

## MY TURN

By Carol Ellis



### "TO SERVE YOU BETTER"

.... Those four little words strike fear in the hearts of the American consumer.

This phrase ranks right up there with other things you hate to hear, such as: "Some assembly required" or "Do you realize how fast you were going?" or "It's new and improved," or "I'm going to quote you a reasonable price" or "Don't worry; it's user friendly" or "Sorry, it's on back order" or "I'll only take a moment of your time" or "The computer is down" or "This is a stickup; hand over all your money."

Energas Co., this week announced they will be closing their local office "in order to serve us better." So they'll now be getting the way of the telephone office which closed in the 80s, and SPS which closed their office in 1989, and the cable company which closed their office in 1996. All of these actions were, of course, "in order to serve us better" and were usually followed soon thereafter by a large price hike.

Hasn't anyone figured out that this puts people out of work? These are folks who will have a hard time paying for their gas, phone, electric, cable, and water bills, since they are now unemployed.

I call it the "Life Saver Syndrome." I first noticed this trend in about 1980 when our favorite little roll of hard candy mints with the hole in the center, "Life Savers," suddenly had a bigger hole and the cost jumped from ten cents a roll to 25c. This "less costs more" trend seems to have been gathering steam ever since.

It is possible that the whole country could be completely shut down "in order to serve us better."

What if your ambulance decides to close the local office, in order to serve you better, and you'll have to call Clovis or Hereford for emergency service?

What if your local bank decides, in order to serve you better, they'll be calling in all their notes?

What if your local dentist decides, in order to serve you better, he'll just use pliers and string on your teeth?

What if your local weekly newspaper decides, in order to serve you better, it will be published only once a month?

What if, in order to serve you better, the IRS decides to just take 100% of all your earnings? There won't be any forms to fill out, or deductions to figure. They'll just take all of it.

While on the subject of swindling the American consumer, have you gotten a close look at your phone bill lately?

Check it carefully. Your long distance calls are probably being charged at very expensive rates by strange long distance carrier companies that you've never heard of. Plus you may be getting charged for calls you never made. Some friends of ours have found their phone bills littered with \$20 calls, supposedly from their own home phone, to places like Santiago, Mexico. They don't even know anyone in Santiago.

We will survive the closing of one more utility office, but it just goes to prove that these big corporations are only interested in how to get the most \$\$\$ from their customers with the least amount of output. The only people to be better served are their own stockholders.

**Temperatures**

Date	Hi-Low
Friday, March 14	48-24
Saturday, March 15	59-26
Sunday, March 16	73-37
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Tuesday, March 18	64-38
Wednesday, Mar. 19	73-38
Thursday, March 20	81-46

## Chamber Awards 1997 Top Citizens

Dr. Bernard Harris impressed the crowd attending the 41st annual Friona Chamber of Commerce banquet with his charm and descriptive accounts of his experience as an astronaut.

"When you see the earth from space-it's like a big blue marble, except that there is motion, with the clouds and weather systems. When you see the earth like that, you realize that this was created. God's hand was involved. I don't believe there's an astronaut alive that doesn't believe in God," Dr. Harris said.

Harris said that mankind

arbitrarily draws lines on the globe, but that seen from space, there are no lines. "We're all just earthlings. I'm convinced that if everyone could see the earth from that perspective, there would be no poverty, no racism, no stereotypes."

The speaker described his trips aboard the Challenger as "an incredible ride." He said that when you stopped to think that the spacecraft requires 7.5 million pounds of thrust to get airborne and that after eight and one-half minutes the spacecraft is travelling 17,500 mph, "There's nothing slow about it."

The "blast-off" puts the craft 205 miles high and 5,000 miles downrange, Dr. Harris pointed out. The 17,500 miles-per-hour speed is necessary to escape the earth's gravitational pull.

Dr. Harris was introduced by Friona native Jim Bob Jones, who is Director of the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center Relations.

In the awards section, James Morton was honored as "1997 Citizen of the Year; Cecil Maddox was cited as Man of the Year, and Doris Barnett was named Woman of the Year.

Linda White was named Teacher of the Year, Laqueta Garner, Employee of the Year, Greg Lewellen and Candi Baca, Students of the Year.

Coach Morton was cited for his integrity and dedication to not only the football program but the entire athletic department. He developed a strong work ethic for his young men, who realized the fruits of their labor.

"This past year he placed Friona on the statewide map. He has a tremendously positive influence on his staff and fellow teachers. He took a group of young men and made champions out of them and rekindled community spirit and pride of achievement," it was stated.

"The community and citizens have also benefitted from this man's dedication, integrity and hard work. People are proud of their community once more and the exuberance is carrying over into renewed community action," it was stated.

Doris Barnett is a local native. She has been an active member of the Hospital Auxiliary, serving as president and chairman of the rummage sales. She has served as secretary on the board of directors for King's Manor Methodist Home in Hereford.

As a dedicated member of Friona United Methodist Church, she has served in various capacities on the

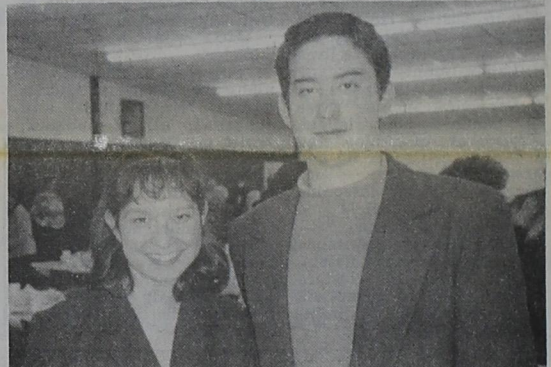
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MAN AND WOMAN OF THE YEAR...Cecil Mattox and Doris Barnett received leading honors at the Chamber of Commerce banquet.



EMPLOYEE AND TEACHER OF THE YEAR...Laqueta Garner, left, of Bovina was named Employee of the year. Linda White, right, is Teacher of the Year. Gene Schueler, center, won the door prize of two airline tickets.



STUDENTS OF THE YEAR...Candi Baca and Greg Lewellen are Friona's outstanding students.



EMCEE AND CITIZEN OF THE YEAR...Jim Bob Jones, left, of Lubbock was Emcee and Coach James Morton is Citizen of the Year.



ASTRONAUT GIVES FLAG...Banquet speaker Astronaut Harris gave the Friona Schools a flag which traveled with him into outer space. Tonya Hand accepted the flag on behalf of the school.

## Energas Plans To Close Local Office

The Energas Co. announced plans this week which will result in the local office being closed to customers, and change the method of paying monthly bills.

Energas Company announced today a 12-month plan to "enhance" the quality of its customer service to better meet customer needs and to prepare the company to meet future changes in the utility industry.

The plan includes several steps.

- Beginning in early summer 1997, the company will create a network of payment centers through an arrangement with a national vendor at grocery stores, convenience stores and other locations in towns where Energas Company currently has offices. These payment centers will offer extended hours and a convenient place for customers to pay their bills.

- Following the opening of the payment centers during the summer of 1997, local

business offices will be refocused on field operations such as service calls, and construction and maintenance activities. These field service centers will no longer take over the counter payments or handle routine walk-in customer transactions.

- In early 1998, Atmos Energy Corporation, of which Energas is an operating division, will open a central customer support center to serve all of its customers. Customers will call toll-free for service 24 hours per day, seven days per week. The location of the center has not yet been determined.

- The company has already begun implementing new technology to increase efficiency in serving customers, including installation of a state of the art customer information system and use of in-truck computer terminals to dispatch technicians from the central customer support center.

## Chamber Of Commerce Hosts Financial Expert

The Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture will be hosting an information session Tuesday, March 25 at 12 noon at the Friona State Bank Community Room explaining the Texas Agricultural Finance Authority.

TAFSA is a loan program offered through the Texas Department of Agriculture. Dan Smith, financial analyst from Austin, will be here to explain the benefits of the program and eligibility requirements.

The TAFSA program provides financial assistance through loan guarantees for businesses that are engaged in innovative, diversified or value-added production, processing, marketing or

exporting of an agricultural product.

"This is a very interesting program that offers an option to financial assistance for somewhat unusual agriculture related business. I have a list available of projects that have been assisted through this program and would be glad to share it with anyone that might be interested. Several of the businesses are located in our area," a Chamber spokesperson commented.

To register, please contact the Chamber office at 247-3491 by Monday, March 24. Lunch will be provided and registration will be limited to the first 25 responses.

## Builder Poses Apartment Deal

At the regular meeting of the Friona City Council, a builder from Canyon approached the council proposing to build low-income apartments, which would be turned over to the city for renting and upkeep.

Darwin Nunley told the council that the housing could be built with low-interest bonds issued by the state.

Following a lengthy discussion, the council decided they needed more information on the proposed project. City Manager Paula Wilson is to work with Nunley and present more information to the council at a later date.

A trailer house variance request was considered from Benito Mejia, for property located at Tenth and Pierce streets. The variance was approved by a 3-1 vote.

Members of the Chamber of Commerce appeared concerning the "Main Street Project." It was pointed out

that if the City would apply for a grant and hire a part-time coordinator, the city would qualify for a grant. The council voted to draft a resolution to be considered at their next meeting, in support of the project.

Fire Chief Jim Taylor appeared before the council requesting funds from the fire department's escrow account, for some renovation work at the department. The project involves enclosing the front entrance of the FFD, to provide more bay space. The request was approved by a 3-1 vote.

In other business, the council approved the engineering contract for the swimming pool grant. They also appointed election judges and considered issues concerning the plumbing code.

Jo Blackwell gave a report on Prairie Acres, and Chief of Police Randy Geris made a report.

## Equipment Dealer Sets Open House

Texas Equipment Company, Inc., the new John Deere dealership for Parmer County, will host a Grand Opening on Monday, March 24, from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Customers and potential customers are invited to a fajita cookout, and a drawing for door prizes.

"Everyone is invited for lunch at the John Deere House!" says Jerry Barton, manager of the Friona outlet. Paul Condit, owner of Texas Equipment Co., will be on hand to meet local residents.

## FHS' Play Wins Zone Competition

Friona High School's one-act play was a winner early in the week at the zone competition.

The play, "A Funny Thing Happened on the way to the Forum," advanced to the district finals.

The play cast has been motivated to do their best after the untimely death of Jason Slagle, who was cast in the lead role. Slagle's best friend, Justin Grimsley, was given the part after the loss of Slagle.

In Monday's zone competition, Grimsley was chosen "Best Actor," and Blaire Jones was "Best Actress." Eric Espinoza and Clint Burney was named to the "All-Star Cast."

Chosen as honorable mention all-stars were Juan Almaguer and Coby Clark.

## Services Held Here For Eugene Bogness

Funeral services for Eugene Bogness, 78, of Friona, were held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, March 16, 1997 at 6th Street Church of Christ in Friona. Leon Talley, pastor, and Eugene Bandy of Friona officiated at the services.

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

Bogness died March 14, 1997 at Farmer County Community Hospital in Friona.

Born April 8, 1918 in Mutual, Oklahoma, he married Doris Watson on November 18, 1939 in Clovis, New Mexico.

He was a member of 6th Street Church of Christ in Friona where he had served several years as an elder and deacon. A 1936 graduate of Friona High School, he had resided in the Friona area since 1928 moving here from Mutual, Oklahoma and was a retired farmer.

Survivors include his wife, Doris Bogness, of Friona; one son, Joe Bogness of Whitefish, Montana; one daughter, Robbie Rucker of Midland, Texas; three sisters, Juanita Reed and Geneva Stanley, both of Friona, and Irene Shirley of Greensboro, North Carolina.

Also surviving are four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Pallbearers were Clay Bandy, Larry Johnson, Mike Riethmayer, Ralph Reed, Bob Welch, Mitchell Welch, Jared

## Hernandez Is Buried

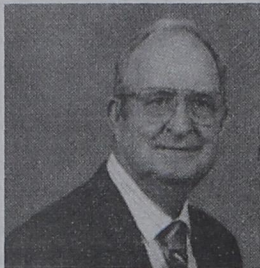
Graveside services for Manuel L. Hernandez, 98, of Littlefield were held Monday at Littlefield Cemetery with Robert Hernandez officiating.

He died Saturday, March 15, 1997, at Knight's Nursing Home in Littlefield.

He was born December 3, 1899 in Austin. He married Maria Becerra February 27, 1919, at Wheelock. He lived in Lamb County for many years and was a Methodist.

Survivors include three sons, Mack B. of Littlefield, Modesto B. of Bryan and Richard B. of Grandfield and three daughters, Feliz Moncada of Sudan; Josephine Rodriguez of Littlefield and Anita Padilla of Friona.

Also, a brother, Anselmo of Austin and two sisters, Albina Medina and Nestora Medina, both of Bryan; 22 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren.



EUGENE BOGNESS

Bogness, Philip Bates and Tony Johnson.

Honorary pallbearers were James Procter, Bill Wooley, Johnny Hand, Rene Snead, Jerry Hinkle, Arthur Moorman, Roy Woodard, David Grimsley and Billy Marshall.

## City Ladies' Father Is Buried Mon.

Funeral services for Rev. Eustorgio Bengoa, 80, were held Monday at Lubbock's Iglesia Bautista Templo.

He passed away Saturday, March 15.

Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park.

He was born April 2, 1916, in San

Bartolo, Mexico and married Paula Castellon on September 19, 1951 in Lamesa.

Rev. Bengoa served at Petersburg Baptist Mission, Joe Bailes Baptist Mission in Dimmitt, Whitfield Baptist Mission in Claytonville, Rosa de Sharon Baptist Mission in Ontario, California and Carlisle Baptist Mission in Lubbock. He had served as a missionary in San Bartolo, Mexico and was a chaplain at University Medical Center.

He was a Baptist minister. Survivors include his wife; nine sons, Indalecio, Andres, Elias, Nathanael and Jonathan, all of Lubbock; Jamie of Albuquerque, New Mexico; Joel of Phoenix, Arizona; Josue of Dumas and Eleazer of Buffalo Gap.

Also, three daughters, Olga Rando and Eleonora Ancira, both of Friona and Deborah Matthews of Lubbock; four brothers and two sisters, all of Mexico; 29 grandchildren; and 29 great-grandchildren.

# Friona Flashbacks

...from the files of The Friona Star

**65 Yrs Ago-March 18, 1932**  
Many of the people were surprised and saddened Friday when they awoke to learn that the Friona Gin had been consumed by fire while they slept. According to the best reports obtainable, the fire originated at 3:30 in the morning and the gin building was almost entirely enveloped in flames when first discovered. There was no clue as to the fire's origin.

**55 Yrs Ago-March 13, 1942**  
At a regular meeting of the Friona School Board Monday night, W.L. Edelman, superintendent of schools for the past four years, resigned effective July 1, 1942, at which time he plans to enter the military or defense service of the Federal Government.

Ralph Miller took over active ownership Monday of the Rushing Junior Department Store, which he purchased last week from Eric Rushing.

**45 Yrs Ago-March 20, 1952**  
Five new board members were named for the Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture this week in voting that was the heaviest yet in the organization's history.

The five elected were Weldon Dickson, A.L. Black, D.C. Herring, Nelson Welch, and Joe Menefee. Frank A. Spring and Wright Williams are holdover directors.

Von Edelman, son of Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Edelman, will leave soon on an eight-week cruise to Europe in the NAROTC program. He is attending school at the University of New Mexico at Albuquerque.

**35 Yrs Ago-March 22, 1962**  
A giant Air Force weather balloon ended its fluttering plunge to earth in the wheat field of Russell O'Brian 10 miles east of Hub last Friday at 3 p.m.

The balloon was reported to have been released from

Holloman AFB at Alamogordo, New Mexico.

Friona residents will have the chance to see the One Act Comedy Play, "The Importance of Being Earnest" this week. The cast includes: Tommy Sanders, Larry Anthony, Brenda Deaton, Carol Ray, Linda Beaty, Kay Burleson, and Guy Lemmond.

**30 Yrs Ago-March 23, 1967**  
Plans for a cattle feeding operation to ultimately handle 30,000 head of cattle has been announced at Bovina by a newly formed corporation. The new company will be called Farmer County Cattle Company.

"Very similar to last year—maybe a little better," was the moisture prediction for 1967 by Lazbuddie's J.W. "Indian" Crim at his annual weather watch at sunrise Wednesday morning.

Some farm buildings were destroyed Sunday afternoon in the Hub area by a cloud which contained funnels according to several residents of the area.

**25 Yrs Ago-March 23, 1972**  
Carl Evans and Holley Stevenson, Friona High School juniors, will represent Deaf Smith REC in the Government in Action Youth Tour to Washington D.C. next June.

Residents in the western portion of Friona find it hard many times during the summer months to have enough water pressure to water their lawns. This was according to a page one feature article, on the city's water problems.

**20 Yrs Ago-March 20, 1977**  
Bryan Johnston was named winner and John Carson first alternate in the Washington Youth Tour, sponsored by Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative. The win by the Friona youth kept a streak going for the locals.

**15 Yrs Ago-March 21, 1982**  
Bovina's outstanding

citizens were honored at the annual Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture Banquet Thursday night. Don Spring, a former Friona resident, was named Man of the Year and Ola Lee Jones was selected as Woman of the Year. Janie Suderth was selected as Teacher of the Year, and the outstanding youth selected were Wendy Sherrill and Charlie Trimble.

**10 Yrs Ago-March 21, 1987**  
Archie Echols was chosen as "Man of the Year," Connie Neelley was named "Woman of the Year," Randy Lewis was named "Most Courteous Employee," Bobby Wied was named "Teacher of the Year," Glenda Ellis and Jeff Dickson was named "Outstanding Young People," at the 1987 Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

**5 Yrs Ago-March 21, 1992**  
The Friona High School girls golf team placed second in their own invitational golf tournament last Thursday, but Renee Downey won medalist honors with a score of 84.

State Farm Insurance Company presented the Friona EMS system with a supply of teddy bears to be used if the ambulance has a young patient.

Friona's finest citizens were honored Thursday night by the Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture. "Man and Woman of the Year" awards were given to Cordie Potts and Marca Lynn Herring. Vickie Copley was honored as "Employee of the Year." Tommy Carr was recognized as "Teacher of the Year." "Outstanding Young People" were Rosario Torres and Chad Hamilton.

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1-1970 John Deere 4000 Diesel Tractor, Cab, A.C. Hbr., Radio, W.F., 3 pt. S.H. Wts. Quack Hitch, 18" x 24" Rubber (5,072 Actual Hrs.) Shredded & Noe  
1-1961 Ford 801 Gas Tractor, Select O-Speed Tractor, W.F., 3 pt. PTO, 13.628 Rubber W/Ford Front End Loader, 3/4" Bucket (3,452 Actual Hrs.) 1-Owner, Shredded & Noe  
1-1962 McCormick W9 Gas Wheeland Tractor, W.F., 2-Drive, Hyd. Pump, 18" x 24" Rubber (5,901 Actual Hrs.) 1-Owner, Shredded & Noe

**COMBINE, ATTACHMENTS, THRESHING MACHINE, BINDERS —**  
1-Header, John Deere 95 Diesel Combine, Cab, Blower, 19" Header, 18" x 24" Rubber (3,572 Hrs.) Shredded & Clean  
1-6 Row Set Roll-A-Corn (Shredded)  
1-1-D 95 Chaffer  
1-1943 Oliver Pled River Special Threshing Machine (Shredded & Runs Good)  
1-1HC McCormick Deering Broadcast Binder, Shredded & Usable  
2-1HC 10" Broadcast Binders (Parts)  
1-Lot Binder Parts

**TRUCKS, PICKUPS —**  
1-1968 Chevrolet 50, S.A. Grain Truck, 327 Eng, 4 Sp-2 Sp, King 16 Bed, Host, Tarp, Nearly New 9,000lb Rubber (86,255 Actual Miles), 1-Owner, Shredded & Clean  
1-1962 Chevrolet S.A. Grain Truck, 235 Eng, 4 Sp-2 Sp, Trans, 14 Bed, Host, Tarp, 8,250lb Rubber (69,561 Actual Miles), Shredded & Original  
1-1948 Chevrolet S.A. Grain Truck  
1-1980 GMC Sierra Classic, 15, Heavy 1/2 Ton Pickup, 350 Eng, A/T, A.C. Hbr., Radio, L.W.B. (109,000 Miles) Shredded & Clean  
1-1980 Chevrolet Silverado 10, 1/2 Ton Pickup, 350 Eng, A/T, L.W.B.  
1-1981 Chev 1/4 Ton, 4 Door Pickup, 350 Eng, 4 Sp, Trans

**FARM EQUIPMENT —**  
1-Flex King 41 Hyd. Fod Sweep Plow, 18" Sweeps  
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1-Roll-A-Cone 18, 3 pt. Chisel/Sweep Plow, Dual Gauge Wheels, L.T.M., Harkins, 4"x7" Front Bar  
1-Blue Jet 9 Shank, D.T. Ripper Plow  
1-Roll-A-Cone 9 Shank, 3 pt. Ripper Plow, D.G.W., L.T.M., 4"x7" Front Bar  
1-Crustbuster 54 Hyd. Fod Grain Drill, 10" Spaced  
1-Crustbuster 21 Hyd. Fod Drill  
1-1960 16" Offset Disc, 21" Discs  
1-Liberton 6 Row, 3 pt. Rolling Cultivator, S.B., 2, R.A.C. Stabilizers, 5 Tine  
1-John Deere 71 Fax Planter Units, D.D. Short Malt Cars  
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1-John Deere 407 Gyramor 7, 3 pt. Shredded  
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1-John Deere 4 Row D.D.B. 3 pt. Lister, G.W.  
1-Dearbom 2 Row, 3 pt. Cultivator  
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1- 8' x 10" Flowline  
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1-1,500 Gal. Galvanized Water Tank  
1-1,000 Gal. Propane Tank, 200 PSI  
1-800 Gal. Propane Tank, 200 PSI  
1-550 Gall. Overhead Fuel Tank  
1-300 Gal. Overhead Fuel Tank  
1-150 Gal., 2 Compartment Fuel Tank W/2 Hand Pumps

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# Out Here

By RON CARR

**irony** (i' ra-ni), n. Gr. *eironeia* < *iron*, dissembler in speech > a set of circumstances or a result that is the opposite of what might be expected.

In life, ironies come in many sizes and always at unexpected times. They often defy the odds.

For example, what were the odds that the Friona Chieftains would meet a team in the playoffs (Monahans) whose quarterback had gone to school in Friona? A small irony.

I read an article recently about two women who were neighbors in the same town but didn't get along especially well. One moved away, started searching for her sister that she had not seen in 37 years. She found her. Her long lost sister turned out to be that former neighbor lady.

If you have ever been off shopping or visiting in another city or country and run into a friend or relative unexpectedly, that's irony.

Often there are ironic parallels and similarities between completely unrelated stories or events. Irony can be a good source of learning and motivation.

I call it sermon material. Ministers that might be regular readers of this puny weekly column take note. I found some sermon material last week.

An article in the March 13 Amarillo Daily News described circumstances surrounding a 32 year-old man named John Kennedy Barefield.

At the Friona Chamber of Commerce banquet last Saturday, a 41 year-old man named Dr. Bernard Harris spoke of circumstances surrounding his life.

John Kennedy Barefield was born around 1964-65 in Lake Providence, Louisiana, one of 11 children in his family.

Like thousands of other children of the time, caught in the tragic aftermath of President John F. Kennedy's assassination, his parents chose to name him John Kennedy Barefield, no doubt as a tribute to the fallen leader.

Over time John Kennedy Barefield did not live up to the lofty ideals that the name implies.

Before his death, John F.

Kennedy challenged America's space program to put a man on the moon by the end of the 1960s.

The challenge by President Kennedy would touch the life of another young man, Bernard A. Harris, Jr. At the age of eight he thought he might want to be an astronaut.

In 1969, at the age of 13, he watched Neil Armstrong fulfill President Kennedy's challenge by placing the first footprint on the moon. It was then that Bernard A. Harris, Jr. says he knew for sure that he wanted to be an astronaut.

By the age of 16, Bernard Harris had a plan in motion that would take him from high school to degrees from the University of Houston and the Texas Tech University School of Medicine.

Meanwhile, John Kennedy Barefield, at the age of 16, began his criminal record with a Louisiana burglary conviction.

By 1986 Bernard Harris had earned a medical degree, served a residency at Mayo Clinic, and was in training for acceptance to NASA's astronaut program in Houston.

John Kennedy Barefield served his four years in the Louisiana prison. After his release, he too went to Houston, but not to be an astronaut.

He joined his brother and became the leader of a gang that raped and robbed in attacks at Houston apartment complexes.

In April 1986, John Kennedy Barefield and two other men abducted a Rice University student from her apartment complex parking lot, forced her to withdraw money from an ATM, then raped and killed her.

At the age of 21, this young man whose parents had such high hopes for him that they named him John Kennedy, was sentenced to death row.

While John Kennedy Barefield languished on death row in Huntsville, Bernard A. Harris, Jr., served as a mission specialist and medical officer aboard the space shuttle Columbia for Spacelab Mission D-2 in 1993.

He continued his exploration of space on a second flight on Discovery and his first walk in

space in 1995.

During the last eleven years of his life, Dr. Harris has seen the vastness of millions of miles of space after launches from the John F. Kennedy Space Center.

For the last eleven years of his life, John Kennedy Barefield explored only the space allotted in an 8 X 10 death row cell.

During an inspiring and often humorous speech at the Chamber banquet Saturday, Dr. Harris pointed out that all during his studies of maps and grids, he learned about lines on the world map and what they meant. Latitude lines and longitude lines and other lines marking physical locations.

He said that one thing he learned in space was that the earth does not really have lines. From space there is no distinction of race, religion, politics, or color. Just one big beautiful ball of a planet without lines.

His personal observation was not lost on the Chamber audience. Dr. Bernard Harris is black.

So was John Kennedy Barefield, who at about 6:18 p.m. Wednesday, March 12, told five family members "I love you all. Tell Mama I love her."

His family members, which included three sisters and a brother, cried out that they loved him, then began praying.

Seven minutes later, as lethal drugs flowed through his veins, John Kennedy Barefield was pronounced dead.

About dying, Mr. Barefield said, "After 11 years I've pretty much resolved the issues within myself to where it doesn't scare me. I don't want to die but we all die. It's part of life. They're doing to me what they say I did to someone else. They're killing me. They're committing murder".

Dr. Harris spoke of peace, youth, education, goals, and adventure. He encouraged everyone to think about a world with no lines.

He emphasized the theme that we are, above all, human beings. In fact the last word of his inspiring talk was "humanity".

I'm still not sure where I stand on the death penalty. I don't think God chose John Kennedy Barefield and sent him to death row and allowed Bernard Harris to soar in space.

At some point in their lives they had choices. The ones they made determined the outcome.

But this is not about black men or the death penalty. Although it is ironic that someone may support the death penalty until a loved one is sentenced to death.

I like irony. Good irony makes life more definable. Bad irony makes life interesting.

There is no answer. There is only effort. Have a nice day!!

## Co-op 'Phone

## Directors Are

## Re-Elected

Three board members were re-elected to new terms last Tuesday at the 43rd annual meeting for members of the West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative.

Re-elected were Dick Fellers of the Dawn exchange, Floyd Schueler of the Parmer exchange, and Charles Myers, Jr., of the Hub exchange.

Fellers is currently serving as president of the board, and Schueler is vice-president.

Holdover members of the board are Pat Robbins, Frio exchange; J.B. Noland, Summerfield exchange; Carl Strafuss, Milo Center exchange; Jimmie Cockerham, Tharp exchange; Ernest Flood, Westway exchange, and Charles Christian, Oklahoma Lane exchange.

Thomas Hyer, manager of the cooperative, reported that WTRT had total income of \$4,059,939 in fiscal year 1996, with a net profit of \$199,673.

Members were told that they would be receiving capital credit checks for the fiscal year 1974 in the near future.

A meal of Polish sausage and brisket was served to the members and guests, and a number of door prizes were awarded.

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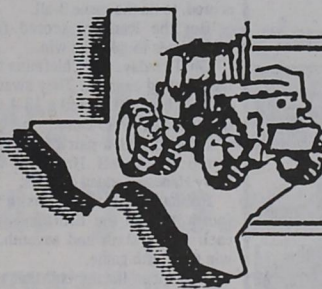


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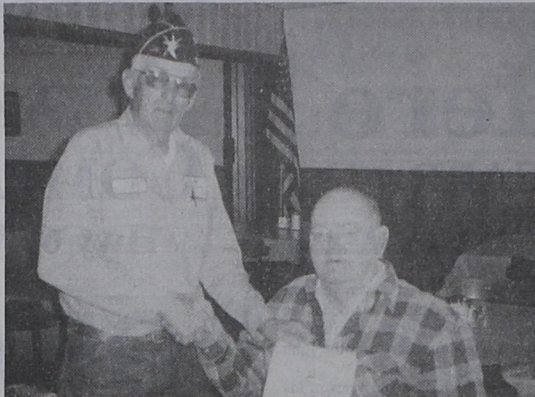
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### Depot Society Will Hold Four Luncheons in April

Tickets are now on sale for the annual spring luncheons in the Depot sponsored by the Heritage Society of Friona. Luncheon and entertainment will be held on each of the four Thursdays in April from noon until one o'clock. Tickets are \$10.00 each and can be purchased at Ethridge-Spring Agency. Seating space is limited, so tickets should be purchased as soon as possible. Proceeds from the spring luncheons go toward the upkeep of the old Santa Fe Depot in the City Park.



**HALF CENTURY OF SERVICE....**Local American Legion Commander J. P. Sims presents Buddy Stowers with a certificate commemorating 50 years of continuous membership in the American Legion.



**EASY DOES IT!...**Friona freshman and JV trackster Landon Martin is up and over in last Saturday's Friona Invitational Track Meet. Martin participated in the 100m and 300m hurdles as the JV boys won first place in the meet.

### Friona Library Receives Gift

Friona Public Library received a gift of \$3,000 this week from the Governor's Inaugural Endowment Fund. Monies in this fund were excesses remaining from the Governor's Inaugural Fund. The library was made aware of this opportunity by Nelda Laney, wife of James "Pete" Laney, Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives. The Laneyes are from Hale Center. Other members of the endowment committee were Laura Bush, chair; Jan Bullock, Nelda Laney, and John Nau, chair of the Texas Historical Commission. "We appreciate being made aware of and receiving this gift. It will be used to help fund our building renovation project now underway. It is wonderful to touch a small community such as ours in this way, as it will benefit many people for many years," said Librarian Darla Bracken. City Manager, Paula Wilson, on her recent trip to Austin for Panhandle Legislative Day was able

to thank Governor Bush personally for this gift. An evaluation of the project is due September 1, 1997. Additional funding of approximately \$16,000 is needed to finish the outside (not including the roof which has been funded); this includes the addition of a decorative mansard to match the one on the existing building, matching brick on the north face, and resurfacing the remaining outside walls. These improvements will be done as funding becomes available. Your help and support is needed.

### Chieftain Batters Lose, Win

The Chieftain baseball team won a game and lost one during the past week. Unfortunately, the loss was a district game to Perryton, 7-3. However, Friona bounced back for a 13-4 win at Palo Duro on Tuesday. The team takes a 5-6 (season) and 1-1 (district) record to Sanford-Fritch Saturday.

Jesus Mata socked a home run for the Chiefs against Perryton, for an early 1-0 lead. The Rangers scored three in their third for a 3-1 lead, but Jaime Cruz socked a double, and Quint Ellis reached on an error in Friona's fourth. Both scored, to tie the game 3-3.

But the Rangers scored four more times to take the win. On Tuesday, the Chieftains had their hitting caps on. They swatted 15 base hits and scored a 13-4 win over class 5A Palo Duro.

Ellis socked a pair of doubles. Jamie Cruz, Jeff Hamilton and Perry Hanes all added doubles.

Friona scored three runs in the fourth, two in the fifth, and four each in the sixth and seventh, to win their fifth game.

"If we can hit the ball that way the rest of the season, we'll be all right," said Coach Bob Ferguson.

**Ptn 7, Friona 3**  
King, 2b 4-0-0; Pina, ss 4-0-1; Mata, 3b 4-1-2; Blackburn, lf 2-0-0; Cruz, dh 3-1-1; Ellis, cf 3-1-0; Hamilton, c 3-0-1; Hanes, lb 2-0-0; Mendez, rf 3-0-0.

**FHS 13, P.D. 4**  
Mata, p 4-2-1; Pina 3-3-2; King 4-2-3; Ellis 4-1-2; Blackburn 5-1-1; Cruz 5-1-3; Hamilton 4-1-2; Hanes 4-1-1; Mendez 1-1-0; Ramirez 1-1-0.

### Youngsters Take Part In Basketball Program

The Friona Youth Basketball Program is currently underway with games held in the junior high and high school gymnasiums.

Game results from last weeks action follows:

**THURSDAY, MARCH 13**  
**ELEMENTARY GYM**  
**Raiders 6, Celtics 6**  
R--Steven Abbott, 2; Tyler Thurston, 4. C--Derek Fairweather, 2; Matt Gammon, 2; Lorenzo Trujillo, 2.

**Lady Raiders 12, Lady Lakers 7**  
LR--Michelle Stanberry, 2; Andrea Gerles, 10. LL--Monica Madrid, 1; Trisha Winebrinner, 6.  
**Spurs 17, Pacers 5**  
S--Noe Beliz, 2; Chris Carrillo, 4; Jonathan Nava, 11. P--Benjamin Santiago, 6. Rudy Gonzalez, 2.

**Queen Bees 8, Lady Pacers 4**  
QB--Deniss Vazquez, 2; Patricia Solorzano, 6. LP--Yvonne Ramos, 4.

**JUNIOR HIGH GYM**  
**Raiders 23, Spurs 6**  
R--Adrian Flores, 2; Ulysses Solis, 6; Joey Dominguez, 9; Christopher Wiseman, 6. S--Tyler Peace, 2; Marko Garcia, 2; Cody Grimsley, 2.

**Lady Lakers 15, Belles 2**  
LL--Bernice Lopez, 2; Melissa Vazquez, 2; Amanda Gerles, 2; Paula Gonzales, 3; Brandy Hernandez, 1; Amy Murphree, 4; Lacy Presley, 1. B--Jisella Torres, 2.

**Pacers 21, Lakers 10**  
P--Brock Field, 8; Keith Hunt, 1; Victor Favela, 6; Heath Gammon, 4; Christopher Ureste, 2. L--Beau Barnett, 4; Andy Carthel, 2; Andy Garza, 2; Chance Hutson, 2.

**Rockets 19, Celtics 14**  
R--Ruben Alvarado, 4; Marc Haile, 3; Isaac Arzola, 2; Rick Coronado, 4; Logan Lacy, 2; Ty White, 4. C--Adam Bandy, 8; Cody Snyder, 2; Jesus Trejo, 4.

**MONDAY, MARCH 17**  
**ELEMENTARY GYM**  
**Pacers 14, Raiders 6**  
P--Hayden Patton, 4; Willy Castillo, 2; Rudy Gonzalez, 6; Freddy Reyes, 2. R--Michal Deaton, 4; Chad Hutson, 2.

**Queen Bees 6, Belles 4**  
QB--Lindsey Neill, 2; Patricia Solorzano, 4. B--Faith Aguilar, 2; Katy Welch, 2.

**Spurs 14, Celtics 14**  
S--Justin Mercado, 2; Noe Beliz, 2; Jonathan Nava, 6; Joshua Shelby, 2; Chris Carrillo, 2. C--Matt Gammon, 8; Adrian Rivas, 2; Lorenzo Trujillo, 2.

**JUNIOR HIGH GYM**  
**Spurs 20, Celtics 16**  
S--Jason Gutierrez, 8; Tyler Peace, 2; Emmanuel Vega, 1; Marko Garcia, 4; Cody Grimsley, 5. C--Juan Chico, 4; Adam Bandy, 9; Jesus Trejo, 3.

**Lady Raiders 19, Lady Pacers 8**  
LR--Cindy Estrada, 2; Ashley Smiley, 4; Crystal Vega, 3; Crystal M. Vega, 10. LP--Becky Aronco, 2; Betsy Clark, 2; Roxy Cruz, 2; Holley Hand, 2.

**Lakers 19, Kings 16**  
L--Beau Barnett, 4; Richard Gonzales, 2; Andy Carthel, 2; Andy Garza, 3; Chance Hutson, 4; Manuel Rodriguez, 2; David Salinas, 2. K--Dustin Thompson, 4; Gabriel Rivas, 2; Michael Stanberry, 4; Jeff Zamora, 6.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 18**  
**ELEMENTARY GYM**  
**Belles 10, Lady Raiders 2**  
B--Yvonne Vega, 2; Faith Aguilar, 2; Brenda Murphree, 2; Katy Welch, 4. LR--Andrea Gerles, 2.

**Spurs 13, Lakers 4**  
S--Chris Carrillo, 4; Jonathan Nava, 9. L--Jimmy Meriles, 4.

**Lady Lakers 14, Lady Pacers 8**  
LL--Breann Barnett, 2; Samantha Stokes, 4; Trisha Winebrinner, 8. LP--Kristin Butman, 2; Jennifer Cardenas, 6.

**JUNIOR HIGH GYM**  
**Raiders 31, Celtics 30**  
R--Hayes Jones, 2; Ulysses Solis, 4; Jered Cunningham, 6; Joey Dominguez, 11; Brian Wiseman, 2; Christopher Wiseman, 4; Adrian Flores, 2. C--Juan Chico, 2; Ty Potts, 6; Adam Bandy, 8; Calvin Shields, 2; Jesus Trejo, 12.

**Lady Pacers 8, Lady Lakers 7**  
LP--Julie Garcia, 2; Betsy Clark, 2; Roxy Cruz, 4. LL--Lory Wylie, 1; Amy Murphree, 6.  
**Pacers 29, Rockets 11**  
P--Brock Field, 5; Keith Hunt, 4; Andy Vega, 4; Victor Favela, 6; Heath Gammon, 2; Corbin Neill, 4; Christopher Ureste, 4. R--Ruben Alvarado, 2; Marc Haile, 5; Ty White, 4.

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## JV Chiefs Win Own Track Title

The Friona JV boys track team scored an impressive victory at the Friona Invitational Meet Saturday, March 15.

During a day when the morning wind chill hovered near zero and warmed to a gusty afternoon, the JV boys won first place in seven events, totaling 156 points for the meet.

Second place went to Dimmitt with 127 points, followed by Tulia-120, Boys Ranch-61, Panhandle-49, and Borger-45.

Celio Tafoya won the 3200-meter run in a time of 12:08.89. Mario Pena was fifth at 12:51. Tafoya also earned first place in the 800-meters at 2:12.78. Noel Grajeda was fifth in the 800 at 2:19.03.

Hugo Rivera captured both the 100- and 200-meter runs for Friona with times of 11.69 and 24.26 respectively.

In the 400m dash, Friona finished 4th & 5th with Rando (56.67) and Kendrick (56.79) earning those spots.

Other scorers were Jeremy Smith-4th pole vault-8'0"; Tony Williams-5th shot put-33'51/2"; Jeff Rando-3rd triple jump-36'1"; Rando-2nd, Tafoya-3rd in triple jump-17'6 1/4" & 16'6 3/4".

Justin Daniel was first in high jump at 5'6", while Williams copped first in discus with a distance of 115'10". Centeno of Friona tossed the disk 97'1" for fifth place.

Jesse Allen, Matt Kendrick, Jeff Rando, and Hugo Rivera teamed for second place in the 400m relay with a time of 47.38. Dimmitt won the event at 46.66.

In the hurdles, Jeremy Smith (18.12) and Landon Martin (18.27) were first and second in the 110m race, while Martin managed a third place finish (47.03) in the 300m hurdles.

Friona failed to place in the 1600-meter run and won third in the 1600-meter relay with a time of 3:47.71. The team of Tafoya, Grajeda, Kendrick, and Rando bettered their previous week's 1600-relay time by 8 seconds.



**HERE I GO!....**Sophomore Whitney Ellis is already a leader on the track as the Squaws participated in the Friona Invitational meet. Although the girls team finished fourth, Miss Ellis remained undefeated in the 100m hurdles this season. And she placed second in the 300m hurdles and also does the high jump.

## Squaws' Track Gaining Steam

The varsity Squaws' track and field team is gaining speed as they go along. Last Saturday, the team scored 84-1/2 points and placed fourth in their own meet, sparked by three gold-medal winners.

Whitney Ellis, who is unbeaten in the 100-meter hurdles race, did it again last Saturday, leading the field with a time of 15.37.

Amanda Pope won the triple jump with a mark of 33-2, and Vanette White was the other gold medalist, winning the long jump with a jump of 14-8.

Miss Ellis was edged out for first place in the 300-meter hurdles, but captured second with a time of 50.86.

Miss Pope also was a silver-medal winner, taking second in the 100-meter dash with a time of 13.37.

Ruby Aronco was another second-place medal winner, placing second behind Miss White in the long jump, with an effort of 14-4 3/4.

Amanda Pope rounded out the medal-winners with a third-place finish in the long jump, going 14-3.

Other point-winners included Miss Ellis and Ruby Aronco, who tied for fourth in the high jump, each clearing 4-10. Veronica Trevino was fourth in the 1600-meter run with a time of 6:24.

Friona's 400-meter relay team also placed fourth, with a time of 53.48. Team members were Diamond Aguirre, Miss Aronco, Chris Rodriguez and Amanda Pope.

The Squaws also placed fourth in the 800-meter relay, with a time of 1:55.08. This foursome was made of Misses Aguirre, Fiel, Rodriguez and Pope.

Miss Fiel was sixth in the discus with a throw of 91-8, and Miss Aguirre was sixth in the 200-meter dash in 28.94, to round out Friona's scoring.

In the Squaws' second meet of the season at Panhandle, Whitney Ellis and Amanda Pope were the lone first-place medal winners.

Miss Ellis won the 100-meter hurdles race in 15.52. Miss Pope won the triple jump event with a jump of 32-8.

Amanda Pope finished second in the long jump with a mark of 15-2. In the 300-meter hurdles, with a time of 51.15, and Ruby Aronco was third in the long jump at 15-1.

Veronica Trevino placed fourth in the 3200-meter (two mile) run with a mark of 13:55.

Miss Aronco placed fifth in the high jump with a leap of 4-10, and she also placed fifth in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 52.97, to round out Friona's scoring.

## Chieftains Win Meet; Now Three For Three

It wasn't a run-away, but the Chieftain track and field team won their own meet last Saturday, to stand three for three in winning track meets this spring.

Friona won only two events, the pole vault and the shot put, but the team racked up four second-place finishes, three thirds, and three fourth-places, to account for 80 of their points.

The Chieftains finished with 103 points in the team race, to 89 for second-place Dimmitt and 86 for third place Tulia. It marked the first head-to-head competition for FHS with any of their district opponents.

Vaulter Andy Kendrick and thrower Charlie Milner got the Chieftains off and running with a pair of field event wins.

Despite the 30-degree start, and wind-chills much lower, Kendrick cleared 15 feet in his specialty, the pole vault.

Going into the event, it looked to be a tough head-to-head match between Kendrick and Craig Alexander of Borger. The Borger vaulter had cleared 14-6 the previous week, which was the best height in the



ANDY KENDRICK

area. But he failed to clear the bar after starting at 12 feet.

Kendrick cleared the heights up to 13 feet without a miss, and then had the bar raised to 15 feet. After two "near-miss" attempts when he almost made it, he nailed it on his final attempt.

It was the sixth time Kendrick had cleared 15 feet in competition. He holds the school record at 15-6, a height he cleared both in the district and regional meets as a junior.

Only two other vaulters cleared their height, and one was Chieftain Jeff Hamilton. Jeff cleared 12 feet to nail down third place, giving Friona 12 points in the event.

Milner threw the shot 49-10 for his second-straight gold medal in that event.

Friona's 400-meter relay team was edged by a half-step by Dimmitt. It was that team's first loss of the season. Friona's time was 44.23. Dimmitt won in 44.18.

The Chieftain metric mile relay team also was beaten for the first time, by Dimmitt. Their time was 3:27.83.

Kendrick was having to compete in the vault and triple jump almost at the same time. He had to settle for second place in the triple jump with a best mark of 39-6. Joseph Bandy jumped 38-4 for fifth place.

Friona did well in the discus event. Landon Wiseman placed second with a 146-8 throw, and Milner took third at 142-5. Daniel Wiseman placed sixth with a throw of 127-8.

Kendrick and Bandy placed 3-4 in the long jump, and their marks were just a quarter of an inch separating them. Kendrick jumped 20-3-3/4, and Bandy's was measured 20-3-1/2.

Landon Wiseman placed fourth in the shot put with a 43-1-1/2 toss. Angel Vega placed fourth in the 200-meter dash in 23.22.

Eloy Trejo placed sixth in the 3200-meter run in 11:56.78; and Bandy was sixth in the 400-meter dash in 53.84 to round out Friona's scoring.

## Blackburn-Campbell Pace FHS Tennis Team

The girls doubles team of Tiffany Blackburn-Sarah Campbell paced the FHS tennis team at the Plainview tournament March 14-15, winning the consolation championship while posting a 4-1 record.

Alicia Baker and Sarah Hendley each posted 2-1 records in girls singles. Here are the results:

**Girls' Doubles:**  
Tiffany Blackburn-Sarah Campbell 1. to Meadows-Lusby, Canadian, 3-8; def. McCoy-Kelton, Littlefield, 8-0; def. Ethridge-Schulte, Nazareth, 8-2; def. Bruns-Copley, Muleshoe, 8-3; def. McDonald-Jubay, Friona, 6-3, 6-1.

Christina Santellana-Shyla Wylie 1. to Schmucker-Schmucker, Nazareth, 6-8; def. Tipping-Hilliard, Boys Ranch, 8-3; 1. to McDonald-Jubay, Friona, 7-9.

Jennifer McDonald-Sherri Jubay 1. to Grace-Chennault, Anton, 2-8; def. Ortiz-Ortiz, Valley, 9-7; def. Wylie-Santellana, Friona, 9-7; def. Sanders-Gonzales, Hart, 8-1; 1. to Blackburn-Campbell, Friona, 3-6, 1-6.

**Girls' Singles:**  
Jessica Perez lost to Mindy Procter, Valley, 8-1; lost to Kourtney Roberson, Nazareth, 8-3.

Sarah Hendley def. Kaci Schultz, Dimmitt, 8-6; def. Valerie Key, Hart, 6-1, 6-4; lost to Leslie Holton, Spearman, 2-6, 1-6.

Alicia Baker def. Miranda Turner, Dimmitt, 8-0; def. Leigh Farrar, Canadian, 7-5, 6-4; lost to Ashley Gresham, Boys Ranch, 5-7, 4-6.

**Boys' Singles:**  
Zubin Bhakta lost to Scott Holster, Floydada, 3-8; def. James Leach, Littlefield, 8-0; lost to Mark Verlander, Boys Ranch, 0-8.

Jonathan Espinosa def. Tommy Alvarado, Anton, 8-5; lost to Will Warren, Floydada, 0-6, 1-6.

**Boys' Doubles:**  
Barry Procter-Eric Espinosa lost to Butts-Butts, Spearman, 3-8; def. Moore-Satterfield, Boys Ranch, 8-2; lost to Taylor-McKay, Valley, 2-8.

Fidel Rodriguez-J.D. Aronco lost to Smith-Smith, Ft. Elliott, 3-8; def. Posadas-Henderson, Muleshoe, 8-6; lost to Graham-Carr, Canadian, 6-8.

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## Stowers Family Has Second Son

Greg and Adriana Stowers of Friona welcomed their second son, Cole Ramsey, on January 24 at 6:35 a.m. at Plains Regional Medical Center in Clovis.

Cole weighed six pounds and eight ounces and measured twenty inches in length.

His older brother is Brad, 14 months.

Grandparents are Jack and Peggy Stowers and Olga Mills, all of Friona.

Luella Drake and Buddy and Hazel Stowers, all of Friona, are the great-grandparents.

**ONE-ACT WINNERS.....**Friona's thespian club won first place in zone competition with the presentation of their play "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum". They were to compete in district competition on Thursday. Selected to the all-star cast were, l-r, Clint Burney, Blair Jones (best actress), Justin Grimsley (best actor), and Juan Almaguer. Not pictured are all-star selections Coby Clark & Eric Espinoza. (Ron Carr Photo)

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**A FUNNY THING HAPPENED.....**Cast and crew members of the Friona thespian club's award-winning "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" gathered for a good luck photo. Pictured are Carrie Cox, Kayla Wyly, Candi Baca, Jenny Ahrhart, Blaire Jones, Clint Burney, Heath Patterson, Sarah Hale, Jamie Slagle, Juan Almaguer, Jonathan Espinoza, Justin Grimsley, Barry Procter, Gaines Butman, Sherry Jubay, Lacy Venhaus, Jennifer McDonald, and director Joy Morton. Not pictured are Eric Espinoza, Coby Clark, Sarah Hendley, Heather Martin. (Ron Carr Photo)

## Venhaus Welcomes First Child

Jayden Lance Venhaus is the first child for Lance and Tracy of Greenville, Texas.

He was born February 22, 1997. Jayden weighed seven pounds, one ounce.

Grandparents are Ken and Norma Nagel of Clovis, New Mexico and Greg and Mary Lou Venhaus of Friona.

Great-grandparents are Paul Venhaus of Nazareth and Harriet McLeod of Niagra Falls, Ontario Canada.

## Lazbuddie Shoot-Out Rescheduled

The Lazbuddie Shoot-Out 3-on-3 Basketball Festival, scheduled for March 20-22, has been rescheduled to April 4-5.

According to Debbie Weir, the basketball tournament was moved forward to allow the Lazbuddie Senior Class, sponsors of the event, time to get more entrants.

For more information and an entry form, contact Debbie Weir, Sarah Black, or any Lazbuddie High School senior.



**JUMPING FOR \$\$\$\$\$**  
The elementary gymnasium was the scene of squealing, laughing, screaming, singing, yelling, sweating, and jumping during the annual Jump-A-Thon.

Jumping ropes for money to be donated to the American Heart Association, these beautiful, handsome "unidentified boys and girls were among the loudest of the loud. Cute though, huh?"

(Ron Carr Photos)

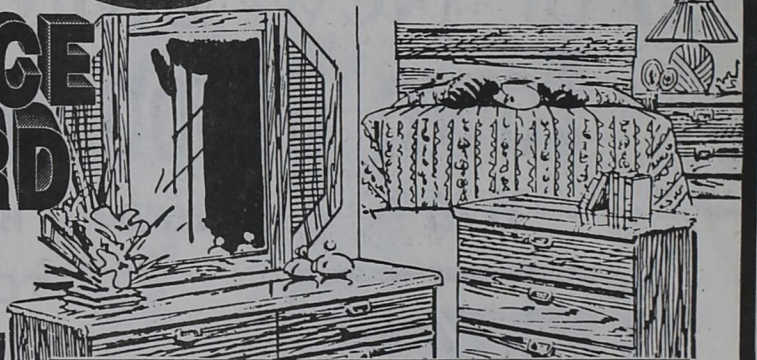


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### Screening Date Is Established

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist/St. Anthony's Health System will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Parmer County Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Avenue in Friona on April 16.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing breast self-exam each month.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening that includes a mammogram and instruction in self-examination by a Registered Nurse. The total cost is \$75. A minimum of fifteen women need to register in order for the mobile mammography clinic to come to area towns.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointments only. Call (806) 359-4673 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information.

### Alexander Couple Has First Son

Christopher and Michelle Alexander would like to announce the birth of their first child, Christian Lewis.

The healthy boy was born March 15 at 8:20 p.m. at Plains Regional Medical Center in Clovis. He weighed seven pounds, eleven ounces and was twenty one and one half inches long.

Grandparents are Chris Alexander and Robert Alexander of Friona and Steve and Rue Taylor of Bluff Dale, Texas.

Great-grandparents are Rita Mast of Bovina, Lottie Bails of Friona, Billy Jack and Marynell Firizzell and Bertie Taylor.



GIVE US A CALL....Three area residents were photographed at the West Texas Rural Telephone Co-op's annual meeting. From the left are Jack Patterson, Ernest Brown and Floyd Schueler.



HELLO!.....Enjoying the West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative annual meeting activities are, l-r, board members Ernest Flood (Westway), Charles Meyers, Jr. (Hub), and Jimmie Cockerham (Tharp). (Ron Carr Photo)

### Art Group Will Hold Demo In Friona Sunday

Friona Art Association will offer a unique program for area artists on Sunday afternoon March 23, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Depot Building in the City Park.

Amarillo artist, Bubbles Good, will be giving a demonstration in oil painting. Bubbles has a personality which matches her name.

She is recognized for her abilities as a teacher and enjoys guiding other artists to recognize the depth of their

own creativity. Her direct, uncomplicated style of painting exhibits powerful brushwork and exciting colors. She is a graduate of WTAMU and currently serves as Director of Senior Education for Amarillo College.

There is no charge for the Sunday afternoon program and anyone who is interested in art is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served and there will be a door

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VFW VOICES OF DEMOCRACY.....Parmer County VFW Post 1413 held a banquet last Monday to honor students who participated in the annual Voice of Democracy oral essay contest. The winner of a \$200 scholarship for first place in the district was Magdalena Almanza, a senior from Farwell, who will be attending West Texas A&M. At left is Farwell government teacher Jimmy Taylor. Representing the winner from Bovina, Jamie Stanberry, are Bovina's Jeremy Tharp and high school principal Jerry Birdsong. (Ron Carr Photo)

## How Low Is Low Fat?

By PAM MESSER, Dietitian Intern

Two per cent milk is probably the most commonly purchased milk by consumers. Until recently it has been labeled "low fat"; however, the consumer may be very surprised that it really is not a low fat product.

According to the American Heart Association, any food that has three grams of fat or less per serving is considered low fat. One serving of two per cent milk has five grams which eliminates it from the low fat category. It is now labeled "reduced fat."

With so much emphasis on eating healthy and lowering your intake of fat, it is important to familiarize yourself with these key terms used by food manufacturers: fat free, less than .5 grams/serving; low fat, three grams of total fat/serving; reduced or less fat, at least 25 per cent fat/serving than the higher fat version.

The new food label has made it easier for consumers to read for themselves exactly what that product will contribute to their diet. The words "total fat" appear under the Nutrition Facts on the food label.

The number of grams beside these words will indicate if this is indeed a low fat product or not. Under "total fat" the words "saturated fat" are listed. It is this fat that is the key

player in raising blood cholesterol and your risk of heart disease. "Saturated fat" should equal no more than 1/3 of your total fat to be a heart-healthy product.

Most people need to cut back on fat. Too much fat contributes to heart disease and some types of cancer. Most people should have no more than 25-30 per cent of their total calories from fat. For instance, someone who has a daily caloric intake of 1800 calories should have

about 45-54 grams of fat/day, with no more than 15-18 grams of that being saturated fat.

Make yourself "label-conscious" and don't depend on the ads for your health. Things aren't always what they appear to be. If you do this, it won't take long for you to see that "All Foods Can Fit." Watch for the National Nutrition Month article next week for tips on cooking and baking with less fat.

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Vida Hicks Estate Lee Hicks, Administrator, Owner  
For more information contact: **Cruce & Fletcher Auctioneers (806) 296-5050 or (806) 866-4201**

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Terms: Cash. Successful bidder will be required to execute a real estate contract and deposit 10% of total purchase price with escrow agent.

Title: Property is to be conveyed to purchaser by General Warranty Deed.

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1-1984 Case IH 2394 Diesel Tractor, Cab, A/C, Htr, Radio, WF, Wts, DH, 20.8 x 42 Rubber, Duels, 6200 Hrs. (SN 9942366)  
1-1981 John Deere 4840 Diesel Tractor, SG Cab, A/C, Htr, Radio, WF, Wts, DH, P/S Trans, 18.4 x 42 Rubber, Duels  
1-1977 John Deere 4630 Diesel Tractor, SG Cab, A/C, Htr, Radio, WF, Wts, DH, P/S Trans, 18.4 x 38 Rubber  
1-1974 John Deere 4030 Diesel Tractor, SG Cab, A/C, Htr, Radio, WF, Wts, DH, S/R Trans, 18.4 x 34 Rubber. (New Block 1995)  
1-1967 John Deere 4020 Diesel Tractor, Cab, WF, Wts, DH, 18.4 x 38 Rubber, S/R Trans.  
1-1958 Ford 850 Gas Tractor, WF, 3 pt, 13.6 x 38 Rubber  
1-1951 John Deere Model A, Gas Tractor, Roll-over-protective Front, 3 pt, 12.4 x 38 Rubber, Elec Start  
1-1955 John Deere 70, LPG Tractor, SF, 15.5 x 38 Rubber  
1-1952 Ford 8N Gas Tractor, WF, 3 pt, 12.4 x 28 Rubber  
1-1949 Ford 8N Gas Tractor, WF, 3 pt, 11.2 x 28 Rubber

**COMBINES - CORNHEDS - HEADERS:**  
1-1966 John Deere 106 Gas Combine, Cab, Shredded  
1-John Deere 435 W/4 Row Cornhead  
1-John Deere 20 ft Combine Grain Platform P/U Real  
1-John Deere 14 ft Combine Grain Platform P/U Real  
1-1989 Oliver Silverado 10 P/U, 350 Eng, A/T, R, H, A/C, W/B, 69,000 miles  
1-1981 Chevrolet 10 Pickup, V8, A/T, R, H, A/T LPG  
1-1982 Chevrolet 60 SA Grain Truck, 6 Cyl Engine, ap, 27, 18 ft Bed  
1-1973 GMC 6000 S.A. Winch Truck, 350 Eng, 4 sp, w/Winch & Gin Poles  
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1-John Deere 230, 25' Tandem Disc Plow, Hyd F/W  
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1-John Deere 6 Row Lister, DTB, GW  
1-John Deere 6 Row Monitor Cultivator  
1-Krause 14 ft Offset Disc Plow  
10-John Deere 71 Flex Planter Units, DD,  
1-Hamby 21 ft, 3 pt Chisel Sweep Plow, TSB, LTM,  
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## Chamber Awards.....

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Council of Ministries and Administrative Board. She was actively involved in the completion of the Fellowship Hall and Kitchen project.

Mrs. Barnett has served as president of United Methodist Women, and makes an effort to ensure that older adults are able to participate in special events.

Cecil Maddox, a native of Olton, served the Friona ISD 25 years as a coach, teacher and junior high principal. He entered private business (insurance) after retiring from the school system.

He was the charter president of the Friona Noon Lions Club and has served as president of the Hi-Plains Eye Bank.

He has served on the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce, and as chairman of the annual United Way fund drive. He served as president of the Parmer Co. TSTA chapter.

Linda White is a native of Amarillo and a 25-year veteran teacher. Her first teaching experience was in Friona ISD, where she taught sixth grade. After receiving her kindergarten endorsement, she began teaching bilingual kindergarten, which she continues to do today.

Mrs. White was cited for her "single-minded determination to do a job well and to be dependable." Her sense of caring for others is evident with the genuine interest she has in her students, the presenter said.

She is involved with the Friona Teachers Organization (FTO) and the TSTA. She is a past member of Progressive Study Club and Friona Jaycees who organized the first Little Miss Friona pageant. She is a member of the Congregational Church, where she is a nursery and pre-school teacher.

Laqueta Garner has been employed as a local legal secretary since 1982. "She is endlessly patient although continually interrupted with questions from her many

clients. Because of her knowledge about legal matters, she is often a valuable source of information to her employees," the presenter stated.

"In my business, time is always of the essence. Pressure to perform legal tasks promptly and proficiently is not a luxury but a requisite. Not only is her job done, but it's always done with the client's best interest in mind," stated Byron Boyd, her employer.

Candi Baca has been in band four years, serving as drum major her senior year. She performed in the Thespian fall musical four years, one-act play two years and is a four-year member of the Forensics Club.

Miss Baca has been a member of the All-Region Band two years, Math and Science Club four years, Student Council three years, and FHA three years.

She was a district UIL winner in poetry reading, participated in the Miss Friona pageant, was a member of the Crime Stoppers Committee, was recently selected as "Most Dependable" in the Who's Who election. She is actively involved in St. Teresa's Catholic Church, and has been accepted to attend Angelo State University.

"She has the wonderful ability to work extremely well with others because she truly loves people of all ages," it was stated.

Greg Lewellen is a member of the National Honor Society three years. He served as junior and senior class president, belonged to the Industrial-Technology club. He has been active in Thespians, FFA, Student Council and the yearbook staff. He serves as DECA Club treasurer and holds a job at Lakeside Parts and Machine.

He is a member of the student Crime-Stoppers organization, serving as vice president. He is on the varsity golf team. "His compassion and consideration for others make him highly respected by his peers and the faculty. He is dependable and prompt.

He is intelligent, curious, self-motivated, creative and cooperative," the presenter said.



**ROBBI DEE FINNESY and KENNETH RAY SMITH....Mr. and Mrs. Dee Finnesy of Goodland, Kansas and Mr. and Mrs. David Smith of Friona announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Robbi Dee and Kenneth Ray. The ceremony will be conducted on June 7 at the First Baptist Church in Goodwell, Oklahoma. The bride-elect is a 1995 graduate of Oklahoma Panhandle State University and is currently employed with Hitch Enterprises. The prospective bridegroom is currently attending Oklahoma Panhandle State University and is employed at Sunlight RV. The couple plans to make their home in Goodwell, Oklahoma.**

## Happy Birthday Friona Folks....

Week of March 23-29 Friona and area residents having birthdays next week include:

March 23--Judy Potts, Julie Reeve Banfield, Frances Pena, Tammi Lafuente, Jim Dixon, Diana Glover, Christina Noriega, Roma Wilson.

March 24--C.L. Lillard, Matt Osborn, Carl Schlenker, Dennis Field, Jessica Estrada.

March 25--Halle Herring, Tye Phillips, Nikki Love McDowell, David Brown, Elton Wylly, Tony Castaneda, Tony Williams.

March 26--Ken Stowers, Tara Shae Rector, Delia Roth, Morgan Barnett, Bryan Blake

Stover, Joni Lyn Johnson. March 27--Billy Sanders, Randy Allen, Keven Clark, Jon Goddard, C.B. Eddins, Cordelia Eddins, Macy Diana Reeve, VLesha Wilcox, Pearl Young.

March 28--Robert Osborn, Gaylene Varner Pacella, Neola Reed, Alan Clark, Dean Butler, Joel Van Valkenburg.

March 29--Ryan Potts, Lisa Neill, Ryan Paul Brookfield, Loy McLellan, Brian Barnett, Stephanie Soto.

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



**LONE STAR TUMBLERS.....Under the direction of gymnastics instructor Sharon Snead, the local students participated in a tumbling meet in Dumas. Shown with their medals and ribbons are front, l-r, Gabby Santillan, Jessica Silva, Briana Wright, Breanna Valenzuela, Madison Myers. Middle, l-r, Jessie London, Michelle Martin, Melissa Collier, Traci Carrera, Lucretia Fields, Briar Barnett. Top, l-r, Tiffany Vazquez, Michelle Stanberry, Lindsey Neill, Melissa Vazquez, Breann Barnett, Jaclyn Gilleland, and standing top, Amber Cowart. (Ron Carr Photo)**

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- Sunday P.M. Assembly: WHEN GOD GOES ON VACATION II COR. I "For Those Who Hurt"
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- Monday P.M. Assembly: EARTHQUAKES AND ATTITUDES - LUKE 16 "How To Make It When The Bottom Drops Out!"
- Tuesday @ Noon: THE SEVEN PILLARS OF ATTITUDE
- Tuesday P.M. Assembly: LIVING WITH SECOND CHOICES - Heb. 11 "The Power to See It Through"
- Wednesday @ Noon: RENEWING THE VISION
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### ABRAM IN EGYPT

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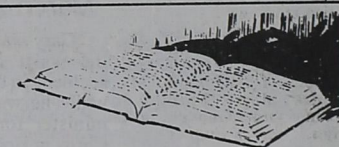


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# Town Talk

By JUNE FLOYD  
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I need some help from our readers. If any of you have a copy of a poem with opening lines "Don't look for the flaws as you go through life. And, even if you find them, it is nice and kind to be somewhat blind and look for the virtues behind them," please send me a copy.

The name of the poem escapes my memory and I think the author was Ella Wheeler Wilcox, but I am not real sure. Nor am I positive about the opening lines, but the above quotation will give you an idea of what I'm looking for.

The Chamber of Commerce Banquet Saturday evening brought two big surprises to Doris Barnett, who received the Woman of the Year award.

She reported, "I've never been more surprised in my whole life than I was when I realized the woman to whom the honor was being given was me."

"Then," she continued, "when I looked toward the kitchen and saw my four out-of-town children standing together I almost went into shock."

The four, Chris, who lives in Carrollton, Kyle of Shreveport, Louisiana, who was accompanied by his youngest son, Kyle Jr.; Kim Martz of Denton, whose son, Zachary, was with her and David, who lives in Fort Worth, had been making plans with Ricky, who lives here, were able to attend the event without their mother's knowledge.

Such surprises as that are part of what makes life fun.

## B. Renners Have Baby Girl Friday

Brandon and Christie Renner of Canyon welcomed a baby girl, Sydnie Alysse on March 14 at 7:47 p.m. in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Sydnie weighed seven pounds and three ounces. She was twenty inches long.

Grandparents are Conrad and Susan Renner of Friona and Dewayne and Debbie Phillips of Farwell.

Great-grandparents are RJ and Betty Renner of Friona, Everett and Paula McBroom of Lazbuddie, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Phillips of Morton and George and Evelyn Richie of Sudan.

All of the out-of-town Bernetts had to return to their homes the following day except Zachary, who is spending some time with Doris and Wesley.

Kim and her husband, Scott, are moving into a new home and Doris reported, "Kim gave me a choice. She said I could either come down and help with the move or take care of Zachary while they did the moving."

Grandfather Wesley and Grandmother Doris will be making a trip to see the new home and return Zachary to his parents soon.

Florian and Lorraine Jarecki are home after an extended stay while he was having surgery at Arizona Heart Institute in Phoenix and recuperating a few days at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Larry and Debbie Johnson, who live in Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Florian spent ten days in the hospital, where he had two major surgeries. Debbie had gone out there with her parents and John and M'Lynda Jarecki went out for the surgeries.

After his dismissal and a brief stay in Las Cruces, Larry and Debbie accompanied the Jareckis home.

Lorraine reported, "Florian is making

## Roy Hendley Is Member Of Beta Theta Pi

Roy Hendley, son of Ab and Deb Hendley of Friona and a graduate of Friona High School, has been initiated into Beta Theta Pi International Fraternity by the chapter at Texas Tech.

Beta Theta Pi, founded in 1839 at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, has some 115,000 members, including more than 7,000 collegians in chapters on 145 campuses in the U.S. and Canada.

The Fraternity's Code is based on lifelong academic development, moral strength and community service. Among the membership are a dozen senators and congressmen, numerous CEOs of Fortune 500 companies and leading educators and sport and entertainment personalities.

Beta Theta Pi also has chapters at Houston, Southern Methodist, Texas, Texas A&M and Texas-Arlington.

satisfactory progress."

Leon and Jeffie Talley have had out-of-town visitors. Her dad, Harley Davis, who lives in Carlsbad, New Mexico, has been here.

So have Troy and Nicole Talley of Lubbock, who also visited her parents, Jay and Krita Potts, in the Rhea Community.

Coming from Oklahoma were Tracey, Suzie, Sydney, Madison and Trevor Talley, who live in Norman, and Terron Talley and his friend, Donya, students at Oklahoma Christian University of Sciences and Art at Edmond.

Tom and Barbara Mason returned home Thursday after spending about one week visiting their Colorado family members.

In Colorado Springs they were guests in the home of Robert, Jeana and Jacob Ross and in Fort Collins they visited in the home of Ron, Deena, Megan and Stephen Arnold.

Barbara reported, "We left Fort Collins just ahead of a severe winter storm."

One of the highlights of a recent reunion of the descendants of the late Louisa Ann and Joe Bowlin Collier in the home of Edith Moseley Johnson was planning to make the reunion an annual affair.

Those attending were David Clifton Collier, Roswell, New Mexico, son of Clifton Houston Collier; Blanche Boyle, Friona, and Ila Hudgins, Lubbock, daughters of Joe B. Collier; Hugh Edward Moseley, Farwell, son of Eva Blanche Collier Moseley, and his wife, Wilma.

Also, Doris Fern Poindexter, Miller, South Dakota, and her husband and Grace Jo Johnson, Pampa.

Doris Fern and Grace Jo are daughters of Venita Louisa Collier Moody.

Also Jack Wayne London, Amarillo, son of Inez Hutton London and grandson of Jessie Mary Ella Collier Hutton.

Edith is the daughter of Eva Blanche Collier Moseley.

It was unanimously agreed that "Cousins should get together at least once a year." A date or place for the 1998 reunion was not decided upon.

Out-of-town weekend visitors in the home of Ted, Glenda and Barry Procter were Joe and Helen

McWhorter, Plainview, who are Glenda's parents.

Also Lanny and Lenda Trussell, Muleshoe, who are former Friona residents. Friends of Lanny will be interested to learn that he is making satisfactory progress following major surgery recently for the removal of a malignant tumor in his upper abdomen and is still going to Lubbock daily for treatment.

Lilah Gaye Gee arrived home Saturday after spending almost three weeks in sunny Southern California. She and Lois Norwood flew out to Palm Springs and spent ten days sightseeing in the area while staying at Tom Gee's place. Tom, Lilah Gaye's son, is an anesthesiologist and works in San Francisco.

After Lois returned to Friona, Lilah Gaye entertained two guests from the San Francisco area several days. They were Pat Henson and Sandy McCloud. Sandy and Tom were classmates at Northwest Texas Hospital School of Nursing a number of years ago.

Jim Stokes of Friona, who was their classmate, lives in Washington State and also has a place in Palm Springs.

Lilah Gaye reported, "Like Jim, who is retired from the United States Navy, Sandy has had a nursing career in the armed forces and knew Jim was the co-owner of a restaurant there in

Palm Springs and is there during the tourist season."

He took Mrs. Gee and her guests out for dinner one evening. She said, "Getting to see and visit with Jim was a real treat."

One of Lilah Gaye's cousins, Trelle Hammeriskin of Eugene, Oregon, also spent some time with her and Tom flew down for a long weekend.

"One of the things I enjoyed most," Lilah Gaye reported, "was the abundance of fresh lemons, oranges and grapefruit and the smell of the blossoms, which was in the air constantly."

She added, "I could go out on the patio and pick fresh fruit any time I wanted to."

Hollis and Lunell Horton had two out-of-town granddaughters visiting in their home recently, but not at the same time.

First, Emma Kathryn Bowden, daughter of Barry and Tracy Horton Bowden, who live in Dallas, came and spent several days while her parents were on a ski trip to Crested Butte, Colorado.

Then on Saturday of last week, Lunell really made a flying trip to Beaumont and was accompanied home by Marriott Horton, daughter of Trip and Courtney.

She reported, "I left the Amarillo Airport at 4:30 p.m. and arrived back at 8:15."

Marriott is on sprng break from school.

Lunell said, "My grandchildren are my greatest joy and we are so blessed to have three of them living here."

Their Friona grandchildren are Alex, Hollis and Jay Gurley, children of John and Kathryn Gurley.

The Horton's Amarillo family members, Sunny and Franklin Ratliff, brought their children, Matthew and Kalli, down for a visit while the Bowden family was here.

Norma Jean Terry talked to Zula and Wilbur Carlton on the phone the other day. Zula was asking about her friends in Friona.

Zula and Wilbur were long time residents of Friona and they would like to hear from some of their old friends. Their address is 809 Zephyr, Plainview, Texas 79072.

Janis Auburg called about an interesting story. Her son, Danny, won a bicycle during Maize Days for selling the most tickets for the Boy Scouts. This was around 1974.

His daughter, Amy, has just won a bicycle from the PTA for selling the most coupons and tickets to raise money for her school in Canyon.

Both father and daughter were ten years of age when they won their bicycles.

Danny and wife Jennifer live in Canyon. He is the son of Raymond and Janis Auburg of Friona.

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## A. Smith's Steer Placed Seventh At San Antonio

When Alicia Smith made the decision to take her heavyweight Maine-Anjou steer, Oreo, to San Antonio for participation in the San Antonio Livestock Exposition earlier this month, her mentor and aunt, Bessie Holt, supported her and accompanied her to the Alamo City.

Alicia, who started her 4-H Club bucket calf project at the age of seven, continued to participate in like projects until she turned thirteen. Then her interest turned to showing heifers and this year, she showed a heifer and a steer.

She exhibited her last bucket calf in the Friona and Parmer County Livestock Shows in January after showing in the bucket calf show in September of that year.

Since 1994 she has shown in the Friona and Parmer County Livestock Shows. For the past two years she has had the Grand Champion Heifer, which she purchased from Jerry Simmons.

She has also participated in the South Plains Fair two years and won third in her class last fall with a Jerry Simmons' heifer.

This year was the first time she had participated in the larger shows. She took her steer, Oreo, to San Antonio and placed seventh out of 44 entries in the Maine-Anjou heavyweight class. Oreo weighed 1298 pounds.

Her steer made the premium sale and was paid \$2.75 per pound for the steer. For the sale she decorated her steer with a sign proclaiming his residence in Friona with Oreo cookie packages attached.

She has kept her heifers each year and at the current time, she has three mother cows, a yearling heifer and a two week old heifer calf. She sold the bull calves and used the money to purchase her show steers.

Alicia works with the Parmer County 4-H bucket calf program as a junior leader and helps show the five to thirteen year old



**WILL HE BE A WINNER?** That was the uppermost question in the mind of Oreo's owner, Alicia Smith, when she first started feeding, training, exercising and grooming this Maine-Anjou calf which she purchased from Terry Pollard of Friona. Way in March of 1996.

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youngsters how to wash, comb, train, feed and keep record books on their animal projects.

Upon completion of high school, Alicia plans to become a veterinarian or vocational agriculture instructor.

Her winnings from the sale of Oreo will be placed in a college fund.

## T. McDowell Recognized By Navy

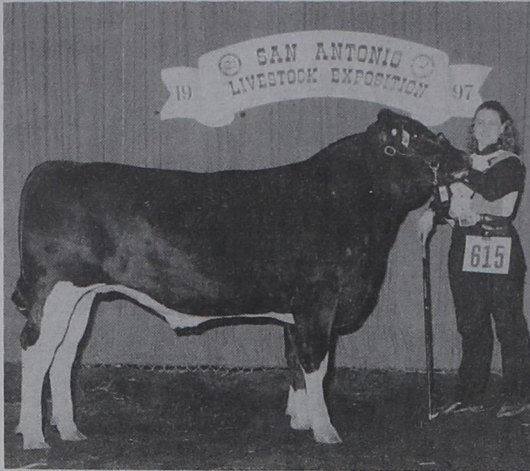
Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Terry L. McDowell, a 1986 graduate of Friona High School, recently received a Letter of Commendation while assigned at Naval Submarine Support Facility New London, Groton, Connecticut.

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**A WINNER....**Oreo, a 1298 pound steer, placed seventh out of forty-four entrants in the Maine-Anjou heavyweight class at the 1997 San Antonio Livestock Exposition. His owner, Alicia Smith, a sophomore student at Friona High School, is shown above with her winning animal. She is the daughter of Doris Smith of Friona.

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