethmayer for the magazines.

I also want to announce that we are proud parents of five baby kittens again. I hope we have better luck with this litter.

The following donations have been made to the Love Fund:

In memory of Marvin Jordan: Jim and Christine Zorns, Herbert and Gladys Day, John and Lavon Renner.

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You are never fully dressed until you wear a smile.

**UNCLE AUSTIN SAYS:** It's really inflation when a man has to pay five dollars for a two-dollar haircut that he used to get for one dollar when he had hair.

# AUCTION

## PARMER COUNTY SURPLUS

Saturday, April 27  
Sale Time--1:30 P.M.

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## Texas Senate In Resolution For Hull

James Hull, president and general manager of Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative in Hereford and chairman of the board of Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc., in Amarillo, has received a special resolution from the Texas Senate.

The award was presented at the annual meeting of Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc. at Amarillo National Bank's Plaza/Two on April 1.

The resolution, sponsored by Senator Teel Bivins and Senator John Montford, recognized Chairman Hull for his vision and leadership in the formation of Golden Spread Electric Cooperative.

Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, Inc. is a consumer-owner wholesale electric power supplier for eleven rural electric distribution cooperatives, including Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative, Inc.

More than 94,000 retail customers, located primarily in Texas and Oklahoma receive electric service from Golden Spread's member systems.



**HULL HONORED...** James Hull, president and general manager of Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative, and chairman of the Board of Golden Spread Electric Cooperative, was given a resolution from the state senate at the cooperative's annual meeting. Making the presentation is Tammy Shaklee, district director for Senator Teel Bivins.

## ACS Gives Tips For Food Preparation

In the battle against cancer, are your rations strong enough? The foods you eat could help lower risks for certain cancers. The American Cancer Society's Great American Food Fight Against Cancer will help you learn which foods to enlist. Contact your local American Cancer Society or call 1-800-ACS-2345.

Why is eating smart important? Recent evidence from cancer research studies suggests a relationship between what we eat and the risk of developing various types of cancer.

The ACS gives the following tips for preparing foods:

\*Bake, poach, steam, oven-broil, stir-fry or roast meats, poultry and fish without using extra fat. Avoid frying, which adds extra fat and calories.

\*Ask your butcher to help you select low-fat cuts of meat. Trim away all visible fat, and use 2-3 ounce portions. Cut meat into thin slices to look like more. Remove the skin from poultry.

\*Use vegetable cooking sprays instead of frying in fat.

\*Cook vegetables as quickly as possible and use as little liquid as you can.

\*Use herbs and spices, such as onion or garlic, ginger, lemon and lime juice, and mustard, instead of fats and oil to flavor meats, fish and

poultry. \*Use the paste method for gravy and sauces. Add flour or cornstarch to cold liquid slowly and blend well. This eliminates the need for fat.

\*After making a soup or stew containing meat or poultry, refrigerate until the fat congeals on the surface. Remove it before heating and serving.

\*Substitute skim or non-fat milk for whole and yogurt for sour cream whenever possible. Choose desserts made with milk or yogurt instead of those made with cheese. You might find that you prefer dishes and desserts that aren't too rich.

\*Use "comparison shopping" to select recipes. Pick the recipe that contains the least amount of fat. Even then, most fat in recipes can be reduced by one-third to one-half. This works well for casseroles and main dishes, as well as for muffins, quick breads and cakes.

\*Try adding a little bran or wheat germ to recipes, even casseroles and main dishes.

\*Experiment and have fun. Use the Great American Food Fight Against Cancer as an opportunity to liven up your meals. Add additional fruits and vegetables to recipes for extra fiber and vitamins. Try new—and healthier—combinations of foods.

## Affiliated Foods Had Record Year

Affiliated Foods Incorporated, Amarillo, has announced record sales and earnings for fiscal year 1990, Benny Cooper, Affiliated President, said.

Complete details of the record year were released to Affiliated Foods stockholders during their annual meeting this weekend in Amarillo.

"Our member stores are to be congratulated for this accomplishment," Cooper said, "because they were able to achieve record sales despite recessionary pressures and increased competition."

Buyers and owners of the more than 600 Affiliated member stores met in Amarillo Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Affiliated Foods Incorporated, Amarillo, Texas is a multi-million dollar cooperative grocery distributor, and is wholly owned by its member stores in Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Colorado. Affiliated's headquarters

and warehouse are located in Amarillo.

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*Congratulations to those who were the lucky winners of our door prizes.*

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# Bovina Scoops

Call 238-1523 With Your News Items

Heath Wright, who was injured March 18 in a motorcycle accident in Albuquerque is improving greatly!

Heath is the son of Jerry and Carol Jean Wright of Albuquerque, N.M., and the grandson of Woodrow and Gladys Wright and Dean and Juanita Hastings, all of Bovina.

According to his Grandmother Gladys, Heath was released from St. Joseph's Rehab Center, April 5 and is home now. He is still

undergoing therapy and will, for an unspecified amount of time, but he is eating well and gaining back some of the weight he lost while in the hospital.

Heath celebrated his eighteenth birthday, April 16. Happy birthday, Heath, and we wish you a speedy recovery!

Woodrow and Gladys Wright spent a few days visiting their son and daughter-in-law, Joe Pat and Dana Wright of Brownfield, and

new grandson, Austin, who was born Easter Sunday. They enjoyed getting acquainted with their new grandson and Gladys said, "I really hated to leave and miss him terribly."

Joe Pat is a teacher and a coach in Brownfield and his wife is attending college two days a week at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

We would like to welcome home Rock Stanley who has been gone for the past nine weeks while serving Reserve Duty in Billings, Montana.

He returned home to his wife, Karen, and son, Brian, on Sunday, April 14. Stanley is the high school football coach here in Bovina. He said, "It is good to be home with my family and back at school coaching football. Welcome home, Rock!"

Arnold, Amy and Brad Hromas spent last week visiting relatives in Mount Vernon. They spent a lot of time fishing and had pretty good luck until Amy caught a big one and while trying to land it in the boat, she slipped and fell against the side of the boat cracking a few ribs and spraining her wrist.

Arnold said, "she was feeling better and getting around a little," but he also said, "she's tough. She'll make it." We wish you a speedy recovery, Amy!

David Villarreal has returned home from Saudi Arabia. He arrived home Friday, April 12, and will remain here in Bovina until sometime in May.

David and his brother, Richard, had been stationed in the Gulf since before the war began. Richard returned home in March.

Now David has returned and the family is relieved that they are both safely home. David and Richard are the sons of Zeferino and Rita Villarreal of Bovina and Richard's wife is Elida. The couple has two sons.

The Yankee Cafe was the setting Friday night for a birthday party for Pat and Pat Kunselman and a retirement party for Bob Owen. Pat and Pat celebrated their birthdays with supper and birthday cake and everyone gathered around to sing "Happy Birthday."

Bob Owen also celebrated his retirement again, upon the return of Rock Stanley. It was very entertaining for all involved.

Julie and Tom Ziegler provided the Kunselmans and Bob with a free meal and also the birthday cake and retirement cake. Thanks Julie and Tom, for an entertaining evening and happy birthday to Pat and Pat and happy (second) retirement to Bob.

John and Eloise Dixon had a granddaughter visiting from Hereford over the weekend. Karis Blaine, 12, daughter of Gail and Kent Blaine, was out for spring break and Karis had a good time visiting, playing dress up and climbing trees.

Karis fixed grandma lunch one day and her main dish was tuna fish which grandma thought was delicious!

Don't forget--call us each week with your news items for the Scoops column. Remember, we don't know what you're doing unless you tell us. Call us by Tuesday noon with news about your visits or visitors, illnesses, etc. We want to share your news with your neighbors. ---Carrie

## Shower Fetes Bride-Elect

A wedding shower honoring Rochelle White, bride-elect of Ken Parmer of Levelland, will be held Saturday, April 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the Farwell Community Center.

Miss White served as the County Home Extension Agent for Parmer County before moving to Levelland. The whole family is invited to attend. Selections have been made at Bright Ideas (Triangle Mall) in Clovis, Ingram's in Friona and Something Special in Muleshoe.

Hostesses to contact for more information are Janice Bradshaw of Lazbuddie, Paula Nance of Bovina (leave message at 238-1144), Roxanne Hurst of Friona, or Cathy Curtis of Farwell.

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Bids will be received for General Construction, Plumbing, HVAC and Electrical work.

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## Student Council Has Busy Month

The Bovina Student Council was very busy for the month of March. The council was largely concerned with evaluating this year's projects.

Evaluations were done on the S.M.I.L.E. program, Safety program, NEED (energy conservation) program, and an application was sent for the Outstanding Student Council Award.

This year the Student Council also put together a scrapbook in which to display all the activities of the Student Council for the year.

The evaluations, the application and the scrapbook were all taken to Randall High School for district judging on April 6. The scrapbook received an "excellent" ranking and the evaluations and application were approved for further state recognition.

The Student Council also applied for a Student Council "Top Ten Project" award. The application was sent to Austin for judging. These results and the results of the judging held at Randall High School will be announced at the State Convention in Austin, May 2-4.

The council has also been very

## PTA Officers Are Elected

The Bovina Parent-Teacher Association held its regular meeting April 9 at the High School Cafeteria.

New officers were installed. Elected president was Josie Alonzo; Janie Sherbon, vice president; Lorena Guevara, secretary; Estella Ortiz, treasurer; Pat Turner, parliamentarian; and Charollette Cockerham, historian.

Entertainment was provided by the High School Drama Club, who performed their one-act play, "Arkansaw Bear." Everyone was very impressed with the performance and they really appreciated the students taking the time to perform for them.

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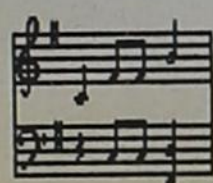
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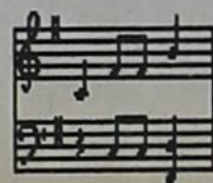
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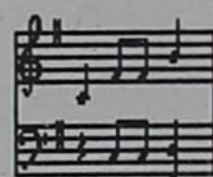


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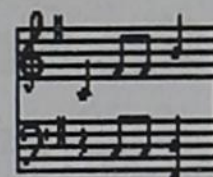
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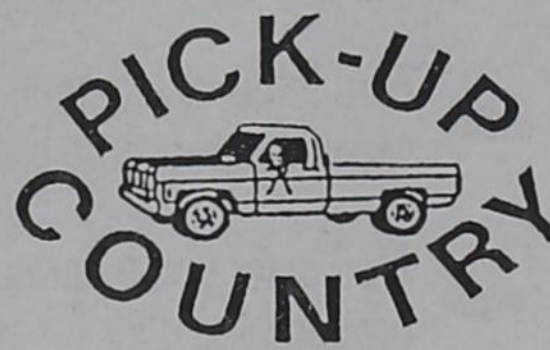
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## 35 YEARS AGO--APRIL 11, 1956

Two new trustees were elected to the seven man board of Bovina Independent School District Saturday at the American Legion Hall. Ovid Lawlis and A.C. Teter are the new members. Wendol Christian was re-elected.

Four district records were broken--two of them by Bovina tracksters--in the high school division of the District 3-B meet held here Saturday. Neil Smith, star vaulter for the Mustangs, beat his own record of 11 feet, to make the new record 11-8. Darrel Read, throwing the discus for Bovina, set a new mark with a toss of 128 feet, seven inches.

Cub Scouts of Den Three built simple camping equipment at the home of Den Mother, Mrs. W.H. Downing. Attending were Bill Charles, Billy Lynn Marshall, David Anderson, Lynn Downing, Dale Whitesides, Richard Carson and Kenneth Connelly.

## 30 YEARS AGO--APRIL 12, 1961

Construction on Farmer County's new State Highway Department building is nearing completion. Maintenance Foreman Lloyd Killough says the department will possibly begin moving some things this week. The building is located on Highway 86 in Bovina.

Bovina students won four first places in District 3-B literary events Thursday at Lazbuddie. Picking up blue ribbons were Vicki Hawkins, Lee Terry, Margie Carter and Wyndol Davies.

Four Mustang tracksters qualified for the regional track meet in Lubbock, April 21-22, by winning first or second in their events. Roger Ezell won first places in both shot put and discus and was Bovina's top point winner with 20. Don Caldwell picked up the other first place for Bovina in the mile run. Joining them at regional will be John Sikes, second in the shot put, and Olen Johnston, second in the 880-yard run.

## 25 YEARS AGO--APRIL 13, 1966

Congressman Walter Rogers will deliver the main address at dedication ceremonies for Bovina's new Post Office building Saturday afternoon. In addition to giving the address, Congressman Rogers will present a United States flag, which has flown over the nation's capitol for use by the Post Office here.

Bovina High's golf team has earned the right to compete in the regional high school golf tournament in Lubbock, April 22. Team members are Tommy Spears, Bill Caldwell, Larry Mitchell, Johnie Horn and Mike Grissom.

Billy Sudderth's dirt moving crews uncovered a large bone on the farm of Glenden Sudderth last week. The bone is believed to be part of a skeleton of a pre-historic mastadon. The 28-inch long bone was uncovered some ten feet below the surface. Rib bones have been discovered nearby which are as much as 30 inches long.

## 20 YEARS AGO--APRIL 14, 1971

Discussion of a new athletic track for Bovina Schools highlighted a meeting of Bovina Mustang Booster Club Tuesday night. The school presently owns land across West Eighth Street from the main school property and north of Ridgelea Elementary School that is now being used for a

track and is the proposed site of a new track.

Sandra Bowman won the singles championship in District 3-A tennis competition Thursday at Kress. Miss Bowman advances to the regional event in Lubbock, April 23-24.

## 15 YEARS AGO--APRIL 14, 1976

Epifano Cruz, 48, an employee of Leon Grissom of Bovina, was killed in a freak accident involving a feed mix truck about 7:30 a.m. Thursday at Grissom's farm south of Bovina.

City Marshal Mike Reilly submitted his resignation in a letter presented to the city council Thursday night. Reilly, who was hired as marshal in May of 1975, plans to continue in that position until the end of May, however, he indicated to the council that he would remain here until a replacement is found.

## 10 YEARS AGO--APRIL 15, 1981

Billy Lynn Marshall was among the state and national winners in the 1980 "Golden Yields" competition, named by Golden

Harvest Seeds, Inc. Marshall was the Texas state champion for an entry of 224.7 Bu/A with the Golden Harvest variety H-2500.


The Board of Aldermen for the City of Bovina met April 9, and installed aldermen O'Hair, Barron, Charles, Gober, Hastings and Mayor Lusk, and the new altermen installed were Larry Scott and Dudley Hughes.

The strange red glow which was seen in the sky above the Northern Texas Panhandle last Sunday night was a reflection of the Northern Lights, according to an FAA spokesman.

## 5 YEARS AGO--APRIL 16, 1986

The Sanctioning Ceremony was held at the High School Auditorium Wednesday night and Bovina was named a Sesquicentennial City.

Pete Hernandez resigned as Chief of Police for the City of Bovina, after serving the area for one year and four months. Pete was responsible for the Child Registry program, Neighborhood Crime Watch and the Women's Defense Course.



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## It's A Girl For Couple

Ted and Starlia Clayton of Bovina are the parents of a baby girl, born April 15 at 8:11 a.m. at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock.

Alexa Nichole weighed six pounds, one ounce and was nineteen and one-fourth inches long.

She has one brother, Austin, and one sister, Morgan.

Grandparents are James and Sandra Clayton of Bovina and Pat and Anita Wilmoeth of Clovis.

Great-grandparents are Jack and Alma Clayton of Bovina, Earl and Velma May of Levelland, Herb and Dee Wilmoeth of Clovis, Vestal Chambers of Clovis and Thelma Chambers of Portales.

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## Student Is Guest

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He spoke about the different cultures and how different the school systems are. He was a very interesting young man to talk with and all the ladies enjoyed his program.

Those present were Norma Whitten, June McMeans, Jo Looney, Arty Faye O'Hair, Lee Stephenson, Alma Clayton, Carlene Jones, Yvonne Stephenson, Thelma Barron, Doris Lawlis and a special guest was Joanne Gast.

Yvonne Stephenson served dip with fresh vegetables, brownies and punch.






The next meeting will be May 9 at 2:30 p.m. at the bank. This will be their last meeting until September.

# FORD TRUCKS



## NUMBER ONE FOR A LOT OF GOOD REASONS.

### Ford Full-Size Pick-Ups

-  Ford offers three choices of multi-port electronic fuel-injected engines.
-  Only Ford F-Series Pick-ups feature a larger, standard six cylinder engine with more load pulling torque.
-  Ford F-150 Regular Cab 4X2 and 4X4 models offer a higher maximum payload capacity.
-  Ford features a longer, wider, deeper cargo box.
-  Ford gives you a better choice of options grouped together for greater savings.







Model	1991 Ford F-150 Special	
	Regular Cab	Supercab
MSRP	\$10,925	\$12,226
Cash Back	- 500	- 500
MSRP Less Savings	<b>\$10,425</b>	<b>\$11,726</b>

# CHEVY TRUCKS



## NUMBER TWO FOR A LOT OF GOOD REASONS.

### Chevy Full-Size Pick-Ups

-  Chevy Trucks don't offer multi-port electronic fuel-injected engines.
-  Smaller, standard six cylinder engine. Less load pulling torque.
-  Chevy C/K 1500 models have a lower maximum payload capacity.
-  Nope.
-  Forget it.
-  What difference does it make?



R.L. POLK REGISTRATION BY DIVISION THROUGH 12/31/90. F-150 SPECIAL REGULAR CAB 4X2 WITH PEP 498A. F-150 SPECIAL SUPERCAB 4X2 WITH PEP 518A. MSRP LESS CASH BACK. TAX AND TITLE EXTRA. FOR CASH BACK TAKE NEW VEHICLE RETAIL DELIVERY FROM DEALER STOCK BY 6/4/91. SEE DEALER FOR HIS PRICE.