# FROM STAR GOOD NEWS IN FRIONA FOR THE PAST TO YEARS



TWO SECTIONS

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tied to this treeless, windswept plain. I am in awe of farms and homesteads and called the place... those visionary souls who came early and saw this as the

It is the sunsets and soft summer nights which keep me "land of milk and honey." Here they built their ranches.

Friona

. . . by carol ellis

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Small Town, Big Dreams. . .

Past, Present, & Future



# Twenty Years In Friona

The Board of Directors and Staff of Prairie Acres have combined efforts with the Chamber of Commerce Community Development Committee to plan a special celebration for the 20th Anniversary

of the opening of Prairie Acres.

Included in the program, which begins at two p.m. Sunday, September 8, will be a recognition of the steering committee who initiated the building project, a combined choir of Prairie Acres residents and 4th and 5th grade students, and an hour-long musical

presentation by "Blue Prairie."

Blue Prairie is a musical group starring Tim McKenzie, playing the stand-up "doghouse" bass, Dave

Branson on guitar, and Philip Payne playing the fiddle, as they accompany themselves singing songs that tell of the history of Texas and the Old West.

Also included in their

presentation will be stories and cowboy humor. In the tradition of the Sons of the Pioneers, Blue Prairie blends the romance of the Old West with the Legend of the American Cowboy to paint a picture of life in the late 1800s. Also presented through their music is the Texas legend of Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys from the

This "acoustic" trio has been together since 1991, although they have played music together in other groups since the mid-1970s. They have entertained the Governor of Texas and other distinguished personalities. Blue Prairie has just released a second album "The Cowboy Side of Life," to follow up their successful first album, "Westers Els." "Western Sky."

Please note: This is not a "Come and Go" reception. Plan to come early, get refreshments and find a good seat for the

entertainment which will be held under a 40 X 100 foot tent on the under a 40 X 100 foot tent on the northwest parking lot at Prairie Acres. The program will be over in plenty of time for guests to attend the Hospital Auxiliary reception.

Also, at four p.m., Sunday Worship Services at Prairie Acres will be led by the Bovina and Oklahoma Lane Methodist

Churches.
(See additional article on page 1-A of this issue.)

### Changes Given For Photo Show

Modern Study Club's annual photography show will once again be held during Maize Days. All amateur photographers are invited to bring thier pictures to the old Plains Hardware building on Main Street from three to five p.m. next Wednesday, September 11 or from nine a.m. to six p.m. on Thursday September 12.

Judging will not be held until

Judging will not be held until Friday morning and the show will Friday morning and the show will be open to the public starting at 12 noon on Friday and all-day Saturday until 3 p.m. Photographers are being asked not to pick up their pictures until 3 p.m. on Saturday in order to give all the public a chance to come in and view the show.

To be eligible for the show, pictures must not have been shown in previous Maize Days shows. They must be at least size 5x7 and

They must be at least size 5x7 and framed ready for hanging. An entry fee of \$2 per picture will be

The public is also invited to participate in the Club's annual Country Store on Friday and Saturday at the same location and times as the photo show. Interesting craft and produce items will be available.

Plan To Attend Receptions For Prairie Acres & Hospital Auxiliary Sunday, Sept. 8



MARY FRANCES CASS 1995-96 Miss Friona

### Hospital Auxiliary Lends A Helping Hand For 40 Years

By DEKE KENDRICK
The purpose of the Women's
Auxiliary of Parmer County
Community Hospital, as stated in
the original minutes, reads as
follows "...to promote and to
advance the welfare of the PCCH
through ways approved by the

through ways approved by the governing board of the hospital. This purpose shall be accomplished by interpretation of the hospital to the community, and through service to the hospital and its patients."

Charter members agree that the purpose has been, and is still being implemented and accomplished. Hospital board members and administrators through the years, readily agree. The hospital's success is due in part to the Hospital Auxiliary's financial aid

Hospital Auxiliary's limatchal and and loyal support.

In 1956 with the new hospital building almost a reality, June Spring felt the need for a Hospital Auxiliary. She talked to doctors'

wives, hospital board members' O.D. Bingham and Mrs. Loyd wives and Federated Club women of Shackelford. the area. On August 23, 1956, Charter group met at the Friona Women's Clubhouse and organized the Parmer County Community

the Parmer County Community
Hospital Auxiliary, soon shortened
to the "Hospital Auxiliary,"
Members of that group still
residing in Friona include Katy
Osborn, first president; June
Spring, Irene Anthony, Lucille
Latta, Blanche Boyle, Ilene Osborn,
Allo Reeve, Deke Kendrick, Velma
Schlenker, Martha, Clements, and Schlenker, Martha Clements and Lilah G. Gee.

Lilah G. Gee.

Of the twenty-eight Charter members, those known to be deceased are Ethel Ruth Spring, Sally McFarland, Lucy Vestal, Vera Bainum, Juanita Dickson, Myrl Buske, Melba Allen, Ethel Benger, Irene McFarland, Emma Elmore, Myrtle Crow, Willard Stewart, Anna Anthony and Eufaula Ethridge. Other Charter members were Mrs. Jimmy Baxter, Mrs. were Mrs. Jimmy Baxter, Mrs

Following is a list of officers for the 40 year history of the

Auxiliary: 1956-58: Katy Osborn, president; Deke Kendrick, vice president; Eufaula Ethridge,

secretary-treasurer.

1958-60: Fern Awtrey, president; Lilah G. Gee, vice president; June Spring, secretary-

reasurer.

1960-62: June Spring, president; Ilene Osborn, vice president; Martha Clements, secretary-treasurer (1960-61); Edith Johnson, secretary-treasurer (1961-

1962-64: Virginia Martinez, president; Irene Anthony, vice president; Edith Johnson, secretary-

treasurer.
1964-66: Georgia Shackelford, president; Ilene Osborn, vice

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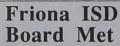


HOSP. AUXILIARY OFFICERS....Mrs. Lloyd Shackelford, left, was president, Hene Osborn was vice president, Mrs. J. L. Humphrey (standing) was reporter and Myrl Buske was secretary-treasurer of the organization in 1964.

PROCLAMATION .-- Mayor Clarence Monroe is pictured here as he signed a proclamation declaring the week of September 7 through 14 as "Nursing Home and Senior Citizens Week" for the Friona area. The signing was a kick-off for Prairie Acres' 20th anniversary celebration. Shown looking on are Elizabeth Romero and Jo Blackwell, long-time employees of Prairie Acres.



JENNIFER BETH McDONALD, the 17 year old daughter of Christine McDonald, is being sponsored in the Miss Friona Pageant by Prairie Acres Nursing Home. A senior at Friona High School, drawing, reading and talking with friends are her favorite



The Board of Trustees of the Friona Independent School District met in special session August 29.

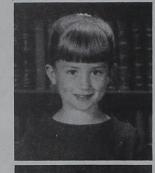
met in special session August 29. Highlights of the meeting included:

\*The Board conducted a public hearing on the proposed 1996-97 school budget; \*The Board approved the final amended 1995-96 school budget; \*The Board approved the 1996-97 school budget.

\*The Board passed an Ordinance to set the 1996 tax rate at \$1.07 per \$100 value. (Last year's tax rate was \$1.11 per \$100 value.) The Board was able to lower the tax rate because district values increased rate because district values increased \$12,000,000 and an increase in projected state funds.



ASHLEY FAYE INGRAM, six year old daughter of John and Beverly Ingram, is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by Ingram's Department Store.



ANNUAL MAIZE DAY

HOLLIS GURLEY Little Miss

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PAGEANTS:

PARMER COUNTY PUMP PRESENTS





HEATHER MARTIN Miss Friona Contestant

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ASHLEY CONLEE is the six year old daughter of Jim and Megan Conlee. Her sponsor in the Little Miss Friona Pageant is Edward Harvey and the Service Cafe.

MICHELLE MARTIN, six year old daughter of Loren and Jackie Martin, is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by Brown Graham & Co., P.C.



BLAIR NICOLE SMILEY, six year old daughter of Mitchell and Kim Smiley, is sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by Triple Frye and Smiley Ostrich.

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Friona Community Center September 11-14 Family Night--Thurs., Sept. 12 \$6 All Rides, 6:30-10 p.m.

Sponsored by Friona Evening Lions

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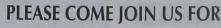




BLAIRE JONES, 17 year old daughter of Tim and Holly Smith and Joe Bill Jones and a senior at Friona High School, is being sponsored in the Miss Friona Pageant by Kendrick Oil Company. Her interests include reading, cooking, singing and



V'LYNDA LANAE WILCOX is being sponsored in the Miss Friona Pageant by Friona Motors. Playing basketball, swimming and being with her friends are her hobbies. She is the 15 year old daughter of Terry and Varla Wilcox and is a sophomore student at Friona High School.





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Deadline for returning PHOTO and COLORING Thursday-September 12. Winners will be announced and displayed on Saturday, September 14.



Saturday, September 14 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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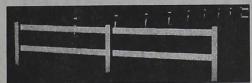


HEATHER MICHELLE MARTIN is being sponsored in the Miss Friona Pageant by Parmer County Pump Company. She is the 17 year old daughter of Mike and Reta Martin and is a senior at Friona High School. Her hobbies are playing with children, playing basketball, shopping and being with her friends

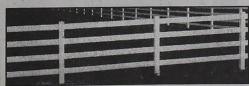




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### 40th Annual Celebration

1996 Schedule of Events September 5th - 14th

Thursday September 5th

PARMER COUNTY FAIR es will be accepted betw 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Community Center

> Friday September 6th

PARMER COUNTY FAIR Judging from 9:30 a.m. - 12 Noon Open to public from 12 Noon - 6:00 p.m. Community Center

> Saturday September 7th

PARMER COUNTY FAIR
7:00 - 8:30 a.m. - Pancake Breakfast
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Exhibits open to
public
9:30 a.m. - Pet Show
10:00 a.m. - Turtle Race & Frog Jumping
Contest
10:30 a.m. - Bucket Calf Show
11:00 a.m. - Homemade Ice Gream Contest
11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - Youth Lead Show,
Jr. 4-H Fashion Show,
Spinning Demonstration

Spinning Demonstration 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Hamburgers Community Center

MISS FRIONA PAGEANT

Talent Competition
2:00 p.m.
Final Competition
7:00 p.m.
Pie Supper during Intermission
FHS Auditorium
Received Secting

Reserved Seating \$5.00 adult - \$3.00 student Info: Chamber Office 247-3491

Sunday September 8th

PRAIRIE ACRES APPRECIATION DAY 20th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION Live Entertainment - Blue Prairie Band Refreshments Served 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Prairie Acres Info: Chamber Office 247-3491

**40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** & RECEPTION 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Front Lobby

Tuesday September 10th LITTLE MISS CONTEST

7:00 p.m. FHS Auditorium Reserved Seating \$4 adult - \$2 student Info: Chamber Office 247-3491

Wednesday September 11th

GOSPEL GATHERING 6:30 p.m. FHS Auditorium Free to public Info: Chamber Office 247-3491

CARNIVAL

Tri State Attractions
Wednesday – Saturday
Thursday - Family Night
Community Center
Sponsored by Friona Evening Lions
Info: Chamber Office 247-3431

PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW Entries will be accepted between 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. \$2.00 per entry Old Plains Hardware Bldg. Sponsored by Modern Study Club Info: Donna Mears 247-3456

> Thursday September 12th

PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW PROTUGRAPHY SHOW
Entries will be accepted between
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
\$2.00 per entry
Judging Thursday Evening
Old Plains Hardware Bldg.
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Friday September 13th

PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Old Plains Hardware Bldg.
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COUNTRY STORE Old Plains Hardware Bldg. ponsored by Modern Study Clu Info: Donna Mears 247-3456 Saturday

EMS BREAKFAST 6:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. FHS Cafeteria \$5 adult - \$2.50 child Sponsored by EMS

September 14th

PHOTOGRAPHY SHOW 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Old Plains Hardware Bldg. Sponsored By Modern Study Club Info: Donna Mears 247-3456

COUNTRY STORE 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Old Plains Hardware Bldg. Sponsored by Modern Study Club Info: Donna Mears 247-3456

DIXON SIX & TWO MILE RUN & WALK 8:00 a.m. Run Starts: 6 miles North Hwy 214 Walk Starts: 2 miles North Hwy 214 Trophies for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place No Cost - Register day of race Info: Jim Dixon 295-6392

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Immediately following parade Main Street • Friona Info: Chamber Office 247-3491

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Friona, Texas will meet in regular session at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, September 9, 1996 in the Council Chambers of Friona City Hall.

A public hearing will be held at the beginning of the meeting. The purpose of the public hearing will be to solicit any comments from the public concerning the proposed FY 96-97 city budget. The proposed budget may be viewed in the office of the City Manager, 623 Main, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Among other items on the agenda, the City Council will consider the first reading of the following

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 14-94 of the City of Friona, Texas; providing for an increase in the charges for water and sewer services.

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Friona has claimed only four wins over Littlefield in football dating back to the first game ever played between the schools--in 1970. All four of the wins have come at Chieftain Field. The Chiefs have never ventured into Wildcat territory and come away with a win.

Friona scored a thrilling 35-21 win over the 'Cats in their 1994 meeting. The win helped to clinch the Chieftains' district title in '94.

However, Littlefield came back last season to post a 12-01 record, losing out only in the regional semi-finals, when Ballinger took a penetrations-win after the teams ended in a 21-all tie.

The Wildcats have 15 lettermen returning, including seven offensive and six defensive starters. They are favored to win their new district (2-3A).

Littlefield's new district includes Floydada, Slaton, Denver City, Lubbock Roosevelt, Brownfield, Seminole and Lubbock Cooper.

Coach James Morton's squad, having won both of their pre-season scrimmages, against Canyon and Springlake, were chomping at the bit to tee the ball up in a game that counts.

The Wildcats usher in what may be the toughest schedule ever assembled for a Friona team.

Game time is 8 p.m. Friday. A "tailgate party"



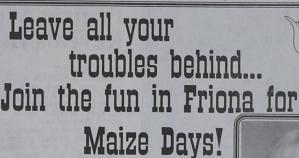
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### Chiefs Hope To Change Cat Jinx

Friona's Chieftains were hoping to "plough some new ground" on Friday when they visit Littlefield in the season-opening football game for F.H.S.







Meet Our Little Miss, Morgan Jenae Anthony

We wish you the best of luck!!!



**Production Credit Association** 



Small Town Big Dreams PASTPRESENTFUTURE

Don't Miss Open House, Sunday 8th, 2-4 p.m.

## Maize Days 40th!



**Enjoy the Planned Activities!** 

We're Happy to Have as our Little Miss. **Heather Sandoval** 

Tasty Cream Drive-In







50TH ANNIVERSARY....Bertram and Verona Jack will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception on Sunday, September 15 from 2:30-4 p.m. in the Community Room of Friona State Bank. The reception will be hosted by children of the couple: Kent and Kathy Jack and Galen and Keri Jack, all of Friona, and Marla Baker of Blanco, New Mexico. All friends and family members are invited to attend. The couple requests no gifts, please. requests no gifts, please.

# Prairie Acres' Resident Reveals His "Dreams" be a farmer. I feel that I was a darn good one too. I'm not trying to brag, but most folks feel the same way! I raised corn, cotton, and maize. I still own 3/4 section of farmland located southeast of Friona. I rent my land and my son takes care of my business. People elected me for the school board and lots of other things in Friona. I always tried my best to get along with everyone and I think I was a well respected man and I know that this dream was very well accomplished. In 1965 I had a train accident which caused me to have ten major surgeries. Doctors didn't think I would make it. After this accident, all I wanted was to get well and the Good Lord has kept me here. Everyone has been wonderful to me and that's the best Dream!.

BY RESIDENT
GEORGE ANDREW JONES
I was raised in Friona
since I was a little boy.
When I finished school I went
to Fort Worth, Texas to
attend their college.
I dreamed of becoming a
professional football player at
one time. I played college
football for Fort Worth. I
played halfback and I sure
could move the ball. I was
fast, but didn't succeed as a
professional player.
I married Wilma Adkisson
and we had two boys, Wayne
and Boyd.
One of my dreams that I
did get to accomplish was to

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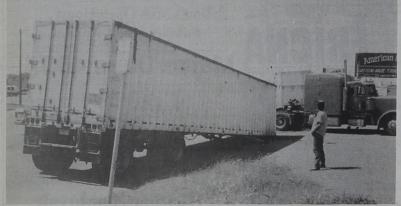
Plan To Attend Receptions For Prairie Acres &

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DA' BOYS FILL DA' BOOT......We spotted at least one boy in the group last Monday as local volunteer firemen collected money donations in their boots for the national Muscular Dystrophy campaign. Officials said the firemen collected \$700 for the charity.

Hospital Auxiliary Sunday, Sept. 8



OOPS!....A lucky truck driver for DS Trucking in Artesia, NM, lost his trailer loaded with bulk beet pulp as he attempted to turn into Racer's Truck Center on Highway 60. The driver had just driven several hundred miles at highway speed, but the trailer chose to come loose in

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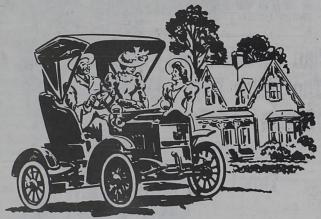




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ELIZABETH ARELLANO's sponsor in the Miss Friona Pageant is Socorro's Beauty Salon. She is a junior at Friona High School and is the 16 year old daughter of Manuel and Elvira Arellano. Her hobbies are listening to music and hanging around with her friends.



BRITTANY DANIELLE BE-REND, five year old daughter of Roddy and Sandra Berend, is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by Farmers Feed.



FRANCESCA MICOLE STOKES is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by Byron Boyd, Attorney. She is the six year old daughter of Gordon and Lucinda Stokes.



HEATHER NICOLE SANDOVAL is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by Tasty Cream. She is the five year old daughter of Robert and Kathy Sandoval.



ERIN RENAE ANTHONY is the six year old daughter of Dennis and Loraine Anthony. Her sponsor in the Little Miss Friona Pageant is Paco Feed Yard.



STEFANIE LYNN TIRADO is the six year old daughter of Salud and Angie Tirado. Her sponsor in the Little Miss Friona Pageant is VFW. Post 1413 and Auxiliary.





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AMBER GRANTHAM is the 17 year old daughter of John and Jody Thomas and is a senior at Friona High School. Her hobbies are singing, dancing and drawing. She is being sponsored in the Miss Friona Pageant by Chuckwagon Restaurant.

### Tulia Livestock Auction

There was no sale September 2 due to Labor Day. The next sale is September 9.

For information or for consignment Call 995-4184 or Joe Bell at 806-293-9193

## Prairie Acres Resident Submits Life History

Residents of Prairie Acres are chosen to write their life history and the Friona Star is happy to re-print these stories. Fairrie Parker's story

stories. Fairrie Parker's story follows:

By FAIRRIE PARKER
I was born November 6, 1903 in Bonham, Texas in Fannin County to Robert and Inez Bellows. I had two brothers and three sisters. We lived there until 1908.

We moved to Collin County where I started school. We walked but our school was close by.

My dad had a broom factory. He also farmed and raised cotton, peanuts and corn.

raised cotton, peanuts and corn.

My mother was a homemaker. My sister and I milked the cows. I was a tomboy. I enjoyed riding horses, climbing trees and swinging on grape vines across the creek. Mother and dad played ball with us kids.

About every two weeks we went to town to buy groceries in our buggy. It was modern--the top would go down.

I had a friend who lived in Ravenna. I'd ride the

I had a friend who lived in Ravenna. I'd ride the train to visit her about eleven miles. We all had fun

miles. We all had fun growing up on the farm.

I married Carl Winchester September 30, 1921. He and I went to school together.

We had three children.

Marlene Drake and Alva Dean Bedgood live in Friona.

My son, Alton, died in August of 1980.

We moved to Houston in 1940. I worked for Reed Roller Bit, a tool company, for fifteen years during World War II.

Carl died in April of 1963

War II.
Carl died in April of 1963
in Houston. I married
Charlie Parker in 1965. We
lived in Houston several years
and retired in Bells, Texas.
Charlie died in 1981.
I moved to Friona in
1994. I have seven grand-

### Letter To The Editor

Dear Bill:

Thanks for all of your support through the years!

We enjoyed working with your son, Rick, on the movie, "Humanoids From the Deep."

We hope we can do more films with him.

The Showtime network has rescheduled "Humanoids."

The air date is now September 14.

Thanks for everything and God bless Parmer County.

Ben & Butch McCain
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FAIRRIE PARKER

children (two are deceased), six great-grandchildren and seven great-grandchil-dren. I lived alone and took care of my home until I was 91 years old.

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JENNY RHEA AHRHART, the 17 year old daughter of Joan Ahrhart, is being sponsored in the Miss Friona Pageant by Ethridge-Spring Insurance Agency. Travelling is her hobby. She is a senior at Agency. Travelling i Friona High School.



BRE'ANNA DEVIN VALEN-ZUELA, five year old daughter of Fred and Cindy valenzuela, is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by Millard Refrigerated Services.



MORGAN JENAE AN-THONY's sponsor in the Little Miss Friona Pageant is Production Credit Asso-ciation. She is the six year old daughter of Dennis and Loraine Anthony.

### Pioneer Group Will Be Selling Hamburgers

The Pioneer Heritage Chapel and Museum, Inc. will be selling hamburgers at the Parmer County Fair on Saturday, September 7 from

11 a.m.-1 p.m.

A meal consisting of a hamburger, chips and a drink will be sold for \$3. Individually, hamburgers will cost \$2; chips, 50 cents and drinks, 50 cents.

Money raised from this project will go toward remodeling the old Congregational Church on Sixth Street.

### Ice Cream **Entries Needed**

The Parmer County Fair Board is looking for some good people to enter some good homemade ice cream in the Parmer County Fair

on Saturday, September 7.
Judging of all entries will begin at 11 a.m. Following the judging, ice cream will be given to the public attending the fair.

For further information, call 247-2377 or pick up a fair book at the Chamber Office or Friona State

### Swimmer Plans Meredith Event

Lake Meredith, ten miles in length, has never been conquered. Jay Perdue, a 42 year cld businessman, raised in the Texas Panhandle, hopes to change all that the first week of September.

He will attempt to swim the entire ten mile length of the lake. Dave Oliver of KFDA Channel 10, will be reporting on Perdue's effort and projecting the best weather day

for the swim.

Perdue is music director at

Perdue is music director at Victory Church, which is currently constructing a 2.6 million dollar facility in Amarillo, asking for sponsors to pledge \$1, \$5, \$10 or more per mile toward the project. Those interested in financially helping Perdue with "Lake Meredith Swimathon" may call Victory Church at (806) 359-9163 to pledge a donation amount per mile. Tax deductable contributions may also be mailed to: Victory Church, 900 Alta Vista, Amarillo, Texas, 79106.

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40TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY....Harrell and Eddie Mays of Friona celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary with a surprise dinner in their home. Their children, Hope Winter, W.H. Mays, Jr., Faith Self and Charity Hodges, hosted the dinner. The couple was married September 6, 1956 in Hereford and have lived their married life in Hereford and Friona. He's a farmer and she is a housewife.



SHEILA WISEMAN is being sponsored in the Miss Friona Pageant by the Friona Noon Lions Club. She is the daughter of Kevin and Carolyn Wiseman and is a senior at Friona High School. Her hobbies are playing the piano, crocheting and reading.

### Goin' To Town On Saturday

Saturdays were the best days of the week in Friona during the thirties. That was when the cream, eggs and butter were brought into town for sale. Cream could be sold locally or shipped to Hereford direct to the creamery by railroad. I imagine several farms were paid off, mostly with cream money, rather than crop money.

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which brings to mind the following incident:
Mr. Claude Boren, on Saturday, drove he and his wife into town,
To bring their cream and eggs and such; partly to visit around.
Claude bought two sacks of cotton seed meal; just tossed them up there

Then headed back home to take care of his cows, like most of the farmers

He collected his wife down at F. L. Spring's, rolled down the hill on

As he approached the track, he was taken aback. What he heard was a

He pushed on the brake to no avail. Must have told his wife to jump From what Claude could see, there was going to be a very serious bump. They jumped from the car, were safe on the ground, saved by a breath, as

In about three seconds their little car belonged to Santa Fe.

The engineer climbed down from his engine cab, a very indignant fellow.

He'd had no intention of changing his engine from black to a golden

He had cotton seed meal all over his cab, in his clothes, all over his face. He looked pretty funny but nobody laughed....didn't seem like the time

FIREMAN HONORED.....Retired Fire Chief Ralph Shirley, left, presents a watch to retired volunteer John Allen for his 22 years of service with the Friona Fire Department. Allen served as a volunteer from 1953 to 1956 in Friona, then 6 1/2 years as volunteer chief in Vermejo, NM, and back in Friona from 1965 to 1984. He has been retired for 12 years but still remains active in fire department activities. Counting his retirement years, Allen has been a firefighter for 40 years.

### TAAS Tests Scheduled

Individuals who have met all requirements for high school graduation but have not passed one or more sections of the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) or the Texas Educational Assessment of Minimum Skills (TEAMS) may take the test this October.

Testing will be on the following dates: TAAS-October 22, writing; October 23, mathematics; October 24, reading; TEAMS-October 23, mathematics; October 24, English language arts.

All individuals who wish to take the TEAMS test(s) must register in advance. This includes students currently enrolled in Texas public high schools as well as individuals who have completd all other high school graduation requirements.

The only individuals who must register for the TAAS test(s) are those who are no longer enrolled in school who have not met minimum expectations on all sections of

have not met minimum expectations on all sections of the TAAS test or a student who will be testing in a district other than the district that they are enrolled in.

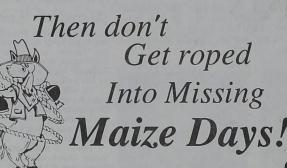
A registration packet may be picked up at any high school campus, district central office or education service

### City Gets 1/2" Rain

The shower Thursday evening amounted to .52 inch of rain, and is the first moisture recorded locally for the month of September.

Temperatures have been on the mild side, with the week's high being 86.

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DIANDRA LAFUENTE is the 17 year old daughter of Bertha Lafuente and is a senior at Friona High School. Her hobby is collecting giraffes. Ingram's Department Store is sponsoring Diandra in the Miss Friona Pageant.

### FAITH OF A FARMER

I watched a farmer as he tilled the land, Resowed another crop with his calloused old hands, With trust in the Master if he'd do his part God would reward his trusting heart.

God sent the sunshine but withheld the rain; This year there was no harvest of golden grain. His wrinkled brow spoke of silent pain, But he kept his faith in the Father's name.

As he plowed under the barren field, He knew the God of the harvest was with him still. The wrinkles upon his sweat-stained brow Was a labor of love as he put his hand to the plow.

Dare I give up on life when it's entangled with weeds?
Dare I till the ground and plant another seed?
For I am the child of that farmer, a sower of seed,
And faith in the Father is all I need.

-Frances Richardson



JORDAN MONROE's sponsor in the Little Miss Friona Pageant is D.L.'s Thriftway. She is the six year old daughter of Alan and Leigh Monroe.



STACI JOLEE FAIRWEA-THER, five year old daughter of Alan and Brenda Fairweather, is being sponsored by Millard Refrigerated Services in the Little Miss Friona Pageant.



MIRANDA D'AUN FRYE is the six year old daughter of Kirk and Annette Frye. Her sponsor in the Little Miss Friona Pageant is George Frye Farms.

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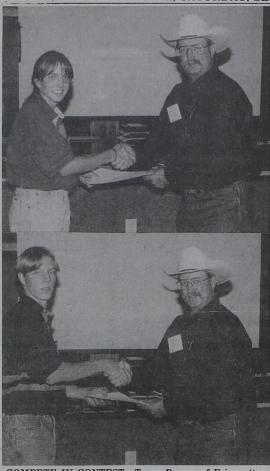
# **KPAN AM/FM**

will be covering Friona's Maize Days activities, next week.

We will be in Friona on
September 14, to cover the
events on a live basis, starting
with the Dixon Six &
Two Mile Run & Walk.



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COMPETE IN CONTEST....Tracy Brown of Friona (top photo) and Brandon Brown (bottom photo) competed in the 1996 Junior Fed Beef Challenge recently at West Texas A&M University in Canyon. At right in each photo is Lynn Allen of Amarillo, contest chairman. The Junior Fed Beef Challenge, conducted by the Texas Cattle Feeders Association, allows 4-H and FFA members to gain practical experience in the commercial cattle feeding industry. Students feed a pen of three cattle, then compete on the carcass merit of the cattle, plus the student's ability in live animal evaluation, a written test, oral interview and record keeping.



JAMIE LEE STOKES is being sponsored in the Miss Friona Pageant by the Law Office of Kathryn H. Gurley. Shopping is her favorite hobby. She is the 17 year old daughter of Gordon and Lucinda Stokes and is a senior at Friona High School.

YOU ARE INVITED to a 50th wedding anniversary reception honoring Bertram and Verona Jack Sunday, September 15 From 2:30-4 P.M. Friona State Bank Community Room

> Hosted by the couple's children: Kent and Kathy Jack Galen and Keri Jack Marla Baker

The couple requests no gifts, please. Your presence is the only gift they desire.

### The Cattle Rustler

There was a fellow that lived hereabouts. For now I'll call him Jim. I knew him well when I was a kid. Sometimes still think of him. He was very generous if you needed help, even though his own money

But he had a habit of collecting things that didn't belong to him. He would give you the very last dollar he owned, with no promise of

getting it back.

While you were stuffin' that bill in your pocket, he might take your hat from the rack.

Some people said he was rustlin' cows, then sellin' them off as his

But he told the judge, "I didn't steal those cows. They just kinda

followed me home."

A little sack of cottonseed cake swung from his saddle tree.

He would drop a chunk every now and then, out where the cows could They would follow along thru his pasture gate and right on down the

If no one came lookin' in about a month, he would send them off to a

The judge said, "Jim have you studied law? I see you're your own

If you would spend five dollars to hire a good lawyer, you might be

showing more sense."

Jim said, "No, your Honor. I've never read law, but I intend to make

Your Honor remembers that over the years you've read a lot of it to Jim didn't worry much about the charge, his friend had never let him

down.

When it was over they might even share a bottle, over in Texico town.



LOCAL YOUTH WINS....Tisha Brown of Friona captured the third place oral interview award in the senior division of the Junior Fed Beef Challenge recently at West Texas A&M University in Canyon. Congratulating Brown is Lynn Allen with Moorman's, contest chairman. The Junior Fed Beef Challenge, conducted by the Texas Cattle Feeders Association, allows 4-H and FFA students to gain practical experience in the cattle feeding industry. Students feed a pen of three steers, then compete on the carcass merit of the cattle, plus the student's ability in live animal evaluation, a written test, oral interview and record keeping.

### Boy Born To Brent Loslins

Mr. and Mrs. Brent Loslin, 1216 Etta, became parents of a baby boy at 7:54 a.m. Sunday, August 18 at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

He was twenty-one inches long, weighed nine pounds, one ounce and was named Mason Daniel. He is the first child for the Loslins.

His grandparents are Dan and Ethel Schmucker of Nazareth, Texas and Celia Dee Loslin and Jerry Loslin, both of Friona.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Loslin and Lois Weatherly, all of Friona, and Joe and Amy Schmucker and Lucille Drerup of Nazareth.

Mrs. Loslin and Mason were dismissed from the hospital and returned to their home on Tuesday.



Friona Bridal Registry

Brandon Renner-Christy Phillips Michael Jeter-Hali Clements

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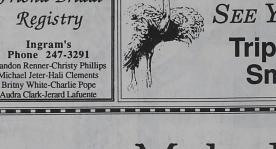


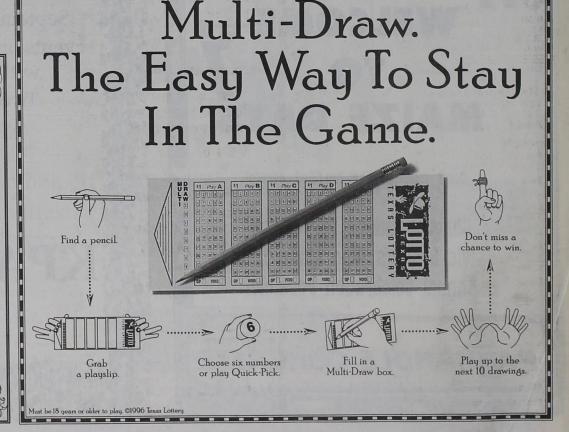
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By JUNE FLOYD Call 247-3681 With Your News Items



Most every citizen of the United States of America probably realizes that the escalation of divorces is increasing far too rapidly, and often asks, "What can be done to slow it down?"

I don't really have any answers, but here is a suggestion:

Beginning at an early age, parents could start teaching by word and example how important marriage and its stability really is to the lives of everyone concerned.

Then continue to reinforce this teaching as the children grow older, enter their teens and begin to think of marriage. I recently read eight questions to which everyone contemplating entering what should be able to answer in the positive:

These questions should be

be able to answer in the positive:
These questions should be given serious consideration.
They are:
(1) Does this person put spiritual values first?
(2) Will he or she help me on to heaven?

(2) Will he or she help me go to heaven?
(3) Will I grow spiritually living with him or her?
(4) Is he or she a member of the church? If so, is he or she a member in name only?
(5) Does he or she believe in the power of prayer and the strength found in studying the Bible?
(6) Does he or she have those characteristics that will make him or her a proper father or mother of our children?
(7) Is he or she pure in speech, in body, in action and heart?
(8) Can I thank God for

(8) Can I thank God for this person?

Wanda and Ruth Brownd returned home Saturday evening after spending four days visiting with and taking care of their new granddaughter and greatgranddaughter, Kiana Dietz, who lives in Phoenix, Arizona.

Of course they spent

Arizona.

Of course, they spent some time with Kiana's parents, Tim and Kari, too. The Brownds flew from Albuquerque, Tuesday, then flew to Phoenix and back before driving back to Friona.

They came home with glowing reports of Kiana's charm and behavior. Doesn't becoming a grandparent or great-grandparent of a newborn give each of us the right to look at him/her through rose colored glasses?

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Darrel and Anita Harris

Darrel and Anita Harris have returned home after spending a few days assisting with the care of his mother,



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Cleone Harris, who has been moved from a convalescent home in Sweetwater to one in Colorado City, which is her home town

home town.

Her condition is much improved since they had last seen her.

Nelda Benge and Mildred
May returned home Sunday
evening after an overnight
visit in the home of Kendell,
Dana, Ellen, Jenna and
Haley Burton in Shallowater.
They also visited with
Amy Mason and Amanda,
Emile and Masy Miller in
Lubbock. These four live in
Taos, New Mexico and were
in the Hub City for Emile to
begin her college education at
Lubbock Christian University.

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Three Louisianans

Lubbock Christian University.

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Three Louisianans returned to their homes Tuesday after spending several days with kith and kin here and in Lubbock.

Kay Renner and Margie Wilkins of Winnsboro drove up one day last week. Kay spent a long weekend with her sisters, Anita Harris and Iona Renner, and other kith and kin. Margie visited here and in Lubbock.

Carol Struve Nicholson, who lives in Shreveport, recently went to Marble Falls to join her mother, Seva Struve, who was visiting in the home of her sister and brother-in-law, Melba and Joe Brown, for her return to Friona.

A couple of weeks or so ago, Seva fell and sustained

A couple of weeks or so ago, Seva fell and sustained a complicated break in her left wrist, so needed someone to accompany her home.

Carol and Seva flew to Lubbock then drove to Friona on Thursday. Seva saw a bone specialist in Amarillo Tueseday and got a good report on the progress her wrist is making.

Carol joined Kay and Margie for her return trip home.

My nomination for "Friona's Beauty Spot" this week is the triangle in front of the Sonic Drive In building. I don't know who does the gardening down there-whether Jerry does it or that is part of Patty's responsibility.

However, who ever did it has created a beautiful spot and congratulations are in order.

Opal Baxter returned home Monday afternoon after spending a long weekend in Western Oklahoma.
In addition to attending a Farmer Cousins reunion at the Holiday Inn in Elk City, she visited her sister and brother-in-law, Jewel and Curt Seigrist, who live at Sayre.

Curt Seigrist, who live at Sayre.

The nine living Farmer cousins were all present. During the business session, plans were made for next year's reunion.

Other members of Opal's immediate family who were present were Carolyn and Terry Foster of Oklahoma City and Zachary and Victoria Pipes, who live in Elk City.

Marca Lynn Herring was airlifted to Methodist Hospital in Lubbock from the local hospital Friday night and had emergency surgery on Sunday.

Her mother, Olive Massie, reported Tuesday that her condition was good and that she expected to be released from the hospital Wednesday. Her youngest daughter, Jill Coatia, who lives in Spokane, Washington, flew in

Spokane, Washington, flew in Monday night to be with her mother and to assist her sister, Jamie Herring, who is moving into a \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

moving into a new nome.

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The Labor Day weekend was a fun one for me. On Thursday, one of my sisters, Ola Bowers, who lives near Seagraves, Texas and I drove to Dalhart and spent the night with another sister and brother-in-law, Mary Bell and Pete Clements.

The following day, we drove to Elkhart, Kansas and spent the night with my son, Gerald. Then, early Saturday morning, the three of us drove to Wichita, Kansas for

a one day visit with a cousin,
Bob Williams, and other
family members.

Enroute we stopped at
several interesting places
including a large display of
iron art in Mullinville, the
world's largest hand dug well
at nearby Greensburg and
the Dalton Gang Hideout,
which includes a 95 foot long
escape tunnel connecting the
house and the barn and a
museum at Meade, which is
the home town of a former
Friona resident, Bobby Moore,
and his wife, Kim.

This was my first trip

This was my first trip through Central Kansas and I

was favorably impressed with what I saw. A lot of the country we passed through wasn't farmland, but where crops were growing they were beautiful.

Ola and I come.

Ola and I came back to Dalhart on Sunday and spent the night with our Clements kin, then came on to Friona Monday.

As far as I know Parmer county wasn't named in any of the fatal accidents in Texas over the weekend. No fatal accidents on a holiday weekend is always good news.

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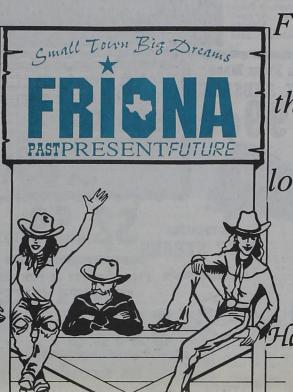
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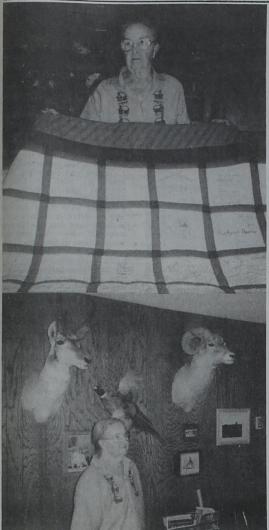


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LOUISA AT HOME .... Life-long Parmer County resident Louisa Wilson is shown (top) with her "family tree" quilt which features patches with the various Schlenker descendants listed. In the bottom photo, she stands in her late husband's "trophy room." Ralph was only the 69th hunter in America to bag the four types of sheep.

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SCHLENKER FAMILY CIRCA 1917....All thirteen members of the Schlenker family gather for a portrait. Front, l-r Mama Millie, Helen (Potts), Papa Charlie, Chick (John), and Floyd (oldest). Middle, l-r, Louisa Schlenker

Wilson, Harold, Florence (Jackie), Buelah, and Mabel. Back, Esther Mae, Oscar, and Willard. The picture was taken in Clovis around 1917 when Louisa was about 12 and Helen about 6.

# Louisa Wilson: A True Parmer County Pioneer

BY RON CARR

The first thing you learn in talking to Louisa Lydia Schlenker Wilson is how to pronounce her first name. It is "Lou-eye-za".

She says that is the way they pronounced it up north in Iowa, where she was born on September 25, 1906, to Charlie and Amelia "Millie" Schlenker. At the age of two months, Louisa arrived by train in Bovina (there was no Friona then) with Mama Millie Schlenker, eight other brothers and sisters, the family dog,

and all their belongings.

When Papa Charlie Schlenker had come down from Iowa on an XIT excursion, Mama Schlenker had admonished him not to buy any land. She didn't see any reason to leave Iowa.

But the Schlenker farm in Iowa was on land that was ringed by trees. Much of the soil was rocky, making farming and especially expansion, difficult.

Papa Schlenker returned from the flat land of Parmer County and told Mama that he had found a place where you could plow for a mile in a straight line and never hit a tree or

He returned ahead of the family in 1906. They had to wait for Louisa to be born before they could join him.

Papa Charlie had built a temporary house on his new land for Mama and the nine kids. It had one big room where they all cooked, ate, and gathered. There was a bedroom for the girls, one for the boys, and one for Mama and

Papa had built a fence around a portion of the property to keep his two work horses. During a thunderstorm, the horses ran up next to the fence and were killed by lightning. Soon after their arrival, coyotes got their beloved family dog.

They had two more children for a total of eleven, six boys, five girls. Papa delivered one of the two hen a midwife couldn't get there in time

Louisa says today it is hard to imagine eleven children, no electricity, running water, or plumbing. But in those days, "we just didn't know any better and even though life was sometimes hard, it was good."

How did Mama handle discipline with eleven children?
"Well, first, we all got along pretty
well. The older boys worked on the
farm. But Mama had her ways to discipline.

She said that if one of the kids bit another, Mama could bite too. A favorite punishment was to have them sit on a chair in the corner, facing the wall, for one hour.

Out at the end of the farm, way away from the house, was a windmill near a pond. In dry times, many cows had died there and their bones were scattered around. They

called the area Boney.

She said back then there were men with wagons who made money hauling away cattle bones and selling them.

To get water from the windmill at Boney to the house, Papa built a water tank mounted on a wagon. He would send the older boys down to Boney to fill the water tank.

Often they had to put the water pipe in the tank and leave it there

pipe in the tank and leave it there and wait for wind to turn the windmill to fill it.

Today, 90 years later, the family still owns the old home place and still refers to the area as Boney, even though Louisa says the windmill is long gone.

After a time, she says, a man came through with a drilling rig and they drilled a well near the house.

came through with a drilling rig and they drilled a well near the house. It was a great day for the Schlenker clan when they didn't have to make the trip to Boney anymore.

Louisa spoke lovingly and often about Papa Schlenker. She said there wasn't anything he couldn't build, invent, or improvise

To replace their kerosene lamps, he "dug a deep hole and used carbides and chemicals to form gas which was piped into the house for lighting the little lamps."

He bought a house from some

people who were leaving the area. Then he handmade some wooden wheels and rails, jacked up the house, and with horses, moved it to

the family place.

This house became the base for adding on other rooms and a second floor which became the main house which stood until about 1965.

In Iowa, Papa was a butcher for the "county farm." On the place here they kept cows, but with no refrigeration, meat in the warm months was a treat.

Louisa said several families would get together and butcher a cow and divide the meat to be eaten

cow and divide the meat to be eaten in a short time period.

But when it got to the cold months, Papa would butcher a cow, hang the meat on the north side of the house, and they could enjoy the meat all during the winter.

As for Mama and meals, Louisa said they always had plenty to eat. Mama baked 21 loaves of bread each week.

bread each week.

In the mornings she prepared breakfast, some of the girls cleaned the dishes, while the others packed lunches for school, which was a

She remembers that she and her younger sister were too short to reach the sink. Mama took a couple of old chairs, put wash water in one bucket and rinse water in the other, and the two little girls did the

Louisa completed the nine grades of school that were available in Rhea. By then, Friona had added 10th grade, so she came to live with the Galloway family, whose daughter Edith was her best friend, to finish 10th grade.

The Galloways took her with them to visit relatives in O'Donnell, Texas. It was on this (Continued on P. 4, Sec. 2)

# Hospital Auxiliary Observing Forty Years Of Service.... Forty Years Of president; Margaret Duggins, vice

(Continued from P. 1, Sec. 1) president; Myrl Buske, secretary-1966-68: June Spring,

president; Lou Humphrey, vice president; Anne Spring, secretarytreasurer.
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president; Peggy Monroe, secretary; Sandra Rainey, treasurer.

PROJECTS/PURCHASES

Varied and interesting are the projects of the Hospital Auxiliary in the forty years' history of the organization. The very first project was assisting in the PCCH's move from the old barracks buildings to the new hospital building. October the new hospital building. October 6, 1956, the Auxiliary served the noon meal to the patients and all who were helping with the move. Hospital patients were also served breakfast. Prior to the official opening, members of the Auxiliary conducted tours of the facility to four hundred and seventy visitors.

Hospital Auxiliary activities extended beyond the local scene. After becoming affiliated with the Texas Association of Hospital Auxiliaries, November 15, 1959, local officers attended district

meetings. In 1960 delegates attended the State Convention. At a later date, minutes of one meeting include "All interested persons are urged to write federal and state legislators to oppose the AHEW proposal which would ration hospital admittance of

In another business meeting, it was reported that a letter was being sent to the Texas Department of Public Safety requesting the hospital signs on Highway 60 be replaced.

Social events included an Social events included an annual Christmas party for Auxiliary members, usually held in homes. The 1995 Christmas Tea was held in the Depot.

Minutes through the years mention teas and receptions to recognize different special events. Mentioned are Nurses' Week, Retirement of Doctors, Welcome to New Doctors and Administrators, boutonnieres sent to doctors during Doctors' Week, recognition of Hospital Week and cookies and balloon bouquets to nurses among

many other things.

An outstanding project was the sponsoring of the Future Nurses' Club in Friona High School in 1960. Marie Carroll, R.N., Friona school nurse, was club advisor-with
June Spring, R.N., club sponsor.
Gladys Wilson, R.N., one of
the first nurses to be employed at

PCCH, was in charge of the club members who worked at the hospital. A number of the members of the Future Nurses' Club followed careers in the medical field after high school graduation. Some continue in such professions such as nursing, anesthesia, pharmacy and administration.

In the early years, "Sewing for the Hospital" was a major project.
Regular sewing days were held in
the members' homes. One session
was even held on Saturday in the high school home economics department. Repair of hospital linens, layettes and blankets for the nursery, towels and sterilizing wraps were some of the items reported. The minutes of the meeting noted that "several activities with the control of the meeting noted that "several works with the control of the meeting noted that "several works with the control of the meeting noted that "several works with the control of the control o reported. The minutes of the meeting noted that "several sterilizing wraps were made by the sewing committee. Two were as big as wagon sheets. A bolt of towelling was cut and hemmed for the operating room."

The first Children's Corner in the lobby was established May 16

the lobby was established May 16, 1957. One updating with furnishings was given by the daughters of Pearl McLean in memory of their mother.

Since "service to the hospital" was a main purpose of the Auxiliary, money was a necessity. Money making projects have been numerous. They include: numerous. They include ice cream and cake sold in the park in 1957; a pancake supper in 1977; a Silver Tea and Art Show in 1964 and 1965; and two regular sources of income--the Rummage Sale and TV rental. The first Rummage Sale was held Nov. 16, 1957. More of

In 1959 the Friona Clearview Television Cable Company was formed by Frank A. Spring, H.K. Kendrick of Friona and Joe Shields of Amarillo. They were prevailed upon by their wives and daughter, Ethel Ruth Spring and Deke (Shields) Kendrick to wire two rooms of the hospital for TV cable reception and furnish the Auxiliary free service. The Auxiliary purchased two small portable TV sets and established the TV rental program. As the hospital grew, other rooms were wired reception. When the company sold, these gentlemen stipulated the practice be continued and it has to this day.

Unusual donations have been onusual donations have been added to the Auxiliary funds. Pheasant hunting guests of members made donations some years. From time to time, the buildings used for rummage sales bandings used to full mage sales have been loaned to other organizations who then made contributions. At one time, the Cub Scouts were given some tables and they gave a "Thank You" present

In 1961 Allo Reeve presented In 1961 Allo Reeve presented
the Auxiliary with a check for \$43
which was left over when a teenage
square dance group disbanded. She
and her husband, Glenn, Sr., were
sponsors of the 4D's.
An Auxiliary Memorial Fund
was started in 1958 and is still
active. Friona State Bank assists
by accepting deposits made by

active. From State Bank assists by accepting deposits made by individuals who wish to give a memorial. The hospital and Auxiliary are notified and a card acknowledging the gift is sent to the family. The hospital and Auxiliary members will also accept the donating directly. the donation directly.

Regret is expressed that there is no accurate record of the amount of money donated to the hospital by the Auxiliary during the past forty years. The purchases made for the hospital with funds contributed by this group are impressive. Literally from "top to bottom" benefits have been realized. From roof repairs to floor coverings and landscaping, from kitchen oven to heart monitor, from drapes and painting to office equipment and the Children's Corner give an idea of the wide

range.

The minutes of the Auxiliary report many things bought or contributed to by this group. Some of them are trees, shrubs and the first landscaping, lobby furniture and drapes, carpeting and wall coverings, X-ray equipment, microwave oven, electric typewriters and a riding lawn

Also, heart monitor and other cardiac unit needs, lab equipment, refrigerator, Autoclave, sidewalk repairs, Sun Room furnishings, fire door, emergency room supplies and donations to the Building Fund.

It is hard to put a monetary value on the Auxiliary's contributions, but it is well in excess of \$50,000,00

FRIONA IN THE DIRTY THIRTIES

# The "Good Old Days" Were During A Very Bad Time

By JOHN TERRY



JOHN TERRY

Editor's Note: This is the second installment in a series of articles written by John Terry about living and growing up in the Friona area during the years of the "Great Depression" which were followed immediately by the "Dust Bowl Days" of the thirties. Read the first portion of this series in last week's issue of the "Friona Star," dated August 31, 1996.

Most everyone has read the book or seen the movie, "The Grapes Wrath," by John Steinbeck. Friona saw a lot of those poor people passing through here in desperate conditions during the thirties. They had been uprooted from their homes in Oklahoma and other states by the drouth and depression. They were just going somewhere, anywhere, that promised jobs and a way of making a living. You would see old worn out cars broken down along the road, living. You would see old worn out cars broken down along the road, hungry children, families with no money for food. They camped wherever night caught them and there were hundreds of them on the roads going west to the land of great promise. . . California.

There used to be several graves along the road in Parmer County. All of them have been moved now, I think. Whenever and wherever their time ran out, people were just buried alongside the road with maybe some identification and maybe not.

When the price of wheat fell to around 20 cents per bushel, it wouldn't have helped much to have had a good crop, except that there would be some flour for bread, if you could get it ground. My Dad would take a truck load of wheat to Hereford to be ground and trade enough of the wheat to pay for the grinding.

With prices so low, combined with the drouth, lots of farmers began to leave the Texas Panhandle. Then that also compounded problems for those who stayed put. When a farm was vacated, no one else wanted to farm it, since there wasn't enough money for tractor fuel. And so the untended farmland would begin to blow away; the top soil sweeping across its neighbors, causing further erosion. Section after section of vacant land was left growing nothing but weeds when it rained enough for them to grow.

Where there were barbed wire fences on both sides of a north/south road.

where there were barbor where tenses on bour states of a northysoun road, the tumbleweeds would fill up the first fence, jump over that, and then fill up the roadway until neither man or horse or vehicle could get through. We had such a situation on the west side of our home place for about three-fourths of a mile. When this happened, my older brother and I, using pitch forks, piled the weeds over the west fence on top of those in the road, then forked them back from the fences on both sides to prevent burning the fence

forks, piled the weeds over the west fence on top of those in the road, then forked them back from the fences on both sides to prevent burning the fence posts. Then we waited until the wind had died down a bit and we set fire to the long pile of brush. This was about the best way to clear the road.

In order to try to stop the blowing sand, the government came up with a program to furnish gasoline for tractor fuel so the land could be plowed. The cheap fuel was colored green and was not intended to be used in automobiles. You were not supposed to be found with a green colored carburetor on your car. Regular fuel for cars was clearer in color and the high octane stuff was tinted red. Some unscrupulous service station guys would put red crepe paper into the regular gas to turn it red so they could charge the higher price.

Rabbits also became a factor in those hard times. They would eat anything that was green and they just exploded in numbers. The government again stepped in to help out by placing a bounty on rabbit ears. Three cents a pair, I believe was the price, and it had to be a complete pair of ears, joined together by a piece of scalp. They didn't want anyone collecting for half of a dead rabbit, or half killing a whole rabbit.

Rabbit drives were organized across the Panhandle and woven wire was erected like a baseball backstop. A crowd of men and boys would spread out and sweep across a field and herd the rabbits into this wire trap. Then with ball bats and clubs of any kind, the rabbits were killed, hundreds at a time. That sounds cruel, but remember, bullets cost money.

Someone in my family had a Montgomery-Ward \$2.98 Stevens single shot .22 calibre rifle. Bullets for that gun, 22 shorts, were selling, I believe, for about twenty-five cents per box of fifty. Making every shot count was extremely important. Fifty rabbits meant \$1.50 for each twenty-



THE LAST BIG DUSTER...John Terry's mom took this photo of the last big dust storm on Main Street in Friona. Date on the back of the photo is March 1941. It was followed just a few weeks later by a torrential rain and flood. (See below.)



THE GREAT FLOOD OF FRIONA...The May 1941 flood filled up the draw and left businesses along the railroad tracks under several feet of water. This photograph was taken by the late Dr. Lee Spring.

five cents invested, so we couldn't afford to miss very often. This meant slipping up as close to the rabbit as possible before shooting. I learned that a rabbit would usually stop running, stick up his ears, and look back if whistled at. If he was asleep in the shade of a fence post, he could be slipped up on, too. These were some of the tricks of the trade.

It was not unusual to find that a family might have no other meat for food other than rabbit. The meat was sometimes passed off as chicken at the dinner table. The children didn't know any better and it was, after all, nourishing food.

About the time of the "rabbit war," people with cattle were having a hard time finding anything for feed. Some folks turned their cows out onto the roadways where weeds and Johnson grass grew best, and just let them roam the roads. However, some tried to graze on their neighbors by letting their get out."

ws "get out."

There was an old gentleman whose land joined ours along a mile of

There was an old gentleman whose land joined ours along a mile of barbed wire fence over in Deaf Smith County. Uncle Ben Shelby's claim to fame was the fact that his father was the well-known General Shelby of the Civil War. Uncle Ben was one of those characters left over from another and better time. He tried to retain the image of those better times by always wearing a three-piece suit, white shirt, necktie, and a gold watch chain across his vest. He was considered to be the most level-headed man

Prairie

Acres Dreams BY RESIDENT CAMILLE LACEWELL

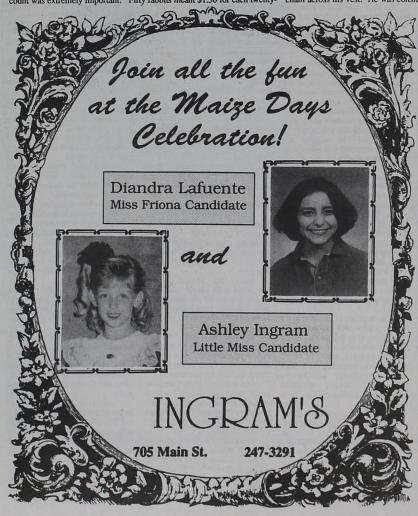
around, because tobacco juice ran out of both sides of his mouth at the same time. He was a good old man, nevertheless, but he had the smartest cows around. They not only got out of his fence, but they tied the wire down so they could get back in.

On one occasion, my brother got about twenty pounds of salt in a five gallon bucket and a little bottle of soda water with paper on it that looked like it might have come from the drug store. We went up to the fence line and sure enough his cows were eating our sudan grass, which was looking like it might actually make a crop. We drove over to Uncle Ben's house, showed him the salt and the fake "strychnine" in the little bottle and told him we were going to put it all along the fence to try to kill some rabbits. He followed us to watch us put it out, all the time complaining that it He followed us to watch us put it out, all the time complaining that it might kill his cows. It was interesting how his cows immediately stopped

getting out of the fence and eating our crops.

I remember the last stampede and gun battle around here, when an argument between a cowman and a farmer took place. The farmer was holding the man's cattle, claiming crop damage and such. The cowman only wanted his cows back. One night, about a mile from our house, with horses running, pistols popping, cowboys yelling, the cowman stampeded his own cattle to get them out of the farmer's field. No one was hurt.

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## The Good Old Days....

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We became rather used to the west wind blowing fifty or more miles per hour and the blow-sand coming into our houses through every chink. Some ladies had linoleum on their floors to help keep out the dirt, but unless it was weighted down properly with furniture or something heavy, when a door was opened, the linoleum would rise up off the floor from the wind

coming in underneath.

The west wind and drifting sand cut off any wheat that may have been growing, then blew away the top soil right down to the hard dirt as deep as the ground had ever been plowed, leaving only the faint scratch marks of a

the ground had ever been plowed, leaving only the faint scratch marks of a plow.

This country looked bad, but on a trip north I saw worse than what we had here. Around Boise City, Oklahoma, the houses and barns were only visible from the east side. Combines and tractors were covered completely by the combination of thistles and drifting sand.

Then one day in 1935, we saw something that had never been seen here before. It was a huge boiling black cloud coming from the north. No one had any idea what it was. Couldn't be fire because there was no range land with enough vegetation to burn like that. Still, nothing but a huge fire could make such a tremendous amount of boiling black smoke rising up to a height of a thousand feet or more. With a leading edge of maybe two miles ahead of the main body, it blacked out the sun long before the main body of the storm arrived. (See accompanying photos.)

People gathered around their storm cellars, not knowing what to expect. There was an eerie stillness ahead of it, and many people were convinced that it was the ending of the world. This was, of course, years before public storm warnings. When the high leading edge had covered the sky and blacked out the sun, it became almost as dark as night. Livestock came to the barn and the chickens went into their house to roost, just as though it was night, but it was only about three o'clock in the afternoon.

Lamps had to be lit in the house to see anything at all and the suspense of waiting in semi-darkness outside to see what was going to happen was nerve-wracking. When the cloud came closer, the wind struck up from the north and you could smell the dirt, so that determined what the cloud was all about. After that first one, it seemed like the black dusters came at fairly

nerve-wracking. When the cloud came closer, the wind struck up from the north and you could smell the dirt, so that determined what the cloud was all about. After that first one, it seemed like the black dusters came at fairly regular intervals. The wind force in those norther black storms was not as severe as the west wind and did not cause drifiting sand like the westerlies did. But they actually carried more dirt up into the air to enter the houses, cars and outbuildings. That dirt from the north was blacker than our dirt and had an oily feel in it. It seemed to stick to anything and everything, more so than our "local dirt."

People who were caught out at night when one of these things struck, unusally became stranded until daybreak because car lights just would not penetrate far enough to even see the ground ahead. I've known of men who tried to walk ahead of their car to find the road while someone else tried to drive without running over the walker. Sometimes, even that wouldn't work. At night in a howling dirt storm like that, a person could become disoriented, lose sense of direction, almost lose their mind, choking on dirt, blinded, almost blown off their feet. It was best to stop, stay in the car and wait it out. If the dirt had not drifted up around the car too deep to move by morning, then they could go on. morning, then they could go on.

morning, then they could go on.

Some neighbor kids came to our house one night to play games when a black norther blew in. The oldest boy, about seventeen or so, went outside to make sure the glasses were rolled up on their car which was parked no more than fifty feet from the house. He lost his sense of direction and we heard him yelling that he couldn't find the house.

The last black storm we had, according to a date written on the back of a picture taken by my mother, was March 9, 1941. There weren't many photos because there wasn't any money to waste on film. The dust bowl might never have happened if there had been proper tillage plow tools. The Graham-Hoeme Plow Company originated in Amarillo and that chisel type plow did more toward stopping the blowing dirt than anything else.

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THE DIRT ROLLED IN---This photo, taken April 14, 1935 was provided by Julia Fairchild who says she remembers seeing this "red duster" roll in with hardly any wind coming before it. The dirt cloud blocked out the sun and people thought it was going to be the end of

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY FRIONA

Week of September 8-14

Friona and area residents having birthdays next week include: September 8--Christine Zorns,

September 8--Christine Zorns, Varla Wilcox, Billy Joe Mercer, Leroy Berend, Camille Beville. September 9--Winette Parr, Floyd Reeve, Cayce Dunn, Donna Morgan, Sharon Gordon. September 10--Kyle Potts, Glenn E. Reeve, Jr., Gigi Spring, Mike Ellis, Katie Lou Eddins Parker, Adrienne Anthony, Paul Wilshire.

Wilshire.
September 11--Shaun Osborn,
Maria Mejia, Jeffery Coker.
September 12--Dee Ann
Hutson, Hailey Rector, Wade
Carson, Alesia Tucker, Charlie Dee
Saiz, David Behrendsen.
September 13--Ty Van Potts,
John Tate McFarland, Misty Drake,
Mike Hanes, Ashley Duke, Karen
Sirnic, Valerie Chilton, Kayla
Wyly.

Wyly.
September 14--Jerry Hinkle,
Chad Hamilton.

### Friona ISD Lunch Menu

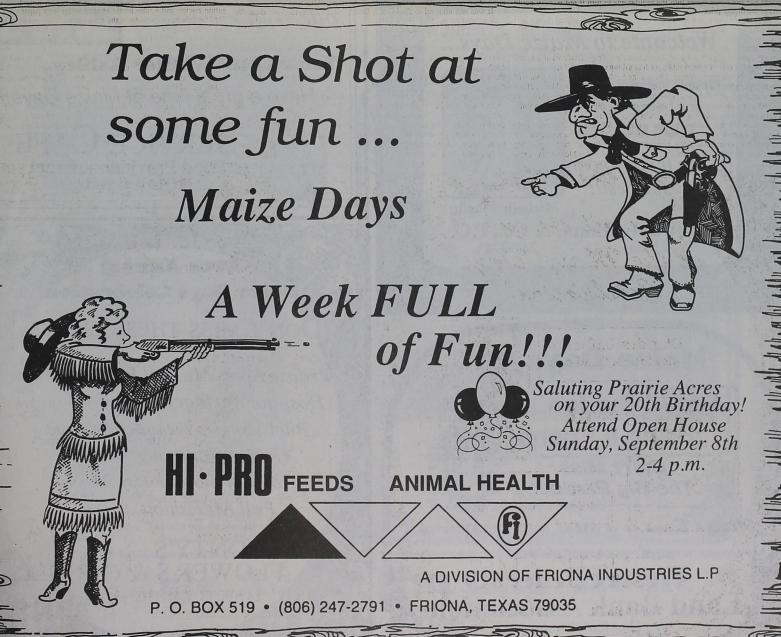
Week of September 9-13
MONDAY--barbecue rib
sandwich, tator tots, fruited
gelatin and milk.
TUESDAY--nacho grande, salad, mixed vege-tables,
pineapple tidbits and milk.
WEDNESDAY-- soft taco,
pinto beans, Spanish rice,
chilled fruit and milk.
THURSDAY--pizza, salad, broccoli cuts, peaches and
milk.

FRIDAY--grilled chicken dipper, mashed potatoes, carrots, apple crisp and milk.

## School Breakfasts Week of September 9-13

MONDAY-- breakfast pizza, juice and milk.
TUESDAY--French toast sticks, juice and milk.
WEDNESDAY--biscuits, gravy, juice and milk.
THURSDAY-- scrambled eggs, toast, juice and milk.
FRIDAY--breakfast on a stick, juice and milk.







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Penni Weatherly
Diane Johnston
Kriste Herring
Nikki Osborn
Sonia Lafuente
Christy Jordan
Sindy Preston Scaff
Deena Willard
Kelley Cash
Amy Israel
(no contest)
Freda Lafuente
Lana Fangman
Latawn White
Mary Frances Cass

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### Services Held Wed. For Hoyt Smith, 78

Funeral services for Hoyt
Smith, 78, of Friona were
held at 1:30 p.m.
Wednesday, September 4,
1996, at Friona United
Methodist Church. Reverend
Lee Roark, pastor, officiated.
Burial was in Friona
Cemetery under direction of
Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.
Mr. Smith died September
2, 1996, at St. Anthony's
Hospice in Amarillo.
He was born March 20,
1918 in Rocky, Oklahoma.
He married Katherine Rogers
on July 15, 1939 in Amarillo.
He was a member of
Friona United Methodist
Church in Friona. He had
lived in Friona since 1930
moving from Rocky,
Oklahoma. He served on the
Board of Stewards and Board
of Trustees at Friona United
Methodist Church.
He also served on the
Friona Independent School
Board for many years. He
farmed in Deaf Smith
County.
He was preceded in death

farmed in Deaf Smith County.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Linda Karen Thompson on January 12, 1991, one brother, Lewis, on March 25 1985, and three sisters, Marie Bass, April 6, 1982; Gladys Abbott, April 11, 1996 and Pauline Rondeay on April 26, 1996.

Survivors include: wife Katherine Smith, two sons,

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HOYT SMITH

Danny and Mike of Friona; one daughter, Adelle Clements of Hereford; one brother, Ralph Smith of Friona; one sister, Nola Faye Vestal of Friona; eight grandchildren and four greatgrandchildren.

grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Brett
Clements, Chad Clements,
Steven Smith, Ron Rains,
Dusty Read and Casey Reed.
Honorary pallbearers
were Bill Bailey, Marty
Martinez, E.G. Phipps, M. C.
Osborn, Robert Neelley, Gary
Brown, Mike Chaney, JeDon
Gallman, Homer Lindeman
and Ed Lonvick.

### Gospel Gathering Is Slated Here

The Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture will sponsor a "Gospel Gathering" for the community in conjunction with Maize Days. The date is Wednesday, September 11, 1996 at 6:30 p.m. The event will be held in the high school auditorium.

will be held in the high school auditorium.

The Gospel Gathering has been a popular addition to Friona's Maize Days celebration in recent years.

The deadline for signing up is Friday, September 6, so everyone is encouraged to call the Chamber office at 247-3491.

# Louisa Wilson's Story.

(Continued from Page 1)

visit that she first met Ralph Wilson. He was a cousin of Edith, and a year younger than Louisa.

Later, the Wilson family came

visiting in Friona and Ralph seemed to take a liking to her but Louisa wasn't particularly taken by

After 10th grade, two of Louisa's sisters that had moved back to Iowa, convinced her to move back too and find a job. She stayed a year, got homesick, and moved back.

On the trip home she stopped in Canyon to visit her old friend, Edith Galloway. It was during this visit that her life changed. Ralph

visit that her life changed. Raiph Wilson showed up again. This time they started dating.

On April 12, 1925, they married in the Methodist Church in Canyon. Edith Galloway and Ralph's cousin T. J. stood with them. Louisa was 19 and Ralph was 18.

They moved first to O'Donnell where Ralph's father was an invalid and in ill health. In less than a year, his father died. When his mother planned to move out of town to live with his sister, the young couple moved back to Parmer

Papa let them live in a small house on the home place and gave Ralph a job on the farm at \$2 per

Their only child, daughter Mamie Lou, was born on September 15, 1927, ten days before Louisa's 21st birthday.

In 1928, Louisa and Ralph managed to rent a small farm of their own nearby and Ralph bought some mules and a couple of milk cows. She remembers Papa teasing Ralph about farming with mules

While Ralph worked to build the farm, Louisa kept busy with housework and sewing "fancy clothes" out of feed sacks.

Then came the "Great Depression" and the dirt storms. Louisa says their bedroom had a north window and sometimes when you got up in the morning you could see where your head had laid on the pillow.

A neighbor took Ralph along to pick up a combine that a family had bought, not paid for, and left it in a field. She says that brush and dirt had piled up enough that he drove the combine up and over a

After a "black dirt storm" she said you could drive down the road and leave red or brown tracks. Ralph finally nailed boards and canvas over all the windows to keep the dirt out.

the dirt out.

During the depression, Ralph had to take a job with an uncle painting oil rigs in Hobbs for \$1.00 a day. He told her to kill their only cow.

Papa came over and killed the cow. They butchered it, put the meat and some ice in a large pressure cooker, and took it to Ralph and the crew for food.

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Ralph eventually resumed farming and they managed to save some money by the time the Tenant Purchase Act passed which allowed people to buy land with gevernment backed money if they lived on it and farmed it.

lived on it and farmed it.

Louisa says some county agents took Ralph driving around and he found a place that had "a brand new house on it." Since they had saved \$1000 and used it for backing. Ralph and Louise become backing, Ralph and Louisa became the first people in Parmer County to buy property under the Tenant

Purchase Act. It was 1939.

Papa died in that same year, but Mama Schlenker lived to be 97. She died in 1963.

Over the years Ralph and Louisa added a "parcel here and a parcel there" to the property. The "brand new house" they moved into was home for the next 41 years. Today, Louisa's grandaughter lives there with her family.

They built a new house in

They built a new house in 1970. Ralph was on the building committee of the Congregational Church when he met the builder, Bill Phillips of Amarillo. He hired Phillips to build him a house, then went home and told Louisa to draw up the plans for her dream home. up the plans for her dream home

The nice, comfortable, spacious house has been home to Louisa Wilson since 1970.

After a long, successful career as a farmer, hunter, father, grandfather, and husband, Ralph Wilson died in 1993. He was 86 and they had been married for 68

Generations of change embody the life of Louisa Wilson. To see her home today and try to imagine the home place in the 1910's and 20's seems more than light years apart.

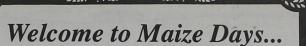
At a recent Schlenker family reunion, Louisa purchased a quilt with a different family descendent on each block. In the middle was a block for Mama and Papa's family tree. She said they had accounted for about 250 Schlenker

descendents.

Louisa is still active, healthy, and as beautiful as ever.

As I left she reminded me that she is "Only 89. People say they can't believe I am 90. Well I won't be until September."

Well, it is September 1996. Happy birthday Louisa.



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Jennifer Beth McDonald Will represent Prairie Acres in the Miss Friona Pageant on Saturday Night. Best of Luck to Jennifer.

This is our way of saying
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past 20 years.



Prairie Acres Nursing Home

Friona, Texas

### SUNDAY, SEPT. 8

# Reception Will Fete Prairie Acres' Birthday

From these meetings came the decision to seek advice and guidance from the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission in Amarillo. Andy Hurst, Pudge Kendrick, Dora

Nittler and Percy Parsons met with the P.R.P.C. in Amarillo where they learned that a survey had already been made that indicated a need for a sixty-bed facility in

Parmer County. Armed with this reinforcement, the committee

undertook the next step.

Because he had built several nursing homes in Texas, Bill Averitt from Lubbock was asked to come to Friona and meet with the

community group to answer questions. Since he was unable to come, he sent Raymond Powell, an

architect who also had designed and built numerous nursing homes.

The original plan was for a thirty-bed facility, but Mr. Powell quickly advised against that because the expense of building a sixty-bed facility was not that much more.

In addition, a sixty-bed facility would pay for itself, and it would

be a struggle for a thirty-bed home to ever pay out. He estimated that \$500,000 would build, furnish and

landscape an attractive sixty-bed home. Again, the committee decided to ask for response from the

Interest in the project was still intense, as was evidenced by the large crowd that braved a cold,

large crowd that braved a cold, stormy night to attend the next community-wide meeting held in the Fellowship Hall of the Friona United Methodist Church. Numerous questions were asked, and the representatives responded as well as they possibly could.

Dr. Paul Spring stated, "If we are going to build a nursing home,

community.

Prairie Acres Nursing Home's 20th anniversary celebration will be held Sunday, September 8.

The program starts at 2 p.m. with live entertainment by "Blue Prairie" and the Prairie Acres choir, combined with fourth and fifth grade girls. Refreshments will be served. Church services start at 4 p.m. by the Bovina Methodist Church with special music provided by Roving area residents.

provided by Bovina area residents.

Having a nursing home in Commerce. Having a nursing home in Friona had been a dream for several years. Even a memorial fund honoring John Benger had been established at Friona State Bank, in hopes that the project could begin, but for some unknown reason, nothing happened.

Then on February 6, 1975, at

nothing happened.

Then, on February 6, 1975, at a meeting of the board of directors of the Friona Chamber of Commerce, the dream started becoming a reality. M.C. Osborn, one of the Chamber directors, stated that Friona truly needed a nursing borne.

At that time he and his wife, Ann, were making daily trips to the nursing home in Dimmitt where her mother was living. M.C. declared, "If Dimmitt can support a nursing home, Friona can, too!" And typical of the enterprising spirit of Friona's citizenry, another big dream of a small town became

Prairie Acres.
Several meetings were scheduled to "get the feel" of the community, and the Chamber of Commerce concluded that interest was certainly high. Plans were made to get as much community

input as possible.

Therefore, the following representatives from Friona's churches were asked to serve on an advisory committee: Tom Jarboe, Sixth Street Church of Christ; Charles Allen, First Baptist Church; Dr. Robert Alexander, the United Congregational Church; Andy Hurst, Friona United Methodist Church; Lee Britting and Irene Bermea, St. Teresa's Catholic Church; Carl Schlenker, the representatives from Friona's Church; Carl Schlenker, the Lutheran Church and the Parmer County Hospital Board. M.C. Osborn and Percy Parsons Osborn and Percy Parsons represented the Friona Chamber of

let's build a nice one because someday I might need one."

At this meeting, a steering committee was established which included M.C. Osborn, Carl Schlenker, Andy Hurst, Dr. Robert Alexander, Charles Allen, Tom Jarboe and Percy Parsons. Their assignment was to pursue means of financing the project and to seek possible building sites.

The original plan had been to build the facility on hospital

build the facility on hospital property so as to be near the doctors' offices and use the hospital doctors' offices and use the hospital kitchen for meal preparations; however, the committee had discovered that the State Health Department would not allow the joint use of kitchen facilities for both a hospital and a nursing home.

Therefore, the committee began searching for another location. The ultimate choice was the present site, chosen in preference to others because of the additional property that could be purchased from Tommy and Wanda Jones for future expansion. Tommy and Wanda agreed to sell if the financial arrangements were completed for the construction.

The real challenge was raising the \$500,000. Several ideas were considered before the committee decided to present the idea of a bond election to the City Council.

Financing the facility in this manner would make it community-owned and operated.

Raymond Powell was at the

Raymond Powell was at the meeting to answer questions and to show some preliminary drawings of the proposed facility and elevation drawings of other nursing homes, which proved to be a great help in selling the idea to the council.

A bond election for \$350,000

was approved by the City Council with the understanding that the committee would raise the remaining \$150,000 in cash and

pledges from the community.

The \$150,000 for the "Big
Dream" materialized in a week's
time. Hollis Horton was asked to
be the chairman of the moneyraising committee. Lila Gaye Gee,
June Spring and Ann Spring were

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Prairie Acres--Aerial Shot by Hal Blackburn, October, 1976



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### Prairie Reception .... Acres

(Continued from Page 2-A) asked to head the publicity committee for the drive. The action

began!

The ladies did a superb job with publicity and when it was complete, Hollis Horton's committee blitzed the community. They began on Monday morning.

By Friday night of that same week, they had the \$150,000, consisting of nearly all cash and few pledges. That's how dreams come true in a small town.

The catalytic combination of willing workers and generous hearts

willing workers and generous hearts works wonders every time. Next came the bond election. More publicity! But this time, convincing the community of the need wasn't necessary, they were just encouraged to vote. When the votes were tabulated, the results astonished everyone. The bond election on March 31, 1975 carried

election on March 31, 1975 carried by a margin of 96 per cent for and only four per cent in opposition. Mayor Raymond Fleming and the council requested a five-person board to operate the facility so that the City Council would not have that responsibility. Of the seven-man steering committee, the council selected Tom Jarboe, Andy Hurst, Charles Allen, Dr. Robert Alexander and Percy Parsons to serve as the first trustees of the nursing home. Percy Parsons was nursing home. Percy Parsons was elected chairman.

The city further required that a member of the trustees attend each monthly City Council meeting and

monthly City Council meeting and keep them apprised of the progress. Work on building the nursing home began in earnest with the advertising for architects and the taking of bids. After receiving and studying several bids, the City Council awarded the contract to

Council awarded the contract to Raymond Powell of Lubbock.
Following several meetings going over plans with Powell, bids for the construction of the facility were sought. In the meantime, the sixteen acres of land was purchased from Tommy and Wanda Jones.
The bids were opened in a meeting with the trustees, the City Council, Raymond Powell and the bidders present. Although all the bids were higher than the projected amount, Delton Lewellen of Friona submitted the bid nearest to the projected \$500,000, and the council



FIRST RESIDENT....Della Osborn, center, was the first resident of Prairie Acres when it opened for business August 19, 1976. Mrs. Osborn was 96. Shown flanking her are Katie Osborn, head nurse Madie Schmidt, the late Claude Osborn and Friona Mayor Raymond Fleming.

(Friona Star files)

advised him that if he could meet with the trustees and Powell and all agree to some changes that would bring the construction within the projected amount, they would award him the contract. That was done and Delton Lewellen built Prairie

Dr. Robert Alexander compiled Dr. Robert Alexander compiled an outstanding photo album and file on Friona that Mayor Fleming and Bob Davis, a bond salesman, took to New York City to sell the bonds. Their mission was successful, bringing the dream even closer to becoming a reality.

closer to becoming a reality.

While construction was progressing, a community-wide contest was held to select a name for the facility. Although many suggestions were excellent, the name Prairie Acres was determined the most appropriate.

Also, before construction of the home was complete, an administrator needed to be hired. Advertisements for the position were placed in several newspapers,

were placed in several newspapers, and Andy Hurst and Percy Parsons traveled to the Dallas-Fort Worth area to attend a nursing home seminar in search of an

administrator.

They learned of Merv Noah who had been recommended as a

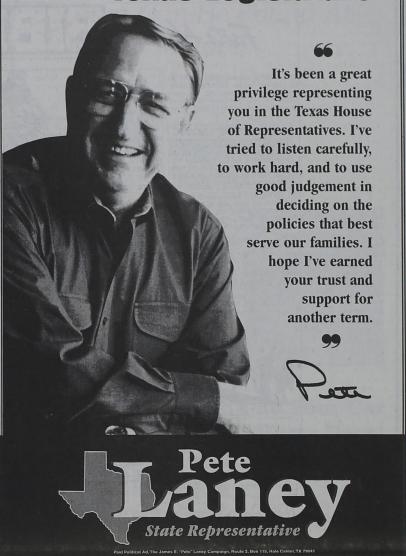
possible candidate for the position. Noah was contacted to see if he would be interested in applying was invited to Friona interview and was hired. He brought with him Madie Schmidt, a registered nurse, to head the first nursing staff of Prairie Acres.

Merv Noah served as administrator until December 1979. Dora Nittler was hired to replace him. In April of 1980, Jo Blackwell was hired as a coadministrator and became administrator when Mrs. Nittler died August 24, 1980. Jo still serves Prairie Acres as its administrator. Friona owes her a debt of gratitude for her dedication and concern for the residents and their families their families.

On August 19, 1976, the doors of Prairie Acres were officially opened when Della Osborn was admitted as its first resident. To

date, 868 occupants have been served by the now 83-bed facility. Another Big Dream of the Small Town of Friona became a reality thanks to the hard work, the determination, and the generosity of all those caring folks who all those caring folks who envisioned the possibility and made it happen! Prairie Acres is a "Dream Come True!"

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## Advice For Parents: Let The Players Play, Coaches Coach

Women's Forum
When parents try to help their
children the most, they sometimes don't realize they hurt them the worst I'm thinking of all the parents who call their kids' coaches to demand more playing time, the ones who move their families to new neighborhoods so their budding student-athletes can switch high schools. Their intentions are always the best, but what a terrible message they're sending.

I hear all the time from parents

whose children supposedly are being mishandled by a coach in one way or another. For example, the coach is yelling at their daughter or coach is yeiling at their daugnter or prodding her in a drill, or they think she should be starting. In truth, most of these kids need a change of attitude, not a change of scenery. They need to try to improve their situation, not escape to one they hope will be better.

I used to serve as a volunteer coach for the SMU women's basketball team. The parents of one of the players were extremely supportive, but during games were charting their daughter's shots and screaming down to her, "You've only taken four shots! How are you going to hit your average?" At halftime, no matter who was winning, the first thing that player winning, the first thing that player wanted was a stat sheet.

That attitude really hurt her

game, and it came from parents who wanted to help their daughter

who wanted to help their daughter in the worst way--which is pretty much what they did.

At the other end of the spectrum are Jim and Colette Evert, whose daughter, Chris, became a champion tennis player and role model. The Everts were the perfect Little League parents; they helped their girl acquire the tools she would need to win, cheered her on,

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consoled her in defeat but otherwise stayed out of the way. They never screamed at coaches or unpires, never berated Chris. They supported their daughter but always

deferred to the experts.

Unfortunately, this has become the age of coddling. We have high school kids almost dictating to their coaches where and how much they should play--and parents who are equally demanding. I know of one area high school coach who was sued for yelling at her players in practice. The parents called it abuse; I call it coaching. It's OK for parents to yell and instruct, we do it at home with our own kids. It

doesn't mean we don't care.

The message kids should be getting is, you can't second-guess everybody all the time. When parents encourage their kids to challenge their coach--or, worse, when they lead the charge--it sometimes comes back to bite them at home, where their own authority

is challenged.

If parents have a problem, the first step is to talk to the coach-without threats or raised voices--and fnd out if there's a problem. The solution doesn't have to be quitting or pulling up stakes; it might be investing in a summer camp or setting aside extra time for practice.

Players should assume they'll have to adjust to their coaches, not the other way around. They need to think in terms of loyalty and commitment-qualities that will reap rewards when mixed with patience and perseverance. And they need perspective. Kids can get better sitting on the bench and listening to instruction, even if it's painful or sometimes profane.

When I was playing basketball in the late 1970s, it seemed as if all the top women's players were transferring to up-and-coming have to adjust to their coaches, not

transferring to up-and-coming Tennessee--and I wanted to be a Lady Vol more than anyone. There I was, a freshman stuck at Old Dominion, playing for Pam Parsons--a coach who was so mean-

Parsons—a coach who was so mean-spirited that I thought about quitting basketball altogether. But out of loyalty to my school and my teammates, I stuck it out at ODU. I took it as a challenge: Can I win here? And can

I win over this coach? The next season, under a new coach, we won the National Invitation Tournament; the two seasons after that, we

were national champions.

What a wonderful lesson that was, one that perhaps set the pattern for the rest of my life. Since then, I've always felt I can work through any situation, no matter how desperate. There's no greater challenge in life than trying to surpass expectations, and no greater satisfaction than succeeding

If kids would take that approach, they would learn how to pursue success. And if parents would help deliver that message, they would really be doing their children a favor.

Nancy Lieberman-Cline, who lives in Dallas, is a former Olympian and pro basketball player. Her column on women's sports, as told to Staff Writer Mark Johnson, appears every other Johnson, appears every other Thursday, Send correspondence to the Dallas Morning News, Communications Center, P.O. Box 655237, Dallas, Texas, 75265.

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### **Shot Dates** For Sept. Are Given

Immunization clinics offering vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases are scheduled for September.

Protection is against polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus),

diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps and HIB (Haemophilus Influenzae Type B).

The Texas Department of Health is charging fees to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount of money charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pag.

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The vaccinations are available at the WIC Office, 704 Main St., Friona, on Friday, September 20 from 10-11:45 a.m. and 1-3:45 p.m.; and in Bovina at the EMS Office, 109 Third Street, on Monday, September 9, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

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### PARMER COUNTY FARM TO MARKET ROAD

### Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Parmer County Commissioners will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in 1996 by 7.38 percent. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value

The public hearing will be held on Sept. 16, 1996 at 11:00 a.m.

FOR the proposal: John Mars, Tom Ware, Robert White and Raymond McGehee

AGAINST the proposal: NONE

PRESENT and not voting: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

The statement above shows the percentage increase the proposed rate represents over the effective tax rate that the unit published on Aug. 7, 1996. The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

Average home value General exemptions available (amount available on the average home, not including senior citizen's or disabled	<b>Last Year</b> \$29,051	This Year \$29,296
person's exemptions)	\$3,000	\$3,000
Average taxable value	\$26,051	\$26,296
Tax rate	.0803/\$100	.0834/\$100
Tax	\$20.92	(proposed) \$21.93 (proposed)

Under this proposal taxes on the average home would increase by \$1.01 or 4.61 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing the tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by \$.0031 per \$100 of taxable value or 3.72 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

Criminal Ju	istice Mandate (for counties):	
The	County Auditor certifies that	County has spent \$
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### PARMER COUNTY

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person's exemptions)	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Average taxable value	\$29,051	\$29,051
Tax rate	.2638/\$100	.2740/\$100 (proposed)
Tax	\$76.64	\$80.27

Under this proposal taxes on the average home would increase by \$3.63 or 4.52 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing the tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would increase by \$.0102 per \$100 of taxable value or 3.72 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

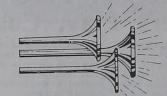
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The Parmer County Auditor certifies that Parmer County has spent \$1,360.00 in the previous 12 months beginning Jan. 1, 1995 for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Eldon Rex Williams, County Sheriff, has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.



# **Out Here**

By RON CARR



"The era of big government is to understand politics until the

Let's repeat the phrase but this time pretend you are talking to Congress and a national TV audience. You might want to stand up and use some forceful hand

gestures.

"THE ERA OF BIG
GOVERNMENT IS OVER."

Like George Bush's now infamous line, "Read my lips, no new taxes", we are expected to believe Billy Jeff Clinton when he says no more big government.

Excuse me for a second: Ha! Ha!

Folks, no person who works for the government, or sells things to the government, or otherwise makes their living at government expense, wants "small expense, government."

government."

I am absolutely, 100%, tired of politics. So why am I writing about it? Well when you don't have time to research another subject, a writer can always fall back on politics. You might say it is a backup safety valve.

This week around here we have been getting ready for all the Maize Days activities. There were stories to write, pictures to take, and ads to

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Hope you like our Maize Days edition and will participate in all the Maize Days activities planned by our Camber of Commerce during the week. A special thanks to all our advertisers for their support and community spirit.

This is my final effort at trying

election is over. In the meantime, I have a few questions and have a fe

observations.

If you think Billy Jeff and his trusty sidekick, Algore, can fulfill all those promises he made at the convention with a smaller government, I have a dryland farm in Death Valley I would like to sell you. BJ does not want a smaller

I think Algore's passionate tale of his sister's death from lung cancer was in bad taste at a political convention. Will politicians stop at nothing to get votes.

I feel very sorry for Steve Reeves (and others like him) who is confined to a wheelchair because he was thrown from a horse. But...what purpose did it serve to roll him out at the Demo convention?

I felt the same way about Muhammad Ali lighting the Olympic torch, but that is another

Olympic torch, but that is another story,
BJ arrived in Chicago by train.
Then he and Algore left by bus to shake hands with the heartland of America. How warm.
Hill Rod says it takes the entire village to raise your kids.
No doubt kids are influenced by teachers, nastors, and neighbors. teachers, pastors, and neighbors. That's good.

On the other hand, Bob Dole's

group says the most influence on kids is at home. That's good too. Speaking of Bob-Jack, this week a Parmer County resident showed me a copy of a letter she

received from the Dole campaign. They have titled their run at the

White House "Victory '96"

It was a two-page letter asking for money. Here is a quote: "But the hard truth is, our Party's Victory '96 effort must raise over \$40 million or we'll face the certain prospect of being outspent by the Democrats. That could spell disaster for our chances of winning."

winning."
Now wait a minute Bob-Jack! Am I missing something? Is the object of this election to "outspend the Democrats?'

Didn't you raise \$70 million plus and the taxpayers matched it with another \$70 million plus and now you need another \$40 million

I don't think so. We don't need either one of you that bad.

By the way, at the top of the solicitation letter it said "Senator Bob Dole." Is he still a senator or was I out of the room again when someone explained it. I thought he

quit the Senate.

This week Susan McDougal, one of Billy Jeff and Hill Rod's friends from Arkansas, refused to answer a grand jury question about whitewater. The question was: "To your knowledge, did William Jefferson Clinton testify truthfully before your trial?"

She replied with a statement

that she didn't want to answer because she could be charged with perjury 'if her truthful testimony inconsistent with....other

In other words I lied before but I ain't 'fessin up.

They say Jack Kemp was almost a Democrat until Bob-Jack selected him to be VP, so now he is back to being a Republican. Or is he?

They say that Billy Jeff was almost a Republican thanks to his advisor, Dick Morris. Old Dick, of course, spent campaign money on an expensive hotel suite and a 42year-old hooker so now he is history, but I am sure he is writing a book and selling movie rights, so he doesn't care.

They say that since Dick Morris is gone, Billy Jeff will go back to being a liberal Democrat. One final word and I am done.

One final word and I am done, If I were a kindergarten through third grade teacher, I would write Billy Jeff and give him a piece of my mind, then vote for Bob-Jack. Can you imagine the stupid nerve of the President, announcing to the world that he is sending a

**Prairie Acres' Reception** Is From 2-4 p.m. Hospital Auxiliary's Is From 3:30-5 p.m. in the Hospital's Sun Room

million volunteers around the country to make sure kids can read

when they get to third grade.

And the people who applauded loudest at the Demo convention were the teachers there as delegates. I don't get it folks, I'm sorry. They all play us for suckers and we just

go along smilin' and clappin'.

Political writers say that Billy
Jeff's idol was Franklin Roosevelt, the only Democratic president to be re-elected to a second term.

They say that Clinton is

obsessed with going down in history for some major accomplishment and if he gets four more years, he will create the situation himself.

I dont know about that. What I do know is that I am tired of all of them, including Ross Perot and his dictatorship. You can't buy the presidency Ross, especially with those ears and that obnoxious whining voice. You will just mess things up more, if that is possible.

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obsessed with going down in predict that unless some divine predict that unless some divine providence intervenes, Billy Jeff and Hill Rod will be re-elected and we will have to put up with his "yuck, yuck" personality for four more years. If you vote for them, you deserve what you get.

As for me, I am going home to listen to Rush Limbaugh and vote for a 15% tax cut.

for a 15% tax cut.

Gotta be some place to go where "Goofy" is not the main

character.
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SHERRI ANNE JUBAY's sponsor in the Miss Friona Fageant is Friona State Bank. She is a senior at Friona High School and is the daughter of Felipe and Dita Jubay. Her hobbies include playing the piano and spending time with her family and

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Friona Public Library **Preschool Storytime Begins September 12...** 

Help your child be a Gold Medal Reader:



Thursdays from 10:30 a.m.-11:15 a.m.

Friona Public Library 109 W. 7th 247-3200

Preschool children must be at least years old by September 1st.

Pre-registration includes application for a Library card. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

### Group Is Organized To Deal With The Death Of A Child

The death of a child is one of the most devastating life experiences, regardless of the age of the child. There is no way to prepare parents and surviving children to cope with the tragedy.

But, The Compassionate Friends, an international support group for bereaved parents and siblings, offers friendship and understanding to bereaved parents and siblings. We, of the Compassionate Friends, have learned that the death of our child has caused a pain that can best be understood fully by another bereaved parent.

Knowing that all need love and support, we reach out as our own grief subsides to those who still feel alone and abandoned. We believe that bereaved parents can help each other toward a positive resolution of their grief. We also understand that each parent must find his or her own way through the grief experience.

Expressing thoughts and feelings is part of the healing process. This realization was discovered by Reverend Simon Stephens in Coventry England in 1969. He was a hospital chaplain and was called upon to comfort two bereaved families in the hospital.

He discovered they had far more to say and share with each other than he could ever say to comfort them. Consequently, Rev. Stephens began working with families to set up an organization

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In the United States,
"The Compassionate Friends"
was incorporated in 1978 and
a national headquarters was
established near Chicago,
Illinois, where it still resides
today. Since then TCF has
grown to over 700 chapters
organized by bereaved
parents who volunteer their
time and effort in their
communities.



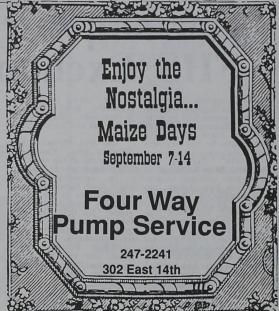
BRIAR BARNETT, six year old daughter of David and Jana Barnett, is being sponsored in the Little Miss Friona Pageant by Friona State Bank.

Research studies have documented that grief from the death of a child is more severe, when compared to grief over any other loss. Membership in The Compassionate Friends is open to all parents and siblings who have experienced the death of a child.

A chapter of The Compassionate Friends has been established in Lazbuddie to accommodate the community and all surrounding areas. They are meeting the second Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall of the Methodist Church in Lazbuddie.

The facilitator of the

The facilitator of the group is Jan Thompson from Levelland. She is assisted by Glenda Jennings. For more information you may contact Glenda Jennings at (806) 965-2483.



# Wanted You to join in the fun!

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**Amber Grantham** Miss Friona Contestant



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Jamie Stokes Miss Friona Contestant

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Staci Jolee Fairweather



e'anna Devin Valenzuela

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# German Girl Serving As FHS Exchange Student

On Thursday, August 8, George and Aundrea Frye of the Black community drove to Lubbock Municipal Airport to meet the tenth addition to their family for the very first time

their family 10.1.

Britta Ziesing of Gernrode, East Germany, is the seventh exchange student the Fryes have taken into their home since the fall of 1984 when Ludwig Stienhassel, who was also from Germany, joined the family

from Germany, joined the family.

A direct flight from Frankfort to Dallas then to Lubbock was Britta's first trip to America. She has enrolled in Friona High School as a

senior and is taking geometry, band, yearbook, government, English IV, family life and United States

family life and United States History.

She says, "School is very different here. Having the same classes at the same time every day is new to me."

In Germany, children begin their formal education in first grade at age six and continue through the tenth grade. By that time, they have completed courses comparable to those offered in our high schools.

When Britta returns home, she will spend two years attending an institution of higher learning which is

about seven kilometers from her home town. Then she plans to study at a university to pursue whatever career she chooses.

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She reports, "I don't know yet what I want to do. I like playing my guitar and the flute and singing. At home I was in choir."

Britta is a very charming sixteen year old. She and her parents and an older brother, Jan, live in a one family dwelling in a town of about 4000 people.

She compared her home town to Ruidoso, New Mexico, where she recently spent a weekend with the Frye family.

"I live in mountains much like that," she said. Then added, "We have trees everywhere, but I like here where I see crops growing all around and can see so far."

Her mother is a physical therapist and her father furnishes transportation for people who are unable to drive.

In Germany young people are not allowed to drive vehicles until they are eighteen.

When the question,

eignteen.
When the question,
"Would you like to take
driver's education and learn
to drive while you are here?"
was asked, she replied, "I'm
not allowed to drive here at
all."

not allowed to drive here at all."

George and Aundrea have lived in the Black community many years and all three of their children, Kim, Kirk and Kip, are graduates of Friona High School.

In addition to growing the usual crops, the Fryes grow produce Texas Longhorn cattle and ostriches.

Kim and her husband, Mitchell Smiley, and children, Kayla, Ashley, Blair and Clayton, live near her parents. Kim teaches kindergarten in the local school and Mitch farms.

Kirk and his wife, Annette, who is also a local teacher and their children,

Candace, Miranda and Kirby, live several miles south of Black. Kirk is also a farmer.

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Kip and his wife, Misty,
live on a farm southeast of
town. She is employed in
Amarillo and he works with
his father.

Aundrea said, "Britta
came to us on a temporary
basis, but we have been
assured by her sponsors that
when a permanent place is
assigned to her that our
name will be the first on the
list."

The entire Friona Star

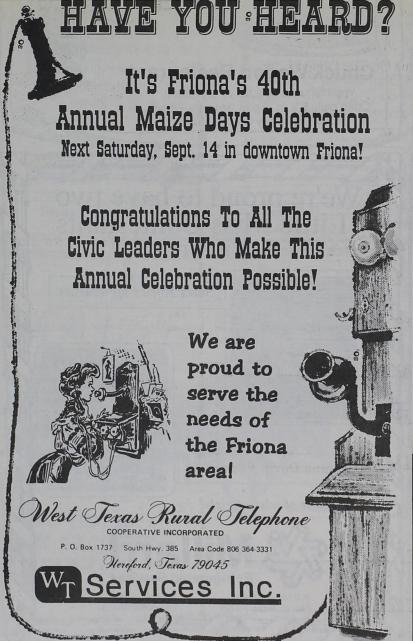
The entire Friona Star staff welcomes Britta to our community and wishes the best for her.



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 Winners will be named by the Monday following the contest deadline each Friday, if possible. Cash prizes of \$20.00 for first, \$10.00 for second, and third prize of \$5.00

will be awarded.

Tabulation of individual entrants will be kept all season and at the end of the season

the Grand Prize Winner will be named.

6. There is nothing to buy. No requirements other than to bring the entry blank, filled out, and delivered to Bi-Wize Health Mart or The Star office by 5 p.m. or mailed

out, and delivered to Bi-Wize Health Mart or The Star office by 5 p.m. or mailed to P.O. 789 Friona, Texas 79009 --postmarked by 5 p.m. Friday.

7. Only one entry blank may be submitted per individual. If more than one blank is submitted by an individual, all will be disqualified.

8. Tabulations will be available for public inspection. Members of the Blade staff will serve as judges for the contest.

9. Contestants must be 10 years old or older.

10. Everyone, except employees of this newspaper and their families, is eligible to enter.

### Deadline is 5 p.m. Friday

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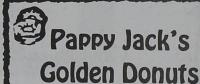
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