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"MY TURN"

By Carol Ellis



MY BOSS SAID he was going to double my salary since I have been writing this column for five years now. Well, nothing times two is still nothing, but I guess it's the thought that counts. I think he was just trying to get me to fry some chicken for his supper. He knows that I'd rather write a column than fry a chicken anytime. I generally tell people that I earn three and a half a day. . . that's three meals and half a bed.

All of us who have small businesses in small towns do what we can to try to stay out of the red. You have to be pretty frugal during times of recession to keep from going under.

Yes, the newspaper is a business. It is in the rather strange position of being, not only a public service, and a news and advertising medium, but it is also a business with salaries to pay, printing costs, utilities, postage and other large overhead expenses.

A lot of small towns across Texas have lost their newspapers and radio stations in the past year because of the bad economy. The 1991 Texas Media Directory indicates that 23 newspapers and 35 radio stations have closed down.

Sometimes it seems that the small-town weekly is there mainly for historical purposes since the grapevine is strong and the phone lines are active. Most folks know about the really "big" happenings long before the local paper hits the news stands. Actually, the paper's function is supporting the people who make up the community. . . their births and deaths and all the events that happen in between.

The newspaper supports your local clubs and their fund raisers, tells about your church events, sponsors your Little League Ball teams, donates to your local charities, gives info on your local elections, tells the world when your children get married, when your grandbabies are born, goes to bat for you against unjust tax hikes, and fights for local improvements such as better roads, needed bond issues and industrial expansion, as well as providing an advertising medium which does not go directly from the customer's mail box into the trash can.

These are things that network TV doesn't do for you, and those pretty colored sales circulars send some money out of the community.

The old pioneer, Uncle John White, who started The Friona Star in 1925 and stayed on as editor for the next 25 years, went through some bad times during the great depression. At times he took no salary from the business in order to keep it running. He felt so strongly that the community needed a local paper that he accepted vegetables and eggs from people in payment for their ads and subscriptions. Now that's dedication!

Bill came to Friona as the editor 30 years ago and said "This is the place where I want to settle down and raise my family." After we'd been here for a short time, he had some lucrative newspaper offers from Canyon and Amarillo and some other towns down state, but he turned them down because he liked the good Christian family atmosphere here in Friona.

Bill feels just as strongly that this community needs a newspaper as did old Uncle John White during the big depression, and he will continue to dedicate himself to offering you as good a product as possible during these bad times, believing that "We'll get through it if we all work together."

He'll need your support, too, your kind words, your news items, your advertising, etc. And I'll even do my part by frying a pan of chicken for him every so often.

David Stevens of the Amarillo Globe-News says "There's no better buy than a small-town newspaper, especially if your name is in it."

UNCLE AUSTIN SAYS: Polygamy is having more wives than you need. Monogamy is the same thing.



CHAMBER HONORS...Cordie Potts and Marca Lynn Herring were honored as Friona's Man and Woman of the Year at the 1992 Chamber banquet last Thursday.



TOP YOUTH....Chad Hamilton and Antonia Torres were singled out by the Friona Chamber of Commerce as the community's outstanding young people for 1992.

Fabulous Fifties Musical Comes To Friona April 3

Sh-Boom, Sh-Boom, "The Taffetas"--a musical journey through the "Fabulous Fifties"--is a musical touring production of Amarillo Little Theatre.

This play will be brought to Friona courtesy of the Community Heritage Society on April 3, at 7:30 p.m. at the High School Auditorium. Tickets are \$5.00 each and can be purchased at Ethridge-Spring Agency, The Friona Star or from any member of the Heritage Society.

This production asks the theatre goer to buckle up for a melodious trip back through time. From "Mr. Sandman," "The Hop" and "Tonight You Belong to Me" to "Mockingbird Hill," "Where the Boys Are" and "Volare," plus many more, the five-woman singing group parody their earlier pouf-haired sisters with knee bends, jive and jingles.

American Legion Hosts Convention

Friona American Legion Post 206 will host the 18th District Spring Convention April 4-5.

This will be the first American Legion convention held in Friona in at least 30-35 years, according to J.P. Sims, 18th District Commander. "We hope to have from 100 to 150 Legionnaires and their wives attending," Sims said.

There are 27 American Legion posts in District 18, with a membership of over 2400.

On Saturday afternoon at 2 p.m., there will be a leadership college put on by the Deputy Assistant Adjutant, Mike Palmquist. All members should make a special effort to attend this special meeting, Sims said.

Other events on the program include a banquet, program and a dance Saturday night; a memorial service and business meeting Sunday morning starting at 9 a.m., and the election of new district officers.

the ensemble production, through the five girl singers: Kelly Johnson, Cara Johnston, Candy Boxwell, Liz Allen-Grabber and Elizabeth Pelton, plus Shawn Walsh, who plays the TV "host with the most."

Allen Shankles is the director, Suzy O'Kelly choreographed the fifties-style moves, Ray Strickland produced the hair-styles, Carol Kritselis provided the period costumes and Loren Strickland acts as the music director.

The touring production of "The Taffetas" will provide a musical evening of wholesome entertainment for all ages. Amarillo Theatre's touring production is brought to Friona as an annual fund raising project of the Community Heritage Society. Last year's play "Pump Boys and Dinettes" was a big hit with all those who attended.

Blood Drive Scheduled Tuesday

The Coffee Memorial Blood Center of Amarillo will make its semi-annual blood drive in Friona on Tuesday, March 31, at the Friona High School Cafeteria. Blood will be taken from 3-7 p.m.

The drive is sponsored by the Friona High School Student Council.

Donors must be 17 years of age or older. In fact, state law requires the written consent of a parent or guardian for 17-year-olds to be able to donate.

Donors 66 years old or older may continue to donate, provided there are no changes in their health, and they meet all normal donor criteria.

It is reminded that persons may not donate blood if they have had hepatitis, cancer, diabetes, intravenous drug use not prescribed by a physician, participate in activities at high risk of contracting AIDS, sexual contact with an AIDS patient or with individuals who are at increased risk of contracting AIDS.

Chamber Honors Leading Citizens

The Friona Chamber of Commerce honored its top citizens at the 36th annual banquet last Thursday evening at the Community Center.

Honored were Cordie Potts as Man of the Year, Marca Lynn Herring as Woman of the Year; Tommy Carr, Teacher of the Year, and Vickie Copley, Employee of the Year.

Antonia Torres and Chad Hamilton were honored as the Outstanding Young People.

Also as part of the program, Keith Blackburn was presented with Parmer County's Conservation Farmer of the Year award. Making the presentation on behalf of the Soil and Water Conservation District was Kevin Welch.

The Chamber of Commerce, as well as the Women's Division, also honored their leaders, and the audience was treated by Stan Cobb (Cowboy Jack), as well as by the music of Charles Turner and Janet Rector.

Potts, one of 10 children, graduated from Ranchvale High School and attended West Texas State College. He married Helen Schlenker, and after the death of his father-in-law, bought most of the original Schlenker farm, which he still owns and operates.

In 1955, Potts and Oscar Baxter bought the Ford dealership in Farwell and moved the business to Friona. In 1972 he sold his share of the business to the Baxter family.

He served on the boards of Friona Consumers, Parmer County Water District; Parmer County Community Hospital, Tax Equalization; and served a total of 21 years on school boards. He was on the Rhea school board when it consolidated with Friona, then served on the Friona School board until 1967.

Marca Lynn Herring was born and raised in Friona, graduating from Friona High School. She is very active in the United Methodist Church, where she teaches Sunday School classes, sings in the choir and has served on several boards. She also is active in United Methodist Women and United Methodist Youth.

Mrs. Herring has been active in Girl Scouts and the United Way campaign. She serves as a director for the Chamber of Commerce and sings with a trio that performs for club and civic functions.

She has worked as a self-employed bookkeeper, accountant, secretary and marketing representative. She is currently responsible for public relations and marketing for Friona State Bank.

Tommy Carr has been associated with the Friona School system for 11 years. He is a native of Keyes, Oklahoma, graduated from Panhandle State University, and began his teaching career in Friona.

Carr is an active member of the Church of Christ, teaching junior high boys and is a Brother's Keepers leader.

He has upgraded the Industrial Arts and Drafting programs to the point that his students are taking top honors on the state and regional levels. He and his wife Kristi are parents of two children, Kendra and Jerrod.

Vickie Copley began her profession with the Friona Star straight out of high school in 1969, and has held the same job for 23 years. Her activities in the community include spearheading a local volleyball tournament to raise funds for the community fireworks display and assisting with fund-raising for such projects as the all-night drug-free graduation party.

Mrs. Copley and her husband Terry have been very active in the local and county livestock shows. She has served as a 4-H adult leader for ten years and as a class parent.

In 1991, she suffered a serious accident. In spite of surgery and therapy, she missed only two weeks of work. During her career she has set virtually all of the type for the weekly Friona Star issues and does page makeup. She is known by her co-workers as being extremely accurate.



AWARD-WINNERS...Vickie Copley was honored as Employee of the Year and Tommy Carr was named Teacher of the Year at the Chamber's 1992 banquet.

Antonia Torres has lived in Friona all her life and attended Friona schools 13 years. She is president of Future Homemakers of America, president of D-E, and is a Star Event participant.

She will attend the state DECA convention as a voting delegate. She is employed by Hometown Hardware, is a member of St. Teresa's Catholic Church, and is active in the Catholic Youth Organization. She is the daughter of Jose and Rosario Torres.

Chad Hamilton was born in Friona and has attended local schools 13 years. He is a member of First Baptist Church, where he is involved in Sunday School and with the youth group.

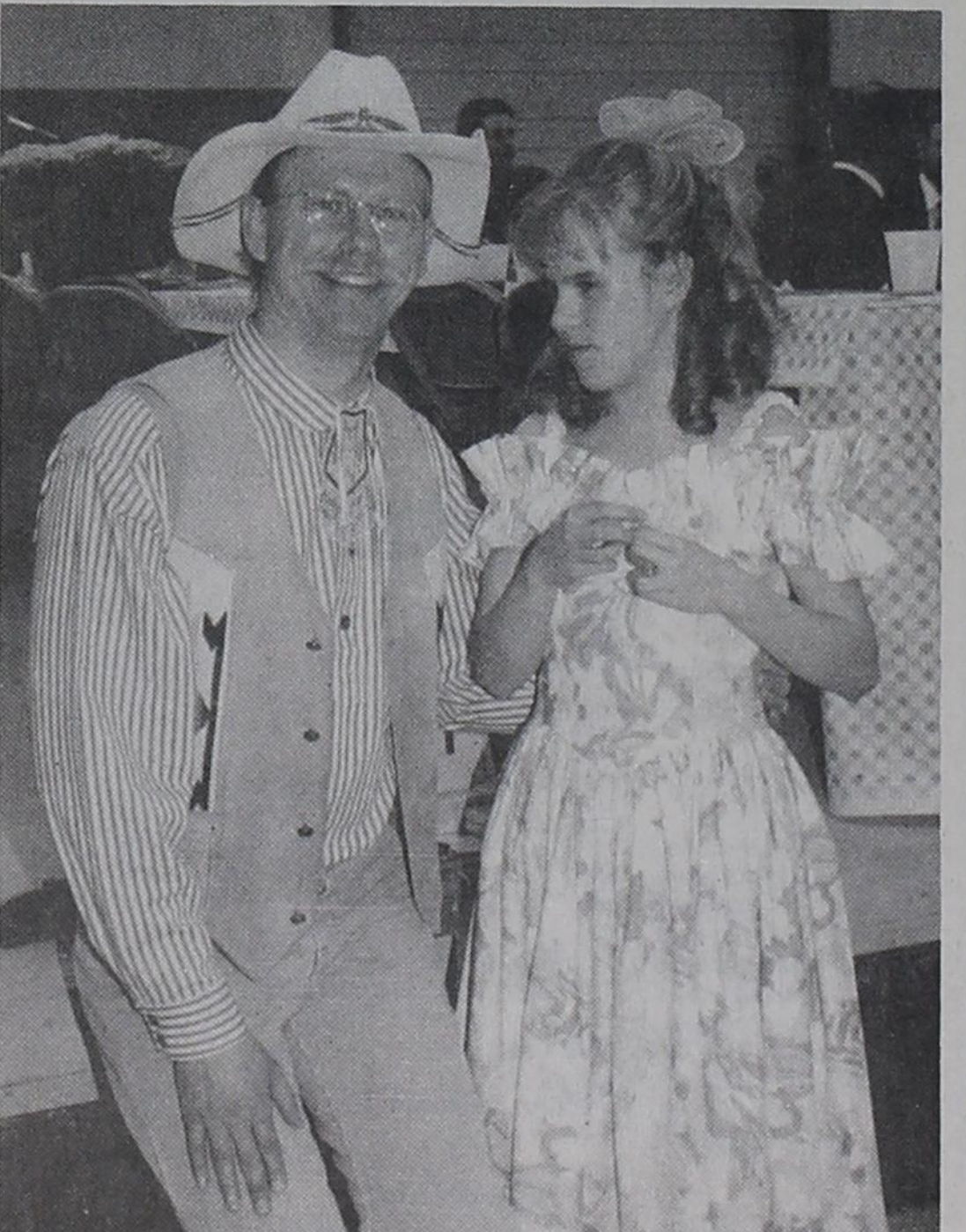
He has been active in Future Farmers of America, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, National Honor Society and Forensics. He has been president of F.C.A., N.H.S. and is the senior class president. He enjoys athletics and played football, basketball, baseball and golf.

Hamilton was football captain, all-district linebacker, all-South Plains, all-district first baseman; Most Dependable, and Most Court-teous. He was a regional qualifier in ready writing, and received the perfect attendance award for nine years.

Charles Turner provided dinner music. Janet Rector entertained with a pair of vocal numbers.

Holly Jones, president of the Women's Division, introduced her 1992 officers. Barbara Rhodes is vice president; Wendy Lookingbill is secretary. Teresa Buske is ex-officio.

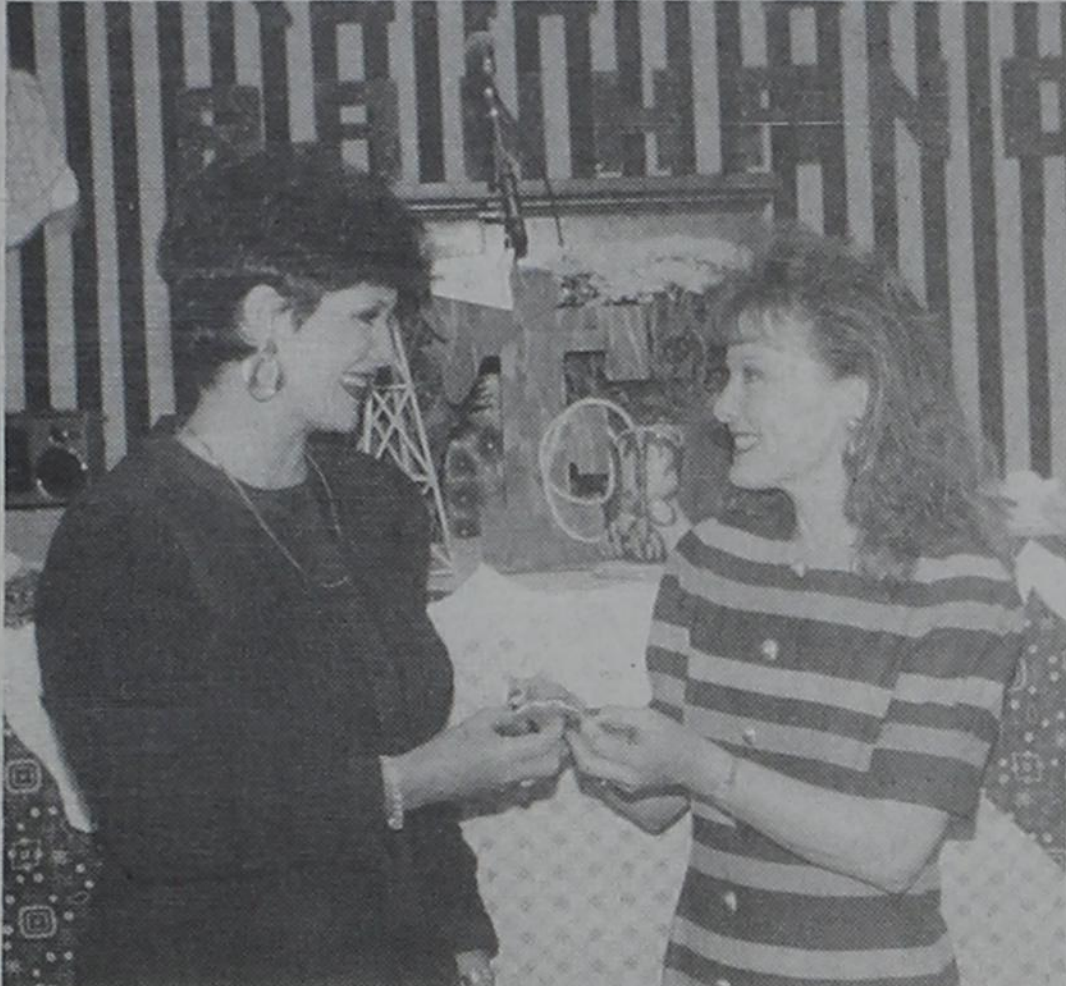
Those attending the banquet enjoyed a meal of prime rib, catered by K-Bob's Steakhouse of Hereford.



ENTERTAINERS MEET...Stan Cobb, alias Cowboy Jack, and Janet Rector, who sang a couple of vocal numbers at the Chamber of Commerce banquet, had a chance to visit for a short time at the conclusion of last Thursday's affair.



GAVEL PASSES....Troy White, left, the 1992 president of the Friona Chamber of Commerce, presented the past president's plaque to Alan Monroe at the annual Chamber banquet.



WOMEN'S LEADERS...Holly Jones, right, the 1992 president of the Chamber of Commerce's Women's Division, presents a gift to Teresa Buske, the 1991 president of the organization.



MUSICIAN...Charles Turner provided dinner music for the 1992 Chamber of Commerce banquet on his synthesizer. Turner makes the instrument sound like a complete orchestra.

Friona Flashbacks

...from the files of The Friona Star

60 Yrs. Ago-March 25, 1932
L.G. Simpson, city water superintendent, is quite busy this week setting water meters for water users who have no meters. It is the plan of the city commission to place all water patrons of the city under meter service just as rapidly as is possible.

50 Yrs. Ago-March 20, 1942
The Regal Theatre, which has been closed for the past three months, will be re-opened Friday night and will continue with a regular picture show program four nights each week, with matinees on Saturday and Sunday afternoons, Ray Landrum, theatre owner, says.

Lee Spring, son of Mr. and Mrs. F.L. Spring of Friona, made the fall semester honor roll at Texas Tech with an average of A, according to a press release from the Lubbock College.

45 Yrs. Ago-March 21, 1947
The official staff of the Parmer County Community hospital, which included physician and nurses, was host to the people of Friona and surrounding communities, by holding open house at the hospital from 4 until 8 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, when the public was invited to attend and be shown through the building. Dr. R.C. Stokes, whom our people are learning to know and love, is the head of the hospital's medical department.

40 Yrs. Ago-March 20, 1952
Another cotton gin will be located in the Friona area, according to reports being circulated this week. Two Burkburnett men were in the Hub vicinity this week, and they told farmers of the area that they had purchased 20 acres one mile south of Hub and would commence construction of a new gin within two weeks. The men are H.A. Mills and G.W. Fleming.

35 Yrs. Ago-March 14, 1957
Tom Atkins of Farwell joined the staff of the Parmer County sheriff's department on Monday of this week. Announcement was made by Sheriff Chas. Lovelace. Atkins will serve as deputy sheriff. He is the first full-time deputy sheriff ever hired in the county.

30 Yrs. Ago-March 29, 1962
The Dive-Inn, Friona's indoor heated swimming pool, will officially open for business at 1 p.m.

Elementary, Junior High Lunch Menu

- Week of March 30-April 3**
MONDAY--chicken patty on bun, tater tots, lettuce, tomato, pickle, chilled fruit and choice of beverage.
TUESDAY--steak fingers, potatoes, gravy, green beans, dinner rolls and choice of beverage.
WEDNESDAY--soft burritos, refried beans, lettuce, tomato, brownies and choice of beverage.
THURSDAY--charburger, bun, fries, lettuce, tomato, pickle, cookies and choice of beverage.
FRIDAY--pizza, green beans, chilled fruit and choice of beverage.

- Breakfast**
MONDAY--glazed donut, chilled fruit and choice of milk.
TUESDAY--cinnamon oatmeal, biscuit with jelly, choice of juice and choice of milk.
WEDNESDAY--pancakes with syrup, chilled fruit and choice of milk.
THURSDAY--hot cinnamon roll, choice of cereal, choice of juice and choice of milk.
FRIDAY--waffles with syrup, chilled fruit and choice of milk.

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Division" ratings in both sight reading and concert divisions in UIL contests last Friday at Dimmitt.

Bill Lyles is the new Parmer County Soil Conservation Technician having joined the office earlier this month.

25 Yrs. Ago-March 16, 1967
Terri Lynn Wilson is shown with a citation proclaiming that she was a winner in the English division of a "Talent Day" contest at Eastern New Mexico, entitling her to a \$120 scholarship at ENMU, along with other entrance benefits. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elroy Wilson of Friona.

20 Yrs. Ago-March 30, 1972
W.L. (Preach) Edelson, long-time leader for cotton interests in the area, has just completed work on a machine that could have a revolutionary effect on the industry. The machine separates high density seeds from the less desirable low density seeds.

Parmer County was officially installed as a member of the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission this week.

15 Yrs. Ago-March 27, 1977
Members of the Friona High School Band received "First

ambulance operator for City of Friona, which will take charge of all ambulance calls as of April 1.

Rex Williams has been named ambulance operator for City of Friona, which will take charge of all ambulance calls as of April 1.

10 Yrs. Ago-March 28, 1982
A long-awaited moment arrived this week for those interested in the Friona Public Library, when ground was broken for the new library building. A 3750-square foot building will be built in the 100 block

of West Seventh Street, on property owned by Friona State Bank.

5 Yrs. Ago-March 28, 1987
Funeral services for Dr. Lee Spring, 67, were held Thursday afternoon at Friona's First United Methodist Church, with Rev. Archie Echols, pastor, officiating.

The Friona Chieftains' track and field team scored their third straight team championship of the spring season at Tulia last Saturday, running away with the team title with 136 points.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION IS SCHEDULED SATURDAY

The Parmer County Republican Convention will be held at the Spur Restaurant in Farwell Saturday, March 28, at 7 p.m.

Purpose of the meeting will be to elect delegates to the state convention.

Lois Norwood Says . . .

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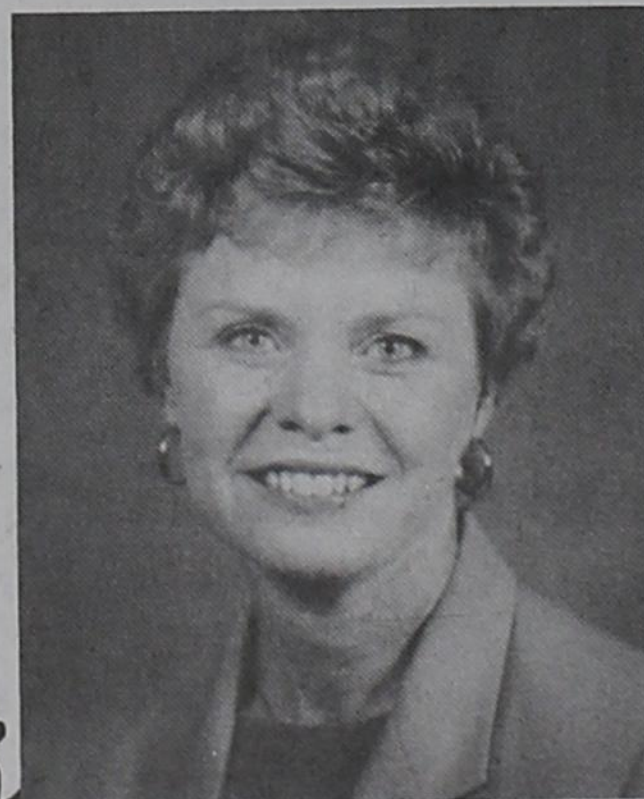
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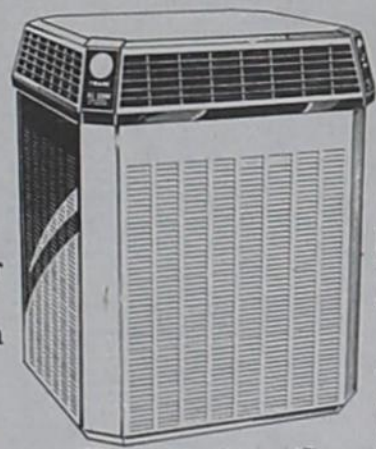
Marca Lynn Herring, a life-long resident of Friona, was honored last Thursday at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet as the community's Woman of the Year.

Since Marca Lynn is in charge of our Marketing and Public Relations department, we would like to take this opportunity of joining with the rest of the community in congratulating her on this well-deserved honor.



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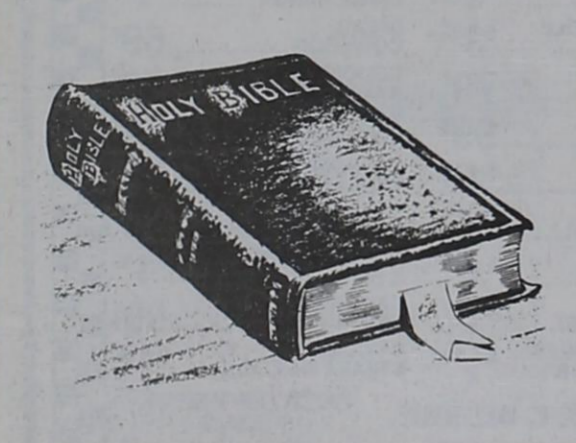
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GLENDIA ELLIS and CRAIG KITTEN...Mr. and Mrs. Mike Ellis of Friona are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Glenda, to Craig Kitten, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Kitten of Slaton, Texas. The couple will exchange wedding vows Saturday, June 13 at the Union Congregational Church in Friona at 2 p.m. The bride-elect is a Texas Tech University food technology graduate, who is currently employed as a microbiological lab technician for Furr's Distribution Center in Lubbock. The prospective bridegroom is also a TTU food technology graduate and is currently farming and crop consulting near Lubbock. The couple will make their home near Lubbock. Friends of the couple are invited to attend.

Cub Scouts Hold Pinewood Derby

Cub Scout Pack #56 held their regular pack meeting at the Community Center on March 17. The annual Pinewood Derby was held in conjunction with the pack meeting. All the Cubs from different dens had an opportunity to build cars for the races, as well as the Cub's dads.

Those entering cars in the Derby were Steven Gustin, Corbin Neill, Michael Stanberry, Calvin Shields and T.J. Randolph from the Tiger Cub group; Dale Williams, Jesus Nava, Landon Martin, Nicholas Shrode and Tyson Neill, Webelos; Derek Allen, Clint McCoy, Benny Lopez and Cass Perkins, Bears; Sean Campbell, Keven Clark, Trevor Fields, Nathan Shrode, Justin Hatfield, Eric Shields, Daniel Perkins and Clint Cox, Wolf entries.

Entering in the dad's division were: Dexter Allen, Gary Williams, Jesse Nava, Bill McCoy, Abram Burrows, Rondee Clark, Roger Fields, Russell Gustin, Ricky Campbell, Steve Shrode, Mark Neill and Leslie Perkins.

Winners were: Michael Stanberry, first; Corbin Neill, second; Steven Gustin, third; and Calvin Shields, fourth in the Tiger Cubs division.

Webelos winners were: Nick Shrode, first; Dale Williams, second; Tyson Neill, third; and Landon Martin, fourth.

Bears division winners were: Cass Perkins, first; Clint McCoy, second; Derek Allen, third; and Benny Lopez, fourth.

Wolf winners were: Keven Clark, first; Daniel Perkins, second; Eric Shields, third; and Sean Campbell, fourth.

The dad's division winners were: Steve Shrode, first; Gary Williams, second; Dexter Allen, third; Leslie Perkins, fourth.

The final overall winners were: Cass Perkins, first place medal and trophy; Keven Clark, second place medal; and Nick Shrode, third place medal.

The winner of the plaque for best overall in design and paint job went to Jesse Nava, one of the dad's entries.

Noon Lion's members acted as judges this year. They were Joe Mejia, Dale Houlette, Larry Rogers and Leon Talley.

"Congratulations to all of you! We all had a great time and want to thank the Noon Lion's members who acted as the judges this year. Thanks, we appreciate your joining us for this year's event," a spokesman for the Scouts commented.

The "Scouting for Food" canvass conducted by the Cub Scouts on March 7 was a success with over 500 items of food collected by 14 Cubs. John and Jo Blackwell donated seven cases of canned goods to the cause.

The boys are gearing up for the Scout-O-Rama coming up in

Doctor's Day Set Locally March 30

BY ANNE SPRING

March 30th is Doctor's Day and more and more we realize how lucky we are to have our local doctors and hospital available in times of need.

Honoring physicians on a special day each year was the idea of Eudora B. Almond. As a child she was impressed by the gentle kindness of her family doctor in the small village of Fort Lamar, Georgia.

Later she married a physician, and as she worked alongside her husband, she became convinced that medicine was the greatest profession on earth.

Mrs. Almond presented the idea of having a day on which to honor doctors. This was accepted nationally in November 1955.

March 30th was selected in honor of Dr. Crawford W. Long, 1815-1878, discoverer of the anesthetic powers of ether in surgery. Dr. Long worked in New York hospitals where he witnessed great suffering in surgical operations without successful efforts to relieve pain.

"Laughing Gas" parties were popular at that time, early 1800s and Dr. Long noticed that as people inhaled ether for its exhilarating effects, they could receive falls and blows yet feel no pain.

On March 30th, 1942, twenty-six year old Dr. Crawford Williamson Long, in practice for less than a year, administered sulphuric ether in a surgical operation for the first time in history. A young man had a tumor removed from the back of his neck, inhaling ether throughout the surgery. The patient was later incredulous when shown the half inch diameter cyst, having experienced no pain during its removal.

The quiet young country doctor said of his discovery, "It is a divine gift from on high," and after forty years of practicing medicine said, "My only wish is to be known as a benefactor of my race."

We each have memories of well-loved doctors who have helped us in our lives. Mine are the two who pulled me through bad cases of diphtheria and appendicitis/peritonitis. Later, in a nursing career, I remember Dr. Winston Turner who, in our small "fever" hospital, first began to cure t.b. meningitis. Then there were the

devoted interns who worked with us around the clock during two bad summers of polio. In later life the best-looking face I every saw was Dr. Robert Gerald as he removed my eye bandages, and Dr. Michael Ryan who is kindness itself as he helps me through some bad times. The latter two both of Amarillo. At home there is Dr. Bob, who sewed up my face and hid the scar among the wrinkles, Dr. Shah who is making her own niche in our community, Dr. Paul, the epitome of old time family doctor and who I am lucky enough to have for a brother-in-law, and of course Dr. Lee-wherever you are.

All of us can give thanks for our local physicians, Dr. Bob and Dr. Shah for their dedication to our community, for working long hours, filling endless forms, having interrupted sleep, and keeping up with what is new in treatment to benefit their Parmer County patients.

If you see Dr. Bob, Dr. Shah or Dr. Paul on their day-March 30th-, don't forget to tell them you are glad that our area has such fine dedicated doctors when so many small towns are without.



25TH ANNIVERSARY...Joe and Marlene Mueller celebrated their 25 years together on March 24. They were married in Stamford, Texas in 1967 and moved to Friona in 1972. Their children are Staci Mueller, who attends South Plains College, Levelland, and the late Monty Mueller. Joe is employed in management at Excel and Marlene is employed by the Friona Star.



Prairie Acres Party Line

By CAROL DELEON

I want to start out by giving Corinne Evans and Frances Garcia, both from Hereford, a great big welcome to our home.

Now, I want to announce our "Employee of the Month": Roger Graham, and "Resident of the Month": Otha Davis.

My last announcement is to acknowledge the employees who have been here for several years. The ten-year pendant went to Brenda DeLaPaz, and the five-year key chains went to Maggie Torres and Linda Goen. Thanks for doing such a good job!

Thank you's this week are: Lottie Bails for donating fingernail

polish for the ladies; Friona Methodist ladies for doing hair care; Martha Mars for always being willing to give perms and hair cuts at resident/family request; Raye Jene London for bringing hair spray to use; and St. Teresa's Catholic Church for having Sunday worship services last Sunday.

The following donations have been made to the Love Fund:

In memory of Fred Lloyd: Jim and Christine Zorns, Walter W. Free.

In memory of Art Mast: John and Evelyn Mars.

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One way to prevent conversation from being boring is to say the wrong thing.--Frank Sheed

Hereford, April 4. This is the event of the year, where the boys have the opportunity to show off their talents and skills they have learned during the scouting year. If you are not approached by one of the Cubs to purchase a ticket, you can obtain one by calling 247-3649 and talking to Rhonda Bentley, Cub Master.

The boys are looking forward to graduation in April and moving up in rank. Some of our Cubs will be moving up into Boy Scouts and working toward being Tenderfoot Scouts.



SQUAW GOLFERS...The Friona girls golf team won the Farwell tournament recently. From left are Kristin Holland, Carrie Wilkerson, Renee' Downey, Sheryl Dement and Susan Huckabee.

Concert Scheduled April 2 In Hereford

The fourth concert for the Hereford Community Concerts will be held on Thursday, April 2 at Hereford High School Auditorium, beginning at 8 p.m.

The concert features Neal and Leandra, a folk-singing duo.

Neal and Leandra are an engaging, new folk duo on the national scene. Accompanying themselves on guitar, they keep audiences entertained from the very first note with their close vocal harmonies and warm, easy-going manner.

Neal and Leandra began working together in the Twin Cities area in 1986, and spent the first few years of their career in the heartland of America where they played colleges, folk festivals and community auditoriums. More recently, they have performed throughout the United States and have appeared often on Minnesota Public Radio's Morning Show, which is broadcast to five states.

Neal and Leandra are known for their strong songwriting

"THE TAFFETAS"

This musical ensemble group from Amarillo will provide a "blast from the past" at Friona High School Auditorium on Friday, April 3, at 7:30 p.m. The musical comedy production features popular tunes from the Fabulous Fifties.

Enjoy an evening of musical memories from the '50s.

Friona High School Auditorium
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Tickets available from Ethridge-Spring Agency and the Friona Star. Tickets can also be purchased at the door.

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Intimacy

By **RON TRUSLER**
M.Ed., L.P.C., C.C.D.S.
(Director of Clinical & Substance Abuse Services, Central Plains Center for MHMR and SA)

INTIMACY--most everybody wants it but not everybody knows how to get it! To be intimate means to allow others to know who we are--how we feel and think--and for them to allow us to know them. We want all this but we hide our true selves because we don't believe we're lovable. We're not receiving the love we want because we don't let others know who we are.

Most of us have never had the opportunity to learn the skills to maintain an intimate relationship. It doesn't happen by magic--it can be learned. But we all have some barriers to deal with first. We have a personal history and part of that may have some negative experiences that still affect us today. We've been hurt in the past and it affects present relationships.

The ability to communicate honestly and directly enables us to make our needs and wants known. It is hard to communicate feelings of anger and resentment in a way that won't destroy love. Suppressed anger or hostility are a cancer



RON TRUSLER

within an intimate relationship. Some people have erroneous beliefs that undermine relationships such as, "If you loved me, you would know what I think, feel, and want."

An essential element to intimacy is our own self-worth. How we feel about ourselves affects our ability to be intimate. When we have a healthy sense of our own self-worth, we have basic attitudes of "I'm lovable" and "I'm good enough."

Intimacy is not sex. Intimacy is not a romance novel. It's a lifelong exploration of knowing one another.

Cancer Screening Program Locally

The Breast Cancer Screening Program of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and High Plains Baptist Hospital of Amarillo will continue community outreach clinics for early detection of breast cancer.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for screening mammography for Texas residents qualifying for financial assistance.

Early detection of breast cancer is the major goal of cancer control for each woman seen in the clinic.

Currently, the most effective method known to win the battle against breast cancer is early detection. Early detection is best done by following the guidelines recommended by the American Cancer Society for breast cancer screening for women who have no signs or symptoms of breast cancer. The guidelines are: (1) Learn and

perform breast self-examination every month; (2) Have a physical examination every year; (3) Have a mammogram according to the recommendations by age. Age--35-40, one baseline mammogram; 40-50, a mammogram every 1-2 years; and over 50, yearly mammograms.

A clinic will be held in Friona on Tuesday, April 21 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Wednesday, April 22 from 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at Parmer County Community Hospital. Exams are done by appointment only.

MOM-O-GRAMS are also available for remembering someone special for Mother's Day. For more information or to make an appointment, please call the Harrington Cancer Center (806) 359-4673, or our toll free number 1-800-377-HOPE (4673). Locally, for more information, contact Elda Hart at 247-2754.

— YOUR EYES —



WHEN YOUNGSTERS DON'T SEE WELL ENOUGH

There's a difference between learning to read and really reading. The beginner can read a few words in large type, but different skills are needed to read long passages of relatively small print. It's estimated that one child in six has difficulty making the transition after fourth grade. For those youngsters, the problem is one or several eye functional disabilities which cannot be ascertained with ordinary vision screening -- usually the Snellen chart with the E on top. Some of the problems that affect reading and learning include:

- the inability to use two eyes simultaneously for a long time
- the inability to focus and refocus from blackboard to book, and
- eyes that turn out -- looking in different directions -- and send different and confusing messages to the brain.

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IKE STEVENS

Variable Annuities Could Be A Mainstay of the 1990s

Annuity assets currently total more than \$30 billion, up \$7 billion from a year ago, according to the Investment Company Institute, the trade association of the mutual fund industry. Likewise, annuity sales have increased more than 30 per cent in each of the past two years. Why the newfound popularity?

It may have something to do with the tax advantages of variable annuities. Rudolph Watz, vice president of insurance products for a major money-management firm, says the tax benefits of variable annuities resemble those of IRAs, but variable annuities can be bought in virtually unlimited dollar amounts.

After tax reform, many investors lost their tax deduction for IRAs. Those who didn't can only contribute up to \$2,000 a year. Tax reform eliminated most tax-exempt investments, so the value of any tax break becomes more important.

Today's variable annuity has evolved into a very sophisticated investment, and many mutual-fund groups have combined their expertise with that of major insurance companies. The result is the best of both worlds. The mutual funds concentrate on what they do best--managing money. The insurance companies, on the other hand, add the benefits of death protection and tax-sheltering.

Although a fund company's variable annuity accounts must be managed separately from the mutual fund's regular accounts, most are clones of conventional funds. There are a growing number of variable annuity fund accounts, however, that have no similarity to

the taxable funds. They are designed and managed specifically as annuity investments. The investment technique, however, is the same. After assessing the risks and rewards in each market sector, the fund adjusts the proportions invested in different securities, free from taxes. For example, when markets seem to favor fixed-income investments over growth securities, the fund attempts to shift its assets accordingly. The aim, of course, is to maximize returns while limiting risks.

There are some disadvantages to variable annuities, however. Some are much costlier than others. Those run by conservative companies typically charge around 1.75 per cent to 1.90 per cent of an investor's annual holdings. That compares with 1.3 per cent for the average taxable equity mutual fund.

In addition, annuities are long-term investments, and early withdrawal can incur charges from the annuity, plus penalties imposed by the Internal Revenue Service on investors who are not yet 59-1/2 years of age.

Some industry leaders are going so far as to predict that just as mutual funds were an investment mainstay in the 1980s, variable annuities could become a mainstay financial product in the 1990s.

TEMPERATURES

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Saturday, March 21	66-31
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