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MY TURN



By Carol Ellis

RECENT DISCUSSIONS of a serious nature have left me "worn to a frazzle" so let's talk about something in a lighter vein. I wasn't sure if "frazzle" was even a real word, so I looked it up in the dictionary and sure enough it said "to wear to tatters," which pretty well describes yours truly.

A couple of years ago John Terry and I discussed the word "snuck" in this column, he claiming to have discovered the origin of the word. It keeps cropping up! Regis Philbin says it all the time on TV and just last week, Amarillo College Professor Bob Wylie, who writes the "Word for Word" column in Amarillo's Sunday paper, noted that the AP (Associated Press) has started using the word. Bob says "their acceptance of 'snuck' rather than 'sneaked' is discouraging." The dictionary lists it as a "non-standard variant" for the past of the verb sneak.

So it appears that Webster's and the AP are now taking the stance "If you can't lick 'em, join 'em," because, believe it or not, the word "ain't" is also in the dictionary. "Ain't" has been around since 1778 and is usually identified as slang "common in the habitual speech of the less educated," but it was among several new entries which made it into the newest edition of Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary without any such warning against its use.

Some other new words and terms that got the nod of the day were: safe sex, date rape, boom box, politically correct, megahit, downscale, voice mail, significant other, and veg out.

Noah Webster, great granddaddy of American English, was a renegade who built his book of words on defiance. He thought American English should be independent from British rules of the language. He believed in language by democratic rule. If everybody used it, it was a word.

However, old Noah never had the opportunity to listen to teenagers of the 90s, because if he had heard them, the following words and phrases would have been completely deleted from the dictionary: "you know, goes, radical, like, chill out, gross, you're history, man, get a life." The sound is similar to one of those old scratchy 78 records with the needle stuck in one groove (if you're old enough to remember those).

"So he goes, man, like it gets really rad, y'know? . . . and I'm like, whatsa matter, man, y'know, and she goes, look butthead, y'know, like you're outta here, man . . ." etc.

Of course, the kids probably think there are several parental words and phrases which should also be deleted from the dictionary, such as: "NO, siddown-an-shuddup, don't slam the door, get off the phone, straighten up, it's too expensive, and you can't have the car keys."

One of the most colorful phrases in use today is "excuse me." It is quite descriptive in varied ways. For instance, it asks for pardon when you accidentally bump into someone. It asks for permission to get through a crowd of people such as when you're trying to find your seat in a darkened theater. It says "I didn't hear that; would you mind repeating?" It can express indignation: "excuse ME!"

Or it can express incredulity: "excuse me?" as in "I can't believe what I just heard!" Then there's "Well, ex-cu-uuu-UUU-se me!" which says "Well, pardon me for living, and who are you to question my right to have an opinion of my own, anyway!"

John Milton (1608-1674) English writer of prose and poetry (you studied him in English Lit, remember) said "When language in common use in any country becomes irregular and depraved, it is followed by their ruin and degradation."

I dunno. Whadda ya think?

Wheat Harvest Is Well Underway

By RHONDA HOLDEN

The winter wheat crop is beginning to come in to the elevators and is better than expected, according to Ron Smiley of Friona Wheat Growers.

The wheat yield is lower than average, but Smiley was expecting it to be even lower. So far, the wheat yields haven't dropped to projected levels.

Depending upon the methods used, the dryland crop ranges from 4 to 30 bushels per acre. Smiley explained that the lower yields are on fields which were planted last year with wheat.

The fields, which were summer tilled and lay dormant last year, are

bringing in the higher yields. "The summer tilled fields hold their moisture longer," Smiley said.

"60% to 70% of all the dryland wheat has come in," Smiley said.

The first load brought in was on June 7 by Doris Barnett.

"The irrigated wheat is beginning to come in, but it is too early to tell how strong the yields will be," Smiley explained. Some crops received hail damage and may change the amount, but Smiley said it was too early to predict the yields.

Last year's wheat yields were above average, which contrasts with this year's dry weather and below normal numbers.

July 4th Activities Are Set Locally

By Rhonda Holden

The Noon Lion's Club is sponsoring a Fourth of July celebration on the fifth. The festivities will include a youth's tractor pull, Great American Hamburger Cook Off, game and food booths, songs and fireworks.

The schedule of events, are as follows:

6:00 p.m.--The youth's tractor pull.

7:00 p.m.--The Great American Hamburger Cook Off.

8:00 p.m.--Games and more booths.

9:00 p.m. Cornerstone singers.

9:45 p.m.--Fireworks.

The tractor pull is for youths 4-12 and the tractors are powered by peddling. The contest is free of charge and will begin at 6 p.m. Parents do need to sign a disclaimer and the winners of the pull are eligible to compete in the state and national contests.

The equipment is being supplied by Excel. In case of bad weather, the Lion's Club has reserved the Community Center.

The cook off will include hamburgers, which each person can trim to their liking, and French fries. The cost is \$2 for hamburgers and garnish is included in the price. Fries will be extra.

Local Sales Tax Rebates Show Decrease From '92

By Rhonda Holden

The State Comptroller John Sharp has reported the monthly sales tax rebates totalling \$109.4 million in June to 917 cities and is a 3.5% increase over June's payment a year ago.

Many of the large cities in Texas are still feeling the effects of the

sluggish economy, Sharp explained in his report. Houston remained virtually unchanged, and Dallas is down 2.7%.

In Parmer County, the rebates vary. Bovina received \$1589.12, which is a 14.71% increase over last year. Friona dropped 2.91% since last year. The rebate this year is \$7720.25, compared to \$7951.83 last year. Farwell will receive \$3028.65, a 14.64% increase over last year.

Sharp explained that this year's rebates are a "mixed bag" of strong to sluggish. Austin, for example, will receive \$4.6 million which is an 11.7% increase over last year. "Austin's continued employment growth has largely been driven by the high-tech manufacturing companies of the area," Sharp explained.

TEMPERATURES

Date	Hi-Low
Friday, June 18	84-61
Saturday, June 19	87-58
Sunday, June 20	74-61
Monday, June 21	86-61
Tuesday, June 22	86-60
Wednesday, June 23	91-67
Thursday, June 24	95-62
Moisture: .56 inch June 19; trace June 20; .24 June 21; .20 June 22.	



NEW CONSTRUCTION....A new drive-up window is being added to the local Credit Union, as part of a remodeling project taking place.



TEXAS-SIZED....Even the lightning is big in Texas. Friona folks were given an early fireworks display last week, as scattered storms passed through the area. If you use your imagination a little, the top photo looks as though Mother Nature was trying to draw a picture of Texas with her lightning.

(Photo by Lisa McLellan)

Plays Planned By Kids K-12

By Rhonda Holden

The Summer Drama Workshop has begun rehearsals of their three productions starring children from kindergarten through high school. The children are practicing for another week for their performances Friday, July 2 at 6:30 p.m.

The K-5 children, under the direction of Michael Griffin and Erika Bermea are performing *Wind Of A 1000 Tales*. Fifty-three children are involved in the story of a young girl who travels with story characters called Breezes through Japan, Europe and Mexico on a journey which leads her from reading only encyclopedias to discovering her imagination.

The 6-8 graders will be performing *Once Upon A Clothes Line*, with Tal Lostracco directing and Michael Griffin and Erika Bermea assisting. The story describes the adventures of two clothes pins when they fall off the clothes line. They encounter a strange world filled with insects and animals. The cast includes 18 children.

The high school group of 12 students will be performing *The Miracle Worker*, which is the Helen Keller story. The story explores the experience of one teacher trying to instruct Helen Keller how to communicate. The play is directed by Michael Griffin.

Joy Morton is overseeing the entire project and the stage preparations with high school students to assist her.

The performance will be in the high school auditorium. Morton explained that the plays will begin with the younger group and end with the high school group. Admission is \$1.00 for students and senior citizens and \$2.00 for adults.

Ice Cream Event Set July Fifth

The Friona Chamber of Commerce has announced that it will be sponsoring an "Ice Cream Freeze Off" as one of the activities for the July 4th celebration on July 5th in Friona.

The activities will start at 7 p.m. at the City Park with judging set for 7:30 p.m.

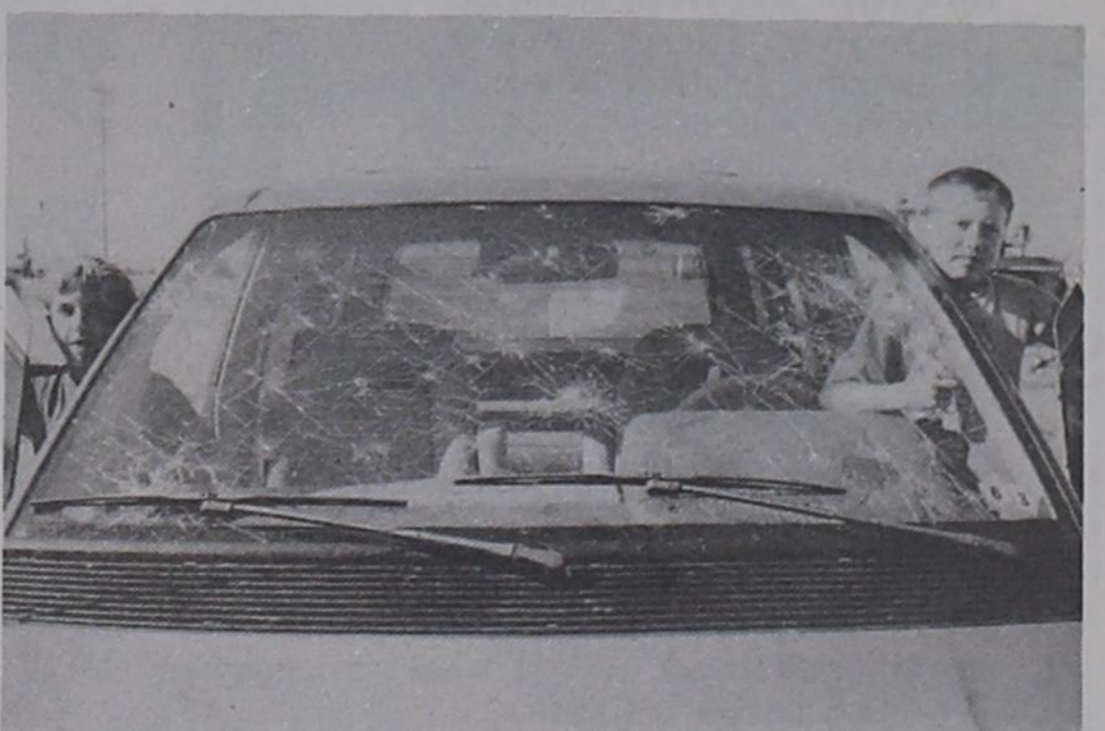
There will be no entry fee for this event. For more information, phone the Chamber office at 247-3491.



BENT VENT....This attic vent, located on top of Mark Gammon's residence, shows the severity of the hail that fell last week destroying roof tops, windows and crops.

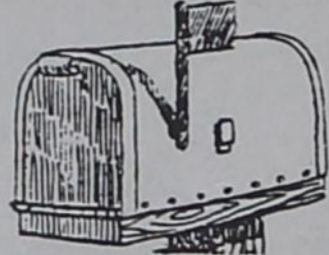


BEAT BEET....Dave Thompson's crop of sugar beets took a beating last Friday night. The crop was badly damaged.



HAIL DAMAGE....Matt and Heath Gammon pose with the family's van. The windshield was destroyed by a hailstorm last Friday night in the southeast part of the county.

Letters To The Editor



Dear Editor & People of Friona,
 Last Sunday, June 13, twenty-one women left Vail, Colorado, around 4:20 a.m., on a long journey home to Andrews, Texas. We had taken two motor homes and going through your home town, one of the motor homes broke down. We looked over the town the best we could to find someone to help us, and we found the police department and I went in for help. There I met your Chief of Police, John Taylor, and he immediately helped us find someone to come and look at the motor home.

Mr. Taylor called a man named Ronnie Stevick and asked him if he could help us, and help us he did. He and his kind wife, Carolyn, came to Stevick Supply on a hot Sunday afternoon to try to fix the motor home. He worked almost two hours and fixed the fuel pump, and got us ready to go home. Just as we were going to leave, the other motor home acted up, and Ronnie and Carolyn offered to follow us out of town to be sure we could go on home safely.

Finally, they saw that we could make it, and they turned around to go back to Friona. We wanted to take this time to tell them thank you again for their kindness and concern.

Sometimes we look at the way our country is going, and we wonder if people even still care about one another. Well, I can say yes, people still do care about others. There are twenty-one women at home safe with their families because someone cared. Our prayers and thanks go to Chief of Police, John Taylor, Ronnie and Carolyn Stevick and the people of Friona. I know you are proud to call them friends and neighbors. I know twenty-one women that would, too.

God bless and thanks,
 "The Ladies from Morning Star"
 Mrs. Loren Moller
 1514 Heritage Blvd.
 Andrews, Texas, 79714

Dear Mr. Ellis,
 Thank you for your contribution to our fifth annual graduation party. As you know, the party was held after graduation exercises and was an all-night alcohol/drug-free party. We felt very good about the party. A large majority of the graduating class attended the party and stayed all night.

During the night, the students danced, played volleyball, ping-pong, played casino games and ate and ate and ate. Because of your generosity in contributing merchandise or money, there were drawings for prizes all through the night—with prizes given away about every five minutes. The grand prize—a trip to San Antonio—was

given away at 5 a.m. just before breakfast was served.

Without your cooperation and contributions, this party could not take place. By making a contribution, you are definitely showing your support for the youth of our community and making a statement against the use of drugs and alcohol.

On behalf of the senior class of 1993, their parents and the entire community of Friona, I should like to thank you for being a part of this endeavor. It was certainly a success, but only because of you.

Sincerely yours,
 Britt Conklin
 President, Class of '93

Miles Rites Are Held In Hereford

James Marley Miles, 62, died Wednesday, June 16, 1993.

Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 19 in Dreamland Cemetery with the Rev. Gayle Bowen, associate pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements were by Brooks Funeral Home in Canyon.

Miles was born in Hereford. He married Iva Dell Parsons in 1949 at Tullia. His wife attended school in Friona.

He worked in the construction business most of his life and built the Correlitos Observatory in Las Cruces, New Mexico, the first houses for the NASA Lunar Landing Project at Telshore Hills in Las Cruces, N.M. and a 16-sided house on top of a 200-foot volcanic mountain in Barstow, California.

He held numerous patents on high-security locks that he invented and put into production. He was a resident of Huntington Beach, California, but was building his retirement home south of Canyon.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Janice Miles-Hiebert of Temple and Iva Lee Miles of White Bear Lake, Minnesota; two sons, Stephen Miles of Costa Mesa, California and Randy Miles of Huntington Beach, California; his mother, Flossie Miles of Childress; a sister, Mondelean Baker of Childress; three brothers, Wallace Miles of Wichita Falls, Eugene Miles of Tustin, California and Francis Miles of Branson, Missouri; and three grandchildren.

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Friona Flashbacks

...from the files of The Friona Star

65 YRS. AGO--JUNE 29, 1928

The Fourth of July celebration, which was planned by the Friona Woman's Club, has been postponed indefinitely.

Guy Smith, whose farm lies at the southwest corner of town, reports that the hail Tuesday night badly riddled his cotton and corn crops.

J.W. Burney of Evant, Texas, arrived here Thursday of last week to take up his work as a salesman in the Blackwell Hardware and Furniture Store.

Beginning on July first, the Friona Hotel will once again be under the management of Mrs. L.A. Martin, owner of the building.

T.J. Crawford, Friona's pioneer merchant, has greatly increased the efficiency of his store equipment by the addition of a large Sharon refrigeration showcase, which was installed last week.

45 YRS. AGO--JULY 2, 1948

Rev. and Mrs. Walter H. North, pastor of the local Congregational Church, departed Monday morning for Burtrum, Minnesota, where they plan to spend the next two or three months, vacationing on a nearby lake, where they have a summer cottage. Rev. and Mrs. North plan to return to Friona about the first or middle of September.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Stewart and baby son, Robert Allen, drove to Morton and spent Sunday as guests in the home of Mr. Stewart's brother, Vernon Stewart. Guests in the home that day also were Mr. Stewart's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Stewart of Big Spring. Mrs. Stewart and little son went home with them and are spending the week at Big Spring.

40 YRS. AGO--JULY 2, 1953

A 4-H Club meeting was held Tuesday evening in Farwell, with plans made for the annual county 4-H camp to be held this year from July 27 through July 30.

On Saturday evening, June 27, Deann Buske was honored on her sixteenth birthday at a dinner and party in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G.B. Buske.

35 YRS. AGO--JUNE 26, 1958

Sheb Wooley's record of "The Purple People Eater" continues to hold its spot as first in the United Press International Top 20 record survey this week. In a recent interview with a reporter of the Arizona Republic of Phoenix, Wooley made the following statement: "I knew there was a trend toward music that is way out, but I wasn't sure it was that far out. I wrote it as a gag. The way I heard it, you ask a friend if he knows what they call a thing that has one eye, one horn, flies and eats people. And the answer is 'A one-eyed, one-horned, flying people-eater.'"

Plans have been completed for a youth revival which will be conducted at the First Baptist Church from July 7 through July 13. Paul Carlin and Jerry Bernard will direct the revival and will be assisted by the youth of the local church.

30 YRS. AGO--JULY 4, 1963

Construction began Tuesday on a \$52,000 food market in Friona, being built by Taylor Construction Company of Friona, and to be operated by Joe Johnson.

Applications Taken for EFP

The Parmer County ASCS committee has been authorized to implement the emergency feed program. Producers whose pasture conditions are below normal may apply at the Parmer County ASCS office in Farwell.

It would be to the advantage of the producers to apply as soon as possible. Please call the ASCS office, 481-3311, for an appointment in order to apply.

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Funeral services for Mrs. Ola Sheets, former Friona resident, will be held at the Sixth Street Church of Christ, Friday, at 2:30 p.m.

Flake Barber was installed as "Boss Lion" for 1963-64 by the Friona Lions Club at the club's meeting last Thursday.

25 YRS. AGO--JUNE 27, 1968

A group of fifteen residents of Chile were guests of Deaf Smith County Electric Cooperative for tours of the area last week, studying rural electrification in the area.

The Friona Star was awarded the first place plaque in the "news pictures" division of the Texas Press Association's annual Texas Newspaper Contest at the association's summer convention last weekend in San Antonio.

20 YRS. AGO--JUNE 21, 1973

A reception honored Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Rector, Sunday, in their home from 2-5 p.m. to celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Weatherly of Lafayette, Indiana, former Friona residents, are the parents of a son, Benjamin Harrison, who was born May 30.

Ronald R. Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Williams, was listed on the Dean's Honor List at

Baylor Law School.

Honored at a hamburger fry Tuesday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Young were Mr. and Mrs. Steve Grundy of Albuquerque, N.M. and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Russell of Elk City, Oklahoma.

15 YRS. AGO--JULY 9, 1978

Workmen began this week drilling under Highway 60, making preparations for a stop light at Main Street and Highway 60 in Friona. The footings for the light standards also were poured.

Services were held Monday for Robert L. Jackson, 46. He died July 1 in an accident at Friona Feed Yard. He had resided in Friona 22 years.

Ten members of the Friona Future Farmers of America chapter will attend the Fiftieth FFA Convention in San Antonio, July 12-14. Voting delegates will be Park Weatherly and John Ingram. Other members who are attending are Mark Gammon, Gary Schueler, Phillip Veazey, Stephen Miller, Ricky Taylor, Chris Wyly, Ky Graham and Faron Young.

10 YRS. AGO--JULY 17, 1983

Wright Williams has tendered his resignation as mayor of the City of Friona, effective

immediately. Williams, longtime resident of Friona, is in the process of moving to Lubbock.

Friona's new storm warning system arrived and was installed this week by Friona Cablevision officials and Fire Chief Ralph Shirley. Emergency messages can now be broadcast on all channels by Friona Cablevision, in conjunction with the Friona Police Department, and the local civil defense.

5 YRS. AGO--JULY 9, 1988

The Friona area received yet another good summer rain on Thursday, when a fast-moving front dumped 1.5 inches on the area. There was some flooding associated with the Thursday rain, as it was accompanied by a high north wind that ushered in the cold front.

Rev. Archie Echols, who has served as pastor of Friona's First United Methodist Church for the past eight years, will be leaving on September 1 to assume the pastorate of the First United Methodist Church of Levelland.

The all new B.M.W.'s will be arriving in Friona, Texas in July!

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EMPLOYEES HONORED....Prairie Acres awarded years of service pins last week. Receiving pins were: (left to right) Carol Jackson, Eileen Gomez and Carol McIntosh, five year awards; and a ten year award went to Velma Escalante. Not pictured was Roger Graham for five years of service.

Ethel Chitwood's Services Are Held

Funeral services for Ethel Chitwood of Friona, 98, were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 22, in Friona's First Baptist Church.

Rev. Charles Broadhurst conducted the funeral services. Burial was in Friona Cemetery under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Mrs. Chitwood died Saturday, June 19 in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital of natural causes.

She was born in Yell County, Arkansas. The Chitwoods moved to Friona from Bledsoe, Texas in 1936. She and her husband, William Tolbert "Bert" Chitwood, lived on his Indian allotment near Alex, Oklahoma several years. She owned and managed the Friona Hotel until 1950.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church, a charter member of the Federated Women's Club of Friona, and was a member and past Worthy Matron of the Friona Chapter of the Eastern Star.

Her husband preceded her in death on November 3, 1975. She was also preceded in death by a son, S.V. Chitwood, on July 28, 1985 and a great-grandson, Phillip Jesko, August 27, 1987.

Survivors include one

grandson, William Tolbert "Billy Bert" Chitwood II of Paradise, Texas; one granddaughter, Dixie Jesko of Muleshoe; two sisters, Wilma Highman of Orange Cove, California and Oleta Thomas of Orangevale, California; and three great-grandchildren, Jeff Jesko, Jason Jesko and Alex Chitwood.

Playnights To Begin June 26

The Friona Riding Club's summer Playnights will begin Saturday, June 26 at 7 p.m. at the club arena west of Friona on Highway 60.

The Playnights will run six weeks with a break on July 3 for the July 4th holiday activities.

There will be three age categories: nine and under; 10-15 years of age and 15-18 years of age.

Events will include barrels, flags, poles, stakes and rings. There is no charge for competing in the events.

There will be no junior rodeo held in Friona this year.

Home Health Helps Area's Patients

By Rhonda Holden

Home health services can help people with a variety of illnesses, provide therapy and medication to allow a patient to heal in the comfort and security of home versus a frightening and expensive stay in the hospital.

The Parmer County Community Hospital is providing home health services for Parmer County and surrounding areas. According to director, Chris Dennison, RN, statistics show that patients heal faster at home and at a lower cost than a stay in the hospital.

Home health is beneficial for someone who has a broken bone which keeps them home bound, newborns with different types of conditions, and individuals that need drug therapy.

The PCCH Home Health can obtain medical equipment which they can teach the patient to use and allow them more freedoms than numerous trips to the doctor away from home. They provide physical, respiratory and chemotherapy and monitors.

The nurses are qualified to teach a patient with diabetes to do blood sugar checks and injections and assist with dietary information. They can also do blood tests and administer medication through an IV or directly into the body.

It is staffed with registered nurses, licensed vocational nurses and certified nursing assistants and the therapists who work with the hospital will do visitations through the home health agency.

Cost is an enormous factor in today's economy, and home health provides services at a lower cost than a hospital stay. It is Medicare and Medicaid certified, and widely accepted by most private insurance carriers.

The closeness of the care by the staff will help in communication with the patient's doctors and can discover conditions which may require more extensive treatment. That helps in ensuring the patient and the family that they are receiving complete care, according to information provided by the PCCH Home Health Agency.

Dennison warns that home health care shouldn't be confused with 24 hour nursing care. The homebound patient and family must be able to care for themselves and not require around the clock medical supervision. Care, depending upon the doctor's orders, usually include three weekly visits for several hours and last about 60 days.

The PCCH Home Health is working closely with the community by providing educational opportunities. They offer free blood pressure checks, blood sugar screenings and will begin cholesterol checks. "We will be available to do different programs for community clubs," Dennison said.

For information, contact Chris Dennison at the PCCH Home Health at 247-2754 or 1-800-525-2754.

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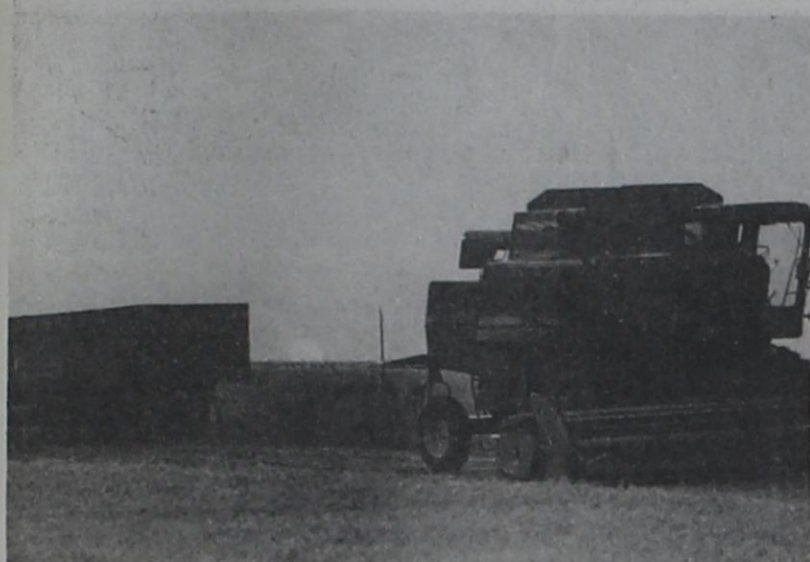
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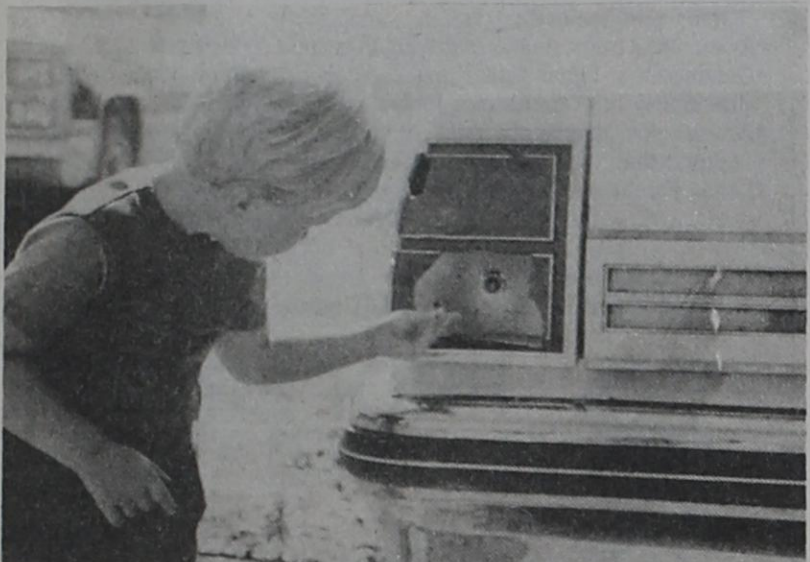
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SETTING SUN....These harvest implements sat idle on Saturday evening as the sun went down on an unharvested field of wheat. The harvest was hampered by the recent rains.



BROKEN LIGHTS....Tyler Shields points out that the hail broke his grandmother's taillight lens and even got the bulb during last week's severe hail storm.

Methodist Church Has New Pastor

By Rhonda Holden

The Friona United Methodist Church has welcomed their new pastor, Lee Roark. He has been pastoring in Texas for about 25 years.

Roark is from Vega, Texas where he attended school. After high school he received a bachelor of science degree from West Texas State University. He returned home to work in the family oil business for five years.

Then, he heeded the "call" and attended the Emory University in the Candler School of Theology in Atlanta, Georgia, where he received his master's degree.

While in Georgia, he pastored the Grace Methodist and West Gainsville Methodist churches. Then, he returned to Texas and pastored the Union and Ira Methodist churches, near Snyder for two years.

Roark followed former Friona pastor, Henry Salley, to the Kentwood United Methodist Church in Big Spring. He was there three years. He also worked part time as chaplain at the veteran's hospital.

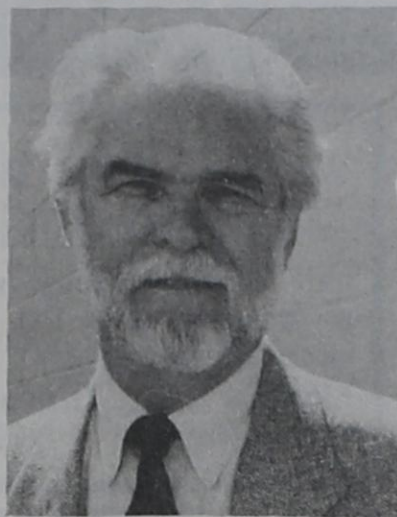
Then, he went to White Deer, where he pastored in the United Methodist Church and spent some time working in the High Plains Baptist Church for advanced training.

He spent one year in Wheeler and pastored the Wheeler and Ellison Methodist churches. Then, he went to Dimmitt for three years.

For one year, he took a sabbatical in order to receive training of clinical pastoral education, which is extensive training in crisis intervention and grief ministry, Roark explained. He did his clinical studies in the Amarillo hospital district and pastored in the Wildorado United Methodist Church, 20 miles west of Amarillo.

He spent ten years as associate chaplain at the Methodist Hospital in Lubbock, where he worked in the critical care units, surgical care and emergency room.

While in Lubbock, he became the director of the Lay Chaplains program, which is a training program for pastors who aren't ordained. He also worked as adjunct staff member of the Crossroad Samaritan Pastoral Counseling Center. The center takes calls and



LEE ROARK

counsels people with personal problems. His special training helped him to talk with people with deep and disturbing problems, he explained.

For nearly two years, he took a sabbatical and didn't pastor. Then, he went to Silverton for two years where he pastored the Silverton and Vigo Park United Methodist churches.

His last church, before coming to Friona, was in Lorenzo, where he stayed for a year.

He arrived in Friona on June 9, and began work June 13 at the Ceta Canyon Methodist Park. His welcome celebration was held June 20, on Father's Day. The church held a party with food and drinks and socializing, Roark explained.

He felt his first day "went well. We had a full house and the people made me feel welcomed," Roark said. His plans are to become acquainted with everyone and to serve them as their pastor.

He is single and a father of three children and has two grandchildren. Leigh Ann, his daughter, and her husband, Bo Jones, live in North Richland Hills, Texas, where they are teachers. She was raised in Georgia and they have two sons, Justin, 13, and Seth, 11.

His son, Bradley Craig, is single and lives in Austin, where he is employed with Tom Thumb grocery store. His youngest, Mary Jan Roark, is now living in Dallas. She recently returned from New York and is interviewing for a position in San Francisco. She is a buyer and designer of women's accessories.

When he isn't pastoring, he enjoys wood carving and long distance biking.



HIT BY HAIL....The Hub community was hit again by hail. This field of corn, located on the southeast corner of the Hub intersection, was badly stripped following Friday night's storm.



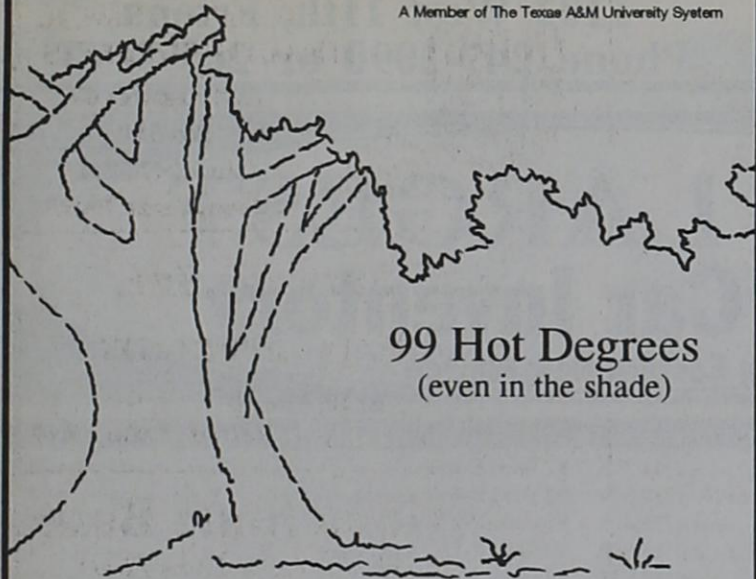
READY, SET, ACTION....Michael Griffin is shown instructing cast members in the kindergarten-fifth grade Summer Drama Workshop production. Pictured are (left to right) Kathryn Johnston, Jessica Hunter, Griffin and Justin Boyd.



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Friona State Bank celebrated the 30th anniversary for Gary Brown to work at the Bank on Friday, June 18, 1993. He and his wife, Barbara, moved to Friona on June 17, 1963, and Gary started to work at the Bank the next day. The employees of FSB have thoroughly enjoyed working with Gary and appreciate his loyalty to them and the Bank.

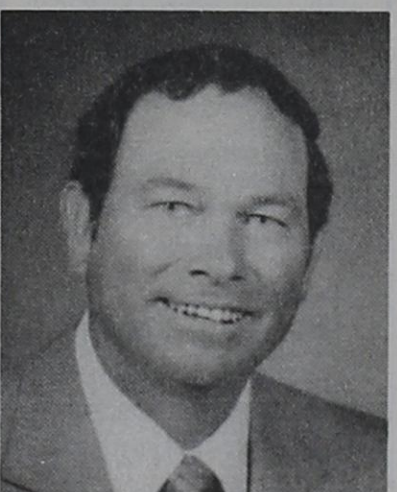
Gary's position at FSB in 1963 was that of agriculturist. He was promoted to assistant vice president in January, 1964; vice president in 1967; senior vice president in 1972 and voted a director of the Bank in 1975. Gary is presently serving as senior vice president in charge of credit.

Gary is the son of Earl and Ruth Brown of Agra, Oklahoma. He has two brothers and one sister who still live in Oklahoma. Gary graduated from Agra High School, and then went to Arkansas City Junior College for two years. From there, he went to Oklahoma State University in Stillwater and graduated in 1963. Brown graduated from the Graduate School of Banking at SMU in 1974 and has a certificate from Harvard's Graduate School of Banking-Senior Bank Officers Seminar.

Brown met Barbara while in high school and they married while Gary was in college. They have two children, Jeff and Julie. The Browns attend the United Methodist Church.

Gary has been very active in community affairs, having served as president of the Chamber of Commerce and on the board of directors. He is a member of the Lions Club and has held various offices there, including a director of the Lions Club Hi-Plains Eye Bank. Brown served on the City Council and was chairman of Friona's United Way Fund Drive. Gary's interests now include farming and ranching.

The employees of Friona State Bank would like to invite all of our friends and customers to stop by and congratulate Gary on 30 years of dedication to Friona.



GARY BROWN

Football Camp Set July 19-23

A football camp for youngsters will be held locally July 19-23.

Youngsters in grades four-six will be instructed from 9 a.m.-noon daily and those in grades seven-nine will be in camp from 1-4 p.m. daily.

Registration forms may be picked up at Friona High School or Ingram's. The registration fee of \$35 includes a T-shirt and insurance.

The deadline for registering is July 9. Coach James Warren is in charge of the camp.

Airman Graduates

Airman Refugio D. Saiz has graduated from the telephone switching specialist course at Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas.

The course provided instruction in electronic fundamentals, principles of telephone switching equipment, telephone equipment installation, circuit analysis and trouble shooting and maintenance procedures of step-by-step and dial central office equipment.

Saiz is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Saiz of Friona. He is a 1991 graduate of Friona High School.

Funeral Services Held For Vernon Leroy White

Vernon Leroy White died June 19, 1993 at Brenham, Texas. He was born April 30, 1928 at Maud, Oklahoma. He was a retired farmer and oil field worker.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Bass of Brenham, Texas; two sons, Larry and Danny of Brenham; one daughter, Lanecha of Houston; one sister, Lucille James of Harrison, Arkansas; four brothers,

Tulon of Corpus Christi, Cecil of Mathis, N.C. White, Jr. of Friona and Harrold of Portland.

He was preceded in death by another brother, Aaron, in May 1993.

The Whites left Friona before funeral arrangements had been finalized, so final details were not available.

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Elizabeth Gauthier, Timothy Grundy Exchange Wedding Vows In Okla.

Elizabeth Diane Gauthier and Timothy Alan Grundy were united in marriage at 3 p.m. Saturday, May 22, in the First United Methodist Church of Ardmore, Oklahoma.

Parents of the couple are Dr. and Mrs. Wilfred Moore of Ardmore and Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Grundy of New Caney, Texas.

The altar was accented with candlelight and garden flowers as the ceremony was performed by Dr. Howard Plowman, Oklahoma City.

Nuptial selections were presented by Dina Woodside, organist; Amy Young, soloist; Doug Pfau, soloist; and the Vesper Chimes Bell Choir with Bob Pfau directing.

The bride wore a formal length gown of silk dupioni fashioned with a "v" neckline and long sleeves trimmed with scalloped silk bands. The basque bodice was detailed with Guipure lace

medallions. Matching lace flowers and vines trimmed the ball length gown skirt with chapel train.

She carried a cascade bouquet of roses, tulips and ivy.

Donna Mitchell was the maid of honor. Joanna Hodges was the matron of honor and bridesmaids were Stephanie Atkinson, Shelly Muncief and Amy Young.

The flower girl was Tegan Adcox, niece of the groom.

Keith Lang and Kevin Schulz was the best man. Groomsmen and ushers were Cole Atkinson, Stephen Gauthier, brother of the bride, Kirk Murdoch, Braton Cole and Tom Young.

Candlelighters were Kerri Cole and Jenny Young. Daniel Adcox, nephew of the groom, was the ring bearer.

Assisting at the reception at Demick Hills Country Club were Carol Cole of Beaver, Oklahoma; Linda Atkinson of Norman; Kim Mourer of Muskogee; Virginia Young, Marilyn Kriet, Phyllis Dyer, Martha Phipps, Jane Knight, Ginny Little, Carol Rose, Kay Laske and Holly Austin, all of Ardmore.

Holly Austin and Kim Mourer presided at the guest book. Honored guests were grandparents of the couple, Jimmie and Mary

Cole, Opal Baxter and Marion Gauthier.

Mrs. Grundy is a 1987 graduate of Ardmore High School and graduated from the University of Oklahoma and the University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy, May 8, 1993. She is employed by Wal-Mart Pharmacy.

Her husband, a 1986 graduate of Yukon High School, also graduated from the University of Oklahoma College of Pharmacy, May 8, 1993, and is employed by Hyde Drug. He attended Friona schools in the late seventies.

Following a wedding trip to Orlando, Florida, Mr. and Mrs. Grundy are making their home in Oklahoma City.



LUPITA ROCHA, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Rocha of Friona, participated in Wayland Baptist University's 83rd spring commencement in Harral Auditorium, Plainview, on May 15. She received her bachelor of arts degree in psychology.



ENTERTAINS....Janet Rector entertained for the Lions' Ladies Night Banquet on June 10.

Lions Name New Leaders

The new officers and directors for both the Friona Evening Lions and the Friona Noon Lions were introduced at the Lions' Ladies Night Banquet on June 10.

For the Evening Lions, the 1992-93 officers were as follows: Ron Davenport, president; Dr. Paul Spring, first vice president; Benny Pryor, second vice president; R.J. Renner, third vice president; Porter Roberts, secretary; Bill Ellis, treasurer; Jake Outland, Lion tamer; Mike Hanes, tail twister; Sam Mears and John Taylor, two-year directors; Bill Wilshire and E.M. Bailey, one-year directors; Roy V. Miller, past president; and Teresa Taylor, sweetheart.

The club's 1993-94 officers will be: Dr. Paul Spring, president; Benny Pryor, first vice president; R.J. Renner, second vice president; Porter Roberts, secretary; Bill Ellis, treasurer; Jake Outland, Lion tamer; Hollis Horton, tail twister; Bill Ellis and Wendell Gresham, two-year directors; Sam Mears and John Taylor, one-year directors; Ron Davenport, past president; and Lee Ann Ford, sweetheart.

The Noon Lions' 1992-93 slate of officers included: Larry Rogers, president; Allan Haile, first vice president; Russell Gustin, second vice president; Gary Snead, third vice president; Larry Knowles, secretary; Joe Mejia/Mike Hutson, treasurer; Roger Nelson, Lion tamer; Virgil Ichtertz, tail twister; Cecil Maddox and Bud Rainey, one-year directors; Dale Houlette and Raymond Cook, two-year directors; T. Leon Talley, past president; Kristin Holland and Christy Ichtertz, sweethearts.

Their 1993-94 leaders will be: Allan Haile, president; Russell Gustin, first vice president; Gary Snead, second vice president; John Gurley, third vice president; Larry Knowles, secretary; Mike Hutson, treasurer; Roger Nelson, Lion tamer; Robert Jones, tail twister; Raymond Cook and Dale Houlette, one-year directors; Joe Walters and Cliff Daniels, two-year directors; and Larry Rogers, past president.



LIONS' BRASS....Larry Rogers, right, the 1993 president of the Friona Noon Lions, greets Rick Garrett, Lions' District Governor, and Bob Lorenc, deputy governor, at the recent Lions Club banquet locally.



CHANGING HANDS....Ron Davenport, right, served as the 1992-93 president or "Boss Lion" of the Friona Evening Lions. Dr. Paul Spring will be the 1993-94 president.



CARLA MOSER, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moser of Friona, graduated with a bachelor of science degree in occupational education during Wayland Baptist University's 83rd spring commencement in Harral Memorial Auditorium, Plainview, on Saturday, May 15. She received the BSOE in business administration.



JULIE ANN BROWN graduated from Methodist Hospital School of Nursing in Lubbock on June 4. She was among the 128 students to complete the 21 month Registered Nurse program. She is employed at University Medical Center in Lubbock on the pediatric floor. Her parents are Gary and Barbara Brown and she is a 1989 graduate of Friona High School.

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Town Talk

By June Floyd

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Hollis and Lunell Horton were honored guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Gurley and children, Hollis, Alex and J., Sunday. The couple was observing their fortieth wedding anniversary on Father's Day.

Mrs. Gurley is the former Kathy Horton. Out-of-town guests for the noon meal were Franklin and Sunny Horton Ratliff of Lubbock.

Afternoon visitors were Irene McFarland and Margie Fallwell.

A houseguest in the Gurley home this week is Misty Gurley of Austin, Texas. She is John's niece and is attending the Summer Drama Workshop.

Misty flew to Lubbock on Saturday and was met by the Gurley family.

The country home of Ron and Libby Procter was the scene of a Father's Day dinner on Sunday.

Out-of-town guests were David and Ann Faver and children, Aaron and Cari, and Christa Trussell, all of Muleshoe, and Joe and Helen McWhorter of Plainview.

Local residents attending were James and Sue Procter; Dewayne and Cheryl Procter and children, Wade and Darla; Chris Hanna and Ted and Glenda Procter and children, Charlotte and Barry.

Our librarian, Darla Bracken, was admitted to Deaf Smith General Hospital, Hereford, as a surgical patient on Tuesday of last week.

She was dismissed on Thursday and has been convalescing satisfactorily at home.

During her absence from Friona Public Library, her daughter, Julie, has been helping Brenda Patterson, the assistant librarian.

John Terry, who had surgery at High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo on Thursday of last week, has developed some complications and has not been dismissed from the Intensive Care Unit yet.

One of his sons, Randy, gave the following report, Tuesday evening.

"His doctors say he is making satisfactory progress but will probably not be dismissed from the Intensive Care Unit until after the weekend is over."

Bill and Aline Turner were special guests at a 25th wedding anniversary party for their son-in-law and daughter, Gary and Becky Hardcastle of Wheeler, Texas, May 23.

The affair was hosted by the couple's children, Mindy Brashears of Stillwater, Oklahoma and Marcus Hardcastle, who lives in Wheeler.

Richard and Lillie Mae Perkins spent several days last week visiting kith and kin in Oklahoma. Their first stop was in Weatherford, where they visited in the home of Glen and Alisa Trimmell.

From there, they went to Oklahoma City, where they were guests in the home of Lloyd and Inez Bratcher before going on to their former home in Trowsdale. Mrs. Bratcher is Richard's sister.

In Trowsdale, they attended an Alumni Association meeting and a Homecoming and visited Richard's brother and sister-in-law, Randall and Clara Perkins.

Lynn Welch of San Antonio spent several days last week visiting in the homes of his Friona kith and kin. He's the son of Louis and Mamie Lou and doesn't come home very often.

When he's here, he also visits in the homes of his grandparents, Ralph and Louisa Wilson, brother-in-law and sister, Joe Bill and Holly Jones, and their children, Blair and Hays, and other relatives.

At one time during the time Lynn was here, Louis and Mamie Lou had all their family members at home at the same time.

Bill and Jan Bogard, Gay and

Logan Bingham and Mende, Melanie and Brandon Petree came down from Amarillo.

Louis said, "Since Lynn doesn't get home very often, we always get together for at least one meal while he is here."

The McFarland sisters had a get together recently. Charline Jones came over from Ruidoso and spent the night with Gerry Taylor.

The next day, the local sisters, Katy and Ilene Osborn and Martha Clements; Robert Hines and Elsie McFarland of Tucumcari and Elva McFarland of Farwell joined Charline and Gerry for lunch in the Taylor home.

That afternoon, Irene McFarland visited with the group.

Ted Wilson of Merkel, Texas, who has been a guest in the home of her sister, Irene McFarland, has returned to her home.

Several local residents will be rolling out the welcome mat for three new teachers, who will be moving to Friona in the very near future.

One of them, Zane Polson, a former band teacher, will be returning to assume the position of head band director. He will be filling the spot vacated by Jim Parker, who has accepted the position of primary principal.

Polson's wife, Janis, will be teaching seventh grade math and coaching seventh and eighth grade girls basketball and track.

Zane and Janis visited in the home of her twin sister, Lanis Graham, and her family on Saturday and left their daughter, Loran, who is spending the week with Ky, Lanis, Kyla, Krista and Caison.

The Polsons will be moving from Dangerfield, Texas, where they have been teaching, to 505 West Eighth Street at the end of this week.

The third one is Dee Ann Ray, a graduate of Farwell High School and Lubbock Christian University, who has been teaching in the Lubbock Independent School system for the past year.

Dee Ann's parents, Connie and Kay Struve Ray, are both graduates of Friona High School. Her grandmothers are Nellie Ray and Seva Struve.

She will be teaching science in high school.

The Friona Star staff joins friends and family members in welcoming Zane, Janis, Loran and Dee Ann to our community.

Lucille Wilson returned home from Amarillo late last week after having eye surgery. She spent several days in Amarillo with a brother, Gene Williams, following the surgery.

She is making satisfactory progress at home and is preparing to move to Comanche, Texas, soon.

Lucille has been living near her

brother-in-law and sister, Bud and Arvilla Elmore, northeast of town eleven years.

The Elmore's plan to move to Comanche, too.

My apologies this week go to the families of Opal and Hazel Baxter. In last week's report of a family reunion the final paragraph got lost somewhere in the scramble. (Maybe we can blame it on the big bad computer. If not, the human element entered into it somewhere.)

The omitted paragraph should have read:

Others attending the reunion were Sterling and Joy Graham, Ky and Lanis Graham and children and Hazel Baxter of Friona; Pat Stubbs of Littlefield and Stan and Gail Dement and children, who live in Portales.

Sorry, folks.

Fern White will be honored with a party on her 90th birthday this Saturday, June 26 from 2-4 p.m. The party will be held in the Friona Senior Citizens Friendship House.

All friends and relatives are invited to the party and your presence will be your special gift to the honoree.

I borrowed the following bit of information about a former Friona resident from Paula Pitt's column in Thursday's *Amarillo Daily News* for the information and enjoyment of readers who may not have read it.

The column was headed "Hereford Steer Wrestler Davis is a true champion," and began with the following paragraph:

"Businessman, family man, teacher, father and friend. All strong words to describe a modern day rodeo champion--Delbert Davis of Hereford.

"David paints a quiet picture of success that is evident in many of today's cowboys. He has combined the best of the business world along with showing the strength of a leader, dedicated teacher, generous husband and kind father.

"Davis is one of the best in the 'big man's' rodeo event. He's a steer wrestler."

Pitt, who is the *Amarillo Globe-News* rodeo writer, continued as follows: "This is an easy statement to make but it is a difficult event to master. It not only takes strength, agility and athletic ability, but intestinal fortitude to jump from the back of a speeding horse onto a wild steer, grab his horns and wrestle him to the ground in less than six seconds.

"Davis has proven that he is more than able to successfully complete this scenario with a high degree of success repeatedly. Over the past 30 years, he has achieved championship status in his chosen event throughout the Texas Panhandle, New Mexico and Oklahoma. He has won a large share of the numerous rodeos he's

competed in.

One of his favorite accomplishments occurred in 1991 when he was the TCRA Steer Wrestling Champion for the season. This is a cumulative achievement based on dollars won over a year's time.

Pitt explained that Davis spent a lot of time helping young men learn the art of steer wrestling, mastering the event as a champion. He has helped many youth to become high school champions, college champions, amateur champions--all the way to Rookie of the Year Wrestler in the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association.

Delbert, the son of the late Albert and Frances Davis, grew up here and graduated from Friona High School in 1968. His wife, the former Susie Evans, is also a

former Friona resident. They have two daughters, Mendi and Misti, who love to ride but spend many of their hours honing their athletic skills in basketball and volleyball.

He is a successful businessman, operating the Walco Veterinary Supply in Hereford for the past sixteen years.

Pitt concluded her column thusly: "He represents the best part of the real West...caring values, a man of his word, loyal friend and of course, a champion in the truest sense."

Delbert has relatives here. Jo Blackburn and Mary Hobbs are his aunts and Buddy Stowers is his uncle.

Call me at 247-3681 by Tuesday night with your news items.

Happy Birthday Friona Folks.....

Week of June 27-July 3
Friona residents having birthdays next week include:

June 27--Andy Alexander, Sandra Osborn, Jerry Zachary, Clint Phillips, Chad Wilkins, Stacie Dodson, Kelly Cash, Ruben Rivera, Jo Schueler Osborn.

June 28--Jackie Stowers, Bill Hardin, Debbie Rector, Leslie Wilkins, Dwight O'Brian, Carol Reeve, Holly Jack, Lindsay Cranfill.

June 29--James Varner, Russel O'Brian, Oneida Allen, Fern White, Judy Martin, Eva Lou Rector, Lester Roth, Allison Walker.

June 30--Sharon Diane Jones, Dewayne Procter, Randy Sifford.

July 1--Richie Malouf, Karen Wied, Mae Magness, Ruth Terry, Gregg Nichols.

July 2--Steven Mann, Nathan Sircic, Leslie Drake, Rhonda Wilkins, Cristie Blackburn, Ruede Rule, Janet Edwards, Katherine Brand, Matthew Stanberry, Preach Cranfill.

July 3--Jan Reeve, Tom Jarboe, Kristi Mills, Booney Gonzales.

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Janet Baxter, Bob LaBrue Exchange Wedding Vows

In a candlelight ceremony at Tenth Street Church of Christ, Saturday, May 29, Janet D'John Baxter and Robert Lee (Bob) LaBrue were united in marriage.

The double ring vows were read by J. Henderson of Plainview, uncle of the bride, before a heart shaped archway enhanced with assorted spring flowers and greenery. Spiral candleabra, holding white tapers and entwined with ivy and baby's breath on either side of the archway and a brass candleabra with a white unity candle enhanced with greenery and baby's breath, completed the decorations.

Pews were marked with large white satin bows entwined with garlands of spring flowers.

Parents of the couple are John L. and Debra Baxter of Friona, and Chris and Jean Taylor of Newcastle, Oklahoma.

Candles were lit by Christy Taylor, sister of the groom, and Corben Baxter, brother of the bride, as the parents and grandparents were being seated.

Misty Baxter, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Cindi Taylor of Newcastle, Oklahoma, sister of the groom, Lucille Bermea of Austin Texas and Jennifer Hayes of Kress, Texas.

Paul Henderson of Plainview, cousin of the bride, and Buddy Powell of Missouri served as best men. Groomsmen were Jeff and Ray LaBrue, Lubbock, brothers of

the groom, and Kenny Rhodes, also of Lubbock.

Guests were seated by Philip and Jace Henderson of Plainview, cousins of the bride, and Richard Ellis of Lubbock.

Ring bearers were the bride's brother, Cameron Baxter, and groom's brother, Christopher Taylor of Newcastle, Oklahoma.

Courtney Baxter, sister of the bride, was the flower girl.

A quartet, composed of Ky and Lanis Graham, Brenda Patterson and Gary Snead, presented the wedding songs, which were "Allelujah," "The Wedding Song," "To Me" and "Amen."

As the bride was escorted by her father and presented in marriage by her parents, she wore a white satin, formal length wedding gown. Her gown was designed with a fitted bodice with schiffli beaded and lace applique overlay. Sheer English net covered the back and front yokes. Tiny satin covered buttons closed the back opening. The basque waistline formed a box bow in the back. The long slender sleeves of sheer English net were accented with schiffli lace appliques and closed with cuffs, which formed beaded points accented with tiny satin covered buttons.

The softly gathered skirt was enhanced with sheer open schiffli embroidery lace motifs scattered across the back and train, which was cathedral length. The train and hemline of the skirt were enhanced

with crystal pleated ruffles and bands of schiffli lace. Bridal pearls and sequins highlighted the gown.

Her pencil edged fingertip length veil fell from a halo of iridescent and white silk flowers and floating pearl filaments. Long pearl loops formed a ruffled back pouff. Schiffli beaded appliques accented the veil.

She carried a bouquet of white roses with pink rosebuds and satin ribbons. Shiny copper pennies minted in the years of the birth of the bride and groom, surrounded by tiny pearls were a part of the bouquet.

For something old, the bride wore an heirloom wedding ring belonging to her paternal grandmother, Opal Baxter. Her gown and veil were borrowed from her aunt, Robin Williams, and for something new, she wore pearl earrings, which were given to her by her parents.

The bride's attendants wore forest green satin dresses designed with sweetheart necklines. The dropped waistlines, which ended in "v's," were accented with large bows in the back. The full skirts were short in front and tea length in the back.

They carried arm bouquets of spring flowers entwined with greenery and draped with lace.

The flower girl carried a white eyelet basket filled with pink roses, white daisies and baby's breath.

The groom wore a white tuxedo with tails and a white rose boutonniere, which was edged with pink.

The groomsmen, candlelighter and ring bearers wore matching black tuxedos with forest green ties and cummerbunds and white carnation boutonnieres.

A reception in the Fellowship Hall followed the ceremony. The bride's table was covered with ivory lace cloth over forest green satin and centered with the bride's bouquet. The three layered cake was topped with a miniature bride and groom. Five heart shaped cakes layered with pink and purple flowers formed the base of the cake.

Cake, punch, nuts and mints were served by Robin Williams, aunt of the bride, and Elaine White.

The groom's table was covered with white lace over forest green and centered with a silver coffee service surrounded by the bouquets of the bride's attendants.

The German chocolate groom's cake, which was made by the bride's aunt, Myrtice Evans, was served with coffee by Kim Thomas and Amy Israel.

Birdseed bags were passed out by Kayla and Amber Wyly.

Others in the houseparty were Brenda Patterson, Mary Beth Wyly, Mary Stone, Melba Smiley, Cindy Butman and Vicki Field.

Guests were registered by Julie Bracken.

Special guests signing the register were the groom's grandparents, Karen and L.D. Taylor of Newcastle, Oklahoma and Kay Minton of Lovington, New Mexico; and the bride's grandparents, Opal Baxter and Bob and Lydia Wyly, all of Friona.

Out-of-town guests were from Owassa, Newcastle, Oklahoma City, Elk City and Sayre, Oklahoma.

Also Houston, Hereford, Canyon, Littlefield, El Paso, Dallas, Kress, Fritch, and Arlington, Texas; and Hobbs and Lovington, New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. LaBrue are at home in Lubbock. She is a graduate of Friona High School and a sophomore at Texas Tech University.

He is a graduate of Heidelberg American High School, Heidelberg, Germany and is enrolled in a paramedic program in Lubbock.

REHEARSAL DINNER

The rehearsal dinner was held at the Brandin' Iron Cafe, Friday evening, May 27.

Miscellaneous showers were held in Friona, Lubbock and Abernathy and a bridal brunch was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ellis, Saturday morning.



Mr. and Mrs. Robert LaBrue

K. Welchs Have Boy

Kevin and Linda Welch of Friona are the parents of a baby boy, Duncan Jiles, born May 26 at 1:10 p.m. in Deaf Smith General Hospital in Hereford.

He weighed seven pounds, fourteen and three-fourths ounces and measured twenty-one inches in length.

Duncan has two older sisters, Kelsey and Katy, and a brother, Dillon.



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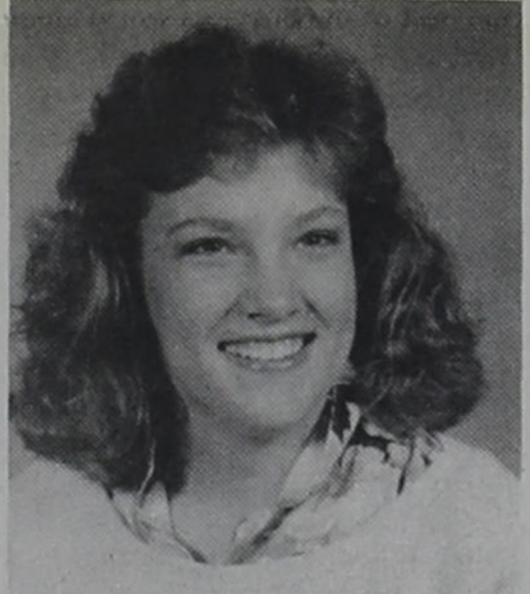



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BENA GLASSCOCK, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Bronniman of Friona, was among the 512 Tarleton State University, Stephenville, Texas, students receiving degrees during spring commencement exercises held Saturday, May 15 on the TSU campus. She graduated with honors, receiving her bachelor of science degree in home economics and was recognized as a "Departmental Outstanding Graduate" in the home economics department. The honorees are selected by their professors and administrators.

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If your bearer-bond holdings are large enough or if early redemptions are a major problem, you might consider subscribing to *The Bond Buyer* yourself. For most bond holders, however, the cost of the subscription and the time involved in researching bond calls in the publication makes this impractical.

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"Speak to me often, for your voice is the world's sweetest music, as you must know by the fierce wagging of my tail when your footsteps fall upon my waiting ear.

"When it is cold and wet, please take me inside, for I am no longer used to the bitter elements and I ask no greater glory than the privilege of sitting at your feet beside the hearth. Though you had no home, I would rather follow you

through ice and snow than rest upon the softest pillow in the warmest home.

"Keep my pan filled with fresh water for although I should not reproach you were it dry, I cannot tell you when I suffer thirst. Feed me clean food, that I may stand well, to romp and play and do your bidding, to walk by your side, and stand ready, willing and able to protect you with my life, should your life be in danger.

"Then, my Beloved Master, should the Great Master see to deprive me of my health and spirit, do not turn me away. Rather hold me gently in your arms as merciful sleep is administered, and I will leave you knowing with the last breath I drew, my fate was ever safest in your hands."

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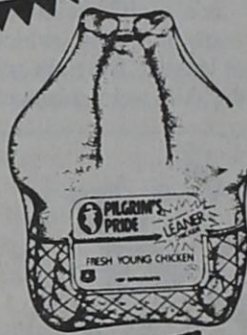
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