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Lazbuddie Woman Dies In House Fire

Florence Engelking, 92, a longtime resident of the Lazbuddie/Clay's Corner area in southern Parmer County, died early Thursday morning, February 24, when her house burned.

At about 8 a.m. Thursday, a call was received from the 911 network, about a house fire on County Road CC, a mile west of Highway 214. County Road CC is approximately a mile south of the Clay's Corner intersection.

As units from the Lazbuddie fire and ambulance group, as well as the Friona Fire Department and ambulance arrived, it was learned that an occupant of the house had been pulled from her burning bedroom by a passerby.

Units from the Muleshoe Fire Department also assisted. Mrs. Engelking, the sole occupant of the house, was pronounced dead at the scene by Farwell J.P. Pam Haseloff, who also ordered an autopsy to determine the cause of death.

The home was totally destroyed by the fire and the State Fire Marshall is investigating.

Funeral arrangements were pending at our press time, with Ellis Funeral Home of Muleshoe.

'Day Of Prayer Set March 3

World Day of Prayer Services will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, March 3, at the Friona United Methodist Church.

A prayer vigil will be held for 24 hours prior to the service. Anyone wishing to pray during a 30-minute time slot, or anyone who has a joy or concern that needs prayer, is asked to call 250-2377.

Or, you may sign up at any of the following churches: Assembly of God, the Christian Fellowship Church, the Catholic Church, the Congregational Church, First Baptist, Calvary Baptist, Grace Baptist, or the Methodist Church.

Everyone is invited to participate in the prayer vigil, and is also invited to the service on Friday night.

Hospital Continues To Build For The Future

At a time when medical facilities in the rural areas are being challenged by lack of doctors, personnel, equipment, etc., Parmer County Community Hospital has been "on a roll" to begin the new century and millennium.

The hospital recently became the first hospital in the State to receive the "Critical Access Designation." The designation was effective December 1, 1999.

This is a program designed to provide improved Medicare reimbursement and will assist rural hospitals in maintaining access to basic quality health care. "Congratulations to our employees and medical staff on this achievement," said hospital Administrator, Bill Neely this week.

PCCH has also received the "Cancer Registry Certificate of Excellence," an award for medical record documentation and reporting.

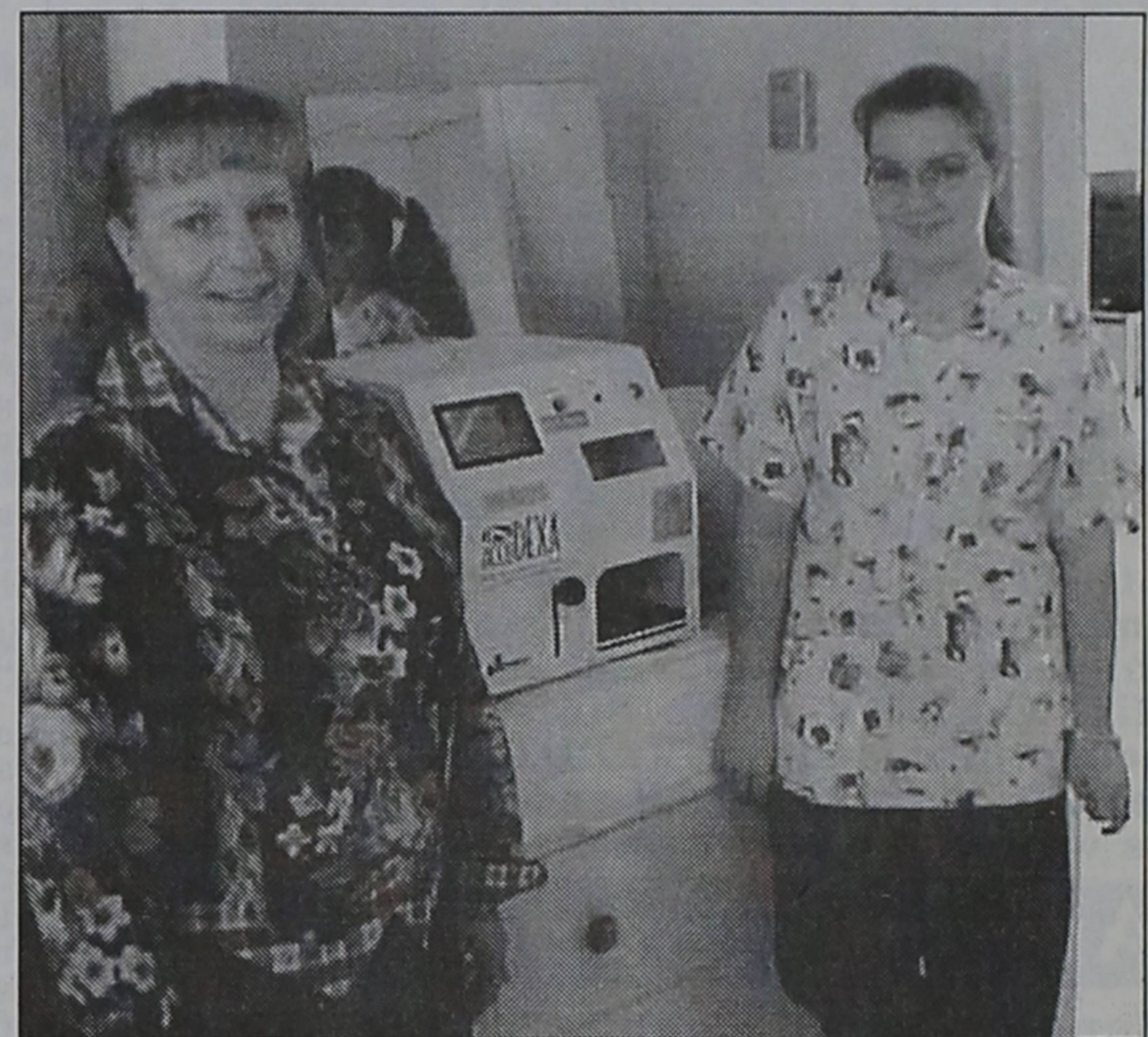
A Blanket/Fluid Warmer was recently acquired to improve patient comfort. The equipment purchase was made possible through proceeds raised from "Project Christmas Card."

"We want to say 'Good Luck' to Monia Ann Wilson and Susan Renner, Licensed Vocational Nurses, who are pursuing Registered Nurse Degrees, and also to Laura Rosales, Certified Nurse Aide, who is studying to become a Licensed Vocational Nurse," Neely said.

Neely also pointed out that new patient equipment in the hospital's Radiology Department performs bone mineral density studies used by the medical staff to detect/diagnose osteoporosis.

The hospital's Laboratory is also welcoming a new employee, Barbara Pitcock, Medical Laboratory Technologist (ASCP).

The laboratory has recently added a new chemistry analyzer capable of processing routine chemistries (i.e., glu-



NEW AT PCCH...Parmer County Community Hospital welcomes Marka Dempsey, left, the new hospital dietitian and Barbara Pitcock, a Medical Laboratory Technologist and new lab employee. The ladies are shown with the new bone mineral density machine used by the Radiology Department to detect osteoporosis.

cose, bun, creatinine, electrolytes, and therapeutic drug monitoring).

Marka Dempsey, Registered Dietitian, has joined the staff of Parmer County Community Hospital. Ms. Dempsey will be providing consultation services for the dietary department and also personalized dietary counseling for individuals referred by their physician.

Ms. Dempsey is available every other Wednesday. She started January 12, 2000.

For more information or to schedule dietary counseling, contact Carolyn Jackson, dietary supervisor, Parmer County Community Hospital, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. (Telephone: 806-250-2754).

Lawsuit Filed Against School Board, Coaches

A lawsuit was filed in Parmer County District Court on February 7 on behalf of D. T. King, Jr., Cynthia King and Nathan Jared King, plaintiffs, against the Board of Trustees of the Friona Independent Schools District.

The suit also named as defendants, Superintendent Jim Parker, Friona High School principal Kenny Austin, Coaches Mike Scott and Hayden Merket, and school board members Don Carthel, Alan Monroe, Danny Black, Joe Santellana, Jayson Grimsley and Lorraine Anthony.

The King's lawsuit stems from a decision by Coach Scott and the School Board to bar Nathan King from basketball and baseball the rest of this year for disciplinary reasons.

The petition claims that Nathan King had attended a baseball camp in Hillsboro, Texas, at the suggestion of coaches and that not allowing him to play baseball in his senior year would damage his chances to earn a baseball scholarship.

The petition states that prior to December 13, 1999, King was a member in good standing of the basketball and baseball teams, which constitutes a classroom in the Texas Education Code.

Attempts by the Kings to resolve the issue through grievances filed with the school board did not result in a reversal of the decision, which resulted in the lawsuit.

A temporary injunction was issued on February 7 to allow Nathan King to return to athletics and suit up for

the final two FHS basketball games.

A hearing was held on Monday and Tuesday of this week in Parmer County District Court with Judge Gordon Green presiding. Attorneys for the FISH entered a motion before the court as to whether the District Court had the proper jurisdiction to rule in the lawsuit.

Judge Green extended the temporary restraining order to allow Nathan King to participate in baseball until the jurisdiction issue is resolved and decision can be reached on the request for permanent injunctive relief for the Kings.

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ONLY RIP VAN WINKLE,

asleep for the past 50 years, could have missed being acquainted with the little moon-faced characters of Charlie Brown, Lucy, Linus, Schroder, Snoopy, Woodstock, Pig Pen, Peppermint Patty, and the others. They are gone now and we mourn them almost as much as we mourn their human creator, cartoonist Charles "Sparky" Schulz, who passed away in his sleep on Feb. 12 at age 77, just a day before his final Sunday colored cartoon "farewell" strip ran in all the papers.

It's hard to believe that this dedicated cartoonist, day in and day out, drew his little characters for 50 years, half a century, with no outside help from anyone. And he reserved the right to keep Charlie Brown's little fictional family as his very own by not passing the torch along to some other cartoonist to carry on after his demise.

They say he created the Peanuts cartoon in 1950, but I didn't discover it until the late 50s during my college years. I remember those long boring lines to sign up for classes on registration day at Texas Tech. I would always stop by the book store first to pick up the latest in the series of Peanuts cartoon books, to fluff away the time while standing in line. It wouldn't be long before I noticed three or four people in line had crowded around to read over my shoulder. I didn't mind, except that some folks read slower than others, and the slow pokes invariably made noises of distress whenever I turned a page before they were finished reading it.

Cartoonists and column writers have a little bit in common. Both are observers of human nature. Each publication of their work is a small essay on life as we know it. Linus once said "I love humanity; it's people I can't stand." But Schulz managed to touch something in the heart of each of us that inspires us to keep on keeping on, just as Charlie Brown did. He could never kick a football, he could never win a baseball game, he could never fly a kite without getting it tangled in tree branches, he could never gain the love of the little red haired girl. But he never gave up trying.

Of course, I identified most with the neurotic Lucy. Her little streak of meanness when she yanked the football away, preventing her friend Charlie Brown from kicking it ... her bossy, know-it-all attitude ... her sassy stubbornness, sticking her nose into everyone's business but her own ... she was so ME. I never met Charles Schulz. How could he produce such a cartoon persona with all of my own character flaws rolled into one feisty little fussybudget?

Don't tell my Good Old Boy, but I think he is a combination of Charlie Brown, Linus and Pig Pen.

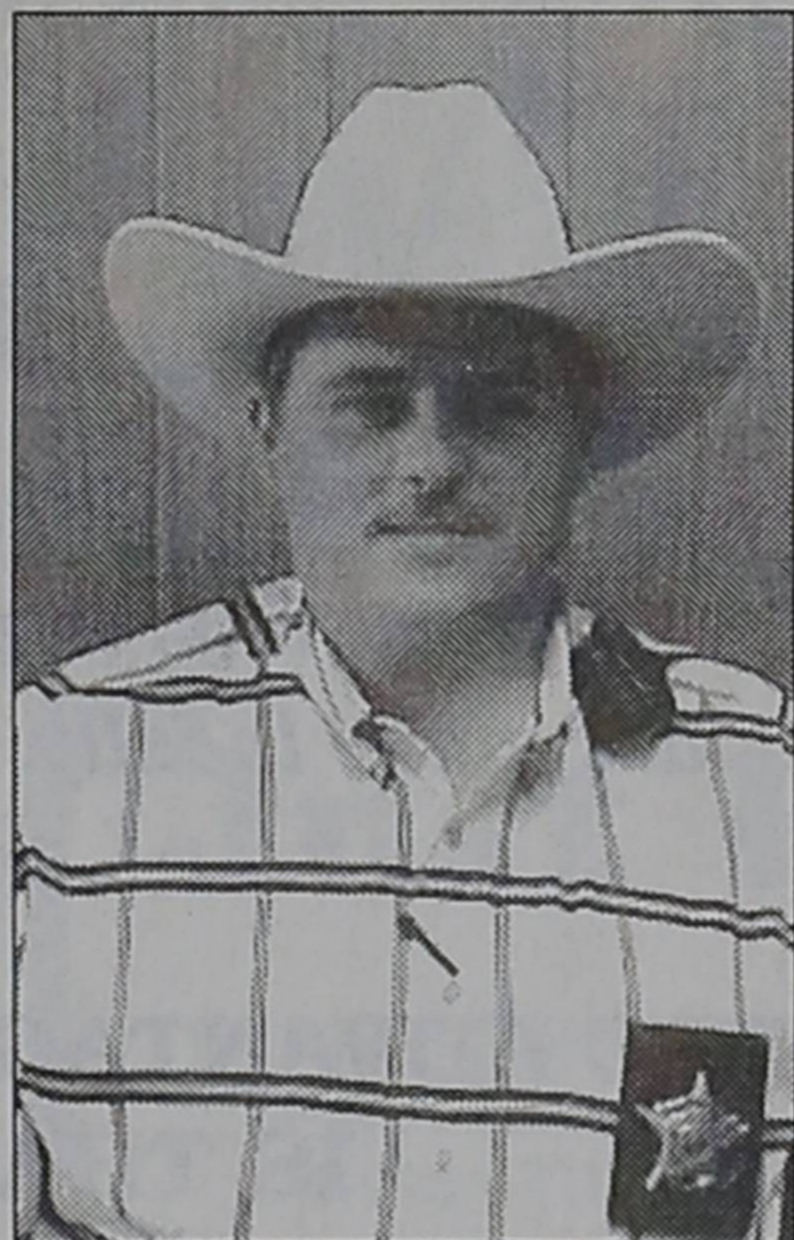
Probably each person who read the Peanuts comic strip could identify with one or more of the characters on any given day. And that's why the little round-faced kids and their beagle have been so beloved by people all over the world. The strip was translated into many languages, which indicates that the substance of the cartoon appealed to a general audience, no matter what their persuasion.

Charles Schulz's work had a positive impact on the lives of many, but he, himself, was very "Charlie Brown" about it all. He did not think of himself as an artist. He said cartoonists' work was seldom seen in art galleries, but when art galleries needed to raise money, they didn't seem to mind asking a cartoonist to donate an original panel to be auctioned off as a fund raiser. I think if you've had a Broadway musical production based on your very own cartoon characters, you could just thumb your nose at all the art galleries.

The beagle has landed and the funny papers don't seem quite as funny anymore.

MY TURN

By Carol Ellis



**TERRY TIMMS
New Deputy**

The newest addition to the Parmer County Sheriff's Department is Deputy Terry Timms.

He comes to Parmer County from the Slaton Police Department and plans to live in the Lazbuddie area.

Date Set For School Elections

The Board of Trustees of the Friona Independent School District passed a resolution calling for a trustee election to be held jointly with that of the City of Friona on Saturday, May 6, 2000.

Three trustees will be elected on that date. The seats expiring are currently being held by Lorraine Anthony, Danny Carthel, and Joe Santellana.

Holdover board members are Danny Black, Kathryn Gurley, Jayson Grimsley and Alan Monroe.

Applications for school board candidates are available in the Superintendent's Office. Deadline is March 22, 2000.



VISITING GREATER TUNA...A large number of Friona folks traveled to Hereford last Friday night to see the production of Greater Tuna. Marca Lynn Herring visits with the entire cast, Raymond Girard and David McKnight, Jr. Each actor played 10 different characters in the lively production.



COOKIE, COOKIE!...Serving up samples of Girl Scout cookies at Lowe's Grocery were, l-r, Allison Jones, Cindy Trevino and Pam Kendrick. The Girls Scouts will be selling cookies (\$3 box) at the grocery store this Saturday. Stop by their booth, have a sample, buy several boxes.

Friona Art Students Artwork Is Honored

On Saturday, February 19, judging was held to select the artwork to be displayed during the annual Texas Panhandle Student Invitational Art Show.

The show is sponsored by the Texas Panhandle Art Education Association to provide art students with the opportunity to display their works for public viewing.

Nine students from Friona will have a total of sixteen of their works on display. Junior high students with work on display are Francisco Tafoya with a tempera painting, Jessica Hernandez with a blue ribbon tempera painting, and Brizeida Salazar with a blue ribbon weaving.

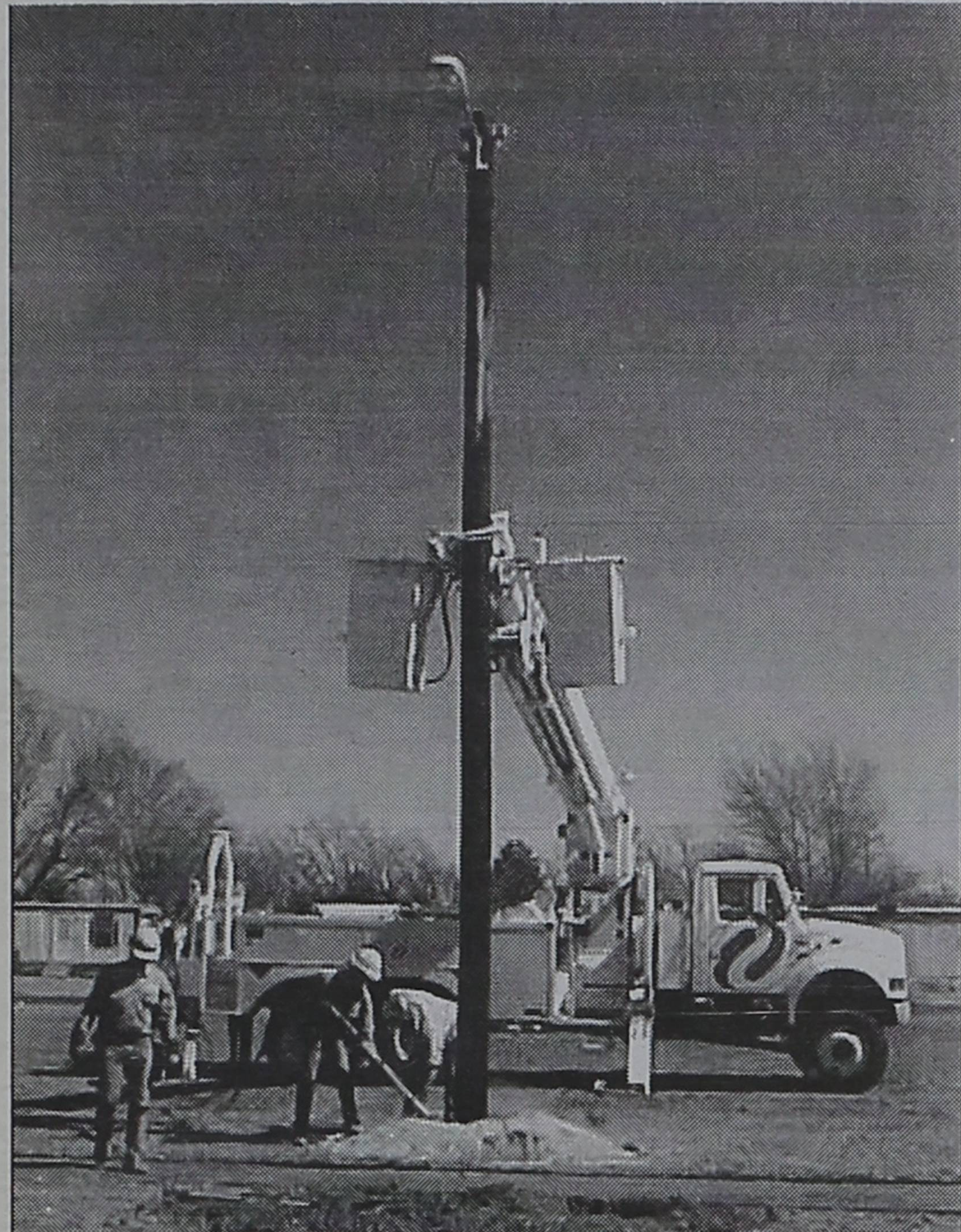
Participating high school students include Jeremy Smith with an oil painting, an acrylic painting, a cast paper sculpture, and a blue ribbon-best of category acrylic painting.

Also, Ema Perez will be showing an acrylic painting and a blue ribbon-best of category-best of show acrylic painting.

John Fitzgerald will be showing a blue ribbon mixed media drawing and a blue ribbon-best of category-and third place best of show oil painting.

Simon Salinas will show a blue ribbon-best of category runner-up oil painting. Celio Tafoya will show an oil painting and a scratchboard ink drawing. Viviana Tafoya will be showing an oil painting and a blue ribbon-best of category runner-up oil painting.

The show will be on display at Westgate Mall in Amarillo from February 26 through March 6. The blue ribbon winners will be on display at The West Texas A&M University Gallery in Northern Hall from March 8 through March 26.



LIGHTING UP...Southwestern Public Service employees are shown installing one of the thirteen light poles at the new park at Highway 60 and 5th Street. Landscaping is being provided by TxDOT as the park will feature a walking trail and over 500 new trees as well as the new lights. ron carr photo

Around Town

Band boosters meeting Tue

There will be a Chieftain Band Booster meeting on Tuesday, Feb 29 at 7 p.m. in the high school band hall. Members will be discussing and finalizing plans on running the concession stand for both days of the Friona Track Meet. This is a very important meeting and all band boosters are urged to attend.

Girl scout cookies at Lowe's

Local girl scouts will be selling their cookies at Lowe's grocery store on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The cookies are only \$3 a box. Stop by for a free sample and help these young ladies raise money for a trip this summer.

St. Teresa's annual Mexican dinner

St. Teresa's Catholic Church will be having their annual Mexican dinner on Sunday, March 5, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the St. Teresa's Parish Hall. Prices are \$5 adults and \$3 for children under 10. Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy some delicious Mexican food.

Hospice offering education series

The Crown of Texas Hospice is offering a two-week education series, "Hospice-Living Life to the Fullest," Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6-9 p.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., March 7-18 at the Hereford Community Center. This service is free. If you are interested in volunteer opportunities or learning more about hospice programs, call 372-7696 or 800-572-6365. Thirty contact hours are available for nurses and 3.0 CEUs for others.

IRS forms at city hall

IRS tax forms which are usually available at the library, can now be picked up at city hall while the library is closed for renovation.

Czech sausage dinner in Canyon Mar 5

The ninth annual Czech sausage dinner at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Canyon is set for Sun, Mar 5 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Family Parish Center, 38th & Conner Dr. in Canyon. Czech sausage, sauerkraut, bread, parsley potatoes, cobbler and all the trimmings will be \$7 adults and \$3.50 for children. Children 5 and under eat free. Arts & crafts, music, games for kids and a country store will also be available.

FRIONA FLASHBACKS

...from the files of The Friona Star

70 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 28, 1930

W.H. Warren has the masonry work done on his new building on Main Street, with fair prospects of completion within the next two weeks. The building will be 26X60 feet, one story high and divided into three offices. One of these rooms will be an office for Dr. Wills, and another to be occupied by the Friona Star. The third is as yet unrented.

60 Yrs. Ago--March 1, 1940

Our people received word with regret which informed them that Dan Ethridge has arranged to move from our city to Lubbock, where he and Mrs. Ethridge will make their home in the future, although they extend congratulations to Dan for the promotion he has received by his appointment as special agent for the Cravens and Dargan Insurance Brokers of Houston.

55 Yrs. Ago--March 2, 1945

The Friona Squaws became champions of District 19 after beating four good ball clubs at the tournament February 23 and 24 at Claude. The Squaws downed Lazbuddie in the opening round, 25-14, and then Lakeview, 28-20. Friona downed Claude, 19-14 in the semi-finals, and then outplayed the Quail Bobwhites, 31-24 in the finals. The Squaws are eligible to attend the state tournament in Hillsboro by virtue of winning this tournament.

50 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 24, 1950

At a meeting of the directors of the Friona Wheat Growers, Inc. Tuesday night, it was definitely decided to build more elevator and storage space for the wheat growers, and a contract was let to A.F. Roberts for the erection of another concrete storage elevator. The new elevator will have a capacity of 600,000 bushels of grain, and construction will begin in the near future.

45 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 25, 1955

Friona businessmen desiring direct motor freight service with Lubbock are reminded this week by Chamber of Commerce president Dillie Kelley that intensified efforts in this matter should be made by next week. A Lubbock meeting with the Interstate Commerce Commission and the Lang Transit Company has been arranged for Thursday, March 3. Several local firms have already made plans to be represented at the meeting.

40 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 25, 1960

A farmer and rancher, and a farmer's wife were named the Outstanding Man and

Woman of the Year by the Friona Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture at the annual banquet held Friday night at the school cafeteria.

A.L. Black, prominent farmer and rancher, and an active member of the Soil Conservation District's board of directors, was named Man of the Year, and Katy Osborn longtime resident of Friona and wife of Claude Osborn, was named Outstanding Woman of the Year.

35 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 25, 1965

The clock finally struck "midnight" for the Friona Chieftains, and their "Cinderella" basketball season Tuesday night at Whiteface. The Chiefs, in the basketball playoffs for the first time in 20 years, ran into a polished herd of Denver City Mustangs, and the playoff-experienced Mustangs made off with an 81-66 victory to win the right to advance to the regional semi-finals Saturday.

30 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 26, 1970

Exhibitors from Lazbuddie had another field day at the 36th annual Parmer County Junior Livestock Show last weekend. Lazbuddie claimed the grand champion awards in the barrow show for an unprecedented tenth consecutive year, won four of five trophies in the sheep show, and then surprised all by taking the steer championship on Saturday.

25 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 23, 1975

The sale totals at the 27th annual Parmer County Junior Livestock Show came within \$200 of beating the all-time mark established at the 1974 show. Prize animals sold for a total of \$60,195.78 last Saturday, compared to \$60,387.33 the previous year. A crowd of 57 people attended the meeting in Friona Monday night, in response to a request by the Friona Chamber of Commerce to determine the interest in

building a rest home in Friona.

20 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 24, 1980

Lazbuddie exhibitors swept championships in all three divisions of the Parmer County Junior Livestock Show last weekend. Vandi Tarter captured the barrow title with a 244-pound Duroc. Sean Mason exhibited the grand champion lamb, a medium wool entry. Phillip Jesko gave Lazbuddie their "sweep" in the show, when his 1156-pound Angus was tapped for grand champion honors in the steer show.

The Parmer County Historical Commission will meet February 26 with all persons interested in a new history book for Parmer County.

15 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 24, 1985

Friona Industries, Inc. has announced that it has entered into a definitive agreement to be acquired by CHS Holding, Inc., in a merger, or at CHS's election, a tender offer, in which holders of Friona Common Stock will receive \$19 cash per share.

Three members of the Friona Noon Lions Club received life member plaques, as charter members of the

club at this week's meeting. Receiving plaques were Cecil Maddox, Baker Duggins and John R. Cook.

10 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 24, 1990

The Friona area received one of the best February rains in memory Monday night of this week, with rains averaging 1.5 inches received throughout the local area.

A month-long investigation by the Friona Police Department and the Parmer County Sheriff's Department has ended with the arrests of six men on felony charges of cocaine possession and delivery.

Capt. Bailey Roberts of the Friona Police Department said about \$11,000 worth of drugs were recovered.

5 Yrs. Ago--Feb. 25, 1995

Eva Miller was recently honored at a Modern Study Club meeting for her 25 years of service in the Friona community as a music teacher.

Janet Rector from the First Baptist Church of Friona is among 110 high school juniors and seniors from twenty states chosen to participate in a choir to perform this summer in Atlanta, Scotland and England.

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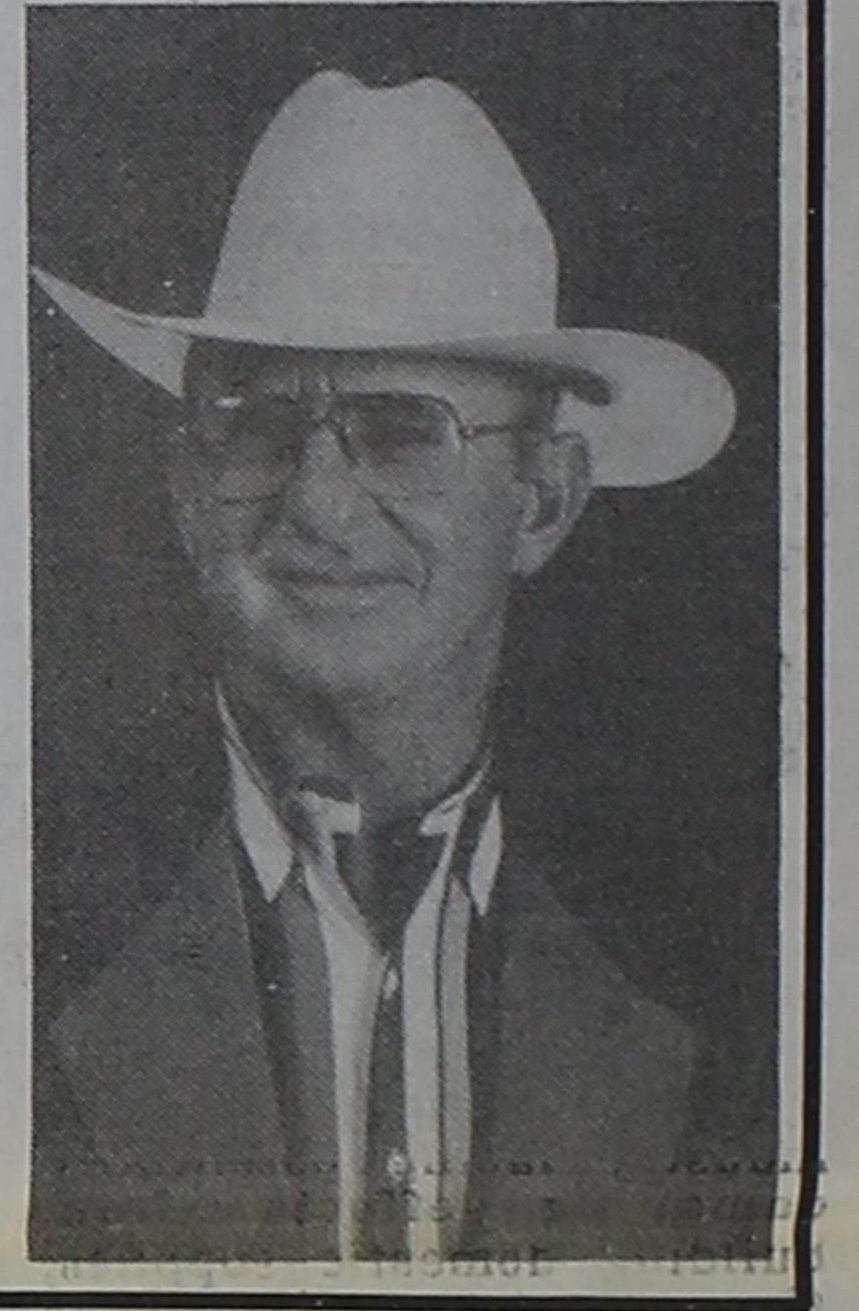
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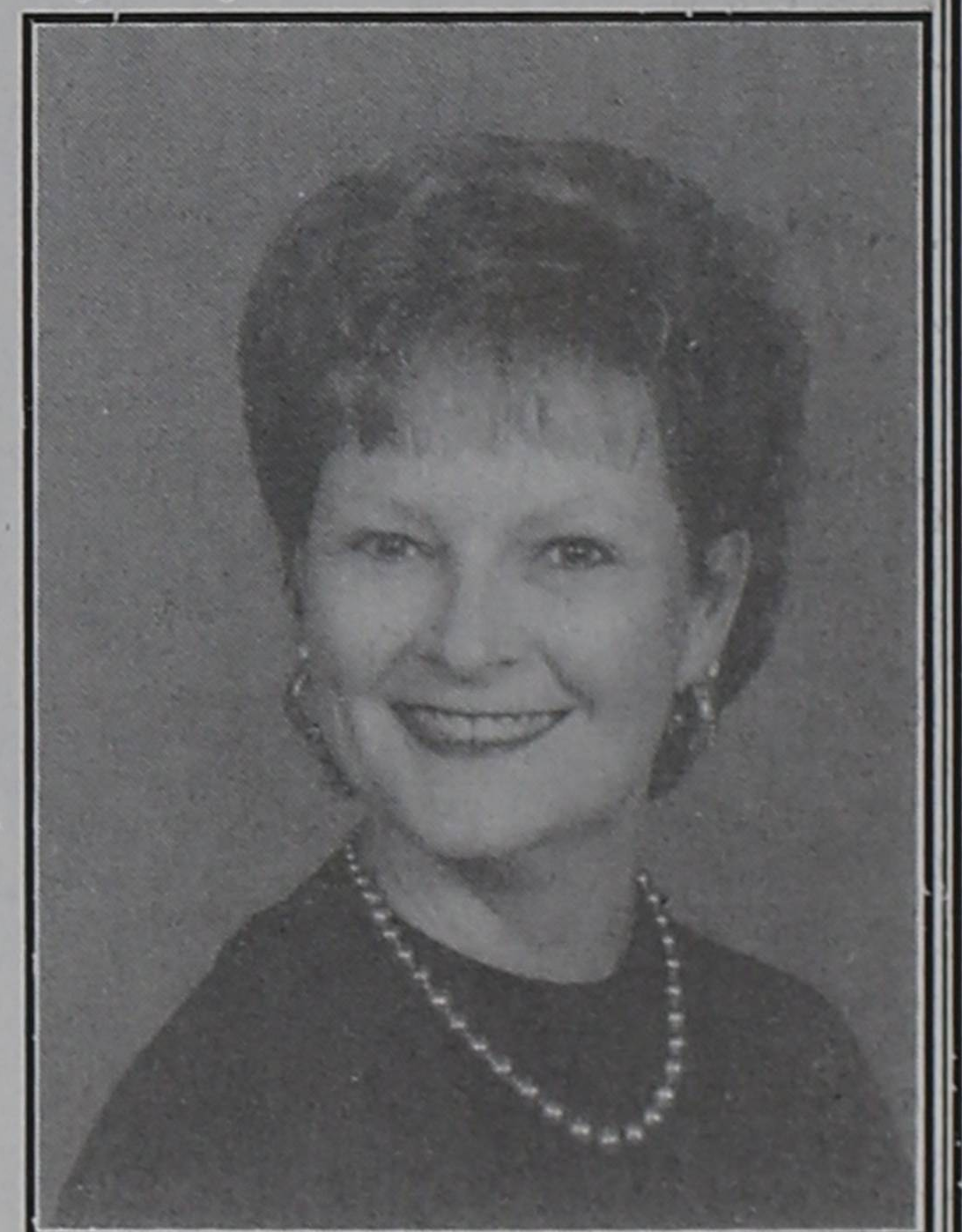
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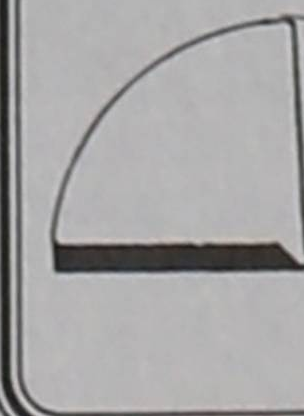
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THUS SAITH THE LORD, ABOUT MIDNIGHT WILL I GO OUT INTO THE MIST OF EGYPT!

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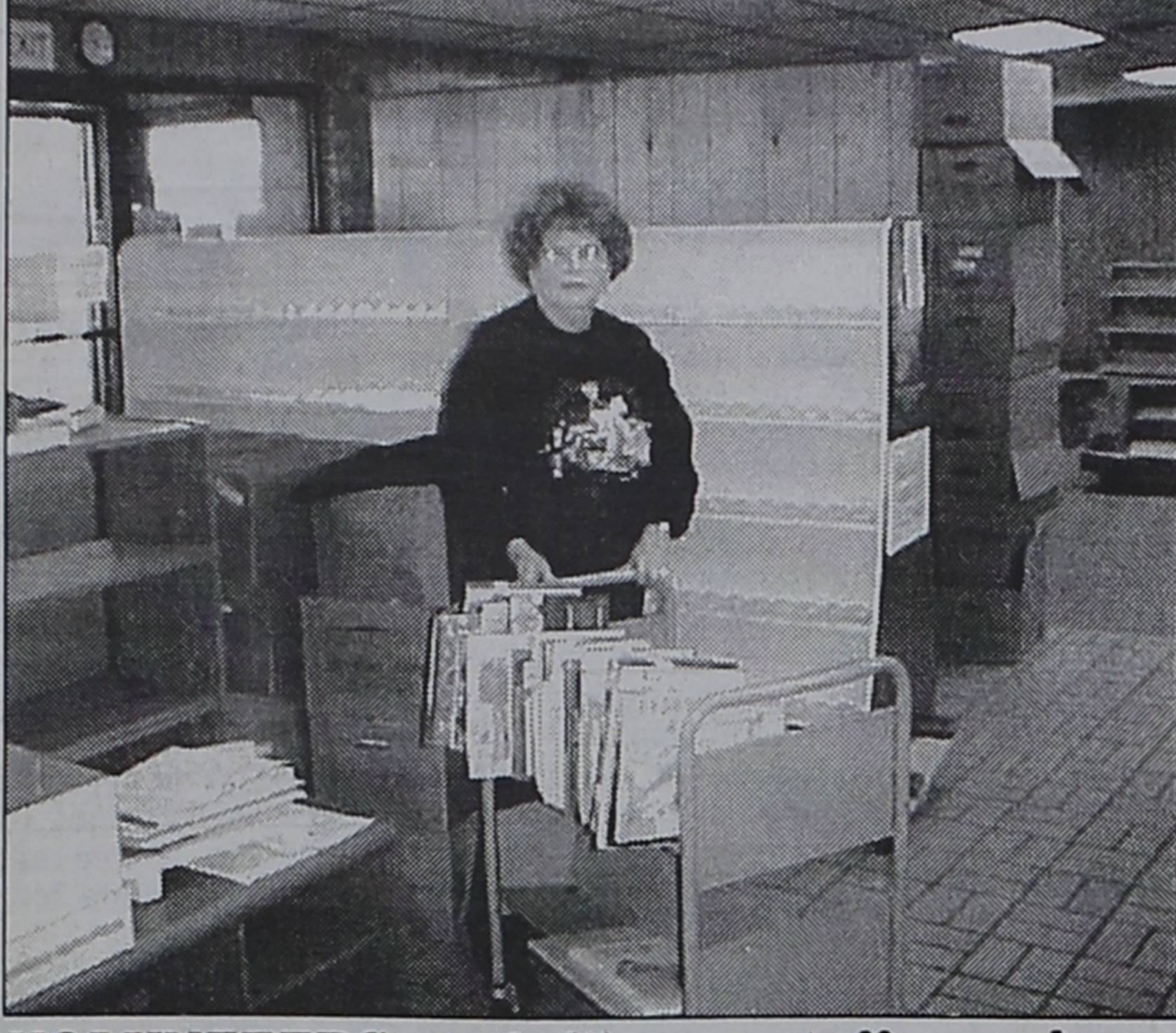
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VOLUNTEERS and library staff are busy rearranging the library after the recent renovation. Volunteer Opal Baxter wheels a cart of books toward their new location. Watch the Friona Star and your cable TV public service channels for the library reopening date.
ron carr photo

Library Corner

By DARLA BRACKEN

...opening up the library to its community is of great symbolic significance as well as obviously practical importance...

For all of you who are missing the library and anxious for us to re-open, we want to report that the work is progressing nicely! Although we are closed to the public during this time, we are continuing to work our regular hours and striving to complete the move by the time the renovation is finished.

Every item in the library, with the exception of the built-in circulation desk, had to be moved and relocated. That is well over 27,000 items in books alone. In addition to our time, volunteers have logged over 200 hours as of this writing.

Our Friends of the Library organization is responsible for coordinating and funding this project. Friends of the Friona Public Library was organized in 1968 when the operation of the library changed from private to public, i.e. City of Friona.

Funding for this project has been a combination of private donations, foundation grants and city tax money as was the construction of the

existing building in 1982, also a Friends project. Your family can be a member of the Friends for just \$10 per year, less than the cost of one book.

Please watch the Friona Star and your cable channels for news of our re-opening.

Memorial donations have been made by: Wessie Hand to MILDRED MAY; Ted Rutherford, Sam Mears and Rex Brackens to JOHN SOUTHALL; Friona Farmer's Co-op Gin, Cass Perkins, Rex Brackens, Jean Roberts and John Baxters to ERNEST ANTHONY.

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Donna Mears told us Wednesday afternoon that her father, Roy V. Miller, Sr., was much improved after suffering a fall at his home north of town on Tuesday.

Roy had been real "unsteady" for a couple of days, and his family was afraid that he had suffered a stroke. Miller was taken to Parmer County Community Hospital, where tests were taken.

After labwork which included an MRI, it was determined that Roy did not suffer any broken bones. His doctor told the Millers he believed Roy had suffered an allergic reaction from his arthritis medication.

The longtime Friona resident, who is 94, had his fall while getting his breakfast ready on Wednesday. Donna said everyone felt much better after the tests were taken. She said Roy's main concern on Wednesday was whether or not he could preside at Thursday's meeting of the Friona Evening Lions.

Roy is definitely the oldest to hold the president's office in the local club. His predecessor in the office, Frank A. Spring, was 90 when he took office. Both had served as Lions' president in previous years as well.

Geraldine Taylor spent some time in Austin recently with her daughter and son-in-law, Lisa and Mark Zagonin, and their daughters, Kathryn, Caroline and Sarah.

Geraldine said she had a

Hospital Report

(Following is a list of local residents who had been admitted to hospitals during the past week, as we have been made aware of their situations. If you have a friend or loved one you would like to have listed, please call the Friona Star office, 250-2211, by Wednesday noon in order to list their names)

Baptist/St. Anthony's, Amarillo: Kay Huckabee, Andy Sandoval.

Signature Pointe Nursing Home: Patsy Talley.

West Plains Hosp. Rehab, Muleshoe: Effie Hicks.

University Medical Center, Lubbock: Olga Aragon.

Parmer Co. Community Hospital: Roy V. Miller, Lee Britting.

Friona News

Phone 1-806 238-1146 or 250-2211 with your news items

While in Austin, Geraldine was also able to visit with her grandson, Mark Wood. Mark works for a computer company in Austin. His parents are Suzanne and Ronnie Wood of Pampa. His other grandmother is Lorena Wood of Friona.

Judy Cummings has just returned from a week of travelling. She visited her aunt, Iva Barefield, in Quitaque. She then drove to Azle to visit her daughter and son-in-law, Lisa and Boony Gonzales and their children, Eli and Cassie.

Judy's son and daughter-in-law, Kirk and Mary Kay, also live in Azle and she was able to visit with them also. Judy's other daughter, Terry Zerfas of Rockwall came and saw Judy while she was in the Dallas area.

On her way home, Judy went to Van Alstyne and stayed the night with former Frionans Charlene and Clifton Harper. Clifton is recovering from surgery and is doing better.

One last stop enroute home allowed Judy to visit with her grandson, John Paul, who is a sophomore at Midwestern University, Wichita Falls. Judy reports that her trip was great and she is feeling better all the time and is gaining strength.

Longtime Friona resident Richard Perkins celebrated his 71st birthday when members of his family gathered at K-Bob's Restaurant in Hereford on Saturday, February 12.

Those attending the celebration with Richard and his wife Lillie included their son and daughter-in-law, Bobby and Diane of Amarillo; son James of Hereford and daughter and son-in-law Alisa and Glenn Trimmell and children Blaine and Bailey of Amarillo.

Also attending the gathering were Richard's sister, Mildred Guinn and her

daughter and husband, Judy and Charles Myers, all of Hereford, and Richard's brother and wife, Randall and Claire Perkins of Edmond, Oklahoma. Lillie said they had a nice time together.

Two days later, on Valentine's Day, Lillie suffered a light stroke in her home. She spent Monday through Thursday at Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital recovering.

Lillie says she recovered fast, and has experienced no side effects from the stroke. She said that minister Leon Talley came to visit her in the hospital while her granddaughter, Bailey, who is four, was there. After Leon left, little Bailey told her grandmother "That's a nice man."

Everyone thought Bailey was very observant for a child her age. Everyone who knows Leon knows that she was exactly right!

Mickey and Linda Griffin spent the recent "ski break" in Clute, Texas, with their daughter and son-in-law, Heather and Byron Graham, and their daughter, Madeleine.

The Griffins drove eleven hours, arriving in Clute at 1:30 a.m. Just five hours later, at 6:30 a.m., the couple received a call informing them that their grandson, Brenner Kye, had been born earlier than expected, in Amarillo.

Linda said they had decided to take the trip because Brenner's parents, Michael and Ramona, of Amarillo, told them the "target date" for Ramona's delivery was between February 15 and 18.

The Griffins spent the weekend with their "Clute kids," and then met their newest grandchild on Tuesday, February 15.

Brenner has an older brother, Brantley Kellison, who is two. His other grandparents are Carol and Rev. Bob Bratcher of Odessa.

His great-grandmother is Retta Gore of Borger.

Bill's friend Jim Dixon has improved considerably since we last reported. He is still taking blood thinners due to the clotting he experienced in his broken leg, but is now up and around.

He says he thinks his doctor will give him the okay to put weight on the leg within the next week or so. After that, he will no doubt be out and about.

A reminder to all of our readers to call us with your news. You may call Becky at 238-1146, or call the Friona Star office, 250-2211, and we'll have Becky call you. Thanks to all who have given us your news to share with our Friona Star family!



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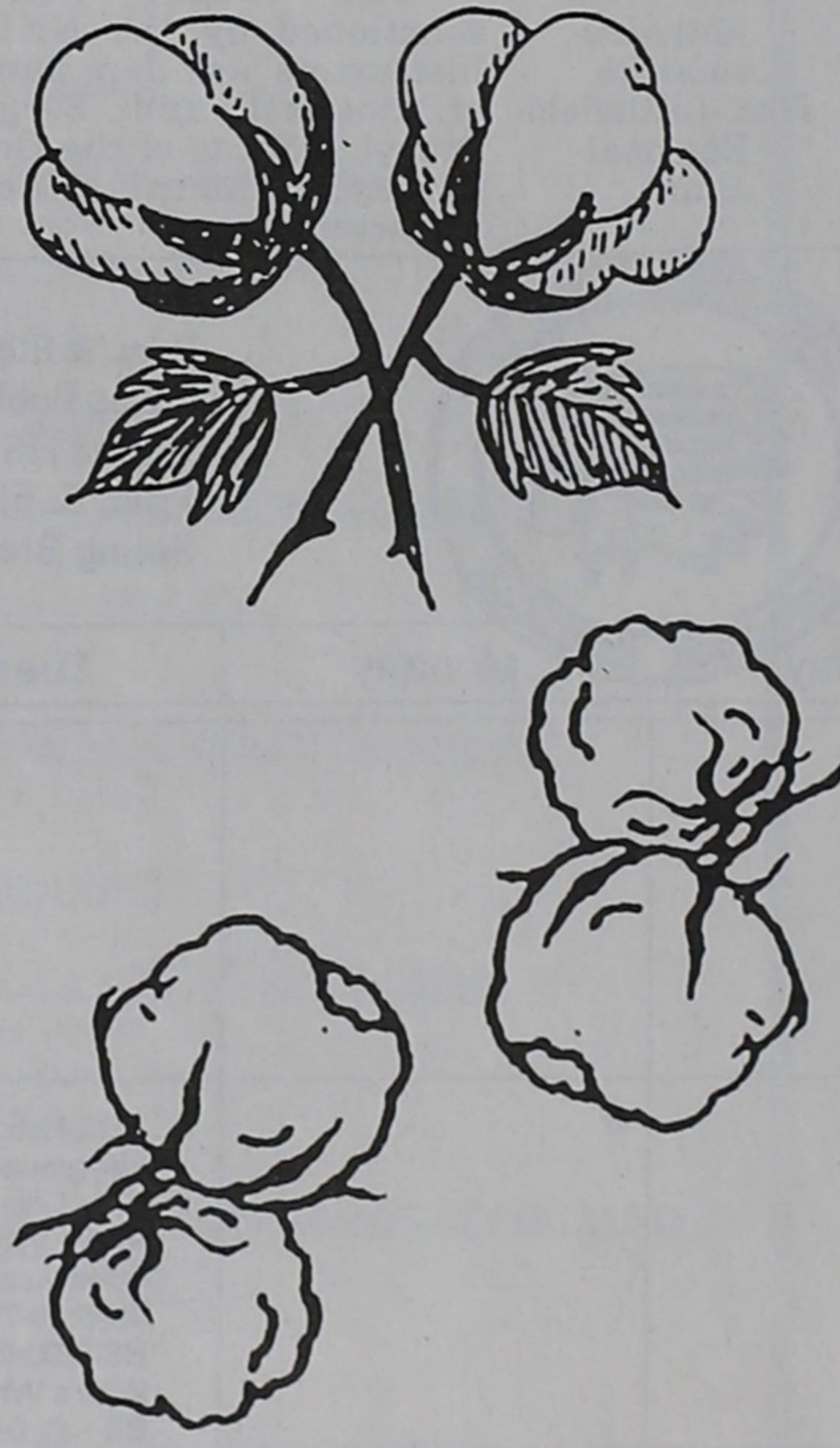
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7:30 P.M. Tuesday, Mar. 7
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OBITUARIES

Ex-Friona Resident Is Buried In Oklahoma

Funeral services for Mary Gonsler Redfearn, 62, were held Monday, February 14 at the First Baptist Church of Fort Supply, Oklahoma, with the Rev. Bill Tindell officiating.



MARY REDFEARN

P. McGee Dies In Weatherford

A memorial service for Albert Porter McGee, 87, will be held February 26, at Weatherford at 11 a.m. McGee died on February 20, 2000. He was born in Granville, Oklahoma on May 1, 1913 and lived in Texas most of his life.

Frionans' Grandson Is Buried

Funeral services for Jeffrey Dirk Trevison were conducted Tuesday, February 22, in the Rogers and Breece Funeral Home Chapel in Fayetteville, North Carolina with the Rev. Randy See and the Rev. David Holloway officiating.

Burial was in Fayetteville Memorial Cemetery. Trevison, 24, died Friday February 18, 2000 at his residence in Fayetteville. He was a member of Freedom Baptist Church, a former Fayetteville Jaycee, a former member of Cumberland Rd., Cotton, and Grays Creek #24 fire departments, and a member of the Fayetteville Bowling Association.

Also, two sisters, Deane Clark, of Anderson Creek, North Carolina and Stefanie Trevison, Fayetteville, North Carolina; and his maternal grandmother, Stella Varner, of Friona.

Lazbuddie Man Buried Monday

Rosary for Eugene H. Schacher, 63, of Lazbuddie was recited Sunday at St. Ann's Catholic Church. Services were held Monday morning at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina with the Rev. Ed Sweeney officiating and deacon John Nino assisting.

Burial was in the Friona Cemetery under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

He died Friday, February 18, 2000. He was born June 14, 1936, in Nazareth. He married Vernie Birkenfield on November 7, 1964, in Nazareth. He was preceded in death by a son, David Schacher, on July 8, 1990.

He was a farmer, a U.S. Army Veteran of the Korean War and a member of the Knights of Columbus and St. Ann's Catholic Church. Schacher had been a farmer in the Lazbuddie community since moving there from Nazareth in 1962.

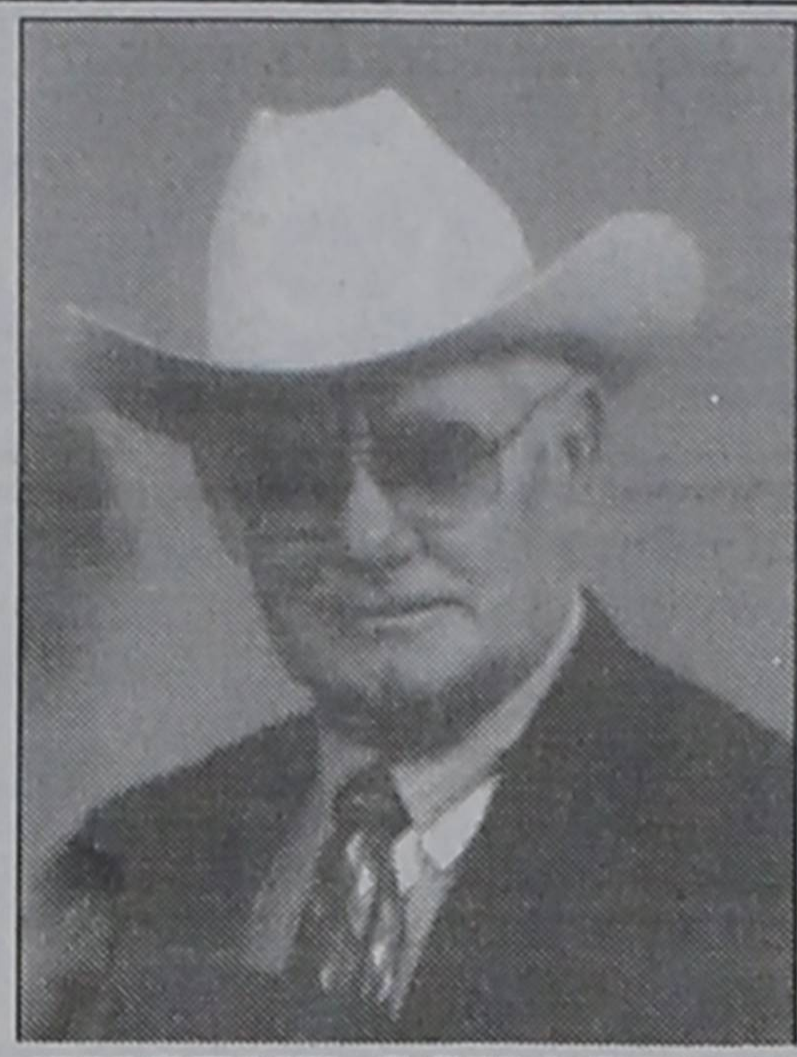
Roland Bailey Dies In Calif.

Funeral services were held for Roland Bailey of San Bernardino, California, on Tuesday, February 22 at 3 p.m. in California. He died at his home.

Mr. Bailey grew up in Pampa, Texas and moved to California in 1952. He was a carpenter.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Bea; a son, Butch; and a grandson. He is survived by a daughter, Sylvia Sue of California; five brothers, Ed Bailey of Friona, Roy of Amarillo, Ray of Stinnett, Carl of Lubbock and L. C. of Pampa; three grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

VOTE Bobbie Pierson Democrat For Parmer County Tax Assessor-Collector Paid Political Advertisement.



EUGENE SCHACHER

Breast Screening Clinic Set For March 13 & 14

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center and Baptist St. Anthony's Health System will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic at Farmer County Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Avenue in Friona on March 13 and 14.

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 appointments only. Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information.

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Simmachers Welcome A Baby Boy

John and Karen (Wied) Simmacher are the parents of a baby boy born February 16 at 6:38 a.m. at University Medical Center in Lubbock. The new arrival weighed seven pounds, one ounce and was 19 1/2 inches long. He has been named Andrew Quinton and is the first child for the couple. Grandparents are Bobby and Delphine Wied of Friona and Al and Pat Simmacher of Hereford. Great-grandparents are Leona Wied of Wilson, Ida Simmacher of Pep and Adaline Loerwald of Hereford.



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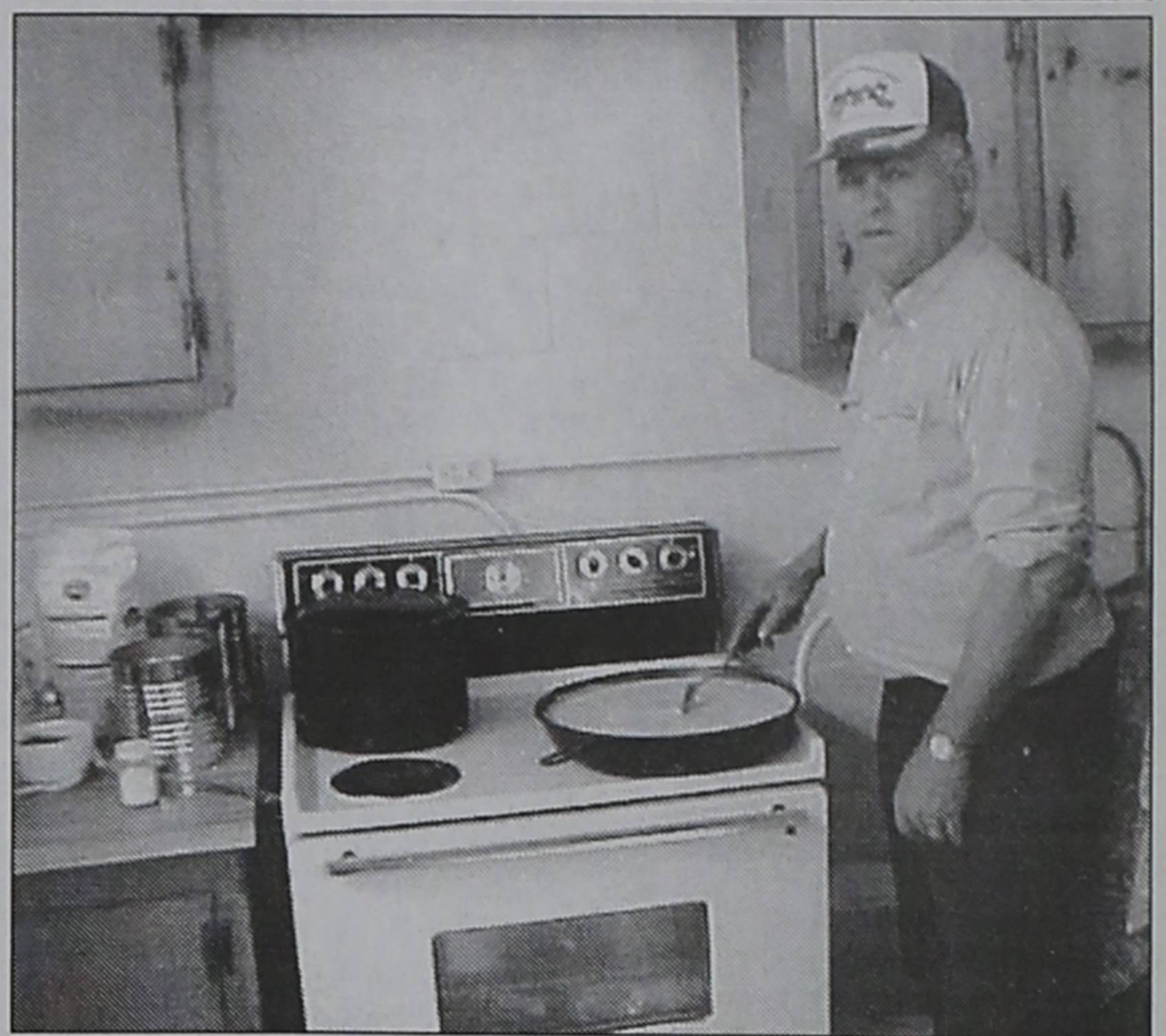
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WOULD YOU TRUST your pet chicken to this group? The assembly line shown here at the VFW fried chicken dinner last Sunday was in full swing. Those manning the deep-friers are: (left to right) John Duke, Mike Scott, Joe Bob Mann, Avis Henry and Ted Tucker is holding the pan of chicken.



OH, YEAH, you've gotta' have gravy. VFW gravy expert, Bobby Jordan, is shown stirring up a batch of gravy for last Sunday's VFW fried chicken dinner attended by about 250 hungry Parmer Countians.

Happy Birthday Friona Folks...

Week of Feb. 27-March 4
Friona residents having birthdays next week include:
February 27--Misty Baxter Williams, Jesse Saiz, Raye Jean London, Pat Randolph.
February 28--Jim Rapp, Katrina Smith, Cindy Alexander, Corbin Neill, Todd Drake, Sam Mears, Jessie Saiz, Doreen Duran Stone.
February 29--Lonnie Ellis.
March 1--Clydie Black, Joe Osborn, Jean Terry, Lance Outland, Bill Weatherly, Jesse Mendoza Jr., Jeff Curtis.
March 2--Beth Alexander, Billy Wayne Sisson, Rhonda Wilson Reber, John Burn, Baylee Duke.
March 3--Christie Brinkman, Jay Reeve, Philip Weatherly, Maurine Dunn, Jay Beene, Billy Sisson, Charles

Six Friona Students Earn Tech Honors

More than 3,700 Texas Tech University students qualified for academic honors lists at the end of the fall semester. Students on the President's List earned a 4.0 (A) grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of class work. Students who earned 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's List. Six area students making the honor rolls included the following: Rachel Nicole Burleson, sophomore, Multi-disciplinary Studies; Sheldon Wayne Burleson, senior, Petroleum Engineering; Seth Wayne Houston, senior, Petroleum Engineering; Deon Marland Gallman, sophomore, Animal Science; Aimee Leigh Houston, senior, Multi-disciplinary Studies and Sherri Anne Jubay, junior, Biology.

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Meet Friona's Class of 2012

Vanessa Vital is a kindergartener at Friona Schools. Her parents are Raquel y Luciano Vital. She has three sisters, Ily, Janet y Jessica. Her grandparents are Pablo y Hortencia and Jose y Gloria. She enjoys pasear en biceleta y colorear laur los trastes. Her favorite food is pescado y camarones. Her favorite color is pink.

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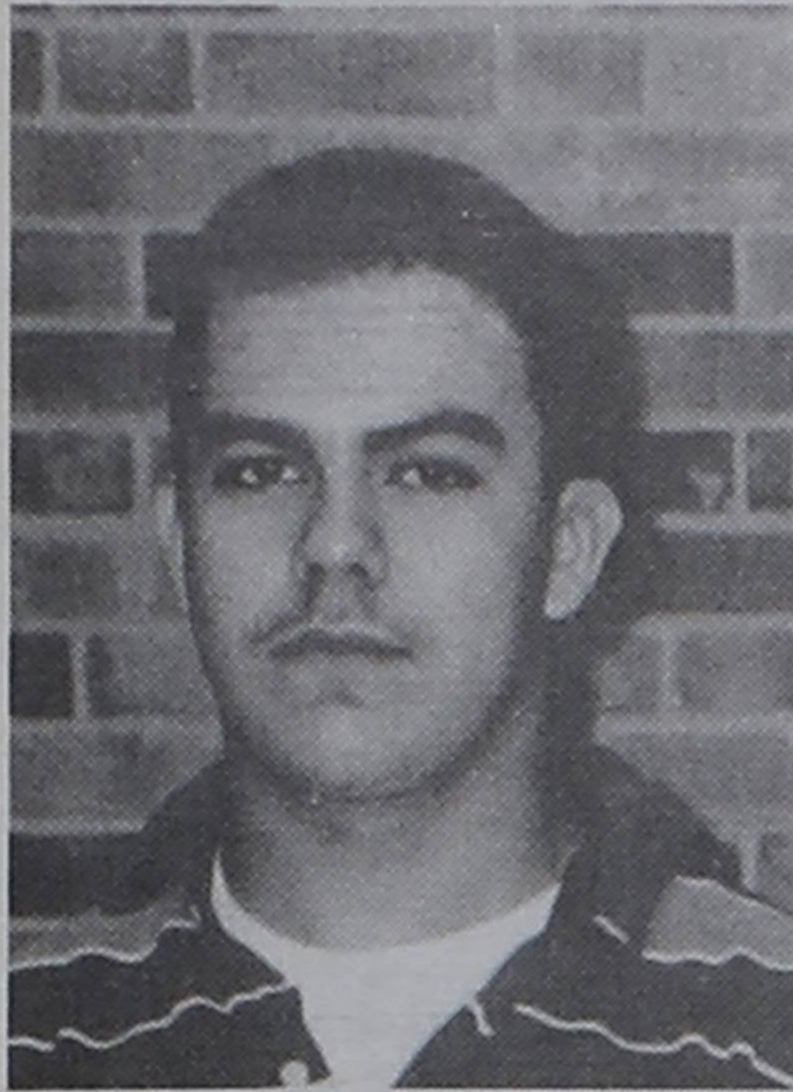
Overall odds of winning One-Eyed Jack, 1 in 4.70. Overall odds of winning Money Tree, 1 in 4.79. Overall odds of winning Super Tic Tac Toe, 1 in 3.51. Must be 18 years or older to purchase a ticket. © 2000 Texas Lottery.

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Special thanks to all my customers over the years. Hope you will all continue with 4-Way.

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By ERIK ESTRADA
I am the seventeen year old son of Francisco and Lupe Estrada and a senior at Friona High School. This will be my second year in the Marketing Education Program. I am currently employed by Hi-Pro Feeds.

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Principal Releases Honor Roll

The Friona High School honor roll was released for the fourth six weeks by Kenny Austin, principal.

The honor roll was as follows:

All A's -- 4th 6 Weeks:
Ninth grade--Jacob Alvarado, Adam Bandy, Andy Carthel, Adrian Delgadillo, Jose Dominguez, Amanda Geris, Nathan Haile, Holley Hand, Brenda Mendez, Amy Murphree, T.J. Randolph, Veronica Torres, Micah White, Amber Widner, Brian Wiseman.

Tenth grade-----Frank Dominguez, Cara Evans, Jacy Grimsley, Candace Ingram.

Eleventh grade----Lupita Corral, John Fitzgerald, Lynette Jubay, Vanessa Mata, Kayla Smiley, Veronica Velazquez, Matt White, V'laura Wilcox, Amber Wylly.

Twelfth grade----Rebecca Balli, Joseph Bandy, Zubin Bhakta, Christopher Centeno, Trent Cook, Adrian Cruz, Antonio Diaz, Crystal Dow, Lesli Fiel, Monica Gonzales, Christian Hanes, Charee Lewellen, Landon Martin, D'Nae Murphree, Tyson Neill, Imelda Perez, Leslie Reyes, Daniel Rios, Daniel Rosales, Kellie Ryan, Jamie Slagle, Dale Williams, Kyle Wiseman, Kayla Wylly.

Use The Classifieds.
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Youth Basketball Season Schedules Are Released

The Friona Youth Basketball season will get underway on Friday, February 25 at the local junior high and elementary gymnasiums.

Games will be played Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday nights. Admission will be twenty-five cents.

Notice in the schedule that the teams are referred to by numbers. The team numbers and names are listed below the schedules. Please clip and save the following schedules:

**3-4 Girls/3-4 Boys
Elementary Gym**
February 25-6 p.m., teams 1-5; 6:45 p.m., teams 6-8; 7:30 p.m., teams 2-3; 8:15 p.m., teams 7-9.

February 28-6 p.m., teams 1-4; 6:45 p.m., teams 8-9; 7:30 p.m., teams 2-5.

February 29-6 p.m., teams 1-2; 6:45 p.m., teams 6-7; 7:30 p.m., teams 3-4.

March 2-6 p.m., teams 1-3; 6:45 p.m., teams 6-9; 7:30 p.m., teams 4-5; 8:15 p.m., teams 7-8.

March 3-6 p.m., teams 2-4; 6:45 p.m., teams 6-7; 7:30 p.m., teams 3-5; 8:15 p.m., teams 9-8.

March 6-6 p.m., teams 8-6; 6:45 p.m., teams 5-1; 7:30 p.m., teams 9-7.

March 20-6 p.m., teams 3-2; 6:45 p.m., teams 9-8; 7:30 p.m., teams 5-4.

March 21-6 p.m., teams 8-6; 6:45 p.m., teams 4-2; 7:30 p.m., teams 7-9.

March 23-6 p.m., teams 6-9; 6:45 p.m., teams 4-1; 7:30 p.m., teams 8-7; 8:15 p.m., teams 5-3.

March 24-6 p.m., teams 9-6; 6:45 p.m., teams 3-1; 7:30 p.m., teams 8-7; 8:15 p.m., teams 5-2.

March 27-6 p.m., teams 4-3; 6:45 p.m., teams 7-6; 7:30 p.m., teams 2-1.

3-4 Girls

Team 1--Lady Raiders, Kathy Carthel, coach; Team 2--Belles, Annette Frye/ Kim Smiley, coaches; Team 3--Lady Pacers, Jana Barnett, coach; Team 4--Lady Lakers, Amanda Henry, coach; Team 5--Queen Bees, Bryan Johnston, coach.

3-4 Boys
Team 6--Raiders, Thomas Reed, coach; Team 7--Spurs, Richard North, coach; Team 8--Pacers, Randy Geris/Don Boren, coaches; Team 9--Lakers, Allan Haile, coach.

**5-6 Girls & 5-6 Boys
Junior High Gymnasium**
February 25-6 p.m., teams 1-2; 6:45 p.m., teams 7-8; 7:30 p.m., teams 3-4; 8:15 p.m., teams 9-10.

February 28-6 p.m., teams 5-6; 6:45 p.m., teams 7-10; 7:30 p.m., teams 2-4.

February 29-6 p.m., teams 4-6; 6:45 p.m., teams 8-9; 7:30 p.m., teams 1-3.

March 2-6 p.m., teams 2-5; 6:45 p.m., teams 7-9; 7:30 p.m., teams 1-4; 8:15 p.m., teams 8-10.

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March 23-6 p.m., teams 10-9; 6:45 p.m., teams 4-3; 7:30 p.m., teams 8-7; 8:15 p.m., teams 2-1.

March 24-6 p.m., teams 5-4; 6:45 p.m., teams 10-7; 7:30 p.m., teams 3-2; 8:15 p.m., teams 6-1.

March 27-6 p.m., teams 5-1; 6:45 p.m., teams 9-8; 7:30 p.m., teams 6-3.

March 31-6 p.m., teams 8-10; 6:45 p.m., team 5-2; 7:30 p.m., teams 7-9; 8:15 p.m., teams 4-1.

April 3-6 p.m., teams 6-4; 6:45 p.m., teams 9-7; 7:30 p.m., teams 3-1.

April 4-6 p.m., teams 5-

3; 6:45 p.m., teams 10-9; 7:30 p.m., teams 6-2.

5-6 Girls

Team 1--Lady Raiders, Vickie Field, Lanis Graham, Mary Nava, coaches; Team 2--Belles, Mark Neill, Annette Frye, Lori Davila, coaches; Team 3--Lady Pacers, Bruce Ramos, Joe Lafuente, Richard Perez, coaches; Team 4--Lady Lakers, Lisa Reed, Shonda Adams, Wendy Lookingbill, coaches; Team 5--Queens, Kathy Carthel, Jana Barnett, coaches; Team 6--Rockettes, Lesa Echevarria, Rachel Avalos, coaches.

5-6 Boys
Team 7--Raiders, Donnie Lewellen, coach; Team 8--Spurs, Dean Sasser, Varla Wilcox, coaches; Team 9--Pacers, Kevin Patton, Verna Patton, coaches; Team 10--Lakers, Alan Monroe, coach.

YOUR EYES

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Vision problems can develop at an early age. Amblyopia, or "lazy eye," and strabismus are common among preschoolers. Nearsightedness often starts at age 8 or 9. Problems may be hard to detect because kids might not know what normal vision looks like. And school vision screenings might test only for straight-ahead vision. So bring your children to your eye doctor for routine eye exams and catch problems early on.

Children who need corrective eyewear don't always want it. While your eye care professional guides your child in selecting eyewear that provides the proper fit, comfort, strength and durability, keep one eye on styling. If they have to wear glasses, kids at least want "cool" frames, often in adult-looking styles and bright colors. Make sure there's a wide selection so kids can choose the look they want. Children who feel comfortable about their glasses are more likely to wear them.



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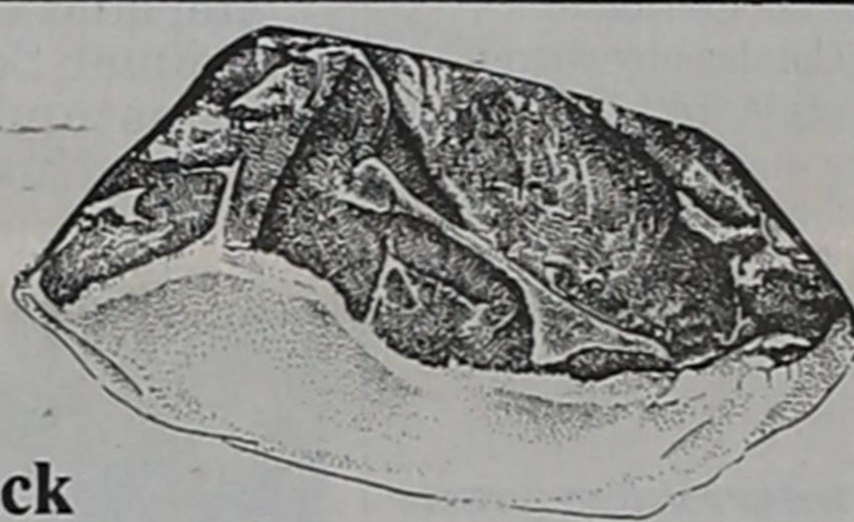
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