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Wheat Harvest 2004

Harvest Goes On Amid Showers

By all accounts, wheat farmers and grain elevators are enjoying their best year in at least the last three years.

With the harvest over 75% complete, producers are reporting an average of 19-20 bushels per acre on dryland and 70-75 bushels on irrigated acres.

Ron Smiley, Friona Wheat Growers elevator manager, said Monday producers had already brought in over one million bushels. "Last year we had about 600,000 total and the year before 300,000, so this is turning out to be a good year," Smiley said.

Sporadic rain over the last 10 days has managed to halt harvesting for short periods. The Lazbuddie area and the southern part of the county have been hardest hit but all in all harvesters are pleased.

AGP Grain manager Ben Brandvik in Bovina, said AGP elevators had taken in over 2,000,000 bushels. He estimated the harvest was 65-70% complete as of Monday. "Yields are 8 bushels on the low side for dryland to maybe 90 on the high side of irrigated," he said. Overall grain quality was reported as fair.



THIS WHEAT harvest crew was working Saturday afternoon in a field between Friona and Bovina as the 2004 harvest continues, and is more than 75% complete, in spite of intermittent rains.

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July 4 Activities

Citizens of Friona are invited to celebrate the 4th on the 1st next week. Thursday, July 1, has been designated by the Friona Chamber of Commerce to celebrate Independence Day.

Activities will begin in the city park about 7 p.m. The Noon Lions will be selling hamburgers. Other booths will feature Mexican food goodies and ice cream. A dunking booth, golf cart and lawn mower races and train rides are planned. A fireworks show will take place at dark at the Friona Chieftains football field.

The same day, July 1, the first Friona farmer's market will open earlier in the day at the city park. Producers from Hereford, Turkey, and Quitaque are expected to be among the vendors selling their wares in the afternoon.

The July 4 holiday's falling on a Sunday seems to cause all sorts of concerns for decision

makers. Friona decided to celebrate the 4th on the 1st again this year because of the Sunday date. However, the celebration last year was on the 1st and the 4th was not on Sunday.

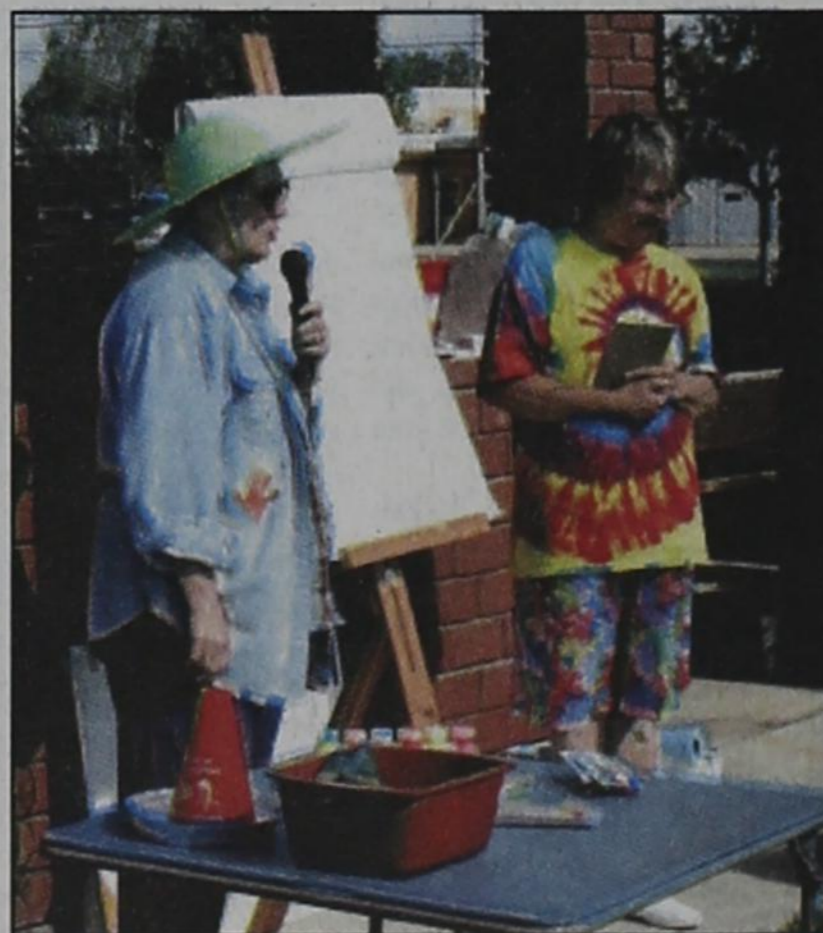
In Bovina, the Chamber was on-again, off-again about having a celebration. Now it is on again thanks to the Bovina city council. The Bovina celebration will be on Sunday July 4. A parade will commence at 6 p.m. at North and 3rd Streets and end at the Bovina football field. To enter the parade, contact city hall.

Soft drinks will be available at the football field. Then the Bovina volunteer fire department will give free hamburgers and watermelon to everyone that attends the fireworks display. Individuals that want to have a food or concession booth at the football field can do so by contacting city hall.



FIREWORKS stands are open. The Field family, l-r, Brock, Dennis, Lucretia, and Vickie, were setting up their TNT Fireworks stand on west Highway 60 on Monday. Fireworks can be legally sold beginning today (June 24) and continuing until midnight Sunday, July 4. Shooting fireworks is not legal within the Friona city limits.

ron carr photo



PAINTING IN THE PARK....Local artists Carol Ellis and Debra Baxter demonstrated painting techniques to kids in the Friona Library Summer Reading Program at the city park Wednesday.

ron carr photos

WTO Rules U.S. Cotton Payments Violate Trade Rules

The World Trade Organization ruled that \$3 billion in U.S. cotton subsidies violate trade rules, upholding a preliminary decision in favor of Brazil from earlier this year, both governments said.

The Bush administration said it plans to appeal the ruling in the first ever trade case targeting domestic farm payments.

"U.S. farm programs were designed to be and are fully consistent with WTO rules," said Richard Mills, a spokesman for the U.S. Trade Representative. "This litigation will take many months, and maybe years to resolve. The best way to address any distortions is through the WTO agriculture negotiations."

The ruling could increase pressure on the U.S., Japan, European Union and other rich nations to cut back on the \$97 billion a year they spend subsidizing their farmers. The World Bank and other advocates for poor nations say that those payments depress global prices, making it harder for farmers in countries such as Burkina Faso, Guatemala or Bangladesh to compete with their counterparts in rich nations.

"The decision, if upheld on appeal, would force the U.S. to reopen its farm payment legislation and may prompt a series of such cases from other developing countries," said Dale Hathaway, a former U.S. Agriculture official.

"It should give the U.S. additional incentive to get a comprehensive agreement" in the current round of global trade negotiations, Hathaway said in an interview.

Without the subsidies, U.S. cotton production would have shrunk by nearly 30 percent and world prices jumped by more than 12 percent, according to the research done on behalf of the Brazilian government by Daniel Sumner, a University of California at Davis economist.

Brazil "welcomes with satisfaction the panel's determinations as regards all the issues" in the case, the government said in a statement released via Brazil, which brought the complaint against the U.S., says the legal protection for subsidies, known as the Peace Clause, no longer applies because U.S. payments are higher than those paid in 1992, the reference year.

The loss may force some U.S. cotton farmers, who produced \$5.6 billion of the fiber in 2003, to plant other crops.

"The cotton business will have a hard time surviving without subsidies at current prices," said John Rogers Brashier, 41, a cotton farmer in Indianola, Mississippi, who produced 5,300 bales of cotton last year.

Brashier, who declined to disclose how much aid he receives, said he probably would plant more soybeans and corn if the

cotton subsidies are eliminated. "We would definitely grow less" cotton, he said.

WTO judges in their initial ruling backed Brazil's case, labeling the U.S. payments to its 35,000 cotton farmers unfair because they exceed caps agreed to a decade ago. Brazil's government estimates that its farmers have lost more than \$600 million in sales because of the American cotton aid.

West African nations Chad, Mali, Burkina Faso and Benin, while not complainants in the dispute, have said U.S. cotton subsidies also undercut their farmers' ability to compete on the world market. More than 10 million people in West Africa rely directly on cotton for their livelihood, says aid agency Oxfam.

This is "a wake-up call for all rich countries to change the way they've mismanaged and manipulated world trade rules for years in their own interests," said Phil Bloomer, head of Oxfam's Make Trade Fair campaign.

"We fully expect the U.S. trade representatives to challenge and appeal the findings and decision of this dispute panel," said Roger Haldenby, 56, vice president of operations at Lubbock, Texas-based Plains Cotton Growers Inc., the biggest cotton patch in the world, covering 3.5 million acres. "The process is not over, it's really only just beginning."



OUT HERE

by Ron Carr

I'm Not A Farmer

Friona and Parmer County dodged the destructive wind and hail that pounded much of the Panhandle Monday night. We did get from 1-2 inches of rain, depending on whose gauge you believe. It will slow the wheat harvest in some areas and boost the cotton a little.

I'm not a farmer, which is a good thing for the farming profession. I shot a few pictures over the weekend of what I figured was a combine harvesting wheat. I took the pictures down to Friona Wheat Growers and asked Ron Smiley if they were wheat harvest pictures. It wouldn't be a good thing to say they were harvesting wheat if they were shredding weeds.

Ron gave me a short wheat harvest lesson on combines and the grain bin and turning the auger off when the bin fills up, etc. I'm sure he thought I was a moron and I pretty much am

when it comes to farm stuff. But I thank him for his time. And patience. The picture is on the front page.

My friend Jim Zehner, retired spray pilot and Bovina resident, had a heart attack over the weekend. Chest pains and all, he drove himself to the VA Hospital in Amarillo. They immediately put him in an ambulance and ran him over to Northwest Texas Hospital where doctors put in a stent and housed him in the ICU unit. Our mutual friend Dorothy Stowers went to visit him Monday and said he was getting a second stent Tuesday but was doing fine and expected to be home Wednesday or Thursday. Guess he will be grounded for a while.

Local resident Dusty Gee is in Northwest Texas hospital. He suffered a fall on Saturday and apparently hit his head but seemed okay. A relative found him unconscious on Sunday morning

though and Friona EMS transported him to Parmer County Hospital where he was then airlifted to Northwest. The fall had caused bleeding in his brain and at press time he was in critical condition. Dusty is the son of Everett Gee and Wessie Hand.

In other health concerns, Holly Campbell had surgery Tuesday at Plains Regional Medical Center in Clovis. I would tell you what kind of surgery she had but she would kill me. Women would understand, men wouldn't. She will be in the hospital a couple of days then recuperate at home, taking it easy for a few weeks before she gets back to her real estate business full time.

We'll miss Holly here at the Friona Star on Thursdays. She and her mother, Laura Hart, have been employed here for more than 30 years, coming in on print day to get all the papers ready for mailing and distribution. Get well quick Holly.

Speaking of real estate, John Mars bought Gary Snead's real estate office building and is in the process of moving his real estate and insurance business across the highway. Gary and Kay Snead waved goodbye to Friona last week as they retired and moved to Abilene. The building John's real estate office was in belongs to Kendrick Oil and is for sale. Before it was a real estate office, the old location served as various drive-in food joints.

Most notably it was the Aztec Drive-in years ago where the aforementioned realtor Holly Campbell held her "rehearsal dinner" before she married Danny. They celebrate 27 years next month. Small world ain't it?

One last word about the Hart/Campbell family. Holly's sister Evelyn Hart Romero lives near Canyon and during Monday's se-

vere storms a softball size hailstone came through their roof and ceiling and crashed into the kitchen floor. They also lost some windows and her husband Joe's pickup was demolished while parked at Westgate Mall where the Romeros have a business.

Said hello to Cory Hamilton this week. He was back in his hometown hosting a baseball camp for about 35 boys. Cory is a Friona grad, outstanding pitcher for WTAMU, and current baseball head coach at Dumas High School. He is the son of Randie and the late Charles Hamilton. Fine looking young man. All the best in your coaching career Cory.

Have you noticed that low-carb is the latest fad? I haven't noticed anybody around town looking much different. All the food makers are rushing to market with low-carb products as though that is going to solve the rampant obesity problem the experts say we have running amuck in America.

Over the weekend I noticed that Coca-Cola is monkeying around with their sodas again. I spotted a display of "Coke C2" which I assume meant 2 Carbs or 2 grams of carb or however they measure carbs. I'm not drinking it. Classic Coke is fine with me. I don't care how many carbs, grams, proteins, glutamates, or spoons of sugar it has in it. I like the way it tastes.

Thanks to Jim Swafford of Bovina for emailing the great brush fire picture on the back page. Appreciate it Jim. If you have an item or a picture or both you want us to consider, email us at frionastar@wtrt.net. We always appreciate hearing from our readers. Well, almost always.

Be thankful. Even if I'm not a farmer, it's still a great time to be out here.



CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR

KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON



Owning the American Dream

In 1954, the median salary was \$3,200. A loaf of bread cost 22 cents. The U.S. population was 163 million. And a gallon of gasoline cost 29 cents. Fifty years later, our population has nearly doubled and the median household income is \$41,000. A trip to the grocery store will reveal that a loaf of bread can cost up to \$4, and if you've filled your car up at the pump lately you've undoubtedly been shocked by the \$2+ per gallon price. Fortunately, rising right along with the cost of living, has been the number of American homeowners. In the first quarter of this year, homeownership hit a record rate of 68.6 percent, meaning more Americans than ever are pulling up to a driveway they own.

For many people the pinnacle of the American Dream is owning their own home - saying goodbye to a landlord and taking the reins on their own future. Homeownership enables Americans to build credit and create wealth. Perhaps more importantly, it also allows people to put down roots in a community, and develop a sense of pride and establishment.

June is National Homeownership Month, a time for Texans who've been dreaming about owning a home to take the first steps toward achieving this goal. In this year's proclamation announcing June's designation, the president said, "Homeownership remains an essential part of the American experience and plays a critical role in strengthening families, their communities, and our entire nation. We must not be satisfied until every family that seeks to own a home, gets put on the path to homeownership."

And while most Americans would agree that home ownership is an important part of our nation's foundation, they would also concur that buying a home can be a confusing and complex process, especially for first-time buyers. The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has developed a helpful ABC guide to buying a home:

ABC's of Buying A Home

A. - Aim for a home you can really afford. The rule of thumb is that you can afford a house that runs about two-and-one half times your annual salary. If your salary is \$50,000, and your credit is good, you could look at homes selling for \$125,000.

B. - Begin by looking at your credit. Since you will most likely need to get a mortgage to buy a house, you must make sure your credit history is as clean as possible. Before you start house hunting, get copies of your credit report. Make sure the facts are correct and fix any problems you discover. The three major credit-reporting agencies are: Equifax, www.equifax.com, 888-202-4025; Experian, www.experian.com, 888-397-3742; and, TransUnion, www.transunion.com, 800-916-8800. Start by calling them, getting a copy of your credit report and examining it closely.

C. - Consult with the experts. HUD is a great resource for helping you through this process. HUD has a list of approved housing counselors who can walk you through this process step-by-step. You can find a counselor near you by visiting www.hud.gov.

With our nation's economy continuing to strengthen and more Americans finding work, now may be the time for you to consider buying a home. In May, 248,000 jobs were created, bringing the three month total to nearly one million new jobs. The unemployment rate was 5.6 percent, lower than the average of each of the past three decades. And after-tax incomes are up 11 percent since December of 2000, meaning Americans are keeping more of their hard-earned dollars.

There are a number of federal programs for which many Texans can qualify, such as the American Dream Downpayment Initiative, which will help make homeownership a reality for 40,000 families this year. Housing education programs, grants for low-income families and tax credits for developers who build affordable housing are other initiatives that can bring you one step closer to writing your last rent check.

In Texas that home could be a farm, a mid-town bungalow or something in a suburban neighborhood. Whatever your dream, the federal government has resources available to help you navigate the maze of homeownership.

Perry View On Sales Tax Deduction

Gov. Rick Perry issued the following statement on the vote by the U.S. House of Representatives to restore Texans' and others' ability to deduct sales taxes on federal income tax returns.

"Today's action by the U.S. House is welcome news for Texans and residents of six other states who for too long have paid an unfair tax burden," Perry said. "Since 1986, Texas taxpayers have been punished because of their fiscal responsibility and lack of a state income tax. By allowing taxpayers the right to choose whether to deduct state and local income taxes or sales taxes from their federal income taxes, Texas taxpayers will no longer be unduly burdened."

"By some estimates, this measure will mean Texans can save about \$1 billion a year. As this bill heads to a conference committee, I encourage Congress to see that the federal government returns hard-earned money to American taxpayers."

Gov. Rick Perry Announces Grants For Texas CASA

Gov. Rick Perry has announced a \$4 million grant to Texas CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates). The award funded by the Governor's Criminal Justice Division (CJD) through the federal Victims of Crime Act program, will support Texas CASA and local CASA programs for abused and neglected children.

"Our vision for the future is linked to the children of our great state," Perry said. "Texas CASA and the local CASA programs play a large role in ensuring all young Texans are free to fully explore their dreams for the future and seek a path to lifelong success."

Texas CASA and local CASA programs provide community volunteers as "voices in court" for abused and neglected children.

Court advocates provide information so the judicial system can make decisions in the best interests of the child and quickly secure safe, permanent homes for abused and neglected children. Today, 4,000 volunteers statewide participate in 60 CASA programs located in 173 counties.

Texas CASA will administer grant money and provide local CASA programs with funding, training and technical assistance.

Each year, CJD provides more than \$130 million in grants to help Texans at the forefront of the fight against crime. CJD funds a variety of programs for juvenile justice, crime prevention and victim services grants - all aimed at making Texas a safer place.

Neugebauer-Stenholm Agree to Debate

Neugebauer Challenges

Congressman Randy Neugebauer has challenged Congressman Charles Stenholm to a series of debates, which would be held immediately prior to Presidential debates in the fall. Three debates between President Bush and Senator John Kerry are scheduled for September 30, October 8, and October 13.

"I believe that debating Congressman Stenholm immediately before debates between President Bush and John Kerry will take advantage of the fact that voters will have their attention focused on the November election. People pay attention to the Super Bowl on Super Bowl Sunday, Congressman Stenholm and I can have the pre-game show right before the two people at the top of the ballot square off," Neugebauer said.

"This will be an opportunity for voters to hear Charles Stenholm and I talk about our voting records and the issues facing West Texas. Then voters can relate what they hear from us to what they hear from President Bush and John Kerry. Just as voters will see clear differences between President Bush and John Kerry, they will see equally clear differences between Congressman Stenholm and myself. I think people in West Texas will see that I am the real conservative in this race whose values are closer to their own and to President Bush's."

Time and location for the debates have not been determined. Information about Presidential debates can be found at the Commission on Presidential Debates website at www.debates.org.

Stenholm Replies

Dear Randy:

I am pleased that you apparently share my desire to have a full discussion of the issues that are important to the people of West Texas. Accordingly, I very much look forward to arranging times and places where the issues can be debated.

As you know, I believe the people of the 19th District deserve a Congressman who will put the needs of West Texas ahead of the demands of national parties and the partisan power brokers in Washington.

With that in mind, the voters of the 19th District deserve the opportunity to have the issues most important to West Texas debated at a time and in a manner that will receive full attention. Those debates should stand on their own merits. The people of West Texas deserve nothing less.

I suggest that representatives of our campaign, your campaign and Libertarian candidate Richard Peterson's campaign be appointed to discuss how many debates will be held, when they will be held, where they will be held and what the format will be.

Again, I am encouraged by your interest in seeing the issues discussed. I also encourage you to go one step further and agree that our race should focus on West Texas issues without outside interference. Accordingly, I once again ask you to join with me in signing a pledge to disavow and refuse to accept independent expenditures and advertising by outside groups on behalf of our campaigns.

I look forward to a vigorous discussion about who can do the best job of putting the people of West Texas first.

Sincerely,
Charlie Stenholm

House Bill To Allow Sales Tax Deductions

Congressman Randy Neugebauer said the House of Representative's latest tax relief bill will sustain new job and economic growth in the nation and provide more relief for Texas taxpayers.

The American Jobs Creation Act of 2004, cosponsored by Neugebauer, passed the House by a margin of 251-178.

"This bill allows American businesses to be more competitive by encouraging investment in America, not foreign countries," Neugebauer said. "Anytime we can make it easier for small businesses to succeed, West Texas benefits."

"I certainly want this bill to become law so that the people of West Texas will no longer be penalized because they do not pay a state income tax," Neugebauer said, noting a major provision in the bill that would allow Texas taxpayers to deduct local and state sales taxes from their federal income taxes. Resi-

dents in states that have state and/or local income taxes would have the option of deducting those taxes.

The bill lowers taxes for small businesses, especially small manufacturers, as well as individual taxpayers with the state and local tax deduction. The tax rate for domestic manufacturers is reduced from 35 percent to 32 percent. The measure also extends the Wind Energy Production Tax credit.

Neugebauer is a firm supporter of the tax relief and economic growth policies started by President Bush and House Republicans that have helped create more than 1.1 million new jobs this year. Earlier this year, Neugebauer voted to permanently end the marriage tax penalty and estate tax, preserve the \$1,000 per child tax credit, and to keep the current level of the Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT) exemption from expiring.

Feds Tell Counties: Send Ballots to Military

Officials will soon begin contacting each of the more than 3,000 county election offices nationwide as part of a newly announced initiative to ensure an expedited delivery of absentee ballots to service members stationed overseas. U.S. Sen. John Cornyn (R-Texas), a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, called the effort "an important service for the men and women bravely serving on the front lines of freedom."

The U.S. Department of Defense, together with the United

States Postal Service, launched a series of initiatives this week aimed at expediting the process of sending absentee ballots to U.S. military personnel while they serve abroad during this year's general election.

"This is a welcome initiative by the Department of Defense and U.S. Postal Service. Timeliness is vital in having the opportunity to have your vote counted, and being able to fully participate in the democratic process," Cornyn said. "Being able to return ballots on time will ensure that every service member abroad will have the opportunity to exercise their right to vote."

Approximately 3,000 county election offices are currently accepting requests for absentee ballots. Postal employees will contact the offices to initiate the initial mailings of the prepared ballots via overnight Express Mail. The ballots will then be mailed to the three military gateways (San Francisco, Miami and New York).

Once the ballots arrive at the military gateways, they go through a sorting process, which is handled by the Military Postal System, a division of the Department of Defense and extension of the USPS. The MPS then ensures that ballots are handled properly and delivered in an expeditious manner. Ballots will be given priority handling through each phase of handling and return.

Cornyn, who serves on the Armed Services Committee's Personnel subcommittee, joined eight Senate colleagues last July for a committee trip to Iraq and the surrounding region. The delegation met with U.S. and Iraqi officials involved in the reconstruction effort. While there, Cornyn visited with Texas troops and received briefings from coalition forces and humanitarian organizations.

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Around Town



DON KIMBROUGH family, l to r, back row, Tip, Don, Max, and Kris; l to r, front row, Eva, Sharolyn, Phyllis, and Kip.

The Kimbroughs Celebrate 60 Years

The deck at the north side of the residence of Don and Eva Kimbrough, of Friona, Texas, was given by family members, in honor of the Kimbrough's 60th wedding anniversary.

Memorial Day weekend the Don Kimbrough family gathered at Aspen Lodge in Glorieta, New Mexico for a time of reminiscing, fun, food, and fellowship.

Their son, Kris, made a special trip to Friona, to his parents' home, and collected pictures of their 60 years together, compiled them, and had them bound into an album.

He also interviewed Don and Eva and presented the audiotape, plus a printout account of their life story, as was related to him. All family members received a copy of the memorabilia.

Daughter Phyllis Sandoval, planned, contacted, and made the preparations for the family

reunion, which was well executed, and everyone participated.

Those present were Phyllis Sandoval and her family, Genica and Poiema Lee, Brianna and Billy Lehmann, and Israel, Elisha, and Mialma Sandoval, all of Albuquerque, New Mexico; Sharolyn Cline of Killeen, Texas, her son, Jay Cline and his wife, Tracy, and children, Jessica and Jayson, all of El Paso, Texas; Max and Andrea Kimbrough and sons, Nathan and Matthew, all of Springfield, Missouri; Kip Kimbrough of Salamanca, Chile; Tip Kimbrough of Beaumont, Texas; Kris Kimbrough of Santa Fe, New Mexico; Jan Bolding, Eva's niece, of Corbin, Kentucky; and Don and Eva Kimbrough of Friona.

Don and Eva feel very honored and blessed that God has given them such a wonderful and supportive family

Band booster bake sale

Friona Band boosters bake sale is scheduled for Wednesday, June 30 at 9 a.m. at Lowes Grocery Store. There will be lots of goodies for celebrating your 4th of July without the extra work.

Summer Food service program

FISD is sponsoring a free summer food service program for kids up to 18 years. Meals are at the Friona Jr. High cafeteria Monday through Friday, breakfast 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and lunch 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The program runs June 7 through July 2. For more information call 250-3353.

Hereford citywide garage sale planned

Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring a citywide garage sale June 26. Registration forms for the annual event are available at the chamber office, 701 N. Main. There is a \$10 permit fee for the sale, which will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the 26th. For more information, call the chamber at 364-3333.

God's Team in Action VBS

The Sixth Street Church of Christ will be conducting its 2004 Vacation Bible School July 12-14 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The bible school will include kindergarten through 5th grade. They will also have an adult bible class. Junior high and high school students will be teacher's aids. The theme is "God's Team In Action". The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

Senior Social July 10

Friona Senior Citizens will host an ice cream and cake social July 10 at 5 p.m. at the Friendship House. Entertainment will be furnished by the "Clowns Under Construction". Come and enjoy the fun and fellowship. Dues of \$30 are due now.

St. Teresa's VBS July 19-23

St. Teresa's Catholic Church Vacation Bible School will be held July 19-23. Come and join to "Celebrate Faith". Pre-K through 6th grade will meet from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. They will have bible stories, learning activities, music, crafts, games, snacks and more. Enroll your child today, call the church rectory at 250-2871, Mercedes Williams at 250-2406 or Martha Rodriguez at 250-3728.

First Baptist Church VBS planned

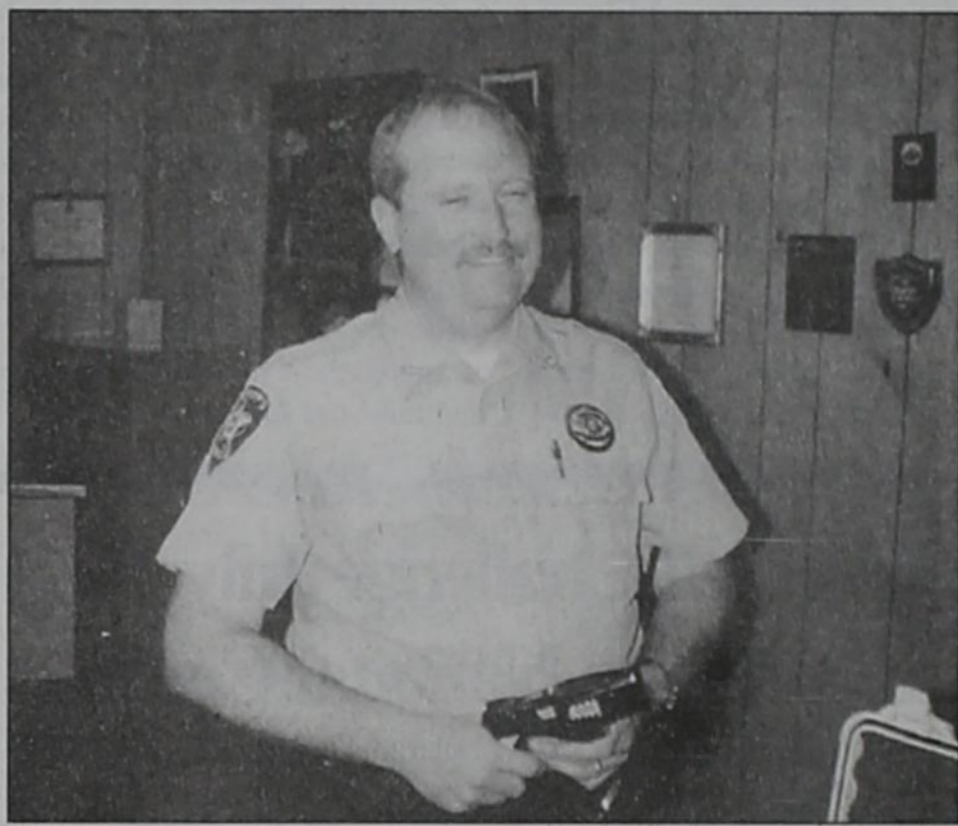
The First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School will be held July 26-30, 9 a.m. to noon. VBS provides a powerful, unique opportunity to share Jesus Christ with people of all ages; in fact, it may be your church's most important outreach event. So make your vacation plans now so that you will be here to "Run The Race To The Son" with the children.

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

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THE NOON LIONS said goodbye to this year's club sweetheart at last Thursday's meeting. Lions president Mike Hutson gave Sweetheart Amy Geries a gift from the members and thanks for serving as club sweetheart.



SHERIFF Randy Geries spoke to the Friona Evening Lions Club on Thursday, May 27.



FOUR GENERATIONS share August 25 as their birthday. They are, l to r, Eva Kimbrough, Brianna (Sandoval) Lee, Phyllis (Kimbrough) Sandoval, and Jessica Cline

Amber Wyly Named To President's List

Texas Tech University presented a certificate to Amber Wyly for scholastic achievement qualifying for the President's Honor List for the 2004 Spring Semester. This honor is awarded only to those students who have attained a grade-point ratio of 4.0 during the indicated semester.

She is a senior, majoring in Sociology. Amber is the daughter of Gerall and Mary Beth Wyly, of Friona; and a 2001 Friona High School graduate.

C. Hanes Graduates Cum Laude

Hardin-Simmons University announced that Christian Hanes of Friona was among approximately 287 students who received degrees during the spring commencement exercises on Saturday, May 8, 2004.

Hanes received a Bachelor of Behavioral Science degree in Interdisciplinary Generalist Studies with a minor in Education. She graduated cum laude by completing at least 65 credit hours of residence at HSU and earning a cumulative grade point average of 3.5-3.69.

Two Locals Make Dean's Honor Roll

The following students were named to the Dean's Honor Roll at Abilene Christian University for the Spring 2004 Semester.

Jena Grimsley, who is working toward a Bachelor of Science degree in Social Work and Petra Valazquez who is working toward a Bachelor of Arts degree in Spanish. Both women are from Friona.

To make the Dean's Honor Roll, a student must complete at least 12 semester hours and earn a 3.45 or higher grade point average.

Puzzle Solution

YOUR EYES

Disease Silently Robs You of Sight

Glaucoma is often called the "silent thief of sight," because many of the 3 million individuals that are impaired by the disease are unaware of the problem. In many cases, the condition is already quite serious before it is detected. It is usually recognized because of blurred or diminished vision, difficulty adjusting from a lit to a dark room, trouble with close-up work and seeing color rings when looking at bright lights.



Once thought of as a single disease, glaucoma is now recognized as a broad term for a certain pattern of damage to the optic nerve. This is a bundle of nerve fibers that carries information from the eye to the brain. The injury normally occurs in the presence of high eye pressure, which is similar to blood pressure. However, contrary to popular belief, the condition can take place with normal or even below-normal eye pressure, as well.

The best way to prevent vision loss from glaucoma is early diagnosis and treatment. See your eye-care practitioner at least every two years for a complete examination. People at high risk for glaucoma due to family history, ethnic background, age or optic nerve appearance may need more frequent visits to the eye doctor

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THE CHIEF'S CORNER

by TINO SALINAZ.

Friona Police Department

En Espanol

There is no doubt that with the resignation of Chief Royce Goodson, he left behind some mighty big shoes to fill. I am very fortunate to have people like the city manager, the city council, and other city hall employees to rely on for help and support in continuing to do the job that Chief Goodson started.

I cannot overlook the men and women who make up the Friona Police Department. These officers do not have the luxury of a big department, where, when they finish their shift, they go home and don't have to worry about it till the next day. Our officers are always subject to being called out to assist or backup on the duty officer. Many of these officers monitor their portable radios while off duty and respond to back up calls without being called out. There are many times they are called out and have to be out most of the day or night, sometimes with just a couple of hours of sleep, yet they never complain; they go about their business and do what needs to be done. The City of Friona is very fortunate to have such a group of police officers to protect their city.

I cannot say enough about our lady dispatchers. Without them, this department would not function. Their job is not an easy one. Aside from dispatching calls, answering the phone, and taking 911 calls, they also must keep up with the activities of the police officers out on patrol. They have to file reports, enter police activities in the computer and the list goes on and on. Yet I have seen these ladies work 12-14 hour days, sometimes working a double shift, working seven days straight without a day off and yet they never complain. You could not go anywhere and find a better staff of dedicated dispatchers than the ones we have here at the Friona Police Department.

On a final note, I do not believe that any police department or law enforcement agency can be efficient and effective without the support of the community it is protecting. The community must be our eyes and ears. I highly encourage all members of the community to get involved with your police department. The door to my office will always be open to the citizens of the community, if you have any suggestions, concerns, complaints, or anything that will improve the performance of our police department, it will be greatly appreciated. With your help we can make the City of Friona one of the best places to live and work and raise our families.

Streetball Challenge July 10-11 At Amarillo National Center

Amarillo's original 3-on-3 streetball event returns for the 13th consecutive year as Kids, Incorporated brings the ultimate in basketball to a new location at the Amarillo National Center on the Tri State Fairgrounds. Tip-off for the 2004 Streetball Challenge is scheduled for Saturday, July 10 and Sunday, July 11.

The tournament is open to male and female players. Divisions begin at the 10 and under age group, and progress through the adult Supreme Court division. Teams will be grouped into divisions with teams of similar age and playing ability. Last year's event consisted of 265 teams competing in 40 divisions.

Entry fees are set at \$96 per team with an entry deadline of Wednesday, July 7, at 5 p.m. Entry forms are to be turned in to Kids, Incorporated located at 27th and Osage. Each player will receive an official event t-shirt, and each team is guaranteed a minimum of three games. Prizes will be awarded to the first and second place winners in each division. All proceeds from the 2004 Streetball Challenge will support the athletic programs offered by Kids, Incorporated. Approximately 13,000 children

participate annually in Kids, Incorporated activities. The mission of Kids, Incorporated is to provide every child, who desires to play, the opportunity to do just that.

Special events this year's include the traditional 10' Slam Dunk contest and 3-Point contests sponsored by Buck's Sporting Goods. The 10' Slam Dunk contest will be held on Saturday, July 10 at 1:15 p.m.; the Men and Women's 3-Point contest is held all day Saturday and Sunday, July 10 and July 11. In addition, the popular 9' Slam Dunk contest returns, courtesy of the Ambassador Hotel. The 9' Slam Dunk will be held Saturday, July 10, at 12:30 p.m. Tickets for these special events will be \$1.

Entry forms will be available at the following sponsoring locations: Buck's Sporting Goods; all Toot'n Totum locations; Putt-Putt Golf & Games; Academy Outdoors & Sports; and the Kids, Incorporated Warehouse.

An entry form for the 2004 Streetball Challenge is also available online at www.kidsinc.org.

For more information regarding the 2004 Streetball Challenge, or to request an entry form, please contact Kids, Incorporated at 376-5936 or info@kidsinc.org.

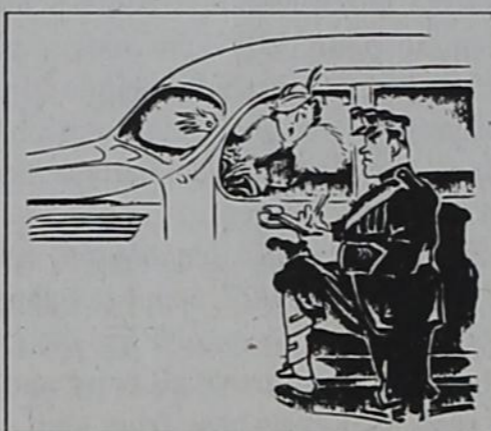
Jefe de Policia Tino Salinaz

No hay ninguna duda que la renuncia del Jefe de Policia Royce Goodson dejo un vacio en el departamento de Policia que va ser deficit para ocupar. Pero soy muy afortunado de tener personas como la administradora y los miembros de concilio de la ciudad para obtener la ayuda y el apoyo de ellos para continuar con el trabajo que el Jefe Goodson comenzo.

Pero no puedo olvidar los oficiales del departamento de Policia. Estos hombres y mujeres no tienen el lujo de terminar su turno y decir ya no tengo que preocuparme hasta otro dia. Nuestros oficiales siempre estan sujetos aser llamados para asistir y respaldar al oficial que esta en su turno. Muchos de estos oficiales monitoran su radios portatiles durante el tiempo que estan fuera de servicio y responden a respaldar a cualquier llamada, sin ser llamados. Ay muchos tiempos que son llamados y tienen que estar fuera dia o noche con solamente unas horas de dormir. Y aun asi nunca se quejan y asen lo que tienen que aser. La ciudad de Friona es muy afortunada de tener un grupo de Oficiales que protejan su pueblo.

Yo no puedo decir suficiente de nuestras mujeres despachadoras sin ellas este departamento no podria funcionar. Su trabajo no es facil, aparte de despachar llamadas, contestar el telefono, y tomar llamadas del 911, tambien tienen que estar pendiente de las actividades de los oficiales que estan patrullando, tiene que archivar reportes, poner en la computadora las actividades del Oficial y la lista sigue. Y aun asi he visto a estas mujeres trabajar de 12-14 horas al dia, aveces tienen que doblar el turno, trabajando 7 dias seguidos, sin dias libres, y aun asi nunca se quejan. No podrias ir a ningun lugar y encontrar un grupo de mujeres tan dedicadas como las que tiene el departamento de Policia de Friona.

En una nota final no creo que ningun departamento de policia oh ley seria eficiente, y efectivo sin el respaldo de la comunidad que esta protejiendo. La comunidad debe ser nuestros ojos y oidos. Yo recomiendo a los miembros de la comunidad que se involucren con su departamento de policia. La puerta de mi oficina siempre estara abierta para los ciudadanos de la comunidad. Si tienen sujerencias, pendientes, quejas, cualquier cosa para mejorar nuestro departamento de policia. Les estaremos muy agradecidos. Con su ayuda haremos el pueblo de Friona unos de los mejores lugares para vivir y trabajar y crear nuestra familia.



News From Clovis

The Clovis News Journal says many businesses are coming to Clovis. Among those reported are:

The sign is in place for Hancock Fabrics, located next to Hobby Lobby. Should be open in 3-4 weeks. The 15,000 square foot facility will sell apparel, quilting, bridal, drapery, fabrics, yarns, home accessories, and more.

Also at the Prince and 21st St. intersection are future locations of Dollar General, Sprint Freedom Wireless, Express Cash, and IHOP.

Triangle Ace Hardware is countering the competition with their own expansion. The store at 2400 N. Prince celebrated its 40th anniversary last week and is expanding into space vacated by Master's Books & Gifts. The center is adding hunt-

ing and fishing equipment, small kitchen appliances, and plans an outdoor lawn and garden center. General manager Randy Petty said the store is also converting 3,000 square feet of warehouse space to expand its traditional lines of paint, tools, hardware, electricity and plumbing items. They will also offer ammunition and are waiting on a license to sell firearms.

Pioneer Dairy Laboratory, which has a small lab in Clovis, is building a dairy laboratory in Dimmitt that should employ 30-60 people and could be operating by January 1, 2005. Pioneer Dairy is based in Artesia, NM, and operates laboratories to test raw milk for health purposes and herd maintenance. Dimmitt was chosen for their central location to dairies in the Texas Panhandle and Eastern New Mexico.

Sheriff's Report

June 8, Kerry Ford, 41, of Farwell, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with possession of a controlled substance, pending Grand Jury; tampering with evidence, pending Grand Jury; assault of a peace officer, pending Grand Jury; and resisting arrest, pending County Court.

June 13, Jose Gallardo, 35, of Cactus, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with DWI, pending County Court.

June 14, Paul Castillo, 20, of Texico, was arrested by the Farwell Police and charged with DWI, pending County Court.

June 15, Juan Tena, 62, of Hereford, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with theft by check, paid fine, court costs, and restitution.

June 18, Ramon Silva, 23, of Farwell, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with theft by check, paid fine, court costs, and restitution.

June 19, Anibal Nieto, 20, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with possession of marijuana, less than two ounces, pending County Court.

June 20, Juan Castillo, 30, of Friona, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with DWI, pending County Court.

June 20, Darrell Holt, 41, of The Colony, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with DWI, third or more, pending Grand Jury.

June 20, Jesus Guzman, 24, of Friona, was arrested by the Bovina Police and charged with assault, pending County Court.

June 21, Arturo Lugo, 56, of Bovina, was arrested by the Bovina Police and charged with delivery of marijuana to a minor, pending Grand Jury; and possession of marijuana, less than two ounces, pending County Court.

Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's office recorded the following warranty deeds:

Sarah Owen - Franciso Nieto, L6-10, B55 BOVINA.
Antonio Vela - Rubalcava Gerardo, E 50' L12-15 B23 BOVINA.
Jerusia Welch - Jo Moss, L4-6 B37 FARWELL.
David Cochran - Walter Schueler, L8-10, B26 FARWELL.
West End Group - James Hutson, L18 B2 WESTERN ADDITION.

Jerry Strawn et al - Jerry Torres Jr., 1.155 ac S8 BE.
Jesse Cantu Jr. - David Cochran, L1-4 B26 FARWELL.

HAPPENINGS IN HEREFORD

The Hereford Brand reported several positive happenings in Hereford in the future.

The new Wal Mart Supercenter is underway. The 157,000 square foot store is planned for the north end of Highway 385, just past the Hereford school administration building. The Brand said the new store's grand opening is expected to be January 6, 2005.

A building permit was issued to Western Builders of Amarillo for the \$5.427 million project.

A tax abatement for Caviness Packing Co. received little opposition at public hearings last week. The local family owned business asked for a 50 percent annual abatement for 10 years.

Caviness Packing is building a new plant five miles west of Hereford. The company has been in Hereford for 40 years. The new beef slaughter facility will be built at a cost of \$25 million and is expected to take about a year to complete. Once the new plant becomes operational in 2005, company spokesmen say employment will grow by about 40 percent to 200 employees.

Caviness will continue to slaughter cattle from its six state procurement region. The new plant will allow Caviness to handle about 400,000 cattle annually.

And on the food front, the Brand said in its Sunday edition that the Taco Bell franchise will reopen. The location on West Highway 60 has been idle for a couple of years. A Hereford group, Park Avenue Investments, purchased the franchise and the property.

Park Avenue Investments is owned by the Teters family, John & Cora Teters and parents Gene & Lores Teters. They are the same group that purchased and reopened the Kentucky Fried Chicken franchise and also own Subway franchises in Hereford and Dimmitt and the Express Lane Conoco in Hereford.

The Taco Bell will be remodeled and should reopen in mid-September. Hiring of the about 30 employees is underway through the Texas Workforce Commission. After the Taco Bell opens, the Teters will have 70 employees and an annual payroll of about \$750,000.

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Arm Wrestling In Muleshoe

Muleshoe will host their First Annual Strong Arm Wrestling Competition on July 3 at 9 a.m. The competition will be held at Carolyn's Christmas Creations on the corner of Hwy. 84 and Main Street in Muleshoe.

The competition is open to males and females, ages 15 and over, and will be a double elimination contest. The entry fee is \$10.

The top four winners will receive a t-shirt and the top two winners will receive a trophy and a t-shirt.

All proceeds go to Navidad En Mi Pueblo (an organization to help needy families at Christmas).

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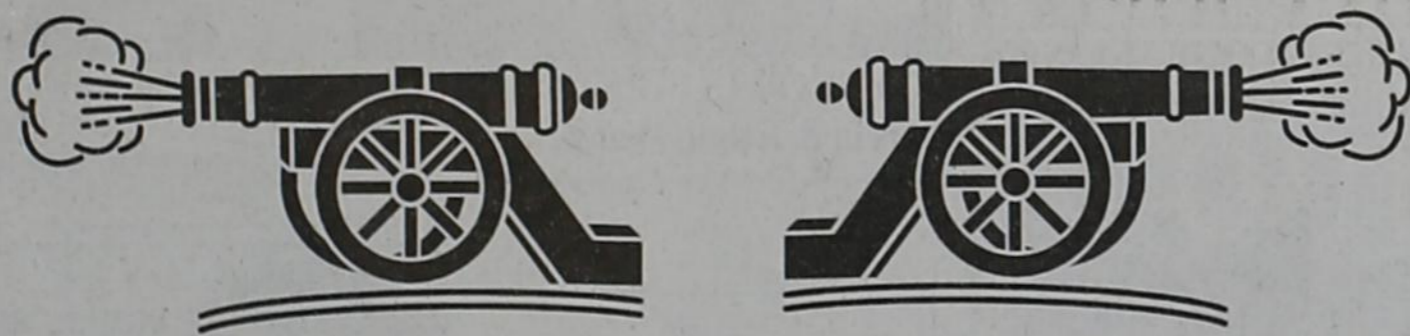
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Zen Dojo To Open In Friona

The Zen Dojo was officially opened on Saturday, June 19 with a public demo, and accepted new students for the summer, according to the school's instructor, Richard Spears.

A public demonstration will be presented Saturday, June 26 at 7 p.m. The community is invited to attend.

The Zen Dojo will be teaching a form of Japanese martial arts called Aikido. Aikido is known for its fluid movements, body throws, joint locks, and grappling. There will be classes for adults (age 14+) and children (ages 6-13).

The word "Aikido" translates to "The Way of Harmony". Unlike other martial arts, Aikido is primarily defensive. There are no kicks or punches. Aikido became popular in the 1980's by action film star Steven Seagal.

According to Spears, the school will also offer a weight-loss class that will do cardio kick-boxing exercises, and Tai Chi.

Classes will be held at 619 Main Street, on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. The cost will be \$20 per month, with discounts for multiple family members. Uniforms will not be required.

HOMETOWN HEALTH

Buckle Up and Ride Safe

One of the easiest ways to protect our children is to buckle them up every time they are in the car. The most common cause of injury and death from birth to age 14 is automobile accidents.

According to statistics, four out of five child safety seats are used improperly. The safest car seat is the one that fits the child properly and is installed correctly. Here are a few general guidelines:

- * Birth to 20 pounds/1 year. Use a rear-facing infant safety seat.
- * 20 to 40 pounds/1 to 4 years. Use a front-facing child safety seat.
- * 40 to 80 pounds/4 years of age and older. Use a belt-positioning booster child safety seat. A belt-positioning booster seat raises your child so that the lap and shoulder belt fit properly, while protecting the head and upper body.
- * 80 pounds and over/4'9" and taller. Use a seat belt. Both the lap and the shoulder belt should always be used.

It is always safest to have children ride in the back seat of the car. Never place a back-facing car seat in the front seat of a car that has airbags. Never have children share seat belts. When your child is old enough, make sure to discuss the dangers of riding in the back of pickup trucks.

This information is provided as a service by the Texas A&M University System Health Science Center. For specific questions, contact your physician or other health provider.

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ALEX DELAO, JAKE HEFNER, ADRIAN GARCIA swimming in a water barrel.



SAM WALES, JAKE HEFNER & CLAYTON SIDES

Troop 56 Adventures

Troop 56 Boy Scouts welcomed three new boys, who bridged over from Webelos, during the May 8th Blue and Gold Banquet. The new boys are Clayton Sides, Jake Hefner, and Sam Wales. They each completed every badge possible for Webelos, including three that are to be worn on their boy scout shirts as well; the Texas Badge, the Arrow of Light, and their religious knots.

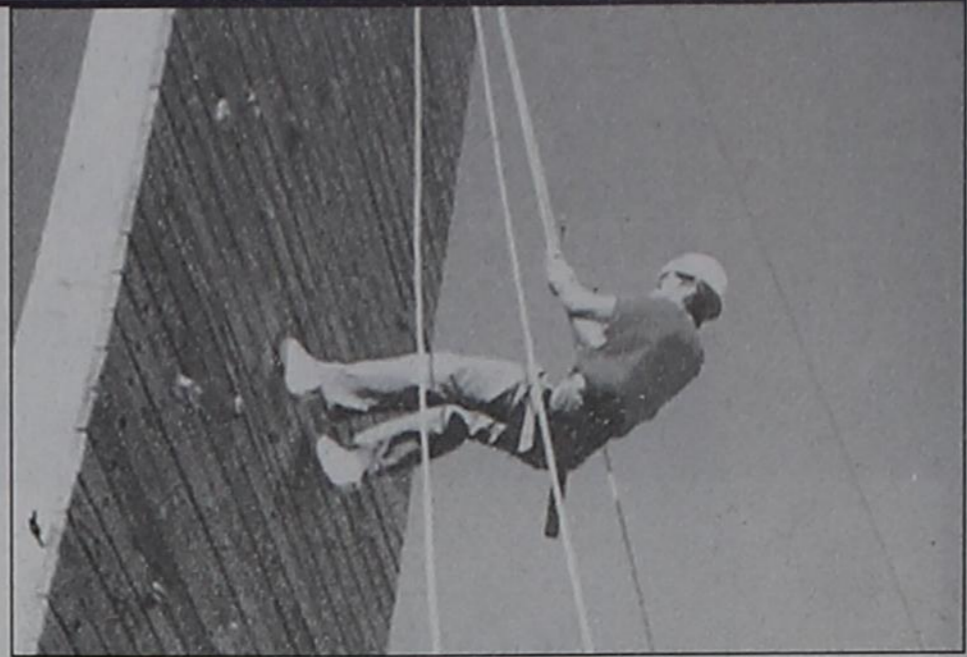
cobbler contest with a peach cobbler baked in a Dutch oven. Alex DeLao, Sam Wales, Clayton Sides, and Jacob Hefner spent three hours a day in Polaris to learn the skills to advance in rank to Second Class Scouts.

Each of the eight boys also earned several individual merit badges as follows: Jacob Hefner, Clayton Sides, and Sam Wales—swimming and pioneering; Alex DeLao—archery; Adrian Garcia—swimming; Ethan Wales—rifle, orienteering, and certification in Hunter's Education; Jordan Kelley—rifle, swimming, and certification in Hunter's Education; and Ramey Alaniz-COPE (a high adventure climbing/rappelling class) and communications.

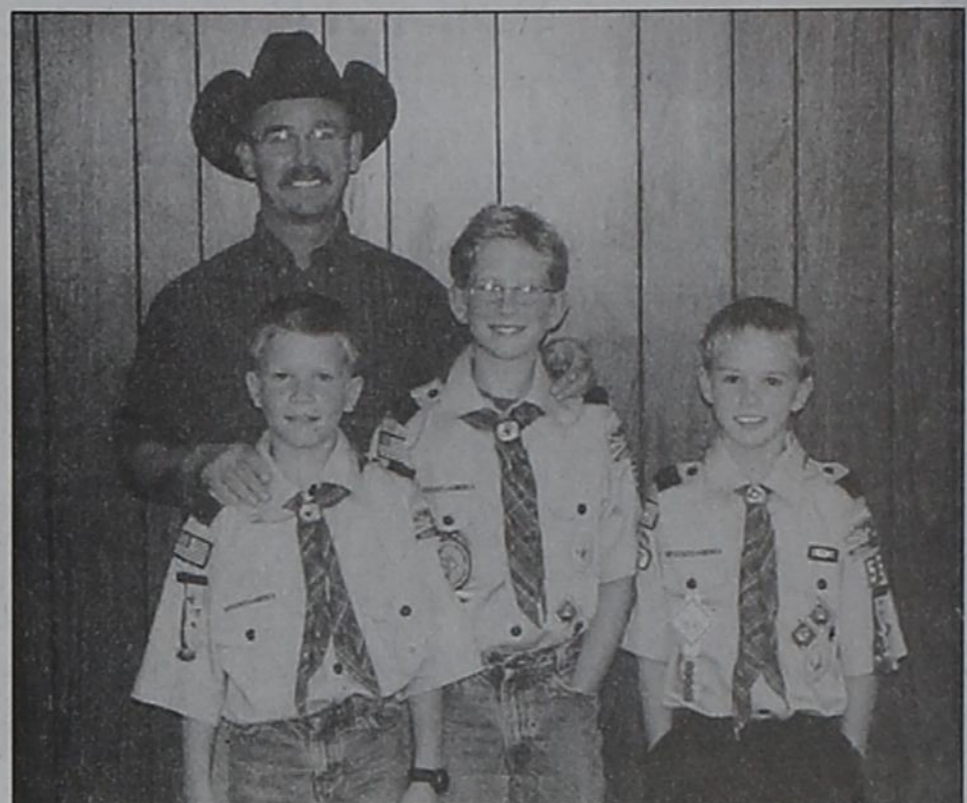
Elections were held at the May 23rd Boy Scout meeting for leaders in Troop 56. Leaders were chosen from the attending First Class and above ranked boys. Elected were: Adrian Garcia-Patrol Leader, Jordan Kelley-Asst. Senior Patrol Leader, and Ethan Wales-Senior Patrol Leader. Each office is held for six months. One of the goals of the Boy Scouts of America is to teach boys to be leaders among their peers, now, and in the future. The next elections will be at the end of November.

Several boys took classes that could not be completed at camp, such as, astronomy, citizenship in the nation, shotgun shooting, and emergency preparedness. The scouts can finish the requirements for these badges, this summer, with a little work on their part, and a backpacking trip to a federal installation or national park.

June 6-11, eight boy scouts from Troop 56 camped at Camp Don Harrington. As a troop, they earned the Super Troop award and won the camp-wide



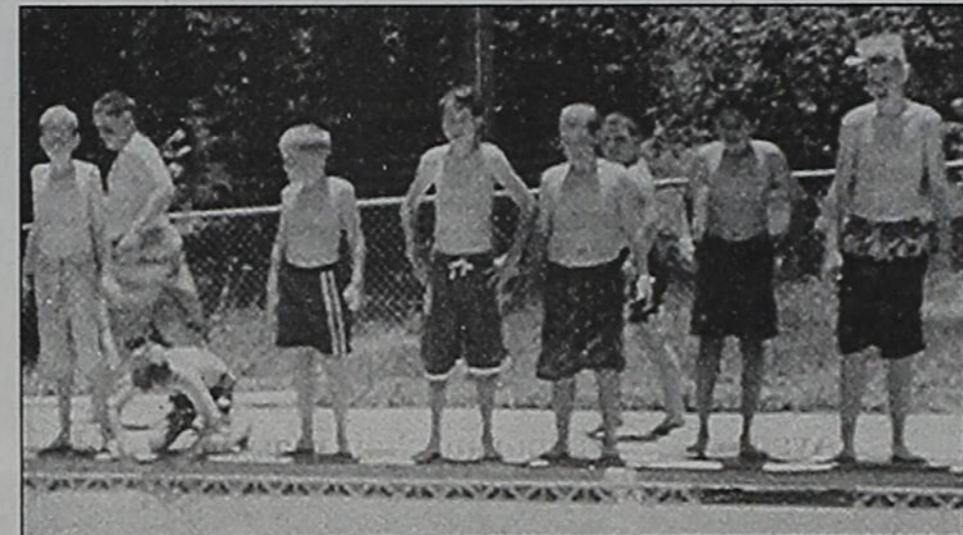
RAMEY ALANIZ rappelling.



NEW WEBELOS, l-r, Clayton Sides, Sam Wales and Jacob Hefner with their 2nd year Webelos Leader Tommy Hefner.



ETHAN WALES & JORDAN KELLEY



WORKING ON A SWIMMING BADGE, l-r, Sam Wales, Jake Hefner, two unknown scouts, Adrian Garcia and Jordan Kelley.



BOYSCOUTS FIRST CLASS, l-r, Jordan Kelley, Adrian Garcia & Ethan Wales.

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TO: Alberto Martinez, GREETING:
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Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on May 10, 2004, in this case numbered 504 on the docket of said court, and styled,

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TO: Kelvin E. Summerlin, GREETING:
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Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on May 10, 2004, in this case numbered 515 on the docket of said court, and styled,

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TO: Sheena G. Trask, GREETING:
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Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on May 10, 2004, in this case numbered 518 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital
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VS
Sheena G. Trask
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TO: Natividad S. Villegas, GREETING:
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Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on May 10, 2004, in this case numbered 525 on the docket of said court, and styled,

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TO: Fredy Martinez, GREETING:
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Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on April 29, 2004 in this case numbered 525 on the docket of said court, and styled,

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Issued and given under my hand and seal of the said court, at office in Bovina, Parmer County, Texas, on June 7, 2004.
Vivaliah Hutto
Justice of the Peace
Precinct 2, Parmer County, Texas
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TO: Francisco Nieto, Sr., GREETING:
You are commanded to appear by filing an answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday the 26th day of July, 2004 before the Honorable Judge Vivaliah Hutto, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 2, Parmer County, Texas at Bovina, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on April 29, 2004 in this case numbered 526 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital
Hospital
VS
Francisco Nieto, Sr.
The nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:
Outstanding hospital bills and is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.
The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.
Issued and given under my hand and seal of the said court, at office in Bovina, Parmer County, Texas, on June 7, 2004.
Vivaliah Hutto
Justice of the Peace
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PO Box 849
Bovina, Texas 79009

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VS
Rosa Peregrino
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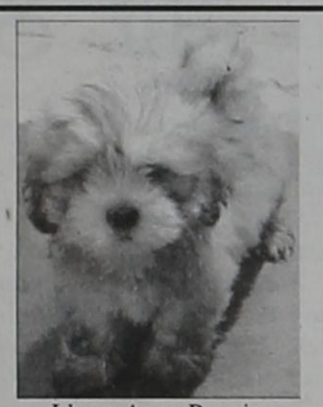
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 Government Foreclosure Sale
 Date: July 6, 2004
 Time: 1:00 p.m.
 Place:
 At the main front door located on the lower level of the south side of the courthouse in Farwell, Parmer County, Texas
 207 Avenue F Bovina TX
 3 Bedrooms, 1 Bath
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 Incumbent broadband service providers have 30 days from the date of this Legal Notice to inform RUS if they are currently providing broadband service in these areas or if they have a commitment to provide service in these areas. Incumbent broadband service providers should submit to RUS, on a form prescribed by RUS, the number of residential customers receiving broadband service in the proposed service area, the rates of data transmission, and the cost of each level of service or proof of commitment to provide service in the proposed service area. A map should also be provided showing the boundaries of your service area in relation to the communities above.
 A Legal Notice Response Form can be obtained from RUS' website at www.usda.gov/rus/telecom.
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E. Rodriguez & C. Mills Exchange Wedding Vows

Esmeralda Rodriguez and Chuck Bo Mills, both of Friona, Texas were married at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, June 19, 2004. They exchanged vows at the E.B. Black House, in the Garden Gazebo, in Hereford, Texas with Ruben Rivera, of Friona, officiating.

Parents of the bride and groom are Saturnino and Esmeralda Rodriguez and Ernest and Olga Mills, all of Friona.

Diamond Perez, a friend of the couple sang "You're Still The One" during the lighting of the unity candle.

The bride was presented in marriage by her parents, wearing a white strapless wedding gown with a fitted applique bodice. Her gown was made by Rachel's Dress Shop in Friona.

Her layered tulle veil was highlighted with a tiara adorned with crystals. She carried a bouquet featuring silk roses, in bridal white, with babies breath and greenery.

Ruby Rodriguez, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Cynthia Escobedo, friend of the bride,

Arclia Trejo, friend of the bride, Tammy Lucero, friend of the bride, and Jennifer Mills, sister of the groom, all of Friona.

The bride's attendants wore pastel dresses and carried a single bridal white stemmed rose.

Adrian Gomez of Friona, friend of the groom, served as the best man. Groomsmen were Jeremy Ortiz, D.J. Romero, and Ramon Perez, all friends of the groom from Amarillo, and Paul Mireles of Friona, friend of the groom.

The groom wore a Raffinati black tuxedo with a white vest and tie.

Groomsmen wore black tuxedos with light silver vests and ties.

Emily Barraza, cousin of the groom, served as flower girl and Blakey Mills, son of the couple, served as ring bearer. Both are from Friona.

The reception was held at the Acapulco Tropical in Hereford, with entertainment by La Raza X, D.J. Big Boy, and Coleadera Show.

The four-tiered white wed-



MR. & MRS. CHUCK MILLS
(nee' Esmeralda Rodriguez)

ding cake was decorated with white frosting and white roses.

The groom's cake was a chocolate layered cake with chocolate frosting.

Decorations for the wedding, as well as the reception, were done by Aracely Correa of Hereford.

The bride and bridegroom both attended Friona schools.

The couple plans to reside in Friona until the bride completes her college education.

Out of town guests included aunts, uncles, and cousins of the bride from Sunray and Perryton, Texas.



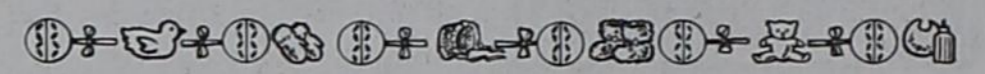
Grant Wade Hinkle

Wade and Rebekah Hinkle, of Burleson, Texas are proud to announce the birth of their first child, a boy, Grant Wade Hinkle. He was born Thursday, May 20, 2004 in Burleson and weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Grant's grandparents are Jerry and Lucy Beth Hinkle of Friona and Arden and Susan Lowery of Crane, Texas.

Great-grandparents are Lois Miller of Friona, Charlie and Evelyn Stroder of Crane and Leo and Joycie Lowery also of Crane.

Wade and Rebekah are employed by Burleson School District, where Wade works in the financial department and Rebekah is a Spanish and Art teacher.



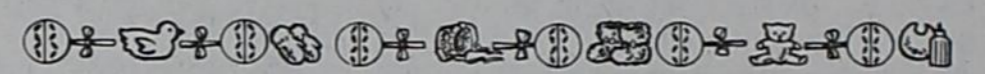
Dustan Robert Sides

Jim Bob and Anna Sides, of Oklahoma Lane, proudly announce the birth of their son, Dustan Robert, at 5:49 p.m. (Mountain Standard Time), on Thursday, May 27, 2004 at Plains Regional Medical Center in Clovis, New Mexico.

Dustan weighed 7 pounds, 13½ ounces and was 20½ inches long.

His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Richey of Pagosa Springs, Colorado and Mr. and Mrs. James Sides of Oklahoma Lane.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W.D. Barnett of Las Vegas, New Mexico, Mrs. Johnnie Rundell Jenkins of Altus, Oklahoma, and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Sides of Oklahoma Lane.



Throwing Away Religious Liberty

By Rev. Alvin Petty

This Fourth of July, remember the Anabaptists! They were the second branch of the Protestant Reformation coming out in Zurich, Switzerland, January 21, 1525, about nine years after Martin Luther's break with the Roman Catholic Church in 1517. Their name meant against baptism because they refused to baptize their infants into the state supported church. They believed in baptizing only adult believers.

The Mennonites, Amish and Hutterites are direct descendants of Anabaptists, today, with Quakers and Baptists being very distant kin. There never have been many Anabaptists, but their ideas have influenced and been adopted by most of the modern church.

One of their major ideas was that men ought to be free to worship according to their conscience, and the church separate and free of any state control, and the state free of any church control. They lived and died, for their ideas of religious liberty, by the thousands, in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. Lutherans and Calvinists spent time killing them when they and Catholics were not too busy killing each other. It was a joyous time of loving religious expression on all sides.

Now, we the people are gradually throwing away our religious liberty in America by being lazy of mind and body. The union of the religious right and the Re-

publican Party has generated several ideas that are, in the long run, detrimental to religious liberty for all.

The ideas may come from good, well-intentioned people, but they are still dangerous; ideas such as the faith based initiative plan in which religious groups share government funding for administering social programs. In such a union, religious groups will lose character and control, in time, and political leadership will become lazier and ever more irresponsible. And the gap in society, between the rich and the poor, will grow ever wider as we seek to face social problems in a cheaper, easier way.

With all due respect to a big

man, President Reagan was wrong. Big government is not the problem; irresponsible government is. With all due respect to well-intentioned church leaders, the church is not big enough, or good enough, to solve our nation's social ills. But we could help by pushing for, and participating in, responsible government for all our people, and by not spending millions on ourselves, and invest it in human need, instead.

We are a big nation and we shall always have some big problems and we need a responsible, big government to lead us in solving them. This fourth, remember the Anabaptists!

SEEDS FROM THE SOWER

By Michael A. Guido

In Japan, a bankrupt businessman paid two men to kill his nine-year-old daughter with a car so he could collect a \$70,000 insurance policy.

Shocked? Indeed. But there are many mothers and fathers who sacrifice their children for cash or a career.

And there are others who are more anxious that their children have grace in their heels than in their hearts. They would rather their children have their names on the society page than in the Book of Life.

The greatest need of every boy and girl is two good parents who love Christ and their children, and who love the Bible and behave it!

Save, don't sacrifice, your children.

Facts About The BIBLE BY JOHN LEHTI

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Darneille PCCA President & CEO

The Board of Directors of Plains Cotton Cooperative Association (PCCA) named Wallace L. Darneille as president-elect of the Lubbock-based, farmer-owned cooperative effective July 6, 2004. The announcement was made by PCCA Chairman Eddie Smith, following the Board's regular, monthly meeting. Darneille will replace Van May who announced late last year his intention to step down as head of PCCA this summer. Following a brief transition period, Darneille will officially succeed May as President and CEO on September 1, 2004.

"We are excited to have someone with Wally's depth of experience in cotton," stated

PCCA Chairman Eddie Smith. "His background is a very good fit for our organization." Darneille, who obtained a bachelor's degree from Dartmouth College and MBA from Auburn University, has spent his career in cotton with Weil Brothers Cotton, Inc. In 30 years in the business, he has been involved with a number of international ventures as well as cotton pool activities. As former president of the Texas Cotton Association, Darneille is well versed in the area in which he will now serve.

"I am very excited about this opportunity," Darneille said. "PCCA is highly respected worldwide in cotton and textile circles, and I intend to continue

USDA Rural Development Grant Meeting to be Held

USDA Rural Development State Director Bryan Daniel announced that the Agency will hold a seminar to discuss the Value Added Producer Grant program. The meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. on June 25 at the Texas A&M Agricultural Research and Experiment Station, 1102 East FM 1294, Lubbock, Texas. This location is just north of the Lubbock International Airport.

"This grant program will foster the development of value-added projects to help create the opportunity for economic development and job creation in rural areas," said Daniel. "USDA Rural Development is committed to providing the necessary tools to help rural businesses create jobs and enhance the quality of life in their communities."

Authorized as part of the 2002 Farm Bill, the Value-Added Agricultural Product Market De-

velopment Grants program provides an opportunity to refine agricultural commodities and products to increase their value in the marketplace. Grants may be used for planning activities and working capital for marketing value-added agricultural products and for farm-based renewable energy. Eligible applicants are independent producers, farmer and rancher cooperatives, agricultural producer groups, and majority-controlled producer-based business ventures.

State Director Daniel encourages individuals interested in USDA Rural Development's Value Added Producer Grant Program to attend this seminar and to contact their local office. The USDA Rural Development local office that serves this area is located at 6113 43rd Street, Suite B, Lubbock, Texas 79407 and can be reached at (806) 785-5644, extension 4.

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Crop Production Guide Series Provides Growers Valuable Production Information

LUBBOCK, June 18, 2004 By Shawn Wade
Cotton experts from the Texas Cooperative Extension and Texas Agricultural Experiment Station are in the process of pulling together a series of Crop Production Guides that are available to cotton producers through the Lubbock Texas A&M Research and Extension Center's website.

The series, which is composed of both previously released information on specific management topics, as well as all-new publications are designed to provide producers the latest information regarding cotton production issues they may face.

According to TCE Cotton Specialist Dr. Randy Boman the effort will eventually provide a complete set of management guides that a producer can access through the Internet or on a compact disk that can be opened on a personal computer.

He explains that by putting the different publications together and making them easily accessible they become an even more valuable resource for cotton producers.

The impetus for the Crop Production Guide series is the *Focus* newsletter put out by editor Dr. James Leser at the Lubbock Center.

"The newsletter has become a valuable tool for producers over the years. It has grown to address more than just insect related issues important to cotton producers," says Leser. "The Crop Production Guide series was developed to provide a more manageable information resource that they can use to gather pertinent crop production information."

Beginning this year *Focus* contributors will no longer try to include every bit of information available on a topic in the newsletter. Instead, links will be provided within the newsletter to these more detailed production guides which can better meet producer needs. To download a copy of individual Crop Production Guides go to the Lubbock Center's website (<http://lubbock.tamu.edu/focus>).

CSP Sign-up Dates Announced

LUBBOCK, June 18, 2004 By Shawn Wade
The Natural Resources Conservation Service announced June 9 that the inaugural sign-up period for the Conservation Security Program would begin July 6 and run through July 30.

The process, which will be open to producers and landowners in 18 selected watersheds across the nation, will be conducted according to the interim final rule published by the NRCS in the Federal Register last month.

The first sign-up period will affect producers in two watersheds that are at least partially located in Texas. Those watersheds are the Punta De Agua, part of which lies in the Texas Panhandle, and the Hondo, which is located in what is known as the Wintergarden area of the State.

NRCS officials note that a self-assessment workbook is available in a hard copy version or on a compact disk (CD), at NRCS offices in the 18 eligible watersheds, or on the Internet (<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/program/csp>).

A sign-up notice detailing specific program requirements in the selected watersheds will be published in the Federal Register soon.

Horticulture Grows In Texas

By Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs
It's safe to say Texas horticulture is a growth commodity in the Lone Star State. It is the second-largest agricultural industry here, accounting for about \$1.5 billion in cash receipts annually. The green industry packs a \$9.7 billion punch to the Texas economy each year.

With more and more people digging in their gardens, planting landscapes and getting back to nature for exercise and relaxation, it's no surprise that horticulture is on the move, and the Texas Department of Agriculture is in constant motion as well, helping to market Texas' vast array of plants, trees, flowers and other products.

That's why TDA has produced a number of new materials over the past few years specifically with horticulture buyers and producers in mind. Funding for these brochures, directories and manuals was provided through a one-time grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to promote Texas specialty crops, and all are offered at no charge.

Our horticulture directory provides lists of producers and suppliers of everything from bedding plants, roses and trees to turfgrass, native plants and groundcovers. The Texas Superstar brochure pinpoints which plants are most specifically suited to Texas weather conditions. Our Texas Organic Guide offers information for producers interested in exploring the organic market, and the Rooted in Texas Pride guide provides information on the commercial production of desert and native plants. We also have guides geared specifically toward forestry, olive growing, turfgrass and herbs.

Whether you are a buyer interested in learning more about what Texas grows or a producer exploring potential new markets, you can request any of these helpful guides by calling our toll free GO TEXAN line at (877) 99GO-TEX.

Fleahoppers Rare But Sneaky

The cotton fleahopper is a key pest of High Plains cotton during the first 3-5 weeks of squaring. This square thief can get the upper hand even before many producers realize their cotton plants are squaring.

While area-wide severe infestations of this pest are a rare occurrence, their sneak attacks can make them difficult to manage. The key to their management is to "know your cotton

plants". The latest in the series of "Crop Production Guides" from Texas Cooperative Extension helps you to "know your cotton plants" and provides comprehensive Cotton Fleahopper Management Tips.

You can also go to the Texas Cooperative Extension Lubbock Center website and download the information at <http://lubbock.tamu.edu/focus>.

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- 1 Dallas '60s TV hit: "___ Bang Theater"
- 5 TX Roy Orbison's 1st hit: "___ Dooby"
- 6 TXism: "nary a ___" (no one)
- 7 many TX vets got through college on this bill
- 8 TXism: "___ as a fiddle"
- 9 TX Van Cliburn won piano competition in ___ at age 23
- 15 TXism: "___ cut the mustard" (unable)
- 16 Coleman Museum has planes from this conflict (2 wds.)
- 19 TXism: "playful as ___ clover"
- 21 state of George H.'s summer home
- 22 home of Dyess AFB
- 27 this Gardner was an honorary TX Ranger
- 28 small horses
- 29 LBJ's defense sec. Robert Mc ___
- 30 TXism: "so ___ couldn't stir 'em with a stick"
- 32 panhandle rancher: ___ Waggoner
- 33 never happened in Astrodome (2 wds.)
- 36 TX Bluebonnet is called ___ flower
- 37 TC's Charley to Guy (abbr.)
- 38 this Rob directed Reba McEntire as Ma Tex in "North"

DOWN

- 12 hunter's clothing
- 13 TXism: "fits like ugly ___ ape"
- 14 TX Audie Murphy was most decorated of this war
- 15 seat of Hemphill Co.
- 16 pottery oven
- 17 TXism: "he'd complain if they hung him with ___"
- 18 bring back to the original condition
- 20 brawl or fracas
- 22 TXism: "plain as the top line on ___ eye chart"
- 23 TXism: "beer shed"
- 24 daughter of Gov. Hogg or wife of Gov. Smith
- 25 wildcat's home
- 26 this Borgnine was in "Abilene" with TX Rep Steagall
- 28 opinion survey: "The Texas ___"
- 31 TXism: "get ___ ducks in a row"
- 34 TXism: "the tail ___"
- 35 this Lin was cut from Cowboys in '93 (init.)
- 37 ex-director of "Miss TX": ___ Magness
- 40 mythical god of love
- 43 TXism: "call ___ day" (quit)
- 44 LBJ won in '37 with ghost town ___
- 50 old Harlingen home of CAF: ___ Field
- 51 TXism: "strike while the iron ___ hot"

Northwest Plains Pest Management News

By Monti Vandiver
Extension Agent-IPM,
Texas Cooperative Extension
Scattered showers have dropped .4 to 1.0+ inches of rain on some of the more fortunate areas the past few days. Daily high temperatures have ranged from the mid 90's to 103+ degrees this past week. In most years crop production in the Northwest Plains is most limited by moisture availability, 2004 appears to be no exception.

Corn is looking good and has been relatively insect pest free thus far. Weeds have broken through the herbicide barrier in some fields especially where a ripper diker was used to layby. This week irrigation requirements for corn were 134

inches to maintain static soil moisture levels. Corn has used 12+ inches of water to date. A few southwestern corn borer moths as well as an occasional whorl feeding fall armyworm have been spotted in area corn. Predators, (ladybugs, minute pirate bugs, & spiders) are abundant in most corn fields. Conservation of these natural enemies of insect pests will pay dividends in the future.

Overall we have a very good cotton crop started. The dryland, which is off to the best start in years, is in need of a good rain in the near future to sustain its current pace. While thrips pressure was higher than I have seen in recent years, most damage was limited by soil applied insecticides, seed treat-

ments, and foliar insecticide applications.

Fleahoppers have been found in some of the more mature cotton fields at very low levels. Adult fleahoppers are about 1/8 inch long and pale green. Nymphs resemble adults but lack wings and are almost translucent after egg hatch but turn a pale green color after feeding. They move very rapidly when disturbed. Several other insects can be confused with fleahoppers. Often tan leafhoppers are mistaken for adult fleahoppers when approaching plants to be inspected. Leafhoppers do not have flattened bodies and tend to "spring" off plants rather than fly away. This behavioral difference is important to avoid adding this insect

to your adult fleahopper counts. Nymphs sometimes can be confused with immature minute pirate bugs, big-eyed bugs, aphids, and Lygus to mention a few. But color, shape, behavioral patterns, etc. can be used to distinguish these from fleahoppers.

Adults move into cotton from weed hosts when cotton begins to square. Both adults and nymphs suck sap from the tender portion of the plant, including small squares. Pinhead size and smaller squares are most susceptible to damage. As plants increase in size and fruit load, larger fleahopper populations can be tolerated without yield reduction. In most years treatment is rarely justified after first bloom. The decision to ap-

ply insecticide should be based on the number of fleahoppers present, the squaring rate and the percent square set. During the first week of squaring, the economic threshold is 25 to 30 cotton fleahoppers per 100 terminals combined with less than 90 percent square set. In the second week of squaring, the economic threshold is 25 to 30 cotton fleahoppers per 100 terminals combined with less than 85 percent square set. Starting with the third week of squaring, up to the first bloom, the economic threshold is 25 to 30 cotton fleahoppers per 100 terminals combined with less than 75 percent square set. Don't give in to the temptation to make a "below threshold" insecticide application in an attempt to pro-

tect 100% of the squares. Insecticide applications cost money and can lead to potential secondary pest outbreaks resulting from the destruction of beneficial insects and spiders. Spiders are probably the most valuable predator of fleahoppers in cotton.

There are several labeled insecticides to choose from. Jim Leser's (Texas Cooperative Extension Cotton Entomologist) favorites include acephate (Orthene, Bracket, Address, etc.), imidacloprid (Provado, Trimax), Vydate and Centric. These are less toxic to applicators, softer on "beneficials" and less likely to cause secondary pest outbreaks. Pyrethroids have too many negatives to be used this early in the season.

Bovina Reflections

45 Yrs. Ago
June 24, 1959

A small but severe thunderstorm with fine hail, high winds and heavy rains roared out of the sky Saturday afternoon damaging crops and flooding highways.

40 Yrs. Ago
June 24, 1964

Mr. and Mrs. David Gazzway and son, Randy, of Hobbs, New Mexico visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherley Kesner, over the weekend. Also visiting were Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Kesner of Canyon.

35 Yrs. Ago
July 2, 1969

Ted L. Gragg, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Gragg, of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Vaughn, has been promoted to the rank of staff sergeant and received an award for suggesting a new method of preventing water damage to material in warehouse storage.

30 Yrs. Ago
July 3, 1974

Lee Barnes, a resident of Bovina for about 25 years, died Thursday morning of last week at Veteran's Hospital in Amarillo.

25 Yrs. Ago
July 4, 1979

Yields were outstanding as wheat and barley harvest came to a close. Wes Cockerham had the best barley crop with 112 bushels per acre and Lloyd Gober with 98 bushels per acre of wheat.

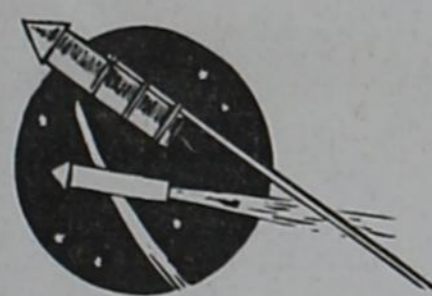
20 Yrs. Ago
July 4, 1984

Emmanuel Afunugo, new priest for St. Ann's Church in Bovina and St. Teresa's in Friona, was installed at St. Ann's Parish Hall in Bovina.

5 Yrs. Ago
June 25, 1999

Wheat harvest, stalled by recent rains, was getting into high gear in the Rhea community on Thursday, with expectations of one of the best dryland crops on record.

In the meantime, the area's main crop—cotton, has experienced some damage due to prolonged wet, cool weather.



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Stowers In Nat'l Dean's List

Christen Stowers, a Bovina high school and So. Plains College graduate, has been selected for honorary recognition by having her biography published in the 27th annual edition of The National Dean's List for 2003-04.

The award makes Christen eligible to compete for a \$1,000 scholarship from the \$50,000 to be awarded this year by The National Dean's List publication which recognizes gifted students selected by their deans, faculty members, or other educational organizations.

Christen, daughter of Roy Lee and Dorothy Stowers of Bovina, completed two years at South Plains and will enroll



CHRISTEN STOWERS

in Texas Tech in the fall. She plans to earn her degree in elementary education.

Bovina Council Approves \$1.7 Million Bond for Sewer Plant

At their regular meeting on June 10, the Bovina city council approved Certificates of Obligation for \$1.7 million to finance a new sewer system. While the estimated cost was \$1.5 million, the council added \$200,000 to serve as an emergency fund.

The bond issue is estimated to add at least \$15 per month to each user's water and sewer bill. The council was scheduled to visit the new Friona sewer system which was financed with \$3 million in bonds.

In other action, the council accepted a bid of \$194,000 from Triple L of Dumas for a new

city water well. It will be built on the east side of town and will tie into the water system near the cemetery.

A new fire truck has been ordered. The council agreed to pay a 10% matching fund to buy a brush truck. The Texas Forest Service is providing a grant of \$108,000 and Bovina will pay 10%, or \$10,800.

A discussion on paving 1st Street between Avenue B and Avenue G was held and the project was tabled. City manager Ernest Terry estimated the cost would be \$48,000. The city would pay one-third, or \$16,000 and the balance would be prorated to the property owners.

Happy Birthday Bovina

- June 27 thru July 3, 2004.
- June 27-Louise Hutchins, Briana Pollard
- June 28-Mike London
- June 30-Colletta Young
- July 1-Brandie Munoz
- July 2-Martha Schilling, Edna Woelfel, Christy Thatcher
- July 3-Shannon Wilburn, Liz Kessler

If you or someone in your family has a birthday coming up or see a name that should be removed (name change, death, move, etc.), please call the Friona Star office at 250-2211. Thank you.



DPS Roadcheck Nabs Truck Safety Violators

DPS troopers inspected 3,968 commercial vehicles during Roadcheck 2004, which ran from June 8 through 10. The inspections found that 1,171 of the vehicles and 157 of the drivers had serious enough safety violations to be removed from service.

DPS Commercial Vehicle Enforcement troopers, along with Highway Patrol troopers who have received specialized training in commercial vehicle inspection, stopped commercial vehicles to inspect safety equipment, as well as checking driver licenses and endorsements. Troopers also looked for possible drug or alcohol use.

The annual Roadcheck program, which stretches from Mexico to Canada, is designed to reduce commercial vehicle highway fatalities through increased vehicle safety. The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance, which sponsors Roadcheck, reports a significant decrease in the commercial vehicle crash rate in North America since the program's start in 1988.

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Kicking Up Tourism in Rural Texas

By Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs

Two billion dollars – that's how much tourists spend each year as they two-step across rural Texas, whether hunting for antiques, exotics or the best bed and breakfasts. In-state vacationers represent the greatest potential. Most are willing to drive between three to five hours to reach a rural destination for outdoor recreation, regional cuisine and small town shopping.

From the Panhandle to the Valley and from the Big Bend to the Coastal Plains, rural tourism kicks up retail sales, job growth and tax revenues. The Texas Department of Agriculture's Texas Yes! program is ready to assist each step of the way, helping rural communities promote tourism, connect with resources and ideas and celebrate successes.

To help arm rural communities with the tools they need to grab a share of that \$2 billion in tourist dollars, Texas Yes! is launching an exciting summer workshop series across the state in cooperation with the Office of the Governor, Economic Development and Tourism. The multi-tiered series is called Bootstrap Marketing: Kicking Up Tourism in Rural Texas and will begin on July 19 in Sulphur Springs. Other locations in July and August will include Bandera, Brenham, Kingsville, Snyder and Stephenville. Attendees will learn all the right moves with step-by-step instruction from nationally recognized experts and homegrown heroes.

Whether a beginner or an old pro, if your job or your passion is growing tourism in your community, we encourage

you to look into attending one of these workshops. You'll walk away with real tools and fresh ideas for rural tourism marketing.

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