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Julie

I think you are still on the east coast, and hope you're not really checking emails. But I know better.

The Marfa newspaper, the Big Bend Sentinel, has had some great writers over the years including Sterry Butcher. She had a writing fellowship at Stanford a few years back and has gone on to do other things but now will be writing for Texas Monthly, where this article came from.

I scanned it and unfortunately it's not great quality and you cannot get the full effect of the beautifully photographed sepia-toned images from renowned photographer James Evans, also a West Texan.

Larry and I know Sterry and her husband Michael and they now live just down the street from us with their amazing son Huck and their horses. The whole town of Marfa was happy that Tigie Lancaster left them her little ranch when she died.

Sterry reminds me of you in her quiet confidence – and great writing skills. Perhaps you'll see her one day if we can get you and Pam to Marfa. Sorry you couldn't get there in time to meet Tigie. I disagreed with her over her protests about school tax rates, but otherwise thought she was delightfully independent and even charming, the closest thing to a female Dave Freeman I've known.

Happy 2014!

Laura