

The Bovina Blade

"The people who cast the votes decide nothing. The people who count the votes decide everything."
---Joseph Stalin

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Bovina Bands To Perform Xmas Concert

The Bovina school bands will perform a Christmas concert on Wednesday, December 13. The concert will be coordinated with the school's food drive, sponsored by the high school student council.

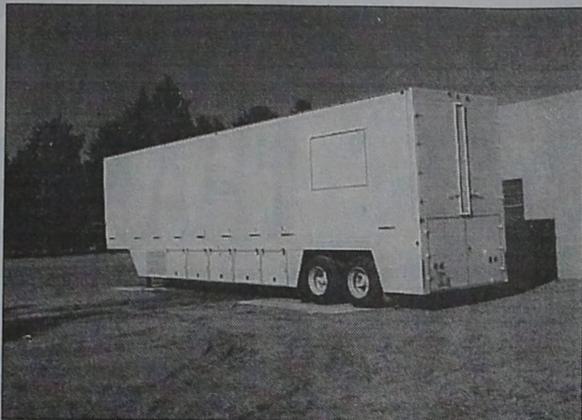
Mr. Bill Shelly, Bovina band director, and the Mustang Band would like to thank the parents and other members of the community that worked during Friday night games.

A special thanks to George Villarreal, Linda Martinez, Jim Zehner, Susan Southerland, Kathy Riley, Imelda Castro and Josue Gonzales. Shelly says, "These special and devoted people gave their time to not only one game, but to four or five games. Also, a special thanks to Mrs. Linda Douglas and her family for assisting during the busiest game-homecoming."

The funds raised were spent on instruments--four beginner clarinets and an intermediate trumpet--to fill the needs of the growing fifth grade band.

The Mustang Band also benefitted with the purchase of white gloves for warmth during cold games and a uniform appearance of the group.

Shelly said he would also like to thank the band students that worked very hard in the concession stand during this year's football season. The marching season was a great success through the efforts of the students, music faculty, and community support.



CAT-SCAN LAB...Parmer County Community Hospital is installing a new CAT-scan unit, a first for PCCH. The unit is in a self-contained trailer at the south end of the hospital. Technicians are connecting utilities to the lab this week and will begin training.

Lockmiller Wins Week 12 Contest, One Week Left

We finally gotcha' in the Week 12 contest. It was a tough week for loyal players who were trying to gain on the lead for the grand prize.

Sentimental favorites Hereford and Nazareth lost. Penn State upset Michigan State and Auburn beat Alabama. UCLA lost a close one. And the Dolphins got beat too.

All in all a score of 12 out of 14 was a great effort. Travis Lockmiller of Clovis only missed the Nazareth and Miami losses. Travis, the 15-year-old stepson of Doug Johnson, is a regular player. He earns \$20 for his efforts.

Three other contestants managed 11 correct

predictions so we had to use the tie-breaker of Cowboys 0, Ravens 27 to distribute the rest of the cash.

Winning 2nd place was Roy Lee Stowers of Bovina. Roy Lee's tie-breaker was Dallas 17, Ravens 21, which was 23 points off and gave him the \$10.

Third place went to Jan Smith of Sudan. Her tie-breaker was 35 points off, two points ahead of Cody Jamerson who was 37 points off. Jan gets \$5 and Cody won fourth place but no money. Sorry, Cody.

With one week left, Aubrey Parson still leads the total point race with 118, even though he only had 8 correct in Week 12.

Eufemia Torres is at 117 and Francisco Torres is at 116. A list of point leaders is elsewhere in the paper.

We thank all our regular contestants for entering the contest during the last 13 weeks. And a special thanks to the contest sponsors.

We will announce the grand prize \$150 winner next week. In case of a tie, we will determine the winner by adding all 13 tie-breakers and the low total wins.

Good luck and good pickin'!

Bovina ISD Counselor's Report

John Broeker, counselor at Bovina ISD, announced that during the week of November 20 several visitors were at Bovina High School.

A representative of West Texas A&M gave information to seniors wishing to attend a four-year college. South Plains College representatives also gave information about two-year college and technical school.

A representative from the Navy was at the school on Tuesday, November 21, to talk to juniors about the results of their ASVAB tests (an interest inventory given free by the military).

During the week of November 27, Bovina ISD will be fortunate to have Ed Ainsworth at the school. He will give the 6th-12th students a program on sexual abstinence.

The ACT test will be given February 10, 2001, at Bovina High School. Parents need to encourage sophomore, junior and senior students to take the test. It is a must to get into a four-year college.

Any senior wishing to go to Amarillo College for a tour needs to sign up in the counselor's office on or before December 5. The group will leave at 8 a.m. on December 6. Amarillo College will provide lunch.

"THE 'PEOPLE POWER'" that has taken to the streets of Florida, courtesy of the Democratic Party and the Rev. Jesse Jackson, is not so different from the mobs that have taken to the streets of the new democracies of Central and Eastern Europe when a vote was being stolen.

"And, no, they are not 'defending democracy,'" but rather, they are a critical force-multiplier in the cheating process itself."

So said political observer Daniel McAdams two days after the November 7 election. McAdams has observed elections in Central and Eastern Europe for a Human Rights Group. He is a senior research associate at the Center for Security Policy in Washington.

I was amazed to see McAdams' piece, written little more than 24 hours after the election. He virtually predicted what was going to happen. We continue his article, which was sent by a friend.

"The pattern may not be familiar to the American public, but as one who has observed elections throughout the former communist world, including those that have ended in violence and massive fraud, the pattern, to me, is unmistakable.

"What is happening in Florida--and to a lesser degree in places like St. Louis and elsewhere--follows a game plan that has yet to fail: first rule is, delay, delay, delay. Do not let any official results be announced.

"The longer you can delay, the more doubt is cast on the election and the more time there is to manipulate the results. Second, latch onto a legitimate issue and marry it to an illegitimate one until the original issue is completely lost.

"In Florida a recount was automatically called because of a very close race. But who now is talking about the real reason for the recount? Not CNN, not the networks and the liberal talking heads, not the American people. The issue has successfully been reframed.

"A group of seniors, who had received a sample ballot in advance of the election and presumably had made their selections, are said to have been somehow tricked into voting for Pat Buchanan instead of Vice President Al Gore.

"The claim of foul play flies in the face of reason: The ballot was designed by a Democrat with no malice intended. It had been publicly advertised before the election. This was initially said to involve some 3,000 voters, which conveniently would have bridged the gap of George W. Bush's 1500-vote lead.

"But this wasn't enough. By the time the fraudsters had gotten America's attention with this spurious claim, the stakes were raised even higher. Some 19,000 ballots were said to have been invalidated in Palm Beach County because there were multiple votes for president. This was blamed on the 'confusing' ballot. The rules are simple, though: if while voting, a voter makes a mistake, he may request a new ballot and correct that mistake.

"Florida voters get up to three tries to get their voting right. Seems fair. Several individuals who took advantage of this 'second chance' were interviewed on TV.

"With chaos successfully reigning, the accusations and claims have grown exponentially. A Democratic party official claimed on TV that 'thousands' of examples of 'voter intimidation' were suspected, where many victims were African-American. This official was unable to provide a single verified example, but no matter.

"If things continue as they are, a re-vote is likely, and the 2000 presidential election will be overturned. George W. Bush will lose and the United States will be one step closer to being a Third World banana republic.

Final advice to Republicans: you are being hit with something so sinister and so alien to our democratic traditions that you have not known how to respond. Get over the shock of 'It can't happen here.' You must recognize what is happening. Do not give one inch. No compromises. No new elections. No switching ballots. This election is being stolen. It is up to the Republican Party and all good American people to defend their vote."

Bull Town Bulletins



By Bill Ellis

THANKSGIVING GREETINGS

THE PILGRIMS

Mary Dalton Crump

*They left their homes to journey to
a land that was unknown
Where a harsh and bitter winter,
earth claimed some for its own.*

*They struggled for a toehold there,
to have a place to live.
Would we have had the courage
and had the strength to give.*

*Our faith to God to see us through,
with nothing but the land?
But, somehow, they still made it when
they knew He held their hand.*

*They built here, on a foreign shore,
foundations that would last.
And we have so much more than they,
those pilgrims of our past.*

*When they had the first Thanksgiving,
they asked our God to bless
their bounty, harvest and their lives,
Can we do any less?*

Mustangs, Fillies In Morton Tournament, Adrian is Next

Bovina's Mustangs and Fillies basketball squads spent last weekend to and from Morton for the annual Morton basketball tournament.

The Fillies, under new coach Wes Weems, took care of Amherst in Game One by a score of 56-31. The Fillies, leading by 25-20 at the half, outscored Amherst 21-4 in the third quarter to coast to victory.

K'Leigh Scroggins was high scorer with 17 points, followed by Christen Stowers with 13.

Other scoring was: Marissa Rodriguez, 12; Destiny Cruz and Jennifer Cantu, 4 each; Veronica Herrera, Maritssa Salazar and Joyce Martinez, 2 each.

In their second game, the

Hart Lady Longhorns swamped the Fillies for a 20-point loss, 63-43. Scroggins was again high with 19 points. Others were: Jennifer Cantu, 10; Marissa Rodriguez, 8; Stowers, 3; Cruz and Martinez 2 each.

In their third tourney game, the Fillies tackled Dora, NM. The Fillies led 19-12 at the half but ran out of gas in the second. They scored only 9 points in the second half (one in the fourth quarter) to lose 33-28. Scroggins scored 13; Salazar, 8; Stowers, 5; Rodriguez and Cantu, 2 each.

The Mustangs fared better, bringing home second place with a 2-1 tournament record.

They defeated Amherst in the first game 52-47, led by

28 points from Tyson Kerby. Tyson hit 7 field goals, 3 three-point shots and made 5 of 6 free throws. Jason Stone and Chris Antillon contributed 9 points each. Jake Steelman, Cameron Charles and Jeremy Ortiz each had 2 points.

In the second game, the Mustangs took care of Hart's Longhorns by a 10-point margin, winning 46-36. Kerby led again with 16 points, Stone had 13; Antillon pitched in 5; Steelman and Josh Kerby had 4 each; and Charles and Ortiz had 2 each.

The Mustangs advanced to the finals against Three-Way but lost by the margin

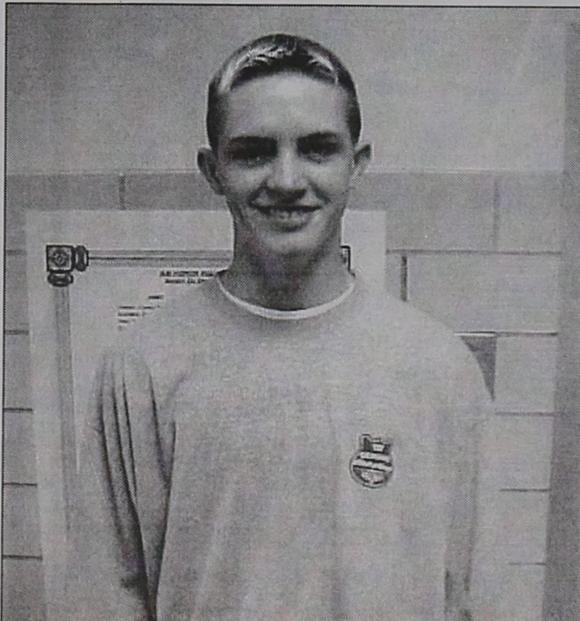
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Mrs. Terry Celebrates 89 Years

Aunt Maggie Terry of Bovina will be celebrating her 89th birthday on November 30, 2000.

She and her family would appreciate your visits, phone calls and cards. She has been a total "shut-in" since September.

Her mailing address is P.O. Box 131, Bovina, TX 79009. Phone number is 806-238-1318.



Tyson Kerby--All-Tournament at Morton



BOVINA REFLECTIONS

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

40 Yrs Ago--Nov. 22, 1960
Bovina City Hall was robbed of approximately \$100 sometime during the weekend. The robbery was discovered at 8 a.m. Monday morning when City Secretary Virgin Tritsch opened the office for the day's business.

Bovina's Mustangs placed two men on the All District 2-B team and two on the second team with five receiving honorable mention.

35 Yrs Ago--Nov. 24, 1965
Rita Nuttall, eight year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Nuttall suffered a broken arm in a fall from a horse Sunday in Merkel. The Nuttalls were attending a family reunion.

Mrs. Jewel Hazel Rigdon, a former grade school teacher here, died Monday morning at the Castro County Hospital in Dimmitt. She taught fourth grade in Bovina from 1952-1963.

30 Yrs Ago--Nov. 23, 1970
Debra Sorley was elected FFA Sweetheart at a recent meeting of the Bovina

Basketball..

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of 45-38. After moving ahead 13-9 after the first quarter, Bovina managed only 2 points in the second quarter and trailed 23-15 at the half. In the second half, Three-Way outscored the Mustangs by only one point, 23-22, but it was enough to seal the loss for the Mustangs.

T. Kerby again led the scoring with 19 points; Stone, 9; Charles, 5; John Solorio and Jeremy Ortiz, 2 each; Josh Kerby, 1.

Tyson Kerby was selected to the all-tournament team for his steady efforts in leading the Mustangs.

The varsity Mustangs and Fillies tip off at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, November 28, hosting Adrian at Mustang Gym. Support the teams with your attendance.

chapter. Debra is a sophomore at Bovina High School and will represent the club at district banquets and meetings.

25 Yrs Ago--Nov. 26, 1975
After an unusually mild fall season in this area of Texas, the first wintry blast of the season hit Bovina and Parmer County Tuesday night and Wednesday morning of last week.

The 1975 Bovina Businesses Cotton Bowl football contest promises to end on the same exciting note as the past fifteen years since the event began in 1960. With not one but two grand prizes at stake in this year's contest, ten, and possibly more, of the top contestants head into the final week of the 1975 contest with an excellent chance of snaring either a trip to the Sun Bowl in El Paso or the Cotton Bowl in Dallas.

20 Yrs Ago--Nov. 26, 1980
For the second time in two weeks, an early season snowstorm hit the local area this week.

Bovina Supermarket suffered extensive damage Sunday morning when a grain truck driven by Pedro Sanchez ran into the west side of the building.

Johnny Curtis remains in the lead in the Bovina Businesses Football Contest.

15 Yrs Ago--Nov. 27, 1985
Hattie Burnett was winner in the 12th week of the football contest and had sixteen of the eighteen games correct.

The Bovina area was hit by an arctic cold front which caused temperatures to plunge, but there was no moisture associated with the system.

As of November 26, a total of 24,412 bales of cotton has been ginned in Parmer County.

Joe and Nettie Lee Wilson drove to Goodwell, Oklahoma and visited with

granddaughter Tana, who was initiated into the Alpha Chi honor society. She is a senior at Panhandle State University.

10 Yrs Ago--Nov. 24, 1990
Open house was held on Sunday, November 18, from 2-4 p.m. at the new Emergency Medical Service Center on Third Street. The building was once the American Legion Hall.

Operation Heart Shield, a support group for people with loved ones and friends in Saudi Arabia, will meet November 26 at 7 p.m. at the Lee Street Baptist Church in Dimmitt.

5 Yrs Ago--Nov. 25, 1995
As of November 22, 22,208 bales of cotton had been ginned in Parmer County.

Sydney Sorley, daughter of Terri and Ken Sorley of Bovina, was featured on the front page of the Bovina Blade. Little Sydney had celebrated her fifth birthday November 15 and had her final chemotherapy treatment November 6. She is now in what Terri describes as "strong remission." Sydney has been fighting Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia now since August, 1993.

Bovina Elem Lunch Menu Nov. 20-24

Monday- chicken fajitas, pepperoni pizza, tossed salad, pinto beans, corn, fresh fruit and choice of milk.

Tuesday- stromboli, hamburger, carrot sticks, potato chips, lettuce and tomato, french fries, hamburger veggies, chocolate cake and choice of milk.

Wednesday- Thanksgiving Holiday!

Thursday- Thanksgiving Holiday!

Friday- Thanksgiving Holiday!



For us, your friendship and trust are very special gifts, and we're pleased to include all of you in our Thanksgiving prayers.

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community benefits when everybody
pulls together.*

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the team and want to thank
all of those who help make
Bovina so great.*

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Data Is Collected For Soil Moisture Survey

Personnel from the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 and the United States Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS) are now collecting data for the 2001 pre-plant soil moisture survey.

The two agencies conduct the joint annual survey to determine general pre-plant soil moisture availability and deficit trends within the 15-county High Plains Water District service area. Information gathered during the survey enables producers to conserve ground water resources by applying only the amount of water needed to bring the five-foot root zone soil profile to field capacity during pre-plant irrigation. Using this information, producers are less likely to over-irrigate their fields prior to planting.

Three teams began collecting pre-plant soil moisture data within the Water District on November 13. Team members are Terry Bridges, Gerald Crenwelge, Dwayne Hovey, Arnold Husky, LaTisha Keller and Scott Orr.

Data collection begins in November each year to avoid as much inclement weather as possible. Also, this allows the pre-plant soil moisture survey to be completed before producers begin irrigating winter crops.

"Recent rains and snow have made it impossible for producers to enter their fields and continue crop harvest," said USDA-NRCS Soil Scientist Gerald Crenwelge. "We plan to start our data collection at soil moisture monitoring sites that can be easily reached. Later, the area should dry out enough to allow access to the remaining sites."

The pre-plant soil moisture survey should be

Roy Averett Rites Held On Tuesday

Funeral services for Bob Roy Averett, 91, were conducted at First Baptist Church, with Truman Johnson officiating. Burial was in Friona Cemetery under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Averett passed away Friday, November 17 at the Lutheran Home in West, Texas.

He was born March 22, 1909 in Coleman. He married Eva Dorothy Harris in Newcastle August 6, 1930. They moved to Friona in 1954 from Newcastle. Mr. Averett was a farmer. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Friona.

He was preceded in death by his wife.

Pallbearers were Mitch Giegling, Alan Fairbairn, Ken Averett, Craig Averett, Leo Orozco and Danny Orozco.

Survivors included two sons, Joe Averett of Seminole and Paul Averett of Amarillo, two daughters, Wynell Houston of Friona and Pauline Wiley of Shallowater, and a sister, Lila Gardner of Bendington, Oklahoma.

Twelve grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren also survive.

completed in early January 2001.

Water District and USDA-NRCS personnel use Troxler neutron moisture meters to gather data at 323 permanently-installed soil moisture monitoring sites within the Water District. Readings are taken at six-inch intervals throughout the five-foot root zone soil profile by lowering the neutron probe into a previously-installed aluminum access tube.

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

Data is used to construct maps illustrating the amount of soil moisture available for plant use within the five-foot root zone soil profile and the amount of water needed from irrigation and/or precipitation to bring the soil profile to field capacity.



BENEFIT DRAWING...Employees at Prairie Acres held a raffle drawing for a 19' color TV. Proceeds were to assist the family of Larry Williams. Larry is being treated for cancer. Prairie Acres employee Irene Trevino, left, holds the box as Gladys Day draws. The lucky winner was Joe Cunningham.

Becky's Bits

By BECKY LONDON

Phone 250-5639 or 250-2211 With Your News Items

Sorry not to report any news this week but my father, Richard Norris of Odessa, passed away last Saturday morning and I was in Odessa all this week with my mom and sisters.

Feel free to call me about your holiday company and trips. I will be back Saturday, November 25 and will enjoy visiting with you then. You can call my home, 250-5649 or the office, 250-2211.

The holiday open houses this week and Parmer County Christmas Bazaar helped to put lots of folks in the Thanksgiving and Christmas mood. The following is an article you might find useful in this holiday season.

"Learn to Become a Gifted Gift Giver"

To some people, the most difficult aspect of the holidays is finding the perfect gift for friends or loved ones. Not every person is easy to buy for, and hours spent searching the stores can cause even the most steadfast holiday shopper to throw in the towel. There is however, a selection of gifts that are appropriate for many, and this may be the answer to your worries about finding the perfect gift.

Of course, no single gift is perfect for everyone. According to "Present Perfect: The Essential Guide to Gift Giving" (Mobius Press), by Sherri and Larry Athay, the best gifts share several common characteristics: appropriateness, perceptiveness, selflessness, generosity, indulgence, and surprise.

APPROPRIATENESS
The perfect gift is fitting for the occasion and the relationship. A tin of homemade Christmas cookies to a coworker would be a thoughtful gesture.

PERCEPTIVENESS
A gift that reflects the giver's attention to the tastes and preferences of the recipient is preferred. In essence, it's a compliment that says, "When I saw this, I

couldn't help but think of you!"

SELFLESSNESS
The giver should only desire to please the recipient-expecting nothing in return. This "no-return" policy includes any satisfaction the giver anticipates from the observations of others about the extravagance of the gift or the generosity of the giver.

GENEROSITY
Resourceful gifts reveal how special the recipient is to the giver. Often, endowments of the giver's time, effort or creativity are the most generous and memorable characteristics of a

Norris Rites Held Tues. In Odessa

Memorial services for Richard Hale Norris, 63, of Odessa were held this week at Odessa. He passed away Saturday, November 18 at 12:30 a.m. in his home after suffering from a lengthy illness.

Mr. Norris was born November 28, 1936 in Goldsboro, Texas.

He married Wanda Horn November 28, 1970. They moved in Odessa in 1980. He was a self employed mechanic.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Kay Gordon in 1964, and Carolyn Newman in 1995 and his step father Brian Howard in 1992.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda, of the home; two sons, Richard Austin Norris of Korea; and Jimmy Norris of Odessa; a stepson, James Horn of Gilmer, and four daughters, Martha Alleman, Ruby Hamilton and Robyn Norris, all of Odessa and Becky London of Friona.

Also, his mother, Ruby Howard of Big Lake; two sisters, Kate Bushong of Midland and Mary Ann Perkins of Brownwood; and ten grandchildren.

gift.

INDULGENCE
It pampers, it humors, it appeases, it satisfies-the perfect gift says there is something extraordinary about the recipient in the eyes of the giver.

SURPRISE
Careful and discreet planning can catch even the most suspecting recipient off guard. A spontaneous gift can be more fun.

HOLIDAY TIP: To figure out the amount of wrapping paper you will need to cut from a roll, wrap a piece of string around the package and cut it to length. Then use that to measure the paper!

Remembering Thanksgiving

by Wayne Bristow
(Founder of Total Life Ministries)

During our growing up years on the High Plains of West Texas, my parents made sure that my brother, Dudley, and I had the right read on what Thanksgiving is all about. That was fortified at school and church. Mother, Daddy, our teachers and our pastor had all just emerged from their struggles for survival during our nation's great economic depression. During my first three years in school, they were buying with ration cards and reading censored military mail from endangered loved ones. American's economic recovery was being fueled at the cost of hundreds of thousands of its choice young people on global battlefields.

It had not occurred to anyone I knew that God should be banished from the classrooms or that luxuries were rights to be taken for granted. No one seemed to have any trouble being thankful for work, clothing or shelter. Almost everyone was living with an awareness of the instability of governments and secular institutions. They were quick to embrace family, church, and self initiative as their best hopes for survival. Everyone knew what it was like to go without and to lose something or someone.

Daddy reflected on this with humor when he talked about not being wasteful, and illustrated it by declaring that during the Great Depression he would run along beside a jack rabbit and feel its ribs to see if it was fat enough to kill and eat. But he got serious when he talked about his little brother, who was one of the 20 million people who died during the 1918-19 world-wide influenza epidemic. During the early 1940s, every day at our house was filled with concern over Daddy's brother, Bishop, and Mother's brother, Spurgeon, who were fighting in the South Pacific.

On a personal basis, one of the best ways to recover the true meaning of Thanksgiving is to concentrate on being specific. Refrain from saying, "Thank You for Your many blessings." For what are you thankful? Name it.

Good times are great, but they probably are not the greatest incentive to observing Thanksgiving. That doesn't sound right, but for some reason it is. Maybe it is all wrapped up in the same reason that we don't pray as much when things are going well. This is all the more reason for us to stop right now, think twice and really give this first Thanksgiving of a new century our full attention.

If things haven't gone so well lately, don't stop being thankful. Our Thanksgiving tradition was not established out of good times. It was born in the hearts of people who had dreamed, dared, lost, suffered, held on, and would not let hope die. For a moment, lay aside those cartoon pilgrim images, and let the real picture come into focus.

Throughout the bitter winter of 1620-21, the little ship, the Mayflower, had remained anchored in Plymouth harbor. While weary men hunted for food, faced the hostility of native Americans, and constructed crude living quarters, many of their wives lay sick on the vessel that had brought them from England. They had come to the New World full of hope. Now, that was being mocked by extreme hardship. When spring finally arrived, 18 of the pilgrim wives had died, including Rose, the wife of Captain Miles Standish. Yet, this leader was among our forefathers who bowed their hearts and lifted their praise on that first Thanksgiving.

These days, even folks who go to church don't seem to sing as many hymns as we used to. When I was a boy, someone could begin with an old favorite, and even a car full of high school football players could finish the song with gusto. Here's one that you may or may not remember, but it sure is good Thanksgiving advice: "When upon life's billows you are tempest-tossed, When you are discouraged, thinking all is lost; Count your many blessings, name them one by one, And it will surprise you what the Lord hath done."

"18 Miles From Earth" By Wayne Bristow

--Stories from Barber Shops, Front Porches and Supper Tables



BOOK SIGNING SET FOR MONDAY, DECEMBER 4 FRIONA PUBLIC LIBRARY

*The author will be on hand to autograph your copy of the book at the Friona Public Library on Monday afternoon, December 4th from 1 to 5 p.m.

*The book will also be on sale at the Friona Star

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Wayne Bristow

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Library Corner

By DARLA BRACKEN

Cyber What?

Don't know your dot coms from your wwws or a megabyte if it bit you? If these terms confuse, frighten or intimidate you, you are not alone. There's a whole new world out there--with so much information instantly available at our fingertips. As always with the beginning of widespread use of any technology (and these days new technology is everywhere), it can be an overwhelming task just to keep up with the new vocabulary. However, we must adapt or be "left behind" unable to be "connected" in the future to vital information. Example: imagine voting online.

All of us will be learning so many new things and though we may sometimes long for a simpler, quieter

time--people around at the turn of the 20th Century might not necessarily agree that things were "simpler" then. As the experiment of the 1900s house proved, a 21st Century family found living conditions quiet difficult to tolerate even though some things such as family togetherness were nice. And since we don't want to go backward, we must take courage friends, and together we will succeed!

The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, as well as the Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund, is trying to make sure that citizens everywhere get a chance to be exposed to the new technology--through schools and libraries and therefore, we as librarians, are attempting to stay ahead of the curve, so that we can provide you, our patrons,

with the best service possible. Come visit the library and see our new equipment, but please have patience with our training and learning needs.

New-on-the-bookshelf:
Journey by Danielle Steel;
Paradise County by Karen Robards; *Sugarplum Dead* by Carolyn Hart; *Prometheus Deception* by Robert Ludlum; *Wish You Well* by David Baldacci; *Carousel* by Richard Evans; *4 Blondes* by Candace Bushnell; *Boone's Lick* by Larry McMurtry; *Deck the Halls* by Mary Higgins Clark; *Prodigal Summer* by Barbara Kingsolver; *Home for the Holidays* by Johanna Lindsey.

Memorial donations have been made by: Billy Joe Mercers, Friona State Bank and Jerry Hinkles to JIM LAMINACK (brother of Bettye Jarboe); James Clarks to DORIS RICHARDS; Cass Perkins, John Baxters, Rex Brackens, Randy Dicksons, D.C. Herrings and Mickey Griffins to LILLIAN JONES; Cass Perkins, Dianne Walzer, John Baxters, W.D. Buskes, John Terrys and JeDon Gallmans to BRUCE ROBISON (brother of Brenda Patterson); Cass Perkins and Rex Brackens to MARIE SANDERS.

When asked what they were thankful for, our Storytime Kids shared these things: turkey, family, cats, chicken, Dad, TV, dog, airplanes, Scooby Doo, toys, library, ham, breakfast, gummy bears, monster trucks, rabbit, friends, God.

Let us all be thankful for a safe, peaceful community, health, food, clothing and shelter and the freedom we have to enjoy all of these things. Happy Thanksgiving!!

P.S. The Genealogy Society has asked me to encourage any of you who have genealogy materials which might be suitable for our new genealogy section to consider making a donation to the Library.

Jamie Clark was the winner of the "Kit" Doll.



NEW COMPUTERS....Checking out the new computers at Friona Public Library is Brenda Patterson, assistant Library director (standing). She is shown as she takes a moment to tutor Marie Perkins on operating the new Gates Foundation Personal Computers at their recent Open House. Mrs. Perkins is the mother of Darla Bracken, Library director.

Cannon AFB Gears Up For Ultimate Christmas Bazaar

Santa's workshop is now in full-swing getting ready for Christmas...and his helpers at Cannon Air Force Base are getting ready for one of the highlights of the Eastern New Mexico holiday season--the 12th Annual "Ultimate" Christmas Bazaar.

Traditionally held the first full weekend in December, this year's bazaar is scheduled for Saturday, December 2 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and continues through Sunday, December 3 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

It will once again be located in Hanger 208 which accommodates the large number of vendors expected while leaving ample room for a snack area in the back corner. As always, the show will be free and open to the public.

"Starting originally as a fundraiser to benefit Services programs and activities, the bazaar has become more than a holiday tradition. It's an accepted way of life for Cannon and the surrounding communities," said Pat Grah, coordinator for the event.

This year should be no exception. "It's a virtual Aladdin's cave," said Grah. "We are expecting over one hundred vendors to provide a wide variety of merchandise from traditional to non-traditional arts and crafts, collectibles, antiques, furniture, toys, household and electrical items, Beanie Babies, jewelry, clothing, perfumes and cosmetics, Western cuisine gift sets, candy and more."

New this year will be an F-16 "Fighting Falcon" which will be displayed courtesy of the 27th Fighter Wing and made available for photographs with those who have wondered how they would look up against such an awesome fighter. Also available will be a model train display.

Cannon Air Force Base is located approximately six miles west of Clovis, New Mexico, just off Highway 60-84. It is home to the 27th Fighter Wing.

For additional information on the 12th Annual Christmas Bazaar, contact Pat Grah at (505)784-6381.

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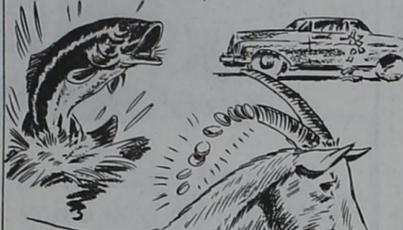
We will miss her at Caprock Industries and we wish her well.

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Facts About The BIBLE BY JOHN LEHTI

MONEY IN A FISH'S MOUTH!



ARAMAIC, THE LANGUAGE WHICH JESUS SPOKE, IS STILL USED IN PARTS OF SYRIA TODAY IN ITS ORIGINAL FORM WITH THE SAME IDIOMATIC PHRASES AND SLANG. ONE OLD EXPRESSION IS "YOU CAN FIND A SHEKEL IN THE MOUTH OF A FISH" MEANING: IF YOU CATCH A GOOD FISH YOU CAN ALWAYS SELL IT EASILY AT THE MARKET. IF A MAN SAID "THERE'S TWENTY SHEKELS IN THE HORN OF MY GOAT." NO ONE WOULD CUT OFF THE HORN LOOKING FOR THE TWENTY SHEKELS—EVERYONE KNEW HE MEANT THE GOAT'S WORTH WAS TWENTY SHEKELS. TODAY, IF A MAN SAYS, "I'VE GOT SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS TIED UP IN MY CAR," WE WOULDN'T SEARCH HIS CAR LOOKING FOR A TIED UP BUNDLE OF MONEY—WITHOUT ANY OTHER EXPLANATION, WE KNOW IT MEANS HE'S SPENT THAT MUCH MONEY ON HIS CAR FOR REPAIRS OR SOMETHING OF THE SORT....



WHEN JESUS WAS IN CAPERNAUM AND THE ROMAN TAX-COLLECTOR ASKED FOR THE HEAD TAX EVERYONE PAID TO ROME (TWO SILVER COINS, WORTH A SHEKEL), JESUS TOLD PETER, WHO WAS A FISHERMAN, TO GO CATCH A FISH WHICH WOULD HAVE A PIECE OF MONEY IN ITS MOUTH (MATT. 17:27). MANY AUTHORITIES ARE AGREED HE WAS USING THE SLANG OF THE DAY—IN OTHER WORDS, TO CATCH A FISH GOOD ENOUGH TO SELL ON THE MARKET FOR A SHEKEL AND THUS PAY THEIR TAX. DURING THE 1ST CENTURY A.D., WHEN THE GREEKS WERE TRANSLATING THE GOSPELS INTO THEIR OWN LANGUAGE, THEY HAD NO UNDERSTANDING OF THE TRUE MEANING OF THESE ARAMAIC EXPRESSIONS AND SO THE STORY CAME OUT AS THOUGH PETER ACTUALLY CAUGHT A FISH SWIMMING AROUND WITH A PIECE OF MONEY IN ITS MOUTH—WHICH DOESN'T MEAN JESUS COULDN'T WORK A MIRACLE IN THIS CASE, FOR HE RAISED THE DEAD AND HEALED MANY WHO WERE "BLIND, LAME, AND HALT"—BUT IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE HE NEVER PERFORMED MIRACLES FOR HIS OWN COMFORT AND BENEFIT!

NEXT WEEK:

THE WICKED QUEEN WHOSE NAME LIVES ON IN POSTERITY TO THIS VERY DAY!

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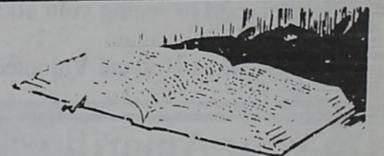
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The City Council of the City of Friona, Texas will meet in regular session on Monday, December 4, 2000 at 6:30 P.M. The City Council will consider the following ordinance on the third and final reading: "An ordinance amending Ordinance #87 of the City of Friona, Texas: providing for a fee for water services after regular working hours." All interested parties are urged to attend and provide any public comments. F-1tc-11/24

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A partial list: A very rare 1880s American Oak hallseat with lots of carving and bevel mirror! An 1890s "Heywood Wakefield" wicker buggy with silk parasol. An antique upright "Victor" victrola phonograph. A beautiful antique burl walnut bedroom suite with matching wardrobe and all matching pieces. A heavy carved chippendale bookcase secretary with arch top! An antique oak mantle with bevel mirror and carvings. The best antique Sheraton dining room suite with all 9 matching pieces, including the large arch top china cabinet, buffet, table and 6 matching chairs--A Must See! A very rare German musicl birdcage with 2 automated birds that move as they sing--Don't Miss! A very rare 1810s "Jacots" large cylinder 12 tone music box with carved oak case--must hear to believe! A beautiful heavy carved crystal cabinet. A fabulous Chippendale table and 8 matching chairs. A beautiful large Dragonfly leaded glass lamp. An antique 1880s victorian deepwell dresser with marble top and carved mirror!

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Bovina Football Contest Standings

For this final week we have listed only those players who have accumulated 100 or more points

A complete list of all contestants who have entered are posted at the Blade office.

The point leaders are:
 118 Aubrey Parson
 117 Eufemia Torres
 116 Francisco Torres
 115 Dorothy Stowers
 114 Jan Smith
 113 Del Ray Sudderth, A. M. Wilson

112 Frances Johnson,
 Josh Kerby, Jerry Roach
 111 Mona Contreras,
 Frank Gonzales, Jr., Susan Kerby

110 Al Kerby, Jr., Christen Stowers, Jessica Stowers
 109 Denise Anderson,
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 108 Dorothy Harris,
 Virginia Steele, Glenden Sudderth, Janie Sudderth,
 Scott Sudderth

107 Doug Johnson
 106 Cody Jamerson, Bobby Johnson, Blake Sudderth
 105 Roy Lee Stowers
 104 Linda Sudderth
 103 Luis Ramirez
 102 Danny Harris, Elva Hernandez, Dean Stanberry,
 Kay Venable
 101 Travis Lockmiller,
 Deena Ramirez



happy
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Hope this holiday is stuffed with good times and good friends.

Thanks for everything!

The Bovina Blade



MUSEUM OPEN HOUSE...Role players, Sidney and Elloese Burgess, prepare for Christmas Open House at the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon.

Christmas Open House Set At Canyon Museum

The Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon will host its 24th annual Christmas Open House, December 1, 2 and 3. Generations of visitors have found this the perfect way to welcome the holiday season.

Children's eyes will light up at the sight of Santa, waiting to hear their Christmas wishes. Parents are invited to bring their cameras to capture this special moment of their child with Santa in an antique sleigh in the midst of a winter wonderland.

Costumed interpreters in Pioneer Town tell stories of life in a small Panhandle town in the late 1800s. The rancher's home, shops and school house are filled with authentic domestic and commercial articles.

A candlelight tour of the T-Anchor Ranch House will be a special feature of this year's Open House. The ranch house

was built in the late 1870s and has been reconstructed outside the museum, complete with outbuildings and windmill. Furniture from the era and role players will provide visitors a glimpse into the past and the life of a pioneer family.

Sounds of Christmas will echo throughout the museum as a variety of choral groups ring in the holiday season with musical entertainment. Girls dressed in white ruffled pinafores and carrying baskets of cookies evoke a special feeling of nostalgia.

Visitors will be reminded of a bygone era and the joy of friends and family as they stroll through the museum and celebrate another Christmas season.

There is no charge for this special event, which will be from 7-9 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, December 1 and 2 and from 1-4 p.m. on Sunday, December 3.

Happy Birthday

Birthdays for the week of November 26 to December 2, 2000.

Nov 26 Tony Bob Englant, Oma Lee George
 Nov 27 Lowell Primrose, Angela Englant

Nov 28 Dean Stanberry, Jay Holman

Nov 29 Anthony Ramon
 Nov 30 Margaret Terry

Dec 1 Flossie Rhinehart, Zane Anderson, Helen Deen

Dec 2 Grady Sorley, Jimmy Parson, Houston Bartlett, Minnie Kelso, Maggie Moore, Nancy Mayfield

For changes, corrections, additions or deletions to our birthday list, call 251-1523 or write Drawer B, 79009. Have a Happy Thanksgiving!

Hospice Offers Special Series

Crown of Texas Hospice is offering a Holiday Bereavement Series on Mondays, November 27 and December 4 and December 11 from 5:30-7 p.m. at the Fellowship of Believers Church.

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Info About The 2000 Disaster Program

Details of the 2000 Disaster Assistance Package are still being developed by the United States Department of Agriculture, although little new information has been received over the last week to ten days.

USDA is developing the rules and regulations that will govern the assistance program authorized as part of the FY2001 Agriculture Appropriations Bill.

Here is a run-down of what we know at this time:

The 2000 Disaster Assistance program was approved with three separate components: quantity, quality and severe economic loss.

Of these components, only two, quantity and quality, were evaluated by the Congressional Budget Office and assigned an estimated cost. The third component had no explicit directions provided by Congress and did not receive a CBO "score." No CBO score could make it somewhat more difficult to provide grower benefits through this proposed third component.

One really good bit of news for growers is that the law also says any benefits provided through the program shall not be pro-rated. Congress did not assign a set amount of money to fund the program and authorized the expenditure of whatever funds are necessary to implement the program. This should mean producers will be able to immediately receive their benefits.

One caveat is that it is still unclear whether or not a payment limitation of \$80,000 per entity will be imposed as a part of the program. Such payment limitations have been included in past disaster programs.

Here is what we expect from the program at this time with a few examples to illustrate how benefits would be calculated under each phase:

Part One-Quantity

Eligibility threshold: 65 per cent
Explanation: producers will be eligible to receive benefits under the quantity component if their actual 2000 crop yield per acre tallies less than 65 per cent of the higher of their current crop insurance. Actual Production History (APH) yield for the county average yield as calculated using National Agricultural Statistics Service figures by production practice. Producers are expected to qualify on a unit by unit basis.

Payment rate: 65 per cent of crop insurance price

Explanation: for cotton, the 2000 Disaster Program payment rate for cotton will be approximately 38 cents per pound, which is 65

per cent of the current crop insurance price of 59 cents per pound.

How to calculate:

Maximum Disaster Level (pounds)=
 # of acres x APH yield or county average

x .65 eligible disaster level (pounds)=

Max disaster level - actual production

calculated payment (\$'s)=

Eligible disaster level (pounds) x .59 x .65

Assumptions: at this time it is assumed that previous years' rules regarding zero production will be in place. This would mean that producers who had NO production in 2000 would calculate their disaster benefits and then reduce them by a factor of 18 per cent.

Part Two-Quality

Two Alternatives Possible for Cotton Quality:

Option one: language in the authorizing legislation says producers whose average quality on a farm is 20 per cent below the assigned average quality for their county would be eligible for a quality adjustment regardless of yield.

If the 20 per cent quality loss trigger is surpassed, the payment rate would be the difference between the actual quality and the county average quality multiplied by 65 per cent. That amount would be paid on the actual production from 65 per cent of the harvested acres.

The cotton industry is also working to allow quality assistance under this scenario to be calculated at the unit level.

Option two: quality assistance would be offered as in the 1999 Disaster Program as a component of yield and would supplement quantity disaster benefits.

PCG and the National Cotton Council are encouraging USDA to allow cotton producers the option to choose either option one or option two.

Part Three-"Severe Economic Loss:"

Eligibility threshold: it is currently assumed that only growers who harvested a crop in 2000 will be eligible for assistance under this component.

Explanation: there are several ideas being considered for delivery of additional assistance under this section. There is, unfortunately, no clear message from USDA indicating if a program will eventually be offered, or at what level it would be available.

Considerable effort is being focused on this area as it is likely to be the best way to target benefits to "notch" growers who will not qualify for help from other sections of the assistance program despite suffering significant economic losses in 2000.

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