

**Bull  
Town  
Bulletins**  
By  
Bill Ellis



ONE OF OUR DISTANT cousins, and longtime family friend is Frank H. Ellis, Jr., of Muleshoe, our immediate family's old "stomping grounds." Frank is the owner and operator of the funeral home at Muleshoe (Ellis Funeral Home). Frank and his family have lived in Muleshoe since 1959, and has served our family on several occasions.

As many of you may know, Frank has been the "Ellis" associated with the funeral home at Friona (Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home), but in recent years sold his interests to his son, Todd Ellis.

Frank's oldest son, Frank H. Ellis III, has been a Friona resident for the past ten years. After working with his father for a time and serving as a partner in the funeral home at Muleshoe, "Trey" Ellis as he is known, decided upon a career in law enforcement. He graduated from the Texas Highway Patrol Academy at Austin in 1984, and has served as head of Friona's D.P.S. office since August of 1985.

Trey's wife Tracy teaches kindergarten in the Friona school system. They are parents of two children: Quinten (Quint) Ellis, 15, and Whitney, who will be 14 on April 17.

Quint Ellis is a big boy, being 6-4 at age 15, and has excelled in sports, as has his sister. Quint served as a star for his seventh and eighth grade football teams at Friona Junior High, which went undefeated for two years.

When he got to high school in Friona the past fall, Quint's coaches had him skip the freshman team and he went directly to the junior varsity, where he had an excellent year. He also started off on the JV basketball team, but after less than a month was elevated to Friona High School's varsity team, which was having a "building" year.

Quint is averaging about ten points per game since joining the varsity. This, in spite of the fact that two large senior boys have carried most of the scoring load.

It's not unusual for freshmen to play on varsity teams in the smaller schools, but Friona is in conference AAA, having about 400 kids in high school.

The usual progression is a freshman team, then JV and on to varsity. I can't remember another freshman boy making the varsity team at Friona, and this is my 33rd year to watch (and write up) basketball for the *Friona Star*, which, along with the *Bovina Blade* are mine and Carol's main journalistic interests in addition to *Ellis Cousins Newsletter*, a nationwide genealogical quarterly.

Old Frank, the grand-pop of Quint and Whitney, along with his wife Sally, have become regular fans of the teams their grandkids are playing for at Friona. It was a real "hoot" for us the other night, when we went to cover the varsity games between Muleshoe and Friona, to be able to visit with Frank between games.

Son Trey had bought Frank a Friona Chieftain cap, which he was proudly wearing. Frank had some explaining to do, when one of his Muleshoe friends asked what he was doing wearing a Friona cap. Friona and Muleshoe have become pretty heated sports rivals.

Frank and Sally have also become regular subscribers to our family newsletter, and we have been able to connect his family back a couple of generations beyond what Frank had known previously. We had mailed the Muleshoe Ellises copies of ECN 10 or 12 years ago when we were a fairly new publication. One day Frank called Carol, excited to tell her that he had seen a picture of his grandparents in ECN. He had seen the picture before and knew these were "his people."

Frank's own father had died when he was quite young, so his family information was somewhat limited. Frank's family line has some names

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**HOMECOMING ROYALTY....Jaime Flores and Sally Noriega, seniors at Bovina High School, were crowned Homecoming King and Queen at the Basketball Homecoming on Tuesday, January 24. Jaime is the son of Jorge and Maria Ana Flores and Sally is the daughter of Manuel and Maria Noriega.**

## Plans Are Made For Chamber Banquet

The Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture is making plans for the 1995 banquet. The date has been set for March 9, 1995 at 7 p.m. in the Bovina School Cafeteria. The price of tickets are \$10.00 each and may be purchased from any Chamber member.

This year's speaker will be Arian Archer, "Miss Texas." Miss Archer will also be providing the entertainment for the evening and will be signing autographs afterwards.

This should be a fun-filled evening. We, the Chamber will also be presenting the Man and Woman of the Year, Educator of the Year and Boy and Girl of the Year awards.

We hope the community will come and have a great meal and a good time.



WANDA ROYCE

## Royce Is New Teacher For Bovina Schools

Wanda Royce has recently been hired by Bovina ISD. She is presently teaching Government and American History and Health in High School and Health and Physical Education in the Middle School.

Mrs. Royce and her family moved to Bovina December 16, from Beeville. She and her husband Mike have been married for 12 years. Her Husband is Bovina's new head coach, Mike Royce.

They have two children, Matthew, who is seven years old and in the first grade and Kamber who is in kindergarten and is six years old. The Royce family

## Commodities Are To Be Distributed

Commodities will be distributed on Thursday, February 16 at the Parmer County Precinct Barn in Bovina.

Distribution will begin at 7:30 a.m. with senior citizens and handicapped persons served first.

Recipients must have information on their residence, Social Security numbers, proof of income and driver's license.

attends the First Baptist Church. Mrs. Royce went to high school in Goodwill, Oklahoma. She obtained her degrees from Panhandle State University in Oklahoma in health and physical education with biology and natural science.

She has been teaching school for ten years, having taught in Amarillo, Canyon, Hobbs, New Mexico, in Oklahoma, and Beeville, Texas.

Mrs. Royce said she enjoys activities and sports with her family. She likes Bovina and the people. She was raised in a small town about the size of Bovina, she said.



WESTMINSTER ABBEY was one of the many sights seen by Melissa Taylor as she made a trip to London, England during the holidays and visited with her sister and her husband, Tammy and Tracy Moses.

# Chamber Urges New Membership

The Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture is completing another year of work for the betterment of our community.

The officers and directors of the chamber have worked diligently, volunteering their time, for the past twelve months on projects which we hope have made Bovina a more enjoyable place to live.

"We appreciate all the community support and help that makes the various community projects sponsored by your Chamber possible. We co-sponsor with the Lions Club the Bovina Stock Show," said Todd Ware, Chamber president.

"We take pride in the Fourth of July celebration and fireworks display. This year we also brought back Bull Town Days, sponsor ribbon-cutting ceremonies for new businesses or ones that are expanding," Ware added.

Each year the Chamber sponsors a \$500 scholarship award to a deserving BHS graduate. This year's recipients were Darla Stormes and Matt Hromas who each received \$250.

The organization also sponsored a drug-free all-night party for the juniors and seniors after the prom.

The Chamber is again encouraging all of our local business to become active in the Chamber so we can better serve our community.

"Please take pride in your hometown by joining the Chamber of Commerce. The annual dues are \$25 for a business and \$15 for a family membership. You must be a paid member of the Chamber to vote for new directors. When you mail your dues, please circle seven of the following names to be new directors," Ware said.

Also if you have any ideas for suggestions that would make Bovina a better place, please include them.

Director candidates are: Darla Sealey, principal Bovina Elementary School; Rachel Beets, elementary teacher; Jerry Birdsong, principal Bovina High School; Toya Englant, secretary Charles Oil Company; Manuel Saiz, produce manager Pay -n- Save; Penny Burklow, student; Christy Riddle, housewife; Mike Royce, athletic director.

The Chamber is also requesting nominations for man and woman of

## Middle School Assembly Set

The next "Celebration Assembly" for Bovina Middle School will be held on Wednesday, February 15 at 9:10 a.m. in the school auditorium.

The speaker will be Loralee Cooley, a professional storyteller. She will be visiting and performing in the Middle School for four sessions that day.

Parents and community members are encouraged to attend this entertaining assembly. Please call the Middle School office if you have any questions.

## Church Sets Dinner On February 5

St. Ann's Catholic Church of Bovina has scheduled their annual German Sausage Dinner for Sunday, February 5.

Serving will begin at 11:30 a.m. and continue until 2 p.m. in St. Ann's Parish Hall, 401 Third Street.

The menu includes German sausage, sauerkraut, creamed potatoes, gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce, relish plate, bread, butter, dessert, tea or coffee.

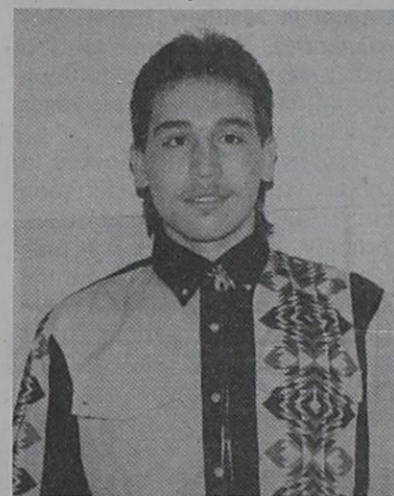
Adults will be charged \$6.00 per plate and children under six years of age will be served for \$3.00. Take-out plates will be available.

German sausage will be for sale at the dinner.

the year awards and the heritage award. Your nominations play a primary role in the selection process.

Please, include as many details as possible about your nominees community service. Their current years efforts are, of course the most important; prior community involvement is also an asset.

Past award recipients and other organization leaders will select the winners, but data you provide plays a key role in making the case for the selection of your nominee.



ARNOLD REYNA

## Reyna Is Honored by BHS

Arnold Reyna has been named student of the week. He is a senior at Bovina High School. He is the son of Avilio and SanJuana Reyna.

His father works as a farmer for Joe Black and his mother works at Burger Barn in Texico. He has one brother, Juan Reyna, who works for Amarillo Road Company. He has three sisters Marisela Garcia, who is married to Manuel Garcia and lives in Muleshoe; Cynthia, a senior and Zoila, a freshman.

Arnold was born in Reynosa, Tamaulipas, Mexico and came to Bovina at the age of three. He has lived in this area all his life.

Arnold has been enrolled in school since kindergarten and has been an A & B honor roll student.

He is playing basketball for the Bovina Mustangs. He also likes to play basketball with his friends during his free time and likes to spend time with his girlfriend Christina and her family.

Arnold plans to go to Amarillo's Texas State Technical College to major in mechanics and body works. He is a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church.

There are many deserving people in Bovina so please get involved in the selection process. Nominations, dues and ballots must be received by February 17, 1995.

### Man Of The Year

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### Occupation:

(Membership in organizations, positions held, services to the community, personal history, etc.)

### Woman Of The Year

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### Occupation:

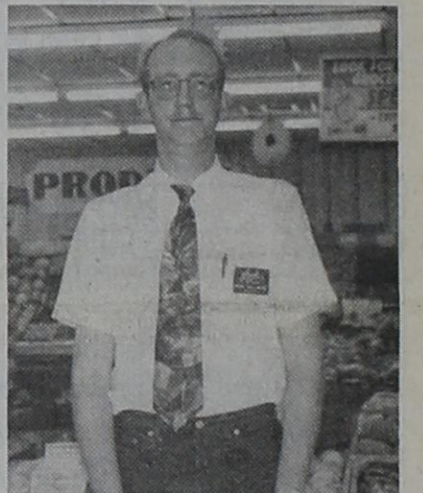
(Membership in organizations, positions held, services to the community, personal history, etc.)

### Heritage Award

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### Occupation:

(Membership in organizations, personal history, etc.)



BRIAN GALLOWAY

## Supermarket Hires New Manager

Lowe's Pay -n- Save of Bovina has hired a new manager. He is Brian Galloway.

Galloway came here from Hart where he was manager of Pay -n- Save for the past one and one-half years. Before that he was assistant manager of Pay -n- Save at Hale Center for three years. He has been in the grocery business for the past 14 years.

Brian is married to Twyla and they are Baptists. They plan to make their home in Bovina as soon as they can find a house.

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LUKE STEELMAN was the second place winner in the high school division of the Parmer County Soil and Water Conservation District's annual essay contest. Each year the Soil and Water Conservation district sponsors an essay contest relating to conservation in Parmer County. Luke is a freshman at Bovina High School and is the son of Joe and Esther Steelman.



# Looking Up!

By RICHARD GRISHAM

"There will be... earthquakes in various places." Jesus told his disciples that one of the obvious signs preceding His second coming would be earthquakes around the world.

Certainly we have seen many earthquakes in the last few years, and most recently in Japan. Our hearts go out to the families of the almost 5,000 killed and to the homeless victims of disaster there in Kobe.

Most of these people do not even know who Jesus is, let alone that He is coming again soon! "All these," Jesus said of the earthquakes and other signs of the times, "are the beginning of birth pains" (Matthew 24:8, NIV). As contractions multiply and intensify, a woman knows her baby will come soon! Even so, our Lord's return, I believe, is very close.

Many Bible scholars myself included, believe that Christ will first "Rapture" believers, His bride

the Church, before He actually returns to judge the wicked.

Through the years I have personally studied thoroughly the Old and New Testament prophecies, read numerous commentaries, etc. I believe that Christ's return is near.

Now I know there are those who will read this and say, "No way will Christ return soon! We've been hearing that for years!" I suppose those who say that also say the same things about the birth of babies. "No way that baby will come soon. In spite of all the signs, the intensified birth pains, the multiplying hard contractions, it will never happen anytime in the near future!" Jesus called those who ignore the signs of the times-- shall I repeat it and make some of you mad?-- "fools."

Before anyone reading this gets too mad at me, please read what Jesus said to the disciples in Matthew 24:42-25:13. Also, bear in mind Jesus' rebuke of the religious leaders of His day, who would not believe He was the Christ who had come from God the first time.

They wanted a sign-- proof positive that it was so. Jesus said to them in Matthew 16:1-4, (My paraphrase), "How come you can predict the weather but can't begin to interpret the signs of the times in which your now living?"

Jesus wanted His followers to live in expectation of His soon return in every generation. Certainly we are nearer that time than ever before. We ignore the signs of our times at our own risk!

## Bovina School Lunch Menu

- Week of February 6-10  
**MONDAY**--spaghetti, corn, salad, garlic toast, fruit and milk.  
**TUESDAY**--chicken nuggets, mixed vegetables, potatoes, biscuits, fruit and milk.  
**WEDNESDAY**--tacos, salad, cheese, pinto beans, fruit and milk.  
**THURSDAY**--ham, sweet potatoes, green beans, rolls, fruit and milk.  
**FRIDAY**--hot dogs, chili, fries, pickles, cookies and milk.

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**PRAIRIE ACRES HONOREES....**Alice Garza has been chosen as January's "Employee of the Month" at Prairie Acres. She has been an employee there since February 17, 1984 as a certified nurse's aide. Ben Israel is the "Resident of the Month," having resided at the home since March 8, 1980.

## S.T.A.R.S. Released For Elementary School

The S.T.A.R.S. Recognition List has been released by principal Darla Sealy for Bovina Elementary School.

Jeffery Casas, Juan Carrillo, Kody Hawkins, Javier Guevara, Eliseo Salazar, Martin Carrillo, John Nelson, Christy Villarreal, Davena Henson, Sergio Salas, Abraham Rocha, Brandon Edwards, Troy Turner, Juan Contreas, Augustine Ruiz, Jose Salas, Jill Sorley, Destiny Cruz, Kathy Cantu, Danny Martinez, Tabitha Englant, Timothy Martinez, Briselda Rodriguez, and Mitchel Vela.

Also, Luzana Chavez, Victoria Carrillo, Crystal Morris, Dustin Lara, Jorge Trinidad, Randa Englant, Maribel Ortiz, Kasi Birdsong, Morgan Parson, Brandi

## Bovina Man's Brother Buried

Elmer H. Garrison, 72, died Sunday, January 29, 1995.

Services were held on Tuesday, January 31 in Priest Park Church of God with the Rev. Melvin Harris, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Edith Ford Cemetery at Canadian by Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mr. Garrison was born in Garvin, Oklahoma. He married Marie H. Fuller in 1940 at Canadian; she died in 1992. He was a longtime Canadian resident before moving to Pampa in 1990. He was an Army veteran of World War II.

He also was preceded in death by a daughter, Margi Lee Garrison in 1942.

Survivors include a son, Rick Garrison of Pampa; two daughters, Margaret Ray of Arlington and Nancy Ford of Pampa; four brothers, Bob Garrison of Bedford, Cecil Garrison of Blythe, California, S.D. Garrison of Bovina and Dwight Garrison of Perryton; four sisters, Elba Chandler and Cleta Green, both of Oklahoma City, Lela Faye Waddill of Memphis and Sherry Wagner of Fritch; six grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to American Heart Association or American Lung Association.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY BOVINA!!!

- February 5--Chad Clayton, Montie Howell, Johnnie Dopp.
- February 6--Donalita Hawkins.
- February 7--Rachel Gilbreath, Renee Bartlett, Brett Anderson.
- February 8--Cody Jamerson.
- February 10--Chris Shufelburger, Blake Scaff.
- February 11--Lori Wilburn, Lucille Thomas, Owen Patton.

(Editor's note: if someone in your family is observing a birthday, please call 238-1523, in advance, to get the name on our birthday calendar.)

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# Reflections

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

**35 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 3, 1960**

Mrs. Frank Smith escaped serious injury Friday morning when a pickup truck hit the rear of her car, spinning the car in a complete flip.

Funeral services for Arthur Owen Drake, 79, a resident of Parmer County and the immediate Friona area for over 51 years, were read Tuesday afternoon from the Friona Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Clements of Muleshoe were guests of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Clements, over the weekend. Also visiting them was Mrs. John Sikes of Clovis, mother of Mrs. Jimmie Clements.

**30 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 3, 1965**

Plans to acquire a new post office building in Bovina were announced today by Postmaster General Gronouski.

The building will be located at the westernmost corner of the intersection of Avenue B and Second Street.

Eddi Corn, member of Bovina FFA, showed the reserve champion lamb in the other breeds class of the Amarillo Stock Show in Amarillo last week.

Patsy Hart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Damron, completed requirements for a bachelor of science degree in education at the end of the fall term at West Texas State University in Canyon.

**25 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 4, 1970**

Mrs. J. H. (Kate) Steelman, 87-year-old resident of Bovina for over 40 years, died at 9:30 a.m. Monday in Parmer County Community Hospital. She had been a patient there for three weeks.

Dr. Michael Murphy was expected to arrive mid-week in Bovina to open practice at Bovina Medical Clinic.

S/Sgt. and Mrs. Bobby H. Webb and two daughters, Barbara and Brenda, of Wichita Falls were here recently visiting his mother, Mrs. Bessie Webb, and other relatives.

**20 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 5, 1975**

Mary Rodriguez, 19, of Bovina died about 1:10 a.m. (MST)

Thursday of last week when the late model compact station wagon she was driving left the Sugar Beet Road east of Clovis and overturned several times into a field one and a half miles north of U.S. 60-70-84.

Tammy Christian and Dennis Willard were named Basketball Queen and King of Bovina High School Friday night during ceremonies between varsity games with District 3-A foe, the Hart Longhorns, in Williford Gymnasium.

**15 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 6, 1980**

Internationally acclaimed professional magician, Felix Snipes, will present two special programs in Bovina this week at the First Baptist Church.

Registration is underway to vote in the February 19-22 Beefeferendum.

**10 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 6, 1985**

Tracy Moore exhibited the county's grand champion lamb, keeping the title in her family for the third straight year.

Basketball King and Queen were crowned at Friday night's game. They were Marie Pesch and Matt Howell.

**5 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 7, 1990**

Marie Venable was chosen as "Employee of the Month" by the Chamber of Commerce.

Robert Guevara and Melissa Dalton were crowned as basketball king and queen last Tuesday during the varsity games.

## Shower To Honor Bride

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Galvan (nee Maria Serna) will be honored with a Bridal Shower February 11 from 2-3:30 p.m. in the Community Room at First Bank of Bovina.

Shower selections are at Floral Expressions and Bovina Pay-n-Save.

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## Parmer County Livestock Showmanship Winners



**SENIOR LAMB**--Jessica Smith of Friona, champion; Monty Schueler of Friona, reserve champion; Ken Cook, judge.



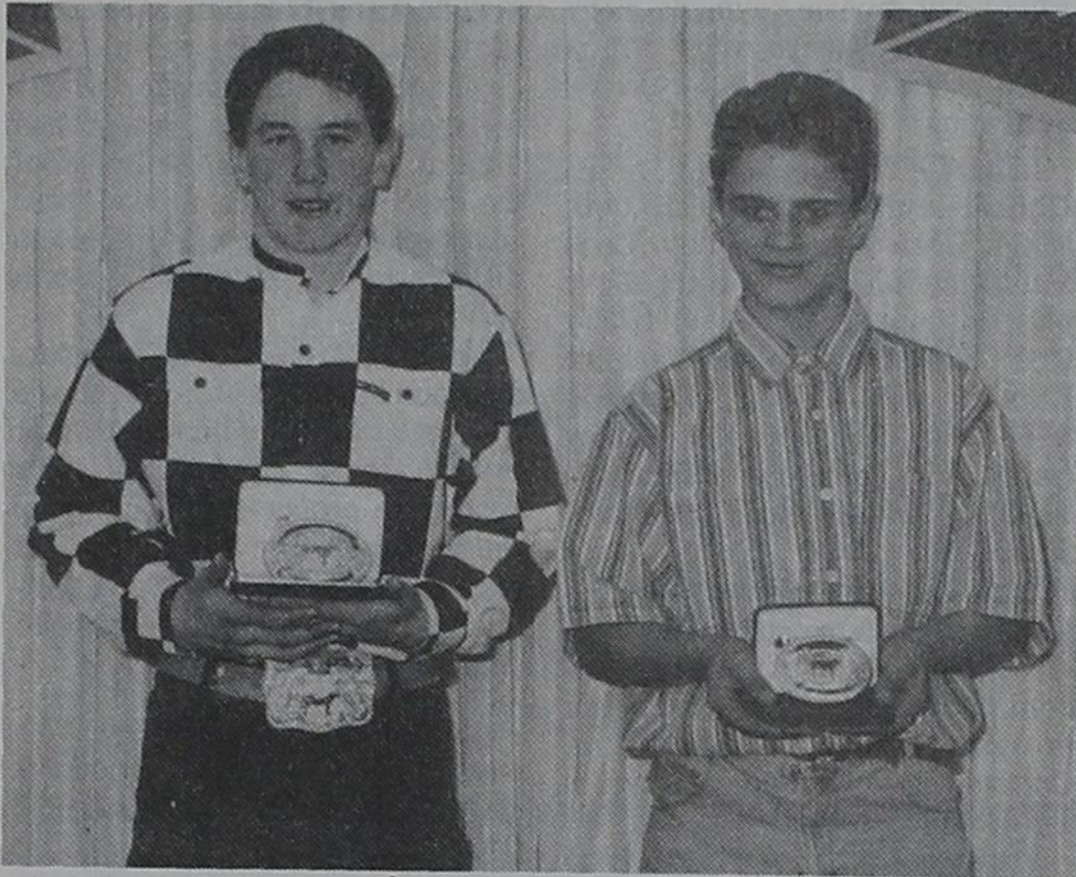
**SENIOR BEEF**--Rusty Simmons of Friona, champion; Suzy Hodges of Lazbuddie, reserve champion.



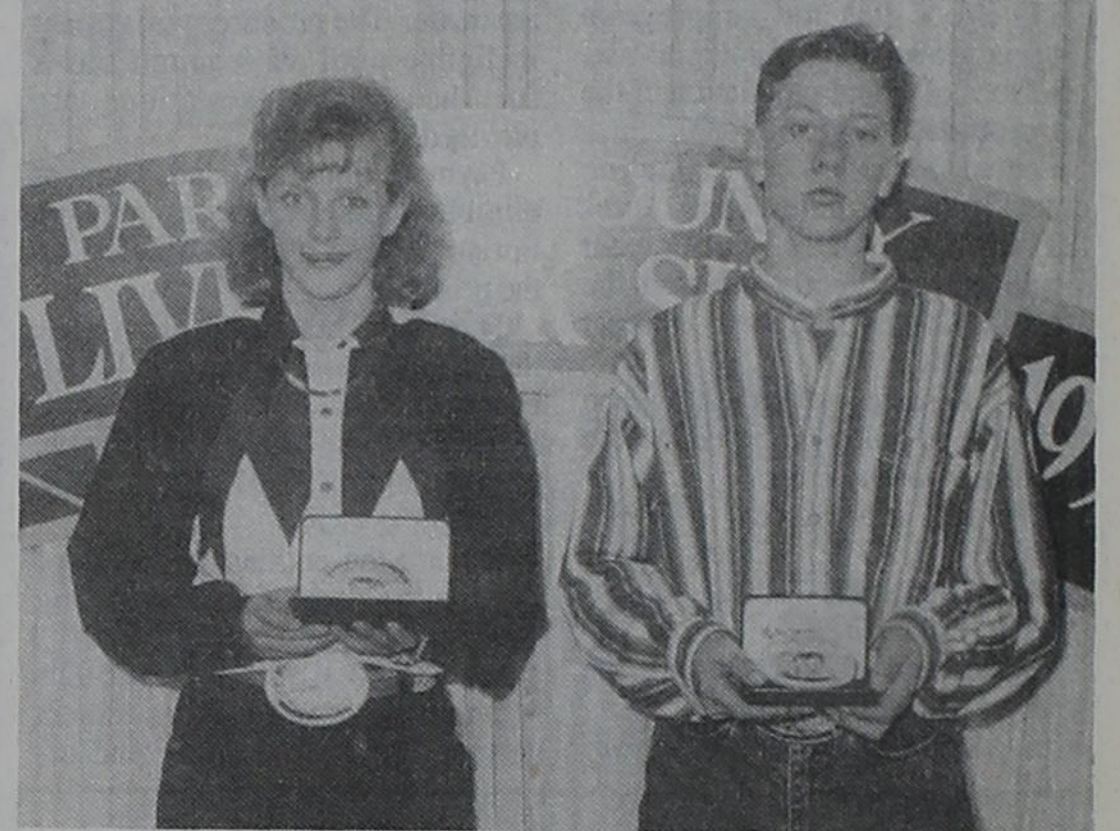
**SENIOR BARROW**--Jessica Smith of Friona, champion; Dawn Weir of Lazbuddie, reserve champion.



**JUNIOR LAMB**--M'Kell Jarecki of Friona, champion; J'Lond Jarecki, reserve champion; Ken Cook, judge.



**JUNIOR BEEF**--Jeffery Seaton of Lazbuddie, champion; Jason Jesko of Lazbuddie, reserve champion.



**JUNIOR BARROW**--M'Kell Jarecki of Friona, champion; Brett Curtis of Farwell, reserve champion.

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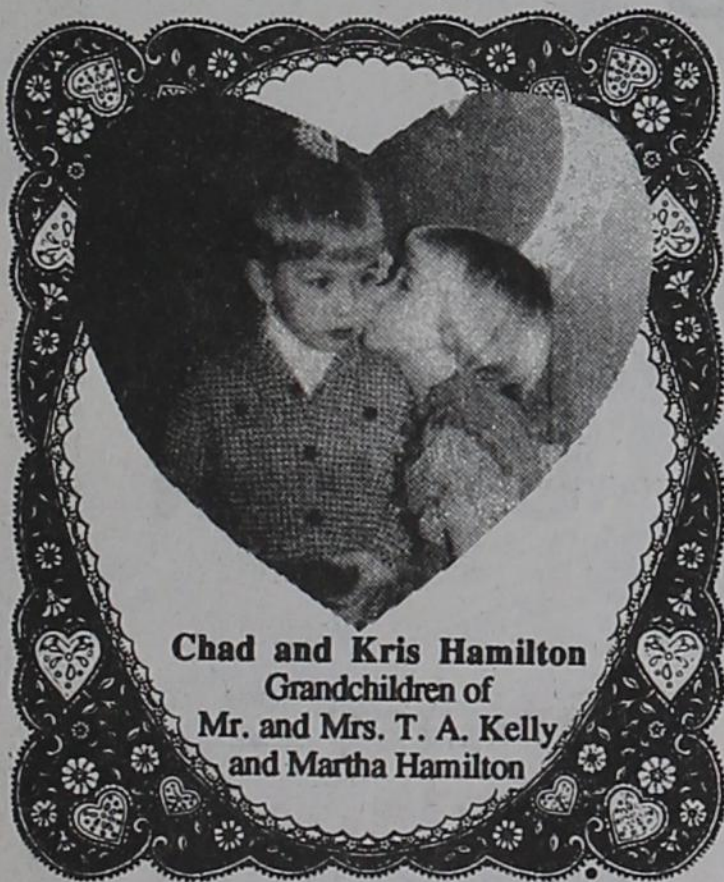


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# Parmer County CFSA Signups Are Currently Underway

The Parmer County CFSA is currently conducting a signup period for LTA's (Long Term Agreements) which will end February 3, 1995. Long Term Agreements cover a period of three to five years and cost shares of up to \$3,500 per year. LTA's are available to assist with the installation of conservation practices.

Applications for the 1995 Disaster Program will be taken at the Parmer County CFSA office until March 31, 1995. Eligible losses are those due to damaging weather and related conditions occurring in 1994. All program and nonprogram crops that were commercially grown are eligible. Producers will be requested to provide to the county committee for eligibility purposes the following:

- (1) Proof that the nonprogram crop is grown for commercial use.
- (2) Proof of actual production of the crop applied for, on each farm operated for 1994.
- (3) Planting dates, harvest dates, and acres harvested.
- (4) Dates of inclement weather that directly affected the crop.
- (5) Copies of growers contract if applicable.

1994 Disaster payments will be factored, as follows, based on the disposition of the crop.

Wheat, harvested 100%, unharvested 83%; Corn, 100%, 77%; Sorghum, 100%, 80%; Cotton, 100%, 70%.

Please sign up for Disaster as soon as possible to avoid conflicts with the 1995 farm program

signup.  
NOTE: If you failed a crop earlier than December 1, 1994, this was not an application for the 1994 Disaster Program. If you are in question as to whether you actually signed up for disaster payments, please contact this office as soon as possible.

ACR requirements have been announced for the 1995 ARP program and are as follows: Barley 0%, Corn 7.5%, Cotton 0%, Oats 0%, Sorghum 0%, Wheat 0%.

Sign-up dates and advanced deficiency payment rates for the 1995 ARP program will be announced as soon as they become available.

No program benefits subject to limitation may be provided to any producer until the necessary payment limitation determinations are made. The producer will remain ineligible until all required forms for the specific situations are provided.

Payment limitation and payment eligibility determinations may be initiated by COC or requested by the producer.

There are statutory provisions that require entities earning program benefits subject to limitation to:

- \*provide the names, addresses, and ID numbers of the entities' members to COC.
- \*inform the entities' members of the requirements for designating "permitted entities."

All CCC-501's and CCC-502's submitted by producers are subject to spot check throughout the end-of-

year review process. Producers selected for end-of-year review will be required to furnish detailed information to the County Committee to prove their inputs used to determine significant contributions to the farming operation, contributions were at risk, the "person" determination was correct, permitted entities were properly designated, land ownership was accurately reported and other pertinent factors used in the original determination were correct.

A determination of "not actively engaged in farming" results in the producer being ineligible for:

- \*deficiency and diversion payments;
- \*gains from marketing loans and loan deficiency payments (except honey);
- \*CRP annual rental payments (if subject to 1-PL);
- \*wool and mohair payments;
- \*any payment of benefit requiring a determination of "actively engaged in farming."

LIMITATIONS (1995): SL Deficiency/Diversion \$50,000; Mktg. Loan Gain/"Findley"/Loan Deficiency \$75,000; Total of above plus Resource Adj. Dis. Inventory Red \$250,000; Wool/Unshorn Lambs \$100,000; Mohair \$100,000; CRP \$50,000; Honey (mktg. loan gain/loan deficiency) \$100,000; Honey (loan forfeiture) \$100,000; ACP Cost Share \$3,500; FIP Cost Share \$10,000; LFP (cost share/net gain) \$50,000.

Final dates to enter 1994 commodities in the CCC loan program are as follows: Corn, Cotton, Grain Sorghum, May 31, 1995; Wheat, March 31, 1995.

Please notify this office as soon as possible when any changes in farm ownership, operator, etc. occur. A copy of the warranty deed will be required if there is an ownership change. This will ensure that our records are accurate.

Milk producers may apply for 1994 dairy refund payments until March 15, 1995. Refund payments are available only to those persons who were commercial producers of milk at the farm level, who received milk proceeds that were reduced by the statutory reduction, and who did not, during the year for which the reduction was made exceed their milk marketings of the preceding year. Please bring your AMPI summary printout when making application.

1994 Wool, Mohair and Unshorn Lamb price support payment applications should be filed by January 31, 1995.

The Federal Crop Insurance Reform act of 1994 signed into law October 13, 1994, combines crop insurance and disaster assistance into one program.

For insurable crops, the law virtually eliminates the possibility of future disaster assistance.

The major difference between catastrophic (CAT) coverage and disaster relief is that individual crop losses can now "trigger" a payment. Assistance will no longer be dependent on multiple state disasters, or the uncertainty of the political process. The uncertainty of emergency disaster assistance has been replaced with the predictability of crop insurance coverage.

New incentives reduce the cost of higher levels of insurance. Coverage in excess of the catastrophic level is generally only available through private sector crop insurance agents.

Farmers may choose to sign-up for catastrophic (CAT) insurance coverage through a local USDA office or a private sector crop insurance agent.

To be eligible for any price support, production adjustment, or conservation reserve program administered by the USDA or for certain loans under any program of the Farmers Home Administration, producers must obtain, at a minimum, the CAT coverage of crop insurance. Coverage must be purchased for each crop of economic significance to the producer provided there is a crop insurance program available in the county. A crop of economic significance is one that has contributed, during the prior year, or is expected, during the current crop year, to contribute 10% or more of the total expected value of the producer's share of all crops grown in the county. A crop of economic significance must be determined at the time of application. SIGNUP MUST BE DONE PRIOR TO THE APPLICABLE SALES CLOSING DATE.

If you grow non-insured crops, you may be eligible for benefits that are comparable to those provided under the catastrophic insurance plan. In order to qualify,

you must report acres and yields to your local USDA office. Furthermore, area losses for the crop must exceed 35% and individual crop losses must exceed 50% of the expected yield in order to trigger a payment.

Repeal of ad hoc disaster authority: Current legal authorities for ad hoc crop disaster relief are replaced. In the future, the program outlined below will replace these disaster bills as the Federal response to emergencies involving widespread crop loss.

Catastrophic crop insurance coverage: The Federal crop insurance program is supplemented with a new catastrophic coverage level (CAT) available to farmers for a nominal processing fee of \$50 per crop with a cap of \$200 per farmer per county and \$600 per farmer total. This fee may be waived for limited resource farmers. Initially, this CAT coverage will compensate farmers for crop yield losses greater than 50% at a payment rate of 60% of the expected market price. These coverage levels are comparable to disaster relief programs in recent years.

Additional coverage: Farmers may purchase additional insurance coverage providing higher yield or price protection levels. To encourage producers to buy up to these higher levels, the bill provides incentives reducing out-of-pocket premium costs by 8 to 16 per cent.

Linkage to farm programs: To ensure wide protection, producers MUST purchase crop insurance coverage at the CAT level or above to participate in Federal commodity support programs, Farmers Home Administration loans, and the Conservation Reserve Program. This step should result in crop insurance participation rising from 33% to about 80% of insurable acres.

Delivery: Farmers may choose to buy the CAT coverage either through a private reinsured company or through a USDA county office. Insurance policies greater than the catastrophic coverage will only be sold by private insurers. A list of agents may be found at the local CFSA

office.  
Uninsurable crops: The bill creates the "Non-insured Assistance Program" (NAP), a standing aid program for crops not covered by Crop Insurance. This program provides coverage similar to the 50/60 protection as under CAT, but is triggered by a 35% area loss. Once this area loss threshold is met, farmers will be paid for their crop yield losses in excess of 50% at 60% of the average market price.

Provisions to prevent abuse: The NAP program is permanent rather than ad hoc. USDA will institute management controls to make compliance, yield, acreage, and price data more reliable and enforceable. Planted acreage must be reported, and coverage will be based on actual yields, not county or commodity program yields. Assistance in the bill can be denied to producers who fail to follow good farming practices.

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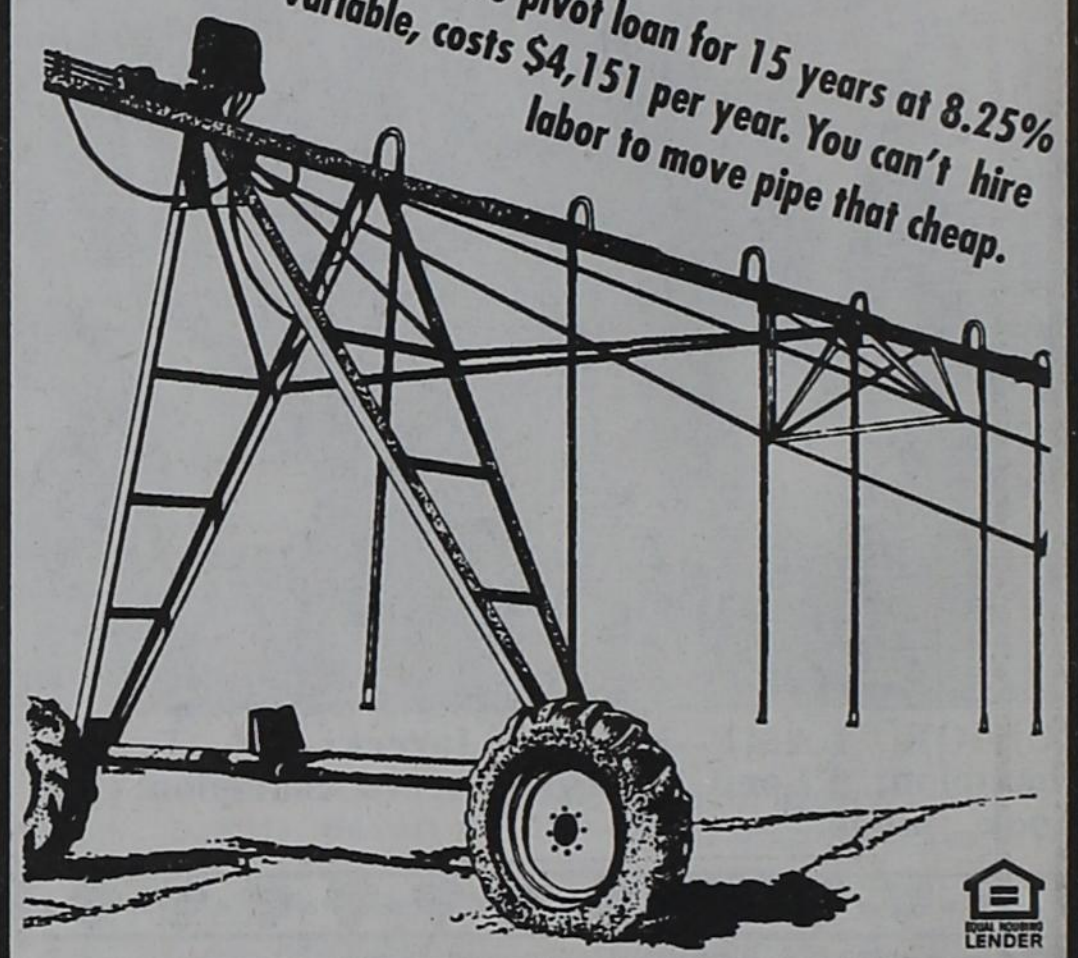
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## Parmer County Treasurer's Report

REPORT of Anne G. Norton, County Treasurer of Parmer County, Texas, of Receipts and Expenditures from Oct. 1 to Dec. 31, 1994, inclusive:

Jury Fund	
Balance last report, filed Sept. 30, 1994	2,179.66
Amount received since last report	43,058.83
Amount paid out since last report	40,406.00
12-31-94 Balance	4,832.49
General Fund	
Balance last report, filed Sept. 30, 1994	40,560.86
Amount received since last report	645,775.89
Amount paid out since last report	569,559.39
12-31-94 Balance	116,777.36
Farm to Market Fund	
Balance last report, filed Sept. 30, 1994	119,631.38
Amount received since last report	490,573.09
Amount paid out since last report	403,330.29
12-31-94 Balance	206,874.18
Right of Way Fund	
Balance last report, filed Sept. 30, 1994	11,527.99
Amount received since last report	133,143.53
Amount paid out since last report	124,000.00
12-31-94 Balance	20,671.52
Permanent Improvement Fund	
Balance last report, filed Sept. 30, 1994	11,310.32
Amount received since last report	58,045.37
Amount paid out since last report	44,277.30
12-31-94 Balance	25,078.39
Revenue Fund	
Balance last report, filed Sept. 30, 1994	33,244.78
Amount received since last report	38,108.50
Amount paid out since last report	28,425.57
12-31-94 Balance	42,927.71
Juvenile Probation Fund	
Balance last report, filed Sept. 30, 1994	3,424.86
Amount received since last report	1,630.00
Amount paid out since last report	1,310.00
12-31-94 Balance	3,744.86
County Attorney - Check Collection Fund	
Balance last report, filed Sept. 30, 1994	203.67
Amount received since last report	661.21
Amount paid out since last report	511.21
12-31-94 Balance	353.67
District Check Collection - 287th Fund	
Balance last report, filed Sept. 30, 1994	377.29
Amount received since last report	60.50
Amount paid out since last report	100.00
12-31-94 Balance	337.79
Lateral Fund	
Balance last report, filed Sept. 30, 1994	0
Amount received since last report	29,061.59
Amount paid out since last report	2,871.40
12-31-94 Balance	26,190.19

### RECAPITULATION

Jury Fund	4,832.49
General Fund	116,777.36
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Lateral Fund	26,190.19
Permanent Improvement Fund	25,078.39
Revenue Fund	42,927.71
Juvenile Probation Fund	3,744.86
County Attorney - Check Collection Fund	353.67
District Check Collection - 287th Fund	337.79
TOTAL	447,788.16

### List of Bonds and other Securities on Hand

Jury Fund	40,000.00
General Fund	250,000.00
Farm to Market Fund	590,000.00
TOTAL	880,000.00

Treasurer's Report from Sept. 30, 1994 to Dec. 31, 1994.  
Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Anne G. Norton, County Treasurer of Parmer County, who by me duly sworn, upon oath, says that the within and foregoing report is true and correct.

Anne Norton, County Treasurer  
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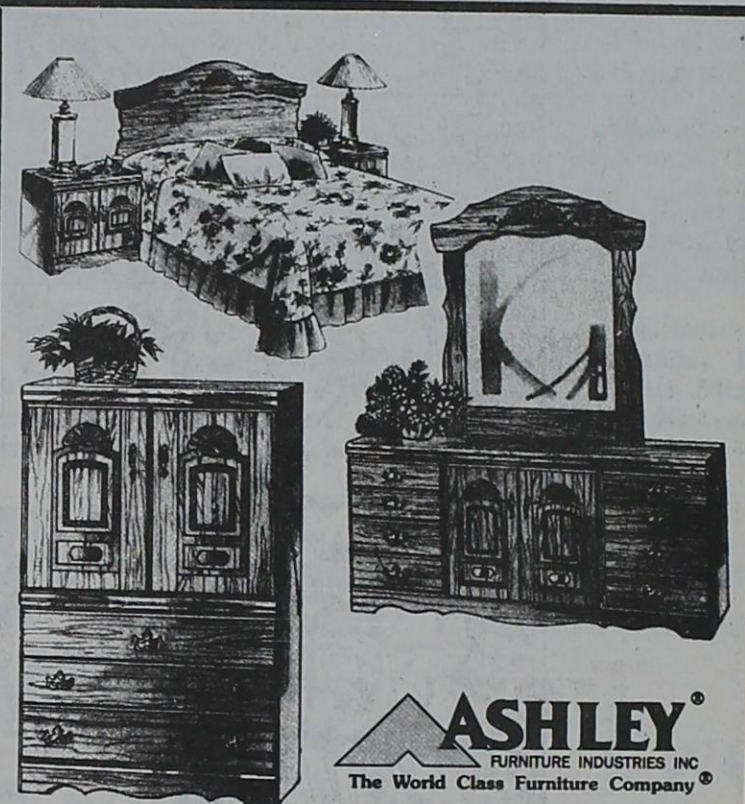
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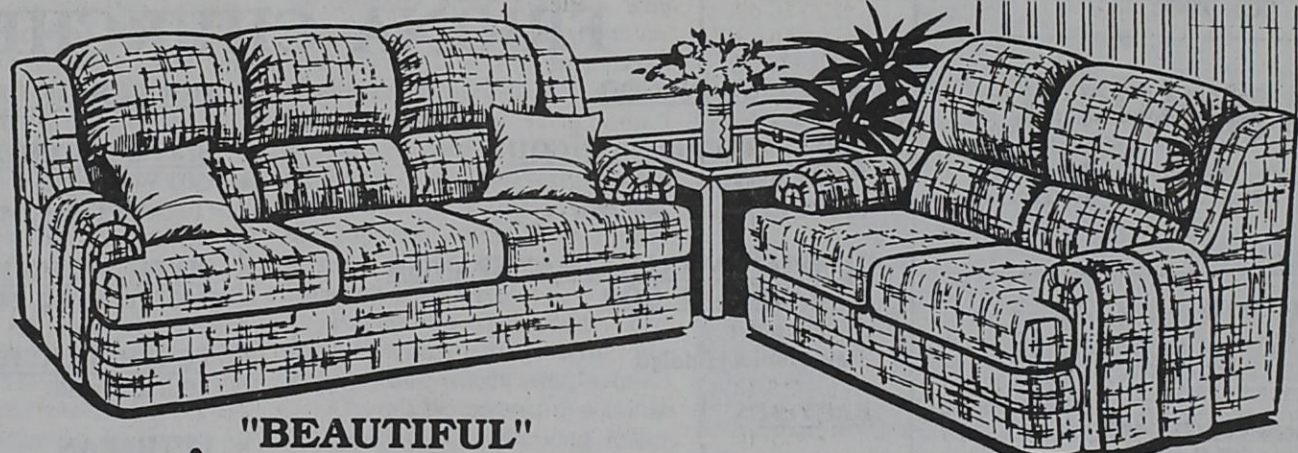
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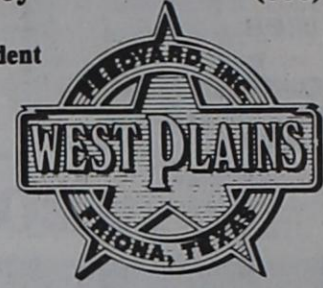
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# Mimms Family Possesses Longevity In Their Genes

The Mimms family of Lazbuddie has been much in the news the last few years.

In 1990, G.W. (Pete) Mimms and his brother Marvin made medical history when Pete, at age 72, became the oldest known kidney donor when Marvin was needing a transplant.

This was the first of November, 1990, and both the donor and recipient are doing nicely, more than four years later.

You may have noticed the past two weeks or so that in successive weeks, Pete and his wife Bobye, then Marvin and his wife Jo celebrated 50th wedding anniversaries.

When Marvin and Jo celebrated their anniversary on January 29, they became the ninth couple from the 12 Mimms brothers and sisters to reach a Golden Anniversary.

Recently, the oldest brother, Leroy Mimms of Arlington, Virginia, began to wonder if the family might be approaching some sort of record.

All 12 of the Mimms siblings are living. They range in age from 70 to 87, and if you add up their collective ages, you get the astounding number of 937 --and it'll hopefully be 941 in short order. That is an average age of 78.42.

"We're anxious to find out if any family can beat that record. Maybe we could make the record books," said Pete Mimms this week. If your family, or some family you know of has a better record, call the newspaper, or Pete Mimms at 965-2135.

The Mimms family's lives span from 1908 to the present. During that time, a lot of history has been made.

Following are the 12 Mimms siblings, with their ages and places of residence. The ages are based on their 1995 birthdays, although we're "fudging" a bit, since four of them are yet to celebrate their 1995 natal day:

Leroy Mimms, 87, lives in Arlington, Virginia with his wife Belle. Gladys Gilstrap, 86, lives in Richardson, Texas. Her husband Clarence is deceased. Jewel Taylor, 84, lives in Abilene. Her late husband was W.D. Taylor. Claudia Porter, 82, lives in Lubbock. Her husband Tom is deceased.

Leona Blanton, 80, lives in Lubbock. Her late husband was Lloyd Blanton. Darrell Mimms, 79, lives with his wife Bonnie in Conway, Arkansas. (He's the only 'Arkie' in the group," laughs brother Pete); G.W., or Pete Mimms and his wife Bobye, live in the Lazbuddie community. They had been married 50 years on January 24, 1995.

Jerrine Parks, 76, and her husband James live in Lubbock. Dalton Mimms, 74, and his sister Doris, are one of two sets of twins in the group. Dalton and his wife Beulah live in the Lazbuddie community. Doris Moorman, likewise 74, and her husband Arthur live in Clovis.

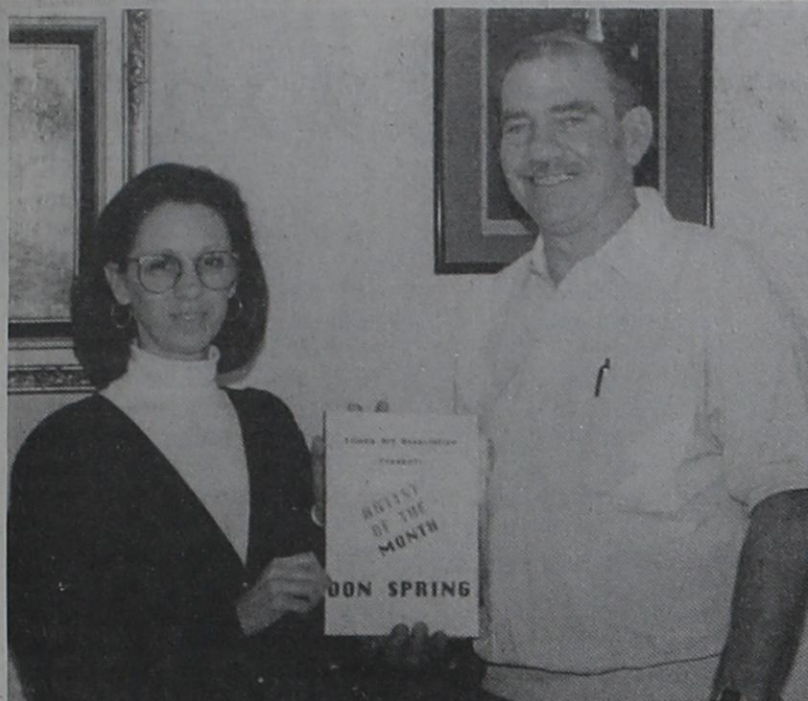
The last two of the Mimms siblings likewise were twins. Marvin Mimms, 70, and his wife Jo, live at Lazbuddie. Merle McFarland, 70, lives at Ralls. Her late husband was John McFarland.

While Pete and Leroy are trying to build up the yearly total, sister Merle chastised Pete recently because an earlier published article listed her age as 71, based on her birthday later on this year. "I'm not 71 yet, I'll have you know," she told him.

The Mimms siblings were born in Dickens County, Texas, for the most part, although the older ones were born in Hamilton County. The family moved to Ralls, Texas, just after Leroy had graduated from high school. The rest of the family grew up there in Crosby County.

"Our daddy farmed and ranched. He also was a wolf and coyote hunter. My brother and I decided to trap skunks when we were about 10 or 11. We got 75 cents each for their pelts, and earned enough to buy ourselves a little red wagon," Pete recalled this week.

Three of the Mimms brothers, Leroy, Darrell and Dalton, survived World War II without any major injuries. Leroy was an officer in the U.S. Air Force, and spent most of his time in England and elsewhere in Europe, as an instructor. Darrell was in the Army, spending time in France. Dalton was in the U.S. Army Air Force, serving in the Pacific Theatre, being involved in Okinawa.



**ARTIST OF THE MONTH--Don Spring has been named Artist of the Month of February. He is shown here with Deb Hendley who has been Director of Nursing at Prairie Acres Nursing Home for the past four years. Spring's photographs will be on display in the lobby of Prairie Acres for the remainder of the month. Don is a self-taught photographer and does most of his own darkroom work. He has been involved with photography, both as an amateur and as a professional, for the past 12 years.**

## Photographer Don Spring Chosen As Artist of Month

Most people in this area know Don Spring as the pharmacist at the Friona Medical Clinic, but Don has another avocation; that of photographer.

Don has been taking pictures for about the past 12 years and has been selected as Artist of the Month for February. Several of his large, framed color photos of scenery from around the country will be on view in the lobby of Prairie Acres Nursing Home for the remainder of this month.

Don says he had just bought himself a new camera, some years ago, when his wife, Gladys, asked him what he would like for Christmas. He decided he would like to have an enlarger so he could develop and enlarge some of his photographs himself. And that was the start of a whole new adventure. He now has several thousand dollars in photo equipment and has taken pictures professionally for weddings, reunions and other events. He also enjoys working with old, antique photographs, and restoring them to their original state. He is currently working toward a goal of putting in a photo studio in Friona.

Don is a self-taught photo-

grapher and says he has not entered any contests or photo shows.

He grew up on a farm located between Bovina and Friona, the son of the late Edward and Dorothy Spring. The Spring family were pioneers in Parmer County; Edward being the brother of Frank A. Spring, Mary Spring who is currently a resident of Prairie Acres, Dr. Paul Spring and the late Dr. Lee Spring.

Don's wife, Gladys, teaches computer science at Bovina Junior High School. Their three children, Alicia, Pam and Don Paul, all grew up and finished school in Bovina. Alicia and husband, Jim Rapp, now live in Rockledge, Florida where both are ministers. Pam and Danny Kendrick live in Friona where he is manager of Kendrick Oil Company. Pam taught at Friona High School a few years, but is currently going back to school and taking classes at WTAMU. Don Paul and wife Kelli live in Bovina where he works for the State Highway Department.

Prairie Acres invites the public to visit each month and view the artifacts on display there, which include paintings, photos and quilts, all created by local people of the Friona-Bovina area.



**FAMILY TIES....The twelve children of Otho and Margaret Mimms are pictured here (front row, left-right) Leona Blanton, Claudia Porter, Jewel Taylor, Gladys Gilstrap and Leroy Mimms; (back row, l-r) Darrell Mimms, Pete Mimms, Jerrine Parks, Dalton Mimms, Doris Moorman, Merle Mimms and Marvin Mimms. The siblings' ages amount to over 900 years combined.**

So, it's quite an achievement for this family to have come this far and still have all members living. "We all worked hard when we

were growing up. We grew cotton and maize. We all helped in the farm work, the girls as well as the boys," one member of the family

commented, offering one explanation of the family members' longevity.

--by BILL ELLIS

## THIRD STRAIGHT

# Jessica Smith Claims Two Grand Championship Titles

By GARRY WESNER  
Hereford Brand

The judge for the Hereford Young Farmers hog show on Thursday was an hour late arriving and the computer system crashed.

But it was still a good night for Friona's Jessica Smith, who emerged from a gruelling seven-hour show with Five-County Grand Champion honors in the show's hog competition.

Miss Smith drove her champion Hampshire barrow to the top of the 266-hog heap, claiming the top spot over Five-County Reserve Grand Champion, Clint Patterson of Farwell.

Patterson entered the championship drive with his medium-heavyweight cross barrow.

Overall the competition lasted until midnight, eight long hours after judging was supposed to have begun at 4 p.m.

Showmen from Deaf Smith, Oldham, Parmer, Randall and Castro counties paraded their hogs through the show arena at the Deaf Smith County Bull Barn in eight different breed classes--Berkshire, Chester Whites, Durocs, Hampshires, Poland Chinas, Spots, Yorkshires and Crosses.

The past two years, when the Hereford Young Farmers lamb competition has ended, Jessica Smith of Friona was on top.

This year, even after having won Five-County Grand Champion honors in the hog competition on Thursday, Miss Smith was not satisfied--she wanted a three-peat of her lamb show success.

Success may not be the right word, however, as Miss Smith--a senior at Friona High School and a member of Friona FFA--not only captured the Five-County Grand Championship Friday, she also completed her area show career with a one-woman sweep of the lamb show.

Miss Smith drove her mediumweight lamb to the class championship, then pushed aside all other breed champions for the Grand Champion title.

## JV Girls Win Over Nazareth

The Bovina junior varsity girls won their game against the Nazareth JV on January 27. The final score was 41-36.

Rachael Turner was the high scorer with 18 points.

Melissa Cantu scored 13 points; D'Anne Jones seven; Pauline Borquez two; and Maria Fragoza one.



**FRUITS OF HER LABORS....Jessica Smith swept Friday's lamb show at the Hereford Young Farmers Junior Livestock Show, grabbing Five-County Grand Champion and Five-County Reserve Grand Champion honors with her medium wool entries. Holding the Reserve Grand Champion lamb is Monty Schueler, a fellow Friona FFA member, who also assisted Miss Smith by driving the lamb in the competition. Miss Smith won the lamb show for the third consecutive year.**

She then pulled in Reserve Grand Champion honors with the mediumweight lamb that had been judged second best in the breed competition.

Because Miss Smith was unable to show two lambs at the

## VFD Elects Officers

Members of the Rhea-Hollene Fire Department elected officers on January 9 for the 1995 year.

Those who will serve the department are Danny Allen, Chief; Floyd Schlenker, assistant chief; Curtis Allen, secretary/treasurer; Glen Schueler, captain truck I; Don Barucci, captain truck II; and Floyd Schlenker, captain truck III and training officer.

## Bill's Column...

(Continued from Page 1) that are common to the Ellis group from which we descend.

Thus, we might someday find that we're closer kin to Frank Ellis' group than either of us knew. They would be pretty good folks to "tie onto," but for now we'll just have to call them "distant cousins."

We read the statement one time that everyone on earth today is no more than 50th cousins. This being the case, when you find another group named Ellis, especially with common family names, they are bound to be in the Top Ten, relatively speaking!

same time, she was assisted by fellow Friona FFA member, Monty Schueler, which is allowed under stock show rules. He drove the Reserve Grand Champion entry.

Miss Smith completed her domination of the sheep show by being named second place in the senior showmanship competition.

## Basketball Results

The Bovina varsity boys played the Nazareth varsity boys on January 27 and lost, 109-51.

Lance McClaran was lead scorer for the Mustangs scoring 22 points.

Arnold Reyna and Jerry Rocha scored eight points each; Zeke Lara and Jaime Flores four each; Richard Beauchamp three; and Rey Reyes two.

The Bovina varsity girls also lost to Nazareth, the final score being 63-42.

Lisa Hromas scored 13 points; Sally Noriega 11; Amber Willard 10; Brooke Charles six; and Lori Beauchamp two.

The Bovina junior varsity boys lost to the Nazareth JV boys 58-40. Perez scored 14 points; Larrea eight; Beauchamp, Nieto and Reyna six points each.

The Bovina eighth grade girls lost to Kress 33-20.

Evang Casas scored eight points; Gina Beauchamp and Yessy Rios four each; and Elia Marrufo and Letty Vargas two each.

## 1994 Rainfall: About Average For County

It may come as somewhat of a surprise to many farmers, but the rainfall recorded in the area was about average for the calendar year 1994.

Measurements at Friona's National Weather Service recording site came to 17.96 inches for the calendar year. The 32-year average annual rainfall for the Friona station (1962-1993) is 17.34 inches. However, the measurements varied from one end of the county to another.

Although the last three months of the year yielded 1.29 inches of moisture, the measurements covered so many different dates that the moisture provided very little benefit to growing plants.

Following are the measurements at the Friona station by month, with the previous 32-year averages in parenthesis:

January .26 (.54); February .03 (.58); March 1.80 (.70); April 1.16 (.82) May 3.73 (2.12); June 2.56 (2.90); July 2.82 (2.16); August 3.59 (2.82); September .72 (2.15); October .46 (1.27); November .48 (.73); December .35 (.57). Totals: 17.96 (17.34).

Average highs and lows for the Friona recording station for the past 32 years, as provided by the National Weather Service, are as follows: (average maximums, followed by average minimums):

January 50.3-21.2; February 54.6-24.8; March 62.4-31.1; April 71.8-40.2; May 79.5-49.7; June 87.3-58.6; July 90.5-62.8; August 87.9-61.1; September 81.2-54.4; October 72.5-42.5; November 60.0-31.4; December 51.7-23.6.

The month of January, 1995 just ended yielded .36 inches of rainfall, with the temperatures somewhat above the 32-year averages shown above.

## Dr. Joel Osborn Tabbed As Heart Assn. Speaker

Dr. Joel Osborn of Amarillo, a Friona native and heart specialist, will speak at a meeting of the Parmer County Heart Association on Thursday, February 16 at the Fellowship Hall of Friona's United Methodist Church.

Each year, millions of people volunteer their time and talent to the American Heart Association to help in the fight against heart disease and stroke--this nation's leading killer.

Recognizing the need for all Americans to take part in the continuing battle against heart disease and stroke, in 1963 the U.S. Congress mandated that the President issue a proclamation annually designating February as American Heart Month.

The AHA is committed to funding cardiovascular research to learn more about the treatment and

prevention of heart disease and stroke. Today, the chances of saving a life and reducing disability from heart disease and stroke are better than ever because of research done in our lifetimes. Much has been accomplished, but much more remains to be done.

The AHA works with the Administration in the drafting and signing of this annual proclamation.

American Heart Month's purpose is for American Heart Association volunteers across the country to visit their neighbors and provide educational information about cardiovascular disease and stroke, as well as to solicit funds to help support the AHA's ongoing research and education initiatives.

"Thanks to all the volunteers that made 1994-95 a success," said Floyd Reeve, president of the Parmer County Heart Association.



# Credit Union Sets 40th Annual Meet

Friona, Texas, Federal Credit Union will hold its 40th anniversary Annual Meeting on Tuesday, February 7 at the Friona Junior High Cafeteria.

Registration and the meal will begin at 6:30 p.m. A Mexican pile-on meal is on the menu.

Entertainment will be performed

## New Baby Girl Born To Couple

Manuel and Collette Torres are parents of a new baby girl, Alexis Christina, born Tuesday morning, January 31 at 1:16 a.m. at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo.

The infant weighed seven pounds two ounces and measured nineteen and three quarter inches.

The couple has another daughter, Kristie, who is thirteen years old.

Grandparents are Lyle and Dottie Henk of Amarillo and Juan and Maria Torres of Dalhart.

Great grandparents are Delvema Henk of Plymouth, Nebraska and Anastacia Gomez of Dalhart.

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Recipients must have information on their residence, Social Security numbers, proof of income and driver's license.



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# Scooter's Scoops

By Scooter Russell

February 7 is deadline for pictures on the Valentine's page that will give everyone an opportunity to share their grandchildren with the community. The charge is \$10 per each picture and we can use either color or black and white.

Bovina received a little snow--at least the ground was covered on Sunday morning. By the end of the week, the temperatures were approaching the seventies.

### NEWS AROUND TOWN....

Rouel Barron underwent a knee replacement on January 20 at the High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo. On January 24, he went into rehab and was released on Tuesday of this week. He said he had had three hip replacements but none or maybe all three together were not as painful as the knee. He said he had a pretty rough weekend but finally has started getting some relief from the pain.

Congratulations to Manny and Collette on the birth of a baby girl, Alexis Christina. She was born at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo on Tuesday morning. The couple has another daughter, Kristie, who is thirteen years old.

Patsy Webb of Adrian has been in Bovina visiting with her mom and took her to the doctor in recent days. Her mother is Sid Lloyd.

Enjoyed a nice visit with Skeet Caldwell who was in the office on Tuesday morning. She said a couple of weeks before Christmas, they went to Phoenix, Arizona and spent the holidays with son, John, his wife, Julie, and their daughter, Louisa. Tom and Skeet's granddaughter, Katie, who is seven years old, flew in from her home in St. Louis, Missouri and spent the holidays with them. Katie's mother is Cindy.

Skeet was telling me that John

works in commercial real estate and his wife is an architect.

Jamie Stanberry, daughter of Dean and Wendy Stanberry, was hospitalized in Muleshoe on Monday. Wendy said she had strep infection in her body, a kidney infection and inflammation in her muscles.

They are treating Jamie with antibiotics and physical therapy. She is a very sick little girl, according to her mom. Our thoughts are with her and her family.

Evelyn Vineyard of Glen Rose, Texas, has been in Bovina visiting with her sister, Vi, and family and her brothers, Eddie Gayle and Dickie Steelman and families, and also her dad, Amos Steelman.

Friends of Keith Knight reported that he had had a pretty rough month recently as he spent most of it in the hospital. He underwent two surgeries close together as he became ill after the first surgery and had to undergo surgery again.

They said it was "touch and go" for awhile, but we all know Keith is too tough to let that get him.

He is getting along fine now and he and Nancy were back in Bovina this week visiting. They have recently moved to Nocona, Texas.

Alfred Webb of Dimmitt

underwent heart surgery on Monday at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock. He had undergone heart surgery twice before and has had several heart attacks, according to his sister, Polly Mills.

Polly said the nurse said he had an exceptionally good night following the surgery. He is recovering real well although there has been a lot of damage to his heart over the years.

His sisters who live in Bovina are Pam Clark, Polly Mills and Ann Lee Englant. All of them were with him in Lubbock the day he had the surgery.

Our sympathies to Jill Timms, whose grandfather passed away. He lived in Oklahoma.

Sam and Shirley Garrison attended funeral services for Sam's brother, Elmer Garrison of Pampa, on Tuesday of this week. He died on Sunday after suffering lots of heart problems. He was survived by two daughters, a son and grandchildren.

He was also survived by his twin sister, Elba of Oklahoma City; Cleta of Oklahoma City; Faye of Memphis; and Sherry of Fritch. He was also survived by brothers, Bob of Bedford, Cecil of California, Sam of Bovina and Dwight of Perryton.

SMILE: Despite inflation, a penny for some people's thoughts is still a high price!...

Thanks for helping with the Scoops and news... Scooter.

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Applications may be obtained from the County Judge's office.

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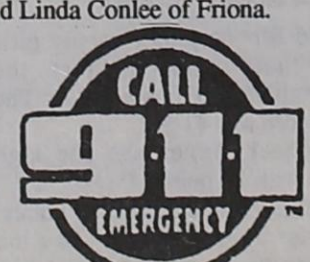
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Diplomas were awarded to more than 3,300 Texas A&M University graduates during commencement ceremonies held December 16-17 in College Station.

The degrees were presented at three separate ceremonies. Featured speakers at the ceremonies were U.S. Rep. Charles W. Stenholm; Marsha Martin, chairman of the Farm Credit Administration Board; and Royce West, Texas state senator.

Among those receiving degrees was Rebecca Conlee Luckie, with a B.S. Degree in animal science. Mrs. Luckie is the daughter of Jim and Linda Conlee of Friona.



## Card of Thanks

We want to tell you how much we appreciate the many things you did for us while I was in the hospital and since I have been home.

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