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FRIENDS and family gathered to cheer V'Lesha Wilcox as she signed a letter of intent to play basketball for the University of California at San Diego. Seated are Gene & Mildred Welch, Terry, V'Lesha, & Varla Wilcox. Right, V'Lesha is all smiles as she wears the UCSD blue & gold. She & her Squaw teammates opened the 2003-04 basketball season this week.
ron carr photos



V'Lesha Wilcox

Squaw Senior Signs With UC San Diego

BY RON CARR

In the summer of 2002, V'Lesha Wilcox's future was in some doubt. The FHS junior was diagnosed with myasthenia gravis, a neuromuscular disorder characterized by muscle group weakness, double vision, trouble walking and shortness of breath.

V'Lesha's athletic future, basketball and track, were cloudy as she traveled to Lubbock in June 2002 for an operation to remove her thymus gland. The operation is serious, similar to the procedure for heart bypass surgery.

The onset of the illness caused her to miss a big portion of the basketball season during her sophomore year. The operation caused concern about her upcoming junior season as a Friona Squaw. But she rebounded from the surgery and by the start of basketball season was back in the starting Squaw lineup.

As she and the rest of the Squaws begin the 2003-04 season this week, the senior will once

again be in the starting lineup, but with a short term future that has already been decided.

The myasthenia gravis operation sparked V'Lesha's interest in medicine as a career. She did some research on the Internet for colleges that have a good pre-medical program. She found the University of California at San Diego. Contacts by letter and email led to a visit to the school for V'Lesha a few weeks ago where she worked out with the basketball team for the coaches.

A scholarship offer followed. On Monday, November 17, 2003, family, teammates, coaches, and friends gathered in the Friona High School library as V'Lesha, already sporting a UCSD sweatshirt and bracelet, signed her letter of intent to attend the California University after her FHS graduation in 2004.

The University of California at San Diego was founded in 1960 and is noted as one of the nation's leading teaching and research institutions. USCD is ranked sixth in the nation in federal research and development expenditures among all U.S. colleges and universities.

The UCSD faculty includes eight Nobel laureates, a Pulitzer Prize winner in music, and a recipient of the Fields Medal, the highest

honor in mathematics.

Here is the important statistic as far as V'Lesha is concerned: according to their Website, among the nation's public universities, UCSD ranks first in the percentage of undergraduates who are accepted at both medical and graduate schools.

Located in La Jolla, California, the university claims an enrollment of 23,548. The nickname is UCSD Tritons. They are an NCAA Division II school.

V'Lesha is the daughter of Terry and Varla Wilcox of Friona, granddaughter of Gene and Mildred Welch and Frankie Lindeman. She has two older sisters, V'Lynda and V'Laura, and a younger brother Tolby, who is an FHS freshman this year.

Good luck to V'Lesha and the Friona Squaws this season and congratulations to V'Lesha on an amazing recovery and a clear vision of the future. We're proud!

Friona Pioneer Heritage Society 2004 Calendar
with Vintage Photos of Friona on Sale At the Bazaar

Bovina City Council Not Happy With Friona 911

The Bovina city council met in regular session November 11. Present were Aldermen Mike McCallum, Lance Teague, Jessie Stone, and Stan Miller; Mayor Galen Hromas, city manager Ernest Terry, Police Chief Leon Saddler, city secretary Bonnie Scaff, EMS director Larry Mitchell, and PRPC representative Pam Neilson.

Ernest Terry reported on his attendance at the Atmos Rate Case steering committee meeting in Midland (see separate story).

Pam Neilson gave a presentation on 911 dispatching. The council passed a resolution revoking the payment to Friona for 911 dispatching. They further approved asking county commissioners to move 911 dispatching from the

Friona PD to the Parmer County Sheriff's office in Farwell. The motion passed unanimously.

A letter dated November 12, 2003, from Ernest Terry to Friona city manager Terri Johnson, stated the rejection was based on Friona originally agreeing to provide 911 dispatching for the entire county and Bovina objects to paying a \$200 stipend for 911 services; the quality of 911 services is not satisfactory; Bovina is required to comply with Friona protocols when Bovina's system differs; and Bovina is required to assume all liability for dispatching services.

The letter concludes with this paragraph: "After repeated attempts by the Bovina EMS, Bovina Volunteer Fire Department, and the Bovina Police Department to

effect positive changes and due to a history of problems relating to the 911 service provided by Friona, the Bovina City Council passed Resolution 011103 stopping the \$200 stipend to Friona and recommending the relocation of the 911 service from Friona to the Sheriff's Office in Farwell."

Both Friona city manager Terri Johnson and PRPC 911 coordinator Pam Neilson were out of the office and unavailable for comment at press time.

In other business, the council passed a resolution, at the city manager's suggestion, to join the Panhandle Revenue Recovery Association for the purpose of collecting unpaid city utility bills.

The next meeting date for the Bovina city council will be December 11 at 7 p.m.

Living Christmas Tree Dec. 6 & 7

A delightful combination of adults, children and the Friona High School choir will lend their voices to a beautiful performance of the Living Christmas Tree on Saturday, December 6 at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, December 7 at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at the Friona Jr. High Auditorium.

Everyone is invited to come and enjoy a bit of holiday spirit.

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, our deadline for ads and news next week will be 5 P.M. Monday, Nov. 24. The newspaper will be published and distributed on Wednesday, Nov. 26.



JOY MORTON was honored by past & present students. Below the cast assembles for a grand finale.
ron carr photos

Morton Honored With Special Thespian Tribute

Kudos, tributes, and tears were in evidence Saturday night as Friona High School speech, drama and English teacher Joy Morton was properly toasted and roasted.

Joy has taught at Friona High School for 42 years, earning wide respect for her drama groups and UIL debate teams, several of which went as far as state competition. (There is a rumor that she may actually retire at the end of this year.)

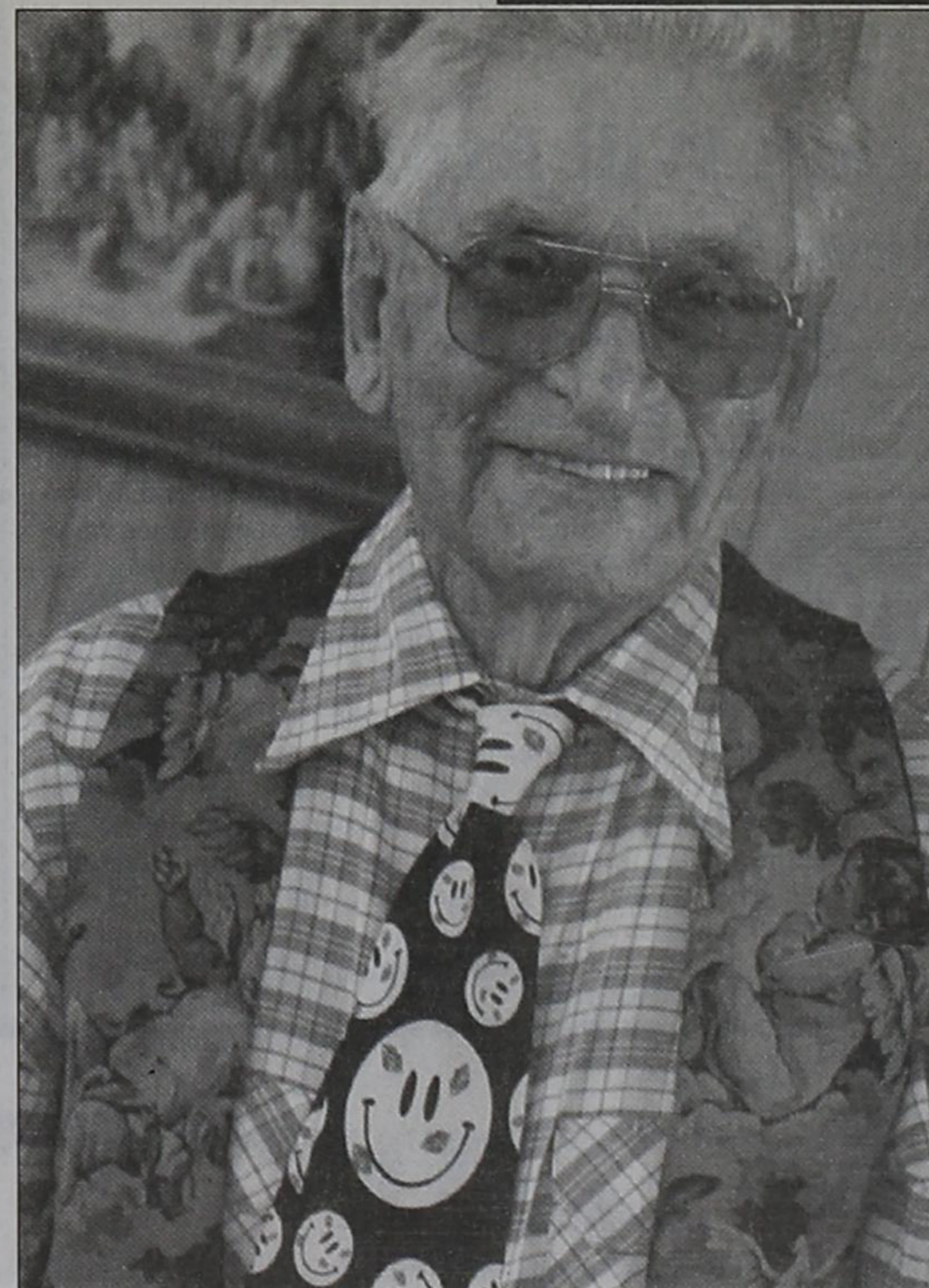
A musical tribute, 42 Years of Joy, was presented by current FHS Thespian Troupe 1379, joined by

a few of Morton's alumni. The presentation consisted of 25 musical numbers, interspersed with the reading of letters of tribute from out of town alumni unable to attend for the evening. The emcees for the event were Bryan Johnston, Becky Riethmayer, and Rick Barnett. All of the musical selections were from past thespian productions performed by Morton's high school troupes.

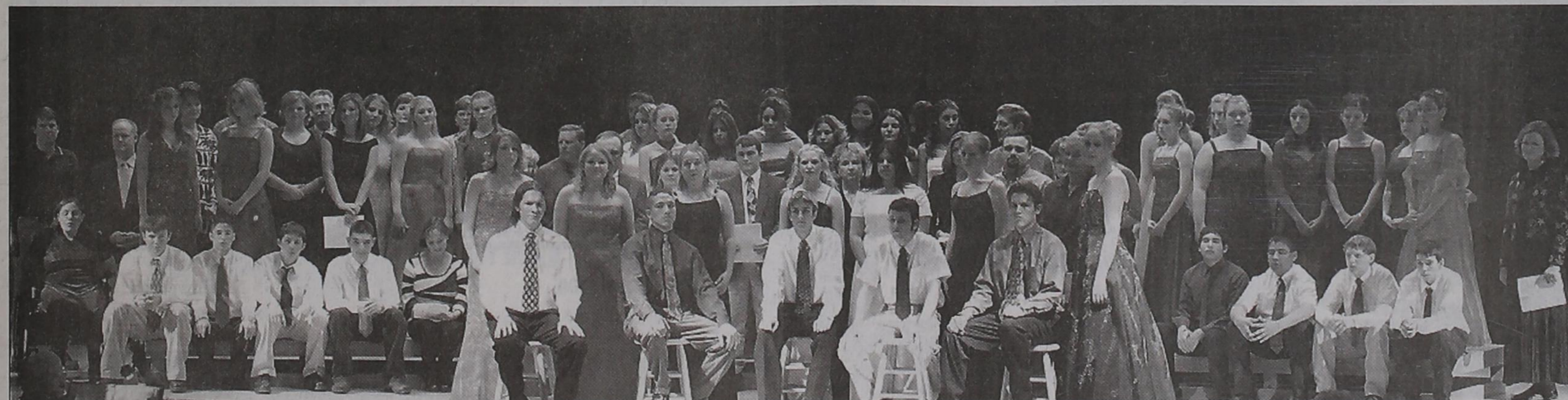
Former students made surprise musical presentations and many others attended. A reception followed the program and donations

were, and still are, being accepted for a Joy Morton Thespian Scholarship fund.

From the evening's printed program: "Thank you to all alumni and special friends who had any part in tonight's tribute. Many wrote letters, performed, sent memories and well wishes, read gathered addresses, baked pies, contributed to the scholarship fund, or were here to show your support of Joy. Without you, the past 42 years would have had little meaning. Because of Joy, our lives are richer. Thank you for enriching her night by your contribution."



HE IS SMILING and so is his tie. Elton Venable was one of the volunteers at Bovina's senior citizen chili dinner held Tuesday at Bovina's Senior Center.
ron carr photo



HAPPY BIRTHDAY BOVINA

Birthdays for the week of November 23, 2003.

- Nov. 23—Steve Cockerham
- Nov. 25—Frank Galvan, Kris Galvan, Dorothy Looney
- Nov. 26—Oma Lee George
- Nov. 27—Lowell Primrose, Angela Englant
- Nov. 28—Dean Stanberry
- Nov. 29—Anthony Ramon

If you or someone in your family has a birthday coming up soon, please call the Friona Star office at 250-2211 by Tuesday noon and report it. When you see names, which should have been removed from our birthday listings (moved away, names that have changed, deceased, etc.) call the newspaper and let someone know. Thank you.

FRIONA FLASHBACKS

45 Yrs. Ago
November 20, 1958
Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Baxter, who were married November 15, 1900, at Arapaho, Oklahoma, observed their 58th wedding anniversary quietly in their home on Main Street Saturday. Fifty-eight years ago the couple drove from their hometown of Weatherford to the county seat of Arapaho in a buggy for the ceremony.

35 Yrs. Ago
November 21, 1968
Hugh Moseley, Master of the Friona Masonic Lodge, has announced that the new flagpole at the Masonic Temple at 610 West Seventh Street will be officially dedicated on Tuesday morning at 9 a.m. and the public is invited to attend this service.

25 Yrs. Ago
November 26, 1978
Friona FFA chapter's radio broadcasting team won first place in both the district and area contests, and are qualified to enter the state contests December 2 in Huntsville. Members of the team are Mark Gammon, Park Weatherly, Ricky Taylor and Larry White.
Bill Scott, manager of Friona Farm-

ers Co-op Gin, received a cotton bale gin tag (stapled to a letter), which was found by an American tourist in China and returned to Friona. The bale was ginned in Friona last fall, and was used in a Chinese textile mill this year.

15 Yrs. Ago
November 26, 1988
The Friona area received its first snowfall of the season last Saturday, when a cold front brought two inches of white stuff, which fell with a north wind.

John Edd Duke was the district champion in the boys' cross-country competition, held in Lubbock recently. Duke won his three-mile race with a time of 16.44. He also was the winner of this year's Dixon Six-Mile Race during Maize Days.

J.P. Sims brought by some of the souvenirs he brought back from attending the first game of the World Series in San Diego between the Padres and the Yankees. Sims' son Bobby lives in San Diego and the two attended the game. He said they sat two rows up right behind home plate.

BOVINA REFLECTIONS

35 Yrs. Ago
November 27, 1968
About a bale of cotton and a cotton trailer were burned Tuesday afternoon last week on the Lloyd Gober farm five and one-half miles southeast of Bovina.

25 Yrs. Ago
November 29, 1978
The first bale of cotton was ginned in Bovina by the Lawlis Gin Monday, November 27. The cotton was brought in by Don Williams. In all, three bales were ginned Monday, with Don Williams and Jerry Heard bringing in the cotton.

15 Yrs. Ago
November 30, 1988
Jerry Bentley was the grand prize winner in the Bovina Blade Foot-

ball Contest, posting a winning score of 129 to claim the \$100 cash prize in the contest.

5 Yrs. Ago
November 27, 1998
Jim Tubbs, a coach in his first year at Bovina High, is the week 12 winner of the Bovina football contest.

Bovina ISD held a public hearing on the 1997-98 Academic Excellence Indicator System report on November 14 in the boardroom of the Bovina ISD Administration Building. Copies of the report are available for public viewing in the school libraries and the principal's office.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY FRIONA

Birthdays for the week of November 23 through November 29.
November 23—Clark Kaufmann, Denae Reeve McLellan, Jim Beard, Greg Martin, Brad Lane, Tony Nunley, Marcus Joel Vargas, Brandi Smith

November 24—Junior Mata, Kenneth McLellan, Angela Van Valkenburg, Jeremy Burkart, Ashley Schlenker, Pat Martin, Dee Willard

November 25—John Tannahill, Laura Ellis Garcia, Eddie Wilson, Lucy Beth Hinkle, Gladys Day, Michelle Mendoza, Sharon Mills, Melissa Collier, Polly Rivera, Edward Rivera, Sharon White, Lisa K. Taylor

November 26—Jamie Reeve Epperson, Don Maynard, Kim Ready, Jon Mack Roden

November 27—Johnna Blackburn, Danielle Fleming, Jacob Nelson, Lana Fangman Bracken, Jordan Monroe

November 28—Nelda Talley, Cason White, Rena Burnett, Nell Carlton, R.J. Barrett, Caitlin Davenport, Michael Trevino, Jr.

November 29—Mitchell Gibson, Lisa Cummings Gonzales, Nicole Potts Talley, Ky Graham, Timothy Padron, Terry Foster

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Holy Moley! Sudderth Has Perfect Entry in Week 12

Glenden Sudderth of Bovina took a lot of our hard-earned money in the Week 12 football contest. He turned in a perfect entry, all 18 games correct. Almost.

We had two games on the entry that were thrown out for grading purposes. Our mistake. Sorry. Everyone was given two correct points for the Sunray bye and the 3-1A champ vs. 4-1A champ game was not clear so we threw it out too.

So Glenden's entry was not so perfect after all because he would probably have missed both of the thrown out games if they had not been thrown out. We know he would have picked the wrong team in the Sunray bye week.

In any event, under protest, we awarded the \$25 first place money and the \$25 bonus for a perfect score to Glenden Sudderth. (And he knows we were just kidding with all the mean things we said about him.)

Second place was interesting too. Eight contestants scored 17 correct. Sandra Berend of Friona and Alesia Tucker of Wichita, Kansas, both picked 17 correct and both were closest to the tie-breaker at 7 points off.

For the first time this year we had to use total rushing yardage

to break the tie on the tie-breaker. Berend was closest to the 370 total rushing yards in the Tulane v. So. Miss game so she wins the \$15 second prize. Tucker, who has already won some of our contest cash this year, gets another \$10 for third place.

One more week to go. There is no contest in today's paper. The last week of the contest was in last week's paper. Jimmy Harris continues his slim lead in overall points with 164. Claire Brown, Dorothy Harris, and Bobby Wied are only one point back at 163, with Clint Mears and Jimmy Walker a not-so-distant 160. Clint has offered us a bribe to fix the last week and we are still considering the offer.

Two grand prizes are on the line: \$200 for first place and \$100 for second place. In case of a tie, we will determine the winner by computing their tie-breaker "points off" on each of the 13 weeks and the contestant with the lowest total points off margin wins the money.

Stay tuned for the exciting finish and thanks to all our contestants for entering the competition this year. A special thanks to our special sponsors. The name of the winner will be revealed next week. Good luck and good pickin'.

FHS All A Honor Roll

Principal Lori Zingerman has announced the All A Honor Roll for the second six weeks.

Ninth grade: Courtney Adams, Leslee Avalos, Maria Banuelos, Stephen Campbell, Desiree Cordova, Meghan Hendrickson, Jordan Jamerson, Allison Jones, Caleb Miller, Hannah Stovall, Rose Tirado, Cindy Trevino, and Briana Wright.

Tenth grade: Fabian Dominguez, Jesus Gonzalez, Caleb Hidalgo, Morgan Leal, Magdalena Ortega, and Deniss Vazquez.

Eleventh grade: Misty Adams, Guadalupe Estrada, Matthew Gammon, Andrea Geries, Erandy Lara, Brenda Murphree, and Trisha Winebrinner.

Twelfth grade: Roxana Aguilar, Claudia Cruz, Jacobo Dominguez, Cindy Estrada, Amy Geries, Haleigh Herbert, Travis Monk, Ty Potts, Bridget Soltero, Mashay White, Sara Widner, and V'Leshia Wilcox.

FJHS All A Honor Roll

Principal Kevin Wiseman has announced the All A Honor Roll for the second six weeks.

Sixth grade: Bryan Baxter, Sasha Estrada, Alex Ferguson, Paige Herbert, Kenneth Newhouse, David Ramos, Alma Robles, Ashley Trevino and Melina Vega.

Seventh grade: Hannah Carthel, Edward Echevarria, Aaron Hand, Maria Jurado, Lucy Mendez, John O'Brian, Gabriela Rivera, Alba Soltero, Andrew Stowers, Alex Vega and Kathleen Wylly.

Eighth grade: Lauren Hughs, Joann Mendoza, Dulce Ortigoza, Alonzo Rojas and Erica Wylly.

Leal's Will Expand With New Amarillo Location

Is there anyone in Parmer County that has not eaten at Leal's in Muleshoe or Clovis?

The popular Mexican food restaurant is a regular stop for high school sports fans traveling to or from games that lead through Muleshoe. Many more make the 30-mile drive just to dine on the generous portions of Mexican fare.

According to a report in the November 13 Muleshoe Journal, you can soon enjoy Leal's cuisine in Amarillo. Owner Victor Leal, who is mayor of Muleshoe, will resign that position in January, move to Amarillo, and open a new Leal's Mexican Food Restaurant.

Leal told the Journal that the

Amarillo location will be in the former Gardski's Restaurant in Wellington Square, near I-40 and Georgia. Extensive renovation will be done at the site. Leal said, "It is a good opportunity for our family. Unfortunately sometimes when you expand, you have to relocate." No date was given for the Amarillo opening.

Leal's was opened in 1957 by Victor's parents Jessie and Irma, according to the Muleshoe paper. Victor took over 11 years ago when his parents retired. He assured readers that the Muleshoe restaurant will continue in the good hands of several long time employees.

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Bovina Manager On Atmos Rates Steering Committee

Atmos Energy has requested a 7.32% rate increase for Panhandle customers. The increase is being studied and generally opposed by cities throughout the Panhandle area.

Bovina city manager Ernest Terry is one of 16 officials selected to participate in a steering committee to respond to the rate request.

The committee met November 7 in Midland, Texas. Atmos Energy official gave a presentation on the 7.32% increase.

Terry said that an analysis of the request puts the increase closer to 70%. An Austin lawyer, Geoffrey Gay, is representing the steering committee and will suggest courses of action for the cities.

Terry suggested to the coalition members that special consideration for retirees on fixed income be given. The suggestion was approved and will be on future agendas.

The steering committee will prepare a consultant report and present their settlement issues to the cities and to Atmos Energy.

Terry said, "Very probably this case will wind up in January with the cities drafting and approving an ordinance stating what rates will be allowed for Atmos." Terry said it is probable that the increase would be 30-40% and include a retiree freeze provision. Atmos will then have to decide whether to accept the ordinance or appeal to the Texas Railroad Commission.

Terry says that Atmos does not want the case to go to the Railroad Commission. They want to be eligible for a new law, approved by the Texas Legislature that goes into effect next year, which will allow them to increase rates without approving authority.

The new law, called GRIP, grants an automatic rate adjustment to allow gas utilities to include costs related to new plant investment in rates without filing a full rate case. Costs included are return (profits) on investment, depreciation expense, and certain taxes, all of which can be passed on under the new legislation.

Fifty-six cities, including Friona and Hereford, signed on to the rate case issue and 16 steering committee members represent the 56 cities in the negotiations.

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Light Up The Park Dec. 1

Christmas in the Park will be a very special treat this year. The City of Friona, the Chamber of Commerce and the Women's Division of the Chamber are combining talent, money, manual labor and a beautiful setting for an exciting evening.

There will be musical entertainment by the High School Choir, directed by Allison Johnston, and Santa will be there to take all of the children's orders for Christmas.

At a specified time, the lights in the park will be "turned on". The city employees have worked very hard to light up all the trees in the park for this special season. About 15,000 lights have been added to the decorations this year. These lights will add a very festive atmosphere to downtown Friona during the Christmas season.

All children are invited to come, talk to Santa, and have a picture made. Everyone is encouraged to be a part of this evening, to mark the official start of the Christmas Season in Friona.

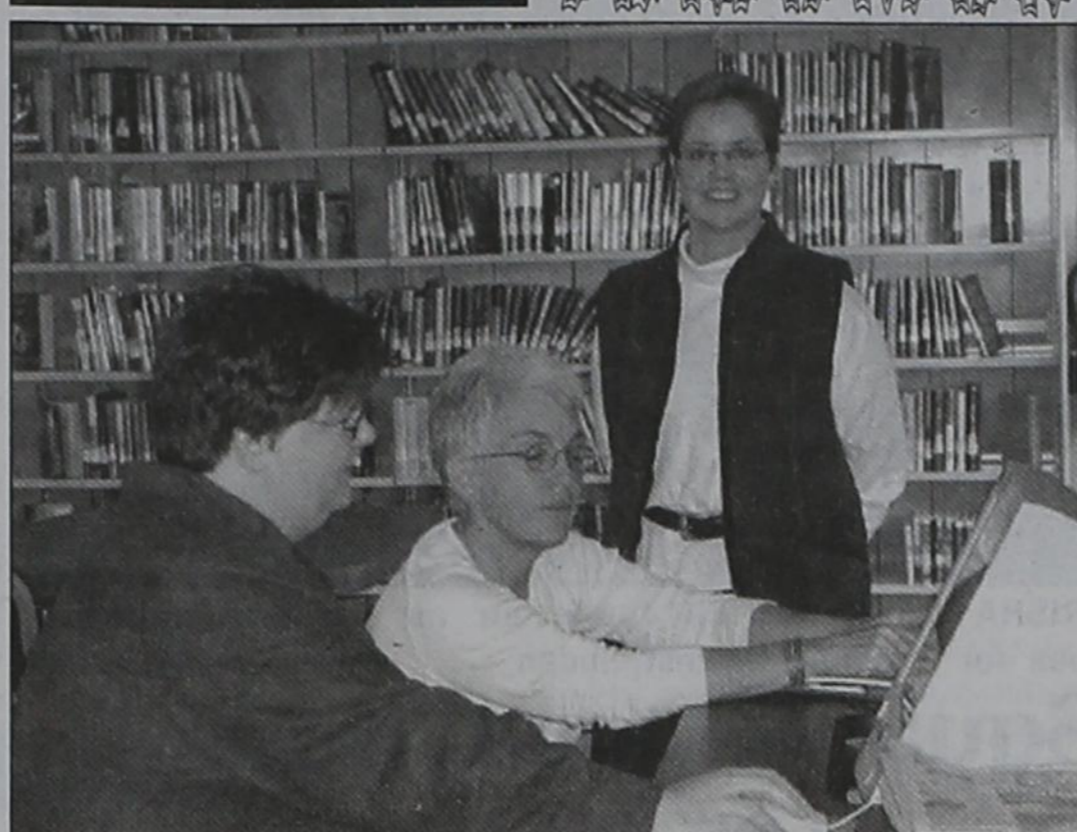
So, get your list ready and go to the park on Monday, December 1 at 6:30 p.m.

Honor Society Inducts Hutson

David Hutson of Friona, a senior general business major, was one of the 148 students inducted into the Zeta Chapter of Alpha Chi National Honor Society at West Texas A&M University.

Membership in Alpha Chi is by invitation only and is limited to students who have completed at least 30 semester hours with an overall grade point average of 3.5 or higher and who rank in the top 10 percent of the junior or senior class.

The purpose of Alpha Chi is to recognize students who have maintained a high level of scholarship, according to Dr. Duane J. Rosa, Alpha Chi faculty sponsor and director of the Department of Planning and Analysis at WTAMU.



LISA BERRY Assistant Library Director of the Harrington Library THSC, left, assists local Family Nurse Practitioner Teddy Jones, center, with a hands-on internet search of the National Library of Medicine Database. Also shown is Dana Neelley, Associate Director of the Texas Tech Health Science Center. Several local individuals took advantage of the excellent training opportunity including the Friona ISD nursing staff.

Xmas Arts & Crafts Show Nov. 22-23

The Amarillo Civic Center will be the site for the 23rd annual Christmas Arts & Crafts Show. Holiday Productions has been producing the Arts & Crafts Shows for 23 years and is one of the few shows with only handmade crafts. This year they will have exhibitors not only from Texas, but also from as far as Montana, Oregon, Colorado, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Kansas. It is the perfect opportunity to purchase gifts for Christmas that are a one of a kind item.

Jewelry, pottery, metal art, leather works, blown glass, furniture, art, ceramics, quilts, floral arrangements, homemade foods, decorations, and much more.

The show will be held at the Amarillo Civic Center, North Exhibit Hall, 4th and Buchanan. The dates this year are November 22-23. The show hours will be Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Sunday from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m. The admission price is \$4.00 for adults, children 14 and under will get in free, when accompanied by an adult.

Arts and crafts on display will range from wood crafts, clothing,

Cargill to Award 350 Scholarships

Cargill will award \$350,000 in scholarships this year to high school seniors living in or near Cargill communities who plan to enroll in accredited post-secondary institutions in the fall of 2004.

The Cargill Community Scholarship Program is designed to serve high school seniors in Cargill communities planning to pursue a two- or four-year degree in any major. Students are selected based on academic achievement and involvement in extra-curricular activities. The program, administered by National FFA Organization, will award 350, \$1,000 scholarships. In addition, each recipient's high school will be eligible for a \$200 grant to support its library.

FFA will handle the processing of applications and the selection of winners. FFA performs independently of Cargill and makes its awards without regard to race, color, creed, sex, religion, handicap or national origin. Students do not need to be a member of FFA to be eligible.

"We are pleased to join FFA in an effort to reward outstanding students and assist them in their efforts to continue on to higher education," said Mark Murphy, manager of Cargill Stakeholder Relations. "Cargill and its subsidiary businesses have a long-standing commitment to education programs and will continue to look for opportunities to nourish the lives of young people in the communities where we do business."

"FFA prepares young people for future success in more than 300 diverse careers through agricultural education," explains Anna Melodia, director of educational programs for the National FFA Organization. "Supporting those young people in pursuing a post-secondary degree is crucial to this mission."

Through volunteerism, partnerships and grant making, Cargill contributes more than \$22 million each year to civic and charitable organizations worldwide to help fulfill the company's vision to be the global leader in nourishing people. This year, the company will commit more than \$500,000 to provide scholarships to students living in or near Cargill communities in the United States. Cargill subsidiaries in the U.S. include: Excel, Sunny Fresh Foods, Horizon Milling, Caprock Industries, Wilbur Chocolate, North Star Steel, Hohenberg Brothers and Emmepak Foods.

FFA is a national youth organization of 464,267 student members preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture with 7,194 local chapters in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. FFA strives to make a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. Visit www.ffa.org for more information.

Friona Jr. High U.I.L. Results

The Friona Junior High School U.I.L. results-November 11, 2003 were:

- Music Memory: sixth grade, Justin Lozoya-3rd;
- Editorial Writing: seventh grade, Justin Echevarria-3rd, Gaby Rivera-6th; eighth grade, Stefanie Tirado-1st;
- Ready Writing: sixth grade, Taryn Jamerson-1st, Sasha Estrada-3rd, Alex Ferguson-5th; seventh grade, Lucy Mendez-1st, Kathleen Wylly-3rd, Hannah Carthel-4th; eighth grade, Erin Austin-2nd, Sawyer Reed-4th;
- Mathematics: sixth grade, Team-3rd, David Ramos-5th; seventh grade, Justin Echevarria-4th; eighth grade, Cynthia Lara-4th;
- Number Sense: seventh grade, Team-2nd, Justin Echevarria-2nd, Alex Vega-6th; eighth grade, Team-1st, Lauren Hughs-1st, Jordan Carr-3rd, Elizabeth Quintana-5th;
- Calculators: sixth grade, Team-2nd, Ramiro Vega-3rd, Yesenia Ortiz-5th; seventh grade, Team-2nd, Omar Tafoya-4th, Tyler Shields-6th;
- Dictionary Skills: sixth grade, Team-3rd, Bryan Baxter-6th;
- Maps, Graphs & Charts: eighth grade, Team-1st, Sawyer Reed-3rd;
- Science: seventh grade, Team-2nd, Alex Vega-3rd; eighth grade, Team-2nd, Alonzo Rojas-5th;
- Spelling: sixth grade, Team-3rd, Bryan Baxter-3rd; seventh grade, Team-2nd, Lucy Mendez-2nd; eighth grade, Lauren Hughs-1st;
- Impromptu Speaking: seventh grade, Christy Widner-4th;
- Oral Reading: sixth grade, Sasha Estrada-1st, Paige Herbert-5th; seventh grade, Aaron Hand-1st, Kathleen Wylly-4th;
- Modern Oratory: eighth grade, Erin Austin-5th;
- Listening Skills: sixth grade, Team-2nd, Ashley Trevino-2nd, Jessie London-3rd; seventh grade, Team-2nd, Maria Meza-3rd, Jesus Perez-6th tie, Andy Bentley-6th, tie.

FJHS A/B Honor Roll

Principal Kevin Wiseman has announced the A/B Honor Roll for the second six weeks.

Sixth grade: Stephanie Aguirre, Leonardo Castaneda, Fernando Chavez-Salcido, Joseph Dickson, Felissa Dominguez, Maria Garcia, Alfonso Grado, Derek Jamerson, Taryn Jamerson, Jordan Kelley;

Also, Lacey Lookingbill, Anyuli Lopez, Yesenia Ortiz, Krystal Rios, Marquese Saenz, Monica Saenz, Jessica Sallinas, Jesus Sarabia, Blanca Soto, Matthew Stanberry, Guadalupe Vazquez and Kyla Wood.

Seventh grade: Tori Abeyta, Monica Acosta, Michael Beard, Steven Bentley, Brittany Berend, Paola Castillo, Jessica Delgadillo, Staci Fairweather, Melissa Gallego, Amber Garcia, Gerardo Garza, Victor Guerra, Cierra Henry, Emma Lopez;

Also, Pablo Lopez, Daniel Mendoza, Jose Angel Mendoza, Ricardo Monreal, Jazmin Neyoy, Liliana Palacios, Teresa Ramos, Patrick Rios, Richard Salinas, Maricela Sanchez, Desiree Sandoval, Heather Sandoval and Christy Widner.

Eighth grade: Erin Anthony, Morgan Anthony, Erin Austin, Briar Barnett, Jordan Carr, Miranda Frye, Ryan Gerles, Alex Gurley, Hollis Gurley, Chris Halle, Trent Hudson, Ivan Loya, Jordan Monroe, Elizabeth Quintana, Sawyer Reed, Edlyn Romero, Monica Sanchez, Cesar Tarango, John Carlos Torres and Dillon Welch.

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Jr. High Round Robin Schedule for 2003-2004**
Jr. High games will start at 5:00 p.m.

BOYS		GIRLS	
11/24/03			
Farwell	@Hart	Hart	@Farwell
Springlake-Earth	@Sudan	Sudan	@Springlake-Earth
Kress	@Bovina	Kress	@Bovina
12/01/03			
Hart	@Sudan	Sudan	@Hart
Farwell	@Bovina	Bovina	@Farwell
Kress	@Springlake-Earth	Springlake-Earth	@Kress
12/08/03			
Bovina	@Hart	Hart	@Bovina
Sudan	@Kress	Kress	@Sudan
Springlake-Earth	@Farwell	Farwell	@Springlake-Earth
12/15/03			
Hart	@Kress	Kress	@Hart
Bovina	@Springlake-Earth	Springlake-Earth	@Bovina
Farwell	@Sudan	Sudan	@Farwell
01/05/04			
Springlake-Earth	Hart	Hart	@Springlake-Earth
Kress	@Farwell	Farwell	@Kress
Sudan	@Bovina	Bovina	@Sudan
01/12/04			
Hart	@Farwell	Farwell	@Hart
Sudan	@Springlake-Earth	Springlake-Earth	@Sudan
Kress	@Bovina	Bovina	@Kress
01/19/04			
Sudan	@Hart	Hart	@Sudan
Bovina	@Farwell	Farwell	@Bovina
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01/26/04			
Hart	@Bovina	Bovina	@Hart
Kress	@Sudan	Sudan	@Kress
Farwell	@Springlake-Earth	Springlake-Earth	@Farwell



TRISHA WINEBRINNER looks on as Brenda Murphree goes for 2 points against Sudan. ron carr photo

Squaws Down Sudan; Open On A High Note

by BILL ELLIS
The Squaws' varsity opened the 2003-04 season on a high note Tuesday night, when they downed Sudan, 38-31.

It was the first win the Squaws have had over Sudan in at least ten years, and Coach Richard North says Sudan is "good, as they always are".
The game was very close for three quarters, tied at 8-all (first quarter), and Sudan leading 19-18 at the half.

The Lady Hornets took a 31-24 lead after outscoring FHS 12-6 in the third, but the Squaws rallied to score 14 fourth-quarter points, holding Sudan scoreless.

The Squaws have six lettermen back from last year's playoff team,

and these all played quite a bit a year ago.

Katy Welch and Trisha Winebrinner led the scoring with eight each.

The Squaws' JV downed Floyd, N.M., 42-21, led by Yvonne Vega's 20 points.

SQUAWS 38, SHS 31
Andrea Geries 1-0-2; Katy Welch 2-1*-1-8; Brenda Murphree 2*-0-6; Ashley Smiley 1-4-6; R.J. Barrett 1-0-2; Trisha Winebrinner 4-0-8; V'Lesha Wilcox 2-2-6.

SQUAWS JV 42, FHS 21
Yvonne Vega 7-2*-0-20; Lucretia Field 1-0-2; Staci Murphree 2-1-5; Molly Carthel 2-0-4; Courtney Adams 1-2-4.

*3-point baskets

Board Accepts Band Director Resignation

The Bovina school board met in regular session on November 11. All members were present except Izzy Carrasco. Staff present were Charles Carter, Bill Bizzell, Darla Sealey, Kent Torbert, and Tommy Boatwright.

The board considered a contract with JR3 Third Party Employer. A motion was made to table the contract until the December meeting. That motion passed 4/2 with Beauchamp, Hughes, Kerby, and Villarreal voting for and Brozek and Steelman voting against.

JR3 is a company that provides teachers to school districts under a special private employer contract. A teacher would work for JR3 and be contracted to a school district. The district would pay JR3 who in turn would pay the teacher's salary.

In other activity, the board considered and approved a technology contract with the Bovina Community Network; discussed the junior/senior prom; cast Bovina ISD's 460 votes for Leon Ware for the Parmer County Appraisal District board of directors for 2004-05; discussed an interlocal agreement with Farwell ISD; and discussed but took no action on discipline and disorderly conduct procedures.

Resignations of band director Ellen Reighley and kindergarten teacher Deborah Lopez were accepted. Reighley will be leaving at the end of the first semester and Lopez will complete the school year.

After reports from school principals, coaches and the superintendent, the meeting was adjourned.



Maidens BB Season Opens

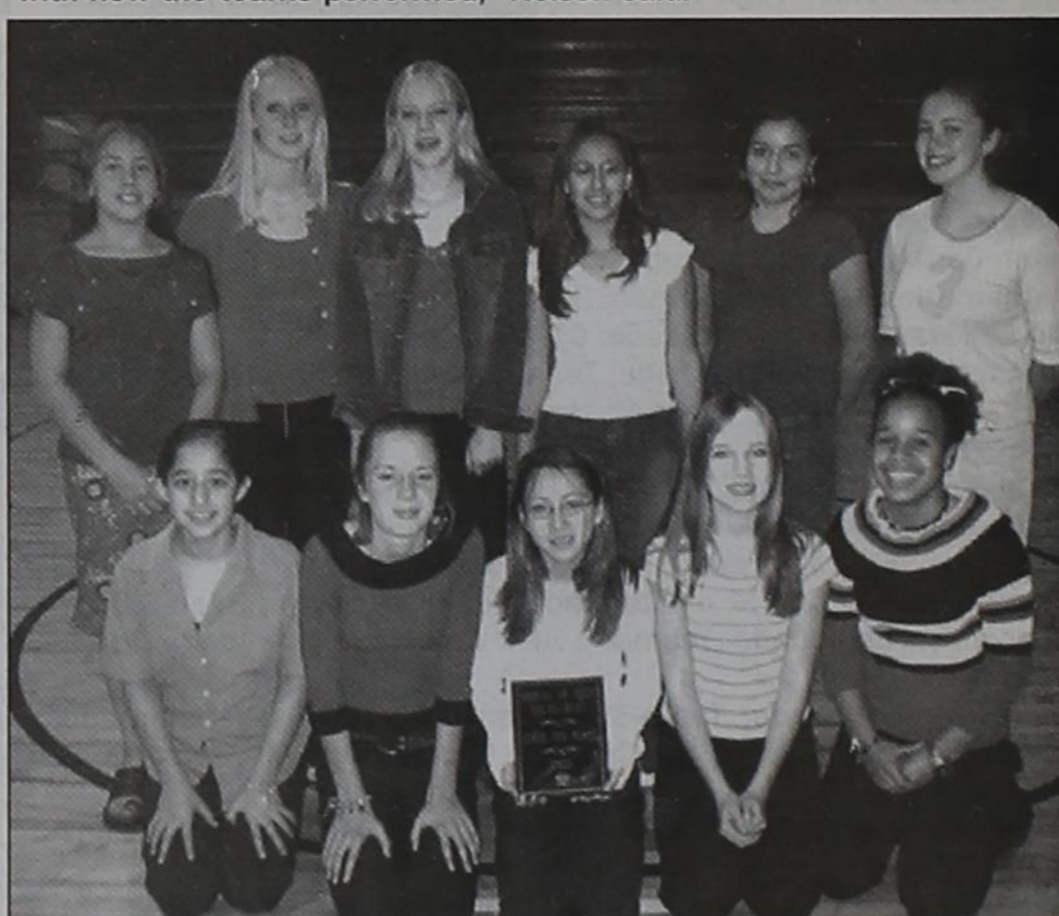
The Friona junior high Maidens are off to a good start in the 2003-04 basketball season.

The 8th grade B team, coached by Karen Nelson, won 3rd place in a tournament at Adrian last weekend. In the first game they defeated the Adrian B girls 64-2. On Friday, they lost to the Adrian A team 33-18, but came back to win against San Jacinto 7th grade 47-2 on Saturday. Morgan Anthony was high score in the first game with 12 points. Adrienne Osborn and Deirdre Johnston led Friday scoring with 4 points each. Saturday, Julissa Saenz was high with 12 points. Cassie Ramos and Morgan Anthony each had 8 in Saturday's game.

In other action, the 7th and 8th Maidens played Abernathy with different results. The 7th A team lost big, defeated by Abernathy 62-5. Heather Sandoval scored 4 points and Lucy Mendez had 1 point. The 7th B girls won 10-4. Heather Sandoval had 8 rebounds and a steal while Lucy Mendez and Melissa Gallegos each had 2 rebounds and a steal. The 7th grade girls are coached by Ben Kirton.

The 8th grade A Maidens beat Abernathy 46-17, led by Miranda Frye with 14 points, Briar Barnett 7, Blair Smiley 7, Michelle Martin and Erin Anthony 5 each.

The 8th B girls won 10-0 with Monica Sanchez and Deirdre Johnston 4 points each. Coach Nelson said Hollis Gurley had a strong game with 8 rebounds, 4 steals and 2 blocked shots. "Overall I was very pleased with how the teams performed," Nelson said.



THE 8th grade B Maidens won a 3rd place plaque at the Adrian Tournament. Back, l-r, Monica Sanchez, Adrienne Osborn, Morgan Anthony, JoAnn Mendoza, Julissa Saenz, Deirdre Johnston. Front, l-r, April Cantu, Jordan Carr, Cassie Ramos, Erica Wylie, Sabrina Barber. courtesy photo

Rivera Returns Home For Short Leave



HUGO RIVERA

Hugo Rivera, son of Lazaro and Clementina Rivera of Friona, joined the Marine Corp August 5, 2003. He was stationed in San Diego, California, for basic training, where he lost 35 pounds. After graduating on October 31, 2003 he came home, to Friona, on leave.

Mr. Rivera will be returning to San Diego for a short time and then will be sent to Camp LaJeune, North Carolina for three months of training as a Combat Engineer.

Hugo is a 1999 Friona High School graduate and a former employee of Hi-Pro Feeds in Friona.

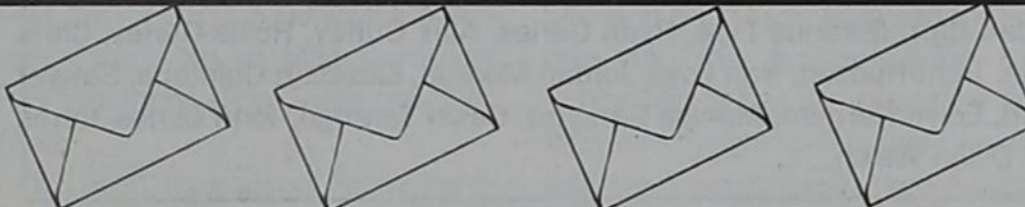
Bovina Middle School A/B Honor Roll

Principal Tommy Boatwright has announced the A/B Honor Roll for the second six weeks.

Sixth grade: Jesus Anaya, Kimberly Casas, Ricardo Delarosa, Francisco Garcia, Francisco Guevara, Alicia Lopez, Jesus Rodriguez, Ricardo Sanchez, David Saucedo and Daniel Silva.

Seventh grade: Janette Caldera, Angelica Carmona, Isaias Castillo, Jeremy Curtis, Omar Flores, Danna Guerrero, Peter Hiebert, Denise Larrea, Cinthia Munoz, Lorena Newton, Jesus Rocha, Oscar Rodriguez, Roberto Ruiz, Esmeralda Saucedo, Jason Sheena and Audrie Terrones.

Eighth grade: Jaime Chavira, Marisela Garcia, Sonia Garcia, Jaime Lopez, Ruben Lopez and Christie Thatcher.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Ron Carr:

The local chapter of the United Way wishes to announce it has raised 98% of the 2003 campaign goal. The community's enthusiastic support has been the key. The 100% mark is in sight and you can help us reach this goal. If you were not called during the recent Phone-A-Thon or not contacted by a member of the Pace Setters and you would like to support the United Way of Friona, please contact Cecil Maddox at 250-3439.

The goal for 2003 is \$40,000 in pledges. Organizations receiving local United Way funds for 2003 included the local Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Boys/Girls State, Kid's Inc. of Friona, Friona 4-H, Friona Meals on Wheels, Meals for Seniors, Friona Friendship House, Red Cross, Salvation Army, Panhandle Community Fund, the Empty Stocking Fund, Friona Pioneer Heritage Museum, and Friona Emergency Fund. Ninety-nine percent of funds raised goes to organizations in this area.

The United Way board says Thank You to all who have made this year's campaign a success. Thank you to all the contributors. Thank you to all the participants in the Phone-A-Thon, especially the Senior Citizens and CASA students from Friona High School. And thank you to the Pace Setters for contacting all the businesses in Friona.

Mark McMorrough



Jacqueline Chavez

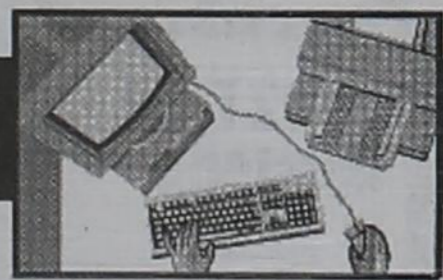
Meet the Class of 2016

Jacqueline is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. Her parents are Fernando and Guadalupe Chavez. She has one sister, Liliana, and a brother, Fernando.

Jacqueline likes to jump on the trampoline, and ride her bike. Her favorite food is chicken nuggets.

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Friona native John Baxter is now associated with the Big Valley auto dealership in Portales, New Mexico (formerly Chuck Daggett).

John has 33 years experience selling cars and invites all of his Parmer County customers to



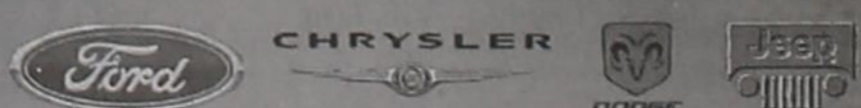
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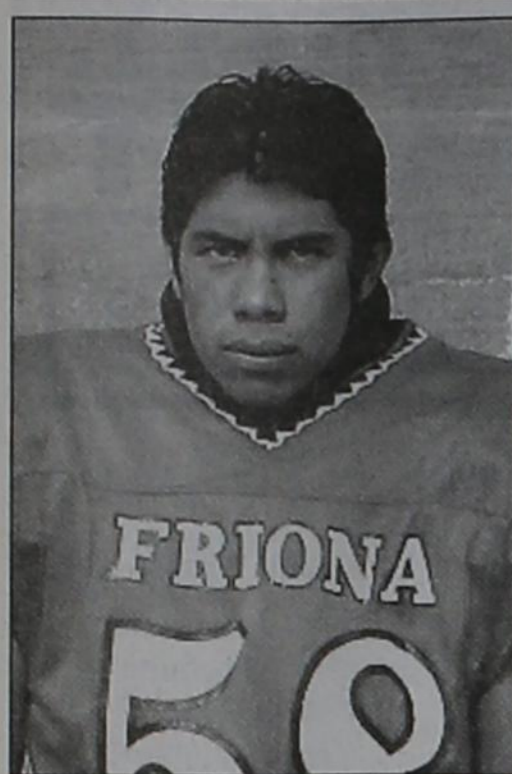
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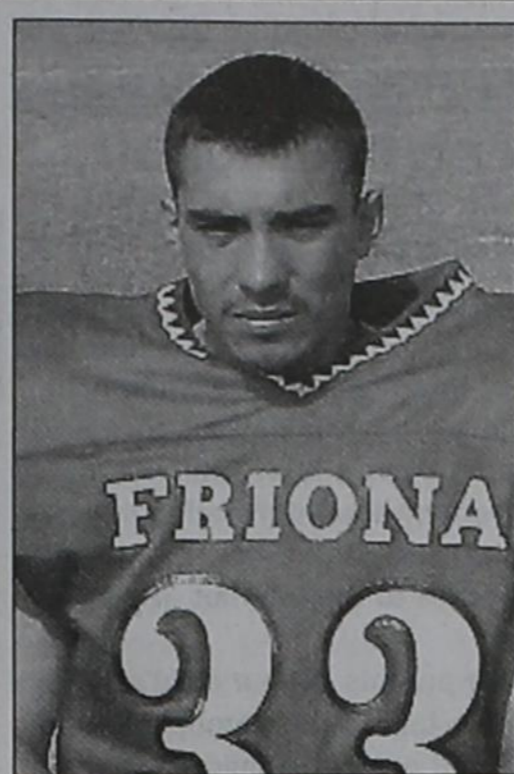




DAVID MENDEZ
Defensive Leader



BROCK FIELD
Offensive Leader



FREDDY REYES
Leading Receiver

Hey Coaches! Deadlines For Basketball Stats

Basketball season has begun and we want to publish game results. Our ability to write up your team's results depends on receiving statistics.

We finish our newspaper layout Wednesday afternoon and distribute the paper on Thursday by noon.

To be included in Thursday's paper we need game stats no later than first thing Wednesday morning. Otherwise your team scores will be in the following Thursday's paper.

From 7th grade to varsity, boys and girls, Friona and Bovina, that's a lot of games for us to keep up with. We rely on coaches and their helpers to receive score sheets and stats.

Fax writeups to 250-5127 or email frionastar@wrt.net, or bring them by 916 Main St. in Friona. Thanks for your help. Have a great basketball season.

Boys Get Whacked by Abernathy

The basketball season at area schools tipped off this week. On Monday, the Friona 7th, 8th, and freshman boys were roughed up by Abernathy in their opening games.

The 7th Braves lost 56-13. Scoring was Rolando Castanon 4, Alex Dunnam 4, Gonzalo Gonzales 2, Justin Dominguez 2, and Joey Mendoza 1. Greg Hazelwood is the 7th grade coach.

The 8th grade Braves, coached by Rex Cumpton, were zapped on the losing end of a 46-23 score. Eric North led scoring with 10, Sawyer Reed had 7, Ryan Gerles 4 and Kaison Graham 2. Coach Cumpton said, "We did some things well and made some early season mistakes. Nothing we can't correct. We'll look for improvement next week against Olton."

Coach Mike Fair's freshman boys took to the court for the first time and were whacked by Abernathy 54-19. Chance Lewellen led the freshman scoring with 8 points, Toby Wilcox contributed 3, and Bret Field, Valente Casas, Eddie Ortiz, and Phillip Saiz scored 2 each.

MENDEZ STARS

'Stat' Leaders Given For 2003 Chieftains

Season statistical leaders were revealed this week by the annual tabulation of game records by longtime FHS sports "stat expert," Bill Ellis.

Senior Brock Field led the team in three offensive categories, and junior linebacker David Mendez led the team in FIVE defensive categories.

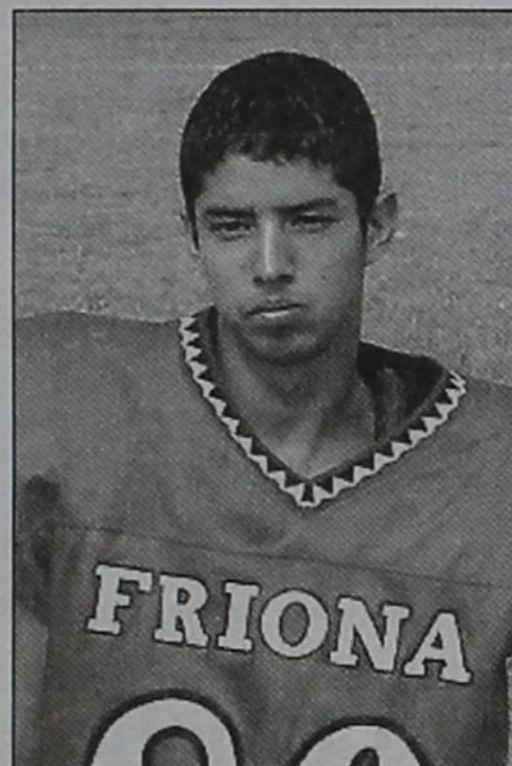
Mendez led in tackles with 66, fumble recoveries with three, caused fumbles with five and sacks with three (tied with Rudy Gonzales).

Mendez also had the longest pass interception return, a 39-yarder.

Mendez is the first Chieftain to lead in that many categories since Joseph Bandy led in four in the 1999 season. Josh Bureson led in three categories in 1999, and Joseph Bandy led in four in 1998.

"Having expanded the defensive categories to five in recent years (since 1995) gives more players a chance for 'bragging rights' in the statistics," Ellis said. "And defense is equally as important as offense."

Field led the team in individual rushing, with 694 net yards on 115 carries, edging Pedro Ramos, who had 558. Field also led in



DAVID DAVILA
Return Leader

scoring with 30 points and passing with 451 yards.

The Chieftain offense for 2003 trailed the 2002 team by 650 yards. (-200 in rushing and -450 in passing).

This was not surprising in light of the fact that the Chieftains graduated their all-time rushing champ, Nathan Haile, who had gained 3379 yards in three seasons-plus, as well as FHS' fourth biggest rushing leader, Adam Bandy, who racked up 2353 yards in his Chieftain career.

Those two players gave the Chieftains a total of 5,732 yards (in the same backfield), and that is an accomplishment that may never be equalled.

Friona's team total rushing of 2,243 was just 200 yards behind last year's total, not bad since the 2002 team had the senior duo of Haile and Bandy.

Bandy battled injuries his senior year, and this year's Chieftain team also had its share of injuries.

David Davila led the 2003 Chieftains in return yardage, heading the kickoff returns with 236 yards, and punt returns with 95. Davila, like Mendez, is a junior. Freddy Reyes, another junior, led the team in receiving, with six catches for 103 yards.

Antonio Monreal, just a sophomore, had a fine kicking season, kicking 18 points-after-touchdown. His percentage would have been even higher except for some bad snaps. Monreal also hit a field goal, to rank as the team's third-leading scorer with 21 points. He also did the bulk of the team's punting.

Noting all of the juniors and the sophomore on this list bodes well for next season, with fewer leaders to be lost to graduation.

2003 Football "Stats"

INDIVIDUAL SCORING

Player	TD-PAT-TP
Brock Field	5-0-30
Ruben Alvarado	4-0-24
Antonio Monreal	1*-18-21
Pedro Ramos	3-0-18
Sergio Saenz	2-0-12
Jacob Hoon	2-0-12
Willy Castillo	1-0-6
Marc Haile	1-0-6
Rudy Gonzales	1-0-6
Freddy Reyes	1-0-6
Mark Hernandez	1-0-6
Others	3-0-18
Safety-David Mendez tackled runner	0-2-2
Totals:	24-21-167

Scores by Quarters

FHS	37	50	46	34-168
Opp.	72	102	68	45-287

INDIVIDUAL RUSHING

Player	Att.-Yds-Avg.
Brock Field	115-694-6.0
Pedro Ramos	113-558-4.9
Freddy Reyes	41-231-5.6
Sergio Saenz	43-181-4.2
Ruben Alvarado	32-136-4.3
Jacob Hoon	7-21-3.0
Rudy Gonzales	12-12-1.0
Amador Rocha	3-6-2.0
David Davila	1-6-6.0
Others	38-187-4.9
Totals:	416-2043-4.9

Longest: Brock Field, 52 yards.

INDIVIDUAL PASSING

Player	Att.-C-Yds-TD-Int.
Brock Field	94-27-451-6-10
Derek Fairweather	9-14-0-1
Totals	103-28-455-6-11

INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING

Player	PC-Yds-Avg-TD
Freddy Reyes	6-103-17.2-1
Willy Castillo	1-70-35.0-1
Steffan Busch	3-69-23.0-0
Ruben Alvarado	4-45-11.3-1
Matt Gammon	2-41-20.5-0
David Davila	2-30-15.0-1
Mark Haile	2-27-13.5-1
Sergio Saenz	2-21-10.5-0
Pedro Ramos	1-20-20.0-0
Rudy Gonzales	1-10-10.0-1
Others	1-99-0-1
Totals	25-425-17.0-6

Longest: Field to Castillo, 70 yards

KICKOFF RETURNS

Player	No.-Yds-Avg.
David Davila	13-236-18.2
Willy Castillo	6-157-19.6
Sergio Saenz	8-102-12.8
Freddy Reyes	5-65-13.0
Steffan Busch	2-25-12.5
Amador Rocha	2-15-7.5
Rudy Gonzales	2-11-5.5
Ruben Alvarado	1-8-8.0
Jacob Hoon	1-5-5.0
Others	4-92-18.4
Totals	47-716-15.2

*Longest: Davila, 47 yards

PUNT RETURNS

Player	No.-Yds-Avg.
David Davila	9-95-10.6
Others	7-71-10.1

INDIVIDUAL PUNTING

Antonio Monreal	25-770-30.8
Brock Field	6-193-32.2
Ruben Alvarado	6-143-23.8

INTERCEPTION RETURNS

Player	No.-Yds-Avg.
David Mendez	1-39-39.0
David Davila	1-15-15.0
Antonio Monreal	2-5-2.5
Steffan Busch	1-0-0.0
Rudy Gonzales	1-0-0.0

INDIVIDUAL TACKLES

David Mendez 15-51-66; David Davila 24-25-49; Derek Fairweather 12-35-47; Ben Santiago 12-35-47; Emmanuel Vega 14-31-45; Marc Haile 12-25-37; Rudy Gonzales 10-21-31; Willy Castillo 15-16-31; Matt Gammon 11-26-27; Eduardo Godoy 8-17-25; Antonio Monreal 11-12-23; Steffan Busch 12-5-17; Freddy Reyes 6-9-15; Amador Rocha 7-7-14; Peter Carrasco 0-12-12; Isaac Romero 2-9-11; Sergio Saenz 2-6-8; Fabian Dominguez 2-6-8; Ruben Alvarado 3-3-6; Gumaro Chavarria 4-2-6; Chris Carrillo 2-4-6; Pedro Ramos 1-4-5; Brock Field 1-1-2; Jacob Hoon 0-2-2; Dustin Thompson 0-2-2; Tyler Peace 1-0-1; Joseph DeLaO 1-0-1.

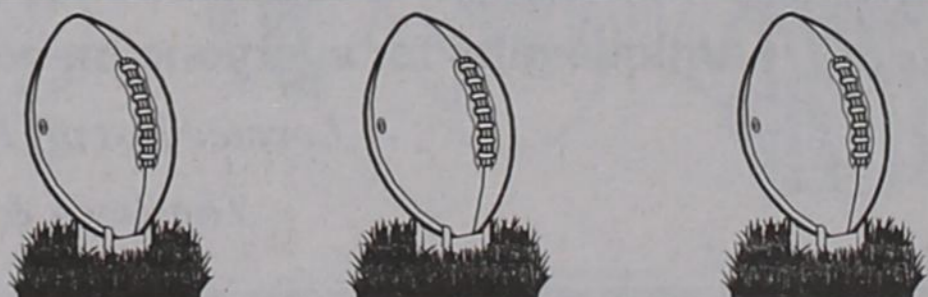
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FUMBLE RECOVERIES

David Mendez 3; Emmanuel Vega 2; Willy Castillo, Marc Haile; Eduardo Godoy, Rudy Gonzales; Ben Santiago; Antonio Monreal; Chris Carrillo, Joseph DeLaO, 1 each.

CAUSED FUMBLES: David Mendez 5; Rudy Gonzales 2; Matt Gammon, Haile, Godoy, Santiago, 1 each.

SACKS: Mendez 3, Gonzales 3; Godoy 2; Vega 2; Reyes, Chavarria, Fabian Dominguez, DeLaO, 1 each.

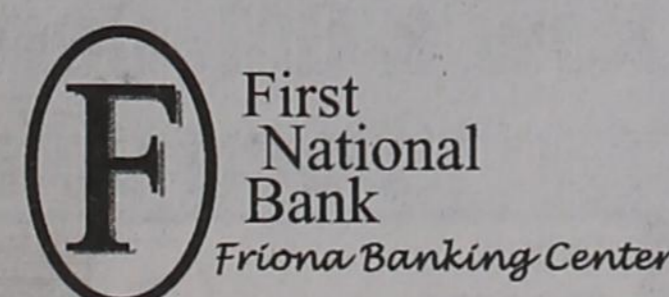


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DPS To Target Holiday Drivers

The Texas Department of Public Safety urges responsible driving as traffic and tempers rise.

As the roads swell with anxious drivers, DPS cautions motorists to drive responsibly and avoid road rage this Thanksgiving holiday.

"The increase of traffic congestion, coupled with poor scheduling, often triggers aggressive driving," said Col. Thomas A. Davis, Jr., director of the DPS. "An aggressive driver may commit several traffic violations to make up time. These violations place other travelers at risk and in the most severe cases can escalate into road rage."

When confronted with aggressive drivers, the DPS recommends that you:

- Put your pride in the back seat and move aside.
- Do not speed up, block lanes, slam or tap on brakes.
- Report extreme cases of reckless driving to the appropriate authorities.
- Do not retaliate, gesture or make eye contact.
- Make sure everyone is buckled up.

Some actions that may contribute to road rage include not using turn signals, driving in the passing lane, tailgating, flashing lights or using high beams in traffic, honking and not allowing adequate time for a given trip.

During the week of Thanksgiving, Highway Patrol troopers, along with other law enforcement agencies across the state, will be out in force targeting speeders, drunk drivers, seat belt violators as well as aggressive drivers.

Texas DPS is participating in the "Click It or Ticket Texas" campaign, running November 18 to December 1, which will focus on increasing and enforcing seat belt and child seat violations in the state. DPS has a zero tolerance policy toward seat belt violations and fines can range from \$25 to \$200.

Texas also participates in Operation CARE (Combined Accident Reduction Effort). Operation CARE is a nationwide effort by all state police agencies to reduce fatalities during holiday periods.



THE CHIEF'S CORNER

By ROYCE L. GOODSON
Chief of Police
Friona Police Department

The Internet has opened up a world of information for anyone with a computer and a connection! Your children will learn about computers, but just as you wouldn't send children near a busy road without some safety rules, you shouldn't send them on the information superhighway without the rules of the road.

Make sure that adults monitor access to the Internet at your child's school.

Know your child's friends and their parents. If your child's friend has Internet access at home, talk to the parents about the rules they have established. Find out if the children are monitored while they are online.

If your child receives threatening e-mails or pornographic material, save the offensive material and contact that user's Internet service provider and your local law enforcement agency.

If you come across sites that are inappropriate for children when you are surfing the net, send the addresses to online services that offer parental control features or to sites advertising protection software, to add to their list to be reviewed for inclusion or exclusion. Even if you don't subscribe to the service or the protection software, you can help protect other children.

Ask your children what they are interested in on the Internet and where they go on the Internet.

Make sure that they understand they can always talk to you if they encounter anything that makes them feel uncomfortable.

The Internet which holds so much promise for commerce, entertainment and research, also has a dark side inhabited by child molesters, con men, and hate mongers. It is safe to say that less than 1% of those committing crimes on the Internet are being apprehended. More federal, state and local law enforcement agencies are getting involved in this arena, but it is every parent's responsibility to ensure their children use the Internet in a responsible manner.

If your child encounters something that concerns you, report it to legal authorities as soon as possible.

- Friona Police Department—806-250-2711
- National Center for Missing Children—1-800-THE-LOST
- Contact your Internet Provider *after* contacting the authorities.

You are the final word in your child's Internet safety! Learning about how to keep your child safe online and talking to your child about it, is the best way to look out for your child online, and make exploring the Internet a safe and rewarding experience.

Parmer Co. Sheriff's Report

November 14, Bryan Mason, 36, of Bovina was arrested by the Bovina Police and charged with indecency with a child. Pending Grand Jury.

November 14, Corey Sexton, 17, of Lazbuddie was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with aggravated assault with a vehicle. Pending Grand Jury.

November 14, Nicholas Thomas, 19, of Tulla, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with forgery. Pending District Court.

November 15, Matthew Garcia, 28, of Tesuque, New Mexico was arrested by the Highway Patrol and charged with possession of marijuana, unconcealed weapon and driving with license suspended. Pending County Court.

November 15, Clinton Stephens, 24, of Santa Fe, New Mexico, was arrested by the Highway Patrol and charged with possession of marijuana. Pending County Court.

November 16, James K. Wilkerson, 54, of Friona was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with DWI. Pending County Court.

SUPER FOOTBALL CONTEST

FOOTBALL CONTEST STANDINGS (WITH 1 WEEK LEFT)

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- 163-Claire Brown, Dorothy Harris, Bobby Wied
- 160-Clint Mears, Jimmy R. Walker
- 159-Denae Anthony, Scott Brown, Don Max Vars, A.M. Wilson, Mark Zachary
- 158-Veca White
- 157-Danny Harris, Alesia Tucker
- 156-Susan Kerby, Derek Sudderth, Mike White
- 155-Martin Brito, Mike Hutson, Mack McFarland, Rusty McFarland, Myrtle Melton, Linda Sudderth
- 154-Wayne D. Arnstutz, Davy Carthel, Lindsey Dayhoff, Gay Taylor
- 153-Sandra Berend, Jayson Blouch, Jan Smith, Janie Sudderth
- 152-Raul Braillif, Alex Ferguson, Dean Stanberry, Bobby Thompson, Charles Wales
- 151-Eddie Gauna, Lisa Lane, Scott Steelman, Scott Sudderth, Francisco Torres, Mark Walker
- 150-Lester C. Fennell, Lance Looper, Bill Miller (Friona)
- 149-Jeremy Dearing, Jon Field, Frank Gonzales, Jr., Aaron King
- 148-Al Kerby, Jerry Roach, Del Ray Sudderth
- 147-Lance Field, Tyson Kerby, Tyson, Neill, Pedro Ramos
- 146-Ronald Diaz, James Elder, Josh Kerby, Kelly Lookingbill, Joy Morton, Marisa Rodriguez, Mitchell Smiley, Glenden Sudderth
- 145-William Gromowsky, A.M. Wilson, Lory Wylly
- 144-Clayton Smiley
- 143-Brett Field, Daniel Hernandez
- 142-Denise Anderson, Dean Sasser, Virginia Steele, Eufemia Torres
- 140-Lilly Michel, Linvell Rose, Blake Sudderth
- 139-Sean Lookingbill, Ernest Mills
- 138-Peggy Hargrove
- 137-Raymond Diaz, Danny Guerra, Frances Johnson, Jim Johnston, Andy Montana
- 136-Jennifer Gonzales
- 135-Jason Kerby, Harley Merritt
- 134-Marcus Rosales
- 132-Dustin N. McNabb
- 131-Quentin Shelby
- 130-Rex Cumpton, Bobby Johnson, Sally Putman

Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Courthouse released the following warrantly deeds this week.

B.J. Foster-B.J. Foster, Bobbie Lou Foster, NW/4 S35 T10S R2E. Bobbie Lou Foster-B.J. Foster, Bobbie Lou Foster, 160 AC, 155.65 AC S18 T14S R3E.

Theresa Brosch, Victoria Simonton Trust-Coleta Langford, Mac Langford, S/2 S26 BLK B.

Carolyn Irene Menefee Buchanan, Joe Scott Menefee, Kenneth Dwain Menefee, Leslie Keith Menefee-Gilbert Davila, Lori Davila, E/70' L10 L11 B6 STALEY FRIONA.

Peggy Allen, Randol C. Allen-Elmer DeForest, Tanya DeForest, L12 B1 LAKESIDE FRIONA.

Bobbie J. Widner, Robert L. Widner-Bobbie J. Widner Trust, Robert L. Widner Trust, NE/4 S16 T4 1/2S R5E.

Eldon W. Smith, Gladys Marie Smith-Eldon W. Smith Trust, S/2 S36 T7S R2E.

George Robert Nichols, Sondra Jean Staw Nichols, Van Earl Nichols, Jr.-Jerry Loflin, Joyce Loflin, W/2 S8 T4 1/2S R5E.

New Telephone Directories Coming in December

(Reprinted from the November 2003 Co-Op Connection.)

The fourth edition of the West Texas Rural Telephone/WT Services, Inc. telephone directory is forthcoming in December.

Directories should be arriving by mail at the homes of cooperative members and WT Services customers in Friona and Bovina early in December.

The forthcoming directory continues the popular format of providing listings for all WTRT exchanges in Deaf Smith, Parmer, and Castro counties.

A broad scope of the WTRT service area is also included in separate additional listings for Hereford, Friona, Bovina, Farwell, Muleshoe, Lariat, and Lazbuddie.

The featured cover art for the December 2003-2004 WTRT telephone directory will be a wagon in the snow scene from Deaf Smith County.

The cover scene was photographed by WTRT Co-Op Connection Editor Jim Stelert.

Upon their arrival, additional copies of the new telephone directory will be available at the WTRT business office in Hereford.

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COUNTRY CHRISTMAS JUBILEE

A New & Exciting ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW!

Friday, November 21st
10 a.m. To 6 p.m. c.s.t.
Saturday, November 22nd
9 a.m. To 5 p.m. c.s.t.

Drawings for Door Prizes*

Drawings for Gift Certificates & More*

Parmer County Community Center in Friona, Texas
Get into the Holiday spirit with this fun-filled event!

- Featuring local & regional crafters & artisans
- Great food & refreshments to be enjoyed in a festive, holiday setting.
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COTTON NEWS

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LUBBOCK, TEXAS 79414
TELEPHONE: 806-792-4904
FAX: 806-792-4906
www.plainscotton.org

3rd Annual Texas Commodity Symposium Scheduled For December 3 in Amarillo

Friday, November 14, 2003 By Shawn Wade
High Plains cotton producers should mark December 3 on their calendars and plan on a trip to Amarillo to take in the 3rd Annual Texas Commodity Symposium.

The Symposium is sponsored by the Corn Producers of Texas, Texas Grain Sorghum Association, Texas Wheat Producers Association and for the first time in 2003, Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. The event is being held in conjunction with the Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show, December 2-4 at the Amarillo Civic Center.

Scheduled speakers for the Texas Commodity Symposium and the topics they are expected to address are: Trade Issues—Floyd Gaibler, USDA Deputy Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services; Federal Crop Insurance—Ross Davidson, Administrator USDA Risk Management Agency; Farm Service Agency Update—John Fuston, Executive Director Texas FSA; School Finance Reform—Billy Hamilton, Texas Comptroller's Office; and USDA Pay Limit Commission Report—Dr. Ed Smith, Texas A&M University.

The Amarillo Farm & Ranch Show includes over 700 exhibits and participation from more than 300 companies. Admission is free and show hours are 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. December 2 & 3, and 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. December 4.

For more information call 800-827-8007 or on the Internet go to: www.farmshows.com.

High Quality Defines 2003 High Plains Crop

Friday, November 14, 2003 By Shawn Wade
As High Plains cotton producers wait for a break in the weather so they can renew their 2003 harvest efforts, maintaining quality continues to be an important focus for growers eager to take advantage of higher cotton prices. So far those efforts appear to be paying off.

Overall the High Plains crop will exceed most expectations if it meets the 2.105 million-bale production estimate issued by Texas Ag Statistics Service on November 12. TASS estimates are issued by crop reporting districts with the High Plains region closely mirroring the boundaries of Districts 1-N and 1-S. Typically the sum of the estimates for these two Districts is used to represent the region's production potential.

Through November 13, the Lubbock and Lamesa USDA Cotton Classing offices have processed a total of 600,267 running bales from the 2003 crop. This is approximately 28.5 percent of the 2.105 million bales TASS has estimated.

As expected, the downside for the 2003 crop remains the significant acreage loss and associated production decrease due to widespread hail events early in the season and a record-setting dry spell in July and August that sapped much of the potential from a promising dryland crop.

The November TASS report left harvested acreage constant from the agency's October estimate, although increases in projected yields in 1-N and 1-S caused an increase in the production forecast by 65,000 bales.

Despite the delayed start to the harvest season, the crop continues to record high marks for quality across the board.

The only quality factor that could be considered less than ideal to date is Micronaire. Mike readings have tended to be on the high side throughout the season, evidenced by the fact that to date 22.8 percent of the cotton classed at Lubbock and 19.7 percent of the cotton reviewed at Lamesa recorded readings of 50 or greater.

Fortunately, the Mike average appears to be moderating somewhat as the main body of the crop makes its way from field to gin.

Part of the reason for higher than expected Mike readings early on is attributed to the idea that most of the early season crop was from dryland areas that received less than optimal conditions.



Kevin Welch Is Re-Elected

Kevin Welch of Friona was re-elected to the Parmer County Soil and Water Conservation District board of directors on October 8, 2003. Welch represents Zone 3 of the district.

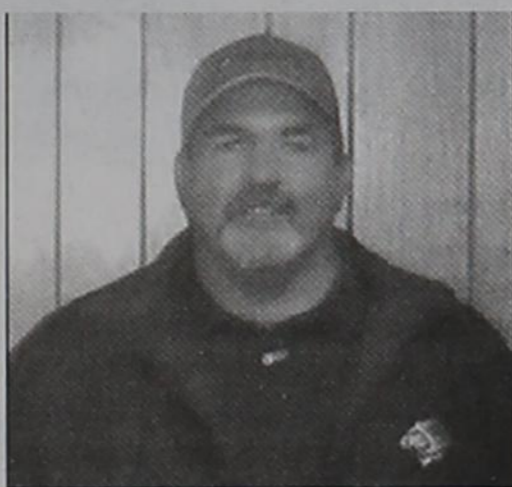
The purpose of the Parmer County Soil and Water Conservation District, with headquarters in Farwell, is to promote sound soil and water conservation programs on agricultural lands within the district. In addition, the district serves as a voice for farmers, ranchers and local community entities on conservation matters.

The board of directors coordinates the conservation efforts of various local, state and federal agencies, and other organizations, and has authority to enter into working agreements with these government agencies and private concerns, to carry out its purposes.

The five members serving on the district board of directors are responsible for district policies and procedures carrying out the district program within the framework of the Texas State Soil Conservation District law.

Kevin Welch is active in the Farm Bureau where he serves as the vice-president of the board. He is also a secretary for Parmer County Soil and Water Conservation District.

In Texas, there are 214 Soil and Water Conservation Districts. Each is a legal subdivision of the state government organized by local agricultural landowners with the assistance of the Texas State



KEVIN WELCH

WTAMU's CCDS

Passes Milestone

The Cattlemen's Carcass Data Service (CCDS) at West Texas A&M University reached a milestone earlier this fall when the number of carcasses canvassed surpassed the quarter-million mark.

The CCDS was founded in 1993 by the National Cattlemen's Beef Association to help increase profitability and improve product quality and consistency in the beef cattle industry. It was relocated from Denver, Colorado to West Texas A&M in 1996 because of the university's focus on beef carcass data, according to Dr. Ted Montgomery, professor of animal science and director of the CCDS.

Since opening its doors on the WTAMU campus, the CCDS has overseen the collection of data on about 35,000 head of cattle nationwide each year, putting dozens of university students to work in the process.

"Taking on the CCDS fit right in with our philosophy," Montgomery said. "Our focus is data collection and it has been since we opened our Beef Carcass Research Center in 1990."

"Through the CCDS, we help producers learn about the genetic makeup of their animals so they can breed for better carcasses. Along the way, we're exposing a lot of our students to hands-on experience in the cattle-feeding and beef-packing industries."

All orders for data collection are placed through CCDS headquarters at WTAMU. In the West Texas region, where more than one-third of the nation's cattle are fed, CCDS employees are primarily WTAMU students. Private contractors and university or extension personnel work at offices in other parts of the country.

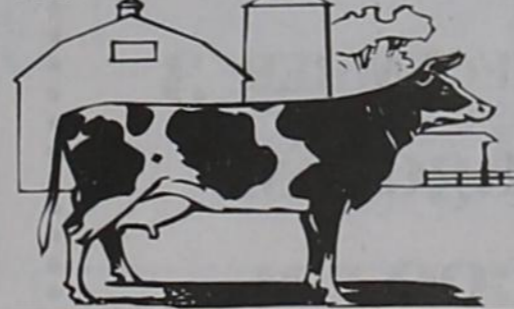
Wherever they are located, CCDS workers must be present when clients' cattle are harvested—day or night—to collect such data as marbling score, fat thickness, hot carcass weight and estimated percent of kidney, pelvic and heart fat, all for \$6 a head for groups larger than 50 head. Smaller groups cost \$300 per group, but small producers can partner with each other to help lower the cost.

CCDS clients, which sometimes include pharmaceutical companies involved in product testing, must either retain ownership of the cattle to slaughter, or data collection must be a condition of their sale. Within 10-14 days, clients receive detailed computer print-outs of the data collected on each individual carcass.

"The only way to make better beef is to collect the carcass information and get it back to the person making the breeding decisions," Dr. James Clark, Dean of the College of Agriculture, Nursing, Science and Engineering and a professor of animal science, said. "Over the years, the CCDS has definitely made a large contribution to the beef cattle industry."

"West Texas A&M is nationally recognized for its dedication to carcass data collection, and our students are gaining valuable experience that will give them a real edge when they graduate and look for careers in the industry. That's what I call a win-win situation."

Call 806-651-2275 to contact the Cattlemen's Carcass Data Service.



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THE RETAIL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE INVITES YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2003 CHRISTMAS PROMOTION!
THIS PROMOTION IS DESIGNED TO PROMOTE LOCAL BUSINESS AND TO ENCOURAGE SHOPPING AT HOME.

The promotion will work like this:

The promotion will begin Friday, November 21 and continue through Thursday December 18.

Each participating merchant will be provided with tickets and gift boxes for collection.

Each customer will be given one ticket per purchase to fill in their name, address and merchant's name.

The tickets will be collected from merchants on Thursday, December 18

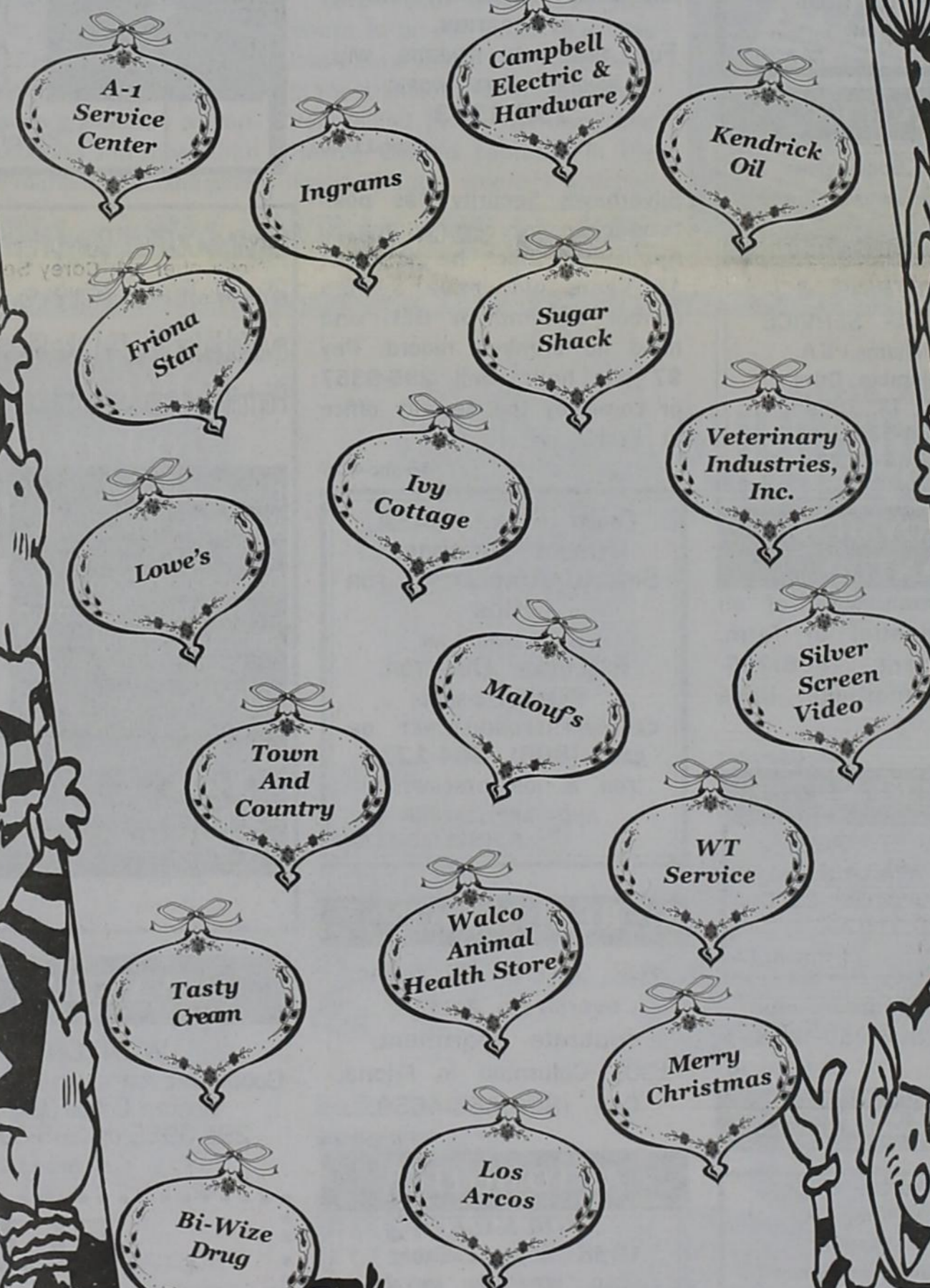
On Friday, December 19 there will be a drawing from the box of each participating merchant.

Each winner will receive \$25 in Friona Bucks to be spent with that particular merchant.

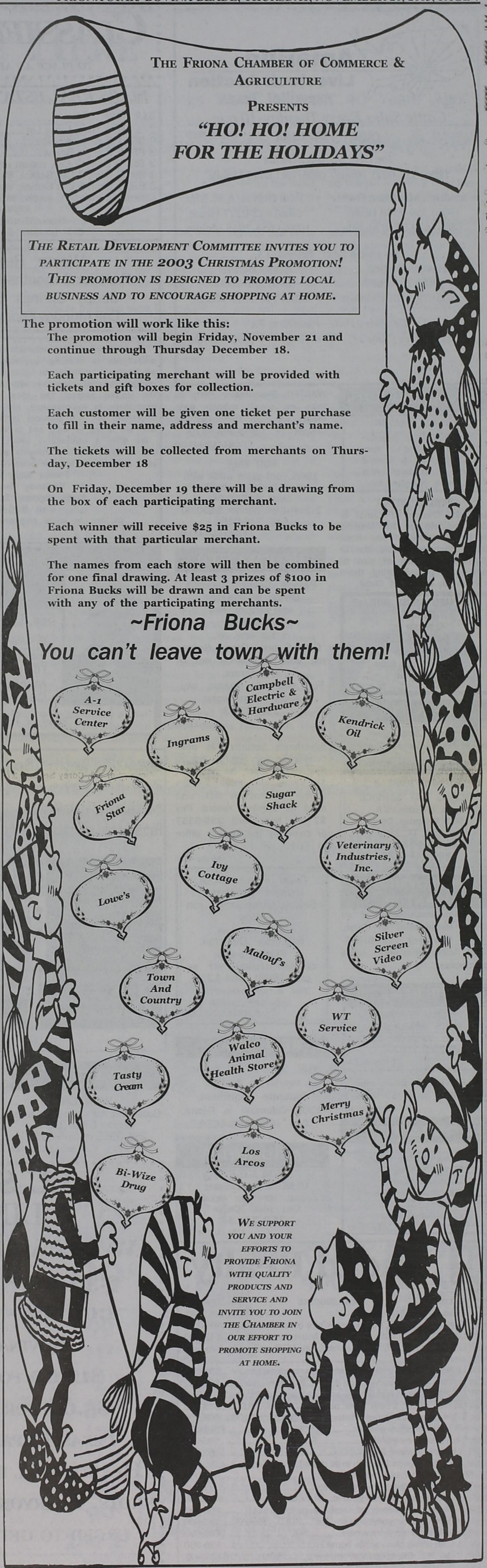
The names from each store will then be combined for one final drawing. At least 3 prizes of \$100 in Friona Bucks will be drawn and can be spent with any of the participating merchants.

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(806) 679-9320 Mobile (806) 654-2965 Mobile

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FRIONA MASONIC LODGE No. 1332

Slated Meeting-1st Tues.
8 P.M. - 7th & Ashland
John R. Blackwell, W.M.
Larry J. Knowles, Sec.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sixth St. Church of Christ is collecting clothes for Medina Children's Home. If you have clothes that you would like to discard, regardless of size or conditions, please bring them to Sixth St. Church of Christ.

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Call Nathan Johnson
(806)983-3603 or (806)292-8823
F-tfnc-10/23

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FOR SALE
1965 Ford grain truck with steel bed & hydraulic hoist..\$1500.00
1 Pull type ditcher..\$100.00
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F2tpd-11/13-11/20

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PARMER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR JAILER
IN THE NEW JAIL.
CALL SHERIFF RANDY GERES FOR MORE INFORMATION AND AN APPLICATION.
FULL TIME WITH BENEFITS, WILL INVOLVE SHIFT WORK.
295-3303
F-1tc-11/20

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F&B-tfnc-4/25

GREAT PLAINS CASA, (COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES), FOR KIDS
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PLEASE E-MAIL CASA@HEREFORDISD.NET OR CALL (806) 364-1211
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FOR SALE...3 BR home, oversized garage, separate apartment, 1301 Columbia in Friona. Call (806)655-4650.
F-tfnc-5/25

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F-2tc-11/20-11-27

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611 WEST 11TH OFFICE: CALL 250-2090
2/3 BR, 1 BATH, LARGE LOT.....\$39,900
2 BR, 1.5 BATH, VERY NICE.....\$51,900
3 BR, 2 BATH, IN BOVINA.....\$62,000...\$58,000
3 BR, 2 BATH, 2 CAR, CORNER LOT (IN CONTRACT).....\$65,000
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Permit and one week notice required for Triploid Grass Carp Purchase

Delivery will be Wednesday Nov. 26, 2003

Dumas-Dumas Coop 935-6440.....7:30-8:30am
Amarillo-Foust Feed 468-9121.....10-11am
Vega-Oldham County SWCD 267-2429.....12-1pm
Hereford-Country Store 364-6442.....2-3pm
Friona-Hi Pro Animal Health 800-433-2950.....4-5pm

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1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

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CAROL BOYD Sales Associate Cell: 806-265-7984

PHONE: 806-250-2745-102 East 11th-Fax:806-250-2165

NEW LISTINGS
3/1.5 BRICK carport, near high school, stor. bldg.44,500
3/2/2 BRICK-Fenced yard, fireplace, cent h/a, storage bldg...53,500
6/3/6 COUNTRY HOME 6,000 sq. ft., ad 1/1 acreage.....225,000
COUNTRY ACREAGE-Great Buy for 350+ acres.....Contract Pending
3/2/2 BRICK-Western Addition, cent. h/a, patio & new fence...SOLD

RESIDENTIAL
REDUCED: 3/2/1 BRICK-Nice, quiet neighborhood.....SOLD
3/2/2 BRICK-Great neighborhood, w/basement.....Contract pending
2/2/1 BRICK-Ceramic tile, new carpet, lg. living area, cent.h/a..68,000
3/3/2 COUNTRY HOME-Central heat/air, basement, acreage...100,000
3/2/1 BRICK-Corner lot, central heat/air, storm cellar.....65,000
REDUCED: 2 lg. lots w/vacant house.....Make an offer.....15,000
JUST REDUCED:3/2/1 Brick-cent. h/a, close to hospital.....62,000
2/1 STUCCO-Corner lot,carport, central heat/air, cellar, lg. lot...32,500

BOVINA LISTINGS
MOTEL ON HWY 60: 10 furnished rooms, RV hookups.....100,000

COMMERCIAL
NEW LISTING: Apt. bldg. (1)3bdr, (2)1bdr, across fr. park.....59,000
NEW LISTING: Nice sized lot with restaurant facility.....39,500
NEW LISTING: Lg. lot w/restaurant facility, w/ or w/o equip...76,000
NEW LISTING: Very nice business space on main street.....24,000
ATTRACTIVE: Office bldg, Hwy 60 w/Apartment.....79,900
GREAT BUY: Restaurant \$33K - \$25K equip. only/rental opt....33,000
TRUCK BUSINESS: On Hwy 60 with Equip, tools, etc.....149,900
BLDG ON HWY 60:Offices, lg. parking lot, 2 service bays.....92,500

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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Guardianship for the Estate of Bobby Dale Broyles, An Incapacitated Person, were issued on October 6, 2003, in Cause No. 2578, pending in the County Court of Parmer County, Texas, to: VICKIE COPLEY. The residence of the Guardian is 2080 FM 2397, FRIONA, PARMER County, TEXAS; the post office address is:

c/o: EASTERWOOD, BOYD & SIMMONS, LLP
Attorney at Law
P.O. BOX 398
715 MAIN STREET
FRIONA, Texas 79035

The City of Friona, Texas, will receive sealed bids in the office of the City Manager until 10:00 A.M., Monday, December 1, 2003, for the purchase of one (1) new 2004 model passenger mini-van that meets specifications.

Specifications may be obtained at City Hall, 623 Main Street, Friona, TX 79035 or by calling (806) 250-2761 or from the Administrator's Office, Prairie Acres Nursing Home, 201 East 15th Street, Friona, TX 79035, or by calling (806) 250-2922.

Bids shall be submitted in sealed envelopes and marked in the lower left hand corner and must be received and acknowledged by the City Manager's office before the above stated time.

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in bids received.

City of Friona, Texas
By: Terri Johnson
City Manager
F-2tc-11/6-11/13

REAL ESTATE AUCTIONS
125+ TX PROPERTIES
FEATURED LOCALLY...

601 Hwy 86, Bovina, 3br/2ba, 1519sf, This home will sell ON-SITE Tuesday, December 2nd at 10am.
For local info call John Mars, Mars Real Estate and Insurance, 806-250-2090.

Open house 11/24 & 25 from 1-3pm. Call for details!

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3 BR, 2 bath, 2 car, brick, quiet street w/nice covered porch.....\$60,000
NEW LISTING...3 BR, 1 bath, w/extra rent house, newly redone.....\$46,000
NEW LISTING.....2 BR, 1 bath, carport, lots, NEW, nice, clean, twin living areas.....\$32,250
NEW LISTING...2 BR, 1 bath, large living area, basement.....\$35,000
NEW LISTING...4 BR, 3 baths, 2 car, 2 living, BIG, metal roof.....\$81,900
NEW LISTING...2 small rent houses, corner lot, investment prop...\$23,000
NEW LISTING...3 BR, 1 bath, 1 car, new paint, carpet...SOLD.....\$38,000
3 br, 1-3/4 bath, 2 car garage, basement...REDUCED...\$75,000...\$65,000
3-or-4 BR, 3 baths, 2 car garage.....SOLD.....REDUCED
3-br, 1 bath, 1 car, new SAU.....SOLD.....\$30,500
3-BR, 2 bath, basement, 2 car.....SOLD.....\$80,000
Small office/studio with 1/2 bath to be moved.....\$5,000
3-4 BR, 1-1/2 bath, metal roof, 4637 acres.....\$58,000
3 BR, 2 bath, 2 car garage, newly repainted.....\$72,000
2BR, 1 bath, fireplace, fenced, good st.....SOLD.....\$25,000
5-BR, 2 BA, sunroom, basement, carport, large lot.....SOLD.....\$58,000
Upstairs & downstairs apartment complex.....SOLD.....\$23,900...\$21,900
3-BR, 1 bath, utility room, basement.....SOLD.....\$25,500
2 BR, 1 bath home plus mobile home lot.....\$25,000
3-BR, 3 BA, 2LR, DR, lg. garage, re-done.....SOLD.....\$123,900

AROUND TOWN

There is no charge for news included in Around Town. So call us at 250-2211, fax to 250-5127, email to fronastar@wtrt.net, or mail info to P.O. Box 789, Friona, Texas 79035.

We reserve the right to approve all copy and edit submitted article for space reasons. Let us hear from you.

Friona Evening Lions Club will not meet November 27—Thanksgiving Holiday.

Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce will be hosting their annual "Christmas Visit" to the gazebo in downtown Dimmitt, Thursday, November 20, 2003 at dusk. Students under the direction of Elaine Hazel will present a musical program on the square (approximately at 5:45 p.m.). Refreshments will be furnished. Santa's visit will conclude a two-day event.

Country Christmas Jubilee will be held Friday, November 21 and Saturday November 22. Anyone interested in booth space please drop a note to Country Christmas Jubilee, P.O. Box 924, Farwell, TX 79325 or call 806-295-6597. Please call now to reserve your space for \$35.

The 7th Annual Mexican Dinner hosted by the Friona High School Band Boosters will be held November 23, 2003 in the Friona Jr. High School cafeteria from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. They will be serving enchiladas, tacos, rice, beans dessert and a drink. Adult tickets are \$6 each, Children 12 & under are \$3 and Children under 3 are free. Carry-outs will be available. Tickets can be purchased from any band booster or band student.

The Friona Ministerial Alliance Community Thanksgiving Service will be Sunday evening, November 23, at 6 p.m. at St. Teresa's Catholic Church. There will be congregational singing, special music by several of the churches, a Friona Youth Thanksgiving skit, and a sermon by David Williams, pastor of Grace Baptist. A fellowship with refreshments will follow the service. The whole community is urged to attend this service and give thanks to God for the blessings we have as a community.

The Wesley United Methodist Church of Hereford will host its 23rd annual Festival of Arts & Crafts December 6 from 9 a.m. -5 p.m. at the Community Center. Only a limited number of booths are available, with applications being screened. Booth fee is \$10. Applications may be obtained from Ellen Collins, 801 Miles St., Hereford 79045. 806-364-0774.

The Moonlight Extension Education Club announces its Twenty Fifth Annual Christmas Bazaar to be held December 13, 2003 from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., at the Bailey County Civic Center and Coliseum at 2200 West American Boulevard in Muleshoe, Texas. Admission is FREE!

Come do your Christmas shopping and enjoy the community Christmas parade at 10 a.m. Applications for booth space are being accepted until December 8, 2003. To request an application contact: Linda Huckaby, 902 W. 8th, Muleshoe, TX 79347.

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BY RON CARR



"Things Were Different 40 Years Ago"

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I was married (for the first time). My first child Candee wouldn't be born for another three years and as I remember I drove an old green Studebaker with a constantly leaking radiator. I worked in the print shop for Braniff Airways over near Love Field at a union salary of \$240 a month.

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Things were different 40 years ago. For starters we had one television in the house and it was black and white and picked up three stations if you moved the

rabbit ear antennae around just right. I'm thinking we had some really pretty lime green shag carpet in that little bungalow. Or maybe it was orange. Both colors were popular in shag carpets 40 years ago.

We probably had olive green appliances, another popular fad of the day. I do remember there were not nearly as many appliances to choose from and most electronics were still to be invented.

Before I went to work for Braniff, my first two Dallas jobs were in downtown. I spent a couple of years working for Lone Star Gas Co. and Dallas Power & Light. Everyday I drove into downtown over the Commerce Street viaduct in the mornings and out on Elm Street under the triple underpass past the school book depository in the afternoon.

For a while I lived in Oak Cliff and went to movies at the Texas Theater on Jefferson Boulevard.

I do remember that November 22, 1963, was a Friday. At the time, I worked the 3:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. shift in the Braniff print shop. For reasons I don't remember, I drove to downtown Dallas that morning. I think I went to pay another speeding ticket. It was too early in life for me to pay much attention to politics. I had not remembered that President John Kennedy was coming to town to speak at Market Hall out on Stemmons Freeway that day until I saw all the downtown activity.

There were policemen at various intersections and more than the normal number of people gath-

ering on the sidewalks. I hurried out of the area, driving the same street that later would be a killing place, and turned north on Stemmons toward Irving.

The announcement that shots had been fired at the Kennedy party interrupted As The World Turns. I was folding clothes on the couch. Fast breaking news was not as fast 40 years ago. "Surely," I thought, "it was just a false alarm. Nobody is going to actually shoot at the President of the United States right here in my own backyard."

Reports began to filter over the TV. Yes shots were fired. The limos went to Parkland Hospital. Confirming JFK was hit. Don't know how bad. Governor Connally is also thought to be wounded. The crowd gathered at Market Hall was told the president would not be speaking that day.

I was glued to the black and white TV in disbelief. It seemed like an eternity before Walter Cronkite took off his glasses and slowly confirmed "President Kennedy is dead." The event was so monumental in my young mind that I sat glued to the TV for the next three days or more. I don't believe I went to work that Friday, but I don't really remember. The Braniff building I worked in was less than three blocks from Parkland Hospital.

Love Field, where LBJ was sworn in on Air Force One, was less than a mile away. Here I was in the middle of history, the president killed in my territory. Lee Harvey Oswald captured in the Texas Theater where I watched

movies. Taken to the downtown city hall jail, a building I had been in two days earlier paying a speeding ticket.

I was witness to history again when Jack Ruby shot Oswald live on my black and white screen that Sunday morning, then hearing reports on his condition from Parkland Hospital, hoping that he didn't die. But he did.

How bizarre. The president and the man who shot him dying at the same hospital. I couldn't leave the TV.

The pieces of the puzzle kept coming day and night in black and white sound-bites, a term that had not even been coined back then. And with millions of others, I watched as John John saluted when his father's casket passed by.

I moved on. Opened a travel agency in downtown Dallas a few years later and drove by Dealey Plaza and the grassy knoll and that historical killing place every working day for 15 years. After a while we didn't notice anymore.

But every November since, at least for a few minutes, I remember that things were different 40 years ago.

Meet the Class of 2016



Blake is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. His father is Chuck Mills. He has one brother, Angel. Blake likes playing. His favorite food is pizza, and his favorite color is blue.

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Community Thanksgiving Service To Be Held Nov. 23

By Alvin Petty

The Friona ministerial invites every person in Friona to the Friona Community Thanksgiving Service, Sunday, November 23 at 6:00 p.m. in St. Teresa's Catholic Church Fellowship Hall. Following the service, there will be fellowship time and refreshments for all.

The local Ministerial Alliance has planned the service with a maximum of involvement from the community's ministers and churches. There will be a Thanksgiving game involving the whole congregation led by the Ministerial Alliance.

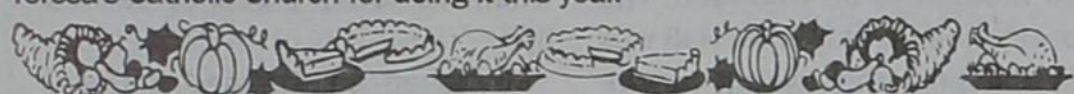
The Methodist and Catholic Church youth groups will combine for a presentation and scripture will be read in Spanish and English. Andy and Julia Alexander from the Congregational Church will bring the Thanksgiving message.

Ben Kirton will lead some praise music and Wayne Proffitt will lead the congregational singing and two numbers by the Community Choir. Anyone wishing to participate in the Community Choir is encouraged to do so. The Community Choir will practice at 5:00 p.m., Sunday, November 23, at Calvary Baptist Church.

A new minister, Joshua Faucett, will be introduced. He is a Wayland Baptist University student who currently fills the pulpit at Grace Baptist Church since Pastor David Williams's recent resignation, new assignment, and move to Ballinger, Texas.

All are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item to donate to Life Saver's Food Bank of Clovis, which will be returned to the Friona Ministerial Alliance to be used in local emergency situations. An offering will also be taken and used in the Friona Ministerial Alliance and Community Help Fund.

The churches of Friona take turns hosting this annual Thanksgiving service and the Ministerial Alliance expresses their appreciation to the people of St. Teresa's Catholic Church for doing it this year.



Miller Attends State SWCD Convention

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Miller, of the Lazbuddie area, recently attended the state convention in El Paso, held October 19-22, for the Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

Mike represented the Parmer County Soil and Water Conservation District and Earl Behrends who represented the Natural Resources Conservation Service in Parmer County joined them at the convention. There were also state legislators in attendance as well as the president of the National Association of Conservation Dis-

tricts. Many current topics were discussed in the areas of soil and water conservation. Water and the growing importance of water management was the key issue discussed at the convention. With the dry weather across the state, for the last few years, severely affecting agriculture, and the current depressed agricultural situation nation wide, the focus of the presentations were on what was happening across the state, as large companies try to gain control of the underground water.



BOVINA SENIOR CITIZENS collected \$645.00 in donations and would like to thank everyone who attended

LET THE "SON" SHINE

"TIS THE SEASON"...To Be Thankful! There is so much that we have to be thankful for. The concept of Thanksgiving ought to be expressed throughout the year. Life, family, precious moments encased in memory, and for a Savior who came to ransom us-we ought to indeed, be thankful. Paul said, "Give thanks in all circumstances". (1 Thess. 5:18) Have a great week! (TLT)

Pollards Welcome Baby Boy Dariel

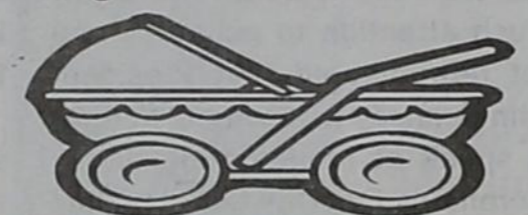
Danny and Brenda Pollard, of Bovina, are the proud parents of a baby boy, Dariel Thomas.

He was born in Hereford on Thursday, October 2, 2003 and weighed seven pounds and ten ounces.

He has a sister, Brianna Nicole, who is five years old.

Grandparents are Jesus and Rosa Amaya of Bovina and Lupe Pollard of Lubbock.

His great-grandmother is Alicia Rodriguez of Mexico.



2003 Annual Christmas Pageant Begins Dec. 19

The Annual Christmas Pageant presented by Paramount Terrace Christian Church at the Civic Center Auditorium has established itself as one of the premiere family-oriented holiday traditions in the entire tri-state area.

The Christmas Pageant portrays the true meaning of Christmas by telling the life story of Jesus Christ with the spectacular use of music and drama. Dramatic lighting and special effects enhance the audience's experience, but it is the simple message of the love, forgiveness and acceptance that Christ brought to this world that touches their hearts and soul. The Pageant takes the audience back 2,000 years to experience the life of Christ.

Featuring new music and a completely new script every year, the Pageant always remains fresh and exciting. This year the Pageant is entitled "Absence of Darkness" and is presented from the viewpoint of three individuals brought together by a blinding West Texas snow-storm. As they endure the circumstance, a dramatic life-change takes place for one of them with a very unusual twist in the end.

The dates for this year's presentation are Friday, December 19 through Monday, December 22. Evening presentations are at 7:30 p.m. with Saturday and Sunday afternoon matinees at 3:00 p.m.

Tickets are free and can be obtained from the Music Ministry Office, located at entrance number 2 of the church, at 4000 Mays Avenue, beginning Monday, December 1. For more information, call the Music Ministry office at (806) 353-6615 or go to their website at www.ChristmasPageant.com.

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BY JOHN LEHTI

A PROMISE KEPT

GOD PROMISED ABRAHAM, AND THROUGH HIM ALL ISRAEL, A LAND OF THEIR OWN. THIS LAND WAS TO BE CANAAN. THE IDEA OF THIS PROMISE WAS VERY IMPORTANT IN THE OLD TESTAMENT. THE COVENANT GOD MADE IMPLIES CANAAN WAS ASSIGNED TO THE ISRAELITES AS THEIR OWN COUNTRY. DURING THEIR FORTY YEARS OF WANDERING IN THE WILDERNESS TWELVE MEN WERE APPOINTED BY MOSES TO SEARCH OUT THE TERRITORY THAT HAD TO BE CONQUERED. JOSHUA AND CALEB BEING PART OF THE GROUP. TEN OF THE MEN CAME BACK TO MOSES AND REPORTED THE LAND WAS INHABITED BY GIANTS. THIS WAS THEIR FEAR TALKING. YES, THEY AGREED, IT WAS A GOOD COUNTRY WITH FIGS, DATES, AND CLUSTERS OF GRAPES SO LARGE IT TOOK SEVERAL MEN TO CARRY JUST ONE BUNCH BETWEEN THEM ON A POLE, BUT THE PEOPLE OF CANAAN, BESIDES BEING HUGE, WERE VIOLENT. "WE WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO WIN AGAINST THEM," THEY TOLD MOSES. JOSHUA AND CALEB SPOKE DIFFERENTLY. THEY MADE A THOROUGH EXAMINATION OF ALL THAT COULD BE EVALUATED! THEY WERE CONFIDENT OF CONQUEST, FIRM IN THE RECOMMENDATION THAT ACTION SHOULD BE STARTED. THEY WERE OBEIENT TO THE DEMANDS GOD HAD MADE ON THEM, AND LATER, BECAUSE OF THEIR LOYALTY, THEY WERE THE ONLY OLDER ISRAELITES ALLOWED TO ENTER THE PROMISED LAND WITH THE YOUNGER GENERATIONS. ALL OF THE OTHERS WHO HAD COME OUT OF THE LAND OF EGYPT DIED DURING THEIR FORTY YEAR SOJOURN IN THE DESERT. GOD ORDAINED THAT ONLY THE ADHERENTS TO HIS SPIRITUAL COMMANDS WOULD REJOICE IN THIS LAND OF MILK AND HONEY.

WE MUST GO AND TELL ALL THAT WE HAVE NOW SEEN!

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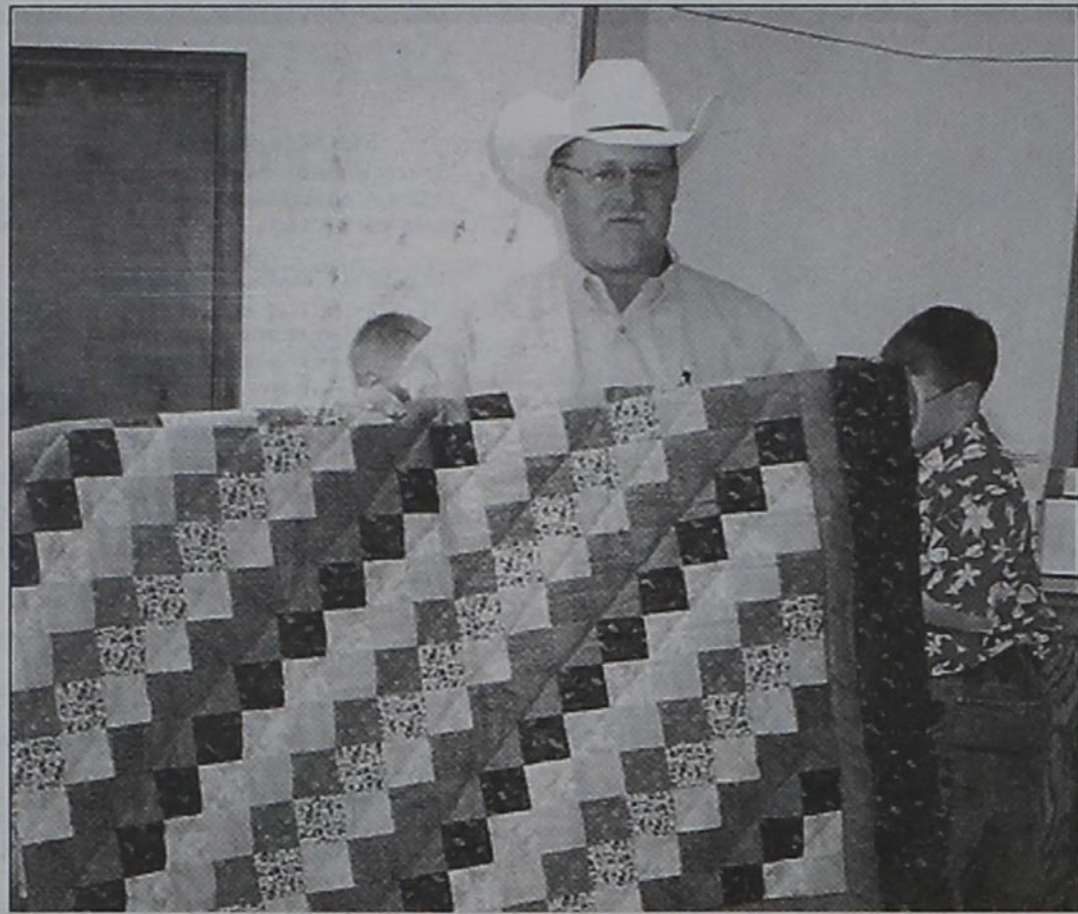
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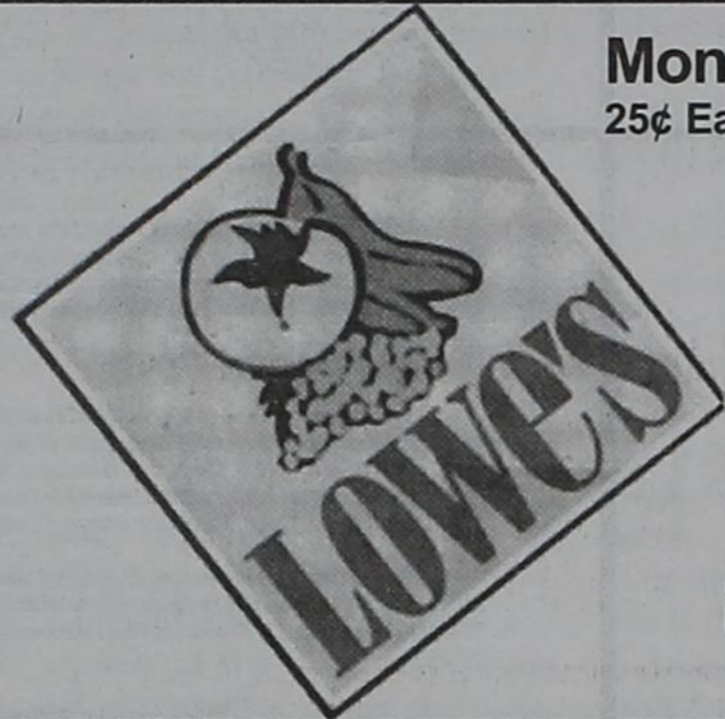
DANIEL SCHACHER was the winner of the Quilt Raffle at St. Ann's Annual Turkey Dinner on November 2, 2003, where about 500 people were served. St. Ann's would like to thank the annual feast patrons. *courtesy photo*



YOUTH FROM St. Ann's Catholic Church of Bovina attended a retreat in Lubbock on October 17, 2003. *courtesy photo*



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THESE FHS Spanish III & IV students assisted the United Way volunteers with Spanish translations during the recent telethon. Top, l-r, Magda Garcia, Magali Leyva, Connie Amezcua; middle, l-r, Freddy Reyes, Maria Sanchez, Myra Arguelles; front, l-r, Mariana Mendez, Patricia Aguirre.

FHS Choir Has Busy December

According to choir director Allison Johnston, the Friona High School Choir will be very busy during the month of December.

They will sing at the Lighting of the Park and Santa's visit to the Depot on December 1. They will sing with the Friona Community Choir in the Living Christmas Tree performances on Saturday, December 6 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, December 7 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Then, on Thursday, December

11, the youngsters will have their First Annual FHS Choir Christmas Caroling Tour. The tour will begin at 12 noon at the Friendship House for senior lunch, then proceed to the Friona State Bank at 1 p.m., Friona Banking Center at 1:30 p.m., Friona Primary School at 2 p.m., Friona Elementary at 2:30p.m., and Prairie Acres at 3 p.m.

The public is encouraged to attend the above holiday musical presentations.



Evan Beard

Meet the Class of 2016

Evan is a Kindergarten student at Friona Schools. His parents are Rick and Tami Beard. He has 2 brothers, Gabe and Michael.

Evan likes sports and videogames. His favorite foods are pizza, Ice Cream, and Kokomo Joes. His favorite colors are green, yellow, and orange

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