



The Bovina Blade

Good News in Bovina For the Past 40 Years

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PICK ONE....They are all three sweethearts, but one of these young ladies will wear the crown as homecoming queen during next week's homecoming game against Claude. From left are seniors Marcie Guevara, Paula Borquez, and Bonnie Quintana. (Ron Carr Photo)

Public Is Invited To Pep Rallies

The 1997-98 High School Cheerleaders invite all community members to the football pep rallies each Friday afternoon in the gymnasium at 3:15 p.m. Everyone is urged to support the Mustangs and the student body this year.

Enrollment Figures For Bovina ISD

As of last week, Superintendent Sue Nuttall said that the preliminary enrollment in Bovina Schools was 592 students. The breakdown shows the largest total, 302, enrolled in pre-K through fifth grade. Middle school tallied 129 and high school had 161. Enrollment totals tend to fluctuate during the first few weeks of school as late enrollments and "move-aways" take place.



MUSTANGS ROMP....Opening the season with a dominating victory over the Anton Bulldogs, some of the veterans got a rest while Coach Ortiz let the younger players get some battlefield experience. The Mustangs rolled to a 48-0 victory and face Whiteface tonight, which is Parents Night. (Photo by Anna Ortiz)

Mustangs Trample Anton, 48-0

Surprise, surprise, surprise! True to our predictions, the 1997 Bovina Mustangs and Head Coach Bobby Ortiz unloaded a few surprise weapons and pounded Anton's Bulldogs 48-0.

The victory was not a total surprise as the Bulldogs were coming off a 1-9 season and an 0-5 district performance last year. Anton's lack of speed and size was no match for the speedy Mustangs.

Nevertheless, the Mustangs rolled out a rushing attack which saw eight different ball-carriers amass 223 yards on the ground. It was a balanced attack which saw no single runner gather more than the magic 100 yards rushing.

But Coach Ortiz was delighted. "Because we dominated the game we were able to test all of our backs and we were elated at the spread and the way the young men performed. They will have to be ready for Whiteface this week."

Players and yards gained rushing were Tony Beauchamp, 5 for 64; Albert Larrea, 7 for 55; Lucas Ramos, 4 for 33; Billy Chisom, 1 for 23; Manny Quintana, 8 for 18; Martin Reyna, 2 for 17; Adrian Rubacalva, 2 for 9; and Derrick Vanegas, 1 for 4.

Beauchamp and Ramos each scored a touchdown rushing and Billy Chisom added two points on a conversion run.

Quarterback Beauchamp also completed 6 of 7 passes for 117 yards and 3 touchdowns, an unusual performance for an Ortiz team.

"We normally do not pass that often but against Anton it was just working, so we took advantage of it," he said.

Scoring tosses went to Luke Steelman, who had two receptions for 40 yards and one touchdown, and senior surprise Adan Perez who caught two passes for 46 yards and two touchdowns.

Ortiz said, "Adan did not play last year but he is such a good kid and we wanted him to come out and help us so he decided to play his senior. He scored 12 points in his first game of the season. We expect big things from him this year."

German Sausage Dinner Set

St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Friona has scheduled their popular German Sausage dinner for Sunday, October 5, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Ladies of the church make the sauerkraut and sausage. In addition to German sausage and sauerkraut, the menu will consist of green beans, mashed potatoes, gravy, relish plate, french bread, cake, coffee, and tea.

Price is \$6 per adult and \$3 for children 10 and under.

Lockmiller Wins First Week Football Contest

The long-awaited, much anticipated first week of the Bovina Blade business football contest arrived and smashed many of our faithful pickers.

This year the Blade added two game choices to bring the possibility of sixteen points a week. The top winner of \$20 was Travis Lockmiller of Clovis. He picked fourteen games correctly missing the Amarillo High/Clovis and Philadelphia/Green Bay games. He was loyal to his Clovis team and to the Super Bowl winners Green Bay. Travis shouldn't feel alone, only a handful of "pickers" didn't pick Green Bay.

Adam and Luis Mejia, an uncle and nephew team, tied for second and third place getting thirteen correct. They split the \$10 and \$5 cash prize with \$7.50 each. Thirteen players picked twelve games and another thirteen picked eleven games correctly.

Those who picked twelve games correctly were Danny Harris, Jason, Jeanne, Josh, and Tyson Kerby, Donnie McDonald, Joe Olvera, Carmen Porras, Flois Saddler, Jessica Stowers, Robert Tapia, Eufemia Torres and Frances Willard.

The most missed games of contest included Dimmitt, Muleshoe, Shallowater, Pittsburgh and the nail biting-most exciting, last three seconds of the game touchdown win of Kansas City.

Families that have returned to our weekly contest are the Johnsons, Kerbys, Olveras, Roaches, Sherbons, Steelmans, Stowerses, Sudderths and Torreses.

We encourage anyone who wants to play to join the fun anytime. The 1996 grand prize winner of \$100, A.M. Wilson, proved the theory that it doesn't take weekly winning, only consistent picking to win the big cash. This year we will award \$150 to the grand prize winner. Good luck everyone!



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HELP!.....We're being held hostage in gym class. Having some fun before practice were, l-r, Rebecca Hernandez, Carla Nieto, Jennifer Cantu, and Yesaka Ramirez. (Ron Carr Photo)

DON'T YOU HATE THOSE PEOPLE who rip pages out of the magazines in doctor's waiting rooms?

You get right in the middle of an article and then the last page is missing where somebody tore out something. Okay, I'll admit that I am an avid page ripper. Every old magazine in a waiting room has good recipes, potential pictures for painting, and/or ideas worth mentioning in a future "My Turn" column.

While back, I found an article in an old Country Living magazine with an article entitled "Maize Days." Wow! Another town in America has a Maize Days celebration! I got really excited and ripped it out. The article told about a big celebration every year in the middle of August in the town of Mendota, Illinois.

When I got home I called the Mendota Chamber of Commerce and the weekly newspaper The Mendota Reporter. Then I found out that this is actually their annual "Sweet Corn Festival." The magazine editors thought they were being cute when they called it "Maize Days." But, still, I thought it might be interesting to compare notes on their festival and our Maize Days Celebration.

Mendota is about twice the size of Friona, a little over seven thousand, comparable to Littlefield. It is located in a big corn growing area and their major industry is a large Del Monte canning factory. Their Festival originated as a harvest season celebration fifty years ago.

Our Maize Days originated as a harvest season celebration forty-one years ago. At that time Parmer County was considered the "grain sorghum" capital of the country, though we don't see quite as many fields of "maize" now as we used to. In the ensuing years, we've made the transition from growing grain to building cattle feeding operations and meat packing plants (EXCEL), so Bovina's "Bull Town Days" celebration is probably more appropriate for the area now days.

In 1948, Mendota's first Sweet Corn Queen was crowned with a handmade cardboard circle with kernels of corn glued on it. In the 50s and 60s, Friona's Maize Queens were given a bouquet of glittered maize to carry on the stage and in the parade. At that time, every float had to have some heads of grain sorghum incorporated into the decoration. The folks in Mendota still use a lot of corn in the decorations and on their floats.

The Del Monte company provides an amazing 200,000 ears of corn free of charge for the big event. The corn is cooked at the park in huge open vats with water heated by steam engine and then everyone enjoys a big free corn-on-the-cob feed on the final day of the festival.

In addition to the Sweet Corn Queen Pageant, Mendota also puts on a Mini Royalty Pageant, where they select a little "King" and "Princess" to reign over a special Youth Parade just for the kiddos. This is separate from the Mile Long Grand Parade with all the nice floats, bands, equestrian units, antique cars, etc.

They also have a golf tournament, a tennis tournament, a youth basketball tournament, an antique car show, and a lawn mower race. This may be similar to our "Bed Race" and I got the impression they were only using small riding lawn mowers in this event. Mendota also has a pet show, carnival, street dance, several musical groups entertaining throughout the week in the park, and the usual array of booths selling various foods and wares.

This year, 50,000 people crowded into the little town of Mendota to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Sweet Corn Festival. Wow! That's a lot of folks, all eating free corn-on-the-cob. One of the biggest events this year, was the dedication of the town's Depot Museum in the old restored brick depot which was built in the late 1890s. Mendota was first begun as a railroad town and still has 25 trains, including the Amtrak, stopping there daily.

Perhaps the biggest drawing card for the whole festival every year, is the arts and crafts flea market bazaar with over 200 booths. This is comparable to similar Texas events held in Canton and Fredericksburg, where people are lined up at the door clamoring to get in before it opens.

The Mendota Chamber of Commerce sponsors the whole affair, including the rental of booths for the craft bazaar. A representative of the Chamber told me they annually take in \$60,000 from this celebration. This is enough to run the Chamber for the entire year, and they don't need to have any other money-making events.

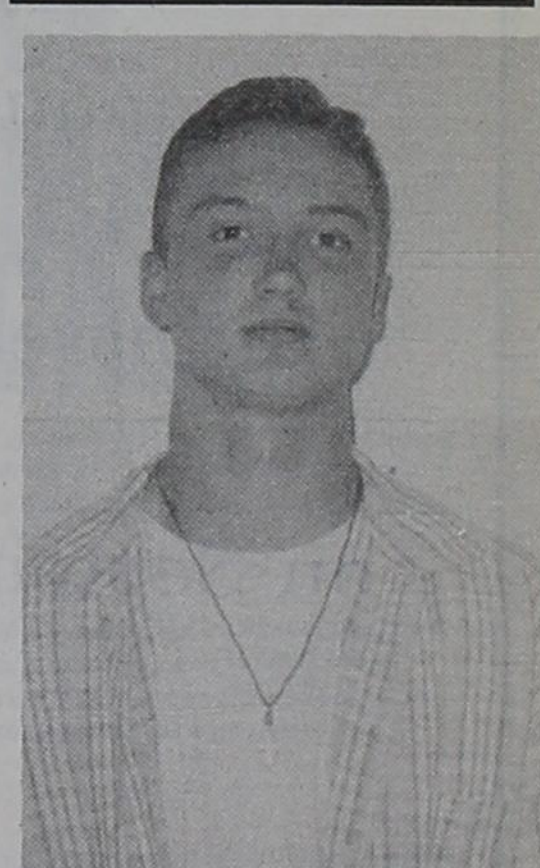
So it would seem that small town celebrations all over the country are pretty similar in nature. But there is one event indicative of our area which they don't have in Mendota, Illinois . . . Cow Patty Bingo! Quite appropriate, don't you think?

MY TURN

By Carol Ellis



HOMECOMING NOTE
Fans are advised that on Friday, September 19, homecoming activities will be held before the game. The game against Claude is scheduled for an 8 p.m. kickoff. Homecoming activities will begin at 7:30 p.m.



TONY BEAUCHAMP Student Of The Week

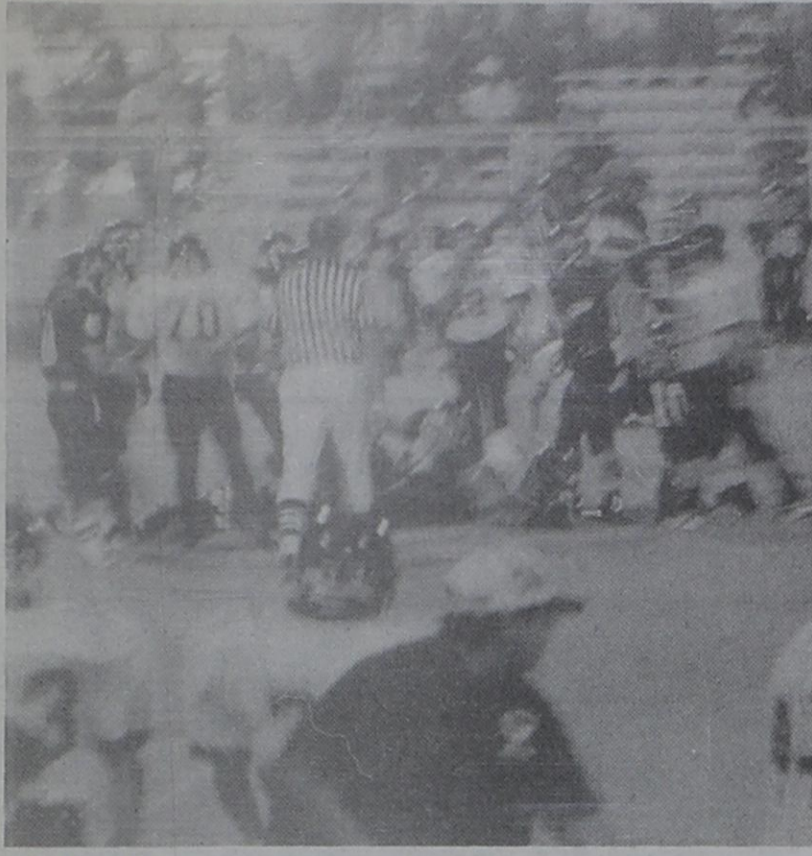
Selected as student-of-the-week at BHS was senior Tony Beauchamp.

He is the son of Mike and Debra Beauchamp and has attended Bovina schools for twelve years.

Beauchamp was nominated by teacher Margaret Durben as a good student with a good attitude and a UIL competitor.

He is National Honor Society president and is taking Honors English, Physics, and AP Calculus.

He has been a star athlete during his BHS career, earning all-district in both football and basketball and academic all-district.



DOG PILE.....Mustang defenders untangle from the pile as they aggravated the Anton Bulldogs all night and came away with a convincing 48-0 victory. (Photo by Anna Ortiz)

Reflections

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

40 Yrs. Ago--Sept. 11, 1957

Aided by the pitching and hitting of Darrel Read recently returned from a summer of Canadian baseball, the Bovina Bulls edged Umberger, 4-2, Sunday afternoon there in a replay of a game protested two weeks ago.

Wilson's Super Market, Bovina's newest business, has slated its grand opening for this weekend, featuring a host of free prizes and giveaways.

Alvin Glasscock was named to Bovina Schools' board of education Monday night in a regular meeting. He replaces Elmo (Dutch) Dean, who moved out of the district and felt he could no longer be a member of the group.

Bill Sheehan, 29-year-old lawyer who began his practice in Parmer County seven years ago, is the district attorney for the newly created 154th Judicial District, which was formed September 1 under an act of the Texas Legislature.

Approximately \$4,000 damage occurred recently to household furniture belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Sudderth. The moving van turned over Monday evening, August 26, about three miles south of Post.

35 Yrs. Ago--Sept. 12, 1962

Roy Crawford, Bovina High Vo-Ag instructor, was presented an award for outstanding service to Parmer County Soil Conservation District.

City fire plugs have been in the process of being repaired and this caused water to be cut off on occasions.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Estes, owners of Artistic Beauty Shop, have purchased Pink Patio Beauty Salon on Main Street from Mrs. Fannie Hudson.

A Bovina Gun Club trap shooting team took first place in a five-man shoot at Plainview Sunday afternoon.

Shooting for Bovina were Sonny Roach, Jerry Roach, Art Mast, Larry Fairchild and Sam Sudderth.

Nothing new has turned up in regard to the robbery of the Post Office and Bovina Variety here Sunday morning of last week, Deputy Henry Minter reports.

30 Yrs. Ago--Sept. 12, 1967

A progress report on the new classroom building for Bovina School was heard at a regular monthly meeting of the board of trustees Monday night.

More than 425 persons attended the Mexican dinner served Sunday by the Guadalupe Society of St. Ann's Catholic Church.

Mrs. Betty Cumpton took the initial weekly \$5 first prize in the 1967 Bovina Businesses Cotton Bowl Football Contest. She was the lone contestant to pick all ten winners.

Bill Denney has resigned as city marshal here, effective Friday, the 15th of this month.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Vick and three children, Chris, Sharla and Julie, have moved to Oklahoma Lane where he is the new pastor of the Baptist Church.

Tom Beauchamp was winner of .30-.30 rifle at the open house door prize drawing at Cyanamid Farm Supply Saturday.

25 Yrs. Ago--Sept. 13, 1972

Earl Stevenson was re-elected president of Bovina Medical Center, Inc., at a meeting of the board of directors Monday night.

The "Monsoon season" here is now into its third week. The moisture continues to handicap farming operations, including cutting of corn ensilage, harvesting of the vegetable crop and the planting of wheat.

Tom Bonds was selected by board of directors of Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture to receive September's "Good Guy Award."

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dobson of Bovina was the scene of the Strawn family reunion this past weekend.

20 Yrs. Ago--Sept. 14, 1977

Bovina city Marshal Gary Gillespie reported Monday that, on Saturday afternoon, two juveniles were apprehended in the act of burglarizing a residence on the outskirts of town.

Ike Quickel, city resident, was injured last Friday afternoon when his automobile was struck by the band bus as it was preparing to leave for Happy. Quickel was hospitalized with a broken collarbone.

15 Yrs. Ago--Sept. 8, 1982

Darlene Miller was the winner of the first week's Bovina Blade football contest.

Bovina ISD Lunch Menu Sept. 15-19

MONDAY-Chalupas, tossed salad, corn, applesauce cake or hamburger veggie basket, ketchup, mustard, assorted fresh fruit variety.

TUESDAY-Pizza with cheese topping, tossed salad, carrot sticks, or hamburger veggie basket, ketchup, mustard, assorted fresh fruit variety.

WEDNESDAY-Beef and noodles, mixed vegetables, corn bread, or hamburger veggie basket, ketchup, mustard, assorted fresh fruit variety.

THURSDAY-Chicken fried steak patty, cream potatoes, green beans, rolls, or hamburger veggie basket, ketchup, mustard, assorted fresh fruit variety.

FRIDAY-Frito pie, cheese sauce, tossed salad, corn, or hamburger veggie basket, ketchup, mustard, assorted fresh fruit variety.

with a score of 13 correct games.

The Bovina band Boosters will hold its first meeting Tuesday, September 14, at 7:30 p.m. at the Band Hall.

The Junior High Cheerleaders for this year are Socorro Carillo, Anna Villarreal, Peggy Shepherd, Nellie Tamez and Robbie Stowers.

10 Yrs. Ago--Sept. 9, 1987

Except for a pair of crucial fumbles in the third quarter at Happy last Friday, the Bovina Mustangs might have opened their 1987 season with a win over state ranked Happy.

A Bovina Emergency System is being organized and donations are being taken for a CB base station to be placed in the City Hall.

The First United Methodist Church is having a Spiritual Encounter Week, beginning this Sunday, September 13 through Wednesday, September 16.

5 Yrs. Ago--Sept. 12, 1992

The Bovina Volunteer Fire Department collected over \$1,000 Sunday for the Muscular Dystrophy fund and have expressed appreciation to individuals and business firms who gave so generously.

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of Vote on Tax Rate

The City of Bovina conducted a public hearing on a proposal to increase your property taxes by 8 percent on September 9, 1997 at 7:00 p.m.

The City of Bovina is scheduled to vote on the tax rate at a public meeting to be held on September 16, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. at Bovina City Council Boardroom

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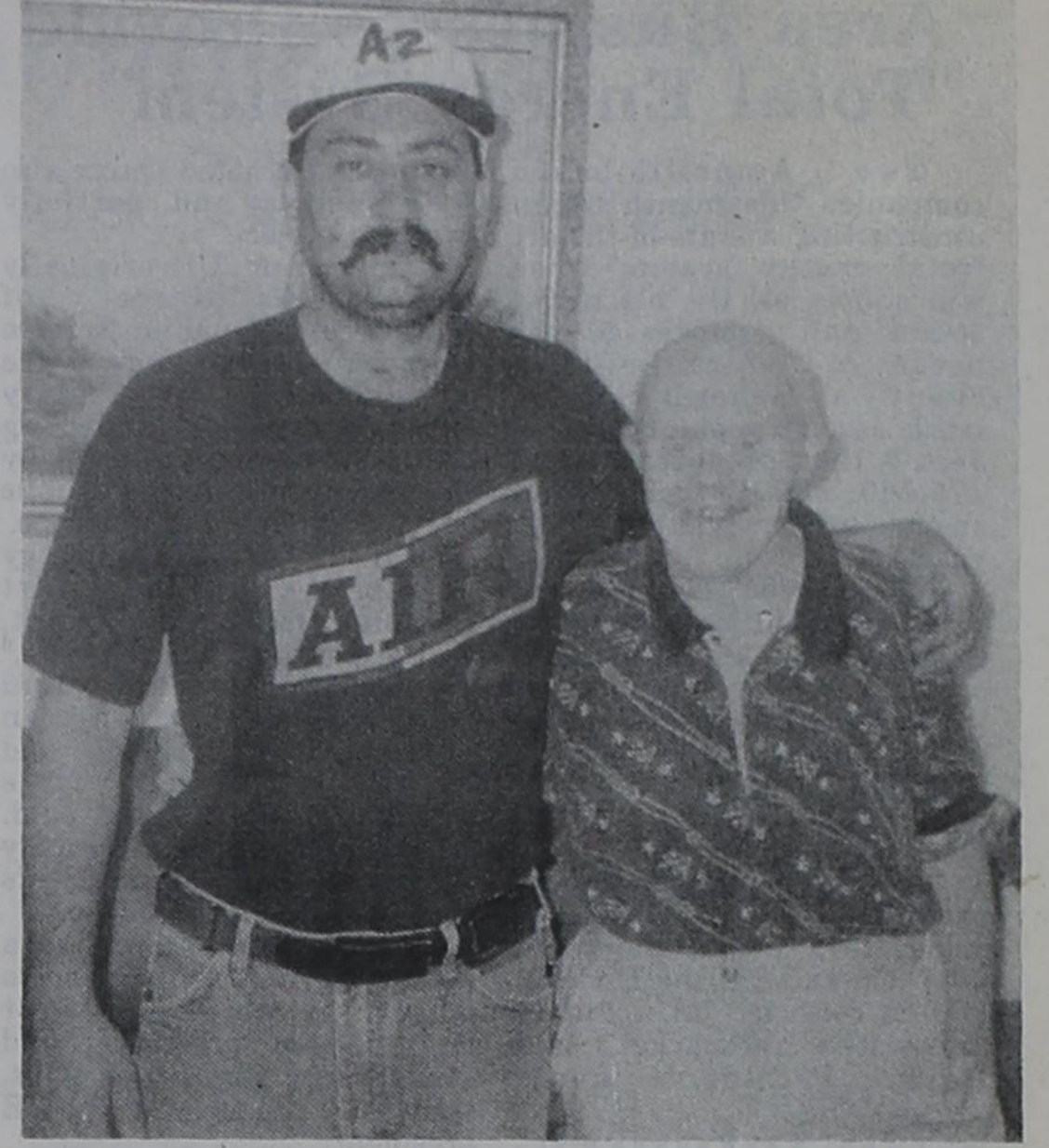
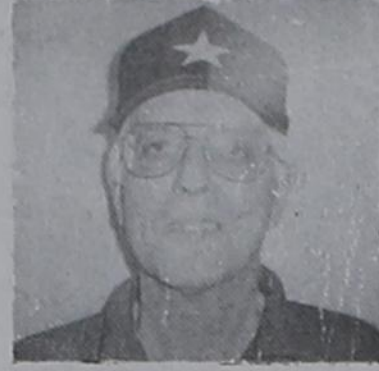
The Bovina ISD conducted a public hearing on a proposal to increase your property taxes by 7.5 percent on September 8, 1997 at 8:00 p.m.

The Bovina ISD is scheduled to vote on the tax rate at a public meeting to be held on September 16, 1997 at 8:00 p.m. at Bovina ISD Boardroom

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Out Here

By RON CARR



PRAIRIE ACRES STARS.....September employee-of-the-month Isidorio Trevino and resident-of-the-month Ben Israel invite you to the annual Prairie Acres Appreciation Day on Sunday, September 14.
(Ron Carr Photos)

"Am I going to get in trouble for this?" "Yes."

Say, let me ask you something. Did you, uhhmm.....well..uh, did you get just a little bit tired of all the Princess Diana stuff?

I mean, well, you know I don't mean to be disrespectful and all and I know she was a very nice lady and what happened to her was a tragedy but didn't everybody sort of overdo it?

From Diana's death in a speeding Mercedes to her burial a week later, the entire event was permeated with hypocrisy, anger, excuses, finger-pointing, and a lot of really nasty stuff flying back and forth.

The events of the week were a tribute to Diana but it was more than that. Diana was, after all, a mere mortal.

To the great unwashed out here in the Panhandle back country, the implications of the Princess Diana mystique don't have much of an impact. People are weird creatures. As the old saying goes, opinions are like "rear-ends", everybody has one. (Actually it is not "rear-ends", but I can't use the right word in a family newspaper.)

Here are some of my observations and opinions which may not be worth the fifty cents the paper costs:

Other than the fact that Diana visited the U. S. several times, she is not our princess. We do not have official princesses here in America, contrary to what the Clinton family might think.

The reason Diana was so popular is that in addition to being a very intelligent person, she was also pretty. It is called glamour and the people pay a lot of money to see it.

Some of us bubbas around

Public Is Invited To "Artists' Reception" In The Depot

The public is invited to attend a reception honoring exhibiting artists at the Depot in the City Park on Sunday afternoon from 3 to 5 p.m., according to Friona Art Association President Bobby Wied.

Artists from all over the area, from Amarillo to Portales, are expected to exhibit between 40 to 50 paintings, sculptures and other art works at the Friona Art Association's Annual Fall Art Show in the Depot. Judging of the works is scheduled for Saturday, so ribbons will be on display at the Sunday afternoon reception. A portion of the art awards are sponsored locally each year by Prairie Acres, Friona State Bank, and *The Friona Star*.

here even considered her sexy. Do you honestly think a British princess would make the cover of People magazine 45 times if she wasn't sexy. It was a monumental moment for the world the first time she dared show some royal cleavage. Monarchs don't do cleavage.

Had the woman Prince Charles chose to marry 16 years ago looked like Roseanne or Whoopi Goldberg she would never have been so popular, no matter how many good things she did.

Prince Charles is taking a bum rap from the people and the press. Folks are saying he "dumped" Diana. Even the millions of people who have dumped their own spouses, suddenly become marriage counselors. Judge not, folks.

Prince Charles is a divorced father who now has two boys to raise. It is not your business how he does it.

Diana had affairs too. And eating disorders. And millions of you bought the tabloids that spelled it all out and now you all hate the tabloids. Shame on you. Hypocrisy is not nice, even in moderate doses.

"Yeah, it was those paparazzi that killed Diana. Oops, didn't know about that drunk driver. Well, those paparazzi probably made him drunk."

I wonder if Diana had died a lingering death, perhaps lying ill in a hospital for weeks then slipping away peacefully, would there have been the same outpouring of grief. I think there is more of a market for sudden tragedy.

Frankly, I think the family should have had her funeral by Tuesday or Wednesday. Nothing was gained by delaying the funeral for eight days, except that flower shop owners became wealthy.

Do you suppose Diana

would have approved of the people spending over \$50 million for flowers to pile up on the ground? Perchance the money could have been better spent if donated to one of the causes she promoted.

Then there is Diana's brother Charles Spencer. What's that? You thought his name was Earl Spencer. One TV station posted his name as Charles Earl Spencer, like he was some long lost cousin of Billy Bob Baker.

His name is Charles. In the hierarchy, he is the Ninth Earl of the house of Spencer. So his name should read Charles, Earl of Spencer.

If Charles, Prince of Wales is referred to as Prince Charles, then Charles, Earl of Spencer is Earl Spencer, not Earl Spencer. Forget it.

The British have monarchies and aristocracies. Aristocrats have titles if this order from lowest to highest: baron, viscount, earl, marquess, and duke. Duke is the highest rank a commoner can earn.

Charles, Earl of Spencer, once was a TV reporter for NBC news. Did you know that? He was an amateur paparazzi.

His own marriage was big news in Great Britain, but, alas, six months after he married he had an affair which he tried to keep from being reported in the press. Didn't work. He now lives in South Africa.

He sold pictures of himself and his newborn son to a British magazine, Hello!, for \$400,000. See, young Charlie Earl there, well, he's not speaking entirely from the side of righteousness.

Personally I think his remarks were out of place at a funeral. He delivered a political attack against the monarchy, vented anger again at the press, and made a few promises which he may not be able to keep.

It was a funeral in a holy place, Westminster Abbey. Funerals are for grieving and remembering. Diana's funeral was not the proper place for personal and political vengeance. So there.

One person who bought one of Diana's dresses back in June for \$25,000, advertised it in the Wall Street Journal this week for \$250,000.

The Fayed family is doing everything at its disposal to convince the world that the driver was not drunk. The Ritz Hotel released security videos that showed him and said "see there, he was walking around okay." It is called denial.

No matter what is proven in the future about the accident, the sad ending will not change.

People will still be curious about celebrities. Stars are stars because of "the people". Stars like Steven Seagal, for instance, condemn the pap-

parazzi and the press, then make some of the most violent and obscene movies on the screen.

Photographers will still be taking pictures 'cause you want to see 'em. They might lay off for awhile but eventually they will be back. Ask John F. Kennedy, Jr.

Just one last word to the American media who had the gall to suggest that it was time to get rid of the British monarchy. Butt out. It is not our business in America. It is their monarchy.

Contrary to the philosophy of Billy Jeff Clinton and the Democratic Party, America doesn't rule the world.

People are weird. Opinions and "rear-ends". Everybody has one. That's mine. Thanks for listening.

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Area Businesses Provide "Total Energy System"

Two Amarillo-based companies this month began constructing a state-of-the-art "total energy system" that will supply all the electrical, steam and compressed air needs of "an out-of-town client"--a General Motors truck assembly plant in New Jersey that produces almost 175,000 small trucks and sports utility vehicles per year.

The Linden, New Jersey, plant a 2.7 million-square-foot facility within seeing distance of the Statue of Liberty, produces GM's small pickups and midsize sport utility vehicles--the popular Chevrolet S-10s and Blazers and GMC Sonomas and Jimmies.

Amarillo's Quixx Corporation and Utility Engineering, Inc., began the work after Quixx won the General Motors contract "in a highly competitive bid-market," said Quixx President Louis

Ridings. He noted Quixx also will operate and partially own the project.

Quixx and UE originally were subsidiaries of Southwestern Public Service Company and now are subsidiaries of New Century Energies, the holding company formed August 1 by the merger of SPS and Public Service Company of Colorado.

The \$27.5 million energy system, a 23-megawatt cogeneration power plant, will produce, or "congenerate," electricity, steam and compressed air in an environmentally friendly and highly combined cycle configuration, Ridings said. The project will significantly improve the Linden plant's competitiveness, he added.

Utility Engineering, as a design/build contractor to Quixx, is responsible for engineering, procuring and constructing the co-gen plant, said Albert "Pete" Smith, UE president.

The energy system is expected to come on line in October 1998.

New Jersey Governor Christine Todd Whitman said at the groundbreaking for the co-gen plant, "This new facility will generate power for this plant; but more important, it will generate jobs for...people supporting families, contributing to communities, building great trucks and building a future."

The Linden plant provides jobs for almost 2,600 men and women.

Gov. Whitman said the cogeneration project is "a prime example" of effective American efforts "to reverse the tide that was sweeping jobs out to sea."

In turn, plant manager Monkaba joked that a New Jersey plant contracting with Amarillo, Texas vendors is proof that General Motors is dealing internationally.

Quixx Corporation's focus is on the non-utility power generation market, including investment and operation opportunities in cogeneration facilities, independent power projects and other non-utility operations. Quixx's expanding portfolio of non-utility power generation projects and process-stam investments includes steam generation facilities in Kentucky, a combustion-turbine plant in Jamaica, and equity interest in a 35-megawatt "wind farm" in Culberson County, Texas.

Utility Engineering actively seeks power and other industrial plant greenfield and retrofit/improvement/upgrade projects in the United States in targeted international settings. Since 1989, UE has designed and been part of the delivery of approximately 1,500 megawatts of coal, oil and natural gas-fueled electric generating capacity.



ARTIST OF THE MONTH--Friona Art Association has announced that Diann Eshleman of Clovis, New Mexico will be the Guest Artist for the month of September. Her interesting southwestern-stye watercolors will be on display in the lobby at Prairie Acres Nursing Home during the month. Diann has been painting for about 17 years. Her "Art and More" shop located on Main Street in Clovis is a family affair with her husband Jack building picture frames, and daughter Carol cutting the mats. They also show art work at many of the popular art and craft shows around the country.

FSA Is Accepting Loan Applications

Parmer County was declared eligible for the Farm Service Agency (FSA) disaster emergency loans on July 24, 1997. Generally that means that farmers who have lost at least 30 percent of their production due to excessive rain and a freeze that occurred from April 24, through April 26, 1997, are eligible for FSA loans. Proceeds from crop insurance are taken into account when determining eligibility.

FSA Ag Credit manager Thomas S. Taylor, is urging farmers who are interested in receiving an emergency loan to get their applications into FSA as soon as possible.

Taylor said, "We hope farmers will get their applications in early rather than waiting until near the deadline which is March 24,

1998. The longer they wait, the more chance there is for long delays. If the applications come in early, we can avoid backlogs and speed up the process."

The FSA office is located at 109 Third Street, Farwell, Texas, the phone number is (806) 481-3349.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact the USDA, Office of Communications at (202) 720-5881 (voice) or (202) 720-7808 (TDD).

To file a complaint, write the Secretary of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20250, or call (202) 720-7327 (voice) or (202) 720-1127 (TDD).

Information Is Given For Poison Prevention

Toxic Talk: Gas warfare in the household.

Dear Toxic Talk, Recently while cleaning my bathroom I mixed some bleach with a general bathroom cleaner. I thought it would make the bathroom sparkling clean and germ free. However, immediately after mixing the products I developed some coughing, difficulty in breathing and my eyes started watering. The symptoms were so bad I had to go to the emergency room, what went wrong?

Anne in Texas
Dear Anne,
What most likely happened, you created a chemical agent known as chlorine gas. This gas is created with the mixture of hypochlorite (main product in bleach) and an acid (commonly found in many cleaners). Chlorine gas is so dangerous the Germans initiated chemical warfare in 1915 with it, killing 5,000 and wounding 10,000.

Fortunately, in the typical household situation, the created gas is much less concentrated than that used in war. Unfortunately, the typical exposure site is in the bathroom, which in most homes is a small confined area, without adequate ventilation. This small space allows the weaker gas to produce toxic effects.

The most common effects of inhaling chlorine gas are difficulty breathing, throat irritation, dizziness, vomiting and possibly chest pain.

It deserves mention that acidic cleaners are not the only product that react with bleach. Mixing ammonia based products with bleach forms chloramine gas and produces many of the same symptoms.

Hypochlorites are not only found in bleach products. They are also commonly found in swimming pool products, fungicides, chemical deodorants, and water purification systems.

The Panhandle Poison Center suggests that cleaning products never be mixed for a better result. Cleaning

products should be used only as directed by the manufacturer. If you have questions about this, any cleaning product, or have been possibly exposed, contact the Poison center at 1-800-764-7661.

County Men Have Bulls In Report

Three Parmer County men own bulls listed in the 1997 Fall Sire Evaluation Report published by the American Angus Association, which is headquartered in St. Joseph, Missouri.

David and Charles Hough of Friona each have one bull in the report, and Running Water Land & Cattle Co. of Bovina has four animals.

Issued in both the spring and fall, the new report features the latest performance information available on more than 5,200 sires.

"The American Angus Association has the most complete and comprehensive beef cattle database in the world," says John Crouch, American Angus Association director of performance programs. "Of the sires listed in the main report, 51 percent have expected progeny differences (EPDs) for carcass traits, which should assist cattlemen in choosing genetics that will produce a more consistent, higher quality beef product." EPDs are generated from performance data submitted by breeders through the Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR) program.

Traits in which EPDs are available include birth weight, weaning weight, milk, yearling weight and height, mature daughter weight and height, and scrotal circumference, as well as carcass traits including carcass weight, marbling, rib eye area, external fat thickness and per cent retail product. The analysis for the sire evaluation report is done in cooperation with Iowa State University.

87th Infantry Sets Reunion

On September 14 to 21, 1997, the 87th Golden Acorn Division and its Combat Support Units will hold its 48th annual reunion in Kissimmee, Florida, at the Hyatt Orlando Hotel.

The 87th Infantry Division was activated and trained as a combat Infantry Division in both World Wars. In 1917 the Division joined Gen. Pershing's A.E.F. in France and as it was being assigned to the Western Front, the Armistice was signed.

In World War II, the Division went into combat at Metz, France. During the 154 days of almost continual combat, the Golden Acorn Combat Team fought in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany.

It advanced more than 345 miles in the European Theater, taking 63,338 prisoners and liberating hundreds of towns.

Veterans of the famous "Battle of the Bulge," the crossing of the Moselle and Rhine Rivers and the "Lightning Streak" in pursuit of the Nazis across the heart of Germany, fought many bitter battles from the once impregnable Siegfried Line of the Czechoslovakia Border.

The combat ability of the 87th Infantry Division was held in high regard by Gen. George Patton, Commander of the Third Army, and this Division received 3 bronze Battle Stars for its most valiant efforts in the Battles of the Ardennes, Rhineland and Central Europe.

For additional information on the 87th Infantry Division Reunion contact Gladwin Pascuzzo, 2374 N. Dundee Ct., Highland, Michigan 48357-3716, (248) 887-9005.

PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

SPECIAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 4, 1997

PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT
Senate Joint Resolution 36 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow a person to hold the position of municipal judge in more than one municipality.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:
"The constitutional amendment to allow a person who holds the office of municipal court judge to hold at the same time more than one civil office for which the person receives compensation."

PROPOSITION NO. 2 ON THE BALLOT
Senate Joint Resolution 43 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to limit the maximum annual increase in homestead appraisals for each year since the most recent tax appraisal. The amendment would also permit the legislature to allow the governing body of a school district to elect to apply the law providing for the transfer of the age-65-and-older school property tax freeze to the person's new homestead, if the move to the new residence homestead occurred before the law took effect.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:
"The constitutional amendment to authorize the Legislature to limit increases in the appraised value of residence homesteads for ad valorem taxation and to permit a school district to calculate the school property tax freeze applicable to the residence homestead of an elderly person or the surviving spouse of an elderly person in accordance with the law authorizing the transfer of the school property tax freeze to a different homestead regardless of whether that law was in effect at the time the person established the person's homestead."

PROPOSITION NO. 3 ON THE BALLOT
Senate Joint Resolution 45 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to authorize counties, cities, towns, and other local taxing entities to grant exemptions or other forms of ad valorem tax relief on property on which approved water conservation initiatives have been implemented.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:
"The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to permit a taxing unit to grant an exemption or other relief from ad valorem taxes on property on which a water conservation initiative has been implemented."

PROPOSITION NO. 4 ON THE BALLOT
House Joint Resolution 104 proposes an

amendment to update the Texas Constitution by deleting duplicate numbering in its provisions and removing certain of its obsolete portions.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:
"The constitutional amendment eliminating duplicate numbering in and certain obsolete provisions of the Texas Constitution."

PROPOSITION NO. 5 ON THE BALLOT
Senate Joint Resolution 19 proposes an amendment to allow the Supreme Court of Texas to hold sessions at any location in this state. Currently, the court is limited to holding sessions only at Austin, the seat of state government.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:
"The constitutional amendment authorizing the supreme court to sit to transact business at any location in this state."

PROPOSITION NO. 6 ON THE BALLOT
Senate Joint Resolution 39 proposes a constitutional amendment to repeal the current provision which provides that the board of the Texas Growth Fund may not invest money in a business unless the business has disclosed to the board whether it has any direct financial investment in or with South Africa or Namibia.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:
"The constitutional amendment allowing the Texas growth fund to continue to invest in businesses without requiring those businesses to disclose investments in South Africa or Namibia."

PROPOSITION NO. 7 ON THE BALLOT
Senate Joint Resolution 17 proposes a constitutional amendment to create the Texas Water Development Fund II as a fund separate and distinct from the Texas Water Development Fund. The amendment would authorize the Texas Water Development Board to administer the fund and issue general obligation bonds for purposes of the fund under guidelines set forth in the amendment.

The amendment would also allow the Board to use loan repayments coming into the fund after the end of the fiscal year to make bond debt service payments, and would provide certain conditions for the flow of funds for repayment of Texas agricultural water conservation bonds.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:
"The constitutional amendment relating to the authorization to the Texas Water Development Board to transfer existing bond authorizations for water

supply, water quality, flood control, or state participation from one category of use to another category to maximize the use of existing funds and relating to more efficient operation of the bond programs."

PROPOSITION NO. 8 ON THE BALLOT
House Joint Resolution 31 proposes a constitutional amendment which would authorize home equity lending, in which a loan could be secured by a lien against the borrower's homestead. The amendment would also establish several provisions providing for consumer protection in the home equity lending process.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:
"The amendment to the Texas Constitution expanding the types of liens for home equity loans that a lender, with the homeowner's consent, may place against a homestead."

PROPOSITION NO. 9 ON THE BALLOT
House Joint Resolution 96 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to authorize a property tax of five cents for each \$100 valuation in rural fire prevention districts which are located in Harris County. The constitution currently authorizes a property tax of three cents for each \$100 valuation in rural fire prevention districts regardless of what county they are in.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:
"The constitutional amendment to authorize an ad valorem tax rate in rural fire prevention districts located in Harris County of five cents on each \$100 of taxable value of property."

PROPOSITION NO. 10 ON THE BALLOT
Senate Joint Resolution 33 proposes a constitutional amendment to permanently dedicate monies from the Texas Crime Victims' Compensation Fund (and its auxiliary fund) so that they are used only for assisting victims of crime and not for any other purpose. If an episode of mass violence occurred, however, money from the funds could be used to assist victims of the mass violence if all other sources of authorized emergency assistance were depleted first.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:
"The constitutional amendment designating the purposes for which money in the compensation to victims of crime fund and the compensation to victims of crime auxiliary fund may be used."

PROPOSITION NO. 11 ON THE BALLOT
House Joint Resolution 59 proposes a constitutional amendment to prohibit the Legislature from authorizing additional state debt payable from the general revenue fund if the resulting annual debt service (the amount needed each year to make payments) would exceed five percent of the annual general revenue avail-

able over the last three fiscal years, excluding revenues constitutionally dedicated for purposes other than payment of state debt.

The term "additional state debt" does not include bonds that, although backed by the full faith and credit of the state, are reasonably expected to be paid from revenue sources other than the general revenue fund.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:
"The constitutional amendment limiting the amount of state debt payable from the general revenue fund."

PROPOSITION NO. 12 ON THE BALLOT
House Joint Resolution 55 proposes a constitutional amendment to provide that if the Texas Supreme Court does not act on a motion for a rehearing within 180 days of the motion's filing, the motion is denied.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:
"The constitutional amendment to establish a deadline for supreme court action on a motion for rehearing."

PROPOSITION NO. 13 ON THE BALLOT
House Joint Resolution 8 proposes a constitutional amendment to establish the Texas Tomorrow trust fund dedicated exclusively to the prepayment of tuition and fees for higher education. The amendment would guarantee that if there is not enough money during any fiscal year to pay the appropriate tuition and required fees, the needed money will be appropriated out of the first available money coming into the state treasury each fiscal year.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:
"The constitutional amendment to encourage persons to plan and save for young Texans' college education, to extend the full faith and credit of the state to protect the Texas tomorrow fund of the prepaid higher education tuition program, and to establish the Texas tomorrow fund as a constitutionally protected trust fund."

PROPOSITION NO. 14 ON THE BALLOT
House Joint Resolution 83 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to set the official qualifications for constables.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:
"The constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to prescribe the qualifications of constables."

Estos son los informes explicatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitución que aparecerán en la boleta el 4 de noviembre de 1997. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llama al 1/800/252/8683 o por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Texas 78711.

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Velma Jones Submits Life Story For Prairie Acres Newsletter



Every month a resident of Prairie Acres Nursing Home submits a story about his/her life's history in the home's newsletter, "The Prairie Times" and for printing in this paper. This month we feature Velma Jones.

By VELMA JONES
I was born in Caddo County near Anadarko and Fletcher, Oklahoma on June 28, 1908 to Estella and Frank Loflin. I was second born in a family of eight. One of my brothers was stillborn and I had a sister who died at four-months-old with what they called "brain fever".

My brother Russell passed away about four years ago. I have two sisters living, Thelma and Dorothy, both of Clovis, and two brothers, Osborn of Friona and Carol of Colorado Springs, Colorado.

We moved to Broxton, Texas and I attended a nice school there. Every day we walked up and over the sandy hill and waited for the school wagon to pick us up. There was a small stove called a "monkey stove" in the center wagon.

I remember putting coal or wood to keep the fire burning during the cold winter days.

We lived in a two-room house with a long porch with a screen all around it. Dad would cover the screen during the winter weather with ducking. These were also used to make cotton sacks.

I will share with you a mean but funny trick I played on my sister, Thelma. One day, out in the country, I played dead! Thelma believed I was bitten by a snake. She shook me and kept calling my name. After a while I turned toward her and laughed my head off! She was so mad at me she threatened to tell Mother, but she didn't.

Later we moved to Sticker, Oklahoma where I met my first sweetheart. I was in my teens at the time! We used to have dances

out in the country for entertainment. Dad would move the furniture out of the room and cut wax for the floor to give us a smoother dance floor.

I danced my first dance with Dad. We square danced and I really enjoyed myself.

We moved to Anadarko, Oklahoma. The home that we moved into was the nicest home, I thought, we ever had. It was a two story house. You see, all other homes were very small, they were called Indian Houses. My parentes were hard workers and good providers.

We later moved to Friona and this is where I graduated. I married Sam Jones on September 29, 1931. Sam was an electrician, plumber and a musician.

Sam played guitar and my cousin played the violin. They played for dances.

Sam was a wonderful and "one of a kind" man. We were gifted with two daughters, Betty Dolores and Beverly Sue.

Unfortunately we suffered a tragedy when my oldest daughter, Betty Dolores, was a month away from turning fifteen years of age. She was in a car accident and passed away on April 4, 1947.

Sam, Beverly Sue and I suffered the pain of our lost one. Betty and Sue were very close. I will always carry this in my heart.

I am very grateful that the good Lord let me keep



VELMA JONES

my lovely daughter Beverly Sue. She is married to Sherry Cook, who is a retired electrician.

Sue works for the school in Green River, Wyoming. I have two wonderful grandsons, Rockie and Ted. Rockie is an electrician and is married to Ralphie and they have one son, Justin. They also live in Green River.

Ted is also an electrician and is married to Susie and they live in Connecticut.

During the time that I

have lived in Friona, I had several occupations. I worked for a cafe for a while, then I worked at the laundry. Later I sold Avon for eight years.

My last job was at the school cafeteria. I really enjoyed being around all the children and I worked there 18 years until I retired.

Sam passed away on August 4, 1967. Later I decided to come to live at Prairie Acres. I have been here since July of 1995.

QUILTS ON DISPLAY.....Stop by Prairie Acres and look at their art, quilts, and birds on display. Furnishing the quilts for the month of September is Betty Reeve, who made this beauty and another on display in the lobby.

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1997 Property Tax Rates In Parmer Co. Hospital

This notice concerns 1997 property tax rates for Parmer County Hospital. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating rates	\$460,975.00
Last year's debt taxes	-0-
Last year's total taxes	\$460,975.00
Last year's tax base	\$262,215,448
Last year's total tax rate	\$.1758/\$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$460,514.24
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$270,032,316
= This year's effective tax rate	\$.1705/\$100
x 1.03=maximum rate unless the unit publishes notices and holds hearing	\$.1756/\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function)	\$460,514.24
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$270,032,316
= This year's effective operating rate	\$.1705/\$100
x \$1.08 cents=this year's maximum operating rate	\$.1841/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$ -0- /\$100
= This year's rollback rate	\$.1841/\$100

Schedule A Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	-0-
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This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at Parmer County Appraisal District Name of person preparing this notice: Ronald E. Procter Title: Chief Appraiser Date prepared: August 11, 1997

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BY JOHN LEHTI

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Scooter's Scoops

By SCOOTER RUSSELL

Idella Owens, a resident of the nursing home in Farwell, is a patient at the Muleshoe Hospital.

She entered the hospital last week and it was discovered that she has a tumor on her liver but doctors thought it best not to operate. She is in serious condition and our thoughts are with them.

Elton Venable will be having surgery this week, scheduled for Tuesday morning. He will probably be home by publication.

The Venables' daughter, Margaret Jo, of Del Rio, and her son, Neil of Florida, are with them.

I visited with Margaret Jo for a short time and she said they had only recently moved from Lubbock to Del Rio and are getting adjusted. She worked for the Civil Service and her husband works for a contracting company.

Margaret said her brother, Radford, was in Amarillo with their dad on Monday of this week and she planned to go on Tuesday.

We hope all goes well.

I talked with Joe Looney this week and she told me that her daughter, June McMeans, went back to Houston in recent weeks and they told her she was in complete remission.

Joe said this is the first time they have told June that, but they wanted her to stay for a few weeks. Following their stay in Houston, Bob and June plan to go to Zapata for a time before returning to Bovina.

A good crowd of people at the First Baptist Church enjoyed hamburgers and watermelon on Sunday evening.

The deacons of the church prepared the food and entertained.

Several members of the Billy Smith family enjoyed the weekend at the their trailer in Mora, New Mexico.

Those present were Billy and Suezy Smith; their daughter Darlene and her husband, Stan Miller and their daughters, Hannah and

Heather; Joy Melton and the Smiths' grandson, Jake Brozek, went to the mountains.

Suezy said they just visited, ate and rested. She said it was so pretty there this time of year. They went up on Friday and returned on Monday.

Several of our women were treated to a meal at Friona's Dairy Queen on Sunday. After church, Joe Looney drove her car and took Sid Lloyd, Charlsie Eubanks, Lois Smith and Artie Faye O'Hair. They do this pretty often and say they have a good time.

We understand Frances Willard is teaching at Clovis Christian School and I think that is wonderful. She taught for about thirty years in Bovina and retired recently.

Frances always has a smile and is so pleasant. The youngsters are fortunate to have her for a teacher.

Our grandson, Jason, came by last week for a short

visit.

Jason's wife, Sandi, and two daughters flew to Houston from their home at San Jose, California, to be with her grandmother for a visit. Jason rode his motorcycle down through Southern California and across to Houston for a few days visiting with his dad, Bill and Sandi and girls.

He came by Spearman and spent the night with his mother, Janee, then had breakfast with us the next morning before leaving.

Jason spent about a month of every summer with us when he was growing up in Idaho. He's our first grandchild and very special!

I talked with Jason on Monday and he was home and back at work as a technician at the base hospital and Sandi and the girls returned home Sunday.

Jason traveled almost five thousand miles on his motorcycle trip and was glad to get home and have his family with him.

Charlie Eubanks has had a lot of fun with family members visiting in recent days.

They included her son and daughter-in-law, Ben and Owassa Eubanks of Crossroads, New Mexico; daughter, Betty Lucy of Appleton, Wisconsin; son, Carrol Eubanks of Longview; son and daughter-in-law, Clyde and Lita, of Hereford; daughter, Shirley of California and two granddaughters; and a grandson, Larry, who is a pilot and lives in Wisconsin.

Most of us know everyone at Oklahoma Lane Community so I will try to cover some of the news about what their people are doing. This week we found out that several went to the "Tops in Blue" which is the Air Force band, at Portales, New Mexico. The group was celebrating their 50th anniversary.

Those attending were Harold and Avis Carpenter, Webb and Irene Gober, Gladys Hromas and Lois Dillingslea.

SMILE: A young mother had taken her 5-year-old son to an amusement park for the day. Along toward mid-afternoon, her feet began to give out and she decided to sit down for an hour or so.

She gave the child a five dollar bill. "Now tell me what you're going to buy with the money," they mother inquired.

"Well," said the happy youngster, "an ice cream cone, a candied apple, some peanuts, popcorn..." Suddenly he caught an ominous expression on his mother's face and he added, "And a green vegetable."

Happy Birthday Bovina

Birthdays for the week of September 21-27.

Sep 21-Christen Stowers.
Sep 24-Steve Guest, Jaime Fuentes, Corbin Holman.

Sep 26-Jessica Stowers, Mearle Morgan.
Sep 27-Derrick Vanegas, Jason Kerby.

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LITTLE ONE'S CLAP TOO.....Everybody had lots to cheer for in Anton as the Mustang Cheerleaders show off the young pom-pom girls. (Photos by Anna Ortiz)



EVERYBODY CLAP.....The Mustangs head off the field after one of their seven touchdowns against Anton's Bulldogs.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Wendol Christian extends our sincere appreciation for all the acts of love and concern shown to our family during the loss of our loved one. Thank you for your prayers, calls and words of encouragement. Your support with food, flowers, cards and visits is helping us through this difficult time.

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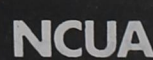


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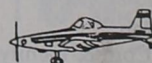
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