



**Be Watching For
The Big Christmas
Issue Next Week!**

City Awards Bids; Hears Auto Dealer

The City Council of the City of Friona met in regular session at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, December 13, 1999 in the Council Chambers of Friona City Hall. Mayor Monroe called the meeting to order. Aldermen present were Mark Osborn, John Taylor, John Gurley, Mark Neill and Jim Atwell.

Alderman Atwell gave the invocation. Minutes of the previous meetings were adopted with no changes by unanimous vote.

Written reports were submitted by the department heads of the police, EMS and library. Jo Blackwell gave the Prairie Acres report. It was noted during this report that the city manager had been in contact with TMRS concerning retirement benefits for Jo Blackwell and Deb Hendley.

The city manager noted that TMRS said if Hendley and Blackwell were considered city employees for the purpose of retirement benefits, all Prairie Acres employees must be offered retirement benefits. The general consensus of the council and Prairie Acres board members present was for more information to be obtained on the rates and cost impact of such a move.

No action was taken on the retirement benefit issue until more data could be obtained.

Roy Riley, owner of Western Ford in Hereford and Western Chevrolet in Friona addressed the council concerning the fact that the

council did not award the police car and pickup bid to the local dealership, instead to a dealership in Amarillo.

Riley told the council that items such as service, taxes paid by the local dealership and the community involvement of Western Chevrolet should have been considered in accepting the bids. The council thanked Riley for his comments and advised that they would take these items into consideration on future bids.

Robert Jones addressed the council about Lion's Club dues owed by former city paramedic Dana Hendrix. It was noted in the discussion that she had told the city manager that she no longer attended and had quit the club, so the city had not paid the dues.

Jones and Rick Barnett of the Lion's Club noted Hendrix never told anyone in the club that she was resigning so the Lion's had paid her international dues. A motion was made by Gurley to pay the delinquent dues. Neill seconded. The motion passed with Neill, Osborn and Gurley voting for and Atwell and Taylor against.

The council discussed the T-1 (computer) line at the Friona Library. It was noted that the Harrington Library Consortium (HLC) was no longer going to pay for the line and the city would need to pay the bill if they wanted to keep the line. The HLC has indicated they will adjust the library's yearly dues in some manner

to compensate.

Taylor made a motion to continue to keep the T-1 line at the library and the city to pay the cost. Atwell seconded, motion passed unanimously.

The council reviewed the accounts payable for November. Taylor moved to approve the accounts payable, Gurley seconded, motion passed unanimously.

The council considered the awarding of the remaining bids on the assisted living project at Prairie Acres. Rich Oller gave the council some figures on the energy savings if SIPS construction was used. SIPS construction will cost approximately \$50,000 more than conventional framing.

A 16% savings could be seen but the payback would be 10 years. His recommendation was that 10 years was too long and the city should consider the conventional framing.

Dave Charest reported

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Citations Issued To Partiers

Parmer County Sheriff Walt Yerger reported that about 1 a.m. Sunday morning, December 12, the Sheriff's office received a complaint of a party involving underage drinkers at a residence east of Friona.

When deputies arrived they found a large group of people under the age of 21 drinking at the residence. One person present was 23 years of age who supposedly supplied the alcohol for the underage drinkers.

Ten misdemeanor citations were issued for minor in consumption of alcoholic beverages and one citation was issued for providing alcohol to a minor.

All of the partiers except the 23-year-old had driven to the location. The deputies made arrangements to transport them safely back to their homes.

Pheasant Hunter Injured In Accidental Shooting Sunday

According to a news release by Parmer County Sheriff Walt Yerger, a pheasant hunter from Amarillo was accidentally shot during a hunt last Sunday.

At about 9 a.m. on Sunday, December 12, Chris Bass of Amarillo was in a party of five pheasant hunters in rural Parmer County.

The five men were separated by a fence and were about ten yards apart. One group of two hunters

took a shot at a bird and Bass was struck by one of their shots.

Bass was taken to the Muleshoe Hospital by his companions. He was treated and released with minor birdshot wounds to the face, head, neck and hand.

Sheriff Yerger stated that since this was apparently an accidental shooting no charges are pending, but the case was referred to the Parmer County District Attorney for review.



COOKIES AND FLOWERS...The cookie walk at the Congregational Church had plenty of cookies and some beautiful Christmas poinsettias. For \$10 you could pack a box of cookies from the selection. All the cookies were sold in less than two hours. ron carr photo

As of December 16, 1999

69,861

bales of cotton had been ginned in
Parmer County.

Friona Star and Bovina Blade Survey

WITH THE LAST Christmas of the twentieth century looming just a week away, we've been remembering some special past Christmases of our lives. Topping the list of the best is "Christmas down on Grandpa's farm with all the aunts, uncles and cousins gathered 'round." As a young bride who had just married into the huge Ellis clan, and my being an only child at that, I was wide-eyed in amazement at the entire proceedings.

Gifts were given on Christmas Eve, but nothing could be opened until the last family had arrived. By that time, the assortment of colored packages under the small tree had grown to cover almost the entire floor of the living room, and little children were just about hysterical with anticipation.

Within a few minutes the room was adrift in waist-high waves of puffy paper wrappings and ribbons. One of the "Mr. Clean" uncles located a large cardboard box to take out all of the paper which would later be burned. This was before plastic garbage bags, and farm folks still burned their own trash. At some point on Christmas Day, the large box would reappear while someone dug through the rumpled wrappings in search of a missing vital part to a toy or a small set of instructions.

A huge turkey was thawing and ladies out in the kitchen were involved in pre-preparation for tomorrow's big Christmas Day dinner. A lot of fellows that I didn't know were sitting around the large kitchen table, drinking coffee, playing dominoes, and sampling any pies or cakes which were allowed. Finally a few folks got sleepy and started hunting for beds. A couple of roll-away beds and several cots appeared from somewhere. Pallets of quilts had already been made on the living room floor for tiny cousins who were urged to "Hurry and get to sleep so Santa can come." Then in the middle of the night, young daddies were up tiptoeing through mounds of sleeping children to place their Santa toys under the tree.

It must have been at the crack of dawn when the smell of bacon and fresh coffee wafted into the icy bedroom, and I burrowed down under about fifteen pounds of quilts and blankets to try and catch a few more minutes of delicious slumber. As each person staggered sleepy-eyed into the warm kitchen they were greeted with "We thought you were gonna sleep all day." That was at 7 a.m. and I'm not a "morning person."

I still don't know how that one small bathroom accommodated all those people. But some got desperate enough to make the cold trek out back to the old out-house which wasn't used much anymore by that time.

Still more folks arrived on Christmas morning and I couldn't believe that I was suddenly related to so many human beings. Were they all checking out Billy's new wife of five days? I felt a bit like a Christmas window display.

There seemed to be enough food on hand to feed all of Bailey County. Every female who walked into that kitchen added at least one ingredient to the stuffing. It turned out great. It was actually stuffed into the cavity of the turkey and no one got sick and died from it. Card tables were set up for the children, while adults ate at the big table. After the most wonderful meal of my lifetime, the left-overs were placed on top of the stove and covered with clean dish towels. People snacked and nibbled on that meal for two days AND... no one got sick and died from it.

It seems like a century ago in another place and time. I can't remember what actual gifts were given or received that year, but the nicest thing was given to me that Christmas of 1958. I received the gift of belonging to a huge family. It was the gift of love.

(Be looking for the Friona Star's "end of the millennium" special Christmas issue next week, featuring Christmas memories from several Friona area citizens.)

MY TURN

By
Carol Ellis



Parmer Co. Receives Sales Tax

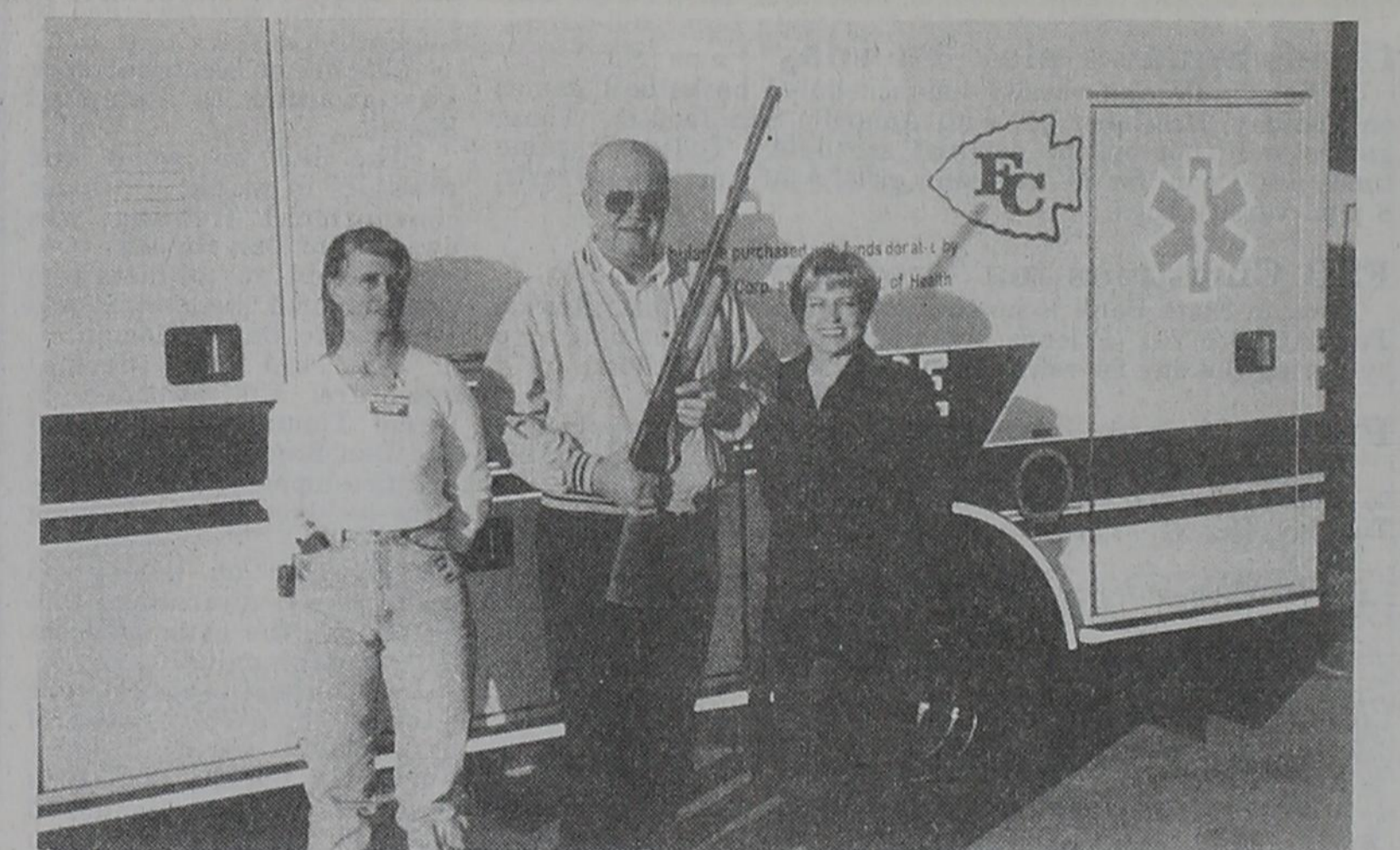
Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander today delivered her final sales tax rebates for 1999—a total of \$222.9 million to 1,105 cities and 119 counties.

December sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected by monthly filers in October and reported to the Comptroller in November. The next sales tax allocation is scheduled for Friday, January 14, 2000.

Parmer County received \$38,793 this period and has received \$314,030 in 1999 payments to date.

The payment for the current period was 50% more than received in the same period last year. However, the total 1999 revenue is down by 8.27% over 1998.

The 1999 revenue received by city was: Bovina, \$28,236; Farwell, \$49,522; and Friona \$236,271.



EMS RAFFLE WINNER...Kenneth Hager of Hereford was the lucky winner of a Remington 870 12-gauge shotgun in the recent fundraiser by the local EMS. Shown with Mr. Hager are EMS director Kelly Daniel, left, and city manager and EMS volunteer Paula Wilson.



NEW DEPUTY....Parmer County Sheriff's Deputy Mike St. Clair's first weekend as a deputy turned into challenge. St. Clair came to work for the department last week just in time for the snow and ice storm. He is from the Ft. Worth area and earned his law enforcement certificate in Lubbock at South Plains College.

Jubilee Celebration 2000 Planned By Area Churches

A celebration designed to welcome the year 2000 is set to be held at St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Friona.

St. Teresa's Catholic Church will celebrate New Year's Eve with an ecumenical community service beginning at 9 p.m. until 12 midnight. The service will be followed with a fellowship reception at the church.

Other churches of Friona will be on the program and joining in to encourage everyone to prepare for Jubilee 2000. The theme of the evening will center on opening wide the door to Christ, becoming communities of evangelizing faith, reconciling love and celebrating life.

Churches participating will be United Methodist, Iglesia Compañerismo de Cristo, Assembly of God and Union Congregational Church. All other Friona churches and members are cordially invited also.

A significant sign of the Jubilee began at St. Teresa's Church with the closing on

November 14 of the front door of the church.

The door will remain closed until the start of the New Year's Eve service. The door will be reopened for the New Year's Eve service to focus on the door of Christ and recall the responsibility of every believer to cross the threshold and know that Jesus Christ is Lord and to strengthen faith.

Project Deadline Extended

The deadline to join Project Christmas Card has been extended to noon on Monday.

Those planning to donate to the project must do so in order to have their names listed in the newspaper's Christmas issue.



LIVING TREE SINGERS...Relaxing before the Living Christmas performance were these choir singers, l-r, Nola Faye Vestal, Sharon White and Jeri White. Above are accompanist Johnnie Walker and Cherry Wells with two ladies from Hereford who joined the choir.

Around Town

Class of '90 plans reunion

The Friona class of 1990 is requesting phone numbers and addresses of all their classmates. Plans are underway for a class reunion in 2000. Please help out by contacting Nicole Potts Talley, 6127 8th Dr., Lubbock, 79416. E-mail Nicole at Frionareunion90@yahoo.com.

Retired school folks to meet Jan 4

The Parmer County Retired Teachers and School Personnel Association will meet January 4, 2000, at the Headquarters Restaurant. Friona Police Chief Randy Gerles will present the program.

Chiefs/Squaws play Tuesday

Friona's JV and varsity has scheduled basketball games on Tuesday, December 21, with Amarillo San Jacinto. These games were not on the original schedule. Tuesday's game times are 3 p.m. for JV boys and girls; 4:30 p.m. varsity girls; 6 p.m. varsity boys.

FSB Christmas tea Tuesday

Friona State Bank is hosting its annual Christmas Tea on Tuesday, Dec 21. Friends and customers are invited to stop by during the day for refreshments and Christmas cheer.

Prairie Acres Christmas party Tuesday

Friends and relatives of Prairie Acres residents are invited to stop by for the annual Prairie Acres Christmas party on Tuesday, Dec 21. The festivities will begin at 6 p.m.

The Children of Jean Reed would like to thank our family and friends for their kindness during the loss of our mother and through the very trying times.
 May God Bless,
 Jim Reed and Susan Terry

FRIONA FLASHBACKS

...from the files of The Friona Star

70 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 20, 1929

Six Friona citizens, H. L. Vance, J. B. McFarland, E. B. Whitefield, L. F. Lillard, F. N. Welch and F. W. Reeve, motored to Tulsa last Friday to attend a meeting in interest of the Wheat Growers.

County Commissioner D. H. Meade reports that the stretch of road leading south from Friona to The Hub is now in prime condition, he having just completed thoroughly grading it.

65 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 21, 1934

Quite a number of people were in Amarillo on Thursday of last week, representing the various communities and towns of Parmer County at the big Chamber of Commerce meeting that was called at that city on that date. Those attending from Friona were Mayor F. W. Reeve, George A. Heath, T. J. Crawford, Howard Morris, Otho Whitefield, Milford Alexander and County and District Clerk, V. Rushing and County Judge Elect, Walter Lander.

60 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 22, 1939

Last Thursday, Friday and Saturday, one of the best basketball tournaments ever held in the Friona gym was staged. There were ten boys' teams and eight girls' teams entered. In all there were 23 basketball games played. Mr. Ezell and Wilbur Meade said that they had never officiated in a tournament where more sportsmanship

City Bids...

(Continued from Page 1)

that possibly before the roof work was done the city might look into a change order and using SIPS on the roof. Charest also gave the council a report on the construction progress.

The council then considered the remaining bids on the (assisted living) project.

The bid on special construction was awarded to Lifeline.

The bid on electrical work was awarded to Campbell Electric.

The bid on wood and plastic work using conventional framing was awarded to Dan Brooks.

The bid on cabinets and architectural woodwork was awarded to David Tieman.

The bid on thermal /moisture was awarded to David Tieman for the roof and Dan Brooks for insulation and firestopping. (These items were included in the framing bid)

The bid on doors and windows was awarded to Dan Brooks for the exterior doors and windows only.

All above bids were passed by the council unanimously.

During the city manager's report, items discussed included the rate case from Energas and the progress on the tank painting project.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.

was shown. Dimmitt won first place, Canyon second and Springlake third in the boys' division. Lazbuddie won first place, Dimmitt second and Oklahoma Lane third place in the girls' division.

55 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 22, 1944

J. H. Hinds has announced that he will open his grocery store in the Warren building on Sixth Street, to be known as "Friona Food Market," on December 22. Mr. Hinds is experienced in the management of grocery and food stores, and has his store furnished with all modern equipment. He will have a meat market in connection with his regular grocery business. He has lived in Friona for several years and was formerly employed with the Cashway Grocery and Market here.

45 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 16, 1954

Jackie Rule and Jimmy Norwood were hospitalized early this morning after the car in which they were riding plunged into a highline pole just north of Hub. Neither of the boys was believed injured seriously. Norwood suffered two broken ribs and both had numerous cuts and bruises. Investigating officers believed a blowout might have caused the Norwood car to leave the pavement. The impact of the vehicle on the pole break an insulator allowing wires to touch, throwing Friona out of electricity for some three hours after the 4 a.m. collision.

35 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 7, 1964

Ground was broken and the foundation poured this week on a building which will house the Friona Star and Graphic Arts Printing. The building, which is to be located between Southwestern Public Service Company and Production Credit Association, will be ready sometime early in 1965.

30 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 18, 1969

Friona's outstanding citizens for 1969 were honored last Saturday night at the annual Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture Banquet. Louis Welch was honored as the Chamber's "Man of the Year." Sarah Alexander was chosen "Woman of the Year," and Mrs. Cleo Guana of Gib's cleaners was cited as "Most Courteous Employee." The committee which selected the "Teacher of the Year" from the Friona School System came up with a novel choice when both Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hodgson were chosen.

25 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 15, 1974

Five new directors have been named, plus officers for the 1975 Friona Chamber of Commerce. Elected in recent mail balloting by the Chamber members for two-year terms on the Chamber's board of directors were Jerry Brown, Gary Cook, Jay Beene, David Lee Carson and Jim Johnston. Selected to lead the 1975 Chamber as president was George Rushing. Jerry Brown will serve as vice president, and Jim Johnston will be secretary-treasurer.

The 1974 Project Christmas Card will attempt to raise around \$3,000 to purchase an anesthetic machine for use by Parmer County Community Hospital, it was announced this week.

20 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 16, 1979

Porter V. Roberts of Friona was appointed Monday as acting County Judge by the County Commissioners, and will replace Judge Paul Fortenberry beginning January 1.

An open house has been scheduled by Friona's Tri-County Savings and Loan Association branch, at the new location on Highway 60.

15 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 16, 1984

A 54-year-old Friona man was critically injured

Wednesday in an accident at Elgin, two miles south of Friona. Carl Brewer sustained a severely cut left leg, a broken left arm and punctured lungs after being caught in the equipment for about 15 minutes.

The Friona FFA senior farm skills team placed second in the state leadership contests recently. Members of the team were Gena Wright, Dana Berend and Corrie Lundy.

Five new members have been elected to the Friona Chamber of Commerce board of directors. Elected were Diane Tatum, B. K. Buske, David Hutson, Mike Riethmayer and Bill Stovell.

10 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 16, 1989

Friona Building, Lumber and Supplies is now open in the former Rockwell Lumber location, owned by Lawrence Thompson.

The Friona School Board accepted the resignation of head football coach and athletic director Tommy Moss at its regular meeting on Monday, December 11.

5 Yrs. Ago--Dec. 17, 1994

Chad and Tiffany Rhodes of Friona are the parents of a baby boy, Rowdee Wyatt, born Tuesday, December 6, 1994.

Five generations gathered on December 8 to help Anna Anthony celebrate her 97th birthday. Among the 24 descendants present, were her son, Ernest; grandson, James; great-great-grandson, Mark; and great-granddaughters, Brittany and Kathy.

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Annual Christmas Tea

You are invited to help celebrate this Christmas Season by coming to our Christmas Tea, Tuesday, December 21, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

A very nice surprise this year is Clint Mears has graciously consented to play Christmas music throughout the day for us all to enjoy. Clint is a FHS graduate and earned his Bachelors and Masters degrees from West Texas State University. He majored in business. Clint came back to Friona and is owner of **INTHE DEN GRAPHICS**. We feel very fortunate to have Clint entertain us with his music.

In addition to Clint's wonderful music, we will have a mini-quilt show. Long-time area resident, Maggie Thweatt, has consented to let us borrow some of her beautiful quilts for you to enjoy. Maggie always likes a challenge and you can tell that the quilts she has made were just that. Come in and see these beauties.

The Christmas Tea is Friona State Bank's way of saying 'Merry Christmas' to Friona. We hope you will come by Tuesday to visit with neighbors, taste the treats, and enjoy the quilts of Maggie Thweatt.



Carolyn Dement
 Vice President

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Out Here

By Ron Carr

"David Martin Long Never Had A Home!"

About once a year I steal a column. A lot of columnists nowadays rely on material they steal off the Internet to fill their column space.

Rather than say they just didn't have a clue what to write about, a columnist will say, "here is an item somebody sent me in my E-mail and I wanted to pass it on to you because I know you will enjoy it."

What that really means is "I took the easy way out and stole some info off the Internet so I wouldn't have to come up with an original idea this week." E-mail is the equivalent of a technological chain letter.

I haven't acquired that habit of using "things" off the Internet to fill a column space. There are plenty of "things" I want to write about. Filling one column a week doesn't seem to be a problem yet.

I have always been an avid newspaper column reader. In my early days in Dallas, columnists like Dick Hitt and Blackie Sherrod were regular reads for me.

Another columnist I read every day in the Dallas Morning News was Paul Crume. He was a native of Parmer County. Matter of fact his sister, Mary Lou Taylor, still lives in Friona. Paul was a well known and well loved columnist. His column collection has been published in a book.

I still read columns regularly. If it is in the Amarillo, Lubbock or Clovis paper, I usually read it. I appreciate good writing about an interesting topic.

I manage to get a copy of the Dallas Morning News once a week on Friday when I take this newspaper to Canyon for printing. Major newspapers like the Dallas Morning News and USA

Today do not make their way to Parmer County so a weekly Dallas paper is a real treat for me.

The column I am stealing was written by Dallas Morning News columnist Steve Blow. Mr. Blow's column appears daily on the front of the News' Metro Section. He writes a lot of human interest columns, sometimes controversial, sometimes serious, often humorous.

I wanted to pass along his column of Friday, December 10. It is thought provoking. The way society is headed at the end of this century, we need our thoughts provoked.

His topic is one that has always confounded me. What happens between birth and adulthood that turns an innocent baby into a killer.

His column was titled "Sister Believes Killer Learned From Parents." There is surely a sermon topic in it somewhere. Here is what he wrote:

Lynda Dornhoff will never forget her baby brother's birth.

She was 6 and a proud big sis.

"He was absolutely beautiful, absolutely angelic looking," she said. "he had eyes that were the color of the sky--so blue, like my mom's. He was so sweet and precious."

That image of David Long as an innocent baby is a far cry from his final one--a convicted hatchet murderer, strapped to a gurney and executed this week for his crimes.

His big sister holds both those images in her mind, however. And she's tormented by all that happened in between.

"I feel so guilty," she said

"that I couldn't save my little brother."

In his final statement, 46-year-old David apologized for his crimes and said he couldn't really pinpoint the cause.

But his 52-year-old sister has no doubts about the source. "Our parents," she said.

"They were bad parents. With our home life, with alcohol- and drug-addicted parents, we never had a chance."

Actually, she clarified, it was the two youngest brothers who had no chance.

As a girl and the oldest, Lynda was pushed early into a caretaker role for the family. That gave her protection. And the next child, Gary, was able to fend for himself as the oldest boy.

But it was the next two, Daniel and David, who took the brunt of their father's mounting abuse and their mother's passive neglect, she said.

"With parents like mine, they recognize early on which are the weakest ones and which they can abuse the most."

Lynda is most puzzled now by her mother. "I just can't understand why she stood by and let all this happen. I was 16 when she died. I don't know. I couldn't figure her out."

She confronted her father about the abuse only a month before his death in September. "He pretty much hung up the phone and I never talked to him again."

Lynda worries that as the number of abusive and dysfunctional homes grows, so will the number of damaged, dangerous people like her brother. "We were just the pioneers of this whole sick thing."

She said she tried many

times to cry out for help for herself and her brothers. But no one came. "I feel like I should have done more to get us out of there," she said.

When she could, Lynda saved herself. She married and moved far away--to Nebraska. She still lives there, the mother of four good sons.

Her oldest brother, Gary, went to live with another family at 13. He excelled academically and is a lawyer in California.

The next brother, Daniel, has struggled with drugs and despair all his life. Lynda worries that he will follow in David's footsteps someday.

And David.....
Ultimately, all that was left for a big sis to do was write an obituary for the baby brother she loved so much:

David Martin Long of Ellis Unit, Huntsville, Texas, died Dec. 8, 1999, at 7:18 p.m. He was put to death by lethal injection in the State of Texas.

He was born July 15, 1953, in San Angelo, Texas, to unloving, neglectful, alcoholic and drug-addicted parents. He rarely attended school. He was abused, criticized, and deprived of learning values and morals from the day of his birth.

He never had a "home." He spent his childhood reaching out and looking for love and parental guidance. He spent his adolescence becoming bitter and turning to crime. He spent his years as a young man and an adult incarcerated, lonely and lost.

He is survived by his sister and two brothers, who are heartbroken because they couldn't save him.

They prayerfully request your memorials in the form of unending, nurturing love, fierce protection, and guidance of your children by you, their parents.



MERRY CHRISTMAS at Prairie Acres. The festive atmosphere at Prairie Acres is enjoyed by residents and employees. Here, Carol Jackson shares a smile with fellow employees at the nurse's station. ron carr photo



HOME FOR CHRISTMAS?--I would like to have a nice home for Christmas. I've been living on the Ellises' driveway for several weeks, but I need a home in the country with a nice family and some kids to play with. I am very sweet and need a lot of love. Please call Carol at 250-3053 and give me a home for Christmas.

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HRMC's Rehab Services...

Hereford Regional Medical Center believes that patients should not have to travel far to receive quality health-care, especially when recovering from surgery or injury.

After all, the best medicine should be close to home.

The Rehab Department at HRMC provides you with complete physical, occupational and speech therapy services. Our physical therapists treat patients with wounds, broken bones, sports injuries and provide therapy both before and after surgery. Our occupational therapists provide various hand and shoulder therapies and other treatments to nursing home residents and home health patients. And we have speech therapists available to treat a variety of speech conditions.

Also at HRMC is the DBC Active Spine Care Clinic. This program allows therapists to customize rehab programs to help reduce back and neck pain.

Hereford Regional Medical Center is committed to offering quality and convenient rehabilitation to patients in a friendly, caring environment.

This commitment reinforces our belief that the best medicine is close to home.

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FRIONA/BOVINA DEVOTIONAL PAGE

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FOUR HONORED

Chieftains Named All-South Plains

Four members of the 1999 Friona Chieftain football team were honored this week with five spots on the All-South Plains team chosen by the Lubbock *Avalanche-Journal*.

In addition, two of the group, Noel Grajeda and Joseph Bandy, received honorable mention "All-State." Grajeda was cited on the all-state offensive team, and Bandy was named to both.

On the All-SP team, Grajeda was picked first team as a running back, and Daniel Wiseman was named first team as an offensive lineman.

Joseph Bandy was honorable mention on the offensive team at running back.

Chosen to the *Avalanche-Journal's* first team defense were Landon Martin as a linebacker, and Joseph Bandy as a defensive back.

Josh Burleson was chosen honorable mention as a linebacker on the defensive team.

Grajeda was cited for gaining over 1300 total yards, being the team's leading rusher and second-leader in pass receiving; and for scoring four TDs (while ailing) in the district-clinching win over Littlefield.

Wiseman "anchored an offensive line which blocked for an offense which averaged 270 rushing yards per game, which was tops for area teams."

Martin "Was in on 75 tackles, had five sacks and four fumble recoveries. Was a top player on a defensive unit which was one of the tops in the region."

Bandy was "All-District 2-3A at running back and defensive back. He intercepted six passes, returning one 65 yards for a TD, and registered 37 tackles."



NOEL GRAJEDA



JOSEPH BANDY

NOW STAND 7-5

Squaws Break Even In Week's Activity

The FHS Squaws played four games during the past week and broke even, with two wins and two losses.

The team competed in Farwell tournament last weekend. They beat Logan, N.M., 60-35 in the first round; lost to Hereford in the semi-finals, 49-43, and then lost to Texico, N.M., 66-55 in the third-place game.

On Monday, the team travelled to Whiteface, where they got back on the winning track, 44-30.

After the four games, the team's record stands at seven wins, five losses.

Crystal Dow had a hot hand for the Squaws in the opening game at Farwell, scoring 21 points. Kayla Smiley had 10.

The team led Hereford, 11-8 and 22-18 at the half, but Hereford took control with a 20-8 third quarter. Crystal Morton scored 12 and Crystal

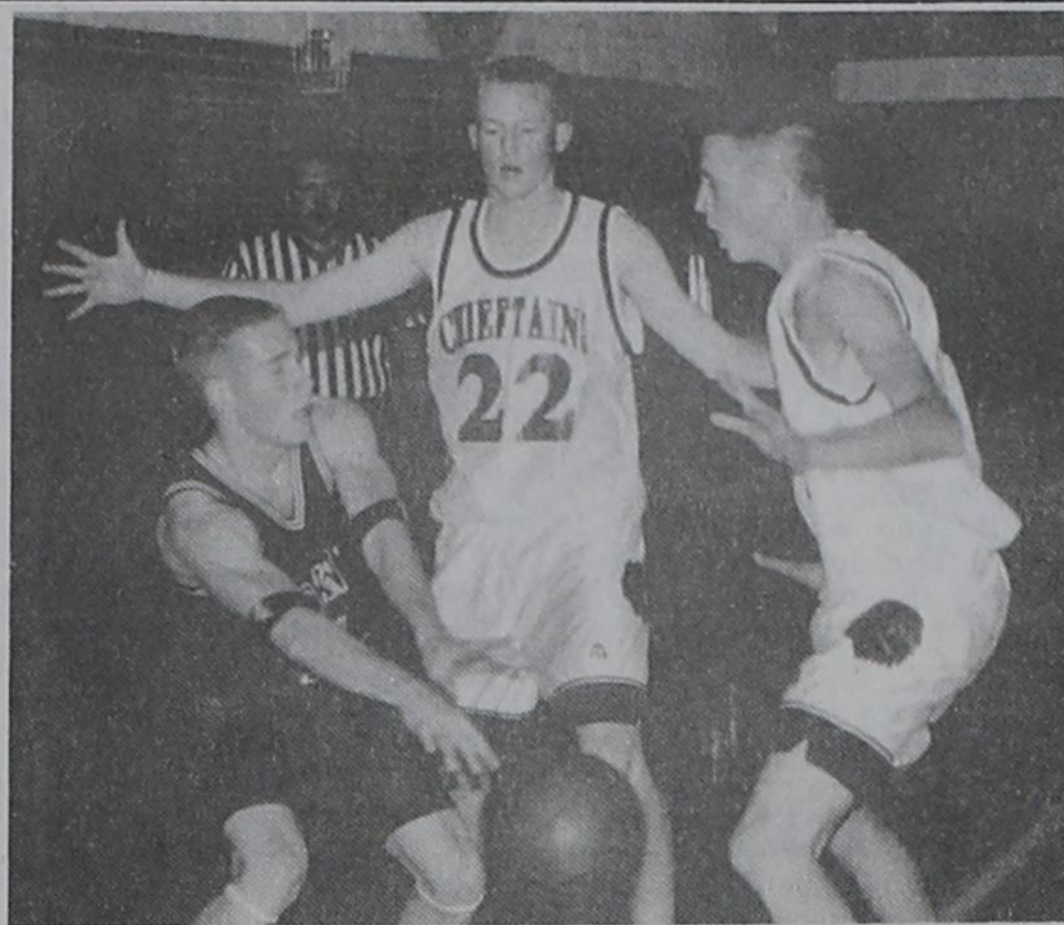
Dow 10. Miss Smiley scored 23 points in the Texico game, and Miss Dow had 20 at Whiteface.

SQUAWS 60, Logan 35
Audra King 1-1*-1-7; Crystal Morton 1-1-3; V Laura Wilcox 3-0-6; Kayla Smiley 5-0-10; Jamille Hand 3-4-10; Crystal Dow 9-3-21; Kristie Jack 2-0-4.

Hereford 49, SQUAWS 45
King 1*-0-3; Morton 2-2*-2-12; Wilcox 2-0-4; Smiley 4-0-8; Hand 4-0-8; Dow 3-4-10.

Texico 66, SQUAWS 55
Morton 1-2*-1-9; Wilcox 2-1-5; Smiley 10-3-23; Hand 2-0-4; Dow 3-3-9; Jack 2-0-4.

SQUAWS 44, W'face 30
Morton 2-1-5; Wilcox 2-0-4; Smiley 5-0-10; Hand 0-3-3; Dow 7-6-20; Jack 1-0-2.



CHIEFTAIN DUO....Tyson Neill (22) and Zach Barrett have their opponent well contained in a recent game. Neill had his best game of the year Monday at Whiteface, scoring 28 points.

Basketball Results

JV SQUAWS
JV Squaws 18, Tulia 29
B. Clark 0-1-1; M. Martinez 1-5-7; M. Geries 1-2-4; L. North 1-0-2; L. Mata 0-1-1; A. Widner 1-0-2; R. Mendez 0-1-1.

JV Squaws 37, Littlefield 36
Clark 2-0-4; Martinez 2-0-4; Vega 0-0-0; Geries 2-1-5; North 1-2-4; Mata 1-0-2; Torres 4-1-9; Widner 0-1-1; Mendez 4-0-8.

JV CHIEFTAINS (Tulia Tournament)
JV Chiefs 45, Tulia 35
Field 1-0-2; A. Bandy 4-1-9; Carthel 1-0-2; Fitzgerald 3-0-6; Carrasco 3-0-6; Saiz 2-2-6; Haile 7-0-14.

Tulia 34, JV Chiefs 27
Bandy 1-1*-0-5; Fitzgerald 5-0-10; Haile 2-1*-3-12.

S-E 56, JV Chiefs 50
Spencer 1-0-2; Field 2-0-4; Bandy 3-1-7; Fitzgerald 2-1*-0-7; Carrasco 1-0-2; Saiz 3-4-10; Haile 6-3-15.

(ron carr)

Chiefs Drop Three Of Four Contests

The varsity Chieftains had a rough week, losing three of their four games.

That left the team with a 4-5 season record.

The team beat Logan, N.M., at the Farwell tournament, 61-53, as Nathan King scored 14 and

Matthew Mata 13.

Texico whacked the Chiefs, 72-37 on Friday. Tyson Neill paced the scoring with 12. In Saturday's third-place game, Melrose got hot in the last quarter to edge the Chieftains 56-51.

Monday at Whiteface, the Chiefs got into a scoring duel with Whiteface, and the 'Faces won out, 85-69. This was in spite of a 28-point performance by Neill, who hit eight of ten from the line.

CHIEFS 61, Logan 53
Nathan King 3-2*-2-14; Matthew Mata 6-1-13; Tyson Neill 6-0-12; Joseph Bandy 2-1*-1-8; Landon Martin 4-1*-1-12; Cason White 0-2-2.

Texico 72, CHIEFS 37
King 0-1-1; Mata 0-2-2; Neill 5-2-12; Bandy 1*-2-5; Martin 2-5-9; Zack Barrett 3-2-8.

Melrose 56, CHIEFS 51
King 1-2*-0-8; Mata 1-2*-2-10; Neill 4-4-12; Bandy 2-8-12; Martin 1-0-2; Barrett 3-1-7.

W'face 85, CHIEFS 69
Mata 3-1*-0-9; Neill 10-8-28; Bandy 4-2*-2-16; Martin 4-2-10; Barrett 1*-0-3.



PLAYMAKER....V Laura Wilcox is shown bringing the ball upcourt in a recent game. The Squaws had a 7-5 record prior to Friday.

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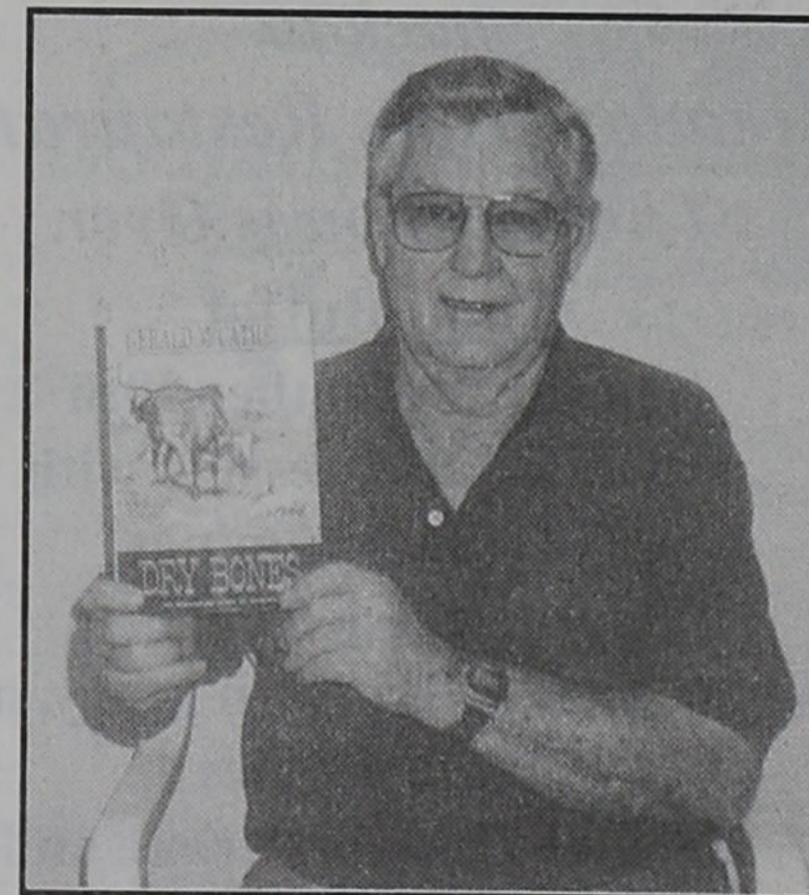
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In Hosea 4:6 the Bible reads "My people are destroyed for a lack of knowledge. Because they have rejected knowledge, whether you believe it or not God created you and God has a plan for you."

But what happens is that when we come of age, we think we know what is best for us, thus setting ourselves up for disappointment after disappointment. God created you so He should know what would bring you true Love, Peace and Joy.

I did not start serving God until I was nineteen years old, and by that time I had tried almost every drug, money, and nice cars, but I was always looking for more.

The world always will leave you looking for more, because it didn't create you; therefore it can't satisfy you.

God left a void in your life that only He can fill. In John 10:10 the Bible reads, "The thief (satan) does not come except to steal and to kill, and to destroy. I (Jesus) have come that they (you) may have life, and that they (you) may have it more abundantly."

Do you want True Love, Peace, and Joy, why not give God a chance and see what He can do. But when you

seek Him, seek Him as diligent as you sought the worldly thing, its only fair.

You might be thinking, "I do not want religion" and you are right, you are not looking for religion, you are looking for Jesus. Religion will leave you disappointed; Jesus will not. Get the Bible and read it for yourself, find out what it says yourself.

Pastor Rick Beard
First Assembly of God

Jean Reed Buried In Friona Tuesday

Funeral services for Jean Reed, 69, were held at the First United Methodist Church of Friona Tuesday, with Reverend Don Boren, pastor, officiating.

She was buried at Friona Cemetery, with Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home officiating.

She died Sunday, December 12, 1999 at BSA Hospice in Amarillo.

She had been a resident of Friona 18 years, coming from Keyes, Oklahoma. She married George W. Reed January 15, 1949 in Friona. He passed away May 15, 1993.

Mrs. Reed was born October 26, 1930 and raised in the Friona area. She and her husband lived in Keyes, Oklahoma for many years. While in Keyes, she served as the City Clerk for a number of years. She retired and they moved back to Friona in 1981.

She was a member of the Friona United Methodist Church and the Friona Rebekah Lodge. She was preceded in death by her husband George W. Reed in 1993. She was also preceded in death by two grandchildren, Sherika Reed in 1975 and Tad Reed in 1978 and a brother, Everett Horner in 1985.

Survivors include her mother, Eunice Horner of Friona; a son, Jim Reed of Woodward, Oklahoma; and a daughter, Susan Terry of Gate, Oklahoma; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Everett Horner, Mark Zachary, David Reed, Johnny Stokes, Ronnie Reed and Mac Field.

Memorials may be sent to BSA Hospice, 200 NW 7th, Amarillo, Texas 79106 or Friona United Methodist Church, 301 E. 8th, Friona, Texas 79035.



ENJOYING the Sunday afternoon performance of the Living Christmas Tree were, l-r, Ann Spring, Claire Blanco, Frank Spring and Patsy Talley. photo by carol ellis



CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK....Santa visited Friona's city park on Wednesday, December 1, and visited with the children in the Depot. Here, Kandra and Chelsey Villanueva talk to Santa while Friona's Little Miss, Amber Roberson, looks on.

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Data Control Codes	Governmental Fund Types				Trust Funds
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REVENUES					
	Local and Intermediate Sources				
	Investment Income	\$ 91,650	\$ 523	\$ 10,555	\$ 14,690
	Other Local and Intermediate Sources	2,054,931	360,732	116,198	-
5700	Total Local and Intermediate Sources	2,146,581	361,255	126,753	14,690
5800	State Program Revenues	4,221,564	158,495	-	-
5900	Federal Program Revenues	7,072	1,083,059	-	-
5020	Total Revenue	6,375,217	1,602,809	126,753	14,690
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
0010	Instructional Development	4,094,298	875,312	-	26,136
0020	Instructional and School Leadership	467,865	112,076	-	-
0030	Support Services - Student (Pupil)	639,194	587,883	-	73,375
0040	Administrative Support Services	336,990	2,867	-	-
0050	Support Services - Nonstudent Based	576,413	13,715	-	17,064
0070	Debt Service	35,035	459	113,036	-
0080	Capital Outlay	59,190	-	-	-
0090	Intergovernmental Charges	107,009	-	-	-
6030	Total Expenditures	6,315,994	1,592,312	113,036	116,575
1100	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	59,223	10,497	13,717	(116,575)
7020	Other Resources	14,740	53,325	-	-
8030	Other (Uses)	(47,885)	-	-	*(14,690)
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues & Other Resources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Uses	26,078	63,822	13,717	(116,575)
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	1,525,430	243,814	1,597	202,900
1300	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	-	399	-	-
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$ 1,551,508	\$ 308,035	\$ 15,314	\$ 86,325
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Meet Friona's Class of 2012



Berenice Lopez is a kindergartener at Friona Schools. Her parents are Manuel Lopez and Lucia Barraza. She has two sisters Emma and Graciela. Her grandparents are Emma Roguez and Manuel Lopez. She likes jugar a la pelota. Her favorite foods are comer pan. Her favorite color is rosa.

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The Board of Regents will meet at 9:30 a.m. in the Regents Room of the Administration Building. The dedication of the new art sculpture next to the Education Building will be at 1:30 p.m. Baccalaureate will be at 2 p.m. in Buchanan Hall of the Music Building.

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SPC Lubbock, 1302 Main, January 12 for returning students (enrolled in fall 99) 9-11 a.m. (A-K), 1:30-3:30 p.m. (L-Z) and 3:30-5:30 p.m. A-Z, January 13 for new students (not enrolled in fall 99) 9 a.m.-noon (A-K), 3-6 p.m. (L-Z) and 6-7 p.m. open registration.

SPC Levelland, 1401 South College Ave., January 13, 9-11:30 a.m. and 1:30-4 p.m. (registration permit required) and 4-6:30 p.m. (no registration permit required).
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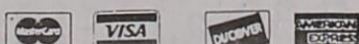
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GIRL SCOUTS & BROWNIES held their Rededication ceremony at the Girl Scout House. Shown are Brownies & Girl Scouts in grades one to three who participated in the ceremonies. (See story.) ron carr photo

Girl Scout Ceremony Was Held December 7

Friona's Girl Scout Troop 456 (1st grade), Troop 326 (2nd grade), and Troop 115 (3rd grade) held an Investiture and Rededication Ceremony on December 7, 1999 at the Girl Scout House.

Troop 115 began the evening with an opening flag ceremony.

The Investiture Ceremony is an official welcome to the Brownie Level of Girl Scouting. These young ladies were recognized as Brownies by their troop leader, Leslie Bronniman. They are Regan Anthony, Laci Austin, Caitlin Bronniman, Lisann Davila, Karina Trevino, Harlee McDowell, Keeley Dunnam, Brandy Merritt, Kelsey White, Crystal Trevino and Gaby Rivera.

The Rededication Ceremony affirms invested Girl Scouts' belief in the Girl Scout Promise and Law.

Participating in this ceremony led by Troop Leader Melanie London were Kirsty Cruz, Jessie London, Lacey Lookingbill, Gabriela Santillan, Viviana Lara, Maria Meza, Lucy Mendez, Heather Sandoval, Amanda Villanueva, Kandra Villanueva, and Kelly Woodruff.

The girls repeated the Girl Scout Promise while lighting three candles which represented the three parts of the Promise. Ten candles representing the ten parts of the Girl Scout Law were lit as the Law was read. These young ladies also received

various badges, pins and certificates.

The meeting was closed with the closing flag ceremony. Refreshments were served to a crowd of family members, friends and Girl Scouts.

Abel Aleman Rites Held In Floydada

Memorial services for Abel Silvas Aleman Sr., 54, of Dublin, will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, December 11, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Plainview, with Father Elbert Fadallan, celebrant. Cremation is under the direction of Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home of Floydada.

Mr. Aleman passed away November 25, 1999 in Abilene.

He was born on December 2, 1944 in Sinton, Texas to Mrs. Julia Silvas Aleman and the late Mr. Jose Aleman. He attended schools in South Texas. He moved to Floydada in 1963 from Dublin. He was a farmer and had worked several places in Floydada as a mechanic. He was a Catholic.

He is survived by his mother, Julia Aleman of Dublin; two sons, Abel Aleman of Littlefield, and Adam Aleman of Friona; two brothers, Adelfino Aleman and Alfredo Aleman both of Floydada; four sisters, Elida Martinez of Floydada, and Victoria Aleman, Frances Cantu and Grace Sierra all of Dublin, and four grandchildren.

Hospital Report

(Following is a list of local residents who had been admitted to hospitals during the past week, as we have been made aware of their situations. If you have a loved one you would like to have listed, please call the Friona Star office, 250-2211, by Wednesday noon in order to list their names) * * * *

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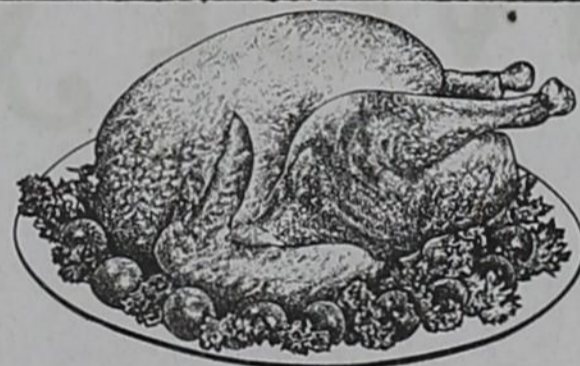
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DSEC Issues Year 2000 Readiness Disclosure

Electric utilities around the country are taking steps to make sure the lights stay on as the turn of the century approaches. The Y2K problem has been widely discussed and solutions have been offered and implemented. Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative is no exception.

"Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative has initiated 'Year 2000' assessments and remediations," said DSEC Executive Assistant Mike Veazey. "We believe this program will prepare our company to handle any problems with the coming of the new millennium."

DSEC has a comprehensive checklist of steps toward "Y2K readiness." These steps, begun many months ago, have been to inventory, assess, test, repair or replace, retest and plan for contingencies.

Veazey stated that DSEC has done assessments in all of the following areas: computer hardware and software, communications systems, critical systems, substations and metering equipment. No major problems have been identified in DSEC equipment. Company computers have been repaired or replaced to satisfy Y2K compliance.

Much of our distribution Rosses Have A Baby Boy

Robert and Jeana Ross of Ft. Collins, Colorado are the parents of a baby boy born Tuesday, December 7 at 6:17 p.m.

The new arrival was named Nicholas Andrew. He weighed five pounds, one ounce.

Nicholas has an older brother, Jacob Alan, six years old.

Grandparents are Tom and Barbara Mason of Friona, Terry and Kathy LaForge and Robert and Pat Ross, all of Marquette, Michigan.

Great-grandparents are Tom and Barbara O'Brian of Dimmitt and Evalyn Mason of Post, Texas.

system is mechanical and is less sensitive to Y2K problems because there are few digital controls and relatively few embedded chips in our equipment," Veazey said.

Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative is also very much aware of the interconnected nature of power supply and delivery. They are connected to New Century Energies, Southwestern Public Service's parent company, for generated wholesale power

and they, in turn, are connected to regional electric power grids. There are also many supply and delivery points all along the line, from the manufacture of bucket trucks to the sophisticated equipment at power generation stations.

The delivery of electric power is the result of the efforts of these many different and diverse organizations. Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative has no control of these various organizations and cannot assume responsibility should one or more of these systems fail for one reason or another.

However, DSEC is in constant contact with their wholesale power providers and distribution material suppliers concerning the possibility of Y2K glitches in their equipment. They have assured DSEC that everything humanly possible is being done to alleviate any Y2K problems on their systems.

Although no one can make 100 percent guarantees as to what will happen when the new century arrives, Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative is taking any and all prudent steps to help keep the lights on at the arrival of the new millennium. As always, the number one priority of the cooperative is keeping the lights on whether the problem is the Y2K bug, a tornado, an ice storm, a blizzard or an evening thunderstorm.

Should you have a question or concerns regarding Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative's Year 2000 readiness disclosure, you can call 806-364-1166 or toll-free at 1-800-687-8189.



TAMMY RICHARDS and WAYNE ODELL announce their approaching marriage on February 12, 2000 at 7 p.m. in the Elm Memorial Chapel of the First United Methodist Church of Littlefield. Parents of the couple are Doris Richards of Littlefield and the late Sam Richards and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Latham of Lubbock and the late William Odell.

Meet Friona's Class of 2012



Mario Vega is a kindergartener at Friona Schools.

His parents are Mario and Maria Magdalena Vega. He has two sisters, Yesenia and Maria. Grandparents are Jesus and Maria Vega.

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Luis Tafoya is a kindergartener at Friona Schools.

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Week of December 19-25

Friona residents having birthdays next week include:

December 19--Wes Drake, Jason Rector, Paige Osborn, Minda Wilson, Lonnie Busch, Cliff Daniel.

December 20--Alex Gordon, Mika Maddox, Rocky Nichols, Deloris McNeely, Harletta Carthel.

December 21--Joe Buchanan, Robert Sandoval.

December 22--Chris Haile, Jane Houlette, Mary Moseley, Jane Kent, Sabrina Clark, Melissa Widner.

December 23--Sue Beene, Lavenia Duke, Kenna Smith, Uldene Grimsley.

December 24--Jon Osborn, Bert Osborn, Wana Brewer, Gabriel Baca, Mike Herbert.

December 25--Holly Mohr, Bob Hurst, Charles Carter, Michael McLellan, Dr. Bob Sanders, Betty Smock, Mickey Harrelson.

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