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Energas Services Sets AG Meetings

ing in Muleshoe on February 26 at the Bailey County Coliseum, 2206 W. American Blvd. This meeting is the last of four meetings held in the area.

These Community AG Meetings are designed to give farmers and other interested persons the opportunity to visit with company representatives about the new Energas contracts and the future of natural gas prices. Energas AG Services

wants to make sure farmers are making decisions based on accurate information. There is a great deal of misinformation in the field right now and many farmers are understandably confused and concerned. That is why we are planning these four AG meetings. For customers in the rest of our service area, field representatives will be hosting meetings in communities close to you.

"We are very concerned about how high energy prices will affect our irrigation customers this upcoming season. All of us are in a unique situation and we at Energas feel we must all

Energas AG Services will possible while continuing to hold a Community Ag Meet- work on providing irrigation customers with unparalleled service. Energas AG Services is only concerned about the success of its customers.

All Energas AG Services customers are urged to attend these important meetings. We also strongly encourage anyone involved in the irrigation business who may have an interest in high energy prices to attend.

For more information, contact Kelley Grimes, general manager of Energas AG Services in Lubbock at (806) 798-4477.

Byron Boyd In College of State Bar

Friona attorney Byron Boyd is one of 3,900 attorneys who are recognized as members of the College of the State Bar of Texas. This distinguished group of attorneys represent less than eight percent of the total number of attorneys in Texas.

The College was created in 1982 by the Supreme Court of Texas as a means of

recognizing members of the

State Bar who voluntarily

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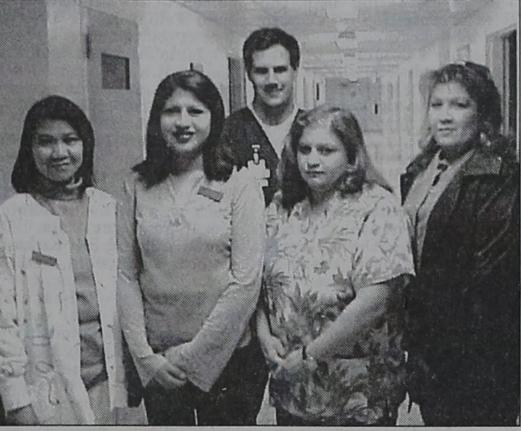
during the current year.

of all lawyers in Texas.

To qualify for member-

To maintain membership

education credits each year.



A BIG WELCOME to new Parmer County Hospital employees, l-r, J Alabe, MT, Christa Garza, Bryan Castille, RN, Yolanda Cruz, CNA and Brenda Leal. See story below for details.

Hospital Welcomes New Personnel

munity Hospital has some Visor computers they received. new faces for the New Year. We wish to welcome each and training on the hand-held every addition to the staff at devices. These computers are PCCH. Each will play a vital expected to reduce time spent part of the continued efforts of on paperwork both in the PCCH to provide quality field and the office. medical care to Friona and surrounding areas.

Parmer County Com- using the four new Palm

All licensed staff attended

each of the individuals for

their time. Those attending

were Mike Hutson, Marca

Herring, Roger Nelson, Mari

Martinez, Doctor Alexander,

Bill Neely, Anna Leeper and

Rhonda Wilkins," a hospital

those who stopped by Friona State Bank, Security State Bank, Friona Senior Meals

and 1st Bank of Bovina, for

blood pressure, glucose and

ing service is very pleased to

have, as additions to the

staff, Bryan Castille, R.N.,

and the transfer of Alberta

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advance directives education. Last, but not least, nurs-

Home Health thanks all

spokesman said.

BISD To Have Middle School Principal Again

the Bovina ISD met in increase the current budget regular session on February 12. The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. and minutes from the previous meeting were approved as read.

The board discussed several options for the lease/purchase of future classrooms for expansion. Superintendent Downes said the board discussed expansion of the elementary library and the science facilities. The discussion centered on state allotments and other grants and financing methods in the event the expansion became a reality.

In other matters, the board approved the USDA Rural Utilities Service grant application and the Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund Board grant application.

The board approved the call for the Bovina ISD Board of Trustees election on May 5, 2001 and approved Les McCain as election judge and Pat Read as the early voting clerk for the election.

Beauchamp, the board approved bids for the school's used computer equipment. director Bruce Scroggins' May 31, 2001 was approved

The Board of Trustees of was approved. A motion to by \$105 for board member travel was approved by a 4/3 vote.

> The date of the regular March meeting to March 8 was approved. The superintendent gave a TASB Legislative report and reported on the Comptroller's Property Tax Division.

> After a closed executive session at 9:25 p.m., the board returned at 10:55 p.m. They then approved a one year contract extension for K'Dawn Scroggins through June 2003.

Next school year the BISD will revert to the three principal system. Mrs. Scroggins will be high school principal and a middle school principal will be hired. This system will replace the current principal/assistant principal setup for high school and middle school.

In other board action, current assistant principal Shawn Holmes was given a one year teacher/coach contract. Elementary principal Darla Sealey was approved After a motion by Mike on a contract extension of one year, through July 2003.

> Head coach and athletic contract was extended

work together to find solutions that are good for everyone concerned.

"Agriculture is vital to our area and vital to the success of Energas. Therefore, we are making ourselves available to all of our customers to ensure that good communication is maintained as we work our way through this difficult time," according to Kelley Grimes, general manager.

The new irrigation contracts reflect the commitment of Energas to provide natural gas at as competitive rates as

IT'S BEEN AWHILE since we've discussed some of life's little mysteries. High time! Here are some recent jumbled jottings from Mama Carol's notebook:

If you woke up breathing this morning, congratulate yourself! You have another chance to straighten up the mess you made out of yesterday.



Guess what! One out of every three Americans is suffering from some form of mental illness. Think of two of your best friends. If they are OK, then it must be you! Of course, everybody seems pretty normal until you get to know them better.

Why is it that we spend the first two years of our children's lives teaching them to walk and talk, and then we spend the next 16 years telling them to sit down and shut up?

Why do banks leave both doors open and then chain their pens to the counters?

How come drugstores make the sick folks walk all the way to the back of the store to get their prescriptions, while healthy people can buy their cigarettes at the front. Of course it won't be very long before the smokers are unhealthy, too, and will be making their way to prescription counter in the back.

Only in America do we use answering machines to screen our calls, and then have call waiting so we won't miss a call from somebody that we didn't want to talk to in the first place.

Did you know that motel mattresses are better on the side away from the phone?

Why is it that children seldom misquote you. In fact, they usually repeat word for word everything you shouldn't have said.

Only in America can a pizza delivery get to your house faster than an ambulance.

Why is it that anyone going slower than you is an idiot, but anyone going faster than you is a maniac? The one thing that unites all humans regardless of age, gender, religion, economic status or ethnic background, is that deep down inside, we all believe that we are really good drivers. What is the purpose of ordering a double cheeseburger with

large fries and then topping it all off with a diet coke? Be nice to your friends because you never know when you may need them to empty your bed pan and stroke your forehead. Be nice to your kids, too, because they will be the ones to pick out which nursing home you'll be in.

They say it is well documented that for every minute you

Joining the business office in February is Christa Garza. Christa will be working in admissions.

The dietary department is glad to welcome Brenda Leal. You may not see Brenda but you will appreciate the work that Brenda will be doing. She will be working as a cook

in the dietary department. The hospital's laboratory department welcomes J. Alabe, certified American Medical technologist. Mrs. Alabe offers over 12 years of experience in the field of medical technology.

"The laboratory is very excited about a new addition of equipment, the AVL OPTI Critical Care Analyzer. The analyzer provides rapid accurate testing and represents a major advance in blood gas/electrolyte analysis," said PCCH Administrator Bill Neely.

PCCH Home Health is excited to have Yolonda Cruz join their department. Yolonda will work as an office assistant and as a home health aide. PCCH Home Health is anxious to start





"Several attended a as Take Our Daughters To Public Advisory Group meet-Work Day in Bovina ISD. ing and we wish to thank

the budget to cover ag student travel to major shows

through June 2003 and a 12month probationary contract A \$4,000 amendment to for ag teacher Jarrod Souder through June 2002 also passed the board.



LORI THARP **Lori Tharp Is Student Teacher In Oklahoma**

Forty-one Northwestern Oklahoma State University education majors are performing student teaching in northwestern Oklahoma and southern Kansas.

Lori (Beauchamp) Tharp, daughter of Mike and Debra Beauchamp, has been Funeral Home Open House Set Sunday

Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home is inviting the public to attend an open house for their newly remodeled facility this Suhnday, February 25,

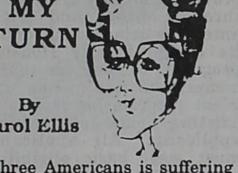
assigned to teach first grade at Laverne Elementary in Alva, Oklahoma.

The student teachers attended all-day seminars and multicultural classes prior to beginning their teaching assignments on February 5. Their final student teaching day will be May 4.

The future teachers also will be participating in portfolio assessment exit interviews on May 3, 4, 7 and 8.

St. Ann's Sets Annual Meal

St. Ann's Catholic Church of Bovina is sponsoring their annual German Sausage Dinner on Sunday, March 11. Serving time is 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Texas Time) in St. Ann's Parish Hall on Third Street in Bovina. The menu includes German sausage, creamed potatoes, gravy, green beans, sauerkraut, cranberry sauce, relish plate, homemade bread, desserts, tea and coffee. Donations will be \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under six years of age. Takeout plates will be available at no extra charge. Sausage will be available by the pound by ordering from any St. Ann's Society member and at the dinner.



exercise, you add one minute to your life. So then at 85 years of age you can spend an additional five months in the nursing home at \$5000 per month? I suppose the advantage of exercising every day is that you die healthier. Everytime I think about exercise, I lie down until the thought goes away. If God had meant for us to touch our toes, he would have put them up higher on our bodies.

There are only two really useful tools. WD-40 and duct tape. If it doesn't move and it should, use WD-40. If it moves and it shouldn't, use the duct tape. I can't imagine what we did before these two items came along.

You can tell a lot about a person by the way they handle three aspects of life. . .a rainy day, lost luggage, and tangled Christmas tree lights.

The word "good" is being overused these days. When a waiter asks if he can refill your tea glass, the gen-X reply is "No thanks; I'm good." What does being good have to do with being full? If someone asks "How are you?" Most younger folks say "I'm good." If you ask the same question of someone over 50, they'll say "I'm fine."

When you make a mistake, make amends immediately. It's easier to eat crow while it's still warm.

FUNERAL HOME REMODELED....Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home in Friona has remodeled the interior. John and Jo Blackwell invite you to an open house this Sunday, February 25, from 2-4 p.m. at 815 Main Street.

from 2-4 p.m.

John Blackwell says he wants everyone to see the changes which have been made on the funeral home's interior.

Uriel Vega Construction was the contractor on the remodeling project.



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Build Policy Consensus By Shawn Wade



of an industry as diverse as making the difficult seem Alabama; and Bob easy has been the cornerstone McClendon of Leary, Georgia. of its many past successes.

groups that make up the detailed analysis of the NCC again try to develop a single set of policy goals to help steer development of the next cotton program, the job of building consensus is The key point from the requiring a little more work producer segment in this case than first expected.

The sticking point now is the producer segment's desperate need for better downside protection through an increase in cotton's minimum loan rate. Merchants have been reluctant to fully support the idea, citing concerns about potential increases on productions in and out of the U.S.

two groups together, producer obtain U.S. cotton at representatives from the American Cotton Producers will meet with the American Cotton Shippers Association (ACSA) at the ACSA Board receiving the additional meeting February 26 in support a higher loan rate Washington, DC.

The Producer contingent

Serving the best interests attending the meeting will be with a marketing loan the composed of growers Mark cotton is never easy. For the Williams of Farwell; Hollis National Cotton Council, Isbell of Muscle Shoals,

NCC staff members will As the seven interest also be on hand to provide proposed changes and possible effects on foreign and domestic plantings, exports, and prices.

The key point from the is that the proposed increase in the loan floor wouldn't adversely affect a merchant or mills' ability to buy U.S. Cotton at competitive world prices. Since 1996, the use of a formula derived loan rate. operating as designed, would have provided effective loan rates from 53-60 cents.

The only dfference now is the fact that the marketing loan has protected the ability In an effort to bring the of merchants and mills to competitive world prices while legislatively imposed caps on the formula derived loan rate have prevented growers from would have provided.

They will also note that

USDA Says Federal Funds **Available For Rural Facilities** "The Community Facil-

Steven A. Carriker, State

also confident that before discussion about what needs to be included in the next Farm Bill is complete, that the NCC will have developed a policy that not only supports the needs of producers, but also protects the interests of all other segments of the industry.

price level.

While long-term aspects of farm policy reform are important, the critical need at this time is authorization of additional economic assistance for producers in 2001.

flow of cotton will remain

uninterrupted and the loudest

message communicated to

foreign producers will be that

U.S. cotton producers will

remain competitive players in

the world market at every

consensus will be reached

within the NCC on this issue

in the near future. PCG is

PCG is confident that a

To meet this critical need NCC continues to be strongly united in support of emergency aide to growers in 2001. Current NCC policy is aimed at implementing support at a level not less than the amount provided growers in 2000.

NCC is also encouraging the delivery of that support as quickly as possible to help producers obtain financing for the 2001 growing season.

Bovina Elem Lunch Menu Feb. 26-Mar. 2 Monday- Mexican



... from the files of The Bovina Blade

45 Yrs Ago--Feb. 22, 1956 Erith Hawkins, high scorer in many of Bovina's basketball games this season, was the only Mustang player named to the all-district 3-B team Friday night after the district tournament.

Janie Alverson, guard on Coach R.E. Everett's girls team, was named to a spot in the all-district girls team.

40 Yrs Ago--Feb. 22, 1961 Driver and a passenger in a semi-trailer truck escaped injury Saturday when the truck crashed head-on into a speeding freight train. Bob Vinton, 23, and Bill Kirkland, 15, both of Hereford, were not injured.

Bovina Mustangs wrapped up the district basketball championship at Lazbuddie Thursday night by rolling over the strong Longhorns, 58-50 in a game that was closer than the final score indicated.

35 Yrs Ago--Feb. 23, 1966 Bovina Lions Club awarded almost \$400 in prize money in annual FFA and 4-H Livestock Show here Wednesday afternoon of last week.

The grand champion steer, a Hereford, was shown by Lowell Taylor. Daryl Kirkpatrick's Hampshire was champion of the "other breeds" class of lambs. Grand champion barrow exhibited by Raymond Quintana and Johnie Hugh showed the champion Southdown lamb.

30 Yrs Ago--Feb. 24, 1971

received her license for vocational nursing on January 29 from South Plains School of Vocational Nursing on the Lubbock campus and the training at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

15 Yrs Ago--Feb. 26, 1986

Darla Stormes was the winner of a registered gilt after being judged as having the best essay in those sent in from the Parmer County 4-H Clubs and FFA Chapters. She is the daughter of Sam and Ella Jo Stormes.

> **Panhandle Community Services Gets Funding**

> > 9410.

Panhandle Community is an Equal Opportunity Services will receive a \$83,432 Housing Preservation Grant from USDA Rural Development announced Steven A. Carriker, Texas state director.

USDA Rural Development is charged with assisting rural communities by administering programs targeted to streng-thening the economy and infrastructure of rural areas, including assisting qualified applicants with some of their

housing needs. "USDA Rural Development is very pleased to be able to provide housing rehabilitation funding for rural Texans," said Steven A. Carriker, state director. "It is our goal to ensure rural residents are afforded an opportunity to live in decent housing that meets the basic health and safety standards and provides the benefits of energy efficient features." The Housing Preservation Grant funds awarded by the Amarillo Rural Development office will provide Panhandle Community Services with the means to assist approximately 24 qualified homeowners in the Texas Panhandle with home repairs. The Housing Preservation Grant is one of several programs in which USDA, Rural Development is able to assist residents in rural communities of 10,000 or less population with housing needs. Rural Development also provides housing assistance through direct and guaranteed housing loans under its Single Family Housing program to buy or build homes, and has a loan and grant program for repairs to existing homes of qualified applicants. All applicants must meet basic eligibility requirements. Rural Development has also financed numerous apartment complexes in the Texas Panhandle through its Multi-Family Program. Qualified tenants may receive subsidized rental assistance in an effort to provide decent, safe, sanitary and affordable housing to many rural residents. For more information regarding Rural Development programs and eligibility requirements, contact the USDA Local Service Center in Amarillo at (806) 468-8600, Extension 102.

10 Yrs Ago--Feb. 23, 1991

Parmer County 4-H member Kia Morris of Lazbuddie, exhibited her 254pound barrow to Champion Yorkshire honors this past week at the San Antonio Livestock Show. Kia received \$4,000 for her barrow in the premium sale.

5 Yrs Ago--Feb. 24, 1996

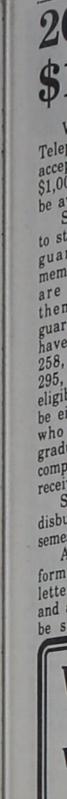
As a result of local support, Tuesday night's Cops vs. Coaches basketball game raised over \$400 for Bovina's D.A.R.E. program. The Coaches crushed the Cops 61-41.

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discrimination should be sent

to: Office of Civil Rights,

Washington, D.C., 20250-



The USDA Rural Development mission area was created in 1994 and includes the Rural Business-Cooperative Service, the Rural Housing Service, and the Rural Utilities Service. Its mission is to use the resources of USDA to provide an improved quality of life for

the nation's 53 million rural people. For more information on Rural Development programs

in Texas, check our web site at http://www.rurdev.usda. gov/tx/.

Development, announced that local offices are gearing up for the Fiscal Year 2001 Community Facility loan season. The effort is part of USDA's ambitious national program to help rural areas build and enhance essential community facilities.

Comptroller Sends Feb. Sales Tax

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander delivered \$335.3 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,108 Texas cities and 119 counties. So far this year, sales tax rebates to cities and counties are up 5.4% compared to the first two months of 2000.

The February sales tax allocations include sales taxes collected by monthly filers in December and reported to the Comptroller in January, plus quarterly returns for sales in October, November and December and returns from annual filers for the entire year 2000.

Parmer County was \$39, 218, compared to \$30,897 last year, a 26.93% increase. Bovina received \$3,617; Farwell, \$6,583; and Friona, \$29,018. Tha amounts were increases of 7.66%, 52.74%, and 24.93% respectively.

In 2001, the county has received \$62,314 in tax payments from the state, compared to \$53,352 in the same period last year.

Director, Texas USDA Rural ities program will help rural communities keep pace with the needs of their citizens," Carriker said. "With lower populations and tax bases than urban areas, rural communities can use our programs to help provide essential public services and to enhance the quality of life for all rural residents.

During FY 2000 USDA Rural Development distributed \$3,560,000 for Community Facilities projects throughout rural Texas. Funding levels for FY 2001 are approximately the same as last year.

Community Facility loan funds may be used to construct, enlarge or improve community facilities for health care, public safety and public services. These loans are usually made to public entities and non-profit organizations. Examples of eligible projects include rural health care clinics, town halls, fire trucks, county safety equipment, community centers, libraries, day care centers and schools. If the applicant is eligible, a limited portion of the funds may be provided in The February payment to the form of grant funds.

For more information regarding USDA Rural Development programs, the Amarillo Local Office at 806-468-8600, extension 122.

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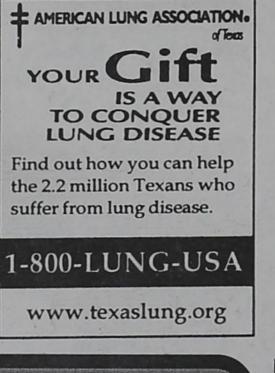
casserole, pepperoni pizza, crackers, tossed salad, Spanish rice, pinto beans, juice bar and choice of milk.

Tuesday- sub sandwich, hamburger, lettuce and tomato, potato chips, fries, hamburger veggies, fresh fruit, juice bar and choice of milk.

Wednesday- nachos, pepperoni pizza, corn, tossed salad, carrot sticks, fresh fruit, juice bar and choice of milk.

Thursday- steakfingers, pepperoni pizza, cream potatoes, green beans, corn, tossed salad, wheat rolls, fresh fruit and choice of milk.

Friday- tacos, cheeseburger, cheddar cheese, tossed salad, corn, french fries, fresh fruit and choice of milk.



In a serious accident in Sunday's blizzard, Alfred Mills of Bovina, an employee of the state Highway Department, was struck and seriously injured by a pickup driven by Rodney Brewer of Sunray about 9:30 a.m. Sunday near Black on U.S. Highway 60.

An area-paralyzing blizzard, consisting of blowing snow, high winds and freezing temperatures, struck here last Saturday night and continued through Sunday.

25 Yrs Ago--Feb. 25, 1976 Joan Carson, senior 4-H Club member, broke a 29year drought for Bovina exhibitors by showing the

grand champion steer, a heavyweight Charolais-cross, at the 29th annual Parmer County Jr. Livestock Show last weekend in Friona.

A crowd of 415 people attended the 15th annual German sausage dinner Sunday at St. Ann's Catholic Church.

20 Yrs Ago--Feb. 25, 1981 Matt Howell exhibited the grand champion barrow in the local livestock show, Charlie Trimble had the champion steer and Casey Riddle had the grand champion lamb.

Jim Roberts celebrated his 80th birthday at his home with a family dinner on February 22.

Mac McCallum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean McCallum, has been promoted to the position of manager and collection analyst for CIT Financial Services in Houston.

Нарру Birthday Bovina

Birthdays for the week of February 25 to March 3, 2001.

Feb 25 Elva Hernandez, Freddy Flores, Georgia Foster Feb 26 Jill Sorley, Martha Garner, Ken Foster, Wayne Foster

Feb 27 Jordan Barrett, Ken Langlanais

Feb 28 Catalina Garcia, Asa Smith Mar 2 Misty Pruitt

Mar 3 Cassie Flores, Brenda Riddle

To add a friend or relative to our birthday list, or for any changes or corrections, call 251-1523 (leave message) or write Drawer B, 79009.

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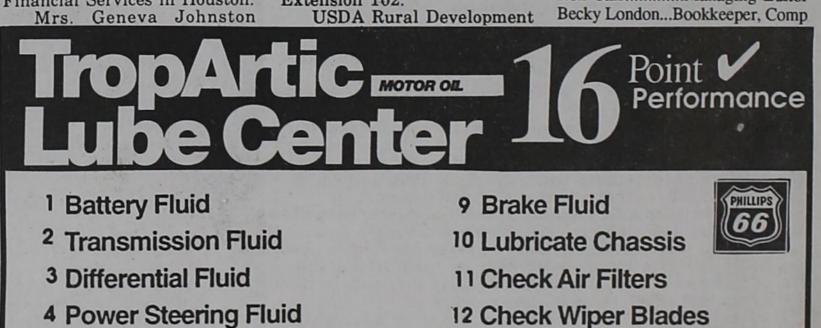
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2001 WTRT Offers \$1,000 Scholarships

Telephone Cooperative is now must be from a teacher, accepting applications for ten \$1,000 scholarships that will be awarded in May, 2001.

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to students whose parents or guardians are WTRT members, or to students who members WTRT are Parents, themselves. guardians or students must have a telephone prefix of Highway 385. 258, 276, 265, 578, 825, Applicatio 295, 357, 225 or 289 to be eligible. Applicants must also be either high school seniors who are candidates for graduation this spring, have and Vega. completed high school or have received their GED.

Scholarship monies will be completed, semester.

form, accompanied by two and must be received at the letters of recommendation, offices of WTRT, Box 1737, and a wallet-size photo must Hereford, Texas 79045, no be submitted. One of the later than April 2, 2001.

West Texas Rural letters of recommendation principal or counselor from the high school that the applicant is currently attending, or Scholarships are open only attended or from a college/trade school instructor if the student is currently enrolled.

> In Hereford, applications may be picked up only at the WTRT offices on South

Applications and rules may be picked up at the high school counselor's offices in Friona, Bovina, Lazbuddie, Farwell, Dimmitt, Adrian newstand on Franklin Street

To be considered, applications must be fully have no disbursed in increments per attachments other than the photo and two required An official application letters of recommendation,

I paid four dollars for a newspaper last Sunday. Bought it at The Newstand on Prince Street in Clovis.

I love newstands. When I was a teen, there was a in Hillsboro, just a few doors east of the beauty shop where my mother worked.

If memory serves it was a bakery too with one entire wall of magazines and newspapers. Among other bakery goodies, they made those U-shaped, pecan flavored cookies with white powdered sugar on top.

Everybody knew when you got through eating one of those. There was white sugar on your shirt, nose and shoes.

Before I tell about my four dollar newspaper though, let me say a big "HALLELUJAH" and thanks to WT Services for adding the Fox News Channel. My old friends Tony Snow, Bill O'Reilly, Sean Hannity, and Brit Hume are back in my living room.

Thank you Jerry Walker, Cindy Butman, et al, at WT Services. I love that Fox News Channel. Mainly because they don't seem to like former impeached president Billy Jeff Clinton anymore than the rest of us.

Also, congratulations to one of my favorite subscribers and readers, Mark Zachary of Abilene. Mark and his wife Shannon are the proud parents of little daughter Arin Noel, born February 5. It is their first baby and I am real happy for you Mark. Grandparents are Gene and Karon Zachary of Friona.

Excuse me! I will be back! Gotta go to Canyon for the Squaws vs. Clarendon basketball playoff game. A win tonight and we are on the way to Abilene for the regional tournament. (Pause)

I'm back and from me and my Mediamobile pals

Sunday on my way to Wal Mart to pick up a Sunday Dallas Morning News (early edition). The Dallas Sunday paper costs \$1.50, same as the Lubbock Sunday paper except the Dallas News is about three times as big.

Then I spotted a stack of the New York Times. The date said Sunday, February 18. A question flashed through my mind: how could they get the New York Times from New York to The Newstand in Clovis, New Mexico on the same date the paper is printed.

There are no non-stop flights from New York to Clovis. Before I left the house Sunday morning to go to Clovis, I heard one of the TV news persons refer to an op-ed piece in the Sunday New York Times written by impeached ex-president Billy Jeff Clinton.

Sure enough, there it was in Section 4, "My Reasons For The Pardons" by William Jefferson Clinton. I was just going to stand there and read it but the woman behind the counter was staring at me so I decided to fork over the four dollar cover price and read it when I got back to Texas.

If I had had some scales I would have weighed my four dollar paper. It had 7 sections that totaled 210 pages. Plus,

if I did you'll have a heck of a time proving it." He said there was no "quid pro quo."

I've heard that word a lot since the Clinton's stunk up the White House. The TV talking heads always want to know if there is a quid pro quo.

My Webster's Ninth Collegiate says quid pro quo means "something for something. Something given for something else." In this case Marc Rich gave money, Billy Jeff gave a pardon. What bothers me in this

Marc Rich deal is how hard his ex-wife worked to get him pardoned. I don't know about you but I have a couple of ex-wives who wouldn't give donate a dime to a hobo to get me pardoned. Can't figure out why Denise likes Marc so much.

Guess if I had a bazillion dollars like he does my ex'es might decide to kiss up to the president to help me out. Too bad how money really boosts the old quid pro quo.

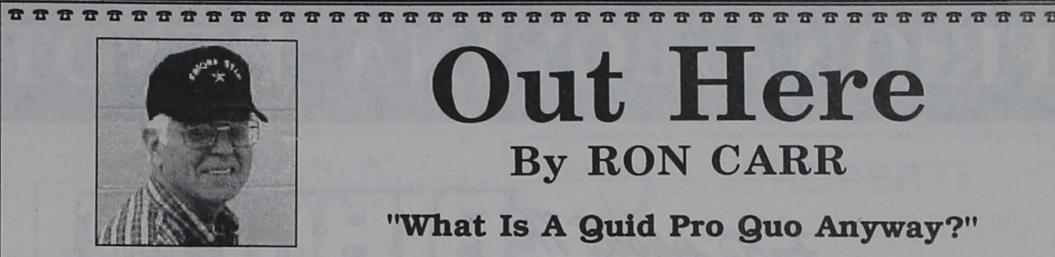
Billy Jeff's op-ed piece wasn't worth the four dollars I spent on the New York Times but there is enough stuff in there to keep me in columns until the summer of 2002. By the way, for you folks in Bootleg, op-ed means opinion editorial which is written by someone who does

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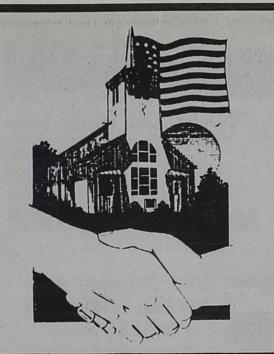




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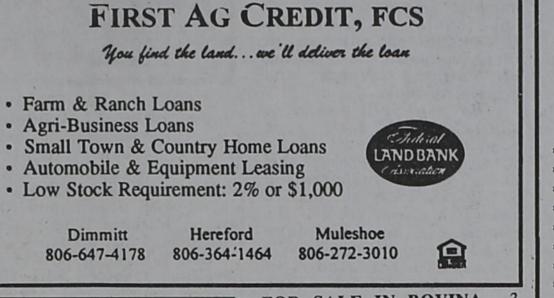
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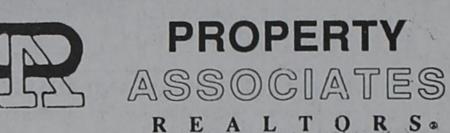
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The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Farwell, Parmer County, Texas, on January 28, 2001.

> Sandra Warren, District Clerk P.O. Box 195 Farwell, Texas 79325 287th Judicial District Court Parmer County, Texas B-4tc-2/2-2/9-2/16-2/23

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CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM AND REALITY

Dolitical campaigns cost money. Any attempt to reform campaign finance Plaws has to take this reality into account.

Reform can level the playing field.

Reform can make the election process more responsive to voters and more accessible to potential candidates.

But effective campaign finance reform has to acknowledge the central role played by legitimate, voluntary contributions from individuals and organizations.

Voters need information, the more the better, and getting that information to them costs money. Inherent in our democracy is the right and ability of candidates for public office to publicize their views before an election so the electorate is able to make an informed choice. I have introduced campaign reform legislation that addresses shortcomings in the current system. My bill targets specific problems with specific remedies.

Problem: Political action committees (PACs) overshadow individual contributors and concentrate fund raising in Washington.

My solution: set a limit for both individual and PAC contributions of \$3,000 per candidate per election.

Problem: Inordinate amounts of campaign contributions coming from sources other than voters in a candidate's home district or state.

My solution: Strengthen politicians' home-state ties and encourage expanded grass-roots participation by requiring that at least 60 percent of a congressional candidate's campaign funds come from in-state individual residents in the case of the Senate, or from District residents, in the case of the House of Representatives.

This will ensure that the people of each state have the greatest say in the outcome of their congressional elections, and would help challengers, who rely more often upon individual contributions.

Problem: Candidates can loan their own campaigns unlimited sums of money, then reimburse themselves with contributions collected after they've been elected to office.

My solution: Set a \$250,000 limit on what self-financed candidates can reimburse themselves for campaign loans.

Problem: Incumbent elected officials enjoy the unfair advantage of franked (free) mass mailings, even during election years, up to 60 days before the election.

My solution: End the mass-mail franking privilege for Senators during election years.

My bill incorporates common sense into our campaign finance laws by targeting areas that have been subject to abuse and excess, while respecting freedom of expression. These are clear, workable reforms,

Letter To **The Editor** Dear Bill,

On behalf of myself, our board of directors and employees, we express to you our thanks for the many things you do for us in connection with the reporting of hospital events and

accomplishments. We especially want to thank you for your participation in the "Christmas Card Project" this past year (which raised \$3,549.82). Any success we enjoy is a direct result of the efforts of you and many others in our community who remain interested in continuing health care services in our area.

Again, we sincerely thank

you. Bill Neely Administrator Parmer County Community Hospital

Amy Angeley Is Named To Dean's List

Angeley of Amy Lazbuddie has been named to the Dean's Honor Lists for the fall semester at South Plains College, Levelland.

"It is always a pleasure each semester to recognize those students who have been named to the college's honor lists," said Dr. Gary McDaniel, SPC president. "They have set high standards for themselves academically, and we appreciate and applaud their efforts."

Students named to the Dean's Honor List must maintain a minimum 3.25 GPA while carrying at least

12 semester hours of college-

level work with no failing



James and Sandra Clayton went to Arlington over the weekend to help celebrate their daughter, JoAnn Windle's 30th The Claytons birthday. stayed with JoAnn and her family, husband Shaun and kids Shauni and Jordan.

Bovina couple and stayed with her sister Diane Lane, also of Arlington.

The ladies got together and shopped and just had a nice weekend.

Clinic Set Mar. 14, 16 In Friona

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist St. Anthony's Health System will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic at Parmer County Hospital, 1307 **Cleveland Avenue in Friona** on March 14 and 16.

A minimum of fifteen women need to register for mobile mammography clinics to come to area towns. Breast cancer affects one in eight women.

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

Tommy Scaff had a stroke over the weekend and has been a patient at Baptist/St. Anthony's all week. Friends say his family plans to move him to Lubbock soon so he and wife Bonnie can be closer to their sons, Scott and Blake.

Sandra's dad Earl May of Tuesday night family Levelland traveled with the reported that Tommy had some improvement. The Scaff's sons are Scott of Shallowater and has three children, Jordan, Brittany and Preston; Blake is married to Lena and they live in Lubbock and have three daughters.

Anne Corn is back home in Bovina after undergoing hip replacement surgery February 6 in Amarillo. Her daughter Doris Grissom of Grand Prairie was staying with her this week until she could get around a little better.

Justin and Arlene Brozek went to Nashville two weekends ago. Arlene, who sells Home Interior products, attended a convention there. The couple were also celebrating their 10th wedding anniversary so they took advantage of the trip and relaxed a little.

Sights they saw included the Grand Ole Opry and Music Row.

The Brozeks' sons Jake and Justus stayed with Arlene's parents, Billy and Suezy Smith.

At one time during that weekend the Smiths had all six of the grandkids. In addition to Jake and Justus there are Hannah and Heather Miller of Bovina and Robin and Cutter Smith of Hereford.

If you know Suezy, you know she was having a great time with all those children.



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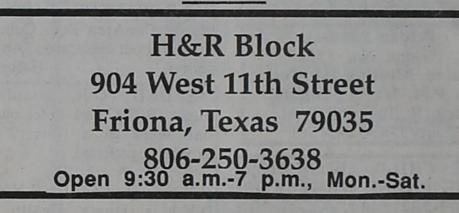
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