

"MY TURN"

By Carol Ellis



WASN'T IT NICE of Bill to bring us a little bit of rain last week? It is a proven fact that if you write a column about the drought on Thursday, and then the paper goes to press Friday morning, by the time most folks get the paper Friday night or Saturday morning, it will have rained for sure. It's just too bad that it didn't last long enough.

Our grandbaby, Madeline, who lives in Lubbock, is 20 months old and literally had never seen it rain before last weekend, so Laura took her out on the back porch to watch the big event.

I heard that Jack Patterson was out working in his field when the rain started and the first drop that hit him surprised him so much that he passed out and Ona had to pour a couple of buckets of dust in his face to bring him to.

Howard Fleming has a little lake out on his place south of Friona. He says there is so little water in the pond, that some of the frogs out there are three or four years old and haven't yet learned how to swim.

Mark Twain said that he sat in one place and counted 136 different kinds of weather in 24 hours. I think he must have been sitting in the middle of the Texas Panhandle.

Our wind blew the rain away before it had finished and then proceeded to gust four days straight until it dried out what moisture we did get. Most folks in this area are used to walking around at a 45 degree angle against the wind, so when it finally stopped blowing on Tuesday, everybody fell down.

One of Glenella Appling's chickens accidentally got its backside against the wind and laid the same egg four times. About this time every year, the wind blows so hard from the west that the sun sets three hours later than usual. . . you thought that was Daylight Savings Time, didn't you?

We're probably going to have a very long, hot summer. I hope it isn't as bad as the time when the corn growing out in the fields got so hot it popped. When all that white popcorn began to fall down, the stupid cows in the next field, thought it was snowing and they just stood there and froze to death.

That was the same summer that you could take a hamburger patty out of the fridge and throw it up in the air and it would fall back down completely cooked. But you didn't want to throw the patty up too high or it would come down burned.

Well, you are probably aware that most of these stories came from our dear old Uncle Austin in Jackson, Tennessee. At age 87, he enters a lot of old-timers storytelling contests which are held around in that area and he usually comes out the winner. "Liar's contests" he calls them, and he's been entering them for about the last 10 years.

Austin is getting to be quite a celebrity, granting interviews on radio and TV. He entertains at the "old folks homes" in his area, singing or telling stories, and he's older than most of the people he entertains. He has even participated in the National Storytelling Festival held each year in Jonesborough, Tennessee, over on the eastern side of the state. Every October, this event draws crowds of thousands from all over the world.

Jonesborough is the oldest town in Tennessee, very historic, and the storytelling event held there is in its 23rd year, sponsored by the National Association for the Preservation and Perpetuation of Storytelling, with more than 7,000 members across the country. If you would like to know more about this the number is: 1-800-525-4514, or you can write to NAPPs, P.O. Box 309, Jonesborough, TN 37659.

Now, I'll leave you with one more story: There was a Texas-sized mosquito that lived down in Central Texas. One day he happened to sit down on the runway at the DFW Airport and the workers filled him up with fuel before they noticed that his markings were different from the other airplanes.

YOUTH PROGRAM

Vision Quest Group Lands In Friona

An unusual group of visitors arrived in Friona about noon on Monday. They spent two days and nights in Friona, camped in the Reeve Lake area north of Highway 60.

The group arrived by wagon train, including nine wagons, two trucks, 18 trailers, two vans, 15 vehicles, 65 horses and mules, 60 youths and 45 staff members.

The youth and their leaders are part of a unique program for juvenile delinquents known as VisionQuest, and it contracts with governmental agencies to provide an alternative to locking up troubled young people.

"These are kids who would otherwise be sitting in jail," stated Dan Johnston, the wagon master for the group. "On the trail, the youngsters are given responsibilities. They have to care for their animals and have to learn how to deal with the outdoors and the weather.

In recent weeks, they have had some extremely high wind to deal with. One of their tents or tipis blew down during a recent night's

windstorm, but no one was injured.

Youths are chosen for the program by participating states and judges who decide that a correctional facility is not adequate for their needs. "This is a way for the kids to deal with their frustrations," Johnston said. "It is just a better way of dealing with such kids," he added.

At the present time there are four such wagon trains operating in various sections of the country.

This one started out in Arizona and has been on the road for 23 months. The train has made trips to California, then across to the Lone Star State. It spent a couple of weeks in the Lubbock area in early April, then arrived in Littlefield in mid-April. They spent a week in the Lamb County capital, repairing their tents and wagons.

From Littlefield, the train went to the Muleshoe Wildlife Refuge, where it spent last weekend. A delegation from the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce visited the train and offered souvenirs. Johnston told them "Muleshoe is

close to our hearts, because of the fact that all of our wagons are pulled by mules," Johnston said.

The train arrived in Parmer County on Sunday evening, and spent the night on Running Water Draw, just north of the Ben Rejino home. They repacked on Monday and made it into Friona. When they left Friona Wednesday, they were headed to Hereford on Highway 60.

In addition to learning about the outdoors first-hand, the children are also required to attend daily classes in the afternoon, taught by certified teachers who are a part of VisionQuest.

Chad Barrett serves as school principal for the train, and the youngsters, who range in age 12 to 19 years of age, must have school five days a week—just like other kids. Of the 60 young people in the group there are 50 boys and ten girls.

The teenage boys and girls are challenged to face their issues of abuse, abandonment, boundaries and self. The troubled youth are provided safe, secure limits within which they can begin to internalize control.

Wagon train life gives the youngsters a consistent way of approaching each day with clear limits and constant discipline.

The youngsters and adults live together in tipi "families." Each family is responsible for a wagon, its mules and equipment. Many of the issues that have surfaced in the

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NewsTip Winner

Several people called the Friona Star with the "NewsTip" this week about the VisionQuest wagontrain coming toward town Monday. Wyona Clark wins \$10.00 for being the first one to call the paper from her car phone when she saw the group out at Hub on Highway 214.

Phone the Star at 247-2211 with your NewsTip and you could be next week's winner.



FIRST MOM'S DAY--Little Braxton Upton and Mommy Becky will be celebrating their first Mother's Day together on Sunday. Braxton is two months old and the son of Pat and Becky Upton of Friona.

Tax Issue OK'd In Good Turnout

Friona voters approved the additional one-cent city sales tax in an excellent turnout of voters last Saturday, May 6.

The half-cent economic development tax (proposition one) passed with 55 per cent favoring and 45 per cent against. The vote was 265 for and 210 against.

The half-cent tax for property tax reduction had a much easier time of it, passing, 308-91, a 77 per cent approval ratio.

"We're real elated for Friona. We think it's a step in the right direction," said Mayor Clarence Monroe.

John Gurley, Bill McCoy and Robert R. Jones were elected to spots on the Friona City Council. Gurley was the top-vote getter with 393. McCoy had 348 votes and Jones 278. Otherwise, Dave Buske received 202 votes, Lee Romo 192 and Betty Renner 120.

In the school election, Danny Black and Kathryn Gurley were elected. Black, an incumbent, received 355 votes and Mrs. Gurley polled 319. Kevin Welch was "first runnerup" with 250 votes; Mike Martin received 177; Paul (Lucky) Gonzales received 96 and Jerry Butman 73.

A total of 674 people voted in the school board election, and 535 in the city election.

Danny Kendrick and Wendell Gresham were re-elected to the hospital board, unopposed.

Broadhurst To Retire As Pastor

Rev. Charles Broadhurst is retiring from the ministry after his second call as pastor for Friona's First Baptist Church.

Sunday, May 14 will be Rev. Broadhurst's final day in the pulpit at the Friona Church.

Rev. Broadhurst and his wife Carolyn are retiring, and will be moving to Amarillo, where they have purchased a house.

"After years of living in church parsonages, we are excited about owning our own home for the first time," Broadhurst said.

Rev. Broadhurst has served as pastor of Friona's First Baptist Church for over ten years. He was here first from 1971 through 1974, and from March 15 of 1989 until the present.

A pastor search committee has been formed by the church, and will have a recommendation for the congregation at the monthly business meeting on May 17 at 6:30 p.m.

Hi-Pro Feeds Received Achievement Award

Friona commemorated National Small Business Appreciation Week on Thursday, May 11 during a ceremony recognizing a small business which best demonstrates its commitment to the economic well-being of the community and state.

Ed Hodges, a representative from U.S. Senator Phil Gramm's office in Dallas, presented Hi-Pro Feeds & Animal Health with the "1995 Small Business Achievement Award" which recognizes the store's 27 years in operation and read a congratulatory letter from Senator Gramm.

The ceremony was held at 10:15 a.m. on Thursday, May 11 at Hi-Pro Feeds & Animal Health on East Highway 60, in Friona.

"The small business owner makes a tremendous contribution to

our economy, our competitiveness, and our entire way of life. They create wealth. They develop new products and services, in addition to refining and enhancing existing ones. They offer jobs and opportunities to millions of other Americans, and help fuel economic expansion for the benefit of all," Gramm said.

"These men and women pay the bulk of taxes that our communities use to finance a police force, operate a school system and provide a health care facility. Small business owners are the very core of civic leadership. They are the people involved in trying to make a community a better place to live, work and raise a family. It is very fitting for our nation to dedicate a week in recognition of the small business owner," the senator said.

Friona Bands To Present Concert

Friona Junior High School Bands will present their final concert of the year on Thursday, May 18 at 7:30 p.m. The concert scheduled to be presented in the Junior High School Auditorium, will feature a wide variety of musical styles.

Among lighter musical selections such as "Rock In The U.S.A.," "I Will Follow Him" and "The Golden Age of Rock & Roll," the Advanced Band will perform contest selections they recently presented at Boys Ranch in U.I.L. competition for which they received

a second division in concert and a first division in sight-reading.

Other highlights of the evening will include special recognition of students in the Junior High School Advanced Band who have qualified for the Wall of Honor award.

"For a mere charge of \$1.00 for adults or children of school age, the program promises to be very entertaining. The public is encouraged to come out, enjoy and support the band students of Friona Junior High and Elementary School," Ron McWilliams, band director, commented.

IN ACCOUNTING

Julie Goddard Wins State Gold Medal

Julie Goddard, senior student at Friona High School, brought home the gold medal at the state UIL literary meet last weekend in Austin.

Miss Goddard, the daughter of Kathryn and David Goddard, won Friona's first state gold medal since 1981 by breezing to wins in District 2-AAA, Region 1-AAA and Texas AAA.

In district competition, each school is allowed three entries. Julie won that competition at Littlefield in a field of 17 contestants.

Ceremonies Are Slated By Schools

The annual school awards assemblies will take place within the next 10 days.

On Monday, May 15, the elementary school awards will be given beginning at 1 p.m.; The high school assembly is the same day, starting at 8 p.m.

The junior high assembly is Tuesday, May 16 at 7:30 p.m., and the primary school assembly will be Monday, May 22 at 1 p.m.



STATE WINNER....Julie Goddard, right, won first place and the gold medal in accounting at the state UIL literary meet in Austin last weekend. Miss Goddard and her faculty coach, Virginia Cleveland are holding Julie's medals from district, regional and state.



FORTIES FASHIONS---The War Years was theme of the recent luncheon and style show held in the Depot during April under sponsorship of the Heritage Society. Some of those modeling the old fashions were (l-r) Cherry Wells, Tamela Bandy, Jante Buske, Sylvia Ingram and Becky Reithmayer.



STYLISH FOUR--These four ladies were among several who modeled old fashions from the War Years during the recent April Luncheons in the Depot sponsored by the Heritage Society. They are (l-r) Teresa Buske, Daphne Cunningham Lisa Reed and Sarah Gerles. Local residents dug out old clothing, uniforms and artifacts from the forties to display during the luncheons and open house.

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

We, the directors of the First United Methodist Church's Vacation Bible School, want to publicly thank coach Kevin Cooper and Coach Richard North for changing the times of their basketball camp.

With their co-operation, 3rd-5th graders will now be able to attend Vacation Bible School in the morning and basketball camp in the afternoon.

In small communities like Friona, there are often conflicts of events between church and school due to the constraints of time.

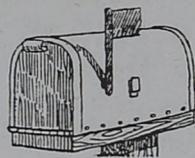
Fortunately, however, in smaller communities, there is often a greater understanding for the need for successful church activities as well as successful athletic activities. Coach Cooper and Coach North obviously understand this, and they are to be commended highly for their willingness to help make our Vacation Bible School a success.

Sincerely,
Loraine Anthony
Sydney Dean
Teena Hughes
Becky Jones

Dear Editor,

As president of the Women's Division, I want to sincerely thank everyone who attended and/or contributed to our Ladies Spring Luncheon last Saturday. It was a tremendous success, and we in the Women's Division cannot express enough appreciation to everyone who helped to make our luncheon so successful!

We would like to thank the ladies and children who modeled in the style show, and we would like to thank the following businesses for door prizes and coupons:



Added Touch, A-1 Service Center, Avon representative Anna Jo Blackburn, Beauty-Control representatives Mary Joyce Barnett and Becky Riethmayer, Big Boy Pizza, Bi-Wize Health Mart, Brandin' Iron, Byron Boyd, Cattle Town, Cleo's, Country Charm, Dairy Queen, Monda Daniel, DL's, Ethridge-Spring, Excel, Family Dollar, Friona Motors, Friona Star, Friona State Bank, Friona Upholstry, Friona Wheat Growers.

Also, Kathryn Gurley, Allan Haile Insurance, Headquarters, Ingram's Department Store, Kendrick Oil, Larry Knowles, CPA, Lakeside Parts and machine, Los Arcos, Cecil Maddox, Maria's, Mary Kay representatives Katherine Blackburn and Kandy Hanna, Monty's Flowers and Gifts, On Eagle's Wings, PACO Feedyard, Pappy Jack's Donut Shop, Parmer County Implement, Production Credit Association, Property Associates, Racers Truckwash, Melissa Randolph, Shara's Hair Affair, Sonic Drive-In, SPS, Lori Stockstill, Suds and Scissors, Tasty Cream, Wilhelm's and Wyona's.

Without the support of so many businesses, and without the support of those who attended, our luncheon would not have been such a tremendous success. We thank you, and we hope to have an even bigger and better luncheon in 1996.

Sincerely,
Teena Hughes

Hospital Report

Parmer County Community Hospital: Hector Larra, Ralph Thurman.

High Plains Baptist Hospital: Billy Dean Baxter.
Amarillo: A. E. Roark.

Friona Flashbacks

....from the files of The Friona Star

65 Yrs. Ago--May 16, 1930

At about four o'clock Sunday morning three masked men made their appearance at the front of the Friona Consumers Oil Company filling station and with their pistols staring the attendants in the face, bade them stick up their hands and keep them up, while they rifled the cash drawer of its contents to the amount of between forty and fifty dollars. No evidence of the identity of these has yet been found out.

60 Yrs. Ago--May 10, 1935

Forty-one seniors will graduate in exercises beginning Sunday morning. The number is the largest graduating class that Friona has ever had. Commencement will be Friday evening, May 17, at 8 p.m.

50 Yrs. Ago--May 11, 1945

Wayne B. Stark, former Santa Fe station agent at Friona and agent at Black for several months, has returned to Friona, and again taken charge of the local depot as agent. Mr. Stark's many Friona friends are truly pleased to have him here to serve them again, and he expresses his pleasure at being back.

40 Yrs. Ago--May 13, 1955

Latest business to open in Friona is the Tasty Cream firm across from Friona Consumers on main Street. Owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Williams, the business opened last weekend and plans are to remain open from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. each day.

35 Yrs. Ago--May 12, 1960

With all the "Chamber of Commerce" figures going down the drain in the three towns in Parmer County, official reports from the district census director's office in Amarillo, revealed that the total county population in Parmer County are as follows: Friona, 2,035; Bovina, 1, 023; and Farwell, 1,009. The figures are said "subject to revision."

30 Yrs. Ago--May 13, 1965

The Friona City Council

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FRIONA!!!

Week of May 14-20

Friona residents having birthdays next week are:

May 14--Cecelia Schueler, Robin Houlette, Danny Pena, Owen Drake, Amy Blankenship, Sylvia Roth, C. Daniel Padilla.

May 15--Ron Reed, Isidra Villalobos, Billy Stover, Brittany Berend.

May 16--Ruthie Hardin, Ron Procter, Kinsey Joan Reeve, Lisa Lane.

May 17--Carl Mohr, Jill McFarland, Mary Bavousett, Glen Herring, Christie Guerra, Kristen Holland, Sally Howard, Franklin Ratliff, Homer Lindeman.

May 18--Danny Carthel.

May 19--Ramey Beene, Lynn Nelson, Carol Ellis, Naruby Schlenker.

May 20--Gay Welch Bingham, Kim Barnett, Sherrie Stanberry, Larry Manuel, Mary Sinner, Graham Douglas Edelman.

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.

It's A Girl For A. Flemings

Andrew and Judy Fleming of Lubbock are the parents of a baby girl born Wednesday, May 3 at 11:11 a.m. at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock.

Named Jenae Brooke, the new arrival weighed six pounds, thirteen ounces and was twenty inches long. Jenae has a big brother, Justin, who is two years old.

Grandparents are Joe and Loy McLellan of Friona, Sheron England of Amarillo and Howard and Pat Fleming of Friona.

Great-grandparents are Lillian McLellan of Friona, Wendol and Royce Christian of Farwell, Arvella England of Amarillo, Lunie Fleming of Friona and Ann Bemethy of Burkburnett, Texas.

Virgie England of Vernon, Texas and Beryl Edwards of Ceres, California are the child's great-great-grandparents.

annexed a total of 52 acres of land in its meeting Monday night, bringing in two new subdivisions. The newly annexed land is comprised of Western Addition, of which 24 acres were annexed, and Welch Acres, a 28-acre plot, belong to Nelson Welch.

25 Yrs. Ago--May 14, 1970

Norman (Skip) Mohr, Friona High School Senior, returned from Austin last Saturday with the first place plaque and medal in informative speaking in Class AA. Mohr has been district champ in the event three straight years. It also was his second trip to Austin, having won regional as a sophomore, and placing third in the state meet that year. The son of Rev. and Mrs. Paul Mohr, Skip's honor adds to an already impressive list of achievements, including class valedictorian.

20 Yrs. Ago--May 11, 1975

Mrs. E. D. Matlock of Friona received the title of "Pioneer Woman of the Plains" for 1975 at the Pioneer Roundup in Plainview last weekend.

The Friona High School Band learned this week that it has been selected as the Outstanding Sight-reading Band at the Greater Southwest Music Festival held in Amarillo, April 24-26.

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15 Yrs. Ago--May 25, 1980

B. K. Buske was re-elected as mayor of Friona on Tuesday, in a better than average turnout of voters in the special mayoral election. Buske was sworn in on Tuesday to end a 30-day period during which the city had no officially-elected mayor. Buske received 203 votes to 78 for former mayor W. L. (Preach) Edelman.

Janice Coffey, senior clarinet player and drum major for the FHS Band, was presented the John Phillip Sousa Award this week. Janice is the second member of her family to receive the coveted award, as her older brother, Roger, took the honor in 1979.

10 Yrs. Ago--May 19, 1985

Holly Snead will serve as

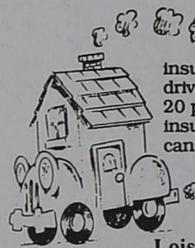
valedictorian of the eighth grade graduating class, with a grade average for the year of 98.8. She is the daughter of Gary and Kay Snead. Deena Willard will serve as salutatorian, with an average of 96.4. Her parents are Dee and Connie Willard.

5 Yrs. Ago--May 12, 1990

Friona State Bank would like to recognize the 30th anniversary for Jerry Hinkle to serve as an employee of the Bank. He is currently serving the bank as senior vice-president and cashier.

Parmer County Farm Bureau moved into the former Summit Savings building on highway 60 this week, and the Friona Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

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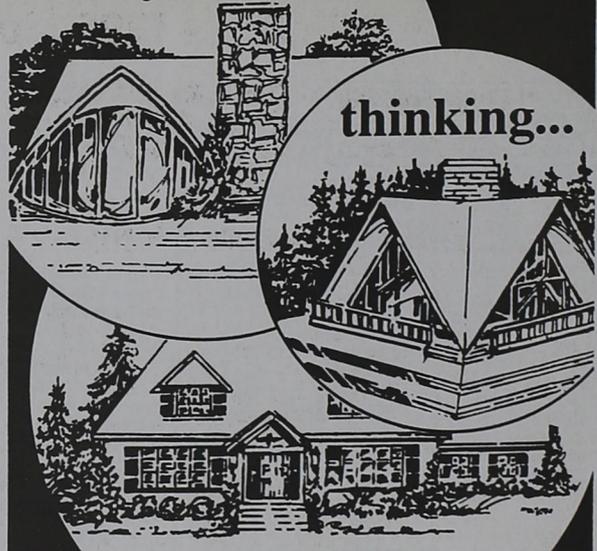
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Banquet Honors DOT Employees

Texas Department of Transportation held their annual Awards Day ceremony Thursday, April 20. Four hundred and sixty employees and guests were on hand to see their co-workers receive special awards presented to them by Carl Utley, Lubbock's District Engineer.

Receiving awards for the Bovina area were: Judy Hromas, five years

Moseleys Have Granddaughter

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Moseley of Farwell have announced the birth of a new granddaughter. She was born to David and Laura Moseley at High Plains Regional Hospital in Clovis, New Mexico, April 27, 1995.

She weighed seven pounds and was named Sierra Shay.

She has a sister, Natasha, who is three. The maternal grandparents are Kiki and Pat Aguirre of Odessa, Texas.

Reese AFB Gets Past Big Hurdle

Reese AFB of Lubbock passed a major hurdle Wednesday morning when the base was taken off the closure list which was announced earlier this year.

In a telephone call to Bill Ellis, publisher of the Friona Star/Bovina Blade, Cong. Combest called the announcement a "major victory" for those fighting for the very life of the air base. "If that had not been done, Reese's fate would have been sealed," the congressman said.

Wednesday's victory was termed the "first of a long battle. But if we hadn't won that one, we would have been finished. We still have a long way to go, but now we feel confident that we can save the base," Combest said.

"We appreciate the support of the region—the mayors and other city leaders who have sent us letters or resolutions of support. This has been great," the congressman concluded.

The announcement came on the eve of Reese Air Force Base's annual open house, scheduled for Saturday, May 13.

service award; Roy Lloyd, five years service award and five years safe driving award.

Also, Matthew Askey, Jr., 20 years service award and 20 years safe driving award; Daniel Hernandez, first place winner by maintenance section for the 1995 rodeo competition; George Villarreal, second place winner by maintenance section for the 1995 rodeo competition; and John Wilson, 26 years safe driving.

"As I look back over the past 18 months since joining the Lubbock district, we would not be present if it were not for your hard work and the team effort demonstrated by all of our employees. This atmosphere has made me feel very welcome in this district and reinforces the fact that all TxDOT employees statewide are the backbone of the best DOT in the nation," said Utley.

"We are faced with many new and tougher challenges every day. We are expected and intend to provide better quality service than ever before while face with less available funding, fewer employees, and a deteriorating infrastructure. We all need to recognize these constraints are real and make a conscious effort to find ways to streamline our business to be able to accomplish our task. You have demonstrated to me in the last 18 months that you are capable and willing to help accomplish this challenge.

"Again, thank you for accepting me onto the Lubbock Team and remember that your opinions and recommendations are very valuable and important to me," Utley added.

Run/Walk Is Set

There will be a "Spring Stampede" 10K and 5K run/walk in Clovis, New Mexico on Saturday, May 20 at 9 a.m. (MDT).

The event is being sponsored by Eastern New Mexico Range Runners Club. For more information or applications, contact Stu Guilford at (505) 763-1098 or Sandy Shealy at (505) 769-3289, 1065 Fairway Terrace, Clovis, New Mexico 88101.



GROUP VISITS....A wagon train passed through the county this week, and camped for a couple of days and nights at Friona. Members of the train included 60 juvenile delinquents, who were using the trip as a learning experience.

Cancer Center Benefits From Matching Funds

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center is pleased to announce the partnership with area banks for the matching funds program. As a part of Memorial Day giving, the Cancer Center is urging local residents to make contributions to the Harrington Cancer Center fund located at their local bank.

Supporters of the Harrington Cancer Center can participate in the plan which allows investing in the local economy and contributing to a worthy cause at the same time.

A major advantage to the community is that donations (the principle) are held locally and invested by local banks, with only the income earned on the investments going to support patient care at Harrington. The Cancer Center matches dollar for dollar each deposit made annually.

Persons interested in obtaining additional information to the fund should contact their bank or Charlotte Rhodes at Harrington Cancer Center, (1-800-274-4673).

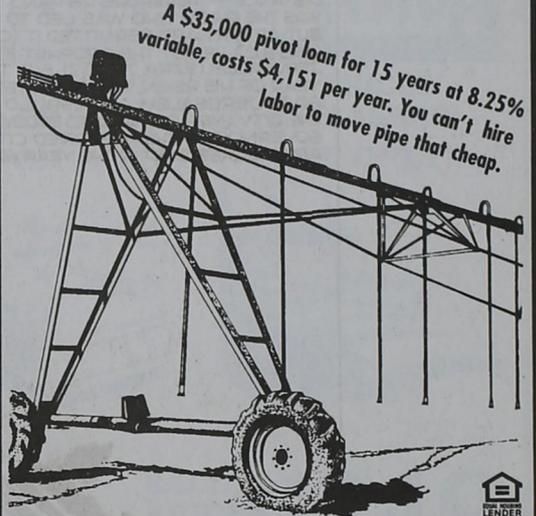
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ARTAXERXES WAS THE 3RD SON OF XERXES AND HIS SUCCESSOR TO THE PERSIAN THRONE (CIR. 465 B.C.). HE WAS CALLED "LONGHANDED" SOME TOOK THIS EXPRESSION QUITE LITERALLY BUT OTHER AUTHORITIES TAKE IT FIGURATIVELY, AS MEANING ONLY THAT ARTAXERXES HAD A WIDELY EXTENDED EMPIRE WHICH HE HAD TO RULE FROM A GREAT DISTANCE — THEREFORE HIS HAND, WHICH HELD THE LAW, HAD TO BE "LONGHANDED." HE WAS THE RULER WHO WAS LED TO FORBID THE REBUILDING OF JERUSALEM (EZRA 4:7) BUT AFTERWARD PERMITTED IT (CH. 6:14). IN FACT, IN THE 7TH YEAR OF HIS REIGN (458 B.C.), HE LET THE PROPHET EZRA LEAD VAST NUMBERS OF EXILES BACK TO JERUSALEM (EZRA 7:11,12,21,8:1). THEN, IN THE 20TH YEAR OF HIS REIGN, HE PERMITTED NEHEMIAH TO GO TO JERUSALEM AND REBUILD THE WALLS OF THE CITY (NEH. 2:1) AND TO BECOME THE GOVERNOR OF THE RESTORED CITY! ARTAXERXES DIED IN THE YEAR 424 B.C.



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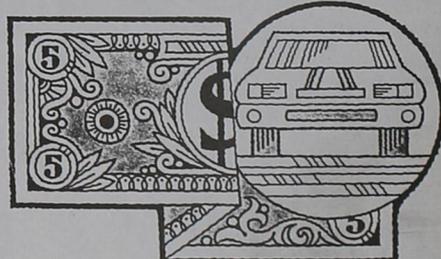
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Hudson To Receive Dr. Degree

Matthew Hudson of Jackson, Tennessee, will receive the doctor of philosophy degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary during spring commencement ceremonies May 12.

President Ken Hemphill will award a total of 480 diplomas in Southwestern's schools of theology, religious education and church music.

Hudson is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Estel Hudson of Jackson. He is married to the former Penni Weatherly of Friona.

Hudson serves as pastor of Greenwood Baptist Church in Weatherford, Texas.

Southwestern Seminary is one of six seminaries affiliated with the Southern Baptist convention and is the largest theological seminary in the world.

Mailbox Week Is Promoted

Mailbox Improvement Week, a traditional annual observance that contributes to the appearance of the countryside and streets in suburban areas, is being held May 15-20, according to Friona Postmaster Larry Rogers.

"Mailbox Improvement Week has long served as the starting signal for special community efforts to repair, repaint, and make other improvements in the security and appearance of suburban and rural mailboxes," Rogers explained. "And this gives our community another opportunity this spring to promote the security of mail by repairing mailboxes damaged by the weather during the last year."

Mailboxes in good condition contribute to a more efficient delivery and collection operation and improve service to an entire route, according to the postmaster.

Gremlin Hits Star Photos

The darkroom gremlin struck the Friona Star photo department this week, and ruined an entire roll of film.

The film included all of the black and white shots made at the Friona Follies production plus some of the wagon train.

We have some color shots of both of these news events, and hope to show them in next week's issue.

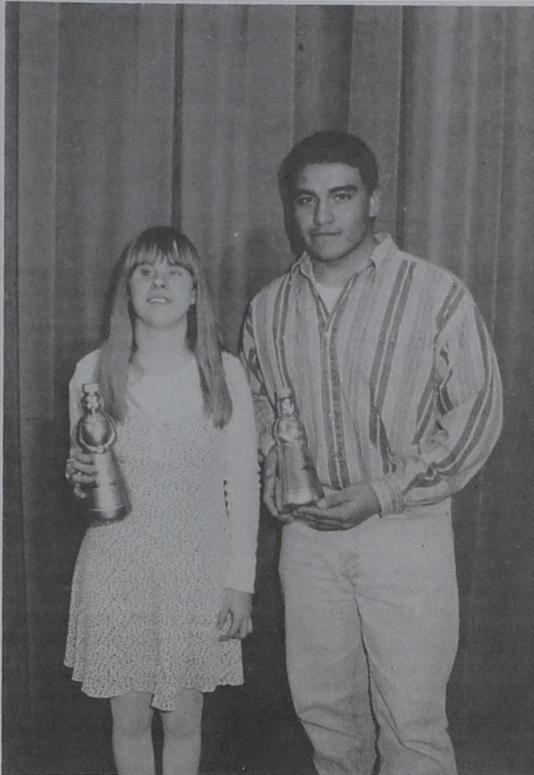
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MOST TALENTED....Janet Rector and Jerard Lafuente were chosen "Most Talented" at FHS in recent Who's Who elections.

Youngsters Kick Off T-Ball Season

The Friona Kids, Inc. baseball season kicked off with games this past Thursday.

The T-Ball League schedule is as follows:

Monday, May 15--5 p.m., West Plains Feedyard-Campbell Electric; 6:15 p.m., Credit Union-H&R Block.

Tuesday, May 16--5 p.m., D.L.'s Thriftway-Paco Feedyard; 6:15 p.m., Winkles Trucking-West Plains Feedyard.

Thursday, May 18--5 p.m., Campbell Electric-H&R Block; 6:15 p.m., West Plains Feedyard-D.L.'s Thriftway.

Friday, May 19--5 p.m., Paco Feedyard-Credit Union; 6:15 p.m., H&R Block-Winkles Trucking; 7:30 p.m., D.L.'s Thriftway-Campbell Electric.

Monday, May 22--5 p.m., D.L.'s Thriftway-Credit Union; 6:15 p.m., Campbell Electric-Winkles Trucking; 7:30 p.m., West Plains Feedyard-H&R Block.

Tuesday, May 23--5 p.m., Paco Feedyard-Campbell Electric; 6:15 p.m., H&R Block-D.L.'s Thriftway.

Monday, May 29--5 p.m., Campbell Electric-Credit Union; 6:15 p.m., Winkles Trucking-Paco Feedyard.

Tuesday, May 30--5 p.m., Credit Union-Winkles Trucking; 6:15 p.m., Paco Feedyard-West Plains Feedyard; 7:30 p.m., H&R Block-Campbell Electric.

Thursday, June 1--5 p.m., Winkles Trucking-Campbell Electric; 6:15 p.m., Paco Feedyard-H&R Block; 7:30 p.m., West Plains Feedyard-Credit Union.

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Thursday, June 15--5 p.m., Credit Union-D.L.'s Thriftway; 6:15 p.m., H&R Block-West Plains Feedyard; 7:30 p.m., Campbell Electric-Paco Feedyard.

Monday, June 19--5 p.m., D.L.'s Thriftway-H&R Block; 6:15 p.m., Paco Feedyard-Winkles Trucking.

Thursday, June 22--5 p.m., Campbell Electric-D.L.'s Thriftway; 6:15 p.m., Winkles Trucking-Credit Union; 7:30 p.m., West Plains Feedyard-Paco Feedyard.

LHS Seniors Sponsor Event

The Lazbuddie senior class will sponsor a powder puff football game on Thursday, May 18, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the high school stadium.

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Wildcats Mar Chiefs' Playoff Plans, 4-3

The Chieftain baseballers, who have had a black cloud around on days they were supposed to win, had another this week in a game at Littlefield, and their 4-3 loss probably knocked the Chiefs out of the playoffs.

The Chiefs were needing an upset of Floydada against last-place Shallowater on Thursday to get into a playoff game against the Whirlwinds.

Friona had downed Floydada here Tuesday, 9-8, in the game they were hoping would tie them for second place.

In Tuesday's game, the Chiefs jumped out to an 8-1 lead and appeared to have the game well in hand. But Cory Hamilton's arm tired (Cory had pitched two and a third innings the day before at Littlefield), and Coach Bob

Ferguson had to make a hard decision.

Ferguson brought in freshman Jesus Mata with two outs and one man on base. Mata walked the first two men he faced, to load the bases, putting the tying run at third base.

But Chris Hanna fielded a shot hit up the middle and stepped on second base to end the game and Floydada's comeback.

Friona ended up with a 6-4 district record. The Whirlwinds were 6-3 prior to their makeup game against Shallowater Thursday. Friona's game against Littlefield was to have been played last Saturday, but rain postponed it until Monday afternoon.

Against the Whirlwinds, Charlie Pope was three for four, including a home run and a double. He also had

four runs-batted-in. Lance Loper also had a homer.

At Littlefield, the Chieftains had a 3-0 lead after four and one-half innings. Roy Hendley, Antonio Rocha, Chris Hanna and Juan Gamboa had hits for the Chiefs in the fifth, when Friona scored twice. However, they left two men on in the rally.

Littlefield scored three in the fifth to tie the game at 3-all, and then the 'Cats scored a run with one out in the bottom of the seventh for the win. Reyes started on the mound for Friona, relieved by Hamilton.

FHS 9, Flyda 8
Houston, Hamilton and Rocha.
2B: Pope. HR: Loper, Pope.
Lfd. 4, FHS 3
Reyes, Hamilton and Rocha.

VisionQuest Wagontrain

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youngsters' natural families are addressed and discussed in this tipi family setting.

The youths are placed in the program for a year. Of the professional counselors, most sign up for the wagon train for six-month periods. One of the adults is a nurse practitioner from El Paso.

The adults spend five nights in "tent-living."

Johnston said that a corporation conducted a study on VisionQuest and discovered that 73 per cent of the kids who underwent the program make it better in their future life. Conversely, in a California program which had juvenile delinquents confined in a facility, only 12 per cent succeeded when released.

Many more of the students in the corrections facility went on to commit future crimes.

The philosophy behind the VisionQuest program is borrowed from Native Americans and gives young people an honorable way to grow up and instills positive values in themselves.

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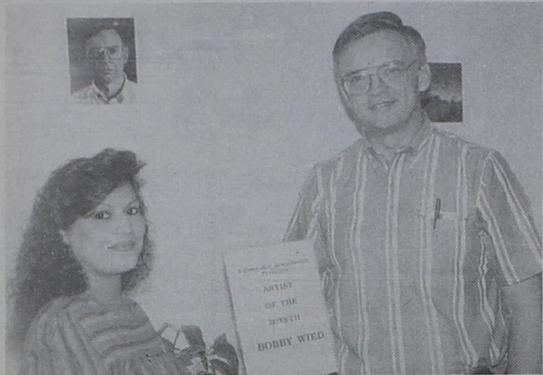
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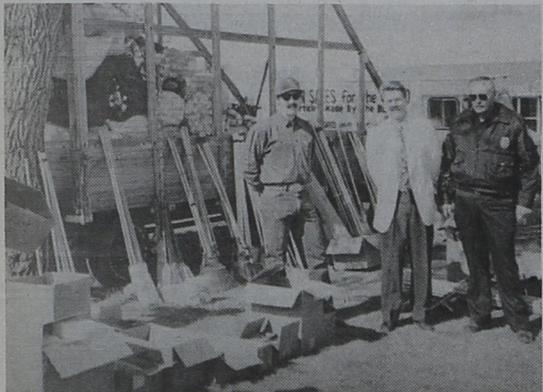
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ARTIST OF THE MONTH---FHS art teacher, Bobby Wied, will be Friona Art Association's Artist of the Month for May. He will have a showing of his new computer graphic art on display in the lobby of Prairie Acres Nursing Home for the rest of this month. He has recently taken courses in computer art at WTSAM. He is shown here with Prairie Acres activity director Elizabeth Romero who invites everyone to come out and enjoy the art and other displays at Prairie Acres.



BROOM SALE....Members of the two Friona Lions clubs held their annual mop and broom sale recently. Shown at the stand at City Park are Lions Dave Hutson and John Taylor, with the Lighthouse for the Blind truck driver.



FRIENDLIEST....Josh Snead and Jessica Smith were named "Friendliest" in the FHS Who's Who elections held this spring.



PRAIRIE ACRES HONOREES---Agnes Fulks has been named "Resident of the Month" at Prairie Acres Nursing Home for the month of May. She is shown here along with Patti Widner, activity director, who is the current "Employee of the Month." Agnes has been at Prairie Acres since December 1993 and Patti has been employed there since September 1984.

Did You Know?

By GEORGE RUSHING

May 8, 1995, fifty year anniversary, Victory in Europe. On April 28th, Italian partisans captured and executed Mussolini, who had tried to escape into Switzerland. German forces in Italy surrendered on May 2.

On May 1, the German radio announced that Hitler had died while defending Berlin against the Russians, and had named Grand Admiral Karl Doenitz as his successor. Allied investigators later learned that Hitler and his mistress, Eva Braun, had committed suicide in Berlin on April 30, and their bodies had been burned. Berlin finally fell to the invading Russian armies on May 2.

Early on the morning of May 7, Col. Gen. Alfred Jodl of the German high command entered Allied headquarters in a red school building at Reims, France. There, on behalf of his government, he signed the terms of unconditional surrender.

The free world celebrated May 8 as V-E (Victory in Europe) Day. After five years, eight months, and seven days, the European phase of World War II had ended.

This week I listened to the interview of a German soldier that had been involved in World War II. He was asked what had happened in the country of Germany prior to the War that would have allowed the extermination camps and war to take place.

The ex-soldier said that he felt like the moral breakdown of the nation was a factor. He said that in Germany in years prior to the war that sterilization began to be practiced, then abortion, and then infanticide (the killing of an infant) and euthanasia (the act or practice of killing or permitting the death of hopelessly sick or injured individuals).

The sanctity of life began to erode and individual rights replaced them. The phrases "every life a wanted life" and then "every motherhood a wanted motherhood" came into existence. These phrases are not new to our times, they used them then.

I believe there are strange things that happen when a nation experiences a moral breakdown. A darkness settles over the hearts and minds of the people and they cannot see clearly. Out of that darkness can come Buchenwald and Auschwitz.

If we evolved from monkeys, then "eat, drink and be merry for tomorrow we may regress and be hanging from trees and eating bananas." But if we are created in the image of God, then each life is precious and of more value than the whole world.

Why do I believe that darkness settles over the hearts and minds of people? Because it covered my own heart and mind. I am guilty literally of walking in the same sins of the German people. But God in His mercy allowed me to see my sin, and then revealed the work of the Cross to me and set me free from that sin.

We do need to be told of the moral breakdown in our nation, but more than that we need to be told of the reconciliation to God that comes through the death and resurrection of His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ.

My life was scarred and damaged through the immoral actions of my life, but God is bringing restoration. And I would say to any of you whose lives have been damaged by rejection, divorce, abortion, adultery, immorality, or anything other thing you have done, God is more than able and ready to restore what we of our own free will gave away. Dear reader, God says that you are of precious value to Him.

John 12:46 "I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness. And if any man hear my words, and believe not, I judge him not: for I came not to judge the world, but to save the world; He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day."



HEATHER DENISE GRIFFIN and BYRON LEE GRAHAM....Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Griffin of Friona announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Heather Denise, to Byron Lee Graham. His parents are Rev. and Mrs. Charles Richmond Graham of Dighton, Kansas. The couple will exchange wedding vows Saturday, July 29 at the First Baptist Church in Friona. The bride-elect is a 1990 graduate of Friona High School and graduated from Wayland Baptist University, Plainview, in 1994. She is currently employed as a supervision officer for the Community Supervision Department for Potter, Randall and Armstrong counties and resides in Amarillo. Graham is a 1992 graduate of Dighton High School and attended Wayland Baptist University. He is a senior student currently attending West Texas A&M University in Canyon majoring in music/education. He is employed at Boatmen's First National Bank in Amarillo.



RONDA MAREE YAKSICH

R. Yaksich Graduates At Raton

Ronda Maree Yaksich, daughter of Roderick and Mary Yaksich of Raton, New Mexico, will graduate from Raton High School on Sunday, May 14.

She was a member of the Student Council, National Honor Society, served as co-editor of the yearbook, played varsity volleyball, was in FFA, Band, Drill Team, Drama Club, Science Club, Key Club and Letterman's Club during her high school years.

While in high school, Ronda received several awards including Congressional Scholar, NMSU Regents Scholar, Junior Honor Guard, Principals Academic Award and several United States Achievement Academy Awards.

She plans to attend NMSU in Las Cruces this fall majoring in dietetics and computer technology.

Her grandparents are Minnie Knight and the late J.E. Knight of Friona and Pauline Yaksich of Raton.

Bob Clarks Have Girl

Bob and Celia Clark of Hereford are the parents of a baby girl born Saturday, May 6 at 10:10 a.m. at Hereford Regional Medical Center.

Named Kami Delight, she weighed eight pounds, eight and one-half ounces and measured twenty-two and one-half inches long.

Kami is the third child for the couple. They have two older sons, Peter, fifteen, and Paul, thirteen.

Grandparents are Bob and Bobbie Clark of Friona and Forrest and Nelda Guy Ricketts of Fort Worth.

Great-grandparents are Ethel Riley and Mary Ella Ricketts, all of Hereford.

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Town Talk

By JUNE FLOYD

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Wasn't our weekend moisture a blessing? Just about everyone I've talked to has expressed gratitude for it. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could get some more?

As I was returning from the Dallas area last week, I kept wishing I could share the beauty of the wild flowers blooming beside the highway with our readers. Bluebonnets, Indian Paintbrush, verbenas, buttercups and a large number of others which I did not recognize were blooming profusely all the way from Celeste to Estelline.

It would be nice if everyone could go on a wildflower tour, but if you can't do that, you might drive around Friona and see a lot of different blossoms. Some of the ones I observed after the early Saturday morning shower were irises on the west side of Tenth Street Church of Christ, poppies and bluebonnets in the yard of T.I. and Melba Burleson at the corner of Sixth Street and Etta Avenue and old fashioned purple lilacs in the back yard of the home of the A.L. Outlands at the corner of Washington and Fourteenth.

Glen and Ruth Stevick observed their Golden Wedding Anniversary at their home at 704 Summitt, Tuesday, without much fanfare. During a telephone conversation with Ruth that morning, she expressed their plans thusly: "All we plan to do today is to try to get rested after a hectic weekend, which was a lot of fun."

Their children, Janet LaFrance of Abilene, Texas; James Ray Stevick of Hereford; and Ronnie Stevick and Karen Harrelson, both of Friona, honored the couple with a progressive party Saturday evening.

Festivities began with dinner at K-Bob's in Hereford, which was also attended by Jerry and Judy LaFrance of Abilene and the following Frionans: Carolyn and Brook Stevick, Derick and D'nae Murphree, Mickey and Goldie Harrelson and Bill and Jeri Lynn White.

After dinner, the group returned to the Stevick home for anniversary cake, punch, coffee, tea and mints.

When Ruth and Glen first met, he was serving in the United States Armed Forces during World War II and was stationed near her home at Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

Later he was transferred to Fort Myers, Florida for a six week training session before beginning an overseas assignment. Originally they planned to get married May 8, but after fighting ceased, Glen was unable to leave the base until the following day.

Ruth reported, "At that time a one day delay wasn't any problem. We were so happy that the war was over and that Glen didn't have to go overseas that nothing else seemed important."

Glen grew up here and he and Ruth have lived here since his discharge from the Armed Forces.

Recent out-of-town guests in the home of Celia Dee Loflin have been an uncle and aunt, Mendil and Mildred Kohn, who live in Fort Worth.

One bit of good news this week is that little Bree Lynn White, who was born in Amarillo, February 2, was released from the hospital last Wednesday and is at her home in Canyon.

She's the daughter of Russell and Tara Shelton White and weighed less than two pounds at birth.

Her paternal grandparents, Ronnie and Barbara White, live in Hereford and Jerry and Beth Shelton, the maternal grandparents, live here as do three of her grandparents, Henry and Tootsie White and Ione Deaton.

Lois Weatherly returned home Saturday after an extended visit in Greenville, Texas and the surrounding area. She visited in the homes of her sister, Arvis Phillips, and several other relatives and friends.

Mary Ann Watson of Fort Stockton, Texas is a guest in the home of Thomas and Lisa Reed and children, Shayli, Sawyer and Stetson. Mrs. Watson is Lisa's mother.

Weekend visitors in the Reed

home were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Reed and daughter, Angie, who live in Groom; Donna Cattanco of Amarillo and Kyndal and Kaci Reed, who live in Claude.

One dozen members of the family of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ford Welch made their annual pilgrimage to Branson, Missouri last week.

Nelson, Lorraine, Louis and Mamie Lou Welch and Seva Struve went from here.

At different places between Friona and Branson, they were joined by Joe and Melba Brown of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Jack and Murna Miller, who live in Plainview; France and Novelene Welch of Dallas and Estella Johnston of Cypress, California.

Louie Welch of Houston, a double cousin of the Welches, and his wife, Helen, also joined the party.

Estella returned home with her siblings for a visit before returning to the west coast.

Several Friona ladies accompanied a group from Muleshoe Church of Christ to Branson recently. They returned home Wednesday after having been gone five days.

Those making the trip were Kathrine Blackburn, Anna Jo Blackburn, Gerry Taylor, Barbara Symank, Uldene Grimsley and Martha Rutherford.

If all the things I've been hearing are true, it seems that each of us should be planning a trip to this Missouri tourist attraction before the summer is over.

I'm sure that all of us who missed the Friday and Saturday night dinner theatre and program at the Community Center missed a special treat.

Several persons with whom I have visited attended both performances and thought the last one was superior to the first.

Merlene Orme and those who worked with her are to be commended for doing such a superb job as are all the performers who took part.

Doris Barnett recently returned home after spending a couple of weeks or so in Shreveport, Louisiana. She went down to welcome her newest grandson, Robert Kyle Barnett, Jr., into the family of Dr. and Mrs. Kyle Barnett.

The baby, who was born April 13, has one brother, John, who is eighteen months old.

While Doris was there, Wesley flew down for a long weekend visit. "Right now," Doris reports, "our grandchildren number four--half girls and half boys."

The couple's oldest son, Chris, who will be graduating from medical school early next month, and his wife, Renae, have two girls.

ATTENTION SENIOR CITIZENS...Next Tuesday will be the third one in this month, so remember the regularly scheduled noon covered dish luncheon at Friendship House.

Festivities will begin about 10 a.m. with a game session. Lunch will be served at 12 noon and the program will follow. An afternoon game session will conclude the day's activities.

Craig Hitchcock, assistant manager of PACO Feedyard, our "singing cowboy," who was featured in the Friona Follies, will sing.

A Tuesday afternoon report from Mary Joyce Barnett was another good news item. Her brother-in-law, Billy Dean Baxter, who lives south of town, was transported to Amarillo by ambulance Tuesday morning following an apparent heart attack.

After treatment was administered, it was determined that surgery would not be necessary at this time.

Local residents who knew Dave McReynolds when he was editor of the Friona Star--about thirty-five years ago, will be interested in knowing that he has recently retired.

He and his wife, Shirley, came here early in 1958 and stayed almost three years. At that time they had one son, David Franklin,

who was two or three. While they lived here, two more children, Tommy and Pam, were born.

The family went from Friona back to Central Texas, from which they came, but they were two of those persons who had worn out more than one pair of shoes in the Texas Panhandle and wanted to return.

After they purchased the Stratford Star, which they published about fifteen years, another daughter, Emily, was born.

For the past six years, McReynolds has been the executive director of Panhandle Area Alliance, a consortium of business and industry leaders across the Panhandle whose purpose was to promote and develop their respective communities.

Since his retirement, he and Shirley have embarked on a new career for each of them. They are sales representatives for New Canaan Farms, which has headquarters in Dripping Springs, Texas. This firm produces specialized Texas-made jellies, salsa and other products.

The couple has a motor home and will be covering West Texas and Eastern New Mexico.

Maybe they will see fit to come down and show their wares at our Christmas in November Bazaar this fall.

The reason Dave gave his employers for retiring went like

this: "I've been working all my life and have enjoyed every minute of it. However, I want to spend more time with my family and do some traveling."

Perhaps the state of Idaho will be included in the traveling part of his schedule. Tommy and his family have been in the northwest several years. He is a barber.

David Franklin is a teacher in the Boise City, Oklahoma school system. Pam and Emily are both married. Pam is also a teacher and is in the process of moving from Big Lake to Sherman. Emily lives in Amarillo and is employed by the prison.

Larry and Anita White and sons, Jason and Randy, who live in Lubbock, were weekend visitors in the homes of their parents and grandparents, Edward and Doris White and Richard and Lillie Mae Perkins.

Can you believe it is almost graduation time again? That means that it is time for each of you who has information about someone graduating to get in touch with a member of the Friona Star staff and report the details.

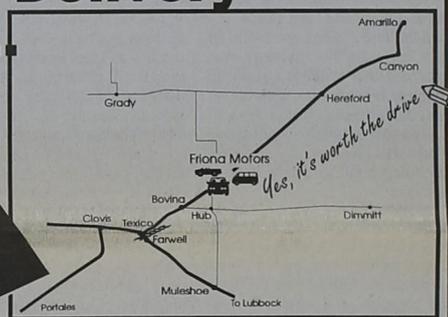
If you have pictures, we'd like to have them, too. However, don't let lack of a recent picture prevent you from getting the information to us.

We will be expecting to hear from you.



EDELIA RENTERIA and ANTONIO VILLALPANDO ...Francisco and Martina Dominguez of Friona announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their granddaughter, Edelia Renteria, to Antonio Villalpando of Dallas. His parents are Octavio and Maria Villalpando of Dallas. The couple will exchange wedding vows Saturday, June 3 at 12 noon in St. Matthews Catholic Church, 2021 New York Avenue, Arlington, Texas. The bride-elect is a 1989 graduate of Friona High School and is currently employed by American Airlines. The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Woodrow Wilson High School and is employed by Central Automatic Sprinkler.

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Montoyas Have Son

Melanie and Mark Montoya of Las Vegas, Nevada announce the birth of a son, Brennen Johnathon-Phillip, on Sunday, April 30, at 2:19 p.m. (Las Vegas time).

Brennen weighed four pounds, thirteen and one-half ounces and was eighteen and one-half inches long.

He has a sister, Brittany, age nine, and a brother, Blake, six years old.

Grandparents are Jo and John Blackwell and Inez and Phil Montoya, all of Friona.

Mrs. Johnnye Blackwell and Mr. and Mrs. John Parrack of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Matson of Shreveport, Louisiana, and Apolinario Moralez of Serafina, New Mexico are the great-grandparents.

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Understanding Mutual Fund Share Classes
The increasing variety of mutual fund share classes—each class charging sales fees differently—has become confusing to average investors. In response, the Investment Company Institute (the voice of the mutual fund industry) has approved guidelines for consistent, industry-wide descriptions of classes for future offerings of mutual fund shares.

Matthew P. Fink, president of the ICI, said, "The industry was concerned that without a uniform standard, the growing number of class designations would lead to confusion and hamper communication among shareholders, mutual funds, brokers and others."

Until recent years, sales charges for mutual fund shares were fairly standard. A no-load fund charged no up-front fee but could charge upon withdrawal. A load fund charged an up-front amount specified in the prospectus but did not charge for redemption.

As costs became more of an issue, different fund groups each began devising different ways to charge shareholders, allowing them to select whichever payment method they preferred. Under the new guidelines, classes of mutual fund shares that carry sales charges will be standardized into the following categories:

Class A shares can be purchased at the traditional offering price that includes the up-front sales charge specified in the prospectus. The usual discount for volume purchases will still apply.

Class B shares can be purchased at net asset value with no

up-front sales charge. The shares, however, may be subject to a contingent deferred sales charge (CDSC) if redeemed within a certain period of time (typically five or six years from purchase). The actual holding time may differ among funds. An annual distribution service fee also may apply for the same holding period. The Institute calls this "spread load."

Class C shares have neither an up-front nor back-end sales charge. Instead, a "level load" is applied by the fund, charging an annual distribution services fee. This typically amounts to about 1 percent of the fund's assets.

Class D shares are "hybrid level load." They are identical to Class C shares except that they may have a small up-front load in addition to the annual level load.

The guidelines also include two classes of shares that generally are not available to individual investors. Class Y shares will be sold to institutional investors, and Class Z shares are for employees of mutual fund companies.

The guidelines have been adopted to standardize the classes of shares, not to impose limits on sales fees. Such limits are regulated by the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD).

In selecting mutual funds, the most important considerations are your objectives and risk tolerance. However, be sure you understand the various classes of mutual fund shares so you know how the fees will be charged. There's always a cost to owning mutual funds. Now you can select the type of cost that best fits your investment strategy.

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