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PECOS PRATHER--First Place Finewool Lamb.



COURTNEY JAMERSON--Second Place Finewool Cross and Fifth Place Mediumwool Lambs.

JR. LIVESTOCK SHOW

Friona, Farwell Youngsters Take Championship Honors

The 55th Annual Parmer County Junior Livestock Show was held last week, January 23-26 at the Friona Community Center-Showbarn.

Animals weighed-in between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Wednesday afternoon with judging beginning Thursday morning with the lambs, goats, steers and barrows. Showmanship buckles were presented to six showmen in each division of the show.

The premium auction for high placing animals began at 1 p.m. Saturday.

The Grand Champion Steer, purchased by Parmer County Cattlemen's Club, brought an all-time high when he sold for \$2,250.00. Good Shepherds Buying Club bought the Grand Champion Lamb. Legends of the Game was the winning bidder on the Grand Champion Barrow and Sherley Grain-Lazbuddie was top bidder on the Grand Champion Goat.

Kelby Monroe of Friona exhibited the 163 pound Medium Wool lamb that was named Breed Champion and Grand Champion. Hayes Jones took Reserve Grand Champion honors with his 127 pound Medium Wool entry. They are both Friona exhibitors.

Other breed champions included: Molly Carthel of Friona, Finewool; Keith Hunt of Friona, Finewool Cross; and Suzanne Mason of Lazbuddie, Southdowns.

Reserve breed champions were: Jordan Monroe of Friona, Finewool; Jordan Monroe of Friona, Finewool Cross; and Maegan Ingram of Friona, Southdowns.

Lamb showmanship honors were presented as follows: Junior I--Logan Mason of Lazbuddie and Lakota Goe of Lazbuddie; Junior II--Jordan Monroe of Friona and Kelby Monroe of Friona; Senior--Suzanne Mason of Lazbuddie and Steven Hunt of Friona.

The goat show followed the lamb judging. Lakota Goe of Lazbuddie presented the Grand Champion Goat. Her 72 pound entry had earlier won Class of the show. The Reserve Grand Champion Goat, a 77 pound animal owned by Matt Billingsley of Farwell, was an entry in Class II.

The 2002 Grand Champion Steer was exhibited by Dalton Cockerham of Farwell, an 1125 pound Exotic Cross steer. The champion was followed by Logan Mason of Lazbuddie. His English steer received Reserve Grand Champion honors. Mason's Shorthorn steer weighed 1255 pounds.

Reserve Breed Champions were shown by Matthew Goe of Lazbuddie, English; and Kayla Parham of Lazbuddie, Exotic.

Showmanship honors were presented to Juniors--Logan Mason of Lazbuddie and Dalton Cockerham of Farwell; and Seniors--Kayla Parham of Lazbuddie and Matthew Goe of Lazbuddie.

The barrow show culminated the day's activities. Farwell's D'Anna DeLeon presented the Grand Champion Barrow. Her 238 pound Crossbred barrow was named Breed Champion earlier in the day. Friona's Beau Barnett exhibited the Reserve Grand Champion Barrow, a 257 pound Cross.

Other Breed Champions were as follows: Berkshires--Kirby Kimbrough of Lazbuddie; Chester Whites--Amberli Martin of

Farwell; Durocs--Alex Wilkerson of Friona; Landrace--Chance Barrett of Friona; Leesa Patterson of Farwell; Suzanne Mason of Lazbuddie; Polands--Ryan Mason of Lazbuddie; D'Anna DeLeon of Farwell; Crosses--D'Anna DeLeon of Farwell.

Reserve Breed Champions were shown by: Berkshires--Montana Steinbock of Lazbuddie; Chester Whites--Logan Mason of Lazbuddie; Durocs--Devin Goettsch of Farwell; Landrace--Angela Billingsley of Farwell; Hampshires--Jennifer DeLeon of Farwell; Spot--Montana Steinbock of Lazbuddie; Polands--Dan Patterson of Farwell; Yorkshires--Logan Mason of Lazbuddie; Crosses--Beau Barnett of Friona.

Showmanship buckle recipients were: Junior I--Mariah Steinbock of Lazbuddie and Brock Steinbock of Lazbuddie; Junior II--Kayla Parham of Lazbuddie and Montana Steinbock of Lazbuddie; Seniors--Leesa Patterson of Farwell and Jay Seaton of Lazbuddie.

IN POPULATION

Parmer County Now 11th Largest In Area

Parmer County is the 11th most populous county in the Panhandle-South Plains according to the 2002 census records.

With the bi-annual realignment of schools for University Interscholastic League (UIL) purposes coming up on Monday, Ye Editor decided to research the population of the area's cities, towns and counties, which might contain a clue as to how some schools might fare with the realignment.

One factor which is not known is how much school districts may have grown throughout the state in the past two years, which will have a bearing on how many class 5A, 4A, 3A, 2A, and 1A districts and schools will be needed.

What is evident by our research is the fact that many towns and counties in the "Top of Texas" have shown either modest growth (in the

case of Parmer County), or losses.

Our research showed that the larger cities have shown "fair" growth in the ten years following the 1990 census.

There are now three counties in the area with population of 100,000 or more. These are Lubbock County, with 242,628 people, Potter with 113,546, and Randall, with 104,312.

Lubbock (city) continues to be the area's largest, with a population of 199,564. Amarillo stood at 173,627, and seems to be gaining on its longtime rival.

The fact that Amarillo's population is 173,627, and Potter County's is 113,546 indicates that approximately 69,315 of Amarillo's people live in northern Randall County, compared to Canyon's 12,875 population.

Thanks to its cattle industry, which includes feed (Continued on Page 11)

School Board Approves Superintendent Contract

The Bovina School Board met in regular session on Monday, January 14. President Justin Brozek called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

All board members were present. Staff members present were Darla Sealey, K'Dawn Scroggins, Matt Branstine, Norma Villarreal and Martha Morris. Visitors present were Phillip Lowery and Mike Prather.

The board heard the financial report followed by recognition of the board members in conjunction with School Board Recognition Month.

A Bovina Community Network report was presented by Mike Prather.

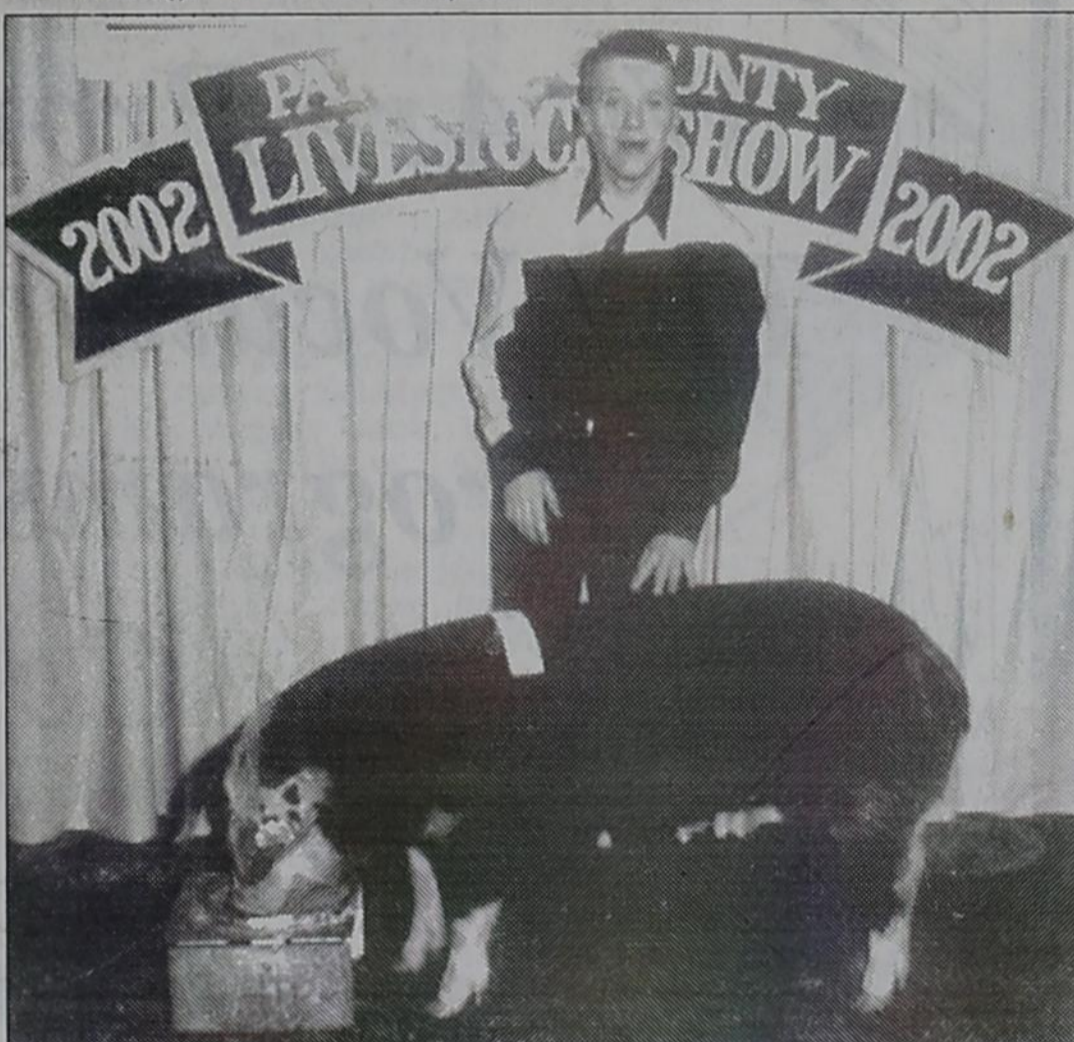
In action items, the board approved a motion to advertise for a request for proposal for facility operational efficiency evaluation.

The board also approved a resolution to observe Texas Public Schools Week, March 4-8.

The school principals gave reports. During the superintendent's report, Michael Downes discussed Pride in Food Service Week; the 2002 Board of Trustees election schedule; the Ninth Grade Success Initiative Grant; and the Advanced Placement Equipment Grant.

The Board gave Superintendent Downes a vote of confidence. After a two-hour closed Executive Session, the board returned to open session and board member Rick Jamerson made a motion to issue a new 3-year contract to Superintendent Downes. Term of the contract is from July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2005. Joe Steelman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

In a special session meeting held Friday, January 18 at the administration building, the Board voted to change the February meeting date from February 11 to 7 p.m. Thursday, February 7.



ZACHARY GRAVES--Third Place Cross Barrow.

Winter Hits After All With Good Moisture

One of the mildest Januaries on record was about to end as also one of the driest, before the first real winter storm left from three quarters of an inch to an inch of moisture.

The system, moving in from eastern New Mexico, began with a daylong slow drizzle, which became mild showers at time, on Tuesday. Bill Ellis, official weather recorder for the county, measured .55 inch from the Tuesday through 8 a.m. Wednesday period.

Then, with freezing rain, sleet and about a half inch of snow during the Wednesday to 8 a.m. Thursday period, another .52 inch of moisture was measured.

Earl Whitten at Bovina's Sherley Grain, and Tom Ware estimated their moisture at "from three quarters of an inch to an inch."

Joe Allen, manager of Sherley Grain's Rhea Elevator, said it was hard to

get an accurate reading, but felt his area probably matched what the rest of the area had received. "My gauge was full of ice on Wednesday morning, and with the freezing drizzle (Wednesday), the sleet that evening and the dusting of snow, it was hard to get an accurate reading."

But Allen said that the rainfall should be beneficial to the area's wheat crop, which was needing some help moisture-wise.

"This should really help the crop, but it will need some more. The summer fallow wheat looks fairly good. We don't have the good underground moisture that we had at this time last year, but maybe this week's moisture will start a trend," he added.

The half inch of snow Wednesday night brought the winter's total to four inches of snow, way behind last winter's total.

OUR GOOD FRIEND and "adopted Papa," Lee Witten, was mentioned in his hometown's weekly newspaper, the *Colorado City Record*, earlier this year.

In a two-part series, the newspaper told about Lee and his older brother George, who had to overcome adversity after their father left them and their mother when the boys were quite young. The father had moved the family 11 times in 11 years, and when the mother refused to move again, he left and didn't return.

The mother, Roxie, worked as a clerk at J.C. Penney's to put food on the table. The boys also befriended a neighbor, Charles Thompson, who was a banker and attorney in Colorado City.

Thompson knew Lee and George's plight, and often gave the boys a quarter each so they could see a movie on Saturdays and have some popcorn. George, who is now 86, wanted to attend college after graduating high school, but didn't have the money. He worked a year at a local laundry to help get himself into college.

While he was in his first semester, Thompson was asked to recommend a local youth who could work for Congressman George Mahon (also a Colorado City native) in Washington. Thompson asked the C.C. football coach for a suggestion, and he remembered George as a youngster too small to play football, but having good character and ability.

Remembering George as his across the street neighbor, Thompson called him and urged George to go to Washington, D.C. and report to Mr. Mahon. When Mahon's assistant left for law school, Witten graduated from being his stenographer to become the congressman's top assistant.

In the newspaper article, George Witten recalled being in the House of Representatives' chamber when President Franklin D. Roosevelt addressed congress and made his famous speech which ended with "Yesterday, December 7, 1941, is a date that will live in infamy..."

"Everybody stood when Roosevelt came in and went to the podium. It was pretty somber. People knew what was going to happen," he told the C.C. Record.

Witten recalled that the vote to declare war on Japan was taken right after Roosevelt's address, and there was only one "no" vote, by Congresswoman Jeannette Rankin of Montana, who had also voted "no" several years earlier on the World War I issue.

Feeling his need to serve his country, Witten resigned his job with Cong. Mahon and enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps., serving in India and China.

Ye Editor was fortunate in getting to know George Mahon while he was our congressman. Mr. Mahon was a top-notch fellow. After he left office, Mahon called us on a Thanksgiving afternoon, just to say how he had appreciated our support. He didn't have to do that, but that was the kind of gentleman George Mahon was.

After the war, George Witten returned to his home town to become a partner in an automobile dealership. He later became an insurance business, and has been a member of the board of directors for the City National Bank in Colorado City since 1955.

By the way, Saturday, February 2 is the 55th wedding anniversary for Lee and Jo Witten. Both are retired after teaching several years in the Friona school system. Former students of the pair are very fond of them. On their wedding date, Lee's brother George was his best man, and Jo's sister Doris was her matron of honor. Congratulations to the Wittens!

Bull Town Bulletins

By Bill Ellis



BOVINA REFLECTIONS

...from the files of The Bovina Blade

45 Yrs Ago-Jan. 30, 1957
A long drought was broken Monday at Lazbuddie and Bovina grade school boys won their first basketball game in three years. Lazbuddie grade school boys, had the "honor" of siding in, the breaking of the "spell."
Today marks the end of the month-long 1957 March of Dimes campaign. Aubra Ellison, community March of Dimes chairman for Bovina, says he is more than sure Bovina has done itself proud by reaching its quota "and then some."
Bovina Lions Club members and their wives heard a talk Thursday night by Don Stark, Lions Governor of District 2-T1, at the annual Ladies Night Banquet in the Bovina School Cafeteria.

Bovina Jaycees voted at their regular weekly meeting Saturday noon in the Bovina Restaurant to submit a bid on an Army surplus spraying machine at Altus, Oklahoma.
The City Commission purchased a new pickup last week from Farrell Motor Company in Bovina. The pickup, which will be used for regular city work, is a half ton International. Delivery date of the new vehicle was Monday afternoon.

40 Yrs Ago-Jan. 31, 1962
Bovina Gun Club has its new trap shooting range in operation. After deciding to change proposed location of the range from a mile north of town on FM 1731 to three miles northeast on highway 86 and across the railroad track, members erected a house for semi-automatic trap tower last week.
Floye Smith is the Bovina High School winner in 1962 Betty Crocker Search for American Homemaker of Tomorrow. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wess Smith, she achieved the highest score in the examination on home-making knowledge and attitudes taken by senior girls last month.

Population of Parmer County is increasing at a rate of almost 400 percent faster than it is decreasing through natural causes, according to a comparison of country birth and death records.

Mrs. Lloyd Killough has announced as a candidate for Justice of the Peace, Parmer County Precinct 3.

Frank Hinkson of Lazbuddie has withdrawn from his race for a seat in the U.S. House of Representatives. He dropped out Friday last week.

35 Yrs Ago-Feb. 1, 1967
Tuesday, taxpayers living within the boundaries of Bovina Independent School District will go to the polls for the third time within the past 12 months to mark a ballot for or against a school construction program here.

Two boxcars and numerous office equipment items will be sold at auction Saturday morning by Panhandle Growers Labor Association.

30 Yrs Ago-Feb. 2, 1972
Over \$1,000 worth of stolen drugs and narcotics were recovered Friday afternoon when Parmer County and Clovis, New Mexico law officials arrested 28 year old Ronnie Wines of Bovina at a Clovis motel.
A new fire and other emergency warning siren has been installed here and is expected to be used by next week, according to R.L. Hopingardner, a member of the Bovina Volunteer Fire Department.

Nelson Welch of Friona, Parmer County Democratic chairman, announced this week that he would not be a candidate to succeed himself in the primary election in May.

25 Yrs Ago-Feb. 2, 1977
On Friday evening, Tammy Christian and Danny Harris were named Basketball Queen and King of Bovina High School during ceremonies between varsity games with District 3-A opponent, Hart, in Williford Gymnasium.

Jackie Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. P.A. Adams, Bovina, is working on the floor of the State Legislature in Austin and also working out of the office of State Senator Max Sherman.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Koester were honored on Sunday January 30 on their 40th wedding anniversary.

20 Yrs Ago-Feb. 3, 1982
Gene and Louise Hawkins of Kansas, former Bovina people, were in Bovina to attend the 75th anniversary of the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church.

The area received the first general moisture this week when three inches of snow fell on the area, accompanied by high winds: causing much drifting.

Radford Venable and Tommy Williams announced their candidacy for County Commissioner.

15 Yrs Ago-Feb. 4, 1987
Some progress was noted on the prospects of widening Highway 60 through Parmer County to four lanes this week with the signing of a contract asking the state to purchase right-of-way from the Castro County line west to Friona.

Mendy Rhodes exhibited the Grand Champion barrow at the Bovina Livestock Show on Monday.

Joanne Clayton exhibited the Grand Champion Lamb, as well as the Reserve Champion Lamb, at the local stock show.

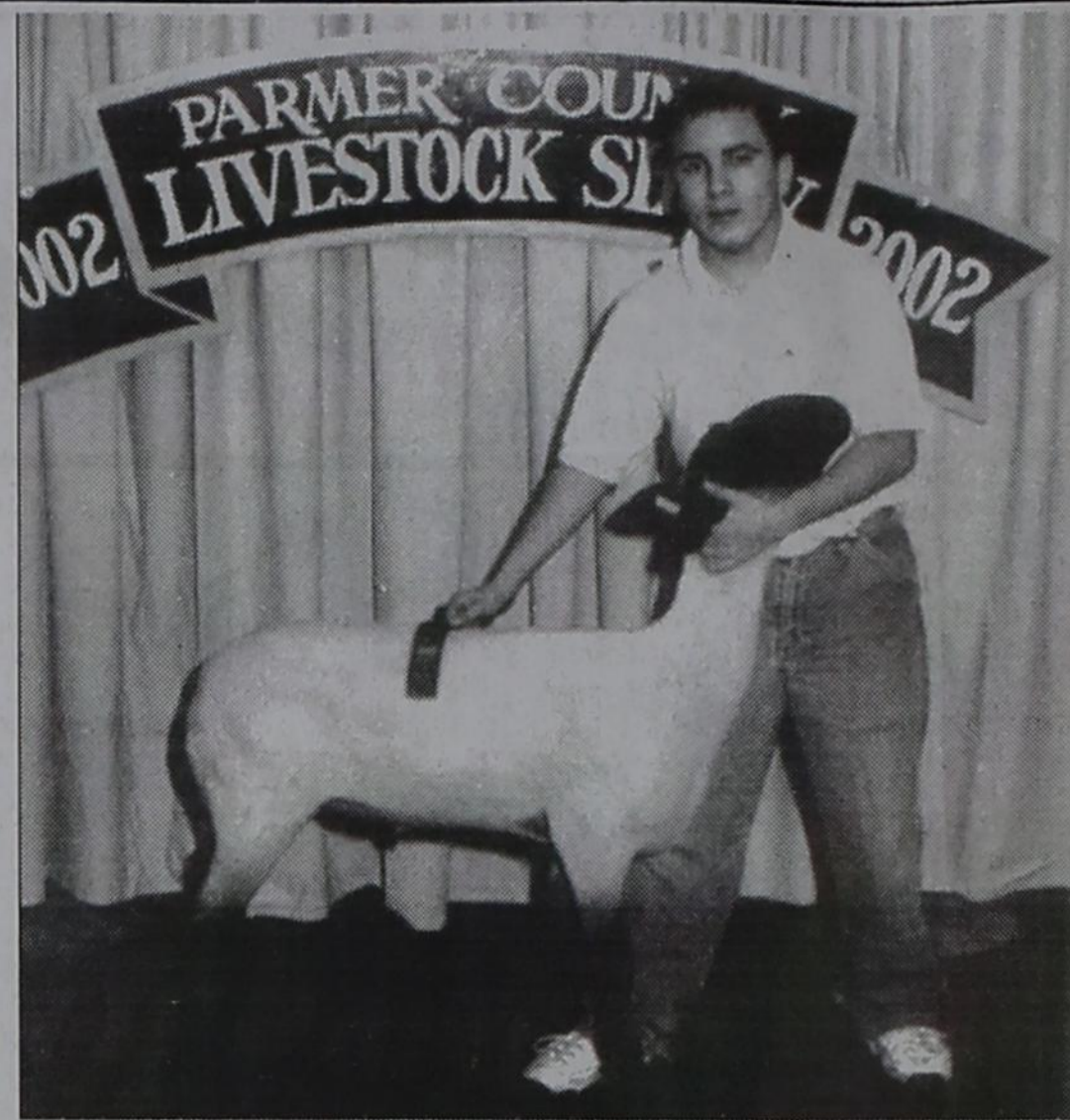
10 Yrs Ago-Feb. 1, 1992
According to Allsup's manager, Tim Turley, there was apparently a short in the unleaded gas pump at the Allsup's store which caused a fire Tuesday afternoon. Turley called the new 911 service and the Bovina Volunteer Fire Department responded to the scene within 3 minutes. Extensive damage was done to the canopy over the gas pumps and one pump was destroyed. It was determined that if there had been more air in the tank, there could have been an explosion.

Bovina High School's Mustangs downed Three Way, 88-76 last Friday to run their season record to 17-3. However, the team opened district play at Sudan on Tuesday and dropped a

64-52 decision to the Hornets. Jason Kerby of Bovina 4H exhibited the reserve Champion Barrow at the 1992 Parmer County Stock Show.

5 Yrs Ago-Feb 1, 1997
On Tuesday, January 28, the home of Terry, Nedda and Candice Travis of Farwell was destroyed by fire. A community shower for the family will be held Sunday, February 2 at the Farwell Community Center.

An ownership change for Friona and Parmer County's John Deere dealership has been announced. Texas Equipment Co., Inc. of Seminole is the new owner of the dealership, purchasing it from Joe and Harold Thompson of Abernathy.



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JOHN GAMMON

Prominent Former Area Farmer Dies

Funeral services for former longtime Lazbuddie rancher/farmer John Henry Gammon, 92, were conducted January 24 at the Willcox, Arizona Church of Christ. Burial was in Sunset Cemetery in Willcox.

Gammon died January 20 in Tucson, Arizona.

He was born in Pottawatomie County, Oklahoma, on August 8, 1909, to William Henry and Savannah Gammon.

Gammon attended grade school at Rock Springs, Oklahoma and graduated from Maud, Oklahoma, High School in 1928. He attended the University of Oklahoma, majoring in engineering.

He later attended Texas Tech College in Lubbock, majoring in animal husbandry. Due to the Depression, he

left Texas Tech and went home to help his parents on the family farm at Lazbuddie.

It was at Lazbuddie that he met his wife, Grace Jennings, a local school teacher. They were married on October 29, 1933, in Lubbock and celebrated 67 years together prior to her death in 2001.

The couple built their farm and ranch operation at Lazbuddie on land that shared a fence line with the historic XIT Ranch. Their home overlooked Running Water Draw. He raised registered Hereford cattle, wheat and grain crops.

Gammon was a member of the Lazbuddie Church of Christ, where he served as song leader, teacher and elder. He was a member of

the Lazbuddie School board for several terms, and was instrumental in the consolidation of the Midway and Lazbuddie School Districts.

He was on the board of directors, and served as president of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District and worked to pass legislation for the irrigation depletion allowance.

Except for six years living in Muleshoe, he and Grace remained at Lazbuddie until moving to Willcox, Arizona, in August of 1964. He farmed and ranched in the Bonita area until retiring in 1983, when they moved into town. In addition to raising cattle and grain, he planted apples and peaches in 1968 and started a popular "u-pick" operation.

An active member of the Willcox Church of Christ, he served as songleader, teacher and elder. He also served on the Grain Co-op board, and the Sulfur Springs Valley Electric Co-op board. He was a member of the Arizona Apple Growers Assn., the Arizona Cattle Growers Assn. and the Southern Arizona Senior Golf Assn.

He and Grace loved Arizona and the Sulfur Springs Valley, the surrounding mountains, and the beautiful Arizona sunrises and sunsets. He wanted everyone that came to visit to see the mine at Bisbee, Tombstone, Texas Canyon, and the Wonderland of Rocks.

In addition to his wife, Gammon was preceded in death by his parents and sisters, Della and Roy Daniel, Christene and D.B. Ivy, and brother-in-law, Garvin Thorn.

He is survived by his children, Jean Louise and Joe Briggs, John and Mary Lou Gammon, Marianna Gammon; grandchildren Melissa and Lance Eggers, Melinda and Fred Andrews, David and Sue Blakemore Briggs, Marisa and Danny Harris, Mariela Gammon and Savannah Gammon.

Also, great-grandchildren Stephanie Andrews; Noah, Nathaniel and Ethan Blakemore Briggs; Ashlynn, Reece and Connor Harris. Also surviving are his sister, Irene Thorn and brother, J.W. Gammon and wife Letha of Friona. He is also survived by a number of nieces, nephews and friends.

Memorial contributions can be made to the John and Grace Gammon Scholarship Fund at Compass Bank, 173 S. Haskell, Willcox, AZ, 85643, for an educational scholarship to be given yearly to a Lazbuddie High School senior. John and Grace actively participated in the development and growth of the LISD.



GAMMONS....John and Grace Gammon, former residents of the Lazbuddie community, have both passed away within a year of each other. A scholarship has been established for a Lazbuddie senior each year, in the Gammons' name. See story for details.

Clinics Are Set For Feb.

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center in Amarillo will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic at Parmer County Community Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Avenue in Friona on February 20.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing breast self-exam each month.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each woman will receive a breast health risk appraisal and individual instruction by an RN in breast self-examination.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information.

Legislature To Have Election

Texasans sixty years of age and older have an opportunity to become a representative from this region to the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature (TSHL) which began January 21, 2002.

These legislatures work with the Texas Legislature on senior issues, which may become law. If you are a person sixty or older and a registered voter, you may file as a candidate for election in the TSHL now through February 28, 2002. Terms are for two years. TSHL members pay their own expenses.

Even those who do not wish to run are encouraged to vote in the elections. Elections for your TSHL representative will be held May 28, 2002. For more information or to obtain forms for filing, call the Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle within Amarillo at (806)372-3381 or outside of Amarillo at 1-800-642-6008.

Don Sharp Named As V.P. At First Ag Credit

First Ag Credit office of Muleshoe wishes to welcome Don Sharp to the association. He joins the firm as vice president for the Muleshoe Branch and will be the loan officer for our commercial lending operations. He has been associated with Texas, PCA since 1993, starting at the Marfa Branch and then moving to San Angelo in 1997.

He was raised in Hart, Texas on the family farm and attended South Plains College, Sul Ross State University and Angelo State University. Don and his wife, Shirley, farmed, ranched and fed cattle in Yuma County, Colorado from 1965 to 1984.

They moved to Paducah, Texas in 1984 where he was employed with Farmers Home Administration and also worked on some area ranches. The couple has two children and four grand-

daughters. Their son, Lane, and wife Julie, live at Seymour with their three daughters. Their daughter, Macy, lives in San Angelo with her daughter.

The Sharps are members of the Church of Christ. She is a seamstress and is currently employed at Jackson's Boutique in San Angelo, but will be joining Don in Muleshoe as soon as possible.

Muleshoe staff members include Sheila Stevenson, loan administrator; Janet Morgan, office assistant; and Jean Petty, president. With the recent merger of the organization, the firm now offers the one-stop concept of both the short-term and long-term credit.

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55th Annual Livestock Show Results Are Given

The 55th annual Parmer County Junior Livestock Show was held last week at the Friona Community Center Showbarn.

Judges for this year's show included: Scott Doss, lambs and goats; Dale Schaffner, barrows; and Steve Kennedy, steers.

Placings are as follows:

LAMBS

FINEWOOLS

Lightweight--1. Pecos Prather, Bovina; 2. Pecos Prather, Bovina.

Mediumweight--1. Jordan Monroe, Friona; 2. Hayes Jones, Friona; 3. T.J. Randolph, Friona; 4. Christy Widner, Friona; 5. Amber Widner, Friona.

Heavyweight--1. Molly Carthel, Friona; 2. Amber Widner, Friona; 3. Curt Christian, Farwell.

Champion Finewool--Molly Carthel; Reserve Finewool--Jordan Monroe.

FINEWOOL CROSSES

Lightweight--1. Jordan Monroe, Friona; 2. Courtney Jamerson, Bovina; 3. Courtney Jamerson, Bovina; 4. Jason Sudderth, Farwell.

Heavyweight--1. Keith Hunt, Friona; 2. Steven Hunt, Friona; 3. Kelby Monroe, Friona; 4. Tyler Cullison, Farwell; 5. Shelby Teltschik, Farwell.

Champion Finewool Cross--Keith Hunt; Reserve Finewool Cross--Jordan Monroe.

SOUTHDOWNS

Lightweight--1. Maegan Ingram, Friona; 2. Pecos Prather, Bovina; 3. Cody Jamerson, Bovina.

Heavyweight--1. Suzanne Mason, Lazbuddie; 2. Corey Carter, Bovina; 3. Cody Jamerson, Bovina; 4. John Nelson, Bovina.

Champion Southdown--Suzanne Mason; Reserve Southdown--Maegan Ingram.

MEDIUM WOOLS

Class 1--1. Ty Williams, Friona; 2. Lakota Goe, Lazbuddie; 3. Jamie Martin, Friona; 4. John Nelson, Bovina.

Class 2--1. Trey Widner, Friona; 2. Suzanne Mason, Lazbuddie; 3. Steven Hunt, Friona; 4. Kayle Jesko, Lazbuddie; 5. Courtney Jamerson, Bovina; 6. Kade Foster, Farwell; 7. Kade

Foster, Farwell; 8. Michelle Martin, Friona.

Class 3--1. Trenton Hunt, Friona; 2. Logan Mason, Lazbuddie; 3. T.J. Randolph, Friona; 4. Ty Williams, Friona; 5. Trenton Meeks, Farwell; 6. Trenton Hunt, Friona; 7. Curt Christian, Farwell.

Class 4--1. Ty Williams, Friona; 2. Dusty Riley, Bovina; 3. Jake Ware, Bovina; Lauren Hughs, Friona; 5. Khallie Foster, Farwell; 6. Robyn Teltschik, Farwell.

Class 5--1. Hayes Jones, Friona; 2. Andy Carthel, Friona; 3. Shelby Teltschik, Farwell; 4. Justin Davis, Friona; 5. Tyler Cullison, Farwell; 6. Corey Carter, Bovina; 7. Wesley Teltschik, Farwell; 8. Will Hughs, Friona.

Class 6--1. Kelby Monroe; 2. Jordan Monroe, Friona; 3. Jeremy Campbell, Friona; 4. Tyler Cullison, Farwell; 5. William W. Bowery, Farwell; 6. Hannah Carthel, Friona; 7. Lauren Hughs, Friona.

Grand Champion Lamb--Kelby Monroe, Friona (medium wool); Reserve Grand Champion Lamb--Hayes Jones (medium wool).

Showmanship--Junior I, Logan Mason, Lazbuddie, and Lakota Goe, Lazbuddie; Junior II, Jordan Monroe, Friona, and Kelby Monroe, Friona; Senior--Suzanne Mason, Lazbuddie, and Steven Hunt, Friona.

GOATS

Class 1--1. Lakota Goe, Lazbuddie; 2. Pecos Prather, Bovina; 3. John Nelson, Bovina; 4. Pecos Prather, Bovina; 5. John Nelson, Bovina; 6. John Nelson, Bovina.

Class 2--1. Matt Billingsley, Farwell; 2. Matt Billingsley, Farwell; 3. Kolby Wilkerson, Lazbuddie; 4. Ty Williams, Friona; 5. Jessie London, Friona; 6. Pecos Prather, Bovina.

Class 3--1. Amberli Martin, Farwell; 2. Taryn Jamerson, Bovina; 3. Matthew Martin, Farwell; 4. John Nelson, Bovina; 5. Pecos Prather, Bovina.

Class 4--1. Melanie Winders, Lazbuddie; 2. Corey Carter, Bovina; 3. Tyler Cullison, Farwell; 4. Kolby Wilkerson, Lazbuddie.

Grand Champion Goat--Lakota Goe; Reserve Grand Champion Goat--Matt Billingsley.

STEERS

Class 1 (English)--1. Logan Mason, Lazbuddie; 2. Matthew Goe, Lazbuddie.

Class 2 (Exotic Cross)--1. Dalton Cockerham, Farwell; 2. Kayla Parham, Lazbuddie.

Grand Champion Steer--Dalton Cockerham; Reserve Grand Champion Steer--Logan Mason.

Showmanship-- Junior, Logan Mason, Lazbuddie, and Dalton Cockerham, Farwell; Senior, Kayla Parham, Lazbuddie, and Matthew Goe, Lazbuddie.

BARROWS

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Lightweight--1. Montana Steinbock, Lazbuddie; 2. Leesa Patterson, Farwell; 3. Brenner Barnett, Friona.

Heavyweight--1. Kirby Kimbrough, Lazbuddie; 2. Trey Widner, Friona.

Champion Berkshire--Kirby Kimbrough; Reserve Berkshire--Montana Steinbock.

CHESTER WHITES

Lightweight--1. Amberli Martin, Farwell; 2. Brittany Gonser, Farwell; 3. Amber Widner, Friona; 4. Kyra Kimbrough, Lazbuddie; 5. Savannah Black, Lazbuddie; 6. Wayne Terry, Lazbuddie.

Mediumweight--1. Hannah Carthel, Friona; 2. Trey Widner, Friona; 3. Brittany Berend, Friona; 4. Joel Owen, Farwell; 5. Trevor Owen, Farwell.

Heavyweight--1. Logan Mason, Lazbuddie; 2. Joshua Curtis, Farwell; 3. T.J. Randolph, Friona; 4. Josh Kerby, Bovina; 5. Breann Barnett, Friona; 6. R.J. Barrett, Friona; 7. Joel Owen, Farwell.

Champion Chester White--

Amberli Martin; Reserve Chester White--Logan Mason.

DUROCS

Lightweight--1. Caitlin Bronniman, Friona; 2. Garrett Clark, Friona; 3. Hayley Fowler, Farwell; 4. Brittany Gonser, Farwell; 5. Kayla Parham, Lazbuddie; 6. Brenner Barnett, Friona; 7. Bo Mitchell, Farwell; 8. T.J. Randolph, Friona; 9. Amberli Martin, Farwell; 10. Dustin Thompson, Friona; 11. Amber Bandy, Bovina; 12. Will Hughs, Friona; 13. Drew Johnson, Farwell.

Light mediumweight--1. Montana Steinbock, Lazbuddie; 2. Lindsay Vandiver, Farwell; 3. Emilio Loera, Bovina; 4. Samuel Billingsley, Farwell; 5. Ty Gonser, Farwell; 6. Caitlin Bronniman, Friona; 7. Dan Patterson, Farwell; 8. Mariah Steinbock, Lazbuddie; 9. Cody Jamerson, Bovina; 10. Kelby Monroe, Friona; 11. Colton Christian, Farwell; 12. Steven Hunt, Friona; 13. Lincoln Devault, Farwell.

Mediumweight--1. Devin Goettsch, Farwell; 2. Luke Schwertner, Farwell; 3. Wayne Terry, Lazbuddie; 4. Kayle Jesko, Lazbuddie; 5. Ryan Mason, Lazbuddie; 6. Josh Kerby, Bovina; 7. Amanda Martin, Farwell; 8. Sarah Herington, Farwell; 9. Joshua Johnson, Farwell; 10. Michelle Wauson, Farwell; 11. Amber Bandy, Bovina.

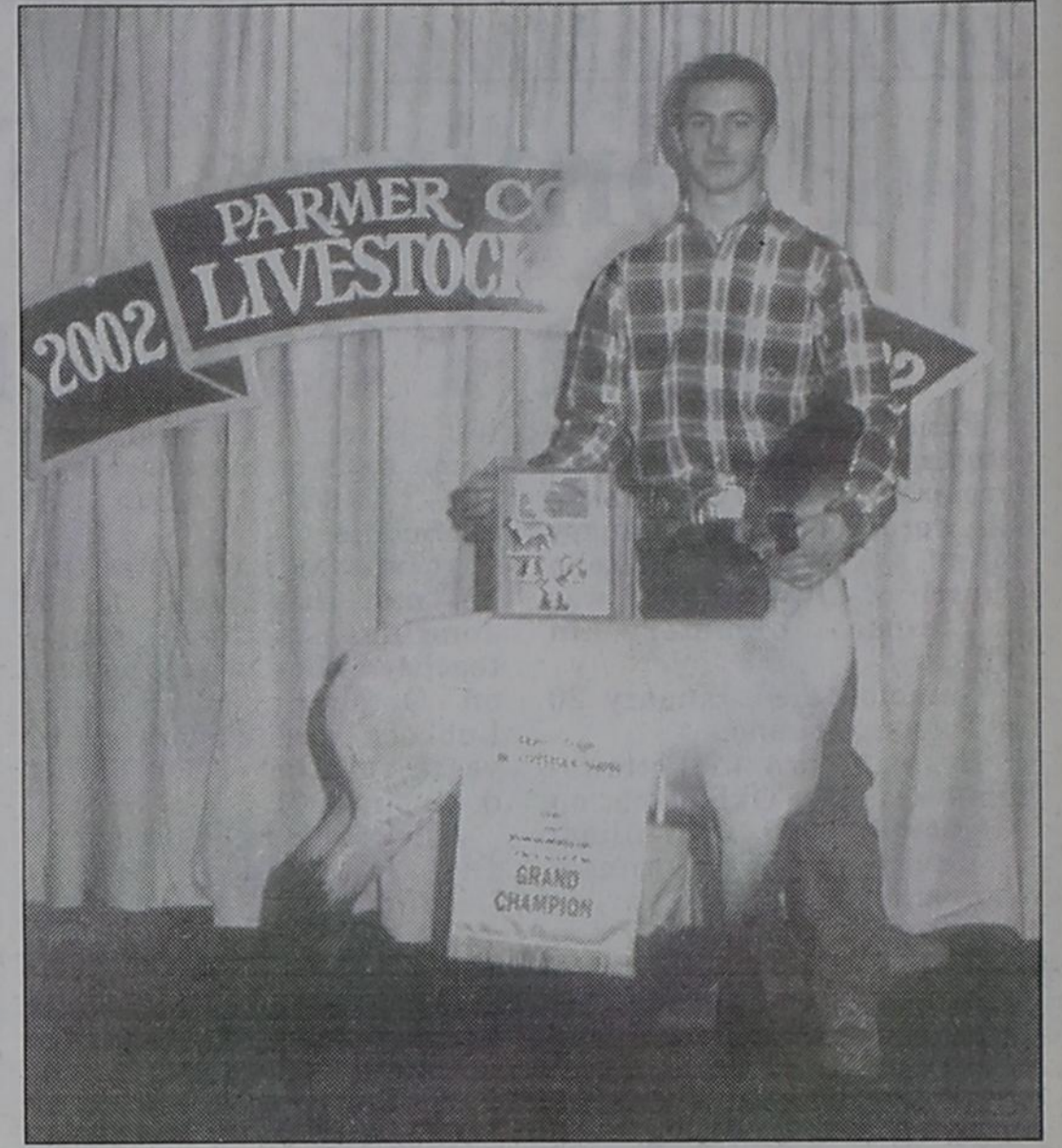
Heavyweight--1. Alex Wilkerson, Friona; 2. Kade Foster, Farwell; 3. Russell Schilling, Farwell; 4. Zacarey Stancell, Lazbuddie; 5. Charles Guinn, Farwell; 6. Brock Steinbock, Lazbuddie; 7. Matthew Martin, Farwell; 8. Christopher Bachicha, Bovina.

Champion Duroc--Alex Wilkerson; Reserve Duroc--Devin Goettsch.

LANDRACES

Lightweight--1. Ray White, Farwell; 2. Savannah Black, Lazbuddie; 3. Corey Carter, Bovina; 4. Bo Mitchell, Farwell.

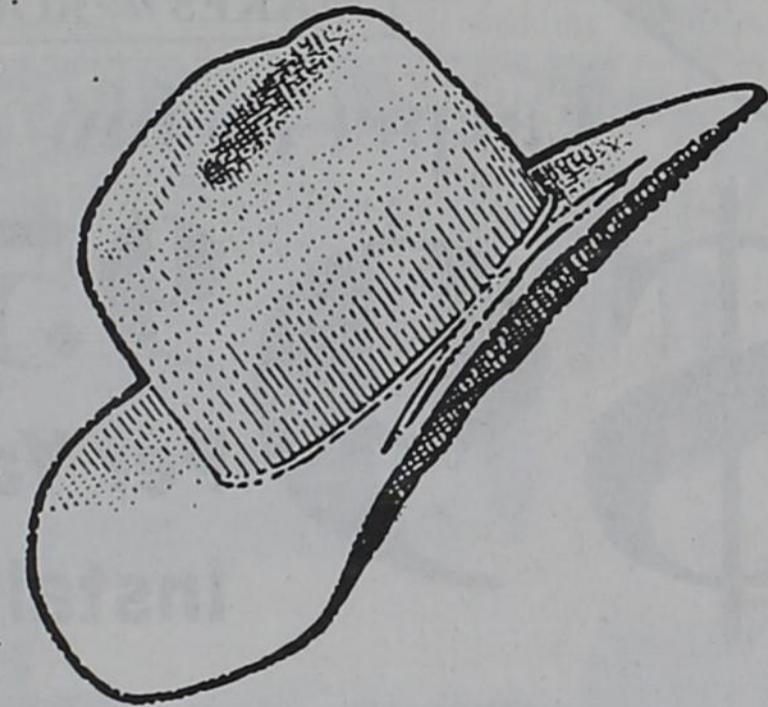
Heavyweight--1. Chance Barrett, Friona; 2. Angela



RESERVE GRAND LAMB...Hayes Jones, a Friona exhibitor, was the proud owner of the Medium Wool lamb that captured Reserve Grand Champion honors following judging at the 2002 Parmer County Junior Livestock Show.



RESERVE GRAND STEER....Logan Mason's English steer was named Breed Champion and later Reserve Grand Champion at the 2002 Parmer County Junior Livestock Show. Logan is a student in Lazbuddie Schools.



HATS OFF TO ALL THE WINNERS!

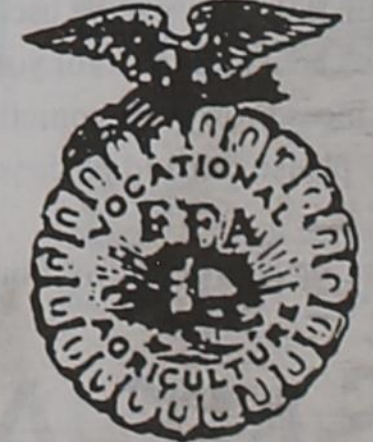
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Grand Champion Lamb Kelby Monroe



Grand Champion Goat Lakota Goe



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County Stock Show Results...

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 Billingsley, Farwell.
 Champion Landrace--Chance Barrett; Reserve Landrace--Angela Billingsley.

HAMPSHIRE

Class 1--1. D'Anna DeLeon, Farwell; 2. Russell Schilling, Farwell; 3. Matt Billingsley, Farwell; 4. Colton Christian, Farwell; 5. Keith Hunt, Friona; 6. Trenton Hunt, Friona; 7. Steven Hunt, Friona; 8. Andy Carthel, Friona; 9. Rowdy Smith, Lazbuddie.

Class 2--1. Emilio Loera, Bovina; 2. Beau Barnett, Friona; 3. Trey Nichels, Lazbuddie; 4. Breann Barnett, Friona; 5. Melanie Winders, Lazbuddie; 6. Hannah Carthel, Friona; 7. Ray White, Farwell; 8. Bryce Haney, Lazbuddie; 9. Roper Smith, Lazbuddie; 10. Zachary Graves, Bovina; 11. Kolby Wilkerson, Lazbuddie; 12. Jeffrey Phillips, Lazbuddie.

Class 3--1. Jennifer DeLeon, Farwell; 2. Hayley Fowler, Farwell; 3. Shonnah Black, Lazbuddie; 4. Wesley Welch, Lazbuddie; 5. Ty Gonsler, Farwell; 6. Caitlin Bronniman, Friona; 7. Jordan Monroe, Friona; 8. Jessie London, Friona.

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Class 5--1. Leesa Patterson, Farwell; 2. Jay Seaton, Lazbuddie; 3. Drew Johnson, Farwell; 4. Brock Steinbock, Lazbuddie; 5. Gaylen Sudderth, Farwell; 6. Dalton Cockerham, Farwell; 7. Andrew Stowers, Friona; 8. Kayla Parham, Lazbuddie; 9. Mandy Haney, Lazbuddie; 10. Jodie Coker, Lazbuddie; 11. Jason Davis, Lazbuddie.

Class 6--1. Shannon Redwine, Lazbuddie; 2. Kolby Wilkerson, Lazbuddie; 3. Drew Johnson, Farwell; 4. Alex Wilkerson, Friona; 5. Alisha Wauson, Farwell; 6. Dylan Haney, Lazbuddie; 7.

Amberli Martin, Farwell; 8. Wayne Terry, Lazbuddie; 9. Beau Barnett, Friona; 10. Dustin Thompson, Friona; 11. Lakota Goe, Lazbuddie.
 Champion Hampshire--Leesa Patterson; Reserve Hampshire--Jennifer DeLeon.

SPOTS

Lightweight--1. Montana Steinbock, Lazbuddie; 2. Trey Widner, Friona; 3. Zachary Graves, Bovina; 4. Jake Steelman, Bovina; 5. Alisha Wauson, Farwell; 6. Michelle Wauson, Farwell.

Mediumweight--1. Tobin Redwine, Lazbuddie; 2. Suzanne Mason, Lazbuddie; 3. David Wolven, Farwell; 4. Angela Billingsley, Farwell; 5. Shannon Redwine, Lazbuddie; 6. Kirby Kimbrough, Lazbuddie; 7. Sarah Herington, Farwell.

Heavyweight--1. Suzanne Mason, Lazbuddie; 2. William Bowery, Farwell; 3. William Bowery, Farwell; 4. Jason Johnson, Farwell; 5. Christy Widner, Friona; 6. Michelle Wauson, Farwell; 7. Jodie Coker, Lazbuddie.

Champion Spot--Suzanne Mason; Reserve Spot--Montana Steinbock.

POLANDS

Lightweight--1. Trey Laverty, Farwell; 2. Mark White, Farwell; 3. Lincoln Devault, Farwell; 4. Caleb Christian, Farwell; 5. Khallie Foster, Farwell.

Mediumweight--1. Ryan Mason, Lazbuddie; 2. Matthew Martin, Farwell; 3. Amber Widner, Friona; 4. Cody Jamerson, Bovina.

Heavyweight--1. Dan Patterson, Farwell; 2. Jason Johnson, Farwell; 3. Garrett Clark, Friona; 4. Rowdy Smith, Lazbuddie.

Champion Poland--Ryan Mason; Reserve Poland--Dan Patterson.

YORKSHIRES

Lightweight--1. Logan Mason, Lazbuddie; 2. Ty Gonsler, Farwell; 3. Jered Cunningham, Friona; 4. Mark White, Farwell; 5. Kyra Kimbrough, Lazbuddie; 6. Calvin Shields, Friona.

Light mediumweight--1. Jay Seaton, Lazbuddie; 2. Kelby Monroe, Friona; 3. Mariah Steinbock, Lazbuddie; 4. Keith Hunt, Friona; 5. Jennifer DeLeon, Farwell; 6. Matt Billingsley,

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Mediumweight--1. D'Anna DeLeon, Farwell; 2. Kayle Jesko, Lazbuddie; 3. Andy Carthel, Friona; 4. Melanie Winders, Lazbuddie; 5. Molly Carthel, Friona; 6. Jason Davis, Lazbuddie; 7. Trenton Hunt, Friona; 8. Dustin Bartlett, Lazbuddie.

Heavyweight--1. Drake King, Farwell; 2. Zacarey Stancell, Lazbuddie; Joshua Johnson, Farwell; Dylan Haney, Lazbuddie; 5. R.J. Barrett, Friona.

Champion Yorkshire--D'Anna DeLeon; Reserve Yorkshire--Logan Mason.

CROSSES

Class 1--Cambry Devault, Farwell; 2. Dustin Bartlett, Lazbuddie; 3. Ray White, Farwell; 4. R.J. Barrett, Friona; 5. Savannah Black, Lazbuddie; 6. Jessie London, Friona; 7. Mandy Haney, Lazbuddie; 8. Hannah Carthel, Friona; 9. Jake Steelman, Bovina; 10. Tyler Shields, Friona; 11. Calvin Shields, Friona.

Class 2--1. Brock Steinbock, Lazbuddie; 2. Shonnah Black, Lazbuddie; 3. Mandy Haney, Lazbuddie; 4. Dalton Cockerham, Farwell; 5. Dalton Cockerham,

Area Students On Dean's List

Keaton Chantell Behrendsen of Friona and Fabian S. Guzman of Lazbuddie, Eastern New Mexico students, are among the 471 students on the 2001 fall semester Dean's Honor Roll.

Ms. Behrendsen is majoring in computer information science. Guzman is majoring in computer science.

To be eligible for the Dean's Honor Roll, students must complete a minimum of fifteen hours for the semester and maintain a 3.25 GPA.

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Farwell; 6. Kayle Jesko, Lazbuddie; 7. Caleb Christian, Farwell; 8. Bryce Haney, Lazbuddie; 9. Chad Scroggins, Bovina; 10. Trevor Owen, Farwell.

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Champion Cross--D'Anna DeLeon; Reserve Cross--Beau Barnett.

Grand Champion Barrow--D'Anna DeLeon (Cross); Reserve Grand Champion--Beau Barnett (Cross).

Showmanship--Junior I, Mariah Steinbock, Lazbuddie; and Brock Steinbock, Lazbuddie; Junior II, Kayla Parham, Lazbuddie; and Montana Steinbock, Lazbuddie; Senior, Leesa Patterson, Farwell; and Jay Seaton, Lazbuddie.



RESERVE GRAND BARROW....Beau Barnett, a student in Friona Schools, was the owner of the Crossbred barrow that was named Reserve Grand Champion at last week's Parmer County Junior Livestock Show.



RESERVE GRAND GOAT...Matt Billingsley's goat, shown here, was named Reserve Grand Champion at the recent Parmer County Junior Livestock Show. He is a Farwell student.

Congratulations

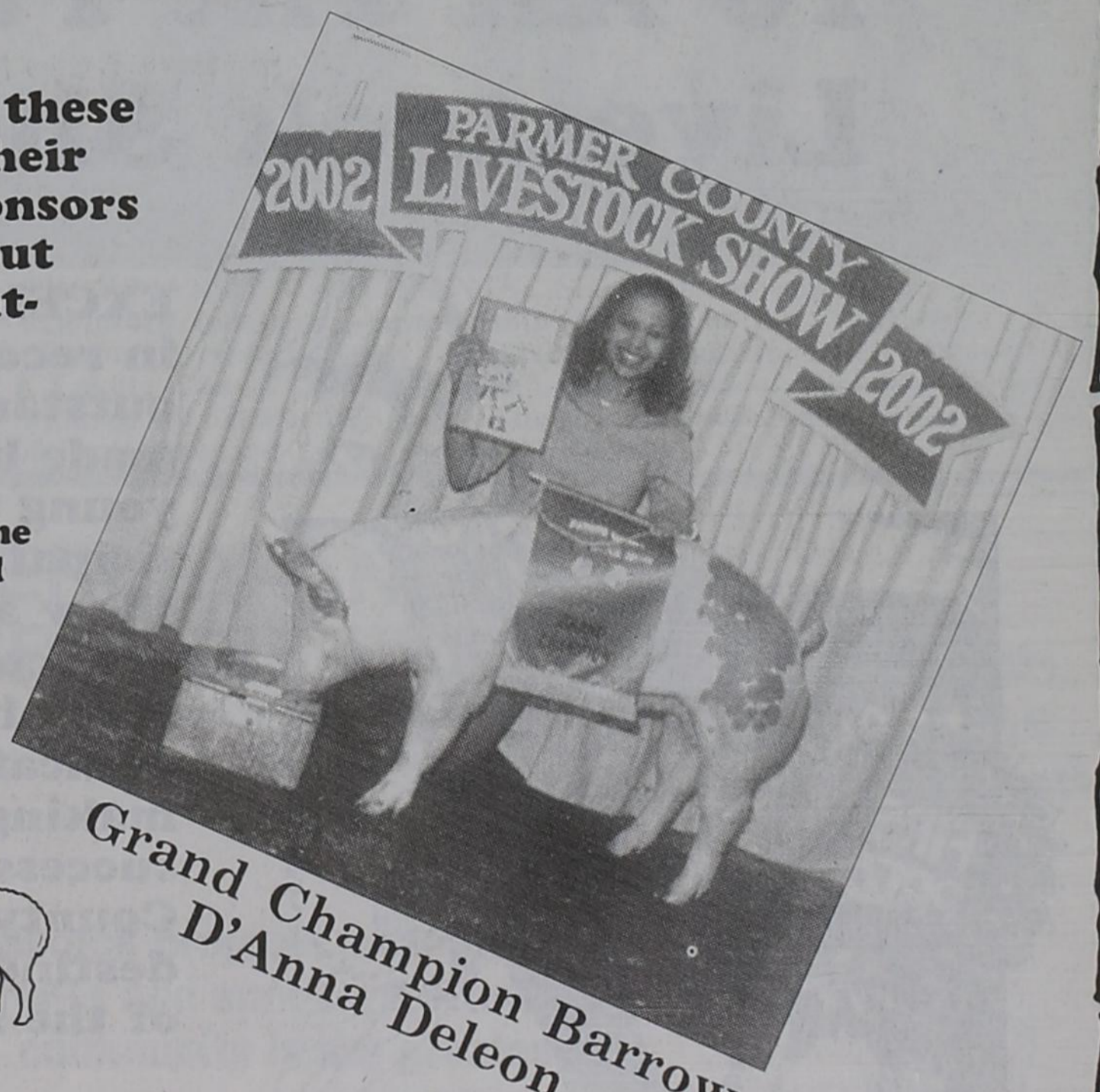
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Grand Champion Steer Dalton Cockerham

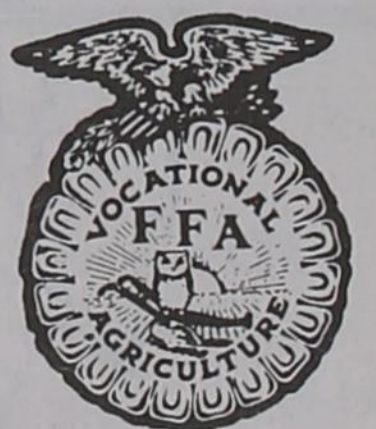


Grand Champion Barrow D'Anna DeLeon



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Local Youths Enter Houston Livestock Show

The 2002 Houston Livestock Show marks the final year that FFA and 4-H youth exhibitors from across Texas will compete in Reliant Hall, and fifteen Friona FFA members, three Bovina FFA members and thirty Parmer County 4-Hers have entered to be there. The 2002 Show runs from February 12-March 3 at Reliant Park.

The junior show, which showcases the animal projects of these FFA and 4-H exhibitors, begins livestock competition on Friday, February 22. Professional breeders and ranchers will compete for top prize money and global recognition in the livestock industry during the first ten days of the show, beginning Wednesday, February 13.

Entries from both the open and junior shows, along with the horse show, combine to make the Houston Livestock Show the largest event of its kind in the world.

Friona FFA members entering the show include: barrows-Beau Barnett, Briar Barnett, Chance Barrett,

Jeremy Campbell, Andy Carthel, Hannah Carthel, Molly Carthel, Keith Hunt, Steven Hunt, Trenton Hunt, Jordan Monroe, Kelby Monroe, T.J. Randolph, Christy Widner and Trey Widner.

Lamb exhibitors include: Jeremy Campbell, Hannah Carthel, Keith Hunt, Steven Hunt, Trenton Hunt, Jordan Monroe, Kelby Monroe, T.J. Randolph and Trey Widner.

Bovina FFA entrants include: barrows-Korey Carter, John Nelson and Jake Steelman.

County 4-H exhibitors include: barrows-Suzanne Aragon, Savannah Black, Shonnah Black, Caitlin Bronniman, Caleb Christian, Colton Christian, Joshua Curtis, D'Anna DeLeon, Jennifer DeLeon, Lincoln Devault, Devin Goettsch, Brittany Gonser, Ty Gonser, Andrew Johnson, Joshua Johnson, Josh Kerby, Drake King, Ryan Mason, Bo Mitchell, Dan Patterson, Leesa Patterson, Kari Schilling, Karli Schilling, Luke Schwertner, Zacarey Stancell, Lindsay Vandiver,

Tyler Vandiver, Ray White and Amber Widner.

Also, steers-Savannah Black; and lambs-Logan Mason.

More than 16,000 entries, representing more than 1,000 Texas 4-H clubs and FFA chapters will compete in this year's junior show. A wide variety of animals will be shown in both the junior and open divisions of the livestock competition, including market steers, market barrows, market lambs, market goats, market poultry, beef and dairy heifers, breeding gilts, breeding sheep, dairy goats, llamas, commercial steers and breeding rabbits.

"The 2002 Houston Livestock Show will be an event exhibitors of all ages will never forget as we hold the world's largest livestock show in Reliant Hall one last time," said John Sykes, assistant general manager, Agricultural Exhibits and Competition Department. "For 37 years, Reliant Hall has been the place where generations of 4-H and FFA exhibitors have gathered for

fellowship, friendship and competition. We look forward to continuing that tradition in the new Reliant Center in 2003."

As supporters of the 2002 Show and the move in the new facilities, the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo is proud to welcome Reliant Energy and Ford as Heritage Partners.

The four market animals auctions (steer, lamb and goat, barrow and poultry) represent animals raised by exhibitors for food sources. The finest animals in each of these categories are eligible for their individual market auctions. In 2001, the Houston Livestock Show's junior market auction sales totaled \$6,297,573, including a record \$600,000 paid for the Grand Champion Market Steer.

Ticket prices for the 2002 RodeoHouston are \$14 and include admission to the horse show (excluding National Cutting Horse Association events), livestock shows, carnimal, all exhibits, special attractions and the rodeo.

Congratulations

To All The Parmer County Livestock Show Participants!



EXCEL takes great pride in recognizing the outstanding achievements made by our youth. The young people who participated in the stock show are a fine example of accomplishment. Many hours of effort and dedication go into making these projects a success. Our Parmer County ag youngsters are destined to be our leaders of the future.

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2002 Lazbuddie Champions



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RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION STEER--Logan Mason.



BREED CHAMPION SPOT BARROW--Suzanne Mason.



BREED CHAMPION POLAND BARROW--Ryan Mason.



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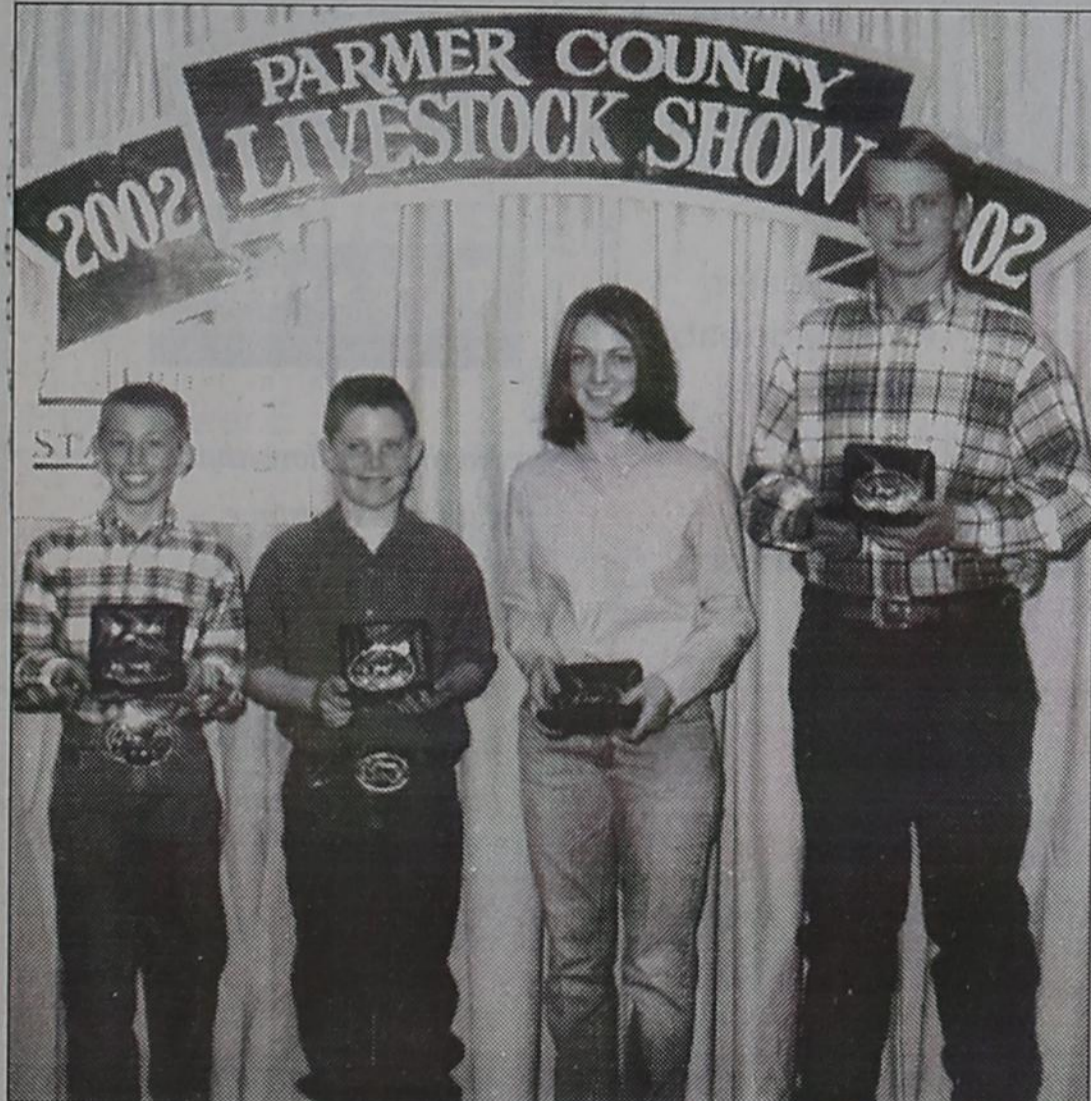
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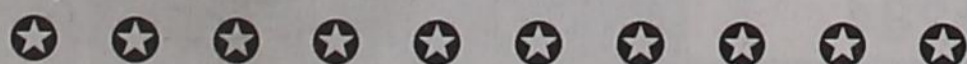
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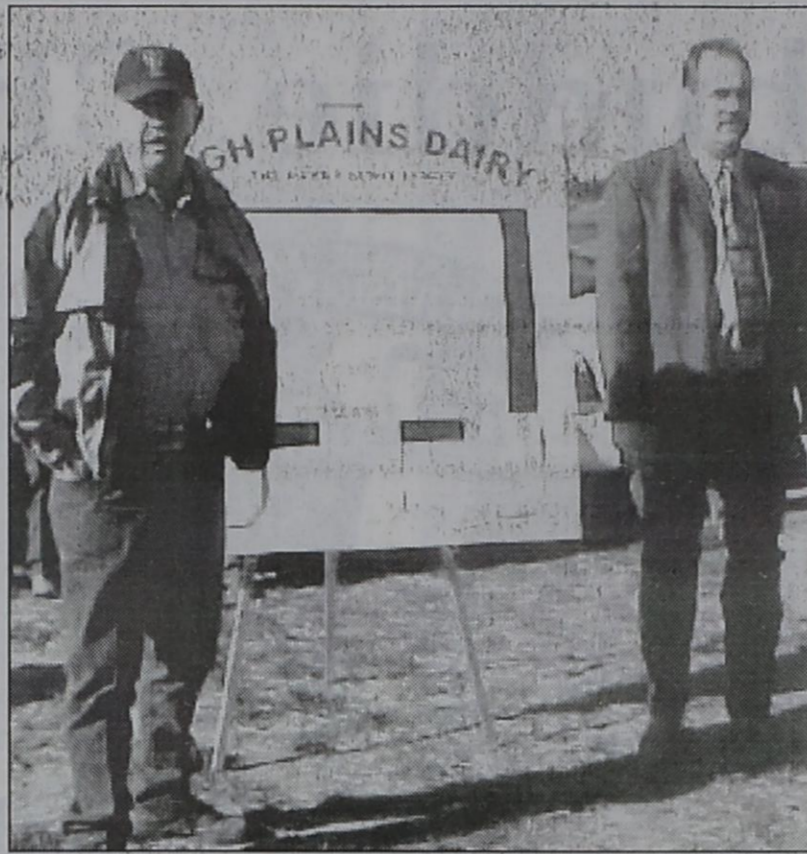
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We were proud to see the young people--FFA and 4-H youths--adults and sponsors that supported our youngsters at the Parmer County Junior Livestock Show.



DAIRY OWNERS... Harry and Margret DeWitt, left, are shown with a portion of the crowd which attended last Saturday's ground-breaking for the new High Plains Dairy southeast of Friona. The DeWitts are natives of The Netherlands. A large crowd attended and the weather gave its blessing to the event.



BILL STOVELL, left, served as master of ceremonies at the ground-breaking ceremony Saturday, January 26 southeast of Friona. At the right is the owner of the dairy, Harry DeWitt.

Special Olympics Needs Your Time Or Money

"Let me win; but if I cannot win let me be brave in the attempt." So begins each Special Olympics competition.

A year ago Donna Mullins of Friona believed that the students of Parmer County deserved the opportunity to participate in Special Olympics and has almost single-handedly brought the program to this area.

The philosophy of Special Olympics is that people with learning disabilities can, with proper instruction and encouragement, learn, enjoy and benefit from participation in individual and team sports.

In 2001, Special Olympics team the Friona Chieftains, participated in Field and Track events in Wheeler and Borger. They also were involved in the area events in Amarillo and Boys Ranch.

Athletes traveled to Borger and Pampa to bowling competitions and participated in the area event in Amarillo. They are practicing for basketball competitions which will be in Borger and Pampa. The area event will be in Amarillo.

Mrs. Mullins is Head of Delegation. Fabiola Dominguez was head bowling coach. Marie and Robert Saiz are the basketball coaches. Raymond Diaz coaches all sports.

Friona ISD superintendent Jim Parker has provided transportation to the events in support of the program. Kevin Wiseman, Junior High principal and Parmer County Special Education Director Sue Wells, have also provided support.

Special Olympics is not funded by the government or state. It depends on its support from corporations, individuals, special events and grants. Anyone who would like to help can contact Donna Mullins at 250-2788. Volunteers are always needed and appreciated.

Athletes participating are Ruben Diaz, Raul Rios, Paul Salinas and Felissa Domin-

guez of Friona; Jessica Ripley of Hereford; and Zachary Graves of Bovina.

Around Town

Chili Bowl Sunday at FBC Feb 3

First Baptist Church of Friona will host Chili Bowl Sunday starting with 9:30 a.m. Bible classes, worship at 10:40, chili dogs, chili bowls or Frito pie from 12-1 p.m., and chili bowl Bible competition at 1 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Senior citizens board meeting Feb 5

Friona's senior citizens' board of directors will meet Tuesday, Feb 5, at 4 p.m. at the Friendship House. All seniors are welcome to attend.

St. Ann's German sausage dinner Feb 3

St. Ann's Catholic Church of Bovina will sponsor their annual German sausage dinner on Sunday, February 3, from 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. at St. Ann's Parish Hall on 3rd Street in Bovina. The menu is German sausage, creamed potatoes & gravy, green beans, homemade sauerkraut, cranberry sauce, relish plate, bread, butter, desserts, tea or coffee. Donations are \$6 adults and \$3 for children under six. Take-out plates will be available at no additional charge. Sausage will be available by the pound the day of the dinner.

Scholarship To Honor R. Cook

A fund has been established at Friona State Bank to honor the late Raymond Cook, longtime Friona High School principal, who passed away last week. A deserving student will be honored with scholarship money raised by the fund. It is hoped to make the scholarship a continuing affair.

St. Teresa's Mexican dinner Mar 3

St. Teresa's Catholic Church Ladies Society will host their Mexican dinner on Sunday, Mar 3, at the church hall in Friona. Menu will be enchiladas, tacos, beans, rice, chips & salsa, coffee, tea and dessert. Serving hours will be 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Donations are \$6 adult, \$3 children under 10 years. Take out orders will be available at no extra cost.

Nana Puddin' at Nazarene Kid's Church

On Wednesday, Feb 6, at 7 p.m., the Hereford Nazarene Church will present a Kid's Church featuring The Nana Puddin' Show, with ventriloquist Dennis Lee. For over 20 years Lee has provided churches across the nation with family oriented entertainment and inspirational speaking. His production will include comedy, singing and inspirational testimony. Hereford Nazarene is located at 1410 LaPlata.

Look good..Feel better cancer meeting

Look Good...Feel Better, a public service program for cancer patients, will meet from 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Feb 9, at the American Cancer Society office, 3915 Bell in Amarillo. Women learn to cope with the appearance-related side effects of cancer treatment and beauty techniques to restore appearance and self-image. For more information or to RSVP call 806-353-4306 or 1-800-ACS-2345.



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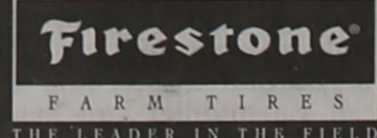
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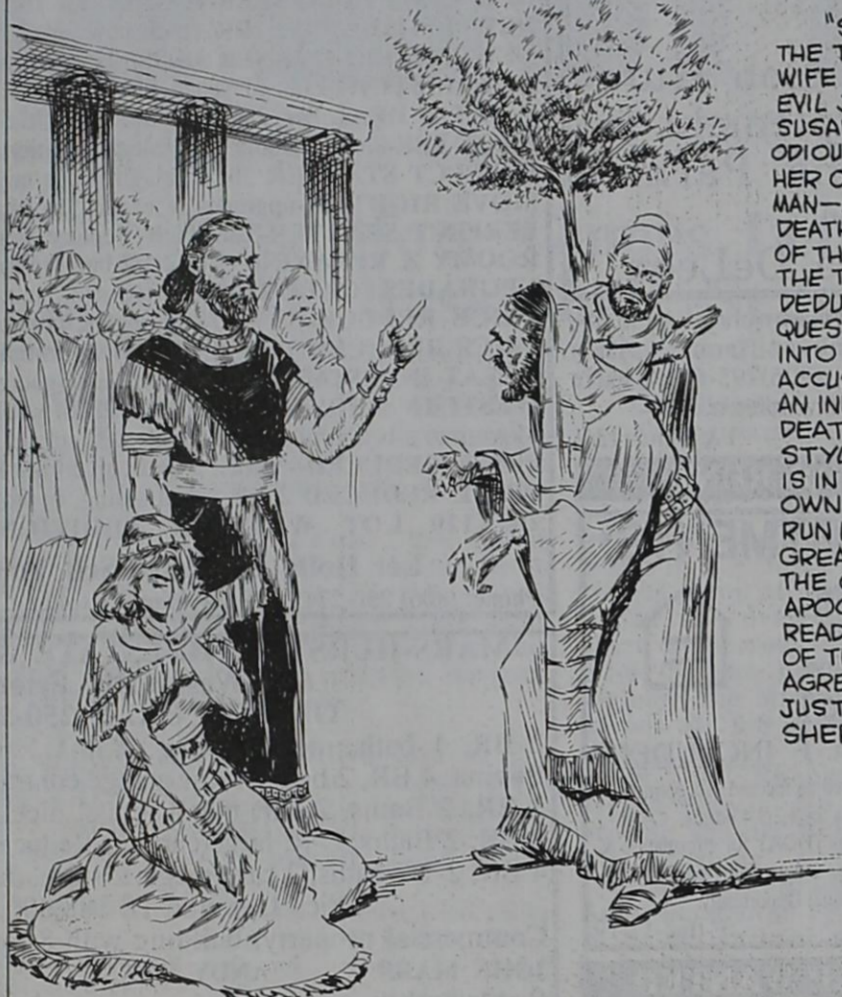


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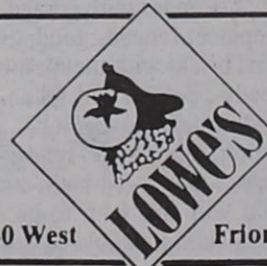


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Letter To The Editor

Dear Mr. Carr,
I would like to thank Carolyn and Lawrence Widner for believing in Zachary. For years Carolyn has been saying that it would be good for Zachary to raise a pig and show at the stock shows. I didn't think he could do it. However, they gave Zachary a pig last year and he, Yancy and the pig were just fine. Zachary looked forward to checking on the pig. This year I knew Yancy would be gone (Editor's note: Yancy Graves is now a U.S. Marine), and I didn't really think I knew enough but once again they gave Zachary a pig. Zachary, the pigs and mom survived. Zachary loves going to see the pigs and he knows exactly how much feed to give each one. I have to admit I have trouble getting him to clean the pen but we are working on the problem. He likes showing them and he wants to be with the other kids.

I would also like to thank the Ag teacher, Mr. Sowder, for all the help he gave to get ready for the shows and for going with Zachary into the ring. Also, Mr. Randy Johnson went with Zachary to the county show and helped in a multitude of ways. Once again, I want to thank the community for accepting and welcoming Zachary as he participates in the stock shows.

Kathy Graves

Parmer County 11th In Area...

(Continued from Page 1)

yards, processing plant (Excel Corp.), and related industries, such as Hi-Pro Feeds, Parmer County is one of the few counties in the area that showed at least modest growth since the 1990 census.

Neighboring Bailey, Castro, Swisher and Floyd counties have been passed by Parmer County in the last 10-20 years.

Swisher County and Childress County, both of whom have added prisons in the past ten years, were also among those showing growth.

Two More Games Left In 2001 Basketball Season

The Bovina basketball season is two games away from ending. The Fillies and Mustangs host Springlake-Earth tonight then travel to Sudan Tuesday for the season finale.

Last Friday, the teams traveled across the county to take on the Farwell Steers and Lady Blue. They came home a little black and blue as Farwell trounced Bovina's girls and boys.

The Fillies lost to the Lady Blue in a lopsided 87-25 score while the Mustangs only did a little better, losing to the playoff bound Steers 72-37.

Christen Stowers led Fillies scoring with 6 points. B. J. Sheppard had 11 and

Johnathan Chisom 10 for the Mustangs.

On Tuesday, the Hart Longhorns came to Willford Gym and swept two from the Fillies and Mustangs.

The Mustangs led 23-21 at halftime, but needed a 15-9 run in the fourth quarter to tie the game at 49-49.

In the overtime period, Hart outscored the 'Stangs 12-6 to take home a 61-55 victory. The Mustangs record stands at 16-8 overall, 3-5 in district.

B. J. Sheppard and David Garcia led Mustang scoring against Hart with 15 and 12 points.

The Fillies lost to the Lady Longhorns by a margin of 64-40. Official stats were not available at press time.

Chess Club Plans Are Underway In Bovina

Efforts are underway to organize a chess club for the youth and adults of Bovina.

The planning is being done by City Manager Ernest Terry and high school teacher Bill Drumma. Terry says he would like the chess club to provide an activity for area youth, as well as interested adults.

In order to gauge local interest, Terry and Drumma are planning a simultaneous chess match for February 14. Terry will individually compete against all entrants.

The contest is set for the

high school cafeteria, 3:45 p.m. Thursday, February 14.

The entry fee will be donation of a chess set which participants will donate to the chess club. The chess sets may be any size or price range, according to Terry.

He will play all entrants at the same time by moving from table to table.

Adults are encouraged to join in also and encourage the youth in this effort. For more information, contact Ernest Terry at city hall or Bill Drumma at the high school.

Little Dribblers Meet Set Here February 7

Bovina's Little Dribblers basketball club is ready to begin its 2002 season and will begin with a meeting February 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the Bovina school cafeteria. Anyone interested in helping with the organization, anyway, is encouraged to attend.

Little Dribblers is open to all children in grades 1-6. Player sign-up sheets are now available at the elementary school office. Children who do not attend Bovina Schools are welcome and encouraged to sign up. Games will begin

March 4.

The sign-up fee, which covers t-shirt and trophy expenses, is \$20. Families with more than one child signed-up, will only be charged \$15 each.

Player forms and fees must be turned in to Sandi Downes at Bovina Elementary no later than Friday, February 15 at 4 p.m.

If you are unable to attend the February 7 meeting, call Diane Heard, Charlotte Marrufo or Suzan Hughes for more information.

Bovina Bits

BY BECKY

Phone Becky London at 806-250-2211 or 238-1146
When you have news items. (e-mail: case @wtrt.net)



Jack and Carolyn Rains' granddaughter, Lindsey Pruitt of Azle visited in their home recently. Lindsey's fiancée, David Moseley of Ft. Worth, traveled with her. The couple plans to marry July 20 in Ft. Worth.

Lindsey's sister, Misty Pruitt of Clovis, joined the family for the weekend to visit with them. She is engaged to Chason Palmer who is stationed at Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis. Sunday for lunch former Bovinan Sara Sorley of Clovis

had lunch with the family.

Former Bovina residents Jimmy and Dorothy Ware of Texarkana have been visiting family and friends this week. They stayed with former next-door neighbor, Frances Willard and had been to Arizona to see Dorothy's mother and sister.

Frances Willard went to Dallas over the weekend to see her grandchildren, Taylor, Zachary and Bryce, play basketball. The children's parents are Carl and Beverly Willard of Carrollton.

Friends say that former Bovina resident, Belinda (Dale) Paladi's baby son, Joshua, will undergo surgery this week for a tumor behind his eye. Belinda married Linn Paladi a few years back at First Baptist Church and now live in Wyoming, Michigan with their young daughter and little Joshua. Belinda's parents, Donald and Nita Dale, also former residents, now live in Clovis.

Les and Rose McCain had a late Christmas celebration at her brother and sister-in-law, Ray and Betty Sanders' home Friday evening. Rose's sister, Ruth Sheek of Pettit has been receiving radiation treatments and had been too sick to have Christmas with the family.

Rose said Ruth is feeling some better now and finally felt like traveling and spending time with them.

First Baptist Church will have a new pastor soon. Aaron and Vonda Reed of Hart will be moving to Bovina February 16 and will begin working at the church February 24. The couple has two grown sons and are excited about the new move.

It's Little Dribblers time

again! Look for the story located elsewhere in this issue. It's a great organization so if you have the time, get involved. Coach some kids, cheer them on, show some support!

If you are hungry for some German sausage, Sunday is the time to buy your ticket, stand in line and get a plate! The food is great and the fellowship is even better!

Recap Of Jr. Hi Boys Basketball

An update of junior high boys basketball during January.

On January 14, the 7th grade boys beat Hart 40-10. Leading scorers were Jessy Reyna 13 and Joseph Tapia 10.

The 8th grade boys edged Hart 40-38, led by Saul Martinez with 21 points.

January 21, the 7th graders were whacked by Farwell 32-17. Joseph Tapia scored 10 points. The 8th grade lost to the little Steers by 33-30. Martinez had 19 points and Cody Jamerson had 6.

January 28 there was only one game against Springlake-Earth because S-E only had six boys. Bovina won 37-25. Leading scorers were S. Martinez 10, Jamerson 12 and Orlando Espinoza 9.

Coach Brian Jones said, "I am very proud of all the players. They have worked hard and played hard. All have made a huge improvement. We have one more 7th grade game Monday at Sudan and three more 8th grade games. We have a tournament in Amherst Saturday, February 2 and at Sudan Monday."

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MIDDLE SCHOOL ALL-REGION Band qualifiers, front, l-r, Dorothy Martinez, Elizabeth Ortiz, Laura Rocha, Lidieth Rocha, Edda Robles, Orlando Shelly. Back, l-r, Hilda Quintero, Holly Johnson, Sonia Murillo, Jacob Rivera, Hortencia Lara.

Mid-School All-Region Winners

Bovina Middle School students that qualified for the Region 16 All-Region Band are:

Clarinet--Hilda Quintero, Dorothy Martinez, Elizabeth Ortiz, Laura Rocha, Lidieth Rocha, Edda Robles, Orlando Shelly and Hortencia Lara.

Bass clarinet--Jacob Rivera, Brenda Campos, Holly Johnson; and alto saxophone--Sonia Murillo.

Also, trumpet--Bacilio Viernes, Michael Ortiz and Alonzo Flores; French horn--Saul Martinez; baritone--Luis Munoz; trombone--Juana Roldan, Diana DeLaRosa, and David Salazar; tuba--Marco Castaneda and Jessica Bachicha; and snare drummer, Lucero Saucedo.



LUCERO SAUCEDO qualified for middle school all-region band on the snare drum.

Happy Birthday Bovina

Birthdays for the week of February 3-9, 2002

Feb 3 Melissa Gilbreath, Vi Hutto, Helen Blalock, Dustin Turner

Feb 4 Epifanio Vanegas, Alma Clayton, Pete Davies, Vicki Ortiz, Sherri Whitten

Feb 5 Chad Clayton, Montie Howell, Johnnie Dopp

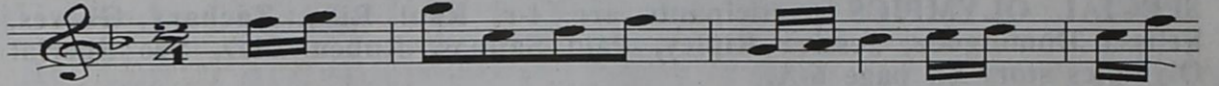
Feb 6 Donalita Hawkins

Feb 7 Rachel Gilbreath, Renee Bartlett, Brett Anderson, Gary Gober

Feb 8 Cody Jamerson, Andrew Marufo

To add a name to our birthday list call 251-1523.

If there are names on our list that need to be deleted due to a name change, death, moved away, etc, please let us know also. Thank you!



MIDDLE SCHOOL ALL-REGION Band qualifiers are, front, l-r, Bacilio Viernes, Michael Ortiz, Alonso Flores, Juana Roldan, Diana DeLaRosa, David Salazar. Back, l-r, Jessica Bachicha, Saul Martinez, Luis Carlos Munoz, Marco Castaneda.

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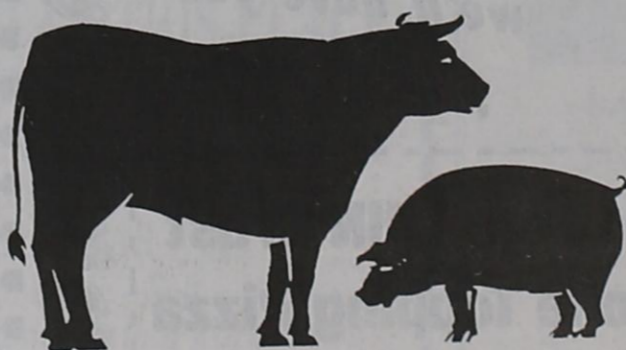
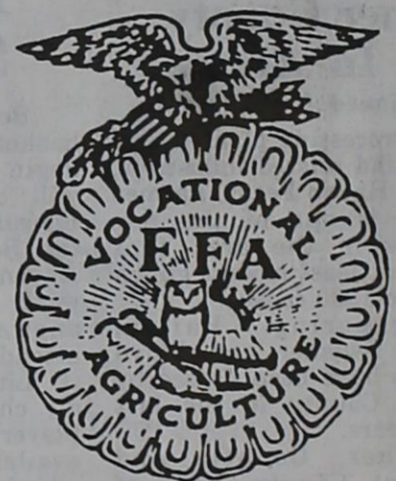
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