

MY TURN

By
Carol Ellis

CARDS, CANDY and accoutrements seem to be clogging all our holidays with excessive clutter. Are we obsessed with holiday decor, or what? Here we've just barely gotten rid of all the balloons and confetti from New Year's and, of course, there are still some dried pine needles and a few bits of tinsel lurking in the corners from Christmas. And now it is time to get out all the red and white Valentine fluff ... hearts and flowers, cupids and arrows.

It must have something to do with light deprivation during the winter months when we have short, dreary days and little sun. You know how people sometimes get really depressed after Christmas. I think all the bright glitter of holiday decor tends to brighten our otherwise dull, drab existence. You notice that we don't do as much home adornment during the months when there is lots of sunshine.

Pre-Valentine's Day is about the only time of year that men will dare to venture into the lingerie department to buy their sweeties a little something lacy and romantic. Women buy underwear for men all the time and it's no big deal. But men, on the other hand, act like they're in a foreign country when they get in that situation. Why is it that women's under things are called "foundations" and men's are called "furnishings"? Sounds like building a house.

The easy way out for Valentine's Day is a box of candy. Candy, candy, candy! Every holiday on the calendar seems to have some sort of candy connected to it. Valentine's Day comes with heart-shaped boxes of chocolates and/or those little sugar candy hearts that say "Be Mine."

Then there's Easter with pastel colored marshmallow eggs and jelly beans. It's red hot for the fourth of July. There's candy corn for Halloween, plus all those wrapped candies that you buy for the trick-or-treaters and then you have them "left over" for weeks because it came a blizzard on Halloween night.

Of course, from Thanksgiving through New Year's, we are deluged with every kind of caloric candy confection known to humankind. I tend to associate Christmas candy with the old time red-white-green striped ribbon candy from my childhood days. You don't see those much anymore.

Speaking of childhood, one February, when I was about seven years old, I emptied my piggy bank of nickles and dimes a few days before Valentine's and bought my mother a lacy, flowery box of chocolate covered cherries. This was way back in the Victorian era when you could buy a pretty fancy box of candy for a dollar and they didn't come completey encased in plastic wrap like they do now. So I opened up the box for a peek at the contents.

"Hmmm. Believe I'll try just one," says I. "Well, that wasn't so bad. I'll try another one and just scoot the little pleated brown paper wrappers around in the box so it won't look like any pieces are missing."

Well, when it was all over, I had eaten the entire box of chocolate covered cherries, made myself sick, and then on Valentine's Day, I presented my mother with the empty box saying, "Here, Mom. It's a fancy box for your handkerchiefs." I've hated chocolate covered cherries ever since.

My son-in-law has heard this story and thinks it's pretty funny. So he buys me a box of chocolate covered cherries every year. If he does it again...in fact, if ANY one brings me ANY kind of candy for Valentine's Day, I'm gonna "whop 'em upside the head" with it.



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Monday Is Deadline For Valentine Page

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.

Personal Safety Program Slated For Monday 10th

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 this important program 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.

Local Heritage Group Plans Annual Meet

The Heritage Society has set the date for the group's Annual Meeting and covered dish supper for 7:00 p.m., Monday, February 17, (President's Day) at the Depot in the City Park.

There will be a short business meeting for election of four directors.

You do not have to be a member of the Heritage Society to come. Anyone who is interested in promoting the civic affairs of the town and the continuing beautification of the Old Depot Building and the City Park, is invited to attend.

Nominations Are Taken For Citizenship Awards

The 1997 Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be held Saturday, March 15 at 7 p.m. at the Friona Community Center. Dr. Bernard Harris, former astronaut, will be the guest speaker.

Dr. Harris came to Friona in January of 1994 as a special guest of the Friona Schools. That day he was presented a flag by the Friona Junior High School Student Council to take into space with him. This flag will be presented back to the students at the banquet. The theme for 1997 will be "Winning From Takeoff to Touchdown."

Nominations are being accepted by the Chamber for the annual awards for Man, Woman, Teacher, Employee, Citizen and Students of the Year. The criteria for each of the awards is as follows:

MAN AND WOMAN: Service must be in several areas, not just one area, such as church, civic, school, social, etc. Activities should be in areas which promote Friona or help make Friona a better place to live—(improve quality of life).

TEACHER: Selection should be based on "extra mile" type activities in the school system. The ability to relate to students, administrators and parents would be important. Personal example for the students and motivational skills would be a plus.

EMPLOYEE: This award has been called "Friendliest Employee" in the past-

Ambassador Program Is Established

The Friona Chamber of Commerce has developed a Junior Ambassador program for 1997. Designed to enhance the chamber's effectiveness, each Junior Ambassador will serve on one of the six committees.

They will not only serve in an advisory position but will also take an active role in carrying out the goals set forth by that committee.

"It is important to encourage our youth in community involvement and decision making. We appreciate the talents of these students and thank Mr. Belcher and the Friona School system for their cooperation in allowing them to participate," said a spokesperson for the Chamber.

The 1997 Junior Ambassadors are: Shyla Wylly, economic development; Vanette White, Chamber development; Rachel Burleson, retail development; Chica Rodriguez, community development; Jeff Hamilton, agriculture development; and Perry Hanes, legislative affairs.

\$2K Reward Offered By Allsup's In Recent Holdup

BY RON CARR

Friona Police Chief Randy Geries stated this week that Allsup's corporate office is offering a \$2,000 reward for information leading to an arrest or conviction in the January 11 robbery at the west Allsup's location in Friona.

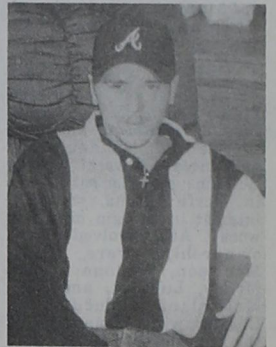
Clerk Tory Snyder was severely beaten during the early morning robbery and so far has been unable to identify his assailants. After a stay in the intensive care unit at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo, and then Methodist Hospital in Lubbock, Snyder has returned to Friona for now.

During an interview this week he told the *Friona Star* that he has no memory of any events that occurred during his shift at the Allsup's store that evening and early morning. Ironically he was not scheduled to work that night but was called in to substitute for a sick employee.

The robbers apparently attacked Snyder from behind as he cleaned the restrooms around 4:30 a.m. Officials believe that a hammer was used during the attack, that he was struck three to six times, but no weapon was found at the premises.

Based on blood evidence at the scene, police theorize he managed to crawl from the restroom out into an aisle toward the front of the store where he was found by a customer. The 911 call was made at 4:38 a.m.

Two customers who were in the store around 4:15 a.m. gave police a description of a person who was standing at the counter talking to Snyder. Since the two customers were in the store at separate times, minutes apart, and both



TORY SNYDER

observed someone in the store, two composite drawings were released.

It is unclear at this time exactly how many suspects may be involved. An undisclosed amount of money was taken from the store.

Snyder is still officially under doctor's care as he recovers from his wounds. During the ordeal he has lost some 15 pounds and faces possible additional surgery to the right side of his face and head to remove bone fragments and repair damage to his skull. For now, except for continuing headaches, he is taking progress slow and easy and continues to improve.

A love fund is established at Friona State Bank to assist the Snyder family.

In addition to the \$2,000 reward from Allsup's, up to an additional \$1,000 is offered through Farmer County Crimestoppers. Anyone with information about the crime is urged to call Chief Randy Geries of the Friona Police Department, 247-2711.



FIRST PLACE WINNERS.....Friona High School Band members entered the recent solo and ensemble competition held in Amarillo. These students placed first in the competition: Front, l-r, Melodee Lamb, Wendy Garner, Leander Davila. Standing, l-r, Kayla McCoy, Carrie Cox, Jenny Ahrhart, Christina Salinas. (Ron Carr Photo)



SECURE IN SECOND.....FHS band members who placed second in the recent solo and ensemble competition in Amarillo are, l-r, Lance Field, Sandra Mendez, Sarah Hale, J. D. Aronce, Omar Garza. (Ron Carr Photo)

Friona Flashbacks

...from the files of The Friona Star

70 Yrs Ago-Feb. 11, 1927
The Star's weekly summary of local markets included: Kafir, 70 cents cwt; maize, 75 cents cwt; cane seed, 80 cents cwt; white corn, \$1.12 cwt; wheat, \$1.24 bushel; eggs, 20 cents dozen; butter, 50 cents pound; turkes, 22 cents pound; bran, \$1.75 cwt; shorts, \$2.00 cwt; cotton seed meal, \$2.10 cwt; and coal, \$12 to \$14 per ton.

40 Yrs Ago-Feb. 7, 1957
Purchase of the North Plains Gin by G.W. (Woody) Fleming of Friona and Earl Chester of Sudan was announced this week. Wright Williams, a former part owner in North plains, sold his interest in the gin only last week. Also involved in the ownership were Gene Morrison, Friona, O.D. McCoy, Lubbock, and R.H. McFarland, Tucumcari. Chester will be manager of the gin, and is making plans to move to Friona.

35 Yrs Ago-Feb. 8, 1962
John Zahn, Farwell real estate dealer, has announced that he will seek election as state senator from the 30th Senatorial District, which includes Parmer County. Zahn, 36, is running on the Republican ticket.

Other political announcements: Wes Long of the Hub Community, and Nelson Welch, for the county Democratic Chairman's post. Walter Loveless, for reelection as Justice of the Peace, Friona precinct.

30 Yrs Ago-Feb. 9, 1967
Richard Collard will be installed as the new president of the Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture at the Chamber's annual banquet tonight. The Brooks Sisters, a talented trio from Denton, will provide entertainment at the banquet.

Rev. Donnie Carrasco is the new pastor of Friona's Mexican Baptist Mission, replacing Rev. Joe Garcia, who moved to Tulia recently.

25 Yrs Ago-Feb. 10, 1972
The Friona High School Squaws are back in the playoffs again. The Squaws of Coach F.G. Crofford claimed the District 3-AA championship with an overall record of 9-1 and will take on talented Slaton in a bi-district game next Tuesday evening at the new Wayland College Gymnasium on the Wayland campus. Friona will be seeking revenge for last year's 41-36 loss to Slaton in a similar playoff game at Levelland. Members of the Friona team are Carol Reeve, Kathy King, Susan Martin, Jill Riethmayer, Jeanie Thompson, Cindy Hutson, Vicki Schuler, Terri Bingham, Dian Day, Vicki Ulen.

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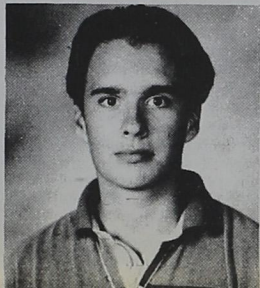
Patricia Phipps, Veca Welch, Janice Milner, Vandra Nichols, Sharon Smith, Darla Rhodes, with Donna Lewellen, Dixie Wilkins and Pat Nichols, managers.

20 Yrs Ago-Feb. 6, 1977
A nice crowd attended the 23rd annual meeting of the Friona Texas Federal Credit Union Thursday evening at the Friona High School Cafeteria. Re-elected to the organization's board of directors were Geneva Williams and Don Gatlin. Carolyn Dement was named to the board to replace Lois Norwood. Leonard Coffey was re-elected to the Credit Union's loan committee.

15 Yrs Ago-Feb. 7, 1982
The worst storm of the winter-in fact in three or four winters-has held the Friona area in an icy grip for much of the past week. The received around four inches of snow late Monday and early Tuesday. The snow was accompanied by high winds, which caused considerable drifting and also caused mammoth problems for the traveling public.

Two New Mexico residents were killed Saturday, January 30 when the pickup truck they were in collided with a tractor trailer rig on U.S. 60 near Friona.

10 Yrs Ago-Feb. 14, 1987
Friona Police Department



JOSH ROGERS
Grandson Participates In Choir

Josh Rogers, a sophomore at Mansfield High School and son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Rogers of Mansfield, was selected as a member of the 1997 Texas All-State Choir.

Rogers is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Rogers of Hillsboro and Hannah Lookingbill of Friona.

He is the first student at Mansfield High School chosen as a member of this group before his senior year. The selection process began in September 1996.

After winning first chair all-district, first chair all-region, on Saturday, January 11, he competed with other Bass II area candidates to find who would be chosen as All-State Choir members.

He was chosen second chair, Bass II, missing first chair by .2 of a point.

Josh will participate in All-State Choir performances during TMEA week, February 13-15 in San Antonio.

was investigating two break-ins Thursday. Both happened sometime during the night on Wednesday.

Burglars broke into Friona High School and managed to get into the vault in principal Hal Ratcliff's office. An undetermined amount of cash, thought to be between \$700 and \$1,000 was taken.

The same night, burglars broke the glass door out at Malouf's and took an undetermined amount of clothing.

Hanna Malouf, owner, said that the burglars took jeans, jackets, shirts, and hats, "I can't tell how much they got, but they took a lot of merchandise," Malouf said. The Friona School Board

accepted the resignation of elementary principal Freeman Melton at its regular meeting this past Monday.

Melton has served as Friona's elementary principal for the past 11 years, and has been involved in school work for 37 years.

5 Yrs Ago-Feb. 8, 1992
The auction sale totals for the 1992 Parmer County Jr. Livestock Show came to \$73,653.14, it was announced this week.

Cody Simmons of Friona won the senior lamb showmanship honors and Shana Foster of Lazbuddie was the junior winner. Greg Salyer of Friona and Holly Engelking of Lazbuddie was the junior winner.



NATIVE IOWAN HONORED ON NINETIETH BIRTHDAY....Treva Drake Reece of Amarillo, who was born in Iowa on January 19, 1907, was honored with a family party in the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Bailey and Houstene Reece in Canyon, on her birthday.

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Lois Norwood and Wendell Gresham will be retiring, but the rest of our staff will remain to serve ALL of your INSURANCE needs!

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Prairie Acres Resident Submits Life History

Residents of Prairie Acres are chosen to write their life history and the Friona Star is happy to re-print these stories. Eula Zelta Parrack's story follows:

By **EULA Z. PARRACK**

I was born August 22, 1905. My birth certificate was registered at Clarksville, Texas in Red River County. We lived in Cuthand, Texas, six miles out of town on a farm.

I was born to James Delton and Laura Ada Eaves and at that time I had an older sister, Bula Elva. She was five years older than I. Later, my brother, Beuford James, joined the family.

Our home was in a timber place, what we call woods. Papa had a peddling wagon." He traveled through the country selling material, threads, dish pans, utensils and best of all, boxes and boxes of candy.

Papa always let us have all the candy we wanted. People were always looking forward to him, so they could buy supplies.

I was allowed to go with him on trips and sit in the front seat by his side. There was one incident I remember: we were almost home one afternoon and the sun was shining in my face, when for some reason or another, papa mentioned the word, "Jesus," and he explained, "When we leave this world we will go and live with the Savior." That's the first time I realized we had a savior!

Mama was a very special lady and worked hard to keep our family and home together. She did lots and lots of canning and was a very good seamstress. She also enjoyed singing. Mama was a devout Christian.

I was five years old when we moved to Bagota, Texas. It was twelve miles from where we used to live, and this is where my baby sister, Zula Thelma, was born. This is when papa went into the grocery business.

I remember one crazy incident when I was trying to get an apple (at the grocery store). Back then, apples came in big barrels, and wouldn't you know, I fell in. There I was, kicking and kicking until I was pulled out.

After five years papa started another grocery business in Johntown, Texas which was ten miles away from Bagota. We built a new home there.

My sister and I continued school. The only transportation we had was the horse and buggy. We were too little to manage it. So, the only way we could get to school was on the freight train which was two blocks away. It passed by in the morning and we rode on the caboose for five cents to and from school.

Papa had a grocery store and also farmed. He hoed, picked

cotton and raised corn. We had to help with the work. Papa also had hired hands.

Mama was proud of her new home and I always looked forward to meal time, because mama had the whitest tablecloths called "Damask Tablecloths" at every meal. They were always starched and ironed so nicely!

In Johntown which was close by, mother taught children's Sunday School and taught scriptures by using pictures. She also put together religious programs.

There was always a big crowd, this was the entertainment of the day on Sundays. Mama had the prettiest alto voice and sang in the choir. At times they were accompanied by a pump organ.

Bula married in Bogata. A month later we moved to the Plains and landed in Lorenzo, Texas. We rented a farm. I finished school at Estacado, a quaker town.

At the age of 15, I had my first date with William Bolan Parrack. His uncle held a revival in Estacado and I sang in the choir. After the service W.B. asked me if he could give me a ride home and I accepted. We were accompanied by his friend and my cousin. One year later on July 31, 1922 we married in the same place where we met.

We moved into my husband's old homestead place in Estacado and farmed his land. We were blessed with our first son "William B". Our second blessing happened in Floyd County where our son "Johnny Weldon" was born.

Later we moved to Ganado, Texas where my in-laws lived. We continued farming. We raised sweet potatoes, corn and cotton. William B. started school and went for a few years and then my husband decided we needed more education, so we moved to San Marcos!

We started San Marcos Military Academy. While he was trying to get a degree, I took Spanish, English, piano, voice and Bible classes. We went for two years. Times were getting hard--that's when we were going through the depression.

We moved back to Lockney and my husband started the trucking business. I worked as High School Librarian. I worked for four years there. We were really deep in the Depression and World War II was declared.

My sons had scholarships in football but didn't take that direction. William B. married Sybil Mudgett just before he went into the Air Corps. He would have been drafted if he hadn't joined.

Johnny Weldon finished High School and planned on going to College in Canyon but was not able to because he was called into the Marines as soon as he turned eighteen. He served 3 1/2 years! At that time we lived in Amarillo



EULA PARRACK has been a resident of Prairie Acres Nursing Home in Friona since December, 1995 and has submitted her complete life history for re-printing in the Friona Star and Bovina Blade as follows:

and he returned home. A year later Johnny married Betty Taylor. During the war my husband was associated with Ferguson-Steel Oil Transportation in Amarillo. He was terminal manager. After the war we stayed with this company and were transferred from place to place.

In 1959 we started our own truck business in Anson, Texas. Our trucks worked out of Luders Oil Refinery. We built a new home and lived there 20 years. During that time I commuted and worked in Abilene for Minter's Department Store as manager of the ladies' ready-to-wear department. I worked there fifteen years and then retired.

My husband had a stroke in 1974 six months after he retired. He passed away twelve years later from a heart attack. He is buried in Floydada.

Nine months later I moved into Baptist memorial Center in San Angelo, Texas. I lived there ten years and as my health declined I felt I needed to move closer to my family so I came to live at Prairie Acres where my granddaughter is Administrator.

I have lived here since the 14th of December of 1995. I think very highly of this place. One of my sons lives in Amarillo and the other lives in Lubbock. My son in Amarillo is now married to Shirley Matson who is Jo Blackwell's mom. His first wife passed away.

I have four grandchildren, one deceased; six great-grandchildren, one deceased; and three great-great grandchildren.

I would like to add that, I have been a member of Eastern Star Concho Chapter #826 for 45 years; also the Rebecca Lodge for 56 years. I also taught Sunday Classes and was president of the 3-F Organization.

Mendy Rhodes, Scott Wailick Exchange Vows In Bovina

Mendy Rhodes and Scott Wailick, both of Lubbock, exchanged wedding vows at a ceremony in the First Baptist Church of Bovina on Saturday, December 21 at 2 p.m.

Mendy is the daughter of Gaylon and Shelby Rhodes of Bovina and Scott is the son of Charles Wailick of Sanger, Texas and the late Glenda Wailick.

Christmas decorations at the church included poinsettias, candleabras with greenery, bells and red flowers all accented with red plaid Christmas bows.

Howard Rhodes, uncle of the bride, pastor of the Klondike Baptist Church near Lamesa, Texas, officiated at the ceremony.

The bride was presented in marriage by her father, Gaylon Rhodes.

Attendants included Pam Heinrich of Slaton, Texas, sister of the bride, as the matron of honor and Mac Reding of Sanger, Texas, best man.

Shaun Cox of Matador, Texas served as the bridesmaid. Bobby Lotheringer of Lubbock was the groomsman.

Justin Heinrich, nephew of the bride and son of Pam Heinrich of Slaton, carried a Bible which belonged to Mrs. O.C. Rhodes, grandmother of the bride; Meagan Rhodes, niece of the bride, served as flower girl and her parents are Jim and Joy Rhodes of Fairview, Oklahoma. Her brother, Lance, served as ring bearer.

Candles were lit by Dustin Bell of Lubbock and Chris Benton of Houston, cousin of the groom.

Janet Rector provided an assortment of music before and after the ceremony. Grady and Dorothy Sorley sang "In This Very Room" and "The Lord's Prayer," and Barbara Grimsley, aunt of the bride, sang "Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas."

The bride selected a white Italian satin gown. The empire bodice was embellished with sequins and pearls in a paisley design.



Mrs. Scott Wailick

The scooped neckline was complemented with softly rounded cap sleeves. The princess styled a-line skirt swept into a semi-cathedral length train.

To complete her ensemble, she wore a headband accented with pearls and crystals finished with fingertip veiling accented with a sprinkling of pearls.

Her bridal bouquet included white roses, calla lilies and baby's breath. She wore pearl earrings and a gold diamond bracelet that belonged to her sister, Pam.

The attendants' dresses were fashioned in black velvet with a Christmas decorated plaid inset and sash.

The wedding reception was held in the Fellowship Hall of the church. Shannalea Taylor and Donna Atique served the wedding cake and Leah Mason of Bovina and Keri Mitchell of Conroe served punch and coffee.

Joy Rhodes and Joanna Windle registered the wedding guests. Ladies hosting the houseparty were

Carolyn Pruitt, Phyllis Steelman, Mary Evelyn Steelman, Ona Patterson, Bonnie Clayton and Misti Pruitt.

The bride's cake was decorated in a white basket weave accented with red poinsettias, greenery and an angel centerpiece. The groom's table held a cheesecake with strawberry topping.

For a wedding trip to Red River, New Mexico, the bride chose black slacks and a white sweater with a black and white fur collar.

The bride is a graduate of Texas Tech University and is currently teaching high school special education at Lubbock Cooper School.

The bridegroom will graduate from Texas Tech University in May with a degree in agriculture education. They reside at 5206 B, 96th Street in Lubbock.

REHEARSAL DINNER

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by both parents and held in Bovina the evening prior to the wedding.



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ARTIST OF THE MONTH....Patricia Carmichael is Friona's Artist of the Month for February. Her interesting, abstract watercolor paintings will be on display in the lobby at Prairie Acres for the rest of the month. She is shown here visiting with Nancy Houston of Grady, New Mexico, who is a new employee at Prairie Acres. Nancy is an R.N. and has been in nursing for over 10 years. Patricia has an English degree from UNC at Greeley, Colorado and an art degree from Texas Tech. She taught "Batik" during one summer semester at Clovis College and she is currently the elementary art teacher for Friona Schools.

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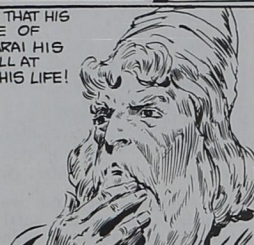
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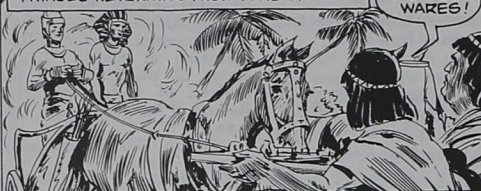


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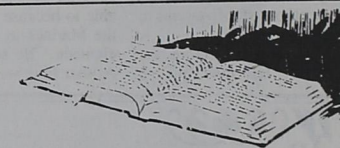
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Squaws Take Big Win Over 'Road

By Bill Ellis

The FHS Squaws scored a spine-tingling 61-56 win over the River Road Lady Wildcats here last Friday, handing the R.R. girls only their second loss. The win partially avenged the loss the Squaws suffered about a month ago at River Road, who scored late for a one-point win over Friona.

"It felt good. I was proud for the girls. They played really hard and deserved the win," said Coach Richard North.

It was a come-from behind win for the Squaws, who had to come from behind six or eight different times, before finally taking it to stay, in the final two minutes of the game.

Jamie Stokes helped fuel the winning rally, hitting nine of her game-high 11 points in the final quarter. Miss Stokes contributed a three-point play with 2:10 left to play to give the Squaws a 56-52 lead that they wouldn't lose.

The lead had changed hands three or four times in the opening quarter. Whitney Ellis made a follow shot for a 4-2 Friona lead. River Road countered at 6-4, and then another Friona basket made it 7-6, Squaws.

River Road led 10-7 with 3:40 left in the opening quarter, but Sandra Gonzales tied it for Friona with a free throw. Amanda Pope answered the Lady Cats' goal with a jump shot to tie it for the Squaws, 14-all at the end of one quarter.

Sheri Fiel's layup and Amber Martin's three-pointer gave Friona a 19-16 lead, but the visitors rallied for a three-point lead of their own. Tammy Spencer's three-pointer tied it for Friona at 26-all.

River Road scored three baskets in the last minute to take a 32-26 lead into halftime.

Miss Martin sank a three-point goal to highlight Friona's third quarter, but the 'Road still led, 43-36 after three quarters.

Once again the Squaws rallied. Miss Martin's shot at the top of the circle made it a 49-48 game, and Miss Stokes drove for a layin and a 50-49 Friona lead.

River Road took a 52-50 lead, but Miss Stokes canned both of her free shots for a 52-all score with 2:46 left to play.

Miss Ellis sank the front end of a 1-1 situation with 2:12 left, and Miss Stokes rebounded her missed second shot and laid it in, for a 55-52 Friona lead. Topping off the team's good fortune, Miss Stokes was fouled on her lay-in, and Jamie calmly sank the "freebie," for a 56-52 lead.

Sandra Gonzales was fouled, and made both shots, giving the Squaws their longest lead at 58-52. But they knew the Lady 'Cats can score points in a hurry.

In fact, they did—making four straight free throws to trail by only two, 58-56, with 51 seconds left on the clock.

April Pope was fouled with 30 seconds left, and had two shots. She missed the first one, with the shot going in and out. But she didn't panic, calmly hitting "only net" on the second shot, giving Friona a three-point edge at 59-56.

That forced the 'Cats to make errors, and Miss Stokes finished her great fourth quarter with a lay-in for the final margin of 61-56.

Backing up Miss Stokes' 11 points were Amanda Pope and Miss Ellis, with ten apiece.

In Tuesday's game at Dimmitt, the Squaws had another outstanding performance. They led the Bobbies, 22-15 at the half and 30-23 after three quarters. In fact, Friona had an 11-point lead in the third

quarter, only to see the Bobbies have the kind of final quarter that the Squaws had had in their previous game.

The Squaws were whistled for fouling at every turn in the last quarter. Three of their players, Misses Martin, Ellis and Gonzales all fouled out. Dimmitt took advantage of the "foul-fest" to score 13 of 17 free throws. Shawna Kenworthy was ten for ten, and that was the difference in the game.

"We have lost several games that way this season, especially on the road. We just haven't got the right breaks," Coach North commented.

Miss Martin's eight points led the scoring.

SQUAWS 61, R.R. 56

April Pope 2-1-5; Sandra Gonzales 0-3-3; Rachel Burleson 1-1-3; Amanda Pope 4-2-10; Amber Martin 1-2*-0-8; Whitney Ellis 3-4-10; Jamie Stokes 4-3-11; Sheri Fiel 3-0-6; Tammy Spencer 1-1*-0-5.

DHS 50, SQUAWS 41

April Pope 2-1*-0-7; Gonzales 2*-1-7; Amanda Pope 1-0-2; A. Martin 2-4-8; Ellis 1-0-2; Stokes 3-0-6; Fiel 2-0-4; Spencer 1*-0-3; Christina Santellana 1-0-2. *3-point baskets.



BIG FREE THROW....April Pope is shown following through on her free throw that cushioned the Squaws' lead to 59-56 with 30 seconds left in the game. The Squaws surprised the district-leading River Road girls, 61-56. Tammy Spencer is nearest the camera. (Photo by Ron Carr)

Friona Sqaws Dedicate R.R. Win

The Squaws told the Friona Star that they wanted to dedicate last Friday's 61-56 win over River Road to last year's team, which suffered a 36-34 loss to the Lady Wildcats last February in a Bi-District playoff game.

"We want last year's team to know we wanted to win this game for them," said April Pope, a spokesman for this year's team.

Squaws JV Win Pair Of Games

The Squaws' junior varsity scored a pair of wins in district play during the past week.

The team toppled River Road, 56-31 in a game here last Friday. The Squaws raced to a 24-13 first half lead that they stretched to 41-16 after three quarters, and coasted to the win.

Every player saw action in the game. Crystal Dow scored 17 points, and Robin Grantham scored 14.

On Tuesday, the Squaws went to Dimmitt and scored a 46-35 win. Crystal Dow scored 16 to lead the point-making and Miss Grantham added 11.

The team is technically 12-1 in district, but the lost game was actually played by the FHS freshmen, when the JV girls were winning a tournament at Whiteface.

SQUAWS JV 56, RR 31

Diamond Aguirre 1-0-2; Ruby Aronce 2-0-4; Belen Torres 1-0-2; Lesli Fiel 1-0-2; Sarah Hendley 1-2-4; M'Kell Jarecki 1*-1-4; Crystal Dow 8-1-17; Robin Grantham 7-0-14; Chris Rodriguez 3-0-6; Courtney Clark 0-0-0; V'Lynda Wilcox 1-0-2.

SQUAWS JV 46, DHS 35

Aronce 2-0-4; Hendley 1*-1-4; Jarecki 3-0-6; Dow 8-0-16; Grantham 5-1-11; Rodriguez 1-0-2; Wilcox 1-1-3. *3-point baskets.

Football Issue Here

The souvenir FHS Football issue is still on sale at the Friona Star and Bi-Wize Drug.

The issue contains 18 pages, including a page in full color. All of the team's '96 games are summarized, plus photos and statistics.

There are still some Tornado issues the Star will give with each purchase of the football edition.



LEADS THE WAY....Chieftain senior Kyle Grimsley (34) makes a basket for the Chieftains against River Road. Grimsley scored 10 points in the third quarter, and helped pace the team's 81-68 win over the Wildcats. (Ron Carr Photo.)

Chieftains Roll Past Wildcats, 81-68

The Chieftain varsity played a "hot and cold" game against River Road here last Friday. Fortunately, they got hot in the fourth quarter, scoring 30 points to upend the Wildcats, 81-68.

The first half was a back and forth affair. Friona held leads of 4-3, 6-5, 8-7, 11-7, 13-10 and 17-14. The score was tied three times. Aaron King's three-pointer, two-pointer and pair of free throws paced the team to its 13-10 lead at the end of one.

Quint Ellis, who also had a pair of first-quarter baskets, did it again in the second quarter, including one with 15 seconds left, which gave the Chieftains a 29-27 halftime lead.

The third period belonged

JV Chiefs Win One, Lose One

The FHS Chieftain junior varsity split a pair of games in district play last week.

The team downed visiting River Road, 43-34 last Friday night. Jesus Mata scored 13 points to pace Friona's scoring. Friona held quarter leads of 11-7, 25-16 and 34-21 enroute to the win.

Tuesday night at Dimmitt, the Chieftains lost to the Bobcat JV in a game that was real close for three quarters, until Dimmitt went on a 30-13 rampage in the fourth quarter to take a 71-52 win.

Joseph Bandy and Colby Patterson were the only Friona players in double-figure scoring with 11 and 10.

The Chieftains were close, 17-19 after one quarter, 28-35 at the half and 39-41 after three quarters.

JV Chiefs 43, RR 34

J. Mata 3-2*-1-13; N. King 2*-0-6; J. Evans 1-1-3; J. Rando 3-1-7; Joseph Bandy 1-1*-2-7; L. Martin 0-1-1; C. Patterson 2-2-6.

JV Chiefs 52, DHS 71

Mata 1-1*-2-7; King 0-2-2; Roth 1-0-2; Martin 2-2-6; Evans 1-1-3; Rando 1-2-4; Procter 1-1*-2-7; Bandy 2-1*-4-11; Patterson 5-0-10.



THE KARATE KID....David Shelby (40) tries to rescue the ball right on the end line, and in the process almost delivers a karate kick to River Road's Chris Dorsett (44). The Chiefs zapped the Wildcats, 81-68. (Ron Carr Photo.)

to senior Kyle Grimsley. He made a pair of nice layups, one a tip-in, for a 37-35 score. Friona led, 42-35, only to have the Wildcats rally to tie it, 42-all.

But Grimsley & Co. answered with a 48-42 lead. Friona led after three, 51-47. Grimsley had scored ten of Friona's 22 points.

Angel Vega made one of his patented "Acro-batic" lay-ins for a 53-47 lead. Ellis added a hook shot and Justin Daniel a follow-up, for a 57-47 Friona lead. But the 'Cats outscored the Chiefs, 11-2 in a short period to make it a 59-58 ball game.

But Ellis and Aaron King paced Friona's clinching rally. Ellis stole the ball and drove for a lay-in, made a follow shot and jump shot for a 65-59 Friona lead. Shane Blackburn made a layup, and was two for two at the line. King was four of four from the line, and fed Ellis a perfect pass for a layup as the Chiefs had their most productive quarter of the season.

Ellis led the scoring with 21, King and Blackburn had 15 apiece and Grimsley added his 12. All nine squadmen shared in the scoring.

At Dimmitt Tuesday, the Chiefs rallied in the third quarter, after falling 'way behind, to make a game of it against the Bobcats. Dimmitt had taken a 14-2 lead after the first five minutes. It was 18-9 at the quarter's end.

After trailing by 33-25 at halftime, Quint Ellis tied it up with a pair of free throws, 33-all. Shane Blackburn's basket gave Friona its first lead at 41-40. But three free throws by Charley Sanders put Dimmitt back on top. The 'Cats went on to a 64-48.

CHIEFS 81, RR 68

Aaron King 3-1*-6-15; Shane Blackburn 6-3-15; Angel Vega 1-0-2; Quint Ellis 9-3-21; Justin Daniel 3-1-7; Kyle Grimsley 6-0-12; David Shelby 0-1-1; Charlie Milner 1-4-6; Eric McInroe 1-0-2.

CHIEFS 48, DHS 64

King 3-1-7; Blackburn 3-0-6; Vega 1-0-2; Ellis 5-1*-4-17; Daniel 2-0-4; Grimsley 1-1-3; Shelby 1-0-2; Milner 3-1-7. *3-pt. baskets.

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Boy Born To Ricky Barnetts

Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Barnett became parents of a baby boy at Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo at 8:40 a.m. Monday, February 3.

He was twenty-one inches long, weighed seven pounds and was named Joshua Thomas. He is the first child for the couple.

His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Barnett of Friona and Elaine Kretzschmar of Burnett, Texas.

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SWCD Announces Contest Winners

Each year the Parmer County Soil and Water Conservation District sponsors a coloring, poster and essay contest for local children. All school winners will receive a ribbon.

The county winners of the coloring and poster contest will receive trophies. County winners of the essay contest will receive a monetary award.

The first place county winners of the essay and poster contest will have their entries sent to the regional contest.

"We sponsor these contests to encourage soil and water conservation and help the children become aware of such concerns at an early age while making it fun and rewarding," said a spokesperson for the district.

"The Parmer County S.W.C.D. would like to thank all the children who participated and congratulate all the winners. We would also like to thank all the teachers who worked this into their already full classroom curriculum. Thanks, also, go to all the people who were involved in the judging of these contests."

Winners are as follows:
COLORING CONTEST
 Friona Primary and Elementary Schools
 Kindergarten--Yari Rey, first place; Cody Prieto, second place; Monica Acosta, third place.

First grade--Julissa Saenz, first place school, third place county; Stefanie Tirado, second place; Randall Zamora, third place.

Second grade--Tiffany Vazquez, first place; Sandra Arenas, second place; Marie Tirado, third place.

Bovina Elementary School
 Kindergarten--no entries.
 First grade--Daniel Segovia, first place; Carina Landaverde, second place; Ruby Vela, third place.

Second grade--no entries.
Lazbuddie Elementary School
 Kindergarten--Morgan Smith, first place; Frankie Rodriguez, second place; Stefanie Welker, third place.

First grade--Shayla Scisson, first place; Rochelle Smith, second place; MaKayla Grahn, third place.

Second grade--Castle Crawford, first place; Jennifer Pesch, second place; Montana Steinbock, third place.

Farwell Elementary School
 Kindergarten--Martha Rosas, first place; Nina Galvan, second place; Johnathan Edwards, third place.

First grade--Bryce Howard, first place school, second place county; Krystal Sepeda, second place; Laura Gilbreath, third place.

Second grade--Hailey McIntosh, first place school, first place county; Lianna Grissom, second place; Jourdan Kirkland, third place.

POSTER CONTEST
 Friona Elementary and Junior High Schools--Monica Ortiz, first place school; Brandi Lovvorn, second place school; Juan Carlos, Chavez Gonzalez, third place school.

Bovina Elementary School -- Juan Carlos Roldan, first place school, third place county; Diana Carrillo, second place school; Sarah Morgan, third place school.

Lazbuddie Elementary School--Kirby Kimbrough, first place school, first place county; Shawnee Nichols, second place school, second place county; Shonnah black, third place school.
 Farwell Elementary School--no entries.

ESSAY CONTEST
 Friona Junior High and High Schools--no entries.

Bovina Junior High and High Schools--no entries.

Lazbuddie Junior High School/Category #1--Kendra Gallman, first place school; Mayra Hernandez, second place school; Landon Parham, third place school.

Lazbuddie High School/Category #2--Seth Black, first place school, second place county; Kia Morris, second place school; Holly Engelking, third place school.

Farwell Junior High School/Category #1--Gage Gregory, first place school, first place county; Kristin Ford, second place school, third place county; Fidel Ruiz, third place school, fourth place county.

Farwell High School/Category #2--no entries.



QUILT OF THE MONTH....On display this month at Prairie Acres are two quilts made by resident Camille Lacewell. This one is a new afghan she made in December and the quilt on display is about 30 years old. She would like to make more afghans but says the yarn is difficult for her to get. (Ron Carr Photo)

Basketball Results

7th Boys 19, Olton 35
 Scorers: Cody Williams, 6; Fabian Flores, 5; David Orozco, 4; Osualdo Almaguer, 2; Martin Orozco, 2. Record: 1-8.

MULESHOE TOURNAMENT
7th Boys 18, Plains 25
 Scorers: Osualdo Almaguer, 7; Daniel Perkins, 4; David Orozco, 3; Cody Williams, 2; Frank Dominguez, 2. Record: 1-9.

7th Boys 15, Muleshoe 36
 Scorers: Frank Dominguez, 6; Lorenzo Villa, 2; David Orozco, 2; Cody Williams, 2; Fabian Flores, 2; Osualdo Almaguer, 1. Record: 1-10.

7th Boys 17, Muleshoe 40
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In 1996, Post 206 took in

\$5,984, of which 35 per cent went to charities such as Senior Alcohol/Drug Free party, United Way, Prairie Acres and the Friona Public Library.

Post 206 also supports Texas Boys State at a cost of \$426 per boy sent.

The American Legion Post is currently hosting bingo on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month at the Legion Building, at 7:30 p.m. They will plan to return to weekly sessions as attendance increases.

WTRT To Nominate For Board

The nominating committee of West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. will meet Saturday, February 8 at 11:30 a.m. at the Hereford Country Club to nominate candidates for three seats on the board of directors.

Terms of office of incumbent directors, Charles Myers of the Hub exchange, and Floyd Schueler of the Parmer exchange, both in Parmer County, and Dick Fellers of the Dawn exchange in Deaf Smith County, are expiring this spring. All three are eligible for new terms.

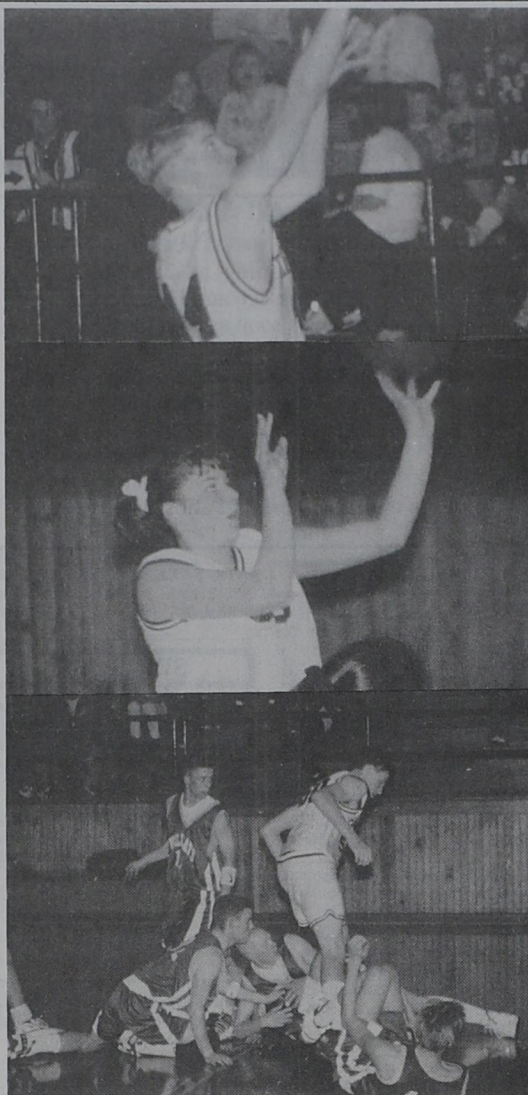
Elections to fill the three board seats will be held during the annual meeting of the membership March 18 at the Hereford Bull Barn.

Youth Group To Sponsor Trap Shoot

The Lazbuddie Methodist youth group will sponsor a trap shoot Sunday, February 9 at Clay's Corner beginning at 1 p.m. until dark.

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SHOOTIN', SHOOTIN', & STOMPIN'.....JV basketball action has been fast and furious this season as the young hoopsters gain valuable game experience before moving on to varsity. Captured here are, top, Landon Martin popping some points, V'Lynda Wilcox shows her left-handed shooting talent, as Colby Patterson seems to be stomping some River Road Wildcats. Both the boys and girls defeated the River Road teams.
(Ron Carr Photos)

Boy Born To Straughans

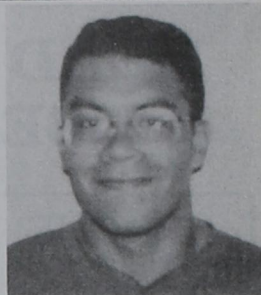
Tracy and Shelia Straughan of Hereford are the parents of a baby boy born January 27 at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo.

Named Hunter Rhett, he weighed seven pounds, five ounces and was twenty and one-half inches long at birth.

He has one older brother, Caleb.

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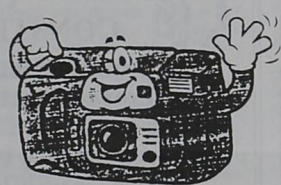
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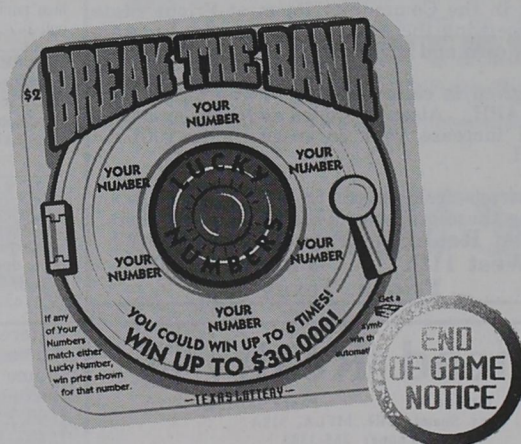
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Town Talk

By JUNE FLOYD
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Seeing tulip, daffodil, hyacinth and jonquil plants beginning to peep through the ground reminds us that very soon it will be time to begin early spring flower and vegetable gardens.

A garden, which needs no time of the year for planting has been "The Garden of Life" and reads thusly:

First plant five rows of peas:

Patience, promptness, preparation, perservance and purity.

Next, plant three rows of squash:

Squash gossip, squash criticism, and squash indifference.

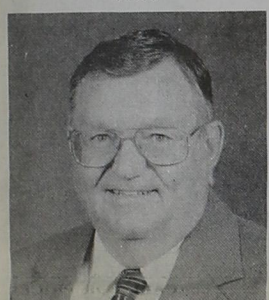
Then plant five rows of lettuce:

Let us be faithful to duty. Let us be unselfish. Let us be loyal. Let us be true to obligations. Let us love one another.

And, no garden is complete without turnips:

Turn-up for important meetings...on time. Turn-up with a smile. Turn-up with good ideas. Turn-up with determination to make everything good and worthwhile.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if each of us planted one of these gardens each year and carefully tended it.



DUANE LLOYD

Ex-Resident Is Honored

Duane Lloyd of Muleshoe has been elected to the board of directors of Texas Electric Cooperatives (TEC), a statewide service organization for Texas' 85 non-profit electric cooperatives.

His election came on August 7 during the TEC 56th annual membership meeting in Corpus Christi. Lloyd is manager of Bailey County Electric Cooperative Association of Muleshoe, a position he has held since 1986. Prior to that time, he served the Cooperative as assistant manager, administrative assistant and engineer.

A native of Friona, he attended school here as well as Ensign High School in Kansas and the University of Alaska in Fairbanks. He is active in the Muleshoe Area Industrial Foundation, which he formerly served as president.

Lloyd is married to the former Loretta Stancell of West Camp and the couple has two daughters, Lavayne Pepper of Oklahoma City and Lacey, attending South Plains College in Levelland, and a son, Nathan, who lives in Lubbock.

John Stephenses Have Baby Girl

John and Jennifer Stephens of Texico, New Mexico announce the birth of a baby girl, Taylor Jordan.

She was born December 19 at Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

The new arrival weighed eight pounds, one ounce and was twenty-three and one-fourth inches long.

Grandparents are Bob and Betty Gentry of Texico, New Mexico and Mike and Ginger Stephenses of Friona.

Great-grandparents are Eddy and Ruby Gentry and Anita Gentry, all of Clovis, New Mexico; Bill Stephenses of Friona and Teresa Boles of Amarillo.

Mary Harper of Amarillo is the child's great-great-grandmother.

This is the first child for the couple.

Four Friona ladies teamed up and made a quick trip to Canton, Texas for "First Monday" late last week. As Peggy Monroe, Doris Barnett, Kathryn Goddard and Betty Reeve were making plans, someone remembered that all four of them had daughters in the that area.

Each one made a call to her daughter and invited her to "Come to Canton on Saturday and spend the day with us."

Before noon on Saturday Renae Monroe Barnett of Carrollton, Kim Barnett Martz, who lives at Denton, Julie Goddard, a student at Southern Methodist University, and Dallas and Debbie Reeve of Tyler had joined their mothers.

The group did not disassemble until mid-afternoon or thereabouts, so it was early Sunday morning before the Friona ladies arrived home.

Natalie Williams received word Thursday that one of her brothers-in-law, Roy Williams, 95, had died in Neosho, Missouri.

He and his wife, the former Jewell Bussell, are former Friona residents. They lived here a few years before and after their marriage in the thirties then moved to Missouri.

Later they returned to and lived out on west Fifth Street a few years before moving back to Missouri.

Roy was buried in Missouri and Jewell plans to continue living there.

He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charley Williams, pioneer residents of Hale County Texas and was their last surviving son. Two sisters, Mary Meester of Hamilton and Iva Rhodes, Abernathy, Texas survive as do a large number of nieces and nephews.

Weekend guests in the home of Jay and Krita Potts of the Rhea Community and Leon and Jeffie Talley, Friona, were Nicole and Troy Talley, who live in Lubbock.

Lorraine Welch returned home Monday after spending a week in San Antonio with her daughter, Monte Sue Bailey, who is recuperating following major surgery.

She reported, "Monte is doing fine but will not be able to return to her work for about one month." Monte is a registered nurse and has worked in the Alamo City a number of years.

One of Lorraine's sisters, Martha Evelyn Bates, who has been a medical patient in Parmer County Community, was dismissed Tuesday afternoon and returned to her home for recuperation.

Another sister, Helen Teague, and her husband,

Dalton, who live in Cheyenne Wells, Colorado, came down Tuesday evening to assist Martha and for a visit with Lorraine and a fourth sister, Doris Boggess, and her husband, Eugene.

Only those of us who are privileged to have several sisters can truly appreciate what a blessing they are.

Jathan and Emily Williams of Plainview, Texas spent several days last week visiting in the home of their maternal grandparents, Bob and Lydia Wylly.

Their parents, Mike and Robin came after them and the family returned home Sunday afternoon.

Roy M. Miller had major surgery at Veteran's Hospital in Amarillo one day last week and is still hospitalized. His condition is reported to be stable.

Bailey and Houstine Reece, who live in Canyon, honored his mother, Treva Drake Reece, with a party Sunday, January 19. She was observing her ninetieth birthday.

Mrs. Reece came to Parmer County from Iowa as a small child with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. A.O. Drake and one sister, the late Frances Howard.

The Drake family's first home was in the Black Community, where Treva started to school. Later the family moved to a farm just east of the Friona City Limits and she graduated from Friona High School.

She and her husband, who is deceased, had three sons. One of them, Jim, is also deceased.

Her children and grandchildren were all able to attend the party. They are Ted and Barbara Reece, Amarillo, and their son, Brian, who attends Texas Tech University, Lubbock; Janet and Larry Freeman and daughters, Kristin and Lauren; Kay Acton and daughter, Ashley; Rick, Donna and Megan Reece, all of Canyon; and Shelly White, Amarillo.

A special guest was a long time friend, Thelma Jones of Friona.

Other relatives present included Luella, Marlene, Owen, Melody, Wes, Ceciley and Colton Drake; Erma Brown; Jana, David, Beau, Breann, Briar and Brenner Barnett and Floyd, Betty and Becky Reeve, all of Friona.

Also, Bret, Sherry, Megan and Colby Whitten, Bovina; and Johnny, Denae, Landon and Macy McLellan, Lubbock.

Larry and Virginia Moyer had out-of-town visitors over the weekend. They were their youngest son, Dr. Brad Moyer, and his fiancée, Shea

Darragh, and her mother, Cindi Darragh, all of Marble Falls, Texas.

Also their other son and his family, Doug and Christa Moyer and children, Jolie and Jayton, live at Ulysses, Kansas.

Emile Miller of Taos, New Mexico and the daughter of Kent and Amanda Miller came up from Lubbock, where she is a freshman at Lubbock Christian University for a weekend visit with local kin.

She's the granddaughter of Nelda Benge and the great-granddaughter of Roy and Eva Miller and Mildred May.

She also went to Clovis to see her maternal grandmother, Amy Mason, a former Friona resident who recently moved from Taos.

Emile returned to Lubbock Sunday afternoon.

Another out-of-town visitor in Roy and Eva's home was a granddaughter, Sherry Kramer who lives at Skellytown, Texas.

Wouldn't it be better to be respected for overcoming the tragedies on one's life than to be pitied for having them?



NEW AT PRAIRIE ACRES.....Prairie Acres spent \$5,000 from the love fund for equipment for their resident therapy room. They contracted with Sundance of Amarillo to provide therapists 7 days a week, plus speech therapy. Pictured in the remodeled therapy room are, l-r, therapists Paul Hudson, Alan Clark, and Bill Timm. (Ron Carr Photo)

Bridal/Tool Showers Fete Former Frionan, Bride-Elect

A miscellaneous bridal shower in the home of Edwina Davenport from 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday was a courtesy for Shea Darragh, bride-elect of Dr. Brad Moyer.

Finger sandwiches, cookies and hot cider were served from a table covered with a white linen cloth and centered with a bouquet of roses.

Rose corsages were presented to special guests, Beulah Moyer, paternal grandmother of the prospective groom, and mothers of the engaged couple, Virginia Moyer of Friona and Cindi Darragh of Marble Falls, Texas.

Co-hostesses were Helen Bailey, Mary Joyce Barnett, Linda Black, Barbara Brown, Wyona Clark, Jane Dixon, Marca Lynn Herring, Lucy Beth Hinkle, Luann Hough, Peggy Monroe, Mary Pryor, Judy Rhodes, Ada Beth Smith, Nancy Roden and Karen Wright.

The evening before Dr. Moyer was honored with a tool shower in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Brown with Erma Brown as co-hostess.

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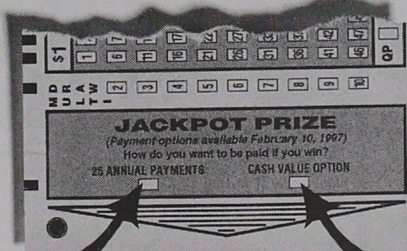
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News Involving Friona Graduates

ACU Honors Two Frionans

Michael Cole and Amy Israel of Friona were named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the fall 1996 semester at Abilene Christian University. To make the honor roll, a student must complete at least 12 semester hours for grades and earn 3.45 or higher grade point average.

J. Gamboa Is Honored By Marines

Marine Lance Cpl. Juan P. Gamboa, son of Juan E. Gamboa of Friona, recently received a Certificate of Commendation while assigned with 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines, 1st Marine Division, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California.

"Gamboa was recognized for his superior performance of duty. Displaying remarkable dedication and initiative, Gamboa consistently performed his demanding duties in an exemplary and highly professional manner," a Marine spokesman said.

"Gamboa is an essential part of today's naval forces as they shift focus away from long-distance war at sea to handling the challenges of regional conflicts affecting U.S. interests," he continued. The 1995 graduate of Friona High School joined the Marine Corps in June, 1995.

Tech Honors Nine Frionans

More than 3,300 Texas Tech University students qualified for academic honors lists at the end of the fall 1996 semester.

Students on the President's List earned a 4.0 (A) grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of classwork. Students who earned 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's List.

Students from Friona making the President's List were: Scott Lee Houston, senior, majoring in chemical engineering; Seth Wayne Houston, sophomore, majoring in petroleum engineering; and Rachell Suzanne Rice, sophomore, majoring in horticulture.

Those making the Dean's List included: Sheldon Wayne Burleson, sophomore, majoring in petroleum engineering; Britton Lee Conklin, senior, majoring in animal science; Lee Ann Ford, junior,

majoring in pre-physical therapy; Joanna Renae Gallman, sophomore, majoring in English; Teresa Diann Taylor Jack, junior, majoring in accounting; and Dawnda Deann Magby, junior, majoring in finance.

Brown Joins Honor Group

Clarendon College's Iota Phi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa recently welcomed 46 honor students into its membership ranks. Friona resident, Tracy Brown, was among those inducted into Phi Theta Kappa.

A National Honor Society for Junior Colleges, PTK elects members on the basis of grade point average and course credit earned. Clarendon College PTK members are required to maintain a 3.0 GPA.

One of the oldest institutes of higher education in the Texas Panhandle, Clarendon College will celebrate its 100th anniversary in 1998.

Local Youth Is Honored

Terron Andrew Talley, son of T. Leon and Jeffie Talley of Friona, was among 44 students at Oklahoma Christian University nominated to the 1997 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

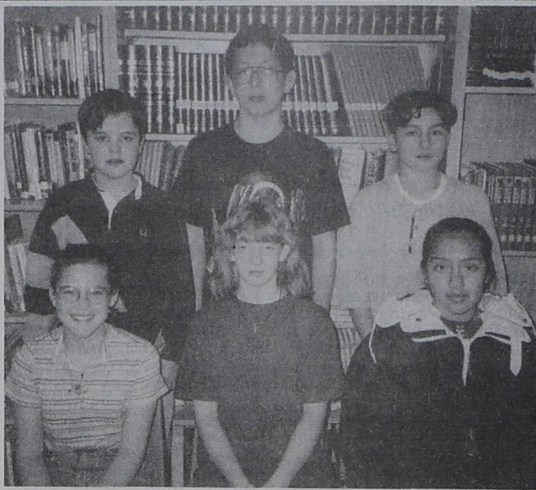
Talley, a senior majoring in missions, was selected based on academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extra-curricular activities and potential for continued success.

He will join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,900 institutions of higher learning in all fifty states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

M. Mann On 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 of a possible 4.0 or better with a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

Michael Mann of Canyon was named on the honor list. His parents are Joe Bob and Dale Mann of Friona. He is a senior student majoring in mass communications.



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH....The January "Students of the Month" at Friona Junior High School are pictured above. Honorees (from left to right) are T.J. Randolph and Lindsey North, sixth graders; Roy Loya and Jennifer Stafford, seventh graders; and Cesar Carrera and Elida Rivera, eighth graders.

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