

Star Lites

By
Bill Ellis



New Ownership Is Announced For John Deere

MOST PEOPLE who are the age of Ye Editor (Carol told everyone what this age was recently) have been paying into Social Security ever since they got their first paycheck.

When Social Security was created, it mainly was seen as an "old age pension"--money the government would pay on a monthly basis to help people get by after they had retired, and no longer had a steady income.

This made sense in the early days. The small Social Security deduction from your weekly check wasn't missed--and you would eventually get it back anyway.

But somewhere along the way, something went terribly wrong with the Social Security setup. The U.S. Congress, in addition to having to deal with a national budget, is currently studying ways and means of reforming Social Security, in order to be sure that people like you and me will still be able to get a government check when we retire.

By the early 1960s, JFK's "New Frontier" and LBJ's "Great Society" had passed sweeping changes for Social Security to include various welfare awards.

In the intervening years, a veritable welfare state has been created in our country. At least two generations have grown up, being subsidized by yours and my payroll deductions. Able-bodied men and women have been paid enough welfare that there was no sense in working. Just take your monthly government check--why work?

In addition, the government decided that unmarried women with young children needed a helping hand from the SS. We suppose this seemed the humane thing to do at first. What it created, however, is an entire group of baby-producers, paid to have illegitimate children--the more children, the bigger the government check.

At one time, the number of people receiving money from the U.S. government was outnumbered by the wage-earners (taxpayers) by something like 15 to one. This percentage has been dropping like a balloon with a pin-hole, until it currently is like 2.5 to 1.

In addition to the "retirement pensions," the government decided to invent Medicare, where retirees could receive considerable assistance from government coffers for their medical expenses.

The bad thing about many of these programs is that many people reaching retirement age were eligible for the checks, having contributed little or nothing themselves. And now we learn that illegal aliens can somehow qualify for assistance from the U.S. government--where in some cases life-long residents cannot.

When the "baby boomers" start drawing government checks, where is all of this money going to come from?

This is the question facing our leaders, and it's a big problem.

But in our estimation, the possible overhaul of the Social Security program is just one facet that needs to be explored.

Just as important, we believe, is the need to go over federally-funded programs with a fine-toothed comb. We'd be willing to bet that 75 per cent of the money being doled out to various segments of our population would be stopped in a heartbeat if the power to stop them were invested in our taxpayers.

And why shouldn't this decision be made by we taxpayers? We have the names, addresses and phone numbers of our elected representatives. Maybe it's not too late to make an effort

(Continued on Page 2)

An ownership change for Friona and Parmer County's John Deere dealership has been announced.

Texas Equipment Co., Inc. of Seminole is the new owner of the dealership, purchasing it from Joe and Harold Thompson of Abernathy. Paul Condit of Seminole is the president and CEO of Texas Equipment.

Jerry Barton has been named manager of the Friona implement house. He comes to Friona from Lamesa, where he lived for the past 15 years. He farmed and ran Bray Implement Co. at Lamesa.

"We plan to move here and become permanent residents," Barton said. His wife Linda is an executive secretary for Norwest Bank in Lubbock. The Bartons have three grown children.

"We're going to re-build the local dealership, and will offer a full line of equipment, as well as a qualified service department. In the past two weeks, we have increased our staff at Friona from five full-time and one part-time to 11 full time and three part-time," Barton said.

The additional employees include four additional mechanics for the service department.

In addition to the Friona implement house, Texas Equipment also purchased the

assets of John Deere dealerships in Hereford and Dimmitt. The three-pronged deal amounted to \$3.2 million in cash and notes. The acquisition includes the buildings and real estate of the Dimmitt and Hereford dealerships. Texas Equipment will lease the Friona facility from a third party.

Texas Equipment also acquired the dealerships' parts and equipment inventories for \$2.5 million.

"These acquisitions are an exciting step in Texas Equipment's strategy to become a major consolidator in the farm equipment business," Condit said.

Texas Equipment has served West Texas farmers through locations in Pecos, Seminole and Plains for 23 years. Their southern area is a big producer of cotton, peanuts and other crops.

"The addition of these new markets brings additional diversification to our business," Condit said. "They cushion us against local crop pricing fluctuations in sales. These new locations serve an area which is among the state's highest cash volume producer of corn, cotton, wheat, sugar beets and other crops," the new owner concluded.

Texas Equipment is the first John Deere dealership to be publicly traded.



NEW AT JOHN DEERE....Jerry Barton, center, is the new manager of Friona's John Deere dealership, coming to Parmer County from Lamesa. Kevin Taylor, left, is shop foreman, and Chris Timms is sales manager. Texas Equipment Co., Inc. is the new owner of the implement dealership. (More details in accompanying news article, and advertisement inside this issue).

Spud Supper Set Friday February 7

Panhandle Day Plans Are Made

The Friona Noon Lion's Club will host a baked potato supper on Friday, February 7, at the high school cafeteria, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The supper will precede the Friona-River Road basketball games.

Menu will consist of baked potato with all the trimmings, salad, dessert, coffee or tea.

Cost is \$3 per person.

Basketball Tryouts Set February 8

Friona Youth Basketball will be holding tryouts on Saturday, February 8 at the High School Gymnasium for boys and girls in the third through sixth grades.

The tryout schedule is as follows: third and fourth graders, 9-10 a.m.; fifth and sixth graders, 10-11 a.m.

For more information, contact Loy McLellan at 247-3825.

FOR HOSPITAL Xmas Fund Buys New Mattresses

Project Christmas Card, which was sponsored during the Christmas season by the Modern Study Club and The Friona Star, raised \$3682.91, according to Mary Lou Taylor, spokesperson for the club.

A late donor not included on the greeting was Mr. and Mrs. Billy Gene Zachary.

The 1996 fund was designated to purchase new mattresses for the hospital beds. Hospital administrator Bill Neely said the amount raised would purchase 18 mattresses at a price of \$204 each.

Some of the mattresses had been in use for a number of years. "It was time they were replaced," Neely commented.

It was hoped that the fund could purchase 24 mattresses, but Neely said he was happy to be able to replace 18. Good quality mattresses will be bought, so that the new ones can hopefully last as long as the old ones. Some of these had been in use for 17 years.

The 1996 Project Christmas Card's total raised was about \$335 less than it raised in '95. This was the 41st year for the project, which has now raised over \$114,500 to assist the hospital.

"We certainly appreciate the club, and everyone who took part in the project," Neely said.

Chieftain Issue Now On Sale

The Friona Star's Chieftain Football souvenir edition, "Hail to the Chiefs," is now on sale Saturday at the Star office and Bi-Wize Drug.

The special issue contains 18 tabloid pages, printed on book stock paper (similar to the 1995 tornado issue). Also included will be a special page in full-color of photos taken at Sweetwater and Irving.

Note: the first 100 people to purchase copies of the issue at the Friona Star office next week will receive a copy of the 1995 Tornado issue FREE.

Seven photographers contributed pictures to the edition. There are over 65 photos in the edition, most of which had not previously been published.

All of the team's record 15 games have been capsulized, with additional space allotted to the five playoff games. Included also is a complete rundown of the team's season statistics.

In addition, statistician Bill Ellis has compiled a list of the top game records for all of Friona's playoff games, from the 1952 team to the '96 Chieftains. Players from five decades are ranked in the various categories.

Cost of the special edition is \$5 each. Copies will be mailed by adding \$1 postage for each issue. There is no

advertising in the issue.

This special edition has been over a month in preparation and assembling. "We feel that everyone who has ever played or followed Friona football will enjoy having a copy of "Hail to the Chiefs," says editor Bill Ellis. This is the most comprehensive football documentary ever published on Friona football.

Your 1996 Chieftain scrapbook won't be complete without this issue. It draws on some 45 years of local grid records.

Valentine Page Set Next Week

Area residents are being reminded of the Friona Star's annual Valentine photo page which is coming up next week. Deadline for bringing photos to the Star office is Monday Feb. 10 by 5 p.m.

Parents, grandparents and sweethearts may place photos and/or Valentine messages to their kids, grandkids, and other loved ones on the Valentine page for \$10.00 per photo. More than three persons in a picture will cost a little more. All photos will be returned unharmed.

For those who wish to send a message to a special someone without a photo, the cost will be \$6.00 for a two inch space.



MONEY FOR MATTRESSES....Mary Lou Taylor represents the Modern Study Club and the Friona Star, sponsors of Project Christmas Card, as she presents a check to Parmer County Hospital administrator Bill Neely. See story for details. (Ron Carr Photo)

Reservations are on a "first come, first serve basis."

Deadline for reservations is February 18. No refunds after February 11.

A specific agenda will be mailed when reservations are made.

Special Day Set Aside For Sr. Parents

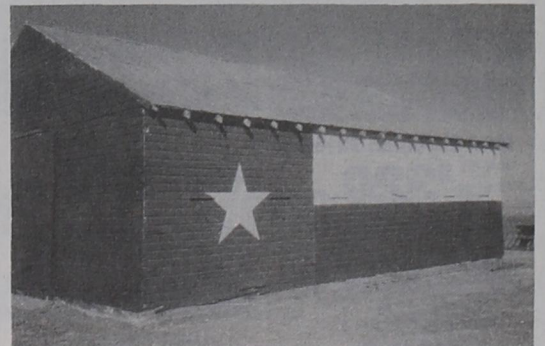
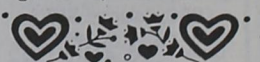
Please mark Monday, February 3 on your calendars if you need help or information for your senior's future education.

Representatives from the Panhandle-Plains Higher Education Authority will be at Friona High School from 8:15 a.m.-3:45 p.m. Monday, February 3.

They will be available to help you with questions you might have about filling out the FAFSA form or acquiring student loans. The representatives are quite knowledgeable about all aspects of financial aid for college. One of the representatives will be bilingual if interpretation is needed.

A packet of informational materials that includes the Free Application for Federal Student Aid will be available for seniors and parents who have not already picked these up. In addition, a 25 minute video entitled "Paying for College I" and an 18 minute video entitled "Paying for College II" will be shown to interested parents throughout the day.

If you have any questions, you can contact Kitty Gallman at Friona High School, 247-3951.



BARN IN TEXAS....People traveling through the Hub intersection may slow down and salute these days. This barn, which belongs to Rene Snead, was in need of painting. So Gary Snead and sons Charlie and Josh spent part of the Christmas holidays sprucing the place up with a Texas flag on one side. Planning and engineering? By Kay and Holly Snead. (Ron Carr Photo)

Friona Flashbacks

...from the files of The Friona Star

70 Yrs Ago-Feb. 4, 1927
On Saturday, February 5, the four basketball teams of Parmer County will go to Portales, New Mexico and hold a basketball tournament in order to decide the county championship. The four teams are Friona, Bovina, Farwell and Oklahoma Lane.

Various reasons make it necessary for this arrangement. One is that the championship game must be played on an indoor court. Friona is the only school in the county with an indoor court, and it is claimed by the other teams that it is not regulation size.

65 Yrs Ago-Feb. 5, 1932
Some citizens not on the city water mains have expressed their desire of having the mains extended to their premises. The city would be happy to do so, except the city finances are so low as to make this move absolutely impossible at the present time. However, any citizen wishing to bear the expense may be supplied with water, and the funds would be returned in the form of free water until the amount should be taken up.

55 Yrs Ago-Feb. 6, 1942
Editor John W. White was ill this week, and readers of The Friona Star can thank Mr. W.L. Edelman and 18 members of his high school journalism class for getting the paper out on short notice. Those assisting were June Maurer, Bobby Blackwell, Truett Johnson, Mary Jo Anderson, Gertrude Short, Melba Welch, Wilton Lillard, John Lee Weis, Nancy Shackelford, Ray Hurst, Clara Rector, LaMuriel Rury, Dale Treider, Lester Lee Hill, Bud Coffman, Webster Johnson, Dorothy Fangman, and Glen Stevick.

45 Yrs Ago- Jan 31, 1952
Dudley Green and Archie Scott of Hereford are now the sole owners and operators of the Friona Motor Company here, dealers in Ford tractors, Ford parts and Dearborn farm equipment.

Friona merchants are meeting tonight for discussion of a Retail Credit Association to serve the locality.

40 Yrs Ago-Jan. 31, 1957
Participants in a suit between the City of Friona and Paul Strickland had just as well turn the calendar back. The plaintiffs and defendants are right back where they started months ago for the Strickland Shamrock Station, which is on Highway 60. The city was seeking to obtain right-of-way for the state, which has since completed four-laning the highway through the city. The case has been before the Texas Supreme Court, after having been to county court and a court of appeals.

30 Yrs Ago-Feb. 2, 1967
A group of Friona citizens interested in having a bowling establishment in Friona met Monday night at the Friona State Bank's Community Room, and organized a fund-raising drive to finance the establishment of a new recreational facility. The group is forming a corporation, and is in the process of selling stock at \$100 per share.

25 Yrs Ago- Feb. 2, 1972
Murder and suicide was the ruling Monday after Mr. and Mrs. Margarito Cuellar were found dead at their home a mile and one-half west of Summerfield Monday morning. "It looked like the man shot his wife and then killed himself," Lovelace said. Both were shot in the head and were lying on the bed in their bedroom. The shooting happened about 9 a.m. Monday.

20 Yrs Ago-Feb. 6, 1977
A.L. Black of Friona is to receive one of four top awards

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for outstanding contributions to conservation of natural resources at the annual meeting of the National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) in Atlanta February 6-10.

Construction is well underway on the nine-mile stretch of road between Hub and Clay's Corner on State Highway 214.

15 Yrs Ago-Jan. 31, 1982
At the annual Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture banquet Thursday night, Friona's finest citizens were honored. Tom Jarboe and Celia Loflin were named man and woman of the year. Ruth Tucker and Nancy Edelman were named employee and teacher of the year. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Parson were named as family of the year. Sunny Horton and Andy Fleming were named outstanding young people of the year.

10 Yrs Ago-Jan. 31, 1987
Friona High School won second place in the sweepstakes at the Canyon High School Speech Tournament January 24.

Funeral services for Sloan H. Osborn, 85, were held Friday, January 30 at 2 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church of Friona, with Rev. Archie Echols, pastor and Rev. Gary Brogden, associate pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating.

5 Yrs Ago-Feb. 1, 1992
Parmer County telephone subscribers will be able to access 9-1-1 beginning February 13. The Parmer County 9-1-1 system is one of 23 planned systems to be implemented across the Panhandle of Texas.

Monty Schueler, Friona FFA member, was the proud owner of the Hampshire lamb that was named breed champion and later Grand Champion of the 1992 Parmer County Junior Livestock Show.

County Pulls Together For T. Travis Family

Tuesday, January 28 the home of Terry, Nedda and Candice Travis of Farwell, was destroyed by fire. No one was hurt in the blaze. Terry, a farmer, was at a state federal crop meeting at College Station, Nedda was at work at the Parmer County ASCS office and Candice, a junior, was at Farwell High School.

A fund has been set up at Security State Bank for the family. Contributions can be made at the bank or by mail: Security State Bank, Drawer J Farwell, Texas 79325. For more information, call the FSA office at 481-3311.

A community shower is also being held to help the family start over, Sunday, February 2 at the Farwell Community Center from 3 p.m. until 5 p.m. Friends and concerned citizens are welcome to drop by any time during the shower.

Selections for the family are at J.C. Penney's and Walmart in Clovis and Hughes True Value in Farwell. A money tree will also be available for contributions and will be given to the family at the closing of the shower. For more information on the shower, call Rhonda Kirkland at 481-9513.

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to bring a common-sense approach to retirement and/or welfare programs.

If this type of approach isn't done, then those of us who have paid hundreds upon thousands of our tax dollars to a government that has an insatiable appetite

when it came to doling out our dollars, may hear the words "Sorry, Charlie!" when it comes our time to collect a pension, after a lifetime of paying into the system.

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Misty Renner, Jason Hightower Are United In Church Ceremony

Misty Dianne Renner and Jason Ray Hightower were united in a double ring ceremony December 21 at the Gateway Church of Christ in Ruidoso, New Mexico.

The marriage was conducted by Clefthon Pritchett.

Parents of the couple are Conrad and Susan Renner of Friona and Steve and Ellen Hightower of Ruidoso, New Mexico.

The church was decorated with ficus trees illuminated with tiny white lights. White candles on brass candlesticks of various sizes accented the altar.

As the bride was given in marriage by her father, she wore a candlelight sparkle organza gown. The bodice featured a jewel neckline with alencon lace studded with pearls and pearl clusters. Pearl buttons accented the center back of the gown. The long tapered sleeves were appliqued and were accented with pearl buttons at the wrists.

The full organza skirt was decorated with three narrow satin ribbons around the hemline of the semi cathedral length train.

She carried a bouquet consisting of a dozen miniature white roses accented with baby's breath and greenery.

The groom wore a black tuxedo with an ivory cummerbund and bow tie.

Christie Renner, sister-in-



Mr. and Mrs. Jason Hightower

law of the bride, served as matron of honor.

Sam Ruiz of Lubbock served as best man.

A reception followed the ceremony in the reception hall of the church.

The bride's cake was a two tiered Italian cream with cream cheese frosting. A Precious Moments bride and groom figurine topped the cake.

The groom's cake was a chocolate bundt cake with

chocolate icing.

Punch, nuts and mints were also served at the reception.

Following a wedding trip to Cloudcroft, New Mexico, the couple is making their home in Lubbock.

He is a senior at Lubbock Christian University and is employed by Chem Dry by Top Job.

The bride is employed by Barcelona Court Hotel and Relay Texas.

Out Here

By RON CARR



"Come to Orlando...Bring Money!"

Back in my travel agent days, this saying was an inside joke in the travel industry. We always thought it would have been a good motto for the Orlando Chamber of Commerce.

I was reminded about Disney World and money after the Super Bowl game. Disney pays a star player, in this case Desmond Howard of the Packers, to answer the question, "Hey Desmond, now that you were the Most Valuable Player in the Super Bowl, and the Packers won the big one, and the football season is finally over, what are you going to do now?"

For saying "I'm going to Disney World", star player is paid around \$100,000.

In Desmond Howard's case, that is almost half as much as he made for the entire season.

"Come to Orlando...Bring Money" typifies the "sticker shock" most families suffer when they start planning their vacation at Disney World in Orlando, Florida.

Disney is in the midst of a 25th anniversary celebration. The Magic Kingdom Park officially opened on October 1, 1971. At the time, there was the Magic Kingdom Park and two hotels, the Polynesian and the Contemporary.

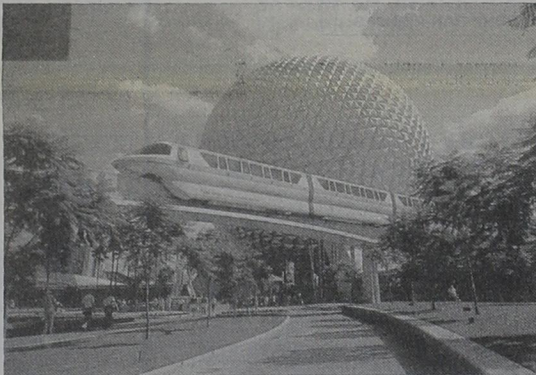
Both of the hotels are still there, along with several thousand others now. There are more attractions in the Orlando/Disney area than you can see in a week, so plan your vacation accordingly.

And take money. Lots of it. An "all park" 5-day pass will cost nearly \$200 per person, but if you purchase entry tickets to all the attractions a la carte (French for separate price for each item on the menu) it would cost even more to have fun.

The Polynesian and Contemporary Hotels are still there. The Contemporary is the one with the Disney monorail running through the lobby.

But there are many other Disney hotels now, from the very expensive Grand Floridian Beach Resort, to such hotel clusters as the Boardwalk, Caribbean Beach, Dixie Landings, etc.

The new Wilderness Lodge is a deluxe 728-room resort reminiscent of the great National Park Service lodges built in the early 1900s. Standard rooms are \$159-\$270 in the off season, \$174-



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\$290 in season.

Want to get married at Disney? Lots of people do. About 1700 weddings take place each year. Cost? Although they can range from \$2,300 to \$90,000, the average cost of a Disney Fairy Tale wedding with 100 guests hovers around \$17-19,000.

You can even have a bachelor party at Disney, but I'm not sure how many of the guys would want Mickey Mouse at a bachelor party. Maybe Cinderella or Pochahontas, but not Mickey and Donald Duck.

More Disney facts: * Epcot's Spaceship Earth weighs 16 million pounds--equal in weight to 158 million golf balls, and it can be spotted by aircraft flying along the Eastern Coast of Florida.

*When it opens in spring of 1998, Disney's Animal Kingdom will encompass 500 acres making it the largest theme park. The centerpiece will be the Tree of Life, 14 stories high and 50 feet wide at its trunk. The Animal Kingdom will house more than 1,000 live animals.

*The Twilight Zone Tower of Terror at the Disney-MGM Studios is Walt Disney World's tallest theme park attraction. Anything taller would have required airplane warning lights.

*In the name of physical safety (i.e. liability) and cleanliness, there are no toothpicks available from Disney restaurants, and chewing gum is not sold

inside any Disney Theme Park.

*Also in 1998, Disney will launch its own cruise line with two 85,000-ton ships, the Disney Magic and Disney Wonder. To go along with their cruises, Disney bought Gorda Cay (pronounced "key"), a 1,000-acre private island in the Bahamas, which they will rename "Disney's Castaway Cay". It is a private experience for Disney's Cruise passengers.

Best of all, Disney World/Orlando is no longer just a family resort. In fact Disney says that the percentage of "adults only" spending their vacation at Disney World is growing each year.

I have been to Disney World many times over the years. Seen it grow, expand, and get more expensive too. But who cares. It is fantasy and good clean entertainment. If you are thinking about Disney World as a vacation, give me a call. I will be glad to tell you what I know.

And here is another piece of travel trivia: The largest passenger ship to transit the Panama Canal is Princess Cruises' Sun Princess, on its way from Alaska to Florida. It barely squeezed through. The transit toll for this shortcut through the Canal was \$156,450.

"Come to Orlando...Bring Money!"

P.S. "Nothing big ever came from being small". Can you identify who said this and when and where? Bye now!

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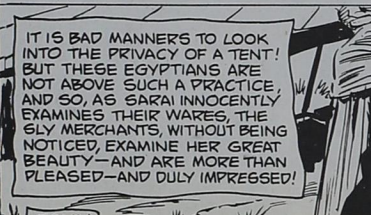
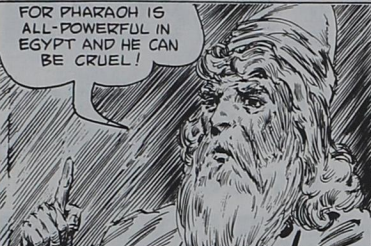
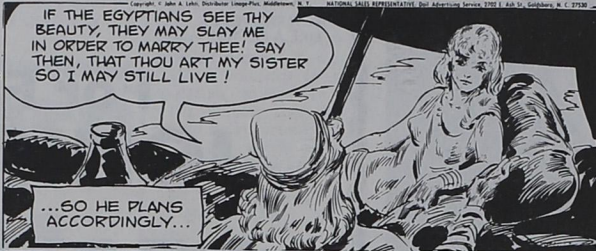
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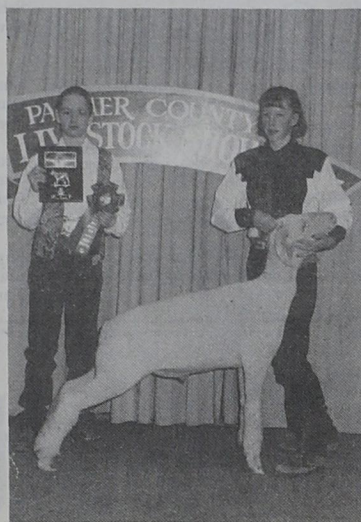
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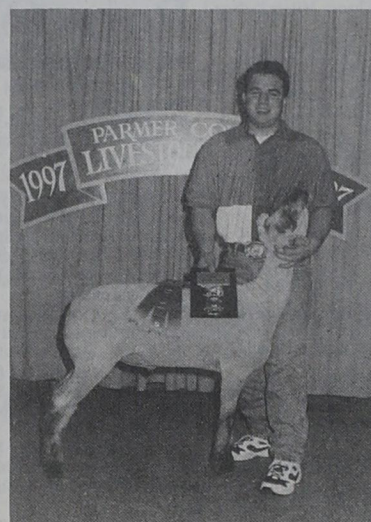
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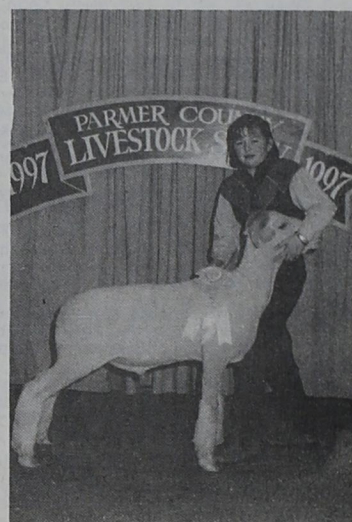
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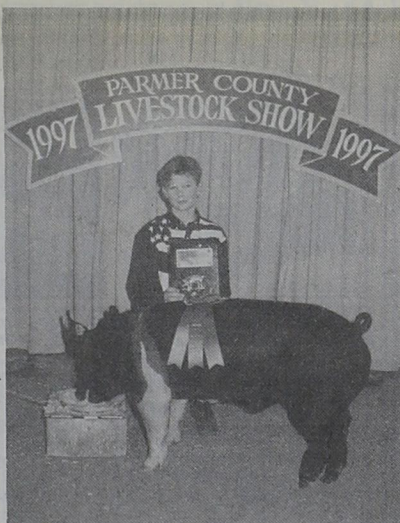
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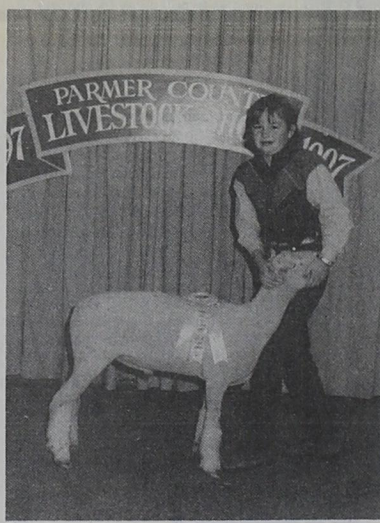
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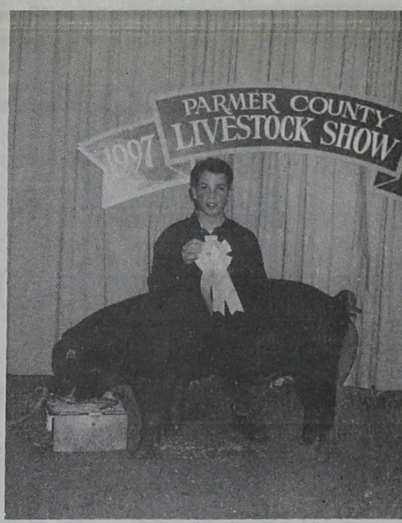
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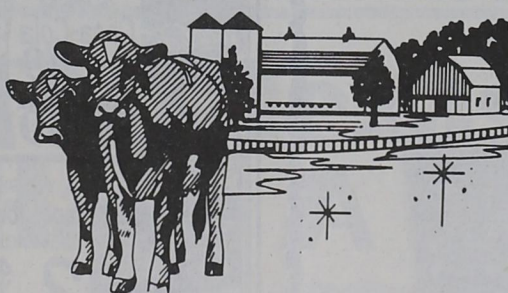
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Chieftains Split Pair In District

The Chieftain basketball team split their two district games in the past week, as second half play in District 1-3A began.

On Friday, the team travelled to Fritch, where they scored a 74-64 win over the Eagles. Then on Tuesday, the Chiefs went to Tulia to meet the state-ranked Hornets, and suffered a 65-39 loss.

In the Friday game, the Chieftains broke out with an outstanding first quarter.

Kyle Grimsley sank three baskets, Aaron King and Angel Vega each made two field goals, as the Chiefs grabbed a 20-5 lead.

Although the Eagles responded with a good second quarter with 22 points, the Chieftains continued to click, scoring 16 themselves. Friona went to halftime with a 36-27 lead.

David Shelby, King and Vega came out with timely baskets in the third quarter, as Friona continued in control, 50-40.

Then, when the Eagles were forced to foul late in the game, the Chieftains hit their free throws (for a change!), making six of seven in the final quarter to seal the win.

King led with 18 points;

Vega had 14, Grimsley and Charlie Milner 12 apiece. David Shelby scored 10.

When the Chieftains and Tulia Hornets hooked up earlier in the month at Friona, the Chiefs ran up a nine-point lead in the third quarter over the number-two ranked Hornets.

Friona didn't get that good of a start at Tulia, making only three baskets in the first quarter as Tulia racked up a 19-7 lead.

King hit a two and a three-point basket, but Friona fell behind, 36-15 at the half.

Only late in the game did the Chieftain offense score some points, but it came too late. King led the scoring with 14 points--the only Friona player over ten for the game. The loss left the Chieftains 4-1 in district play.

CHIEFS 74, S-F 64

Aaron King 7-4-18; Shane Blackburn 1-0-2; Angel Vega 7-0-14; Quint Ellis 2-0-4; Justin Daniel 1-0-2; Kyle Grimsley 6-0-12; David Shelby 5-0-10; Charlie Milner 5-2-12; Eric McInroe 0-0-0.

Tulia 65, CHIEFS 39

King 2-3*1-14; Blackburn 0-0-0; Vega 1*-0-3; Ellis 2-1*-1-8; Daniel 0-3-3; Grimsley 3-0-6; Shelby 0-0-0; Milner 1-2-4; McInroe 0-1-1.

*3-point baskets.

Panhandle Hall Of Fame To Honor Coach Morton

The Texas Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame will induct three prominent sports figures from this area during ceremonies at 2 p.m. Sunday, February 2 in Ordway Auditorium at Amarillo College. The public is invited to attend.

The three new Hall of Fame inductees for 1996 are Allene J. Stovall of Canyon, Freida Rousseau Altman of Tulia and Junior Coffey of Seattle, Washington, and formerly of Dimmitt.

Friona High School will share in the limelight when Coach James Morton is recognized as the area's 1996 Coach of the Year for football. Morton, in his fifth year coaching the Chieftains, led Friona to the Class 3A state semi-finals and a school-best record of 13-2.

The 39th annual event, co-sponsored by the Amarillo YMCA and the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce Sports Committee, will also recognize outstanding athletes and coaches for 1996, as well as some area teams with exceptional achievements.



FREE SHOOTIN' SQUAWS.....Concentration and follow through make for good free throw percentages. Shown in recent games practicing their art are Amber Martin (24), left, and Rachel Burleson (14). Burleson suffered a "two-stitch" cut over her right eye during action against Muleshoe.

(Ron Carr Photos)

Squaws Split In Pair Of Contests

Friona High School's Squaws won and lost in their district games of the past week.

The Squaws scored a 45-33 win over Dalhart last Friday, but came home to lose to Muleshoe, 42-27 on Tuesday.

Both teams started slowly in the game at Dalhart. Amber Martin had a three-point basket for the Squaws, and Jamie Stokes and Sheri Fiel scored baskets. Dalhart led, 10-7 at the end of the quarter.

Tammy Spencer scored a pair of baskets, one from three-point range, in the second quarter. Teammate Jamie Stokes was four for four at the free throw line, and Sandra Gonzales was three for four, as Friona took a 22-19 lead.

April Pope and Amber Martin each had three-pointers in the third quarter, as Friona continued to lead, 32-26.

Miss Spencer rang the bell with two more "treys," and Miss Gonzales also got a bonus basket in the fourth quarter, allowing the Squaws to pull away for the win.

Three-pointers were definitely the difference. Friona scored seven three-pointers for 21 points. Dalhart didn't have a single one. The Squaws scored one more three-pointer than they did two-pointers.

Miss Spencer led scoring with 11 and Miss Pope had nine.

Their game against Muleshoe on Tuesday was a bad experience. Kristen Nichols of the Lady Mules had a ten-point opening quarter.

SQUAWS 45, Dalhart 33

April Pope 1-1*-4-9; Sandra Gonzales 1*-3-6; Rachel Burleson 1-1-3; Christina Santellana 1-0-2; Amber Martin 2*-0-6; Whitney Ellis 0-0-0; Jamie Stokes 1-4-6; Sheri Fiel 1-0-2; Tammy Spencer 1-3*-0-11.

MHS 42, SQUAWS 27

Pope 1-1*-1-6; A. Martin 0-3-3; Ellis 0-1-1; Stokes 3*-0-6; Fiel 2-0-4; Spencer 2*-0-6.

pace her team to a 14-5 lead.

For the second quarter in a row, the team could score only two baskets, and Muleshoe captured a 22-12 halftime lead. Miss Spencer warmed up with a pair of second-half three-point baskets, but Muleshoe outscored the team 20-15, to take the win.

Stokes, Spencer and April Pope each scored six points for the Squaws.

GOOD YEAR GOING

Squaws JV Wins W'face Tourney

The FHS Squaws' junior varsity continued its winning season by capturing the title at the Whiteface JV tournament January 16-18.

The Friona team downed the team from Meadow, 48-2 in their opening round. Crystal Dow scored 13 points to pace the Squaws.

In the second round, Friona won by the eye-opening score of 70-0. Robin Grantham scored 12 points. Leslie Fiel, Sarah Hendley and Crystal Dow each scored ten.

"Did you press full-court?" we asked the coaches. "Not really. Those two teams just really weren't very good. And Meadow only had

five girls on their roster," said Coaches Connie Comer and Richard North. Every player saw lots of action, and every player scored against Meadow, with all but two scoring against Wellman.

The competition warmed up in the tournament's final two rounds. The JV Squaws downed Ropes, 49-20 in the semi-finals. Crystal Dow led Friona with 12 points.

Friona had to turn things up a notch to down Whiteface, 35-32 in the finals. VLynda Wilcox led the scoring with 12 points.

SQUAWS JV 48, Meadow 2
Diamond Aguirre 2-0-4; Ruby Aronce 1-1*-0-5; Belen Torres 0-0-0; Leslie Fiel 2-0-4; Sarah Hendley 1-0-2; Crystal Dow 6-1-13; Robin Grantham 3-0-6; Chris Rodriguez 1-0-2; Jamille Hand 2-2-6; Courtney Clark 1-0-2; VLynda Wilcox 1-2-4.

SQUAWS JV 70 Wellman 0

Aguirre 1-0-2; Aronce 3-0-6; S. Fiel 5-0-10; Hendley 5-0-10; Dow 5-0-10; Grantham 6-0-12; Rodriguez 4-0-8; Clark 1-2-4; Wilcox 4-0-8.

SQUAWS JV 49, Ropes 20
Aguirre 0-4-4; Aronce 1-0-2; Torres 4-0-8; L. Fiel 2-1-5; Hendley 1-1-3; Dow 5-2-12; Grantham 4-0-8; Rodriguez 1-0-2; Hand 0-3-3; Wilcox 1-0-2.

SQUAWS JV 35 Whiteface 32
L. Fiel 1-1-3; Hendley 1-0-2; Dow 4-0-8; Grantham 2-0-4; Rodriguez 1-2-4; Hand 1-0-2; Wilcox 6-0-12. *3-point basket.

Basketball Results

FRIONA TOURNAMENT

Seventh Boys 21, Bovina 15
Leading scorers: David Orozco, 10; Frank Dominguez, 5; Daniel Perkins, 2; Cody Williams, 2; Fabian Flores, 2. Record: 1-5.

Seventh Boys 17, Farwell 37
Leading scorers: Fabian Flores, 6; Cody Williams, 4; Frank Dominguez, 4; Bobby Faires, 2; Osualdo Almager, 1. Record: 1-6.

Seventh Boys 25, Tulia 37
Leading scorers: Martin Orozco, 7; Fabian Flores, 6; Osualdo Almager, 5; Frank Dominguez, 4; Trent Hunt, 2; Trevor Fields, 1. Record: 1-7.

The Friona seventh grade boys team won the second place trophy at the Friona Tournament.

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QUARTERBACK ACTION—Runningback Andy Kendrick is shown clearing a path for QB David Shelby in the third quarter. (Ron Carr photo)

FLAG STARS—The flag corps of the FHS Band are caught with their flags in Friona's 28-13 win over Alamo in the state quarterfinal. (Photo by Ron Carr)

TD CATCH—Angel Vega (22) doesn't drop the ball. He caught 11 TD passes during the game at Texas Stadium. (Ron Carr & Stan Zito)

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Farm Bureau Brings Program To Schools

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"Agriculture in the Classroom" was developed to teach children where their food and fiber come from. Farm Bureau members have made education a priority because every person in Texas is affected by agriculture.

Kindergarten through fourth grade teachers in the Friona Independent School District will be using the materials provided by the Parmer County Farm Bureau to teach lessons on agricultural history, economics, geography, ecology and the future of agriculture as a supplement to their standard curriculums. The series of lessons is designed to teach students about the role agriculture plays in all our lives.

Through a cooperative effort of the Friona Chamber of Commerce Agriculture Development Committee and the Friona School system, "Agriculture in the Classroom" was implemented into the curriculum in 1996.

To promote this program, the Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring an "Agriculture in the Classroom" Fair Day on February 6, 1997 at the Community Center from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Students in grades kindergarten-fourth will be taking guided tours of agriculture-related displays. The public is welcome.

The Parmer County Farm Bureau hopes that Texans will learn from the "Agriculture in the Classroom" program some of the processes of the food chain and how the farmer fits into the economy of Texas.

Applicator Training

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Texas Department of Agriculture will be offering training and testing for private applicator licenses on Monday, February 3 at the Littlefield Ag and Community Center.

Training will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will last three hours. At 1 p.m., testing will begin and be provided by James Esty with TDA.



CAKE WINNER....Two prizes were given in a drawing at Open House of the new Back To Country Crafts and Deli last Saturday. Judy Cummings is pictured with the decorated Super Bowl cake which she won. Juanita Carrasco won the cheese and ham tray.

Muleshoe Title Won By Braves

Eighth Boys 27, Olton 23

Scorers: Joseph Bustos, 14; Logan Spencer, 3; Michael Ortiz, 2; Cason White, 2; Josh Burleson, 2; Jared Buske, 2; Jerry Garcia, 2.

Eighth Boys 29, Plains 41

Scorers: Joseph Bustos, 12; Josh Burleson, 9; Charlie Saiz, 2; Aaron Hendrickson, 2; Jared Buske, 2; Jerry Garcia, 2.

8th Boys 40, Muleshoe 33

Scorers: Joseph Bustos, 19; Josh Burleson, 6; Jared Buske, 6; Jerry Garcia, 5; Michael Ortiz, 2; Aaron Hendrickson, 2.

Team finished 2-1 in tournament and won the tournament following a tie-breaker game between Plains and Muleshoe.

"The eighth grade boys played their best basketball game of the year in the tournament's final game." Coach Sid Whiteley commented.

8th Boys 25, Muleshoe 38

Scorers: Cason White, 7; Joseph Bustos, 6; Jared Buske, 4; Michael Ortiz, 2; J'Lond Jarecki, 2; Logan Spencer, 2; Josh Burleson, 2.

The team's final game of the season will be against Dimmitt next Monday.

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P. Hendersons Have Baby Girl

Paul and Leslie Henderson of Plainview are the parents of a baby girl born at 4:02 p.m. on January 21.

The new arrival was named Mikayla Beth. She weighed seven pounds, two ounces.

Grandparents are J. and Gay Henderson of Plainview and N. Dean and Agatha Johnson of Nazareth.

Great-grandparents are Jim and Erlene Henderson of Plainview and "Pam-Pa" Bob and Lydia Wyley of Friona.

Mrs. Gabe Wright of Wellington, Texas is the child's great-grandmother.

Leslie Johnson was a former teacher in the Friona School system.

Rena Mason Is On Dean's List

Rena Mason of Friona has been named to the Dean's List at Lubbock Christian University for the fall semester of 1996.

In order to be considered a part of the Dean's List, a student must be taking a minimum of 12 semester hours and achieve a 3.5 grade point average or better for the entire semester. Mason earned a perfect record of 4.0.

During the fall semester, 25 per cent of LCU's students were named to the list.

CTTC(SW) Joe Lafuente Receives NATO Medal

CTTC(SW) Joe Lafuente received the NATO Medal for Service with NATO on Operations in Relation to the Former Yugoslavia.

Chief Lafuente was in direct support to the NATO Airborne Early Warning Force under Operational control in Operation "Deny Flight," and ships assigned to Operations "Maritime Monitor," "Maritime Guard" and "Sharp Guard."

Chief Lafuente is assigned

to the Supreme Allied Commander, Atlantic as electronics intelligence chief analyst. He was responsible for providing comprehensive data of all known non-communication electromagnetic emitters that were expected to be intercepted by the members of the NATO Alliance.

Lafuente is a 1977 graduate of Friona High School. His spouse, Anita, and daughters, Felicia and Natasha, reside in Friona. He plans to retire from the Navy in July 1997 and make Friona his home.

Parmer Co. Pen Pals In Bosnia

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FHS Students Compete In Hereford Meet

The Hereford Speech Tournament was held January 18 with eighteen schools participating.

The Friona speech team tied for second place in the meet with Muleshoe.

Friona students taking part in the meet and their placings are as follows:

SEMIS
Informative speaking--Dalinda Black; prose reading--Blair Jones; record pantomime--Blair Jones; poetry--Jonathan Espinoza; prose--Jonathan Espinoza.

FINALS
Informative speaking--Richard Flores; duet acting--Blair Jones/Amber Grantham; record pantomime--Jennifer McDonald; prose and poetry--Kayla Wily.

Other placings included: Jennifer McDonald, third place prose; Jason Slagle/Justin Grimsley, second place CX debate; Eric Espinoza, second LD debate; Eric Espinoza, second, informative speaking.

Extra! Extra! Read All About It

It's a baby boy and there's no doubt about it. Brayden Michael Pope is the name they chose. He is so very cute from his head to his toes.

Charlie Popes Have A Boy

Charlie and Britny Pope are the parents of a baby boy born Saturday, January 25 at 8:23 a.m. in Hereford.

Named Brayden Michael, the new arrival weighed eight pounds, eleven and one-half ounces and was 23-1/2 inches long.

Mike and Bonnie Pope and Ricky and Diane White, all of Friona, are the child's grandparents.

His great-grandparents are Carl and Lola White of Tucson, Arizona, James and Linda Pope, Othelia and the late Milburn Bennett, all of Friona, Betty and the late Butch Freeman of Hereford and the late Buddy and Frances Fallwell of Friona.



CANNA RAY Canna Ray In Program

By Canna Ray
I am the seventeen year old daughter of Charles and RoseAnn Ray. I am currently a senior at Friona High School. This is my first year to be enrolled in the Vocational Co-op program. I am employed at Friona Veterinary Clinic.

The Vocational Co-op program is a wonderful opportunity for high school students. This program helps students learn responsibility and gives them a chance to work with a variety of people. I am working to save money to attend college in the fall.

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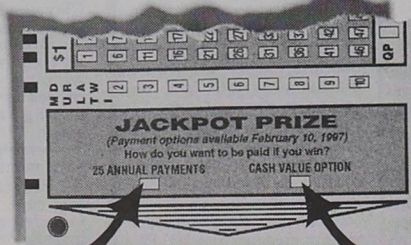
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Town Talk

By JUNE FLOYD
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Week of February 2-8
Friona and area residents having birthdays next week include:

February 2--John F. White, Pattie Grace Zachary, Geneva Osborn, Bill Thornton.

February 3--Jennie Dunn, Carol White, Becky Dunn, Celestine Wilson, John Clark, Stella Varner, Candace Ingram.

February 4--Sherri Whitten, Loma Pederson, Raymond Adams, Ralph Broyles.

February 5--Gary Elam, Heath Procter, Kevin Sifford, Kathy Beard, Daniel Echols, Arthur Douglas Alexander, Jena Grimsley.

February 6--Pam Perez, Sindy Preston Scaff, Sandra Gonzalez, Sandra Gomez, Chris Richardson.

February 7--Jeff Stowers, Wade Hinkle, Shirley Harris, Nikki Osborn Ralston, Cindy Lopez, Larry Summes, Nathan Haile.

February 8--Nancy Roden, Micah London, Kathy McLean-Davis, Ron Sutter, Tommy Moss, Rhonda Romero, Erica Boeckman.

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

FHS Grad Is On Honor Roll

Oklahoma Christian University has announced 281 students who have been named to the Honor Roll's List for the Fall 1996 trimester.

The Honor Roll List recognizes the academic performance of students who have earned between a 3.40-3.84 grade point average on a four point scale. Honor Roll List honorees were announced by Dr. Jeanine Varner, vice president of academic affairs for the university.

Those students who have attained the Honor Roll List include: Terron Talley, son of Leon and Jeffie Talley of Friona. Talley is a senior majoring in missions.

When Leslie Bronniman and daughter, Caitlin, of Abilene, Texas, arrived recently, Friona gained three new permanent full time residents. Since early November the husband and father of this family, Bart Bronniman, has been here.

He is employed by Hi Pro Feeds and has been a part time resident. Leslie, who grew up in Central Texas, reported, "I had never even been to Friona until I started dating Bart."

"My first question," she continued was "Where are the trees?" A the present time this family is living with Bart's parents, Oscar and Lavelle, but are making plans to purchase a home and make their residence permanent.

Leslie has been teaching kindergarten in Eula, a rural school in Calahan County eight and one half years. Caitlin is five years old.

Welcome to Friona Bronnimans. We're glad to have all three of you.

Kathy Cowen of Jayton, Texas, spent several days last week visiting in the home of her mother, Iona Renner.

Eva Miller, who had been a medical patient at Parmer County Community Hospital a couple of weeks or so, has been dismissed and is making satisfactory recovery at home.

Leon Talley returned home Wednesday evening after attending the annual lecturship at Oklahoma Christian University of Sciences and Arts at Edmond, Oklahoma.

Out-of-town guests in the home of Ron and Melba Smiley Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Smiley and Mr. and Mrs. Kerry Jones and children, Jimsey and Lane, all of Amarillo.

The Amarillo Smileys also visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Meryle Massie Sunday afternoon.

It is good to see Ron walking without any assistance. He had knee surgery in Amarillo earlier this month. Meryle, who also has leg problems, and Ron are both making satisfactory progress.

Weekend visitors in the home of Ron and Libby Procter were Jeff and Monica Procter, who live in Lubbock. They returned to their home Sunday morning.

Othelia Bennett called Tuesday morning to report on the condition of one of her sons-in-law, Ron Cain, who lives in Corpus Christi and is a former Friona resident.

He and his wife, Myrna Gay, were accompanied to

the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, by a daughter, Kerry Blackburn, who lives in Edmond, Oklahoma.

During their absence Rex and Marilyn Blackburn stayed with Kerry's husband, Brian and sons Hank, Colton and Clayton.

Othelia reported, "It was determined that there were two new malignant spots on Ron's liver and his treatment was changed."

"He is able to be up and around and is continuing to work," she continued.

Carol Zetsche returned home late last weekend after spending one week in Lubbock with her granddaughters, Kendy, Tierney and Kara Zetsche while their parents, Bobby and Kenna were on vacation.

Recent out-of-town visitors in the homes of Martha Bates, Lorraine Welch and Doris and Eugene Boggess were Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Teague of Cheyenne Wells, Colorado.

Mrs. Teague, the former Helen Watson, is a sister of Martha, Lorraine and Doris.

The following explanation is in answer to the many questions we have had about why we do not report patients in the local hospital any more.

In a telephone conversation with Bill Neely, hospital manager on Tuesday, I learned that the absence of hospital news in the Friona Star or on the cable is due to government regulations regulating patient confidentiality.

Fairrie Parker received word late last week of the death of one of her sisters, Opal Worthan, who lived in Tom Bean, Texas. Her

funeral services were held Saturday in Whitewright, Texas.

Mrs. Wortham was also the aunt of Marlene Drake and Alva Dean Bedgood.

Two ex-Friona residents were pictured in the Amarillo Daily News last week. On Monday the picture of Gary Mingus, a Calorad representative and user was featured in the Business Review.

Gary is the son of Lloyd and Mildred Mingus and a graduate of Friona High School. He is also a Met Life representative and a professional musician.

Then, in Sunday's edition Cherith Howard was pictured as a sales associate of The Prudential Ada, Realtors. She's the daughter of Dale and Evelyn Randolph and the wife of Joey Howard, son of Valton and Peggy Howard.

Cherith, also a graduate of Friona High School, attended Amarillo for her credits for licensure.

Seva Struve, who spent a couple of nights last week in the local hospital, had out-of-town company over the weekend.

Joe and Melba Brown came from Horseshoe Bay, Texas; Jack and Murna Miller of Plainview and D.H. and June Rogers of Lubbock were also guests in the Struve home Saturday and Sunday.

Lorraine, Louis and Mamie Lou Welch joined the group for lunch on Sunday.

Katherine Blackburn returned Monday evening after attending a wedding, which kind of turned into a miniature family reunion.

She flew from Amarillo to Austin, where she was a guest in the home of a sister and brother-in-law, Carolyn



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ARMY SGT. RICKY SAIZ is a medic providing care for over 130 soldiers while deployed to Bosnia-Herzegovina. His parents are Daniel and Jovita Saiz of 812 Jackson Street, Friona.



IN AN ABANDONED Sarajevo neighborhood, a U.S. Army soldier walks by cars and apartment buildings riddled with bullet holes while surveying the extensive damage of the area.

Local Serviceman Is On Duty In Bosnia

By Michael Tolzmann
AMERICAN SECTOR, Bosnia-Herzegovina—Quaint European-styled brick homes with chickens roaming the yard and laundry flapping on the line abound in the hills and mountains here. Only yards away from this postcard setting, visions of what hell must look like can be seen, where homes have been leveled—only shells of their once stately grandeur.

The son of a Friona couple has experienced this place first hand. Elsewhere a horse-drawn wagon loaded with wood passes million dollar, high-tech tracked American Army fighting vehicles equipped with mounted machine guns. For the children here, the American soldier convoys are a symbol—representing a chance to play outside and be a child again.

Army Sgt. Ricky Saiz, son of Daniel R. and Jovita Saiz of 812 Jackson Street, Friona, is doing his part to help maintain peace in Bosnia. And although the war there is for the time being over, he carries a gun and ammunition. Just outside his fortified camp, neighboring Bosnians peacefully wander through the city looking to buy food for the day or find needed supplies. Sandbagged bunkers and sharp concertina wire surround his daily environment as he wears a protective helmet and body armor.

Saiz and nearly 20,000 American soldiers are here to help maintain peace—something this country hasn't seen for years. Based on ethnic and religious differences, a totally devastating civil war tore this country, and its people, apart. With the efforts of the American and multi-national forces known as IFOR, the Implementation Force, Bosnians are slowly piecing back together their homes and way of life.

"As a medic, I provide medical coverage for my company and am responsible for over 130 soldiers. I go out on every mission as medical support and I am part of the first response medical team in this field environment. My job consists of providing first aid and evacuating wounded or sick soldiers," Saiz said.

American soldiers spend the majority of their military careers preparing for war or training for war-time situations. Life in Bosnia, though, has many times been different from a typical Army day.

"Living conditions here are really nice. Thanks to the guard force at the camp, we don't always have to wear the full battle gear all the time, but we do carry our weapons and ammunition everywhere we go," Saiz said.

Considering the fact that many modern-day conveniences don't exist for these soldiers, life here isn't that bad. With few exceptions, nearly every soldier sleeps in a bed or on a cot, has hot food, and showers as often as necessary. Most camps have portable gyms and workout facilities established in a designated tent or building. Morale facilities have books to read, Armed Forces television, vending machines with candy and soft drinks and at some facilities, amenities such as a

ping-pong table. Even though these camps are fairly well equipped, life here can be as some soldiers say, like "ground hog day" as every day, day after day, is very similar. Nearly everyone here misses something.

"What I miss the most in the world is my wife. But I'm kind of lucky. My wife is also a soldier, and she is also deployed. She's an hour away, so I get to see her sometimes," Saiz said.

Most soldiers, such as Saiz, should be in Bosnia for no more than a year. He has some specific plans when his mission in Bosnia is over and he returns to the regular duty station as a medic with the 3rd Battalion, 12th Infantry, in Germany.

"When I get back to Germany, I plan on taking a long vacation. I'm going to tour various countries and learn to appreciate the things that I have," Saiz said.

The wagons, chickens and children, as well as the hollowed buildings and scenes of destruction here will soon be in the rear-view mirror for soldiers like Saiz. But the memories are likely to last a lifetime. And hopefully the kids who are playing once again in this war ravaged area will remember the reason why.

Meeting Slated For Women

The Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring a program on Personal Safety For Women at their general meeting Monday, February 10 at 7 p.m. at the Friona State Bank Community Room.

The program, co-sponsored by the Friona Police Department, will be presented by Corporal Lisa Cherry with the Amarillo Police Department, currently assigned to the Crime Prevention Division.

Women are many times put in vulnerable situations that could be avoided or where they could better protect themselves. Corporal Cherry will be addressing several areas of self protection.

Dawna Roach, board member, encourages all women to attend and says the goal of the Women's Division of the chamber is to promote Friona and provide opportunity for community women. If you need further information, contact the Chamber office at 247-3491.

Heather Gee On WIA&M Dean's List

More than 800 West Texas A&M University students earned mention on the 1996 fall Dean's List. Students on the Dean's List achieved a semester grade point average of 3.25 or a possible 4.0 or better with a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

Heather D. Gee, an elementary education major, is the wife of Dustee Gee. He is a Friona High School graduate, now living in Wildorado.

YOUR EYES

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Remember when suits came with two pairs of pants? If anything happened to one, the owner had a spare pair ready. Eyeglass wearers should be as well equipped.

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