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## Star Lites

By Bill Ellis



**SKIP MENO**, the Texas Education Commissioner, was one of our speakers at the recent Panhandle Press Association convention in Amarillo.

Meno pointed out a number of challenges that are facing today's educators, other than the financial crunch that everyone hears about.

Changes in the family makeup have a large bearing on education, Meno said, pointing out that a number of students today are saddled by having to move from place to place during the school year, as well as being a part of a single-parent family.

Fifty-one per cent of the students in Texas schools today are minorities. (It's hard to figure out how the majority of students can be minorities, but that seems to be the way it works--even if it gets up to 80 or 90 per cent.)

A number of students have a language other than English as their primary language.

Meno is a native of New York, who was superintendent of schools at Syracuse, the nation's second or third-largest system, prior to being appointed as Texas' Education Commissioner.

Personally, we thought that Friona native Ted Sanders, former U.S. Education deputy secretary, would have been a better choice for the Texas job, but Governor Richards opted to go out of state for this appointment. Someone forgot to give her the lecture about "shopping at home."

Anyway, Meno says that the Texas school system is in need of a fundamental re-structuring.

"We need to provide some summer school for the kids who need it," Meno said.

He pointed out that students who are retained while they are in school rarely ever graduate from high school. He hinted that a summer program to help the slow students catch up to their classmates might help them in their efforts to stay with their class and perhaps graduate.

A total of 20 per cent of the students in Texas schools are being retained, Meno said, and this is a very high percentage.

It's time for the schools' professional staffs to re-structure the schools, the commissioner said.

One of the big problems, according to the Texas Education chief, is the fact that the state's schools can't compete with other industries in the way of teacher salaries. Texas currently ranks 38th in the nation for teachers' salaries, he said.

Meno said that dramatically improved student achievement would remain his number one priority.

AT A RECENT meeting of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, the group discussed the dangerous precedent that passing the "Robin Hood" school amendment (Proposition #1) might set.

What if the legislature decides later on to rob from the "rich cities" and give to the poor ones, or to rob from the "rich counties" and likewise distribute to those less endowed?

What ever happened with the idea of doing for one's self?

Wasn't it just a year or so ago that the people in Russia toppled the statues of Stalin and Lenin, and the residents of Germany broke down the Berlin Wall, as an indication that communism doesn't work? How far is socialism removed from communism?

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UNCLE AUSTIN SAYS: The kingdom of heaven is not a place, but a state of mind.

## Temperatures

Date	Hi-Low
Friday, April 16	65-36
Saturday, April 17	71-44
Sunday, April 18	84-45
Monday, April 19	64-30
Tuesday, April 20	63-28
Wednesday, April 21	67-31
Thursday, April 22	87-45

No precipitation.

## 'Salute To Excel' Is Being Planned

A "Salute to Excel" is being planned in a special edition to be published by the Friona Star and Bovina Blade on April 30.

The special issue will commemorate the 25th anniversary of the beef packing plant, the area's number one employer.

Excel, which was originally known as Missouri Beef Packers, Inc., held its Open House in late April of 1968, and slaughtered its first run of cattle during the first week of May, 1968.

## F.O.L. Kicks Off Fund-Raising Drive

Twenty-five copies of "The Big Lonely" by Sam Brown were sold following the Sunday afternoon meeting of Friends of the Library in the Old Depot. This was the kick off for a fund-raising drive, which is being sponsored by Friends of the Library.

Guest speaker for the afternoon was Sam Brown, a native of Adrian, Texas, a cowboy and a journalism teacher at Boys Ranch High School.

Dale Mann, out-going president, presided at the business meeting during which new officers were elected. They were Terry Lynn Cox, president; Melanie London, vice president and Leslie Rushing, secretary-treasurer.

During the social hour, refreshments of cake and punch were served and the author autographed all books which were sold.

"The Big Lonely" is Brown's

## National Prayer Day Here May 6

Members of Friona churches will participate in "Meet At City Hall" on the National Day of Prayer, Thursday, May 6. On that day, which is the National Day of Prayer, concerned Americans from across the nation will gather at their local city halls to pray for a moral rebirth in our land.

"Meet At City Hall" is a project for special prayer--a prayer for moral rebirth in America. The Christians of Friona will be joining others in hundreds of communities across America in participating in "Meet At City Hall." Concerned Americans are asked to gather at their local city halls on May 6 from 12:20-12:40 p.m. and pray for a moral rebirth for America. Individuals and churches from many denominations are expected to participate in "Meet At City Hall."

"We invite concerned individuals to meet at Friona's City Hall and pray for a moral rebirth in America," said Vergil Ichertz of Calvary Baptist Church.

Churches and individuals interested in participating in "Meet At City Hall" should call 247-3000.

sixth book. All of the books are in the library.

In cooperation with the City of Friona, the Friends of the Library organization plans to raise enough money to repair and remodel the building adjoining the library, which was recently purchased.

Extensive repair, including a new roof, will be needed and Friends of the Library earnestly solicit the support of everyone in the area.

## Rural Fire Ratio Wrecks Budget For Friona Dept.

The City of Friona is waging a battle in attempting to keep its fire trucks running to where they are needed, but is coming up short due to the number of rural fires that the Friona firemen are asked to fight.

Since January of 1993, there have been 27 total fire calls, and of this number, 23 were rural fires--almost 90 per cent. Since 1990, the number of rural calls for fires has amounted to 84 per cent of the total.

The problem lies in the fact that rural residents pay county taxes, but no city taxes. Thus, they are not paying directly for fire protection.

For a number of years, the county commissioners have paid the City of Friona a flat \$4,000 to help in fighting rural fires, but this comes out woefully short, according to City Manager Paula Wilson.

The \$4,000 amount is paid to each fire department in the county, including those at Bovina, Farwell, Lazbuddie and Rhea.

Mrs. Wilson issued figures that showed the expenses for the Friona Fire Department at \$50,689 since October 1, 1992. At this rate, the department will probably top \$70,000 in expenses in a year's time, she estimated.

Of this amount, City of Friona budgets approximately \$30,000 per year for fire department expenses, so that leaves a big discrepancy.

The City Manager added that last year the county did allot an additional \$22,000 to help purchase a new truck. There is still \$23,620 owing on this emergency vehicle.

Three trucks are used solely for country fires, and the average age of



LOYALTY DAY....Mayor Clarence Monroe signs a proclamation declaring May 1 as "Loyalty Day" in Friona. Looking on are Dale Mann of the VFW Auxiliary, and John Duke, representing the Friona VFW post.

these trucks is 26 years, so they are badly needing to be replaced, Mrs. Wilson said.

Included in the \$50,689 expenses are some capital items, including a new Jaws of Life, new radios, plus radio repair, vehicle repair, conference training, parts, apparel for the firemen, fuel and tires.

The Friona Fire Department has the only Jaws of Life tool in the county, plus the experience in using them.

A number of counties in the region work with the city fire departments by paying a percentage

of their expenses based on the number of fires in the rural areas, or figuring a "per call" payment system.

The Friona City Council offered to meet with the commissioners to discuss the situation, in a special meeting on April 5, but only one commissioner--Johnny Mars of Precinct 1--showed up.

"This is not a new issue, nor is it an issue confined to Parmer County. The City Council has made numerous attempts over the years to deal with this issue through the commissioners' court," Mrs. Wilson stated.

The City Council's primary goal in this issue is to protect the interests of the citizens of the City of Friona, she added.

## Baize Is Acquitted

Friona native S.D. Baize, standing trial at Littlefield for murder in the March, 1992 death of his wife Joan, was acquitted by an eight-man, four-woman jury at the end of the five-day trial.

A former president of the Olton school board, described by defense witnesses as a kind man who would do anything for anybody--left the 154th District Court in a knot of family and friends with tears in his eyes.

"It's been a long, hard thing for my family, and you can't imagine the relief of it being over," Baize said.

Joan Baize, 43, was found badly beaten in the home, which also had been set afire.

## Igo Resigns Position As Principal

The school board accepted the resignation of Tony Igo, primary school principal for the past five years, at its regular meeting on April 15.

Igo has accepted a position as elementary principal at Whiteface I.S.D. Applications are currently being accepted for his position.

In other business, the board approved the hiring of Sue Beene as director of the Parmer County Special Education Co-op. Mrs. Beene will be replacing Charles Turner, who will retire at the end of the current school year.

Approval was granted to the 1993-94 school calendar as proposed by the district-wide improvement committee.

"The board would encourage the public to vote on May 1 and consider a yes vote on Proposition 1, 2 and 3. The board feels passage of these proposals would have the least adverse effect on the Friona I.S.D.," said Superintendent of Schools Hal M. Ratcliff.

## School Seeking Beginners

Friona Primary School is asking for assistance in efforts to contact all parents of children who will be kindergarten age for the 1993-94 school year.

A kindergarten enrollment week is planned for April 26-30 in the Primary Building. Please come by the office during the school day at your convenience to enroll your child.

We are asking that you bring a copy of your child's birth certificate, immunization record and Social Security card. This information will be recorded and returned to you.

Please note: a booster must be given since a child's fourth birthday. We urge you to take care of this immediately. Your child will not be able to attend school until all immunizations are complete.

If you know of some child who will qualify to begin kindergarten, please have the parents come by the Friona Primary School during the kindergarten registration week, April 26-30.

## Early Vote Period Ends Tuesday

Early voting for the May 1 elections will end on Tuesday, April 27.

The special voting is being conducted at City Hall for that election, at the Superintendent's office for the school election, and at the County Clerk's office for the special election.

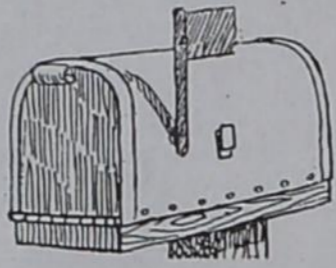
In addition to the city and school races, voters will cast ballots in the special senate race and constitutional amendment election on May 1.



A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL---The "Friona City Limits Again" Dinner Theater was held last weekend at the Friona Community Center and there was plenty of good music, good food and fun for all. Pictured left is Daphne Cunningham who was the "mystery guest" portraying Reba McEntire. "The Friona Playboys" CW Band is pictured in center, from left to right are: Craig Shields, Harrell Mays, Johnny C. Miller, girl vocalist Cherry Wells, Sam Mears and Jack Clark. In front, the accompanists were Charles Turner, Eva Miller, and (not in photo) Clint Mears. Pictured at right is Leon Talley who served as the master of ceremonies. The event was sponsored by Modern Study Club.



# Letters To The Editor



Dear Editor,  
I am writing on behalf of Texas State Treasurer, Kay Bailey Hutchison, Republican candidate for the U.S. Senate. Texas voters will elect a new U.S. Senator on May 1.  
Kay is the first Republican woman to ever be elected to statewide office in Texas. As Texas State Treasurer, she has strongly opposed a state income tax. She cut her department's budget twice, yet increased the Treasury's revenue to a record high. She understands that government needs to be smaller and more efficient. Having also been a successful small business owner, Kay understands the problems of excessive taxation and needless, counterproductive government meddling. She will work to reduce both. And as a strong supporter of congressional term limits, she understands that the job of a public official is to serve and then to live under the laws that he or she has imposed upon others. As an advocate of government and congressional reform, Kay will work to limit the obscene perks now abused by members of Congress.

Kay's opponent, Bob Krueger, could hardly be more of an extreme contrast. Twice rejected by Texas voters in previous bids for a U.S. Senate seat, Krueger has nonetheless slipped into the Senate chamber as an Ann Richards political appointee. Like other Richards appointees (i.e., Lena Guerrero), Krueger's record is predictable and lamentable: In the U.S. House of Representatives he voted for 94% of all spending bills and 9 out of 10 times to raise the national debt. His first vote as a United States Senator was to increase the deficit by 5.7 billion! As Railroad Commissioner, Krueger's bloated budget grew by 37%, and he asked for 14% more money in his most recent budget. A career politician who has been running for various and sundry offices for nearly two decades, Krueger naturally opposes term limits, and has voted for more congressional staff, increased travel budgets, bigger expense accounts and more perks for Congress. Can anyone, in 1993, possibly believe that the solutions to our problems include higher taxes, bigger government, more career politicians and more elaborate congressional perks?

If you believe that government should be more efficient, should tax less and should balance its budget, and if you are a supporter of term limits and fewer perks for members of Congress, then please consider

Kay Bailey Hutchison, Republican candidate for the U.S. Senate on May 1.  
Mark Cole, Farwell

Dear Editor:  
April is National Volunteer Month, and we want to publicly thank the dedicated volunteers of the Crown Of Texas Hospice.

Hospice provides a very special kind of care for terminally ill persons and their families. If it were not for volunteers, our hospice could not function nearly as well. Hospice uses a team approach to care for dying persons and their families. A team typically includes physicians, nurses, counselors, social workers, home health aides and volunteers. While our hospice employs paid professionals, we also rely on volunteers to provide assistance at all levels of skill. Volunteers assist patients and families, help out in our office, and contribute with other special talents.

Hospice standards include volunteers as a very important part of patient and family care. This makes hospice unique. Nationally, almost 70,000 of the total of about 90,000 hospice workers are volunteers; and last year, they gave well over 5 million hours of their precious spare time to serve the dying and their families! In this local area, many volunteers have donated their service to our hospice program. In a number of ways, volunteering for hospice differs from other community work. For one thing, patient-care volunteers are required to undergo at least 30 hours of standardized training.

No task is too big or too small for our volunteers, but often the most important thing they can do is just "be there" for patients and families; to reassure them they are not alone, to hold a hand, to offer a smile, or to share a "good cry". It is not easy work, but the personal rewards are enormous. The strength and courage of patients and families provide a constant source of inspiration, and volunteers usually feel they gain more than they have been able to give.

Our hospice is growing as more and more persons seek our help. For this reason, we have a constant need for new volunteers. If you would like to learn more about hospice volunteering, please call us at 356-2725, or visit us at 1901 Medipark, Suite 1068, Amarillo, Texas, 79106.

In the meantime, we should all be grateful to the volunteers of Crown of Texas Hospice for the wealth of time and compassion they give for the betterment of our area.

Sincerely,  
Diana Witherspoon



# Friona Flashbacks

...from the files of The Friona Star

## 65 Yrs. Ago--April 27, 1928

During the early part of the week a total of 1277 cattle were shipped from the local shipping pens of Santa Fe. These cattle were shipped to various points, some for market and some to pastures and belonging to different parties.

## 45 Yrs. Ago--April 30, 1948

The Star is authorized to announce the name of Charles Lovelace of Farwell, as a candidate for the office of Sheriff-Assessor-Tax Collector of Parmer County, Texas, subject to the results of the Democratic Primary Election, to be held on Saturday, July 24, 1948.

## 40 Yrs. Ago--April 23, 1953

District 10-B Interscholastic League events were completed in Friona, Tuesday, with Friona winning 316 points to lead the slate of six schools entering. Vega took second honors with 220 points, followed by Farwell at 202. Bovina accounted for 134; Adrian 103 and Lazbuddie 72.

## 35 Yrs. Ago--April 24, 1958

Friona's bus barns took on a carnival look Friday as interested onlookers and boys from all over the country gathered for the Parmer County Junior Livestock Show. Jim Roy Wells of Friona was about the "proudest" youngster there Friday when Judge Nig Callihan picked his Hereford calf as the Grand Champion. Reserve Champion went to the Clements Bros., also of Friona.

Citizens of Friona have been advised that the members of the Friona Volunteer Fire Department have been designated by the city council to take the necessary steps to install a tornado warning system for the city.

## 30 Yrs. Ago--April 25, 1963

The Friona Parent-Teachers Association, in its regular meeting

## High School Lunch Menu

- Week of April 26-30
- MONDAY-- cheeseburger, French fries, lettuce, tomato, pickle, cake with icing and choice of beverage.
  - TUESDAY--nachos grande, refried beans, lettuce, tomato, cookies and choice of beverage.
  - WEDNESDAY-- chicken spaghetti, seasoned vegetable, salad with dressing, chilled fruit, wheat rolls and choice of beverage.
  - THURSDAY-- pizza, seasoned vegetable, salad with dressing, chilled fruit and choice of beverage.
  - FRIDAY--foot long hot dog, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, choice of dessert and choice of beverage.

## Elementary, Junior High Lunch Menu

- Week of April 26-30
- MONDAY--spaghetti with meat sauce, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, garlic roll and choice of beverage.
  - TUESDAY--nachos grande, refried beans, lettuce, tomato, cake with icing and choice of beverage.
  - WEDNESDAY--sliced turkey, cornbread dressing, seasoned vegetable, chilled fruit, dinner roll and choice of beverage.
  - THURSDAY-- Salisbury steak with brown gravy, potatoes, seasoned vegetable, dinner rolls and choice of beverage.
  - FRIDAY--hamburger on bun, French fries, lettuce, tomato, pickle, chilled fruit and choice of beverage.

## School Breakfasts

- Week of April 26-30
- MONDAY--waffles with syrup, chilled fruit and choice of milk.
  - TUESDAY--scrambled eggs, sausage patty, choice of juice and choice of milk.
  - WEDNESDAY-- biscuit, gravy, cereal, choice of juice and choice of milk.
  - THURSDAY--breakfast burrito, chilled fruit and choice of milk.
  - FRIDAY--cinnamon roll, cereal, choice of juice and choice of milk.

last Thursday, voted to disband the organization as it has been set up. As of yet, no plans have been formulated for any kind of PTA for the next school term.

## 25 Yrs. Ago--April 25, 1968

Friona High School qualified two students for the state literary meet, and placed third in the regional meet by scoring 54 points in regional Interscholastic League competition last Saturday at Lubbock. Crista Evans, who placed first in girls poetry reading, and Norman Mohr, first in informative speaking, are the two who qualified for the state meet May 2-4 in Austin.

Nobody knows for sure exactly how many people came to the dedication and open house for Friona's Missouri Beef Packers last weekend--but one thing for sure--it was a mass of humanity. Undoubtedly the largest crowd ever to come to Friona in one day went through the modern plant on Sunday. Estimates ranged from 10,000 all the way to 20,000. There was no official head count.

## 20 Yrs. Ago--April 26, 1973

High wind, which blasted the area last Thursday, toppled a portion of the former Continental

Grain Company elevator. A landmark in Parmer County, the elevator had been scheduled for demolition, as it has been leaning precariously since June 11, 1971, when a small twister bounced through Friona leaving scattered damage. The elevator is located at the south edge of Friona on Highway 214.

## 15 Yrs. Ago--April 30, 1978

Friona's civic leaders, along with the board of directors of MBPXL, were given a special tour of the expanded facilities at the meat packing plant just west of Friona on Wednesday. The new fabricating department is scheduled to open by June 15.

Friona High School debaters, Bryan Johnston and Mark Edelman, argued their way to the Region I championship last Saturday at Texas Tech, and their final competition will be May 5-6 at the state UIL meet in Austin.

## 10 Yrs. Ago--April 24, 1983

The Friona Chieftains qualified six members of their team for the regional track and field meet at the District 2-AAA meet in Tulia Tuesday. Two individuals and one relay team qualified for the regional meet. Mike Chaney won first place

in the discus event, setting a new district record with a throw of 159-4. Mike Neill, who came off the injured list less than a month ago, won the 110-meter high hurdles with a time of 15.2. Friona's 1600-meter relay team also qualified with a time of 3:28.8. Members of the relay team are John Aguirre, Rich Malouf, Ricky Marquez and Alfredo Mata.

## 5 Yrs. Ago--April 23, 1988

The Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon-cutting ceremony at An Added Touch, located at 719 Main.

The Friona area received a good rain last Saturday, with .78 inches measured in the city gauge that day.

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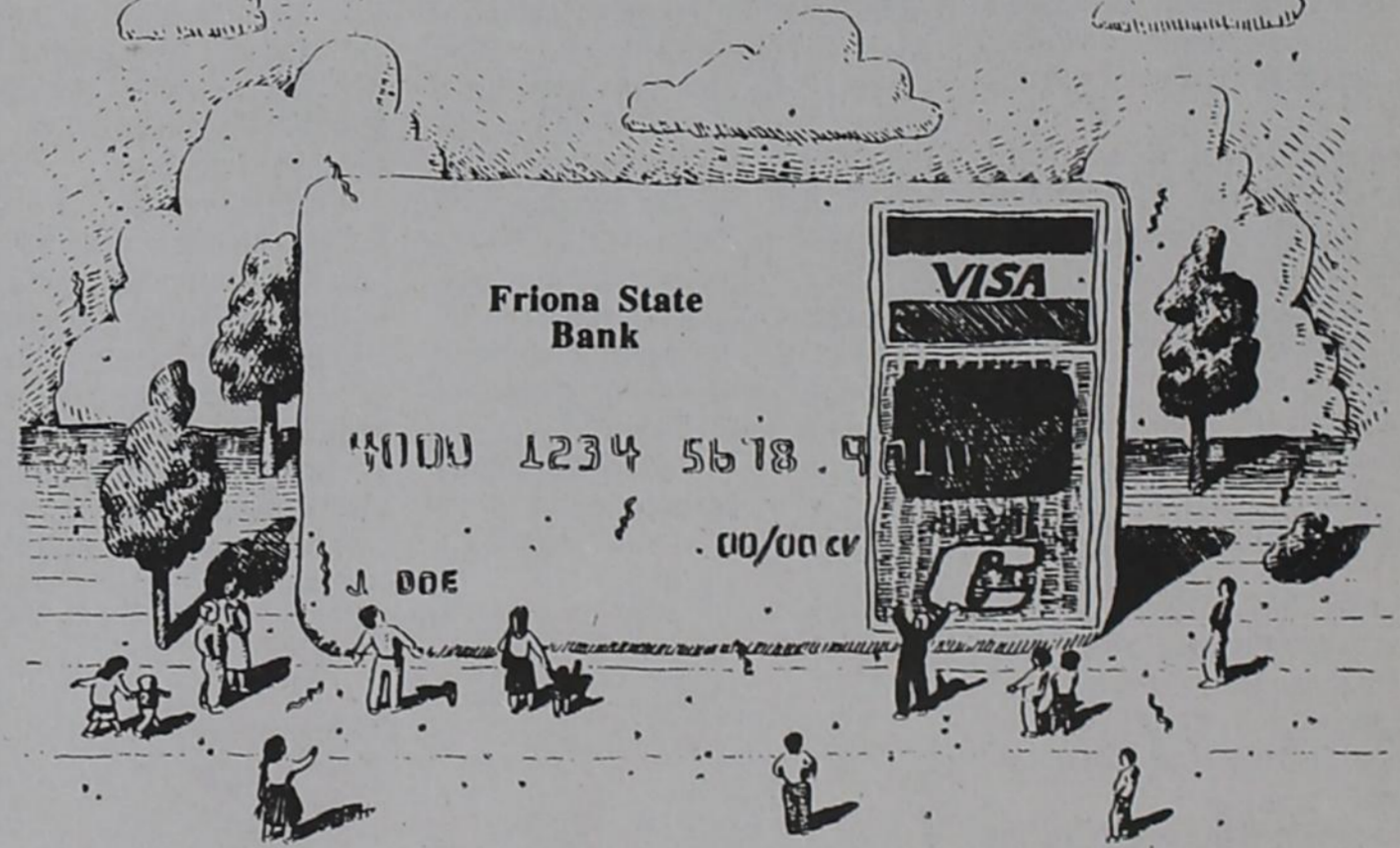
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# Tortillas Can Be Utilized In Many Interesting Recipes

By Carla McKeown

My parents taught me to eat Mexican food almost as soon as I could eat solid food. For as long as I can remember, my mother made dishes such as beef enchiladas, chicken enchiladas, tacos, Spanish rice and beans.

But, it wasn't until my family moved to West Texas that we really began to appreciate the tortilla. After we moved to Plainview, I became friends with a girl my age and her family who introduced me to many aspects of their Mexican-American culture, including homemade flour tortillas.

I thought I was in culinary heaven the first time Rosa's mother Mrs. Efrain Nunez, handed me a hot tortilla fresh off the stove. Rosa put some margarine on it for me, and I rolled it up and ate it just like that. I was hooked.

I still haven't learned to make the round, flat bread, but I have thoroughly integrated tortillas into my cooking.

Tony and I often stuff tortillas with eggs, potatoes, and bacon, sausage or chorizo for breakfast burritos. A little leftover meat, some shredded lettuce, chopped tomatoes, and a dash of salsa or hot sauce all rolled up in a tortilla make a quick lunch-time meal.

From burritos and enchiladas to fajitas and tostados, the tortilla is a versatile bread enhancing every meal from breakfast to midnight snack.

Tortillas--flour or corn--can be heated and eaten while they are soft and pliable. Or, they can be fried--flat or in a taco or basket shape--until crisp and then filled. Another option is to fill the tortilla and then fry it, creating a flauta or a taquito. Try the following recipes (the Chicken Burritos is one Tony and I created together, tasting and adjusting each time we cook them) and enjoy the versatility of the tortilla.

**CHICKEN BURRITOS**  
2 boneless, skinless chicken breasts  
Vegetable oil  
1/2 onion, chopped  
1 garlic clove, minced or pressed  
Chili powder, to taste  
Cayenne pepper, to taste  
1 can tomatoes and green chilies

Green onions, chopped  
6 flour tortillas

Cook the chicken breasts (in a microwave or skillet); allow to cool and shred into bite-sized pieces. In a large skillet, cook the chopped onion over medium heat until soft. Add the garlic and cook for 1 minute. Add the chicken and chili powder and cayenne pepper to taste; stir to mix. Add tomatoes and green chilies and stir. Let simmer until mixture is not too watery. Fill heated tortillas with chicken mixture and sprinkle with chopped green onions. Makes 2 to 3 servings.

**FLAUTAS**

1 dozen corn tortillas  
1 chicken, boiled and cut into chunks or shredded  
Oil or lard  
Sour cream  
Salsa

Warm the tortillas, one at a time on a griddle. Place the chicken in each tortilla, near one end of the tortilla, and roll. Secure each roll with a toothpick. Fry the flautas in the oil or lard until crisp. Drain on paper towels. Serve with sour cream and salsa.

**TORTILLA SOUP**

9 tortillas  
1/4 cup vegetable oil  
1 onion, chopped  
1/3 cup tomato puree  
2 quarts chicken broth  
1 tablespoon chopped fresh cilantro  
1-1/2 cups grated Monterey Jack cheese

Cut the tortillas into 1/2-inch wide strips. Fry them in hot oil until crisp. Remove and drain on paper towels. Fry the onion and tomato puree in the remaining oil over lower heat for 5 minutes. Add the onion mixture, the tortilla strips and the cilantro to the boiling chicken broth. Simmer for 30 minutes. Put the grated cheese in each soup bowl and pour the hot soup over the cheese. Makes 6 servings.

**FAJITAS**

4 cups light soy sauce  
1 cup brown sugar, firmly packed  
1 clove garlic, minced  
1/4 cup finely minced fresh onion  
8 tablespoons lemon juice  
4 teaspoons fresh ginger root, minced

1 skirt steak for each 3 guests  
Warm flour tortillas

Combine the soy sauce, brown sugar, garlic, onion, lemon juice and ginger in a jar; cover and shake to mix well and to dissolve the brown sugar. Let the marinade stand in a sealed jar overnight. Trim the fat from the beef and peel off any membrane. If the meat is more than 3/4-inch thick at the thickest part, cut it in half lengthwise so it will cook quicker. Pour the marinade over the beef and marinate for 2 hours or overnight in a sealed container in the refrigerator. Remove the steak from the marinade and grill over very hot coals for about 10 minutes per steak. Brush the meat with the marinade 2 to 3 times while grilling. Chop the meat with a cleaver and wrap in warm flour tortillas.

**CHEESE ENCHILADAS**

4 tablespoons flour  
1/4 cup vegetable oil  
2 tablespoons chili powder  
2 teaspoons ground cumin  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 large clove garlic, minced  
2-2/3 cups hot water  
Vegetable oil for softening tortillas  
12 corn tortillas  
12 ounces Cheddar cheese, grated  
1 medium onion, finely chopped

Brown the flour on a cookie sheet at 400 degrees in oven for 15-20 minutes. In a saucepan, combine the browned flour, oil, chili powder, cumin, garlic and salt. Simmer over low heat, gradually adding hot water while stirring continuously with a wire whisk. Simmer slowly for 1 hour, stirring occasionally. In a small skillet, heat vegetable oil. Dip one tortilla at a time into the hot oil until the tortilla is pliable. Remove each tortilla from the oil to a warmed plate and continue with each tortilla. Fill each tortilla with 3 tablespoons of cheese and 1 teaspoon onion. Roll up each tortilla and lay them in a baking dish, one alongside the next. Pour the warm sauce over all the enchiladas and top with the remaining cheese. Bake at 250 degrees for 15 minutes.

**DESSERT TACOS**

2 pounds slightly green bananas

6 tablespoons butter  
1-1/2 tablespoons brown sugar  
6 corn or flour tortillas  
1/2 cup sliced almonds  
1-1/2 cups sour cream  
1 tablespoon powdered sugar

Peel the bananas and cut into 1/4-inch thick rounds. In a large frying pan, melt 2 tablespoons of the butter over medium-high heat until foaming. Add the banana pieces and brown. Turn and brown the other side, about 1 minute altogether. Remove from heat and set aside. Place 1 tablespoon of the butter and 1/2 teaspoon of the brown sugar in a frying pan large enough to hold a tortilla. Heat on medium-high until the butter foams and the sugar melts. Stir the mixture. Then, place a tortilla in the pan and fry for 30 seconds. Turn and fry the other side, until warmed through and sugar coated, but still pliable, about 30 seconds more. Remove and continue with the other tortillas, adding a little more butter and sugar as needed. Toast the almonds by stirring in an ungreased frying pan over medium-high heat for 2-3 minutes. Place the sour cream and powdered sugar in a small bowl and stir until smooth. Spread 1/3 cup of the bananas in the middle of a tortilla. Top with the sweetened sour cream and toasted almonds. Fold and serve.

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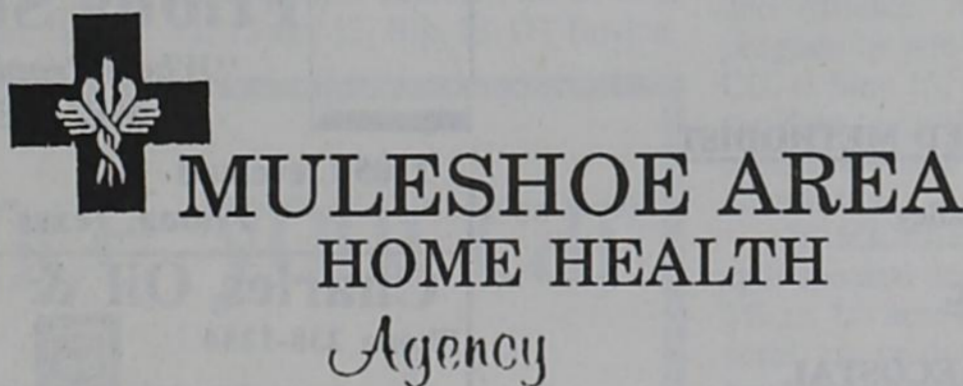
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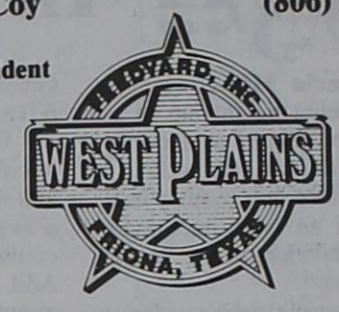
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# Karen Wied, John Simnacher United In Church Ceremony

Karen Wied of Lubbock and John Simnacher of Ardmore, Oklahoma exchanged wedding vows Saturday, April 17 at 4:30 p.m.

The ceremony was conducted in St. Anthony's Church, Hereford, by Msgr. Orville Blum.

The bride is the daughter of Bobby and Delphine Wied of Friona.

The bridegroom is the son of Albert and Pat Simnacher of Hereford.

Denise Detten, organist, accompanied Heather Griffin and Michael Griffin as they sang "One Friend," "Household of Faith" and "The Lord's Prayer."

As the bride was presented in marriage by her father, she was attired in a formal length white satin gown fashioned with a modified scalloped sweetheart neckline, fitted bodice, basque waistline and bishop sleeves, which extended to the wrists. Lace appliques, beads, pearls and sequins adorned the gown and the sleeves were accented with white bows. The full skirt was fashioned with a sheer illusion overlay with lace appliques, pearls, beads and sequins, marked at the back with a white bow. The hemline was edged with scalloped lace and extended to a chapel length train.

The bride wore a tiara headpiece of lace flowers and sprays of pearls. The fingertip length veil was accented with hand beaded pearls.

She carried a cascade arrangement of white roses and baby's breath accented with white satin ribbons. She wore a pearl necklace given to her by her grandmother and pearl earrings.

Mrs. Kelly Mann of San Antonio served her sister as the matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Bena Glasscock of Stephenville, Texas, Jill Herring of Lubbock and Mrs. Danielle Bartels of Hereford, sister of the groom.

The feminine attendants wore emerald green tea length sheath gowns with sweetheart necklines. The emerald organza bishop sleeves extended above the elbow.

They carried nosegay bouquets of white roses with white satin ribbon.

Larry Backus of Amarillo served as best man. Groomsmen were Kent Simnacher of Lubbock, brother of the groom, Keith Simnacher of Roswell, New Mexico, brother of the groom, and Dru Gault of Lubbock.

Serving as ushers were Mike Mann of San Antonio, brother-in-law of the bride, Bennett Lee of

Lubbock, cousin of the bride, Rick Bartels of Hereford, brother-in-law of the groom, and Randy Hochstein of Amarillo.

Randy Hochstein and Rick Barthels lit the candles.

The reception was held in the Knights of Columbus Hall.

Jackie Spinhearn and Leslie Whitman presided at the guest registry.

Wedding cake was served by Mrs. Lory Hochstein, Stephanie Dolle and Angie Ferry. Punch and coffee were served by Leslie Whitman.

For a wedding trip to Orlando, Florida, the bride chose a navy and

white short jumpsuit with navy shoes.

The bride is a 1988 graduate of Friona High School and is planning to graduate from Texas Tech University in May, 1993, with a bachelor of science degree in dietetics.

The bridegroom is a 1986 graduate of Hereford High School and a 1990 graduate of Texas Tech University. He is currently employed by Bluebonnet Mills.

Special out-of-town guests attending the wedding and reception were Mrs. Leona Wied of Wilson, Ida Simnacher of Pep and Wesley Menzer of Alaska. Other guests attended from San Antonio, Dallas, Weatherford, Albuquerque, Amarillo and Lubbock.



Mrs. John Simnacher

## Gilley Picked For Honors

The United States Achievement Academy announced this week that Leslie D'Aun Gilley has been recognized for academic achievement as a United States National Honor Roll award winner.

Leslie Gilley, who attends Azle Junior High School in Azle, Texas, will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, published nationally.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly United States Achievement Academy award winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, executive director of the United States Achievement Academy.

The USAA National Honor Roll awards provide honor roll students with many benefits and services and is a great tribute to a student's dedication, talent and ability.

Leslie is the daughter of Michael Gilley and Carol Gilley Hulslander. Her grandparents are Bill and Betty Morgan of Grady, New Mexico and Nancy Foster of Eugene, Oregon.

## Happy Birthday Friona Folks....

Week of April 25-May 1  
Friona residents having birthdays next week are:

April 25--Alison Lea Hardgrove, Levi Landrum, Darrell Roth, Mike Riethmayer, Felica Nicole Florez, David Woodruff.

April 26--Ben Osborn, Mark Petchinsky, Karla Dixon, Pamela Schjang.

April 27--Clint Homfield, Duane Reed, Diane Mendoza, David Whately, Tony Baca, Gena Willard, Tena Willard, George Ryan, Von Edelman, Glaytus Wylly.

April 28--Davy Hamilton, Naomi Perez, Julie Goddard, Wade Davenport, Lynn Pope, Kade

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April 29--Karen E. Stewart, Chance S. Butman, Kristi Britting, Bernard Gowens, Wayne Davis, Vincent Koelzer.

April 30--Wanda Reeve, Teresa Ready, David Rebber, Andy Gomez.

May 1--Amanda Sifford, Jerald Reed, Kayla Smiley, Vickie Copley, Amy Knowles, Gregory Koelzer, Joe A. Walters.

If you or someone in your family has a birthday coming up soon, call the Friona Star at 247-2211 by Wednesday noon and report it.

### NOTICE OF RATE CHANGE REQUEST AND STATEMENT OF INTENT

Notice is hereby given that DEAF SMITH ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. (the "Utility") intends to decrease rates for electric utility service effective July 6, 1993, or as soon thereafter as may be permitted by law. Based upon a test year ending December 31, 1992, the decrease requested is \$740,000 or 4.465% of actual test year revenues. The changes are applicable to all areas, all customer classes, and all customers served by the Utility.

The Utility proposes to change all rates for Farm and Home, Residential Space Heating, Irrigation, Commercial, Large Power, Industrial, Cotton Gin, and Lighting, including demand, energy, minimum and other charges. The proposed changes are expected to affect the classes as follows: for the 4,416 customers in the farm and home class, the proposed decrease will be \$109,357 or a negative 4.53% change in revenues; for the 147 customers in the residential space heating class, the proposed decrease will be \$7,793 or a negative 3.39% change in revenues; for the 4,060 customers in the irrigation class, the proposed decrease will be \$376,215 or a negative 4.15% change in revenues; for the 774 customers in the commercial class, the proposed decrease will be \$54,019 or a negative 6.17% change in revenues; for the 111 customers in the large power class the proposed decrease will be \$81,413 or a negative 8.11% change in revenues; for the 26 customers in the industrial class, the proposed decrease will be \$95,907 or a negative 3.74% change in revenues; for the 6 customers in the cotton gin class, there will be no change in revenues; and for the 2,888 customers in the lighting class, the proposed decrease will be \$15,296 or a negative 6.11% change in revenues.

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Information concerning the proposed rate changes, including the proposed revisions of tariff and schedules is available at the General Office of the Utility, located at Highway 60 at Whittier Street, Hereford, Texas 79045-0753. Inquiries should be directed to Mike Veazey.

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On or about May 7, 1993, the Utility will file with the Public Utility Commission of Texas, a Statement of Intent to Change Rates, specifying in detail each proposed change. Requests to intervene must be filed no later than 45 days after the application filing date; Thus, the Utility anticipates the deadline for intervening and objecting to the rate changes will be June 21, 1993. Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible. A request to intervene, participate, or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Division at (512) 458-0223 or (512) 458-0227, or (512) 458-0221 teletypewriter for the deaf.

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## Thompson Is Buried In Childress

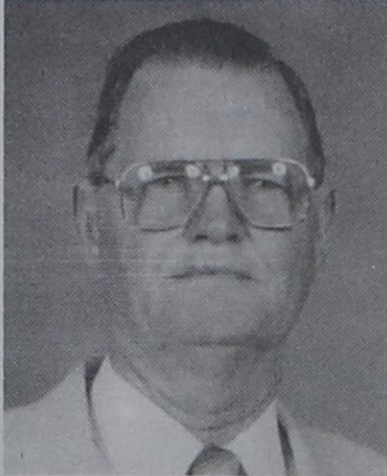
Funeral services for Rev. Norman Thompson, 68, were conducted April 9 in Childress, at the First Assembly of God Church, with the Rev. Terry Jackson, pastor of United Pentecostal Church, and the Rev. W.E. Shiflett, pastor of Palestine United Pentecostal Church, officiating.

Burial was in Childress Cemetery by Johnson Funeral Home.

Rev. Thompson, Sr. died Wednesday, April 7, 1993.

The Rev. Thompson was born in Pilot Point. He married Georgia Creason in 1944 at Durant, Oklahoma. He was pastor for 40 years at various United Pentecostal churches in Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico. He was a member of the United Pentecostal Church.

Survivors include his wife; four daughters, Georgia Bernice Lovelady of Palestine, Opal Bailey



REV. NORMAN THOMPSON

of Childress, Norma Alexander of Friona and Linda Cabler of Shamrock; four sons, the Rev. Lawrence Thompson and Norman Thompson, Jr. both of Friona, and David Thompson and Bill Thompson III, both of Childress; his mother, Bernice Thompson of Clarendon; two sisters, Thelma Lewis and Florence Elliott, both of Amarillo; a brother, O.C. Thompson of Amarillo; 25 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

## Selma Habbinga's Rites Held Here

Funeral services for Selma Habbinga, 88, were conducted at the First United Methodist Church of Friona on Saturday, April 17, with Rev. Don Kirkland, pastor of the Redeemer Lutheran Church, officiating.

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

Mrs. Habbinga passed away April 15 at Parmer County Community Hospital, of natural causes.

She was born October 2, 1904, in El Campo, Texas. She married Dirk Ennen (Dick) Habbinga December 17, 1921 at Abernathy. He passed away January 14, 1974.

Mrs. Habbinga was a member of Redeemer Lutheran Church, the Friona Antique Club, Friona Senior Citizens Assn., Parmer County Historical Commission, and the Lutheran Braille Organization.



SELMA HABBINGA

She was survived by several nieces and nephews, and a host of friends. She was preceded in death by 11 brothers and sisters.

Pallbearers were John P.A. Drager, Norbert Schueler, Floyd Schueler, Florian Jarecki, Melvin Sachs, Carl Schlenker and David Smith.



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### Looking Back To Plan Your Future

One of the most reliable ways for shareholders to build wealth long term is in the stock market, according to *Scientific Investment*, a journal of investment strategies.

The financial publication studied the period from 1925 through the end of 1987, which included the Great Depression, World War II, other major wars and recessions, and the Crash of 1987, our most recent notable market disaster.

During that 62-year period, a dollar invested in U.S. Treasury bills grew to \$8.37 by the end of 1987, for a 737 per cent return.

*Scientific Investment* went on to say that inflation would have eaten \$6.44 of the T-bill's \$8.37 total return. Over that 62-year period, the real, after-inflation rate on T-bills was only four-tenths of 1 per cent, according to the article.

The same dollar, invested in the stocks of the New York Stock Exchange, grew to \$347.96. That is more than 41 times as much as the return on T-bills.

What's the message? *Scientific Investment* says, "Invest long term in stocks." The problem is that most investors do not have the means to invest in each of the 500 stocks that make up the Standard & Poor's average or all the stocks listed on the NYSE. The challenge is deciding which stocks to buy and which to avoid.

According to *Scientific Investment*, two investment pioneers, William F. Sharpe and Harry M. Markowitz, won the Nobel Prize in 1990 by finding that nobody can beat the market long term. This means that anyone's investment results over a long

period will not average better than the Standard & Poor's 500 or the Dow. Yet, it goes on to say that 18 per cent of mutual funds outperformed the S&P 500 over the past 10 years. That's beating the market.

Of course, no one can predict that these same funds will continue their success in the next 10 years. It is, however, reasonable to assume that some professionally managed funds will continue to beat the market. Deciding which funds may do this requires some work, but the results could spell the difference between a secure financial future and no financial future.

Some questions that might help find a fund that has the potential to beat the market are:

1. What is the objective of the fund? The risk?
2. What is its long-term total return (dividends + capital gains + growth = total return)?
3. Has the fund outperformed the major indexes (S&P and Dow) over the long term? How often?
4. Is management consistent?

Answers to these questions can be found in the fund's prospectus, in approved sales literature, directly from the fund or from your broker. Ask pointed questions, and ask for specific examples (hypothetical illustrations, the fund calls them) based on past results using your specific investment dollars.

Past performance is one factor in selecting an investment; however, it is not an indication of future performance. Intelligent investing is not a get-rich-quick system designed to beat the market. It is rather a deliberate effort to regularly invest in a diverse portfolio of quality securities and give the market enough time to work for you.

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