



Blessings  
To All  
At Easter

# FRIONA



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## Courthouse Early Vote Is Scheduled

Absentee voting began Thursday for the special election on May 3 to choose a replacement for Congressman Larry Combest.

There will be no special absentee voting booths in either Friona or Bovina. Voters will have to make a trip to the courthouse in order to vote absentee.

County clerk's office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1-5 p.m. weekdays.

On election day, there will be only six polling places:

Friona: Calvary Baptist Church; Bovina: EMS Building; Rhea: Community Center; Lazbuddie: school; Oklahoma Lane: Methodist Church; Farwell: Community Center.

## Sgt Joe Herrera Killed By Fleeing Suspect

BY RON CARR

'101 Friona PD'

'Friona PD'

'Badge 104 is 10-7 and out of service. By my authority, retire Badge 104.'

'Sgt. Jose Arturo Herrera entered service with the Friona Police Department on September 1, 1998 and is out of service April 14, 2003. By authority of Chief Scott Given, Badge 104 is 10-7 and retired on April 14, 2003.'

The above exchange between Friona Police Chief

Scott Given and Friona Police dispatcher Donice Jones was broadcast over Farmer County law enforcement radio frequencies on Monday, April 14, 2003 shortly after noon.

In the law enforcement community, the 10-7 radio message is a tradition that signifies the death of an officer in the line of duty. 10-7 is the code used when an officer finishes a shift, goes off duty and is out of service.

Sgt. Herrera died just after midnight Sunday on County Road N northeast of Bovina when a fleeing suspect slammed his pickup almost head-on into his patrol unit.

According to local Bovina residents, Jose Gomez, 38, a former Bovina resident, had been in Bovina for several days knocking on doors and asking for money. Locals said he claimed to be stranded in Bovina and needed money to get to Austin.

It was during such a panhandling period Sunday night that a citizen reported his suspicious activity to Bovina police. Police Chief Leon Saddler and Farmer County deputy Andy Stormes (a Bovina native), responded to the call and located the pickup.

When they attempted to question Gomez and his girlfriend, Tanya Mireles, 30, of Tulia, he sped away and began a chase through the streets of Bovina. The officers pursued the pickup, which had headlights turned off, zig-zagging around several residential streets.

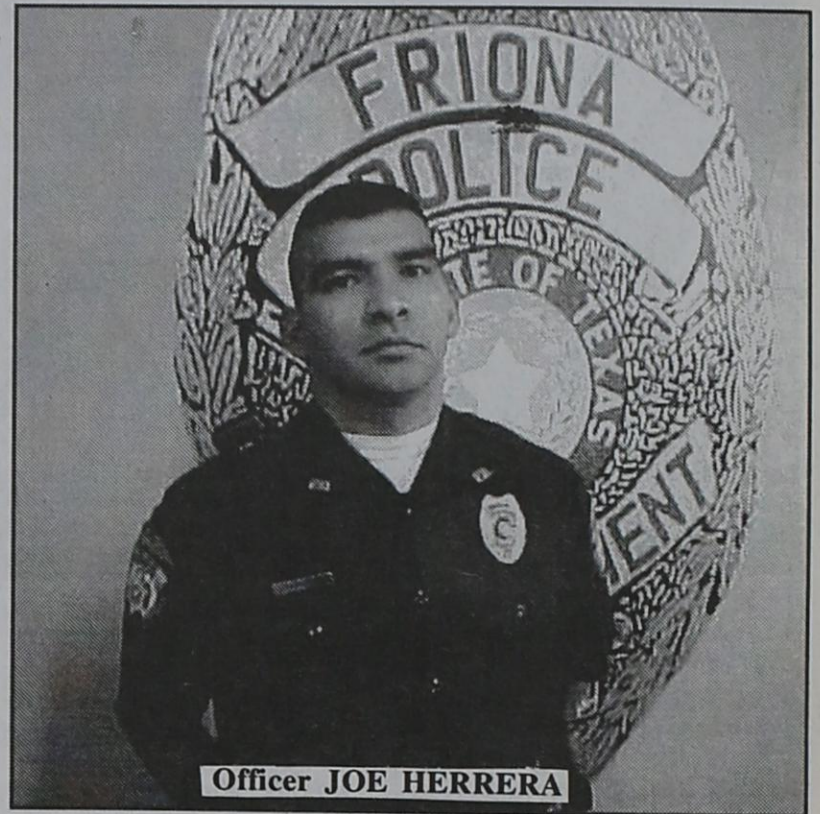
Sgt. Herrera was at the Friona PD when he heard the chase and asked if the officers

needed help. He then headed west on Highway 60 toward Bovina.

In the meantime, Gomez turned onto Highway 60 then headed north on FM1731 with Saddler and Stormes still in pursuit. The chase turned east on County Road N, a two-lane dirt road.

Herrera, monitoring the radio, turned north off Highway 60 on County Road 11, then east on County Road N, directly toward the approaching chase. Reports are that he stopped his patrol car on the road's shoulder, overhead lights flashing, when Gomez's pickup smashed into him almost head-on. One officer described it as a "driver to driver" collision.

It is still undetermined, and under investigation, (Continued On Page 16)



Officer JOE HERRERA

## Chieftain Band Wins Sweepstakes Award

The Friona High School Band traveled to Boys Ranch Tuesday, April 8 to compete in the UIL Concert and Sight Reading contest. According to band director Tim Youree the band had a superior performance.

They were awarded top honors with 1st Division Superior ratings in concert and sight reading. The Chieftain Band received the Category B Sweepstakes award. This is the third year in a row that the band earned superior ratings in concert and sight reading.

Some of the comments from the judges were: "Wow,

great stage presence", "A super job on the march", "A very nice looking large band", and "This is a great band, well taught and well prepared. I enjoyed hearing you today."

Director Youree commended the band members for their performance this year through some difficult periods. "This has been a difficult year for the band members but they have made adjustments and have responded very well," Youree said.

Youree pointed out that the death of his wife Kathy, as well as the death of Drum Major Stephenie Jones' father Steve were two of the difficult times faced by band members. Assistant Band Director Ron McWilliams was also sidelined for a period of time by illness.

Both Youree and McWilliams said, "we are very proud of the accomplishments of the Chieftain Band this year."



STATE TROOPERS stand in tribute at Officer Joe Herrera's funeral services Wednesday. Many law officers from the Panhandle and across the state attended the service. ron carr photo



### Attention Parents of 2003 FHS Seniors...

Very few first grade pictures of your graduates have been turned in to the Friona Star for publication in the big special Senior Section of the paper. Please bring photos to the paper ASAP!

## Chamber Banquet Set Here May 13

The annual Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture Banquet will be a night to remember. May 13, 2003 is planned to celebrate "Friona-Friendly, Global Hometown."

Businesses and individuals will be highlighted as everyone gathers for good food, a competitive cookoff, an exciting silent auction, hometown talent and provocative and entertaining speaking.

Nominations are being accepted at the Chamber office for outstanding citizens and students. Deadline for submitting nominations is Friday, May 2.

Businesses and/or groups of individuals should be "gearing up" for the second cookoff. This year groups will be competing to present the best appetizer-remember, the appetizer is important, however, the presentation (decorations, costumes) are also judged.

Individuals and businesses will have items featured in

the silent auction which will take place in conjunction with the cookoff. Starting bids will be established and the highest bid posted when bidding is closed will determine the purchaser. Many friendly "bidding wars" took place last year. This should prove to be another silent auction.

Miss Friona, Haleigh Herbert, will be on hand to help with many aspects of the banquet. She will also provide entertainment which will add to the evening's enjoyment.

Maureen Mulvaney, founder and president of MGM Associates of Phoenix, Arizona, will be the featured speaker for the annual banquet. Ms. Mulvaney has had a multi-faceted career in education, business and consulting. She has the gift of entertaining multi generational audiences.

Tickets for the banquet will go on sale soon.

## Special Service Is Set

A recognition service honoring the late Charles Hamilton will be held Tuesday, April 22 beginning at 4:30 p.m. at the Friona Baseball Park.

Charles was very beneficial in the operations of Friona Kids, Inc. Baseball and instrumental in the addition of baseball at Friona High School.

Everyone is invited to this special service. Charles's family will be recognized.

**THE EASTER**  
Mary Dalton Crump

On Calvary three crosses stood  
against a shadowed sky.  
While Judas counted silver,  
the others watched Him die.

How Mary must have anguished.  
How Peter must have cried  
to see the fallen Saviour who  
knew he had been denied.

The day was steeped in sorrow, when  
Christ Jesus was betrayed.  
But after the deep midnight passed  
they found an angel stayed

Beside the tomb, sealed with a stone,  
then it was rolled away  
when sunrise brought to all the world  
the greatest wonder day.

The dark horizon faded with  
the joy, that Eastern morn,  
when always we're reminded of  
the day that hope was born.



**ABEL CAMARILLO....**  
Electronics Technician 2nd Class (SW) Abel Camarillo is attending school at N.A.S. Pensacola, Florida. He is stationed at N.A.S. North Island, California. He and his wife, Josie, have a son, Christian, three years old. His parents are Rosalio and Alicia Camarillo. He is a 1997 graduate of Friona High School.

## What Odds? Baby Creates 3 Sets Of Five Generations!



**THORN FIVE GENERATIONS....**The Thorn family got together recently for this five generation photograph. Standing in back are Bill Thorn, Johnna Blackburn and Irene Thorn. Shane Blackburn is holding his son, Austin, the newest addition to the family.



**FAIRCHILD FIVE GENERATIONS....**Julia Fairchild (seated in front on the left) is shown here with the four younger generations of her family. In the back row are Mike and his son Shane Blackburn and in front is Marilyn Blackburn holding Baby Austin Blackburn.



**BLACKBURN FIVE GENERATIONS....**Five generations of the Rex Blackburn family are pictured here. They are (back row) Shane and his father Mike Blackburn; (front) Josephine and Rex Blackburn holding baby Austin Blackburn.



# Friona Flashbacks

...from the files of The Friona Star



**IVY TOTTA and QUINT ELLIS....**Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Totta of Overland Park, Kansas, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Ivy Virginia-Margaret of Fort Worth to Quinten Lane Ellis, also of Fort Worth. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Trey Ellis of Friona. The couple is planning a June 14 wedding at the Church of the Ascension in Overland Park. The bride is a 1998 graduate of St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Overland Park. She received her Bachelor's Degree from Texas Christian University in May 2002 and is currently teaching second grade at Everman ISD. Ellis is a 1998 graduate of Friona High school and a December 2002 graduate of TCU. He is currently attending graduate school at TCU.

**75 Yrs Ago-April 20, 1928**  
Wheat in the vicinity of Friona has reached the stage where its existence as a crop is a matter of days, and if rain does not come very soon, it is estimated that very little wheat will be grown here. Some farmers have already given up hope for their crop and are planning to turn their cattle onto the fields in order to get some pasture value from it. \* \* \* \*

**65 Yrs Ago-April 15, 1938**  
Lazbuddie School won high point honors in the Parmer County Interscholastic Track Meet held here on Monday afternoon. Lazbuddie won first place in the low hurdles, pole vault and shot put. Friona will send two men to the district, Price Brookfield, winner of the half mile, broad jump, discus and javelin throw, and Martin Todd, winner of the mile run. \* \* \* \*

**60 Yrs Ago-April 16, 1943**  
While on the streets recently, we met with the rumor that it is probable that our two modern cafes may close their doors to the public before long. Not from choice, but from necessity arising from the fact that their limited amount of "ration points" are not sufficient to allow them to secure enough food to meet the demands of their customers. \* \* \* \*

**55 Yrs Ago-April 16, 1948**  
About 150 businessmen and farmers assembled at the

## Letter To The Editor

Dear Bill, Carol, Ron, Marlene and Vickie:  
The special things you do are always appreciated!  
The Friona V.F.W. and Auxiliary #1413 wish to thank you for all the help you have given us advertising our chicken dinners and other happenings.  
Your help with all the clever write-ups have helped make our chicken dinners so successful.

Thanks again.  
Christeene Mann  
Betty & Bill Morgan  
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Mike & Carla Scott  
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Dale Mann  
R.L. Duke  
Joe Mann  
Henry Gauna  
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Grade School Auditorium, Wednesday night to hear the temporary board of directors make its report on the work so far accomplished toward the permanent organization of a Chamber of Commerce for Friona and community. \* \* \* \*

**50 Yrs Ago-April 16, 1953**  
With five schools participating in the District 10-B track meet at Friona last weekend, Friona took top honors with 74 points total, followed by Farwell with 39 points. Other schools entering were Bovina, Vega and Adrian. \* \* \* \*

**45 Yrs Ago-April 17, 1958**  
Winners of a "one" rating at the Junior Band Contests from the Friona Junior Band include Ira Parr, trombone; Brenda Deaton, clarinet; Bob Welch, cornet; Royce Douglas, French horn; Kay Coffey, flute; and Dianne Jennings, flute.  
Jonnie Hand, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Hand, has been selected to represent Friona in the Miss Rural Electrification Contest, sponsored by the Deaf Smith County Electric Cooperative, Inc. at Hereford. \* \* \* \*

**40 Yrs Ago-April 18, 1963**  
The Friona Planning and Zoning Commission postponed action Tuesday on a proposed headquarters for a new labor association which wants to be located in Friona. Nineteen citizens were present at the Tuesday meeting, objecting to the location of the labor association headquarters in their part of the city. \* \* \* \*

**35 Yrs Ago-April 18, 1968**  
Dedication and open house for Missouri Beef Packers' new \$3.5 million beef packing plant is slated here Saturday and Sunday. Cattleman Jay Taylor of Amarillo will deliver the address. On Sunday, the public open house will be held, with tours of the building between the hours of 1 and 5 p.m. \* \* \* \*

**25 Yrs Ago-April 16, 1978**  
An ownership change was announced this week for Parmer County Implement Company, I-H dealers for the county. New owners are Dwayne Greathouse, Bob Hurst and Travis Graves. Selling his interest in the business was Andy Hurst. \* \* \* \*

**20 Yrs Ago-April 17, 1983**  
The Friona High School Chieftain Band won the Sweepstakes award following

the UIL sight reading and concert competition last Friday in Dimmitt. It had earlier received a first division rating in the UIL marching competition last fall. \* \* \* \*

Three members of the Friona Squaws track team qualified for six events in the regional meet as a result of the district meet at Tulia last Saturday. Sherry O'Brian won the 400-meter dash in 61.7 and the high jump at 4-10. Wennetter Jackson won the shot put at 38-4, and discus at 108-1. Diane Johnston was second in the high jump and second in the 200-meter dash. \* \* \* \*

**15 Yrs Ago-April 16, 1988**  
The City of Friona was hit with a power outage that lasted almost two hours late last Friday, April 9. A raccoon apparently caused a short-circuit at the sub-station just south of Friona when he crawled from one insulator to another and touched both insulators. \* \* \* \*

**10 Yrs Ago-April 17, 1993**  
Friona High School qualified 14 individuals in ten events for the regional UIL level, at the recent UIL Literary meet. Friona placed second overall in the literary meet, behind district-winning Tulia. They are Brian Herring, Cody Simmons, Jon Parker, LaTawn White, Teresa Taylor, Chad Henry, Lee Ann Ford, Renee Martin, Amy Renner, Kristin Holland, Amanda Taylor, Tonya Stovell, Terron Talley and Christy Ichtetz. \* \* \* \*

**5 Yrs Ago-April 17, 1998**  
Melissa Hare of Friona was injured early Sunday morning when her car hit a horse on Highway 60 near Canyon. She was taken to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo, where she was in serious but stable condition at press time. \* \* \* \*

held, with tours of the building between the hours of 1 and 5 p.m. \* \* \* \*

We're printing the largest issue in history of the Friona Star this week (42 pages) to give a Texas sized welcome to Missouri Beef Packers. Since Mo. Beef has the largest single-shift packing plant in the world, we couldn't stop without producing our thickest paper ever. \* \* \* \*

The Friona Star won four awards at the annual Panhandle Press Assn. convention last weekend in Amarillo. "Star Lites," the regular column written each week by publisher Bill Ellis, won the first place plaque in the column writing division of the annual newspaper contest. Other awards won were the second place citation in the Best Special Edition category; and third place awards in "Best News Pictures" and "General Excellence." \* \* \* \*

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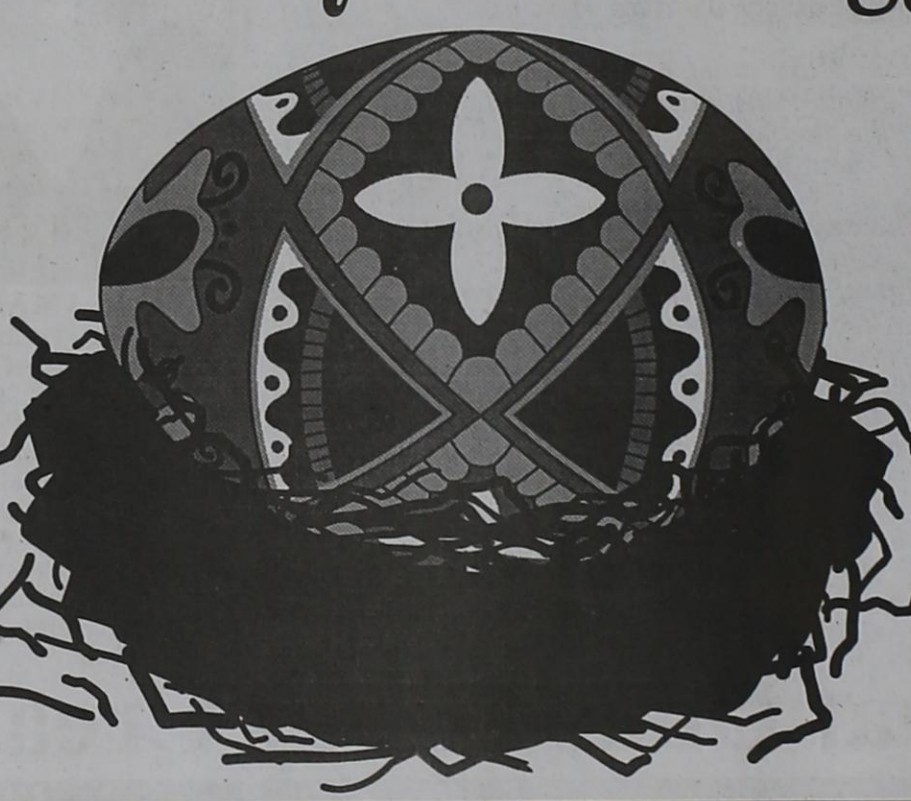
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## Easter Greetings!

### Sunrise Service

7 AM Service Followed by Brunch

9:45 Easter Egg Hunt

11:00 Services with Easter Flowers Procession.



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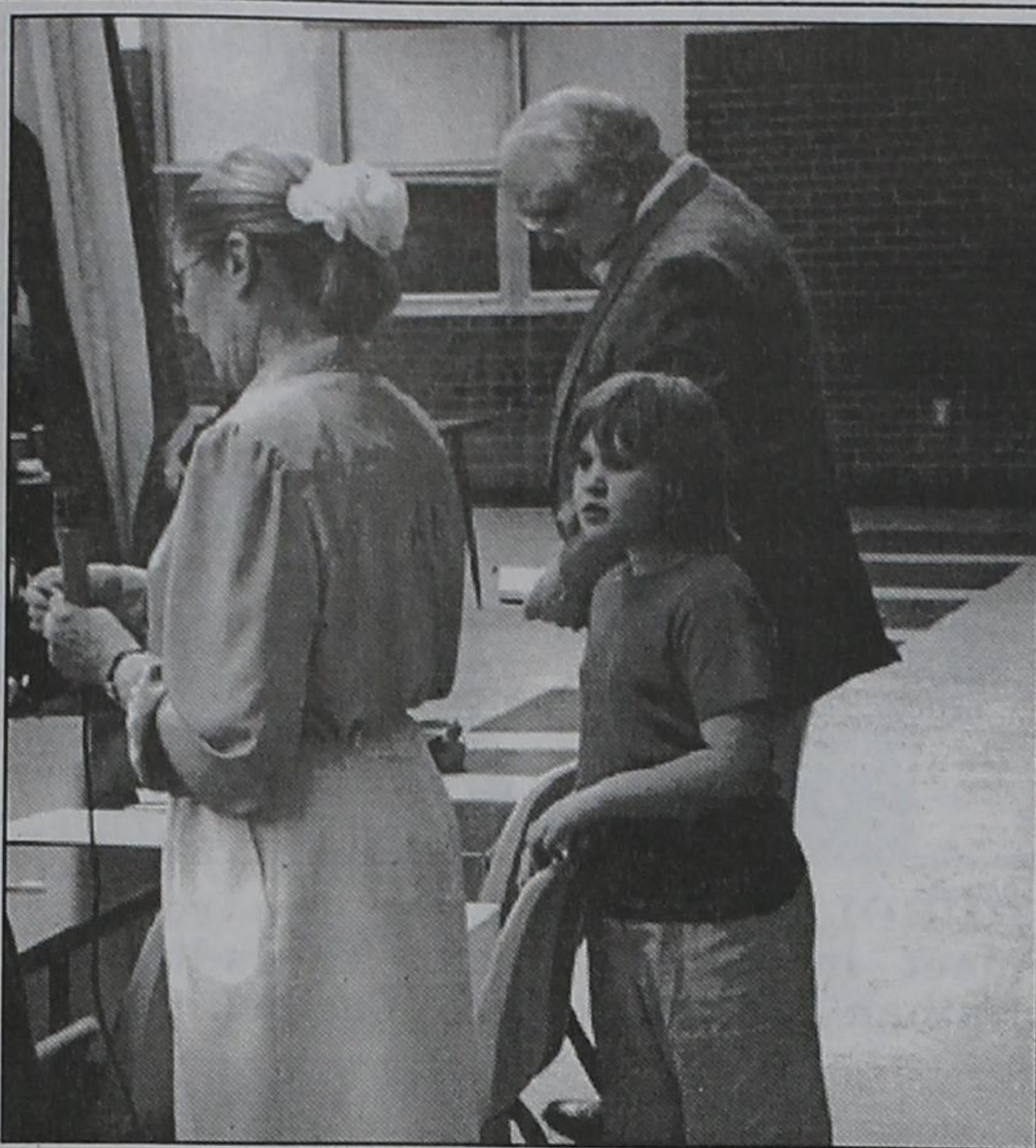


## Scenes From The Credit Union Annual Meeting

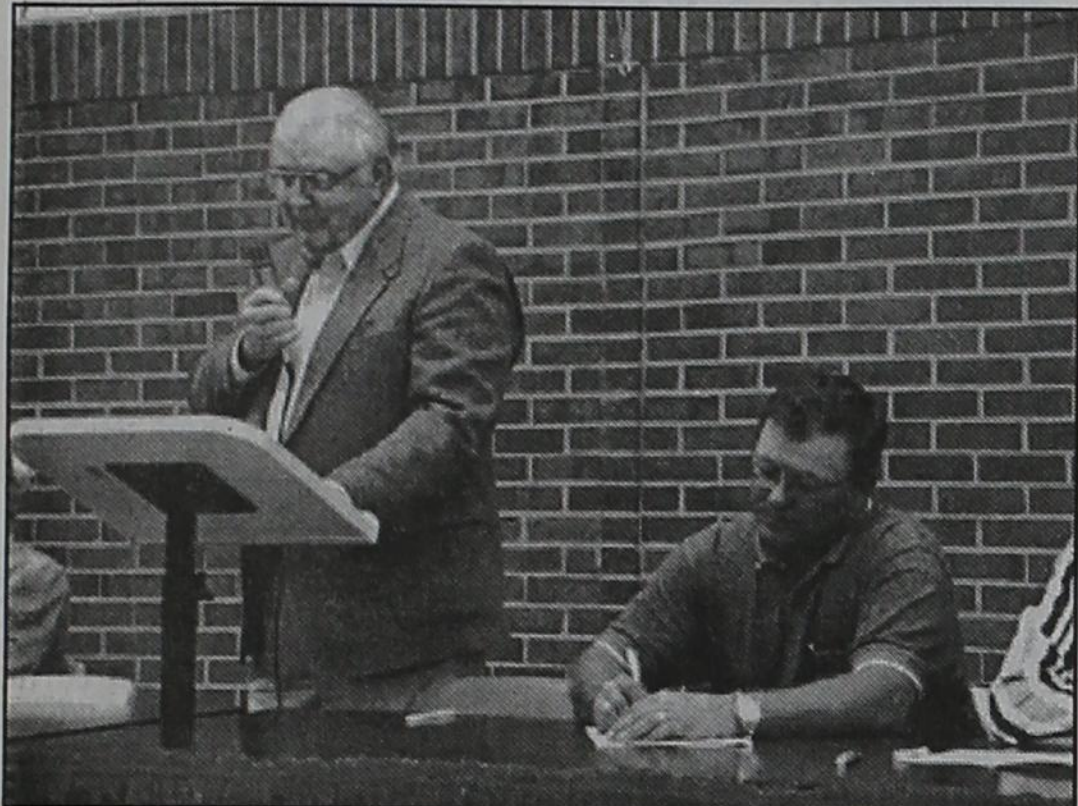
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Food, Fun and Door Prizes Were Enjoyed By Members

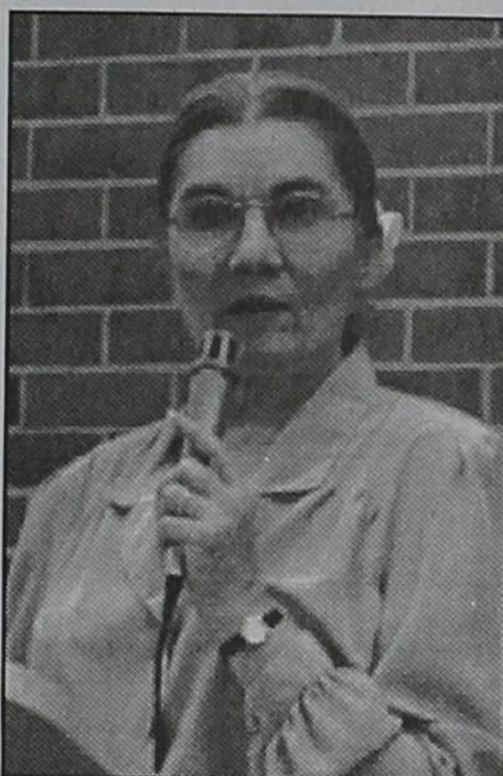


Amber Roberson Helps Barbara and John Fred Draw For Door Prizes

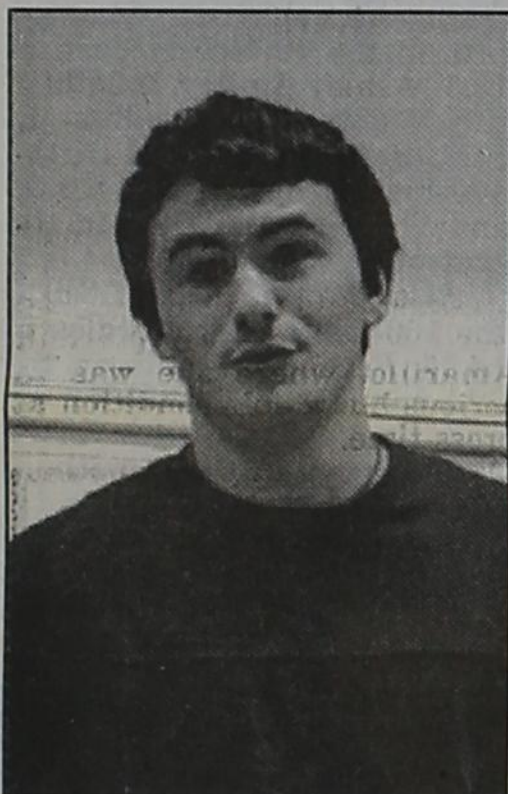


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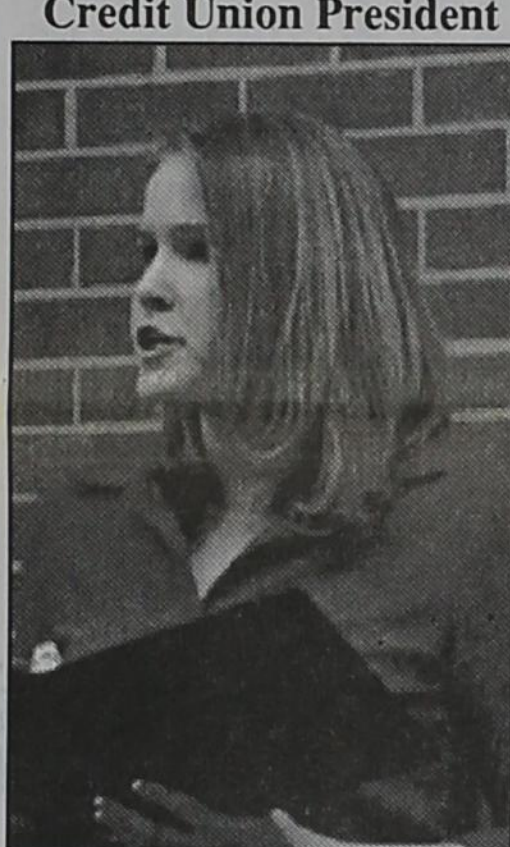
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Michael Johnston



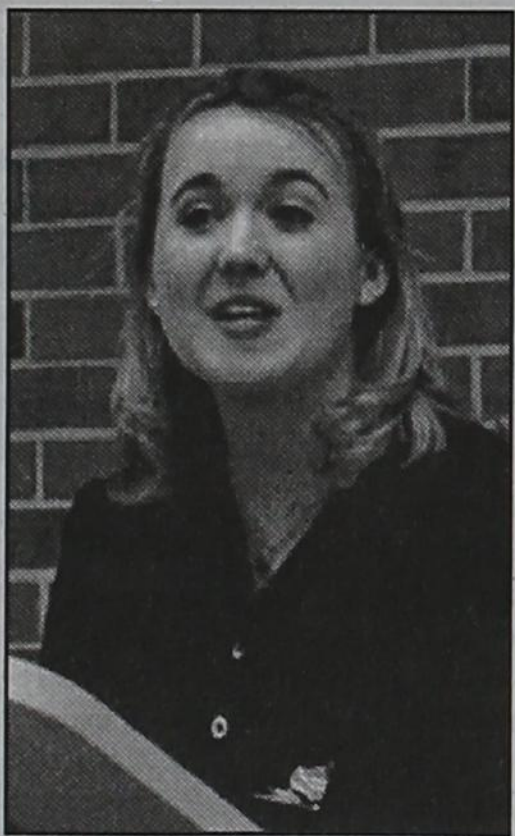
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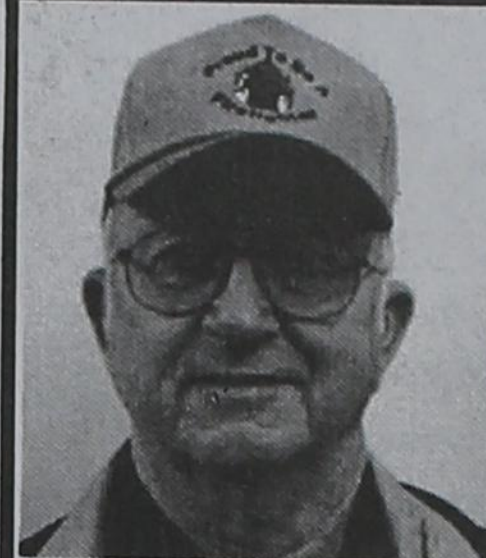
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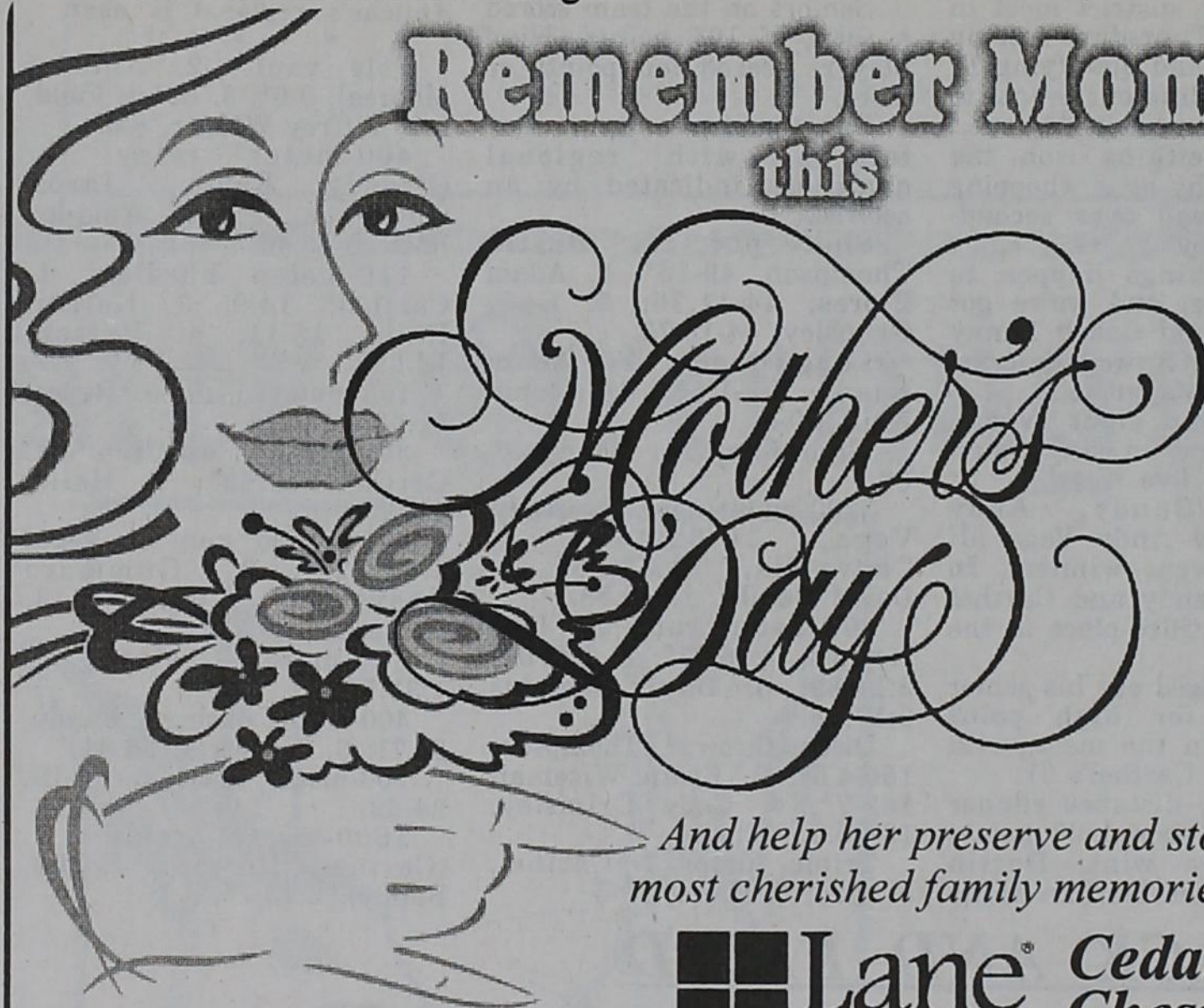
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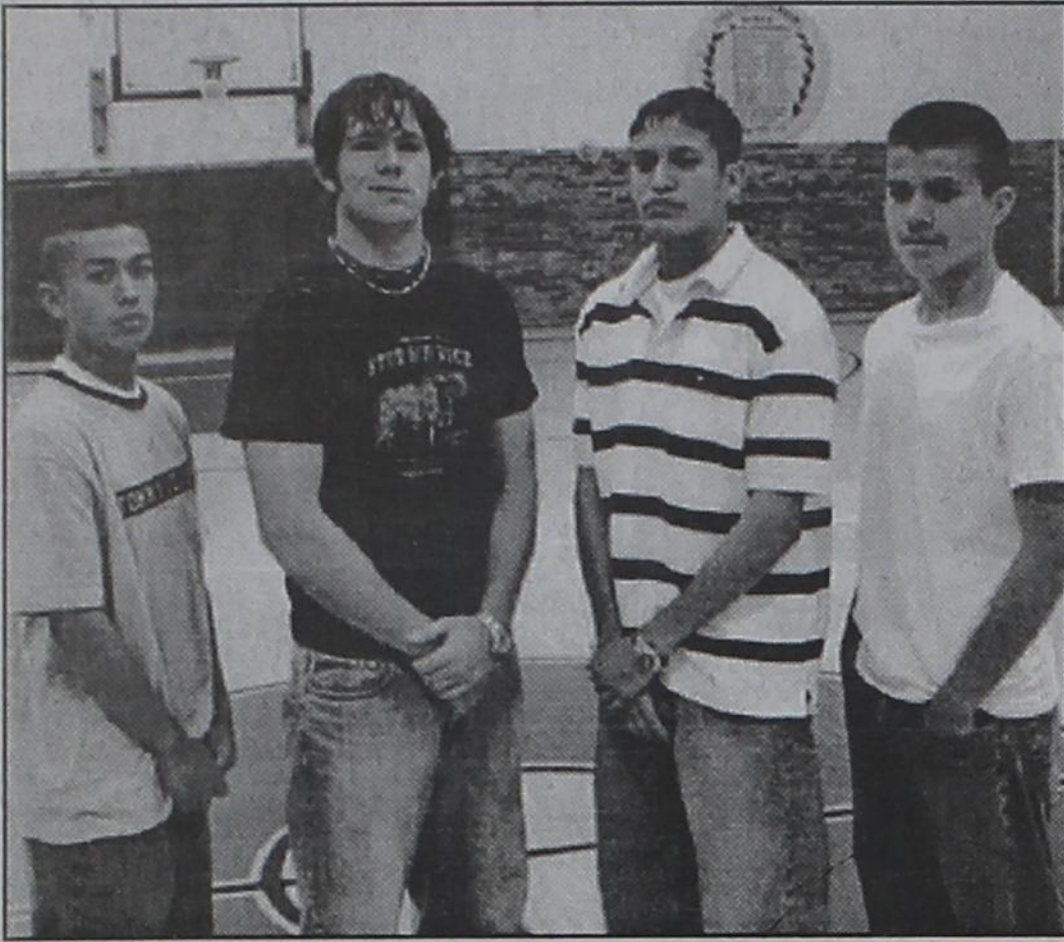
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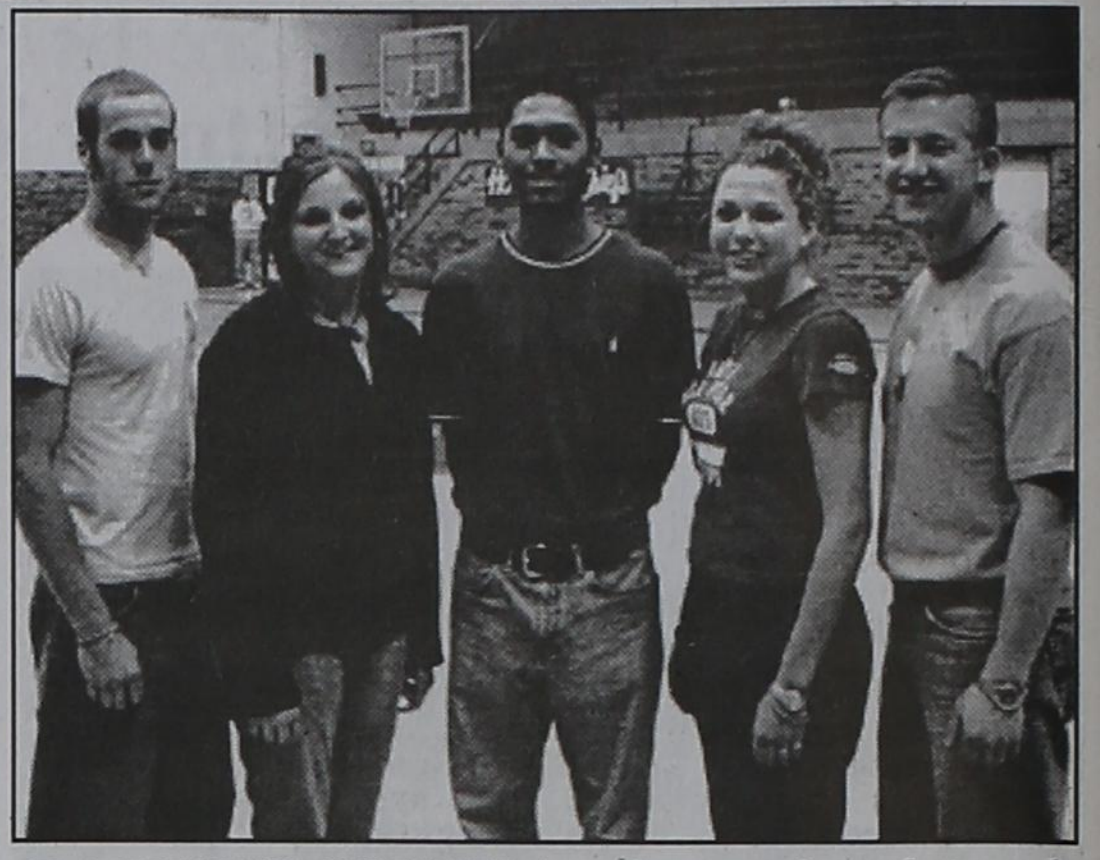




DELEGATES to the regional track meet include, l-r, Andy Vega, Dustin Thompson, Gummaro Chavarria, and Antonio Monreal.



HURLDLERS headed for the regional meet in Abilene next Thursday are Nathan Haile and Andy Carthel.



DASHING SOUTH to the regional track competition are, l-r, Adam Bandy, Amy Murphree, Jose Herrera, V'Lesha Wilcox and Brian Wiseman.



OFF TO ABILENE are regional track qualifiers, l-r Carla Padilla, Trisha Winebrenner, Misty Adams, Andrea Geris and Deniss Vasquez.



ALSO ELIGIBLE for the track trip to Abilene regionals are, l-r, Corbin Neill, Chance Hutson, Andy Carthel, Jayson Gutierrez and Amador Rocha.

**NOW REGIONAL BOUND**

# Chieftains Blitz To 2-5A District Track Crown

The Chieftain track and field team had Friona's best results for a district meet in years last Thursday, scoring 222 points, and qualifying 11 men for 11 different events to the regional meet in Abilene.

The Chieftains won the district trophy by a whopping 132-point lead over second-place Lockney.

"Great things happen to great people, and we've got the best," said Coach Lanny Crow, to pretty well describe last Thursday's outing.

Friona won eight events, placed second in six others, and third in five.

Adam Bandy, Andy Carthel and Andy Vega all were two-event winners. In addition, Bandy and Carthel each had a third-place in the field events.

Bandy edged out his senior teammate for high point individual in the meet, with 34 points to Carthel's 31.

In addition, distance runner Andy Vega scored 20 points on his two wins; Dustin Thompson and Nathan Haile

each scored 18 points and Jose Herrera scored 14.

Seniors on the team scored a total of 104 points. Nine players scored ten points or more.

Point-winners were as follows, with regional qualifiers indicated by an asterisk(\*).

Shot put: 2. Dustin Thompson, 49-10\*; 4. Adam Flores, 44-11.75; 5. Cody Grimsley, 44-10.75.

Long jump: 1. Adam Bandy, 22-1.5\*; 6. Corbin Neill, 20-6.

High jump: 1. Bandy, 6-0\*.

3200-meter run: 1. Andy Vega, 10:52.46\*; 4. Chavarria, 11:37.78; 5. David Davila, 11:49.58.

800-meter run: 2. Jose Herrera, 2:06.07\*; 5. Davila, 2:14.89; 6. David Mendez 2:17.66.

Discus throw: 1. Thompson, 150-4.5\*; 2. Brian Wiseman 142-7\*; 4. Cody Grimsley, 138-8.5.

Triple jump: 3. Carthel, 41-2.25; 6. Haile, 39-5.

FHS ran in a qualifiers meet Thurs. at Floydada. Abilene's regional is next.

Pole vault: 2. Antonio Monreal, 9-6\*; 3. Brock Field, 9-0; 4. Trey Widner, 8-6.

400-meter relay: 4. (Freddy Reyes, Jason Gutierrez, Field, Amador Rocha), 45.45.

110-meter hurdles: 1. Carthel\* 14.9; 3. Nathan Haile, 15.11; 4. Hutson, 16.08.

100-meter dash: 5. Reyes, 11.59.

300-meter hurdles: 1. Carthel, 39.62\*; 2. Haile, 41.28\*.

1600-meter run: 1. Vega, 4:53.72\*; 2. Gummaro Chavarria, 5:01.85\*; 3. Herrera, 5:03.15.

800-meter relay: 3. 1:33.58.

400-meter dash: 3. Bandy, 52.71; 6. Gutierrez, 56.84.

200-meter dash: 5. Neill, 24.62.

1600-meter relay: 1. (Carthel, Hutson, Rocha, Bandy), 3:28.7\*.

Team totals: 1. Friona, 222; 2. Lockney 90; 3. Floydada 87; 4. Abernathy 85; Hale Center 84; 6. Olton 42.

**TO REGIONAL TRACK**

## Squaws Qualify 7 Girls, Five Events

The FHS Squaws had a successful district track and field meet last Thursday at Floydada.

Seven members qualified for the regional meet, in five events.

The Frionans won three events, including two relay teams, and the Amy Murphree/Trisha Winebrenner team placed 1-2 in the discus event, which they have dominated at most of their meets this spring.

Murphree, the senior, took first place in the event with a toss of 121 feet, seven inches.

Winebrenner captured the other regional spot with a throw of 120 feet, six and one-half inches.

Friona's mile relay team won their event by almost ten seconds. The team of Misty Adams, Karla Padilla, Andrea Geris and V'Lesha Wilcox recorded a time of 4:16.12. The time was ten seconds better than their previous best outing of the spring.

Three of those girls had earlier won the 800-meter relay, in a "photo finish" with Hale Center. The teams had the exact same time of

1:51.04. This foursome was composed of Misses Padilla, Adams, Wilcox and Denise Perez.

Andrea Geris and Denise Perez placed 1-2 in the 200-meter dash. Geris clocked a 28.65, and Perez 28.82.

The Squaws narrowly missed qualifying their third relay team to regional, being edged out for second place by a tenth of a second. Misses Perez, Adams, Geris and Wilcox recorded a 52.59 performance in that event.

Other point-scorers for the team were Kristi Cheney, fifth in the 100-meter dash at 13.3; Ashley Smiley, fourth in the 300-meter hurdles in 54.2; Beth Nava, fifth in the 400-meter dash in 1:12.09 and Winebrenner, fifth in the shot put throwing of 30-4.5.

Also, Yvonne Vega, fifth in the 100-meter high hurdles in 19.05; Beth Nava, fifth in the 400-meter dash in 1:12.09, and Jessica Silva, fifth in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 56.03.

The Squaws scored 101 points, one of their best showings of the season, placing fourth as a team.

TERMS: CASH, CHECK, VISA, MASTERCARD

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**TRACK AND FIELD**

## JV Chieftains Run Off With Dist. Title

The Chieftain junior varsity completed a successful season in track and field by running away with the District 5-2A title last Thursday at Floydada.

The team won NINE events, including two of the three relay events; added four second places and three thirds. Lockney was a distant second in the meet with 92.5 points.

"We had a great day!! We scored points in 16 of the 17 events," said a pleased coach Rex Cumpston.

Steven Sanchez took high-point honors with 34 points in the meet, Willy Castillo scored 22, and three other performers: Luke London, Emmanuel Vega and Andrew Chico, all scored 18 points.

Those five team members accounted for 110 of the team's 210 points.

Sanchez ran legs on the winning 1600-meter and 400-meter relay teams, won the

200-meter race, placed second in the triple jump and third in the high jump.

Castillo ran legs on both the victorious 400-meter and 1600-meter relay teams, added a first place in the 300-meter hurdles, and a fifth in the long jump.

Here are all of the Friona point-scorers:

Shot put: 1. Emmanuel Vega, 39-2; 2. Chris Carillo, 36-9.75; Peter Carrasco, 36-6.75.

Discus throw: 2. Vega, 114-3; 3. Carillo, 113-6.

Triple jump: 2. Steven Sanchez, 35-4; 3. Roger Sanchez, 34-9.

Long jump: 5. Willy Castillo, 17-8.5.

High jump: 3. S. Sanchez, 5-2.

3200-meter run: 1. Mark Hernandez, 12:24.48.

400-meter relay: 1.

(Castillo, S. Sanchez, Ben Santiago, Bobby Gonzalez), 47.14.1. Luke London, 2:17.7.

110-meter hurdles: 1. Andrew Chico, 18.16; 2. Rudy Gonzalez, 18.19.

100-meter dash: 1. Gonzalez, 11.53; 3. Ruben Alvarado, 11.88.

400-meter dash: 2. Jukka Talja, 58.16; 4. Mark Hernandez, 59.65.

300-meter hurdles: 1. W. Castillo, 45.0; 3. Rudy Gonzalez, 46.82.

200-meter dash: 1. S. Sanchez, 24.91.

1600-meter run: 2. London, 5:34.38.1. (Castillo, S. Sanchez, Santiago, Chico), 3:47.18.

800-meter relay: 3. (Talja, R. Sanchez, Chico, Alvarado), 1:40.2.

Team totals: 1. Friona 210; 2. Lockney 92.5; 3. Floydada 86; 4. Hale Center 84.5; 5. Abernathy 83; 6. Olton 36.



# Amy Terry, William Rushing United In Church Ceremony

Amy Beth Terry of Rhea and William Mark Rushing of Friona exchanged wedding vows at Friona United Methodist Church at 3 p.m. Saturday, March 15. Steve Patterson, pastor, performed the ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mitch and Kathy Terry of the Rhea community and George and Leslie Rushing of Friona.

Megan Terry of Sunray, Texas, sister-in-law of the bride, was the matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Jacy Grimsley, Candace Ingram

## K. Behrendsen Is Employed At Lowe's

By KRISTEN BEHRENSEN

I am the sixteen year old daughter of David and Lou Behrendsen and a junior at Friona High School.

This is my first year in the Marketing Program. I am employed at Lowe's Market Place.

Working at Lowe's has taught me responsibilities and has helped me develop my communication skills with other people. At Lowe's, I work as a cashier.

I would like to thank Roger Lowe, David Behrendsen and all my co-workers that I have the pleasure of working with. I would also like to thank Mr. Field for teaching me working skills that I might need in the future.

and Mandy Daniel, all of Friona.

Feminine attendants wore dusty rose a-line georgette ball gowns with drape fronts and spaghetti straps.

Jason Brumley of the Bootleg community was the best man. Groomsmen were Jason Wright of Friona, Michael Rushing of Canyon, cousin of the groom, and Marion Rushing of Friona, cousin of the groom.

Kayla Newton of Friona, daughter of Darren and Sharon Newton, was the flower girl. Layne Brumley of Bootleg, son of Jason and Sonya Brumley, served as ring bearer.

Candles were lit by Scott and Nathan Terry, brothers of the bride.

The bride's father presented her in marriage. She

wore a formal length wedding gown featuring a full organza skirt. The bodice, with spaghetti straps, was accented with gold beaded schiffli embroidery.

Her veil was borrowed from her sister-in-law, Megan Terry. She carried a hand-tied bouquet consisting of three dozen roses in various shades of pink and wore a necklace and earrings, given to her by her parents.

The reception was held in

## C. Lascelles Have Girl

Chris and Debbie Lascelles of Garden Valley are the parents of a baby girl born April 10 in the Mothers of Frances Hospital in Tyler, Texas, at approximately 6 p.m.

Named Haley Grace, the new arrival weighed eight pounds, fifteen ounces and was twenty inches long.

Haley is the first child for the couple.

Grandparents are Floyd and Betty Reeve of Friona and Sally Lascelles of Hamilton, New Zealand.

Great-grandparents are Fay Reeve and Luella Drake, both of Friona.

The child's great-grandfather, the late Floyd Hadley Reeve, was born on April 10, 1912.

## S. Blackburns Have Baby Boy

Shane and Angel Blackburn of New Braunfels are the parents of a baby boy born February 18 in San Antonio.

Named Austin Michael, he weighed eight pounds and was twenty-one inches long.

This is the first child for the couple.

Grandparents are Mike and Johnna Blackburn of Friona and Rick and Becky Bradley.

Great-grandparents are Rex and Chuck Blackburn, Bill and Zelma Thorn, Louise Bradley and Ada May.

Josephine Blackburn, Julia Fairchild and Irene Thorn are the child's great-great-grandmothers.

Baby Austin's family consists of three sets of five generations and thirteen grandparents.



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*Grace Baptist Church*

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**Easter Services**  
Sunday, April 20

**Sunrise Service - 7:00 a.m.**  
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**Worship Service - 11:00 a.m.**  
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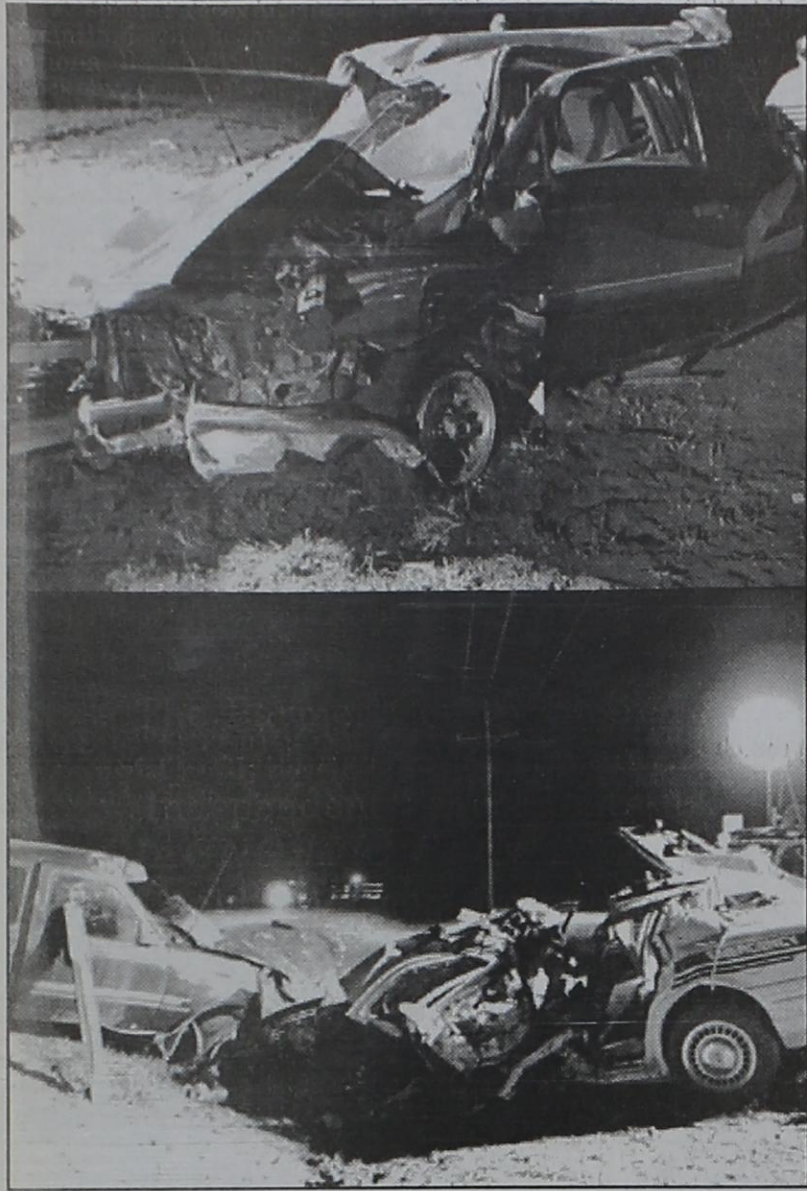
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**OFFICER DIES**

**Joe Herrera To Be Buried Monday In San Angelo**

Funeral services for Sgt. Jose A. "Joe" Herrera, 31, were held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 16, 2003 at the Calvary Baptist Church in Friona with Rev. Alvin Petty, pastor, officiating. Arrangements were under direction of Blackwell Funeral Home.

Additional services will be Monday, April 21, 2003, at Johnson's Funeral Chapel in San Angelo. Burial will be in the Calvary Cemetery in San

Angelo. Mr. Herrera died early Monday morning, April 14, near Bovina, Texas. He was a Sergeant in the Friona Police Department.

He was a member of the U.S. Police Canine Association and was handler of the Friona Police Department K-9 Unit.

He was born February 16, 1972 in Corpus Christi, Texas. He moved to Friona from Sonora, Texas, and had been a resident for five years.

He married Rachel Turner on March 23, 2003 in Friona. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; three daughters, C'aren and Kelcey Herrera, both of San Angelo and Victoria Herrera of Friona; one son, Matthew Herrera of San Angelo; parents Robert and Elva Herrera of San Angelo; one sister, Debra Lombrana of San Angelo; one brother, Tony Herrera of Hewitt, Texas. He was preceded in death by a sister, Dena Herrera in 1989.

Pallbearers were Junior Lopez, Eric Chandler, Chris Keith, Scott Given, Jerry Morris and Andy Stormes.

**THE TWO photos at left show the devastation of the collision that claimed the life of Officer Joe Herrera. Top photo is the pickup driven by Jose Gomez. Below are both vehicles at the impact point. First Responders had to use their jaws of life tool to extricate Herrera from the wreckage. We gratefully acknowledge our appreciation to Texas DPS State Troopers for use of their photos.**



**AMAZING GRACE....Local bagpiper Harold Taylor played Amazing Grace in an emotional ending of the funeral service for Sgt. Joe Herrera Wednesday at Calvary Baptist Church.**

ron carr photo

**Around Town**

**Seniors & kids Easter Egg Hunt Apr 19**

At 10 a.m., Saturday, Apr 19, kids and senior citizens are invited to participate in the annual Easter egg hunt at Calvary Baptist Church in Friona. There will be three different age groups and areas for children. Senior citizens will hunt too, for different color eggs worth points and can win prizes. Everyone is invited.

**Chieftain band boosters Apr 22**

The Friona Chieftain band boosters will meet Tuesday, Apr 22, at 7 p.m. at the high school band hall.

**Charles Hamilton recognition Apr 22**

A special recognition ceremony honoring the late Charles Hamilton will be held Tuesday, April 22, at 4:30 p.m. at the Friona Baseball Park, preceding the Chieftain game with Lockney. Charles was instrumental in the operations of Friona Kids, Inc. baseball and the addition of baseball at Friona High School. Everyone is invited to attend. Charles' family will be recognized.

**Genealogy meeting Apr 25**

Friona's Genealogical Society will meet at the Friona Public Library at 10 a.m. Friday, Apr 25. All interested persons are invited to attend.

**Amarillo Art Museum student exhibition**

The Amarillo Museum of Art will present the 2003 Texas Panhandle Invitational Student Art Exhibition from Apr 9-25. The show allows middle and high school students in the Panhandle to compete in the area of visual arts. The museum is open Tuesday thru Friday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 1-5 p.m. It is located at 2200 So. Van Buren. For more info call 371-5050.

**CASA meeting Apr 30**

Friona ISD is in the process of forming a CASA program in Parmer County. Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) is a program for adults to respond to help abused children. The meeting and program will be presented at 5 p.m. Apr 30 in the Fisd boardroom. The program will be presented by Jennifer Paul, CASA expansion specialist. All interested adults are invited to attend. For more information call Kenny Austin at 250-5900.



**HAPPY 40th BIRTHDAY** was celebrated at Friona Rural Health Clinic for nurse Lisa Alaniz, center. Joining in the fun at the "t-papered" nurses station were, l-r, Christina Donovan and Blanca Tamez.

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The Parmer County Shared Service Arrangement serving the Friona, Bovina, Lazbuddie, and Farwell Independent School Districts, is offering a **FREE DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC** for children 3, 4 and 5 years old who seem to have a learning problem or developmental delay. Certified specialists will be working with children at this clinic which is to be held at the following locations on Thursday, May 1st, 2003

**FARWELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE  
8:30 - 9:30 A.M.**

**BOVINA RIDGELEA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
10:30 - 11:30 A.M.**

**LAZBUDDIE SCHOOL LIBRARY  
1:00 - 2:00 P.M.**

**FRIONA ADMINISTRATION BUILDING  
2:30 - 4:00 P.M.**

If you are concerned about your child's growth and development, bring your child to this clinic. If you need additional information, call Sue Wells, Director of Special Education at 250-3315.

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El Candado de Parmer Servicios de Compartio Arreglo sirviendo los Distritos Independientes de Escuelas de Friona, Bovina, Lazbuddie, y Farwell, esta ofreciendo una **CLINICA DIAGNOSTICO GRATIS** para ninos de 3, 4 y 5 anos que parecen que tienen una problema en aprendizaje o en desarrollo. Especialistas Certificados van estar trabajando con ninos en esta clinica que va ser localizado en los lugares siguiente, Jueves, 1 de Mayo 2003

**ESCUELA PRIMARIA DE FARWELL  
OFICINA DEL PRINCIPAL  
8:30 - 9:30 A.M.**

**ESCUELA PRIMARIA DE BOVINA - RIDGELEA  
10:30 - 11:30 A.M.**

**ESCUELA DE LAZBUDDIE - BIBLIOTECA  
1:00 - 2:00 P.M.**

**OFFICINA DE ADMINISTRACION  
2:30 - 4:00 P.M.**

Si usted esta interesado sobre el desarrollo de su nino, traiga a su nino a esta clinica. Si usted necesita mas informacion, llame a Sue Wells, Directora de Educacion Especial a 250-3315.



## ★ FARMERS FOR ★ Neugebauer

Dear Friend,

As the attacks on the Farm Bill grow, the significance of losing a trusted friend and effective leader in the United States Congress cannot be overstated. It is imperative that we pick an effective leader to succeed Larry Combest.

Since Larry announced his resignation, we have been evaluating each of his potential successors' credentials, and specifically their i) commitment to agriculture; ii) ability to quickly gain influence in Washington; iii) electability; and iv) stances on the other key issues impacting our region and country.

So after careful consideration, we strongly believe Randy Neugebauer is the candidate that will best serve our region in the U.S. Congress. We ask each of you to thoughtfully consider his substantial qualifications.

**Randy and his family have an extensive history of commitment to agriculture, and will continue to work vigorously to ensure Ag's long-term health.** Randy and his wife Dana's families have been farming in this region for close to a century. Dana was raised on a cotton farm near Ropesville in Hockley County and Randy's mother owns a cotton farm in Crosby County.

Randy developed the work ethic that has allowed him to be a successful small businessman while working for his grandfather on his cattle ranch in Cochran County. Furthermore, Randy spent each summer in high school in DeKalb as a field worker.

*Randy understands that every West Texan's job depends on agriculture. To keep our region's economy strong, Randy will fight to keep the Farm Bill intact and to implement a national energy policy. The Farm Bill enables our farmers to plan for the future and an energy policy can stabilize fuel prices and lower the rising cost of fertilizer.*

Due to his family's significant ongoing investment in agriculture, we know we will have an ally serving our industry in Washington.

**Randy has the best track record of getting things done in Washington.** Working with Larry Combest, Randy serves as the Chairman of Ports-to-Plains Coalition. Through Randy's leadership, West Texas is moving to the forefront of trade and transportation – critical issues for our most precious commodities. In fact, Randy fought for and recently won President George W. Bush's approval of the 26% increase in financial support for this project, making it one of only two highway projects to receive a funding increase.

Randy is the only candidate to have had the President enact three major pieces of legislation. Both he and Larry Combest fought the Clinton – Gore Administration by supporting our national defense during the base closure process and he has successfully fought against burdensome governmental regulations that have made housing less affordable.

Randy has earned the respect and endorsement of more than 14 Mayors and a growing number of community leaders across District 19 and throughout the state, a testament to his ability to get things done in Washington.

**Randy has the relationships with key leaders in the House and Senate** that will allow him to "hit the ground running" working on our behalf. This is critical with the loss of Congressman Combest's 20 years of seniority. With the Republicans in control, we must elect the candidate that is welcomed with open arms not treated with skepticism by the Republican leadership.

Randy is the proven leader and the only candidate who has successfully worked at the Federal level to get three pieces of legislation signed into law by the President. He's worked with President Bush, Senators Hutchison and Cornyn and was tapped by Larry Combest to lead critical District programs. He's known and respected as a "doer" by our Republican leaders in Washington and Austin. His integrity and proven ability allow him to have an immediate impact on our issues.

**Leaders are lining up with Randy.** It is imperative that our community supports a candidate that is dedicated to our interests, who can also win the election and get results. Randy has a broad base of support across the district. If our community will unite and support him, we can ensure we elect a Congressman that will be a true champion of our causes. If we fail to do so, we will dilute our strength and the importance of our issues.

**Randy is Right on the Other Issues.**

- Randy will be a strong supporter of the President's efforts to strengthen our military
- Randy will honor our commitment to our seniors by protecting social security and improving Medicare, while aiding the President's prescription drug plan
- Randy is committed to expanding our region's leadership in higher education, energy and medicine
- Randy will fight to limit the role of government and have key local decisions made by those who are impacted most
- Randy will protect our property rights and rights under the second amendment

This election is critical. With a large number of candidates, if we do not turn out and vote for the best candidate we might not be satisfied with the ultimate outcome and our industry will suffer. Please join us in electing a servant of West Texas, Randy Neugebauer.

Sincerely,

Rickey Bearden

Ron Craft

Ronnie Holt

Mark Williams

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For more information please call (806) 687-5086, e-mail john@neugebauerforcongress.com or log on to www.randyforcongress.com.





VOICE OF DEMOCRACY scholarship winners in the VFW Post 1413 essay contest were hosted at the Veterans Hall Monday night. From left, John Duke, Post Commander, Katy Loudder \$100, Shonnah Black \$200, Robby Martin \$350, Chelsee Nichols, junior high essay winner of a \$100 savings bond, and Dale Mann, VFW Auxiliary president. The students are all from Lazbuddie.



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The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come.

Song of Solomon 2:12



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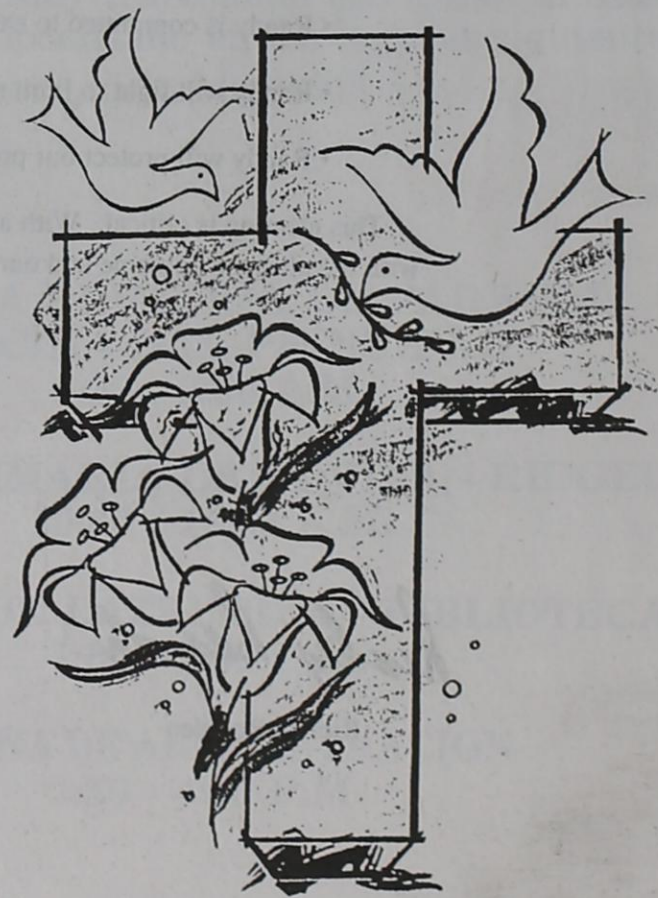
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# CELEBRATE

## *The Miracle of Easter*

Now late on the Sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to look at the grave. And behold, a severe earth quake had occurred, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled away the stone and sat upon it. And his appearance was like lightning, and his garment as white as snow; and the guards shook for fear of him and became like dead men. And the angel answered and said to the women, "Do not be afraid; for I know that you are looking for Jesus who has been crucified. "He is not here, for He has risen, just as He said. Come see the place where He was lying ...

Matthew 28:1-6



# EXCEL.



## High School Students Attend State Meeting

The Texas Celebrations of Educational Excellence awards, now in its ninth year, honors students in Grades 9-12 who have excelled academically in the foundation areas of the state curriculum. Hosted by the State Board of Education and Texas colleges and universities, the event honored approximately 16,000 students in 2002. These students were recognized for outstanding academic achievements in the areas of English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies. For example, students were honored for outstanding GPAs, honor roll, Academic Decathlon, science and robotics competitions, national merit semifinalist and finalist recognition, and outstanding performance on TMS, to name just a few.

Each year more than two dozen of the state's top public and private universities

graciously arrange to host this ceremony on their campuses. The ceremony features an awards and recognition program where students receive Celebrations of Educational Excellence medallions from the State Board of Education. During the ceremony, State Board members and university officials address the students regarding various educational issues, including higher education opportunities. Many of the host sites provide refreshments, campus tours, and general information about their institutions.

Friona students honored were Andrea Geris, Andy Carthel, Betsy Clark, Amanda Geris, Nathan Haile, Holley Hand, Michael Johnston, Micah White, and Tyler White.

## Ten Free Oak Trees

Ten free oak trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during the month of April 2003.

The free oaks are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America Campaign and are being given in recognition of the oak's selection as the People's Choice for America's National Tree.

The ten trees include two red oaks, two pin oaks, two bur oaks, two scarlet oaks, and two willow oaks.

"The people chose well in selecting the oak as America's National Tree," John Rosenow, president of the Arbor Day Foundation, said. "Oaks have long been prized for their shade, beauty, and strong wood. The oak's strength, longevity, and grace make it a fitting national symbol."

The free oak trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting in April or May with enclosed planting instructions.

To become a member of the Foundation and receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to TEN FREE OAK TREES, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by April 30, 2003. Or join on-line at [www.arborday.org](http://www.arborday.org).



CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE attendees were, back, l-r, Ty White, Nathan Haile, Andy Carthel, Micah White and Michael Johnston. Front, l-r, Holley Hand, Betsy Clark, Andrea Geris and Mandy Geris. See story at right for details. (courtesy photo)

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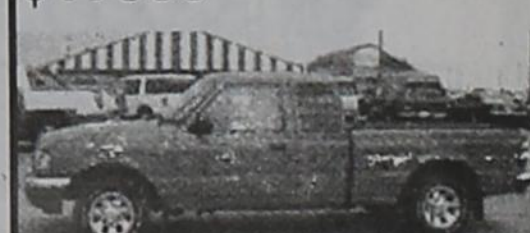
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## Fire Department Is Awarded TFS Grant

The Texas Forest Service has awarded the Friona Volunteer Fire Department with a \$952 cost-sharing grant from the Rural Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Program for a lap top computer. House Bill 2604 enacted by the 77th Texas Legislature established the aid program a \$15 million annual cost-sharing program funded by contributions from the insurance industry and administered by the Texas Forest Service.

Since September 1 of last year, over \$1.6 million in grants for equipment and training have been awarded to volunteer fire departments across the state under the 2604 program, as the aid program is also known.

"Requests for over \$65 million in assistance have already been received and additional requests are

likely," stated Joe Fox, program manager with the TFS in Bryan. "These requests clearly indicate that the 2604 program addresses an unmet need of the state's volunteer fire departments. The program obviously will have a backlog of requests for several years."

The needs of the volunteer fire community are tremendous, Fox said. He indicated that he wished the program could immediately fund each and every assistance request that has been received. Because the requests far exceeded appropriation of funds, though, the TFS has had to implement a rating system to guide program decision-makers in allocating existing funds.

For additional information about the program contact: Emergency Services Grants Division, Texas Forest Service, P.O. Box 310, Lufkin, TX 75902-0310, phone 936-639-8100. Fire departments can also obtain information via the Internet at: <http://www.tamu.edu/ticcl>.



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### Meet Friona's Class of 2015

Yamilex is a kindergartner at Friona Schools.

Her parents Eduardo M. Zapata and Catalina Zapata. Her brother is Jose Ramirez.

Yamilex likes to watch cartoons, and ride bikes. Her favorite foods are pizza and soup.

Her favorite colors are Yellow and Red.

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### Meet Friona's Class of 2015

Breanna is a kindergartner at Friona Schools.

Her parents Hector and Claudia Cavazos. Her sister is Alexis, and her brother is Hector Jr.

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# Out Here

By Ron Carr

Hangin' Out With Newspaper People

I'm not real crazy about Roger Estlack and I told him so. Of course it's all in good fun and the spirit of competition. At least that's what he thinks.

Roger is the youthful owner and editor and publisher and most everything else of the Clarendon Enterprise newspaper over in Donley County.

I know very little about Clarendon except that Roger has a newspaper there and The Outpost is a good place to stop and use the bathroom. I do that often when I am on the way to Childress to get my kids.

Clarendon sits astride Highway 287. They are in the midst of a huge courthouse renovation project. They are the home of Clarendon College. And at the recent Panhandle Press Association convention, Roger's newspaper was recognized

as the oldest newspaper in the Panhandle, soon to celebrate 125 years.

At the same convention, the newspaper's founder, L. H. Carhart, was inducted into the Panhandle Press Association Hall of Fame. Two more awards for Roger's already overburdened office walls.

I bring all this up because once again Roger Estlack and the Clarendon Enterprise kicked the Friona Star and Ron Carr's butt when the newspaper contest awards were handed out at the PPA meeting.

Not to mention the bruising we took from the Canadian Record, the winner of the PPA General Excellence competition. Roger had to settle for second place in that category. Tsk, tsk, too bad.

As you can see by the picture on this page, I

managed to win second place in both the Serious and Humorous column writing categories. Who won first place in the two categories? Christi Ross of the Clarendon Enterprise in Humorous and Laurie Ezell Brown of the Canadian Record for Serious.

We won two second place plaques. Roger won three first place plaques, four second place and four third place plaques. Let's see, that is 11 pieces of polished engraved wood he hauled back to Clarendon. I hate the guy. 11 to 2 is a pretty lopsided loss.

To make matters worse, he has a two-person office. Roger and Cheryl Johnson are the staff. Actually he has a few part-timers that keep his website up to date and write funny columns and other stuff.

Until recently he used an antiquated digital camera that had trouble taking a picture of anything that moved. I was pleased to hear that he recently bought a better camera, a Canon D60 I believe, so now he can rough me up in the best photography category.

Oh well. I don't mind. I couldn't lose to a nicer young man. He is a past president of the Panhandle Press Association and nominated me to the PPA Board of Directors. I completed my three-year term this year.

The annual conventions are a great opportunity to meet and talk with other newspaper people. That's when you find out you are not the biggest moron in the business. Small town newspapers seem to share many of the same common problems and joys.

The convention last weekend included a "past presidents" banquet Friday night along with the annual Hall of Fame inductions. Many past presidents are also in the Hall of Fame, like our

retiring editor and publisher Bill Ellis.

For oldtimers like Bill it was another great opportunity to socialize with fellow newspaper men and women who have been friends and competitors over many years.

Another picture on this page shows Bill with his old buddy Don Nelson from Dimmitt (now retired also) and Garet Von Netzer, retired publisher of the Amarillo Globe News and Hall of Fame inductee at this year's meeting.

It was a nice little convention. Nice banquets at the Ambassador Hotel in Amarillo. I always learn something hanging around newspaper people and Lord knows I have a lot to learn.

Obviously I am not going to be able to overtake Roger Estlack's huge lead in winning awards. So next year I plan to sit near the front of the meeting room when they pass out the annual awards.

If I can't beat him, at least I can trip him a couple of times when he walks by to accept.



MANAGING EDITOR Ron Carr is congratulated by Kayla Parvin, president of the Panhandle Press Association, for winning second place honors in both Serious and Humorous column writing during the PPA convention in Amarillo.



MEMORIES are shared by newspaper veterans, l-r, Garet Von Netzer retired Amarillo-Globe News publisher, Bill Ellis (soon-to-be-retired), and Don Nelson, former owner, now retired, of the Castro County News. The three were attending the Panhandle Press Association convention last weekend in Amarillo. ron carr photo

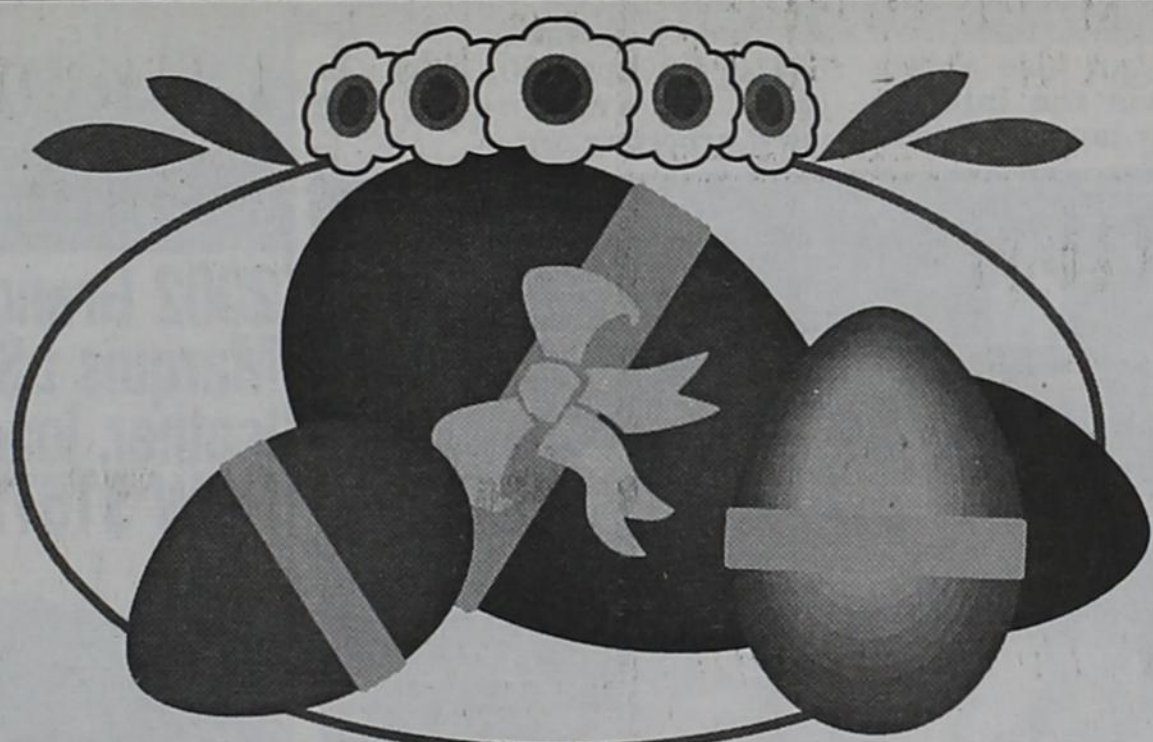
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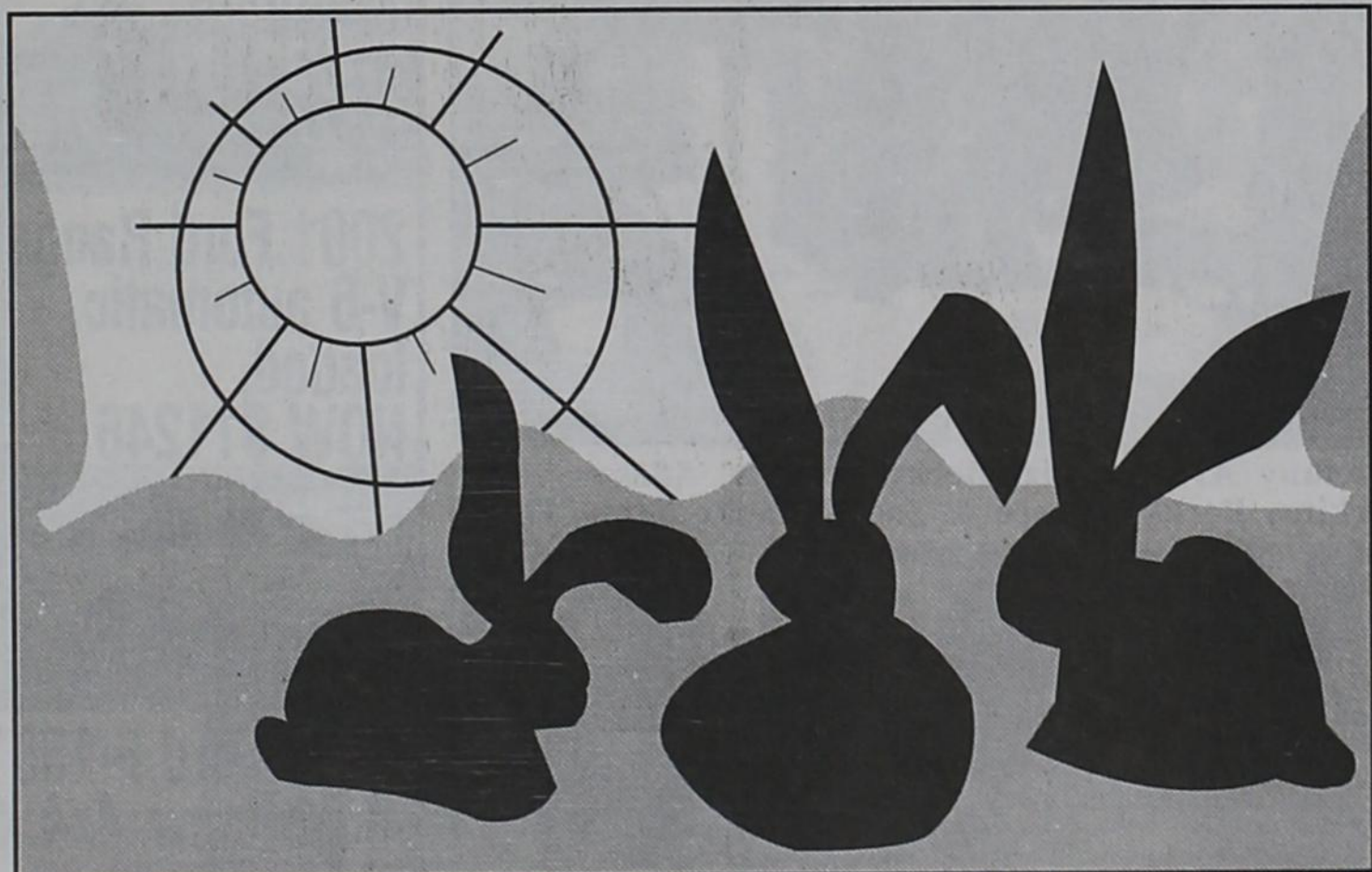
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AGAINST THE PHILISTINES AND SO SUCCESSFUL WHENEVER THEY MET IN BATTLE THAT WOMEN IN ALL THE ISRAELITE CITIES USED TO SING PRAISES TO DAVID ABOVE THAT TO KING SAUL! (1 SAM.18:6-9) THE JEALOUSY THAT WAS INSTIGATED IN SAUL'S MIND ERASED ANY FEELINGS OF LOVE AND FRIENDSHIP FOR DAVID TO BE REPLACED WITH THE DESIRE TO KILL DAVID AT ALL COSTS! (1 SAM.19:1).



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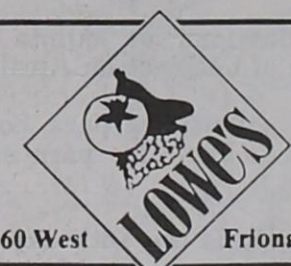
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## THE CHIEFTAIN SWEEPSTAKES-WINNING BAND IN CONCERT House Okays Conference Budget Plan

by SHAWN WADE

Ag interests have been working hard to offset the potentially devastating cuts approved in the House and Senate during development of their FY04 Budget resolutions. Final action by the House/Senate Conference Committee on the legislation provides some good news for farm program defenders.

In the Conference report, which was passed by the House of Representatives early April 11, mandatory cuts have been eliminated including those targeted at Ag spending.

The changes are paid for through a smaller tax cut than the Bush Administration had requested and the shifting of cuts to fall on discretionary programs.

Under the resolution, Agriculture and other committees will be required to submit recommendations to the Budget Committees for discretionary program spending cuts by September 2, 2003. The level of those cuts will be communicated to them by May 16, 2003.

The resolution currently calls for \$4.865 billion in discretionary agriculture cuts over 10 years, starting with an initial \$253 million cut for FY04. The House and Senate Appropriations committees have the ultimate authority over the discretionary spending cuts, including the cuts specified for agriculture.

FRIONA RUNNERS are shown leaving Friona Country Club last Sunday. They ran across town in the benefit run to assist B.J. Klein of Nazareth, who is to run the marathon in Ireland's Special Olympics.



### Meet Friona's Class of 2015



Giovanni Centeno

Giovanni is a kindergartner at Friona Schools.

His parents are Juan Centeno and Rosa Padilla. He has 2 sisters Crystal and Karla Padilla.

He enjoys playing football, soccer, & baseball. His favorite foods are mac & cheese, and Tortas. His favorite color is blue.

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(Note, por lo presente, esta dado que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m., el tres abril de 2003, para votar en la eleccion especial para elegir U.S. el Representante para el distrito 19 para servir el tiempo que no esta vencido para el Honrado Larry Combest.

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Mary Dalton Crump

*Three crosses on a lonely hill,  
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and there against a graying sky,  
they stood below and watched Him die.*

*He hung there on the Calvary,  
erased the sins of you and me.  
He looked out in the crowd and saw  
the faces bowed in grieving awe.*

*But then some saw, on Eastern Morn,  
He rose again and was reborn.  
Death could not hold Him in the grave,  
'Tho He had died, alone and brave.*

*Then when He walked a dusty road  
Emaus seemed to lift the load.  
Some recognized, believed Him then  
and knew the Saviour He had been.*

*The cross stood in the silent air,  
in memory we see Him there.  
We kneel before the Calvary  
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## Micah White Earns Tennis Regionals

Senior singles player Micah White placed second in the District 5-2A tennis tournament last week, and is Friona High School's only qualifier to the regional tennis tournament.

White drew a first-round bye, then defeated Lass of Lockney, 6-3, 6-0, before losing in the semi-finals. He came back to defeat teammate Rick Dickson, 6-2, 6-3 to clinch the regional berth.

Friona's boys doubles team of Matt Gammon/Michael Stanberry placed third, and FHS' girls doubles team of Brenda Murphree/R.J. Barrett placed third.

In JV action, Marc Haile placed first with three wins, and Friona's doubles team of Chad Hutson/Adrian Delgado placed second.

Friona results were:

### GIRLS DIVISION SINGLES

Campbell, Floydada def. Trisha Winebrinner, 6-2, 6-0.  
Turner, Abernathy def. Mashay White, 2-6, 6-4, 6-2.

### DOUBLES

R.J. Barrett/Brenda Murphree def. Ford/Hrbacek, Lockney, 6-3, 6-0;  
Griffin/Reddy, Floydada def. Barrett/Murphree, 6-4, 6-1;  
Barrett/Murphree def. Amber Widner/Mandy Gerries, 6-3, 6-1.

### BOYS DIVISION SINGLES

Micah White, bye; White def. Lass, Lockney, 6-3, 6-0;  
Burson, Lockney def. White, 6-3, 6-2; Ricky Dickson def. Schacht, Floydada, 6-3, 6-2;  
Burson def. Dickson, 6-2, 6-0;  
White def. Dickson, 6-2, 6-3.

### DOUBLES

Michael Stanberry-Matt Gammon def. Rasco-Cummings, 6-1, 6-7, 6-0;  
Crossland-Galvan def. Jacob Miller-Randy Alaniz, 3-6, 6-2, 6-4.  
Bennett-Rodriguez def. Stanberry-Gammon, 6-1, 6-0;  
Stanberry-Gammon def. Crossland-Galvan, 7-6, 6-4;  
Cothan-Ford def. Stanberry-Gammon, 6-2, 6-4.



MICAH WHITE

### JV GIRLS SINGLES

Christopher, Abernathy def. Daisy Delgado, 8-4.

### JV GIRLS DOUBLES

Denise Vasquez/Castaneda def. Heflin-Wood, Floydada, 8-5; Arti Bakhta-Maggie Lopez, bye; Thornton-Miller def. Bakhta-Lopez, 8-1.  
Dorman-Terrell def. Vasquez-Castaneda, 8-2.

### JV BOYS SINGLES

Marc Haile def. Helms, 8-6; Haile def. Amador 8-1; Haile def. Finley, 8-1.

### JV BOYS DOUBLES

Chad Hutson-Adrian Delgado def. Wilson-Pyle, 3-6, 6-2, 6-0; McCarter-McPherson def. Hutson-Delgado, 6-1, 6-4.

## Windy Week

The area had a windy week, with gusts of 51 to 72 mph on Tuesday, when a light shower left .07 inches of rain. Only .13 inch has fallen in April. Temps:

Friday, April 11	78-37
Saturday, April 12	80-37
Sunday, April 13	85-51
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Tuesday, April 15	79-46
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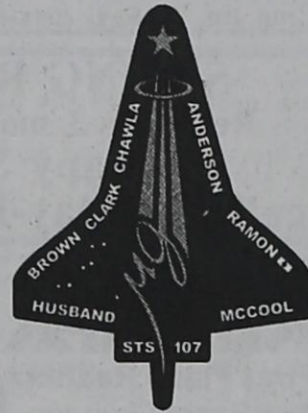
## Star Acknowledged For Tribute To Columbia

Earlier this year, after the Columbia space shuttle disaster which killed all seven of the astronauts on board, Carol Ellis wrote a tribute to the crew in her "My Turn" column.

Carol said, in part: "Throughout the history of mankind, the ones who took chances and made sacrifices have been the ones who made a difference for all of us, though often the price they've paid has been high. But isn't that the American way?"

"This nation has been built by people who were willing to take chances and pay the price, if necessary, from the Pilgrims to the Colonials, from Lewis and Clark to the Wright brothers, from the 50,000 pilots who did not come home from WWII to the crew of the Apollo 11 landing on the moon 32 years ago."

Claire Blanco clipped the column and mailed it to NASA headquarters in Washington, D.C., and received the reply reproduced below, this week.



Thank you for your compassion regarding NASA's loss of the courageous STS-107 crew and the Space Shuttle Columbia. The entire NASA family appreciates your support and sympathy during this time of national tragedy. Although the STS-107 Mission ended so tragically, the astronauts on board will be remembered as heroes for their contributions to scientific research and the exploration of space.

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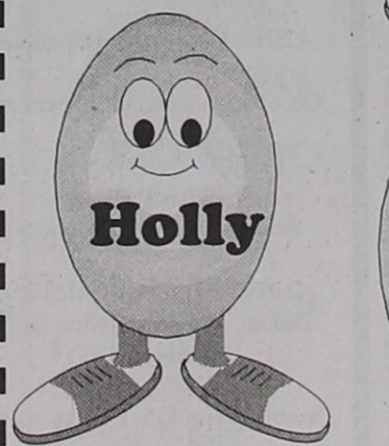
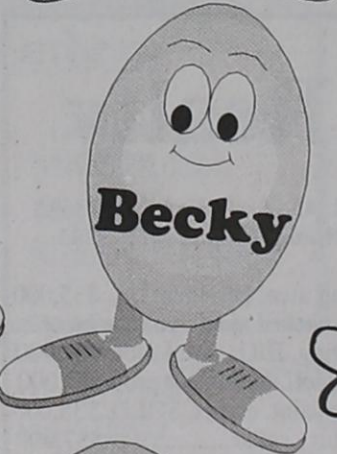
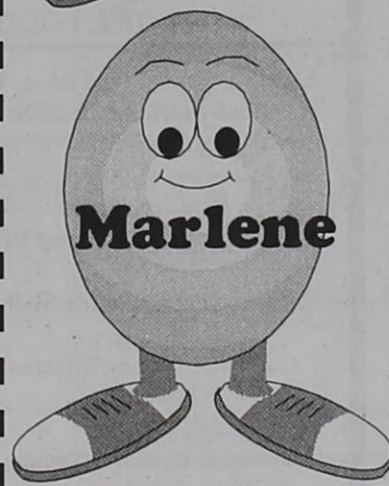
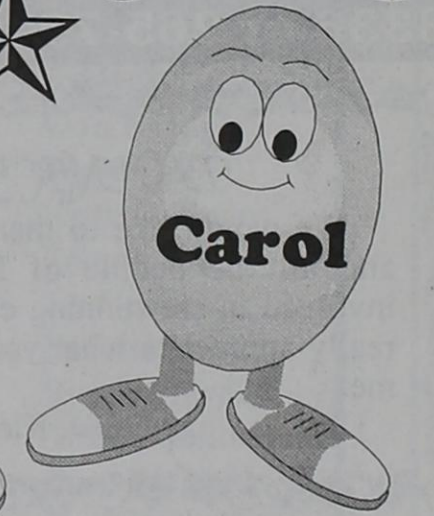
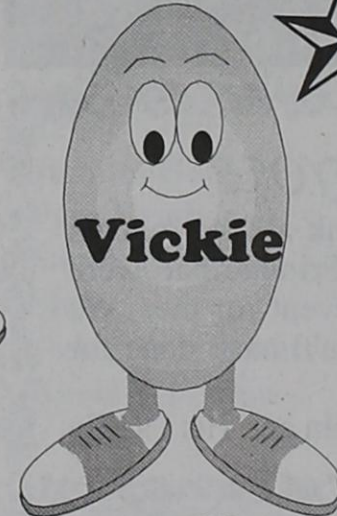
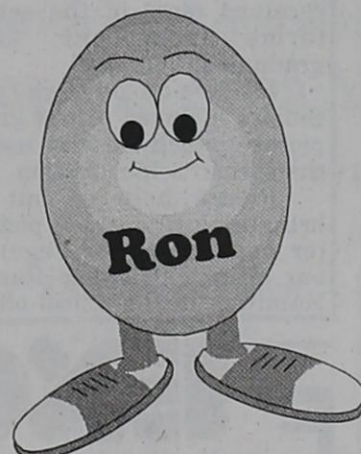
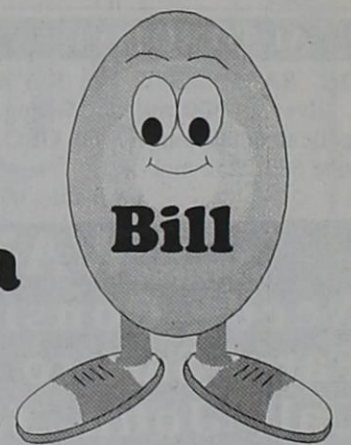
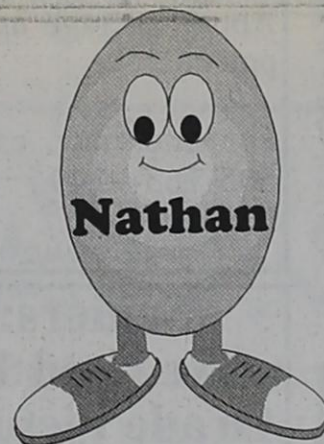
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## Courtney Clark, Steven Lamberson Exchanged Wedding Vows In Canyon

Courtney Leigh Clark and Steven Michael Lamberson, both Amarillo residents, exchanged wedding vows Saturday, March 29 at Country Home Weddings in Canyon.

Steve Patterson, pastor of the Friona United Methodist Church, performed the wedding ceremony.

Tim Mero of Canyon performed musical selections on the keyboard. Selections included "Canon in D," "The Bridal Chorus" and "Parent's Prayer."

Parents of the couple are Henry and Paula Clark of Friona and Mike and Billie Lamberson of Amarillo.

Her grandparents are Bob and Bobbie Clark and Richard and Peggy London, all of Friona.

The groom's grandparents are Mary Lamberson and Sue Vaughn of Amarillo and Don and Audie Vaughn of Big Sandy, Texas.

As a surprise to the bride, John Jarecki read a poem, "On Her Wedding Day," just prior to her entrance. The poem was found by the bride's parents when she was only a couple of months old and has been kept in her baby book 21 years to be read on her wedding day.

As the bride was presented in marriage by her father, she was attired in a white satin a-line gown with beaded schiffli lace. The gown was fashioned with a high illusion lace neckline, empire waistline and sleeveless bodice. A bow accented the waistline. The skirt was trimmed with lace and accented sequins and pearls. Designs of illusion lace adorned the front of the gown and the chapel length train. Lace and pearl gauntlet gloves complemented the gown.

Her matching headpiece featured a silver bun wrap of shimmering rhinestone flowers with white pearls. Her elbow length veil was accented with swarovski crystals and a satin edge trim.

She carried a bouquet

consisting of a dozen Vogue roses with a variety of other pink flowers. She wore her first baby ring on her "pinkie" and also wore her Great-Grandmother London's engagement ring from 1925.

The ring was also worn by her grandmother at her own wedding in 1955 and by her mother in 1976.

The groom wore a black tuxedo with white shirt, black bow tie and boutonniere of pink Vogue roses.

Betsy Shae Clark of Friona served her sister as maid of honor. She wore a pink spaghetti strap satin ball gown featuring a chiffon drape front. She carried a nosegay of spring flowers in shades of pinks and whites.

Robert Lamberson of Amarillo, brother of the groom, was the best man. He wore a tuxedo identical to the one worn by the groom and a spring flower boutonniere in shades of pinks and whites.

J'Lond Jeter of Canyon and Justin Jeter of Canyon, cousins of the bride, served as ushers.

M'Kell Jarecki of Canyon and Cassie Jo London of Lubbock, cousins of the bride, registered the wedding guests.

The four layered Italian Creme Cake was decorated with bows and fresh flowers. The groom's cake was a white cake with chocolate frosting decorated with chocolate dipped strawberries.

A buffet featuring smoked brisket and rolled meats for gourmet sandwiches, chicken nuggets with barbecue sauce, gourmet cheeses and assorted crackers, fresh vegetables and dips, fresh melons and fruits, strawberries with white chocolate fondue dip, chips and dips were served to guests. The buffet table featured a watermelon carving of a bride and groom.

Out-of-town guests included Mr. and Mrs. Chris LaPorte, Dan Day and Shawn Day, all of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Brian Clark of Greeley, Colorado; Mr. and Mrs. John Snyder of Edmond,



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Oklahoma; Mr. and Mrs. Don Vaughn of Big Sandy, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ledford of Greenville, Texas; and Mrs. John Clark and children of Pampa, Texas.

Also, Mr. and Mrs. Jererd Lafuente and children of Lubbock; Mrs. Rogie Rose of Panhandle, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Dean London, Mr. and Mrs. Slade Clark and children, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCallie and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Clark, Mrs. Sue Vaughn, Mrs. Hollice Lamberson, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Mayes and children, all of Amarillo.

The couple will be making their home in Amarillo.

She is a 1999 graduate of Friona High School, attended West Texas A&M University,

Canyon, and Amarillo College and is employed by Region 16 Education Service Center in Amarillo.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Highland Park High School in Amarillo and is employed at Allied 2000 in Amarillo.

Justin and M'Kell Jeter hosted a bridal luncheon the day of the wedding in their home in Canyon. John and M'Lynda Jarecki assisted with the luncheon. Hawaiian Haystack was served to the guests.

The bridal couple was honored with a wedding shower in the home of Cris and Sylvia Ingram in Friona and a wedding shower in the groom's Grandmother Vaughn's home in Amarillo.



**AMY NICOLE KNOWLES and CHAD STOVELL....** Linda and Larry Knowles of Friona announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Amy Nicole of Lubbock, to Chad Stovell. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Marilyn and Bill Stovell of Friona. The couple is planning a May 31 wedding at the Quaker Avenue Church of Christ in Lubbock. The bride-elect is a graduate of Friona High School and has a Bachelor of Science Degree in biology from Texas Tech University. She is currently employed at Southwest Plastic Surgery Center in Lubbock. Stovell is a graduate of Friona High School and has a Bachelor of Science Degree in mechanical engineering from Texas Tech University and a Masters of Science Degree in mechanical engineering from The University of Texas at Austin. He is employed as a research engineer for Southwest Research Foundation in San Antonio, Texas.

**Happy Birthday Friona Folks...**  
WEEK OF APRIL 20-26

Friona residents observing birthdays next week include:  
**April 20**--Ronnie McLellan, Twyla Roth, Beverly Ingram, Peggy Martinez, Michael Chaney, Debbie Martin, Kyle Wiseman, Wyona Clark, Kathy Anthony.  
**April 21**--Rex Bracken, Norma Alexander, Riley Rector, Vandra Milloy, Louis Pederson, Brooklyn Elam, Joe Lewellen.  
**April 22**--Sandy Spring Fuentes, Hayley Herring, Stan Miller, Carl Martin, Andy Carthel, Amy Osborn, Kyndall Whiteley.  
**April 23**--Troy Bass, Derek Allen, Daniel Rios, JoAnn Berend, Mike Styles, Jerry Cass, Jenny Cunningham, Caralee Brockman.  
**April 24**--Evelyn Hart, Lucretia Bracken, Trista Hand, Bill Nichols.  
**April 25**--Allison Hardgrove, Levi Landrum, Darrell Roth, Mike Riethmayer, Felicia Nicole Florez, Mariann Boeckman, Melba Burselson.  
**April 26**--Ben Osborn, Mark Petchinsky, Karla Dixon, Pamela Schipang, Grace Parr, Ami Schueler.  
 If you or someone in your family has a birthday coming up soon, please call the Friona Star office at 250-2211 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.

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	Angie Tirado	
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### Parents

Mary Morton
Mary Ortiz
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Lori Zingerman



## Sgt Joe Herrera Killed By Fleeing Suspect

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whether Gomez hit Herrera's car intentionally. One report says that when Herrera saw Gomez coming toward him, he attempted to move further to the right but the pickup swerved into his unit.

First Responders from both Bovina and Friona EMS and fire departments, sheriff's department and other Friona PD personnel and DPS troopers converged on the scene. Lifestar of Amarillo was called to the accident location but Sgt. Herrera was pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace Vi Hutto.

Friona EMS transported Gomez and Mireles to Parmer County Community Hospital

where they were then transferred to Lubbock and Amarillo hospitals. Gomez underwent surgery in Lubbock and was listed as critical at press time. We did not get a report on Mireles' condition.

No charges have been filed on Gomez in Herrera's death pending the results of an extensive DPS investigation which was underway Monday.

Funeral services for Sgt. Herrera Wednesday drew law enforcement personnel from throughout the Panhandle and the state, with officers from as far away as San Antonio attending. Lubbock Sheriff Department and Amarillo Police Department personnel served as honor guards during the service.



**CRYSTAL L. APPLIGATE and JON G. PARKER** ....Ms. Patricia Bendix of Rio Rancho, New Mexico and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Parker of Friona announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Crystal L. Applegate and Jon G. Parker. The couple will exchange wedding vows in a private ceremony, Saturday, May 24, 2003, at the First United Methodist Church in Flower Mound, Texas.

## YOUR EYES

### Too Much Salt May Lead To Cataracts

Eating a lot of salt may increase your risk of posterior subcapsular cataracts, says a research study reported in the American Journal of Epidemiology. Cataracts are name-based on what part of your eye's lens they affect: the capsule, the cortex or the nucleus. Capsular cataracts tend to produce symptoms more rapidly, within weeks or months, rather than years.

The researchers asked nearly 2,900 people about their salt intake over the course of two years and found that those with the highest intakes were much more likely to develop a capsular cataract. This study, once again, confirms the fact that too much salt in the diet is a detriment. You should lower your intake of fast foods and canned and prepared foods. Learn what to avoid by reading food labels and finding out sodium content. Ask your vision specialist for more information on cataracts.



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## Financial Focus

### Ask Yourself These Questions About Retirement

If you have many years left until retirement, you might not think much about it. After all, you're busy with work, family, activities—who has the luxury to think about retiring? And yet, by asking yourself some key questions about your retirement, you'll be far better prepared for the day when it arrives.

What types of questions should you be posing to yourself? Here are a few to consider:

**•What's my "vision" for retirement?** We all envision different retirement lifestyles. You may want to work until 65 and then open up a small business. Your neighbors may want to retire early and spend their time traveling the world. Because each of us has his or her own unique retirement vision, we'll also end up with different financial needs during retirement—which means we need to create personalized savings and investment strategies.

**•Where will my financial resources come from?** Most people get their money for retirement from three sources: Social Security, company-sponsored plans, such as 401(k)s and personal savings and investments. Because everyone's situation is different, there's no one "formula" for determining the percentage of your retirement income that must come from each of these sources. However, it makes sense for you to do all you can to build your resources in all three areas.

**•How much can I withdraw each year of my retirement?** Thanks to advances in medicine and a growing awareness of the importance of healthy lifestyles, you can probably expect to spend between two and decades in retirement. That's a long time—and you certainly don't want to outlive your resources. Consequently, you'll want to estimate how much you'll have to live on during retirement, and how much you can afford to withdraw each year.

**•Am I protected against inflation?** If inflation heats up again, your purchasing power could be seriously diminished during your retirement years. That's why you need to build a retirement portfolio that contains a sizeable amount of growth-oriented investments that also meet your needs for diversification and your personal tolerance for risk.

**•Will I face big tax bills?** Many people assume that their tax obligations will automatically drop when they retire, but that doesn't always happen. Your income from investments could easily keep you in the same tax bracket, or even push you to a higher one. To prevent this from happening, you'll want to consistently keep taxes in mind when you invest. You may want to explore tax-free options, such as the Roth IRA. Tax-deferred vehicles, such as your 401(k) or traditional IRA, are also valuable but, sooner or later, taxes will be due. One key to preventing these taxes from overwhelming you is to plan your withdrawals carefully, so that you're not taking out more than you need.

**•Can I maintain my financial independence?** If you were to ever need some type of long-term care, such as an extended stay in a nursing home, you could face catastrophic costs. In fact, the average cost of a year's stay in a nursing home is about \$50,000—and these costs could rise tremendously by the time you're retired. To protect your financial independence, you may want to invest in a long-term care policy, which transfers the risk of paying for long-term care from you to an insurer.

By thinking of these and other retirement-related inquiries, you'll motivate yourself to take action that can help ensure the type of retirement you want. If you're diligent, asking the right questions can lead to finding the right answers.

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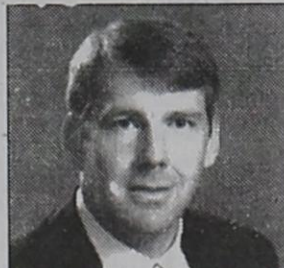
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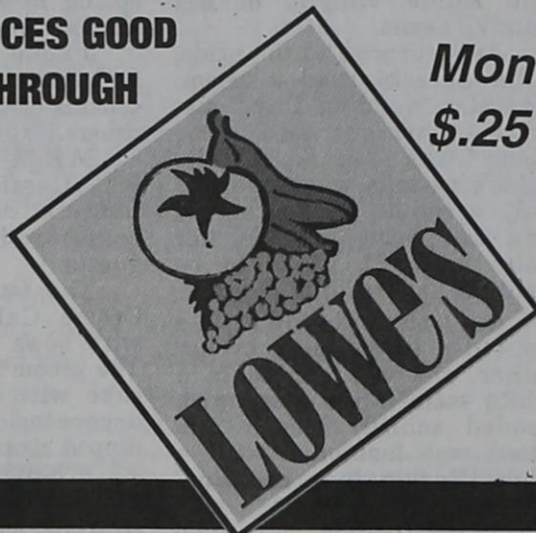
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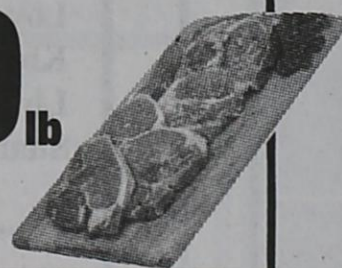
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Market Cut

**RED RIND CHEESE**

**\$1.89<sub>lb</sub>**



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Boneless

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