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Skull w/Wings Tattoo Sought

An assault in Oklahoma Lane occurred Tuesday, July 6, at the David Sides residence.

One of the suspects is a Hispanic male with a tattoo of a skull with wings.

If you can help apprehend the two suspects please call Crime Stoppers at 800-774-8477.

See the assault story on page 4 for details of the crime.

Public Hearing Monday July 12

The City Council will hold a public hearing regarding the juvenile curfew ordinance on Monday, July 12, at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council room at Friona City Hall.

Cowboy Poetry Breakfast Jul 10

The Cowboy Poetry Breakfast will be Saturday morning, July 10, at the Big Texan, beginning at 8 a.m. Cowboy and cowgirl poets, tale tellers, singers and musicians will round robin for the audience's enjoyment. Visitors are invited to participate. This is the only monthly event of its kind in the country, organizers said.

Dedicated to preserving the cowboy heritage and culture of the southwest cattle country, poets relate real experiences, fantasies, tragic experiences and humorous ones, which are especially for the benefit of those who feel their family had a part in the development of this area. All are invited to attend these family-oriented programs. Reservations are needed for groups of 10 or more at 372-5000. Breakfasts are \$6.50, which includes the entertainment.

Maize Days Set For Sep 18-25

Plans are underway at the Friona Chamber of Commerce for the annual Maize Days celebration. In the works are riding lawnmower races, the gospel gathering, motorcycle poker run, and the farmer's market. Local organizations are urged to enter floats in the parade Saturday, September 25. Also, girls should plan to enter the Friona Little Miss and Miss Friona contests. Information on all Maize Days activities is available at the Chamber office, 250-3491.



Share Your Best Vacation Pictures

Summer means vacations, weekend getaways, travel, and picture opportunities.

The Friona Star staff invites you to bring in your favorite vacation or travel picture(s) with a description of who, what, and when. We will publish it in a subsequent issue.

We ask that you narrow your favorite pictures down to 5-6 and let us help decide which one(s) are suitable for printing. We will scan the pictures while you wait so you can take them back home with you.

If you take digital pictures, bring your camera disk in or email your favorite to frionastar@wrt.net. Be creative, have some fun, and share it all in the newspaper. Any questions, give us a call at 250-2211. We are closed Fridays but you can leave a message. Thanks and have a great summer.

ConAgra Feedyard Sold

A group of investors from Texas and Arizona has purchased the ConAgra Feedyard northwest of Friona. The operation has been renamed Tex Zona Custom Cattle Feeders.

The feedyard was built as West Plains Feedyard in 1967 and operated as West Plains through several ownerships. ConAgra Beef Company purchased the feedyard in 2000 after it sat empty for a couple of years.

The Tex Zona partners now own three feedyards: Friona, Seminole, and Smyer. The president and general manager over all three is Pat Halverson who will remain in Seminole; the manager of Tex Zona-Friona is Tommy Hefner, former ConAgra manager; and Friona native J. B. Richards has moved back to town from Seminole and will be the chief financial officer over all three yards.

The capacity of the ConAgra feedyard was around 100,000 head but the capacity plans of the new ownership had not been made known at press time.



THE NEW OWNERS were in town June 30 to close the sale of the former ConAgra Feedyard, now named Tex Zona Custom Cattle Feeders. Pictured, l-r, Tommy Hefner, Kenneth Eade, Marvin Roberts, Wes Eade, Rod Prewitt, J. B. Richards, Pat Carrigan, and Pat Halverson. Hefner is local manager and Richards is chief financial officer. See story.



DANNY BLACK

Reception Sunday To Honor Danny Black

By Jim Parker, Fisd Superintendent

After more than two hundred school board meetings, thousands of school activities, and more phone calls than he can count, Danny Black decided to find something else to do on the third Monday of each month. He recently completed 18 years of service to our school as a member of the Board of Trustees. Danny and Linda have been a part of the school family for many years, and if there was a school function scheduled, you could count on seeing them strolling down the halls visiting with staff, students, and school patrons.

It has been told that Danny showed up for the first board meeting, after his election, with a Big Chief tablet and a "big pencil", used by kids in first grade. Big Chief tablets and big pencils helped thousands of Friona kids get off to a good start in school, and reminds us that education is that wonderful relationship between a child and a teacher. The task for board members is to provide the opportunity for that interaction. Danny remained true to his beliefs and could always be counted on to support that which was best for the students

of Friona Schools. Eighteen years later, Danny still has his sense of humor and love for kids. I suspect he still has that old tablet and pencil stashed away somewhere.

There will be a public reception for Danny and Linda Black on Sunday, July 11, 2004, from 2 to 3 p.m. The reception will be held in the board meeting room at the Fisd Central Office.

Please come by and say thanks to Danny for his service to Friona Schools. The occasion will be informal.

Friona & Bovina 4th Celebrations Draw Crowds

Hamburgers, hot dogs, watermelon, and fireworks. High winds, blowing dirt, lightning, and intermittent rain. They were all a part of Parmer County's Fourth of July weekend celebrations.

Thursday's 4th on the 1st celebration in Friona saw a large crowd gather at Friona's City Park to relax and eat and get massages, buy tomatoes and catch up on gossip. Chamber of Commerce executive director Chris Alexander and a host of Chamber volunteers and board members organized the evening, capped off by a 20-minute fireworks display at Chieftain Field.

The Friona volunteer fire department was in charge of the fireworks, an impressive showing complete with synchronized patriotic music. The display was visible from the neighborhoods around the football field as people gathered in the stadium stands and on nearby residen-



CHRIS ALEXANDER

tial streets to watch.

The Friona Chamber's decision to hold the 4th on the 1st again this year proved to be prophetic as weather was a factor Sunday night.

The parade in Bovina was scheduled to begin Sunday evening at 6 p.m. About 10 minutes before it started, winds and blowing dust up to 40 miles-per-hour came through with rain splatters to go along with it. The parade continued anyway as the fast moving storm gave way to clear skies in about 30 minutes.

The Bovina volunteer department set up for free hamburgers and watermelon at the Bovina football field and planned a fireworks display at dark. The weather soon became a factor again. Black skies and lightning moved in around 9 p.m. sending spectators scattering for shelter as the rain began again.

A break in the clouds allowed the Bovina firemen to bring out the flatbed trailer full of fireworks about 9:30 p.m. and they commenced the show accompanied by more lightning and more rain. In spite of the weather, people stuck around and enjoyed the show.

Hats off to the Friona and Bovina Chambers of Commerce and the Volunteer Fire Departments who did a fine job of organizing all the events and entertaining the local townsfolk.



Friona fireworks photos by Dana Jameson.



OUT HERE

by Ron Carr

A 21-Gun Salute

Eternal rest grant them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.

The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier is a reverent place.

The Arlington National Cemetery draws millions of visitors every year. The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the Eternal Flame at John F. Kennedy's grave, and graves of Audie Murphy, Joe Louis, and many other notable Americans are popular tourist sites.

I have visited Arlington National Cemetery several times over the years. I lived in Washington, D. C. for most of 1987 and saw as many national monuments as I could. The towering Iwo Jima flag raising memorial, with the Washington Monument and the Capitol in the background is impressive even to

the most cynical of patriots. Seeing the rows and rows of white crosses is a humbling experience.

But the changing of the guards at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier is a must stop for tourists. A few months ago, a Friona State Bank senior citizen tour group included the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier on its itinerary.

We are in an election year, patriotic mode in this country right now. I came across some interesting information, passed along by a friend, about the young soldiers that carry on the tradition at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. It is impressive.

During his walk across the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the guard takes 21 steps which signifies a 21-gun salute, the

highest honor given any military or foreign dignitary.

Before he executes an about face for the return walk, the soldier hesitates for 21 seconds for the same reason. The guard's gloves are moistened to keep him from losing his grip on his rifle.

He carries the rifle on the outside shoulder away from the tomb. Guards are changed every 30 minutes, twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year. There are certain requirements for a soldier to become a guard. It sounds to me like a young man must have a special commitment to be a part of this elite unit.

First of all, a guard candidate must be between 5'10" and 6'2". Here is the part that would eliminate all of us—a guard's waist size cannot exceed 30".

They are required to commit to two years on guard duty. Guards live in a barracks underneath the tomb. This next part is what gave me pause—they cannot drink any alcohol, on or off duty, for the rest of their lives. They cannot swear in public for the rest of their lives and cannot disgrace the uniform or the tomb in any way.

A lot of this information came off a Yahoo website so I assume it is accurate but my disclaimer is I did not check it out for accuracy. See, I am not sure that the U.S. Army can require any soldier to not do certain things for the rest of their lives. It says they cannot swear in public so I guess they could maybe cuss a little in private?

After two years, the guard is given a wreath pin that is worn on their lapel signifying they served as tomb guards. There are only 400 presently worn. If the guard does not obey the above rules about drinking, cussing, etc., for the rest of their lives they have to give up the lapel pin.

The shoes the guards wear have very thick soles to keep the cold and heat off the feet. The shoes have metal heel plates to the top of the shoe to make the loud click as they come to a halt.

No wrinkles, folds, or lint is allowed on the uniforms. Guards dress in front of a full length mirror and for the first six months of guard duty a guard cannot talk to anyone or watch TV. Each guard spends five hours a day getting his uniform ready for guard duty. Off duty time is spent studying the 175 notable people laid to rest at Arlington National Cemetery. Guards must memorize who they are and where they are buried.

This same website reported that during Hurricane Isabella that recently struck the nation's capitol, the House and Senate took two days off because of the storm. The military guards at the Tomb of the Unknown soldier were given permission to suspend the assignment until the storm blew past. They said, "No way, Sir." They marched in the pelting rain.

The tomb has been patrolled continuously since 1930. I would be interested in interviewing anyone that has served this guard duty. Maybe you have a friend of a friend or a family member or someone you know that has been a guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. If so, I would really enjoy talking with them. Give them my email, frionastar@wtrt.net, or call me at 250-2211.

God bless each and every person who serves in or has served in the U. S. Military in any capacity. Thank you!



CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR

KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON



A Sovereign Iraq

From the moment the first bomb dropped in Baghdad last March marking the launch of Operation Iraqi Freedom, our nation's dialogue has centered on seeing the mission through to a successful end. Since declaring a date for the official transfer of power, American and Iraqi diplomatic and military leaders have been preparing the nation for the June 30th handover.

Late Night Surprise

However, on June 28, we awoke to the news that sovereignty had traded hands during the night – two days ahead of schedule and under a cloak of secrecy. The early transfer was an inspired step and a testament to how far the budding government has come under the newly minted leadership of President Ghazi Al-Yawer and Prime Minister Ayad Allawi.

Officials cited security concerns and the threat of attacks by insurgents as the principal reason for the change and, in addition, the new Iraqi government said they were ready to take the reins of their nation's future. Iraqis had already been in control of all ministries, from defense to electricity, and this official transfer was the final symbolic act, dissolving the Coalition Provisional Authority and solidifying Iraqi control. The swiftness and ease with which the handover took place was an early, hopeful sign that the interim government was prepared to run the country.

The U.S. goal in Iraq was never one of occupation. The goal was the removal of Saddam Hussein and the threat he posed to the U.S. and the entire free world. Within hours of the departure of Iraq's acting administrator, Paul Bremer, the new U.S. Ambassador to Iraq, John Negroponte, landed in Baghdad and took his seat as our nation's envoy to the fledgling Republic.

A New Beginning

In a *Washington Post* column that ran hours before the handover, Prime Minister Ayad Allawi clearly captured the vision for the nation's future when he wrote, "We want a free, democratic Iraq that will be a source of peace and stability for the region and the whole world." Yet within that same breath of optimism, he also recognized the enormity of the task that lies ahead. "The challenges are great, and the stakes are high, both for Iraq and the world. We must not underestimate the magnitude of the task that lies ahead. Despite the hardships, we Iraqis are determined to work together and assume responsibility for our country. ... With these efforts, God willing, Iraq will take its rightful place among the free and prosperous nations of the world."

To move forward with these goals the interim government has outlined the following goals:

1. Establish security
2. Address the dire economic situation
3. Develop a strong and independent judicial system
4. Accelerate the nation's political process and march toward democracy

These four goals will not be met overnight and they won't occur without international support. U.S. troops will remain in Iraq in an effort to achieve the first goal and assure the remaining can take root. It is our hope that other nations who have stood on the sidelines will see the progress in Iraq and step up to the plate. We did receive welcome news that the North American Treaty Organization (NATO) has agreed to help train Iraq's security forces, but it is also time for NATO to send troops to support the critical mission of stopping the terrorists.

It is clear that we have more work to do, most notably to stamp out the treacherous attacks against innocent Iraqis and U.S. soldiers. But, with this important transfer of power, we are closer to establishing a fully democratic Iraq and sending an unequivocal message to the terrorists that their tactics will fail and their time is up.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Ron,

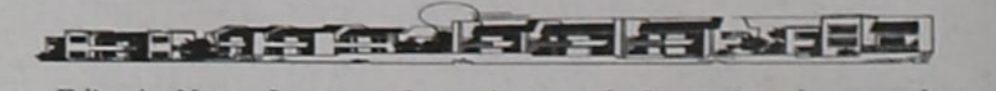
Just a few scattered thoughts as I read this week's paper. First, I thoroughly enjoyed the July 1st celebration. I hadn't really planned to go to the stadium because I thought I could watch the fireworks from some place else. The grandkids wanted to go where they could really see, so, of course, I took them; I was surely glad I did. It was such fun to watch the brilliant display with a stadium full of community folks. We loved the music too! As far as we could tell everyone was polite, respectful and courteous in the stands and parking lot. Way to go chamber and thank you businesses!

My other thoughts are related to your "Out Here" column. I agree Friona and Bovina don't have the infrastructure to attract new businesses and being close to Clovis and Hereford, not to mention Amarillo, are probably pluses when people are looking for a place to live. I also know that good rental property is tough to find. However, I think that we should always shop at our local businesses first. I found out a long time ago that I can't afford to "save money" by shopping Sam's or even Wal-Mart because I'm tempted to buy stuff I don't really need. And those businesses don't pay for our local schools or contribute regularly to local charities. Do I like to go out of town to eat and shop occasionally? You bet, but I sure try to support Ingrams, BiWize, Lowes, Dollar General and others, when I can, because I don't want to have to go out of town to get necessary items. By the way, I have bought pillows and sheets at two of the above mentioned businesses.

One other thing. Did you know that the Star's email address is frionastar instead of frionastar in the information box?

(I guess that's what people do after they retire—read the small print.) Keep up the good work!

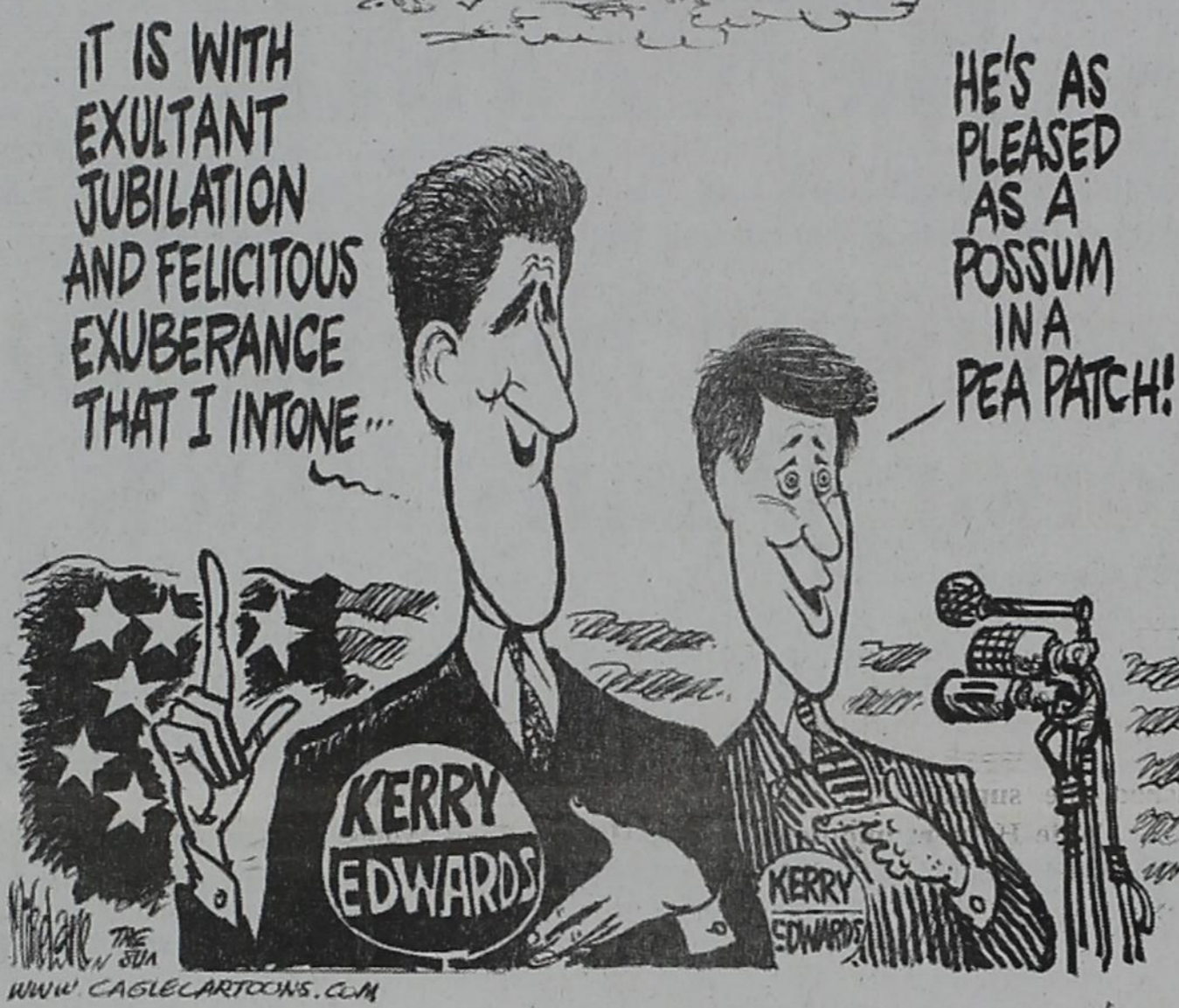
Sharon White



Editor's Note: In my column last week I mentioned, somewhat tongue-in-cheek, that I couldn't find sheets and pillows in Friona. While that was not the main theme of the column, it did not take long for several local ladies to straighten me out. You can indeed buy sheets and pillows here they said, at Dollar General and Ingrams. I could plead ignorance because I am a bachelor and not a very good shopper but I won't. Sylvia Ingrams has operated her Ingrams' Department Store on Main Street in Friona for 15 years. It is a class store and she has a loyal following. She is also a consistent supporter of local school and community events. I should have checked with her before I wrote but I didn't and I apologize, to Sylvia and Friona.

Not only does Ingrams' have sheets and pillows, she has towels and bathroom accessories, men's clothing, candles, decorative accessories, kids and women's clothing and a lot of other merchandise. As I said in my column, we have some solid businesses here. Ingrams' is one of them. Right now Ingrams' sheets are on sale for 1/2 price. I think you should go by and check it out while I lick my wounds. rc

SOUTHERN TRANSLATION



Kerry's VP: Pessimism with a Southern Drawl

(News Release From the Republican Party of Texas)

Mega-wealthy personal injury trial lawyer and failed presidential candidate John Edwards "Pick Me for VP Tour" has paid off as Kerry campaign today announced him as their VP choice.

Democrats must be assuming that Edwards southern drawl will help with Southern voters. They will find, however, that the liberal Kerry-Edwards ticket is out of touch with the vast majority of Americans. In fact, the respected *National Journal* ranked John Kerry as the most liberal senator with John Edwards a close runner-up as the fourth most liberal senator. (Richard E. Cohen, "How They

Measured Up," *National Journal*, 1/28/04)

"The only thing separating John Edwards from John Kerry is their accents," said Chairman Benkiser. "When it comes to voting records, the Kerry-Edwards ticket is out of touch with Texans on issues such as limited government, personal responsibility, tort reform, taxes, partial birth abortion, education and national security.

"With a southern drawl and a smile, John Edwards delivers the Democrat message of pessimism in trial lawyer doublespeak. Their negative message rings hollow in America where President Bush's leadership is helping us meet the tests of our times at home and abroad with strength, hope, and positive results" Chairman Benkiser added.



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Around Town

Scrambles begin at Friona Country Club

Each Thursday throughout the summer the Friona Country Club will be hosting golf scrambles. The scrambles are open to all of the community. Call 250-3125 by 5:30 p.m. to join in the fun. Games start at 6 p.m. Come on out and enjoy the fun.

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.

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.

Community Youth Rally July 13-16

First Baptist Church will host a community youth rally for ages 7th through 12th grades on July 13 thru 16 from 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall. They will be building Christian character through scripture based activities. Music and entertainment will be provided. Come and bring your friends.

Breast Cancer Screening July 19

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Parmer County Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Avenue, in Friona on July 19, 2004.

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.

Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

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

King's Manor Barbecue Set

The King's Manor Founders Association will have their annual barbecue Saturday, July 17 at the H.I.S.D. Administration Building, 601 N. 25 Mile Avenue, in Hereford, Texas. This year they will have barbecue flat rounds, German sausage, potato salad, and all the trimmings. Serving begins at 6 p.m. Special entertainment will feature a concert by R.W. Hampton, well-known western musi-

cian. There will also be a live auction.

All the funds raised from this event go to the Benevolence Fund, which assists those Residents in need. Tickets for the event are \$20 each. "With your help, the Manor can continue to provide the services and care our Residents deserve and expect to receive," said Amy Carlson, Founders Association President.

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.

Cowboy Fellowship Scheduled

A Cowboy Fellowship is scheduled for July 20 at 7 p.m. at Hub. The community is invited to come and enjoy the fellowship.

St. Ann's 10th Annual Jamaica July 25

St. Ann's will host the 10th annual Jamaica in Bovina on July 25. The church will be selling raffle tickets for \$3 each or 2 for \$5. The grand prize will be \$1,000, second prize is a 36" JVC TV D-Series, third prize is a \$500 Lowes Hardware Gift Card, fourth prize is a portable DVD player with accessories and a \$50 Wal-Mart Gift Card, fifth prize is \$100 cash, sixth and seventh prize is a \$50 Wal-Mart Gift Card. Come on out and enjoy Jamaica.

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.

St. Teresa's Annual Jamaica Aug 1

St. Teresa's annual jamaica is scheduled for Sunday, August 1, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. (or until the food is gone), in Friona.

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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YOUR EYES Night Blindness

Is your vision more blurry at night than during the day? For most people, it is. Sometimes, this may simply mean you need to get your glasses or contact lenses updated.

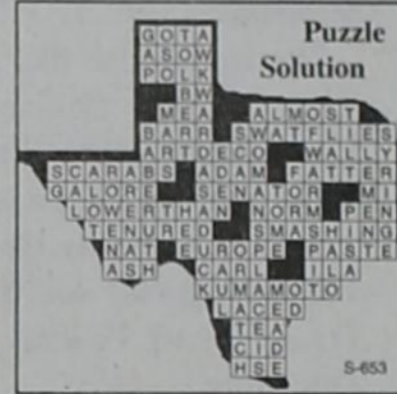
The reason your vision is generally worse at night has to do with a very simple optical principle called "depth of focus." Simply put, your pupil, the black space in the center of your iris, gets larger in dim light. It does this in order to maintain enough light to see. When the pupil gets larger, however, a large amount of light enters your eye at a "steep" angle and has a greater tendency to blur when it finally reaches the back of the eye. In bright light, your pupil becomes smaller, allowing light to enter the eye through a smaller space with less tendency to "bend" and become blurry.

Certain eye diseases may also result in so-called "night blindness." A thorough evaluation by an optometrist is recommended to check for these conditions.

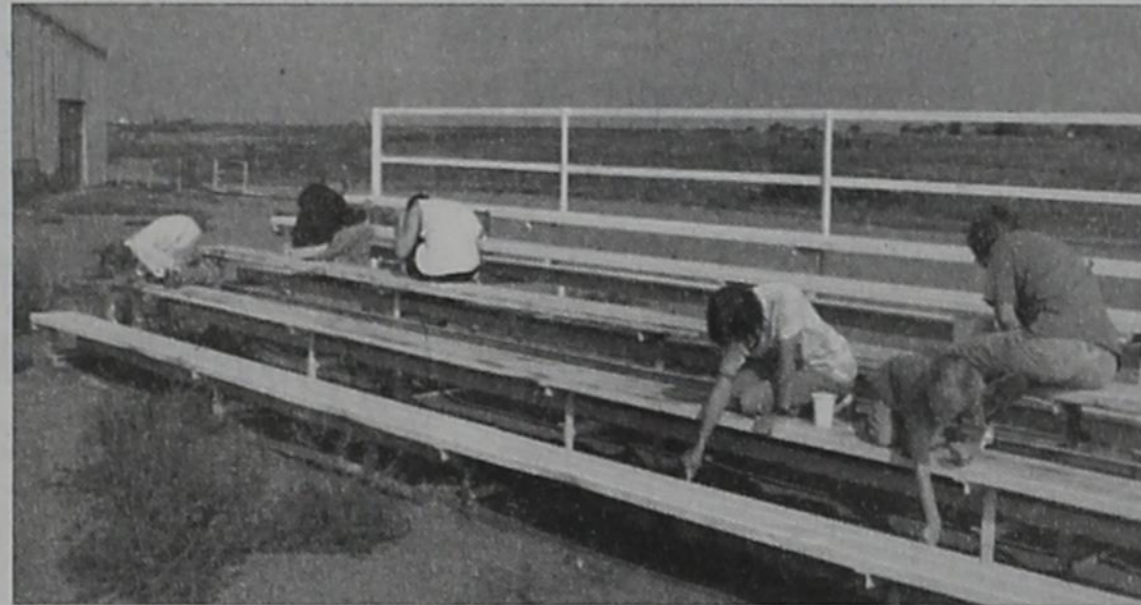
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Scouts Paint Stock Show Bleachers



A group of Boy Scouts from Troop 56 and a couple of volunteers undertook a community service project for the Stock Show board this week. The kids and parents sanded, primed, and painted the bleachers at the Community Center that are used at the annual stock show.

The stock show board furnished the supplies and the Boy Scouts furnished the muscle. The group included, front, l-r, Erin Wales and Callie Hefner; middle, l-r, Jake Hefner, Tara Wales, Sam Wales, Clayton Sides, and Jill Hefner; top, l-r, Ethan Wales and Jordan Kelley.

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Armed Assault Tues. At Okla. Lane Home

A serious crime took place this week and the Parmer County Sheriff's Department needs help from the community.

Tuesday, July 6, at about 12:30 p.m., David Sides arrived at his residence on County Road Y in the Oklahoma Lane area to find a small white car in his driveway. When Sides approached the vehicle, one of the occupants, a Hispanic male, pulled a handgun and ordered

him inside the house allegedly to look for valuables.

A few minutes later, Sides' wife came home and as she opened the kitchen door he warned her to run. As she was pulling out of the driveway, the suspect fired a shotgun, striking her car but she managed to escape. The shotgun belonged to Sides. During this distraction, Sides fled out the back of the residence and ran.

The suspect then stole Sides' Dodge pickup and drove away, followed by the small white car driven by a Hispanic female companion. Sides called 911 and a two-hour search by Sheriff's deputies, DPS Troopers, and police from Farwell and Bovina ensued. Sheriff Geries discovered the abandoned pickup, with a flat tire, on a county road southeast of Farwell about 3 p.m. There was no sign of the two suspects.

Geries has asked anyone with any information about the two suspects to please call the Sheriff's Department or Crime Stoppers.

The male suspect is Hispanic, 5'5" with a burr haircut and tattoos on his upper arms, one of which is a skull with wings. The female suspect is described only as Hispanic, approx. 5'2", medium build with brown hair. Both suspects are said to be in their mid-20s.

Geries has asked anyone with any information about the assault and the two suspects to please call the Sheriff's Department at 295-3303 or Crime Stoppers. If you have any information please contact Crime Stoppers at 800-774-TIPS (8477). All calls are totally confidential.

Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from June 24 to June 30, 2004.

Gary G. Snead and Laura K. Snead - Patrick Schwab and Patricia Schwab, 2.778 AC SW/PT S7 T5S R4E.

Eddie C. Meil Trust and Patsy D. Meil Trust - Howard Fleming and Patricia Fleming, 7.328 NE/PT S13 T3S R3E.

Dennis W. Schilling and Shelly R. Schilling - Richard Schilling and Sonya Schilling, 300 AC SURVEY 26 T1N R4E.

Jose Vitolas and Bertha Vitolas - Antonio Ramirez, L9-11 B3 GARDNER BOVINA.

Sergio A. Antillon and Graciela O. Antillon - Job James Lara and Frania Susana Lara, L6-10 B77 BOVINA.

Efren Arzate and Luz Maria Arzate - Chuck B. Mills and Esmeralda C. Rodriguez, L9 B1 HILLSIDE.

Richard G. Stag Sr. and Carolyn R. Stag - Ricky Paul Armstrong and Alma A. Armstrong, L23-25 B35 FARWELL.

Sheriff's Report

July 2, Jimmie Heard, 69, of Bovina, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with DWI, pending County Court.

July 2, James Woodfin, 41, of Amarillo, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with DWI and driving with a suspended license, pending County Court.

July 3, Angel Garcia, 20, of Farwell, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with possession of marijuana-less than 2 ounces, pending County Court.

July 4, Jonathan Cunningham, 27, of Farwell, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with possession of a controlled substance, pending Grand Jury.

July 4, Jorge Ramirez, 20, of Muleshoe, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with DWI-2nd, pending County Court.

July 4, Adrian Estrada, 20, of Texico, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with DWI, pending County Court.

July 5, Pablo Ramirez, 29, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with tampering with a government record, pending Grand Jury.

July 5, Jose Moralez, 23, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with tampering with a government record, pending Grand Jury.

To the People of Friona From Richard & Jose Samarron

Thanks to everyone that helped sell or bought raffle tickets. Thanks also to all persons that bought hamburgers and hot dogs at the park.

We have a lot of great people that live in this community. At the park on the 1st we were by the Noon Lions Club and they offered to help cook our patties for us to help us out. We sold out twice and John & Jo Blackwell found us another box of hamburger patties so we could keep on selling burgers.

We would also like to thank all of our sponsors: Tasty Cream, Dollar General, Bengel Airport, Lee's Barber Shop, Property Associates, Hereford Meat Market, Leander Davila, Friona Auto & Truck, Mrs. Danny Black, Friona Fire Department, Baker Duggins, Ron Smiley, Mark's Truck Repair, Friona Texas Federal Credit Union, and B-Wize Drugstore.

We thank Excel and Ricky White for donating the box of meat for our raffle. The winner was Lance Gatlin. Thanks to all of you for your support.

With the Lord's help we are going to do great at the World Cup. We raised a little over \$2,000 with sponsors, raffle tickets and our food on the 1st.

Thank you Friona. You will be represented well at the World Cup. Texas will also be well represented.

The Samarron Brothers

Blood Center Golf Tourney August 23

Coffee Memorial Blood Center will host its Sixth Annual Golf Tournament Monday, August 23, at La Paloma Golf Club. The cost is \$280 per foursome and includes dinner, catered by La Paloma.

The tournament begins with a 1:30 p.m. shotgun start. Player registration deadline is August 16. Major tournament sponsors include Amarillo National Bank, Saturn of Amarillo, Bell Helicopter Textron and HRH of Amarillo. Numerous area merchants have generously donated door prizes.

Sponsorship levels range from \$75 Driving Range sponsorships to \$200 Green sponsorships. Proceeds will go into a building fund for future CMBC expansion.

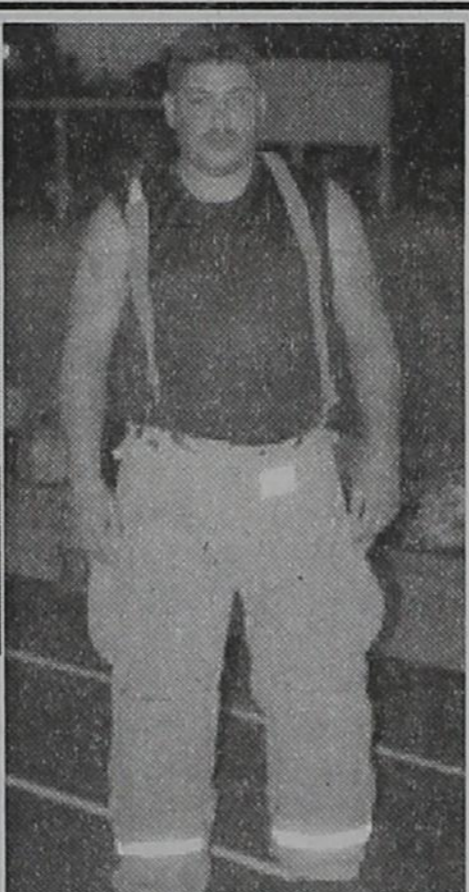
Coffee Memorial Blood Center is the sole supplier of blood and blood components for 25 counties in the Texas Panhandle, as

well as a portion of the Oklahoma Panhandle. As a non-profit, community blood center, CMBC saves lives and enhances the quality of life for more than 15,000 patients annually.

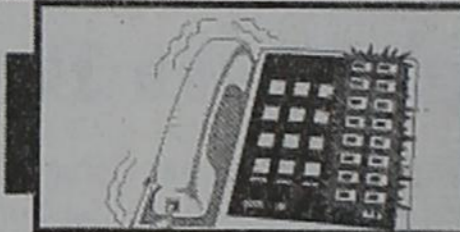
For more information about the upcoming tournament, contact Judy Neill, CMBC Development Director, at 358-4563.



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MARY DALTON CRUMP

My Life Story

by Mary Dalton Crump

Every month, a resident of Prairie Acres Nursing Home or Friona Heritage Estates, writes a story about his/her life's history for the home's newsletter, "The Prairie Times", for printing in this issue. This month we feature Mary Dalton Crump.

I was raised in Paducah, Cottle County, Texas in the middle of ranching country, but I did not come from a ranching family. My family owned a music store on the "square" and every Saturday night the cowboys would come into town, hungry for entertainment. They would gather at the music store, so, although I did not live on a ranch, I knew every cowboy for miles around. In the fall, the busy time of the year, our store would stay open until midnight on Saturday nights. We lived in the back of the store, and on many nights I went to sleep listening to, Little Joe the Wrangler and Strawberry Roan.

I started to write poetry when I was a teen, I didn't do anything with it till about 1990. I have published two books of western poetry. Electric Fence and High Lonesome and sold out every time I had them printed.

My husband died in 1988. I have a daughter, Patti Arrington, who lives in Colorado. It's a long way off but she comes as often as she can. I retired as office manager of Hi-Pro Feeds in 1985 and I moved to Heritage Estates in 2003.

I used to make trips to Amarillo as often as I could to perform at the Cowboy Poet's Breakfasts. I belong to The Southwest Cowboy Poet's Association of Amarillo, The Poetry Society of Texas, the Methodist Church and GOD. But, not necessarily in that order.

I have won many awards, monies and otherwise, to date. The most recent included three first places: First for the Poetry Society of Texas monthly, General category; TPST monthly contest for humor, Laugh Lines; and first for the Parker County Laureates Contest, a branch of TPST.



MR. & MRS. JOHN HAND (1944)



MR. & MRS. JOHN HAND (2004)

John & Billie Jo Hand Celebrate 60 Year Anniversary

John and Billie Jo Hand were honored with a surprise anniversary celebration luncheon at "County Line Restaurant" in Lubbock. Those attending were Gary and Gail Hand, Rex Hand of Thackerville, Oklahoma, Cari and Mark Dennis of Southlake, Texas, Tamara and Lance Outland of Abilene, Trista, Taylor, Graci, and Cason Stallings of Rockwall, Texas, Boone and Amy Hand of Lubbock, Tania Hand of Lubbock, and Chase Hamilton of

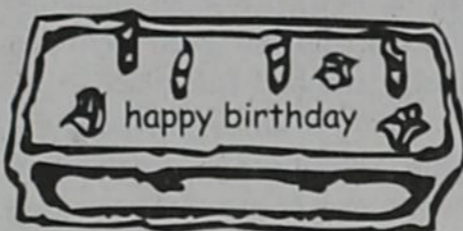
Southlake.

The Hand's married on June 3, 1944 in Hereford, Texas. After marrying they lived in the Lakeview community and farmed for 7 years. In 1951 they built their home at Hub which they still reside in today. Their family of 60 years includes three children, six grandchildren, and three great grandchildren and one on the way.

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- Hannah Overstreet - July 3
- Pernie Free - July 6
- Bill Stephens - July 6
- Chris Drager - July 15
- Julia Fairchild - July 17



Employees

- Carol Jackson - July 2
- Elizabeth Williams - July 4
- Monica Pina - July 14
- Marivel Larrea - July 19
- Maggie Torres - July 22
- Patsy Widner - July 23
- Toni Ramirez - July 24
- Kaye Funk - July 31



"MATURE LADIES HAVE HATTITUDE" Anne Spring, front center, was feted with a 77th birthday party by the "Red Hat" ladies at the home of Carol Ellis. Back row, l-r, Claire Blanco, Martha Hamilton, Nola Faye Vestal, Hannah Lookingbill & Nancy Edelman; front row, l-r, Lilah Gaye Gee, Anne, Carol Ellis & Gigi Spring.

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IN THE JULY SPOTLIGHT at Prairie Acres are Employee of the Month Leticia Salas & Resident of the Month Erma Stowers.

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AVISO

El Condado de Parmer SSA esta dando aviso que tiene intención de destruir archivos con documentos de estudiantes que recibieron servicios de educación especial durante el año escolar 1996-97. Los únicos documentos que van a ser destruidos son los que están en las oficinas del Condado de Parmer SSA localizadas en 909 East 11th en Friona, Texas. Los archivos descritos incluyen a estudiantes recibiendo servicios de educación especial en los siguientes distritos escolares: Bovina ISD, Farwell ISD, Friona ISD, y Lazbuddie ISD. Padres legales/tutores/guardianes o estudiantes adultos con incapacidades pueden pedir copias de sus documentos escribiendo o contactando a Sue Wells, Directora de Educación Especial en el Condado de Parmer SSA. Oficina localizada en 909 East 11th Friona, Texas 79035. Número de Teléfono (806) 250-3315. Por favor contáctese antes del 30 de Julio del 2004. POR FAVOR RECUERDE QUE ESTO DOCUMENTOS PUEDEN SER NECESARIOS PARA EL SEGURO SOCIAL.

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2004 National Cornbread Cook-Off Winners

The Crescent City Skillet took the top prize in this year's National Cornbread Cook-Off, sponsored by Martha White and Lodge Cast Iron, and held in conjunction with the National Cornbread Festival.

Valerie Holt, a fourth grade teacher from Cartersville, Georgia, developed her winning recipe with inspiration from New Orleans and Cajun cooking. Spicy sausage and shrimp are combined in a rich creamy cheese sauce, made by simply stirring together broth, cream and two cheeses. The cornbread topping, made with Martha White Cornbread Creations cornbread mix, cooks up soft and moist on the inside with a crisp golden brown crust.

Holt's original recipe earned her the top prize of \$4000 cash and a FiveStar stainless steel range from Brown Stove Works of Cleveland, Tennessee. She was crowned with a specially designed cast iron tiara during the award ceremonies.

"I am so pleased with this year's winning recipes," said Linda Carman, Martha White spokesperson. "They are all imaginative and taste great, but are not too complicated to prepare. In fact, all the recipes are made with convenient Martha White cornbread mixes and

other timesaving ingredients."

Entrants were asked to submit original main dish recipes prepared with Martha White corn meal or cornbread mix and cooked in Lodge Cast Iron cookware. Cheered on by festivalgoers, ten finalists cooked their original recipes under a big tent on FiveStar gas ranges. A panel of food experts judged the prepared dishes and selected the winners.

Leah Lyon, an elementary school computer teacher from Ada, Oklahoma, won second place and a \$500 cash prize for her Pesto Cornbread with Chicken and Sun-Dried Tomato Streusel. Leah used some short-cut ingredients, like a cornbread mix and prepared pesto, to create a unique recipe that is easy to make. Seasoned with basil pesto, olive oil, marinated sun-dried tomatoes, Parmesan and Mozzarella cheeses, the flavors in this dish are distinctly Mediterranean and definitely delicious.

This year's third place prize and \$300 was awarded to Ashley Brock for her Sausage Gravy Breakfast Skillet. Perfect for a weekend brunch, her recipe is a comforting combination of hot sausage, gravy mix, and boiled eggs baked under a moist cornbread topping. Ashley, 19,

of New Albany, Ohio, has the distinction of being the youngest finalist to participate in the National Cornbread Cook-Off.

She is a computer science/engineering major at Ohio State University.

The Crescent City Skillet

1st Prize Winner
Valerie Holt, Cartersville, Ga.

- 1 teaspoon vegetable oil
- 8 ounces hot bulk sausage
- 1 cup chopped sweet onion
- 1/2 cup chicken broth
- 1 cup whipping cream
- 1/2 teaspoon minced garlic
- 2/3 cup shredded monterey jack cheese
- 1/4 cup shredded Parmesan cheese
- 15 medium uncooked shrimp shelled, deveined and tails removed
- 1 (6.5-oz.) pkg. Martha White Cornbread Creations Extra Rich Buttermilk Cornbread Mix
- 2/3 cup milk
- Sour cream, chopped and seeded plum tomatoes and/or chopped parsley

Heat oven to 425 F. Place oil, sausage and onion in a 10-inch Lodge cast iron skillet. Cook over medium heat for 5 to 7 minutes, or until sausage is no longer pink. Drain meat and onion mixture on paper towel and return to skillet. Do NOT wipe skillet clean. Add broth, cream, garlic and both cheeses and lower the heat to medium low. Do not allow mixture to boil. Stir until cheese is melted and add shrimp evenly over meat and cheese mixture.

In small mixing bowl, combine cornbread mix and milk. Stir until smooth. Pour evenly over mixture in pan. Crust will rise to the top as it bakes.

Bake at 425 F for 18 to 20 minutes or until cornbread is light golden brown. If desired, serve with sour cream, tomatoes or parsley.

Yield: 6 servings

Pesto Cornbread with Chicken & Sun-Dried Tomato Streusel

2nd Prize Winner
Leah Lyon, Ada, Oklahoma

- 1 (6.5-OZ.) pkg. Martha White Yellow Cornbread Mix
- 1 egg, beaten
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/2 cup purchased pesto sauce
- 1 1/2 cups chopped grilled chicken
- 1 cup marinated sun-dried tomatoes, finely chopped
- 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 cup mozzarella cheese
- 2 tablespoons chopped basil

Heat oven to 425 F. In large bowl, combine cornbread mix, egg, milk and pesto sauce. In separate large bowl, combine chicken, tomatoes and Parmesan cheese.

Heat oil in 10-inch Lodge cast iron skillet in oven for 8 to 10 minutes. Pour cornbread batter into hot skillet. Immediately spoon chicken mixture evenly on top of cornbread batter.

Bake at 425 F for 15 to 20 minutes, until golden brown. Sprinkle with mozzarella cheese and basil and return to oven 2 to 3 minutes, or until cheese is melted.

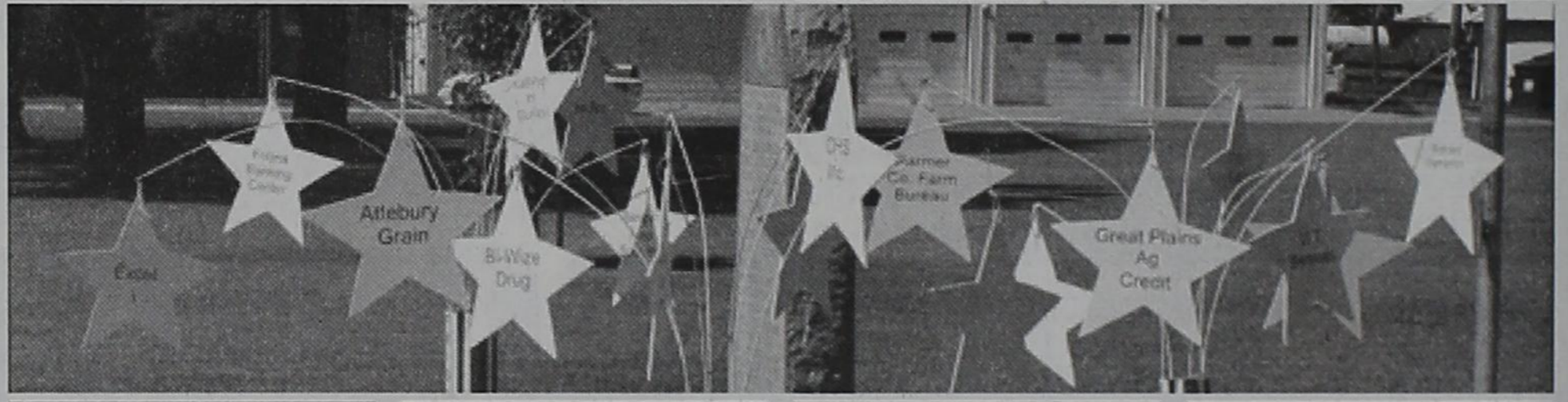
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Foster/Adoptive Parent Info Mtg

When abuse and neglect occurs, and children are no longer able to safely remain in their own homes, we are fortunate enough to have individuals willing to provide care and support to them in licensed foster homes. Foster care provides a temporary safe haven for children as Child Protective Services (CPS) caseworkers and foster parents work toward uniting children with their families. These children, through no fault of their own, were placed in abusive or neglectful situations by their biological parents. In some situa-

tions, they are not able to return home and deserve a chance for a new life with adoptive parents who can teach them that family can be a safe place.

There is an urgent need for more families to open their hearts and homes by becoming foster and adoptive parents. To learn more about fostering and adoption, attend an informational meeting the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. Meetings are held at the CPS office located at 6200 I-40 West, in Amarillo. The next meeting is Tuesday, July 13, at 7 p.m.



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TO: Jimmy Gonzales, 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 23rd day of August, 2004 before the Honorable Judge Valton Howard, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas at Friona, 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 May 10, 2004, in this case numbered 502 on the docket of said court, and styled,
Parmer County Community Hospital VS Jimmy Gonzales
The nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:
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Issued and given under my hand and seal of the said court, at my office in Friona, Parmer County, Texas, on July 6, 2004
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TO: George Tijerina, 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 517 on the docket of said court, and styled,
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TO: Stanley L. Yeakey, 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 530 on the docket of said court, and styled,
Parmer County Community Hospital VS Stanley L. Yeakey
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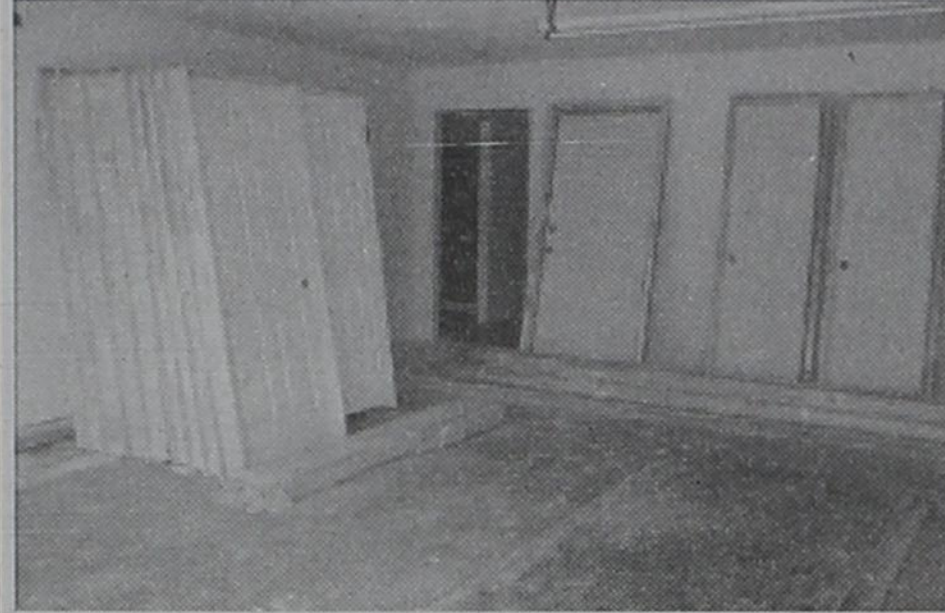
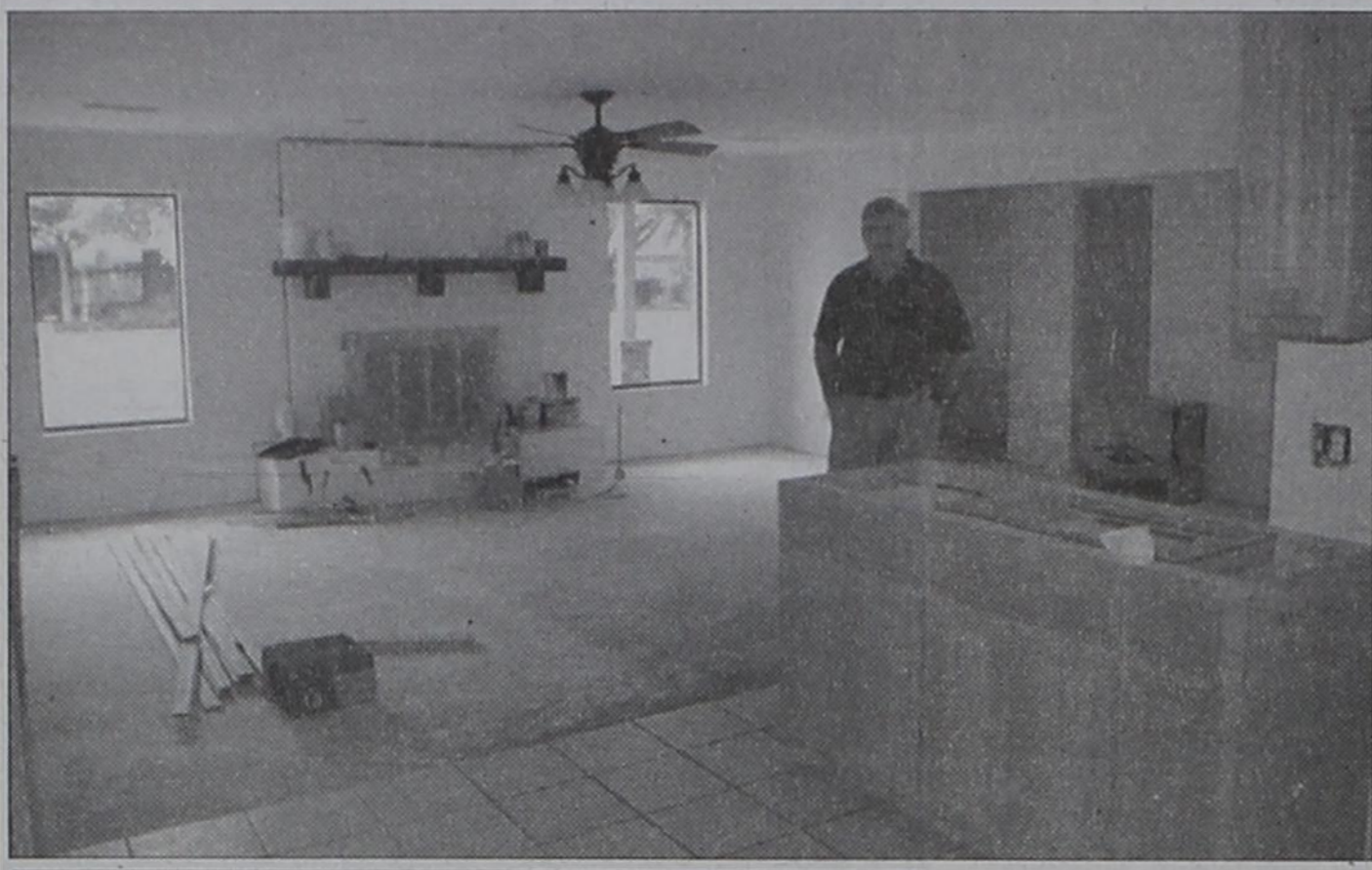

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 The public hearing will be held on Thursday, July 15, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. at the Parmer County Appraisal District Office Boardroom, 305 3rd Street, Bovina, Texas.
 A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:
 The total amount of the proposed budget is \$223,780.00.
 The total amount of increase over the current year's budget is \$319.00.
 The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget will be 4.
 The number of employees compensated under the current budget is 4.
 The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the taxing units served by the appraisal district.
 If approved by the Parmer County Appraisal District Board of Directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities, and towns served by the appraisal district.
 A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection at the Parmer County Appraisal District Office.
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Baptist Parsonage



UPDATE: Rev. Mark Stovall is shown in the newly painted living area of the First Baptist Church parsonage and doors are stacked in the garage. Renovation is nearing completion and the family hopes to move back home in a couple of weeks. ron carr photos

Stovalls Almost Back Home

Four months later, Rev. Mark Stovall, wife Debbie, and daughter Hannah are about ready to move back into the church parsonage. The house was completely gutted after the March hostage crisis damage done by tear gas and gunshots.

All the sheetrock, cabinets, bathroom fixtures, and ducts had to be removed and replaced. The new sheetrock is up and church member volunteers have done most of the inside carpentry and painting work. New wider doors will be installed and a few other minor remodelings were done.

Now the Stovalls are waiting on trim molding to be completed, cabinet top tile to be laid, which Rev. Stovall plans to do himself, reinstalling the hot water heater and carpet.

New doors are stacked in the garage ready for hanging. Rev. Stovall says the family hopes to be moved back in the residence sometime during the week of July 19.

The Church Mutual Insurance Company has paid some toward the damage but Rev. Stovall said the City of Friona and Parmer County insurance carriers were close to agreeing to a settlement. By using church members volunteer labor, he said the total cost will end up being about 60% of the original estimate.

On the personal side, he said that he had not drank coffee out of his favorite cup in four months and looked forward to getting all their personal belongings back home from the cleaning and storage company in Amarillo.

Being Honest And Telling The Truth

by Rev. T. Leon Talley

Have you ever been embarrassed because you were caught in a lie and being dishonest?

A man by the name of Lawrence Barr tells of an incident that actually happened in a small grocery store, years ago, in the small town of Sheridan, Arkansas. A lady was having company and she went to the grocery store to purchase food.

She told the butcher she needed a "large chicken" because she was having a lot of

visitors. He pushed his hand down in the bin of ice where the chickens were kept and came up with a chicken. When he put it on the scale she stretched to see the weight and declared, "I need one larger than that!"

He put the chicken back down in the ice and fumbled for another. He had no other chicken, so he pulled out the same chicken and to the weight of it he added a hidden finger on the back of the scale.

She said, "I'll take both chickens!"

Moral: The truth is always better the first time! Remember this, God has always demanded honesty from His people. Think of those times that you were embarrassed because of being caught in a dishonesty and let them be a reminder to help to make this world a better place to live. What you do, does matter!

Think about it.

Church Fund Raiser Succeeds

The Calvary Baptist Church garage sale on June 21 was a little bigger success than last year raising \$800.65. This money was divided between the J.P. Sims Memorial Scholarship Fund for Friona Youth, the Friona Museum, and the Friona Public Library.

The church gives thanks to all the community people who donated items to the garage sale helping it to succeed. The church plans to do the sale again next year. Again thanks to church and community people who made it a fun success.

Thank You

Thank you for the cards, delicious food, the healing visits, and especially your thoughts and prayers during this very tragic time in our lives.

Danielle was very precious to all of us and will always be missed, but thanks to God, we have wonderful memories of the special place she occupied in all of our lives.

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75 Yrs Ago
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70 Yrs Ago
July 13, 1934

While Everett Talbot and family were enjoying the big Fourth of July celebration Wednesday of last week at Palo Duro Canyon, thieves broke into their home north of town and carried away a large number of articles including family apparel and other property.

65 Yrs Ago
July 14, 1939

The room in the M. C. Crum building, which has been vacant since the regal Theater moved from it a few weeks ago, is again occupied as a grocery store. The new stock was placed in the store and the store opened for business Monday with Mr. P. Dobbs, formerly of Friona, in charge.

60 Yrs Ago
July 14, 1944

A meeting was held at the Club House on Thursday afternoon, July 6, for the discussion of a proposal to organize what will be known as the Friona Cemetery Association. This was a preliminary meeting of representatives of various civic and religious organizations.

50 Yrs Ago
July 9, 1954

Irrigation well drilling is no longer a seasonal operation in Parmer County, according to committeemen who issue permits were granted at the last meeting. Since the first of the year, 240 irrigation well permits have been issued to Parmer

County residents, reports Raymond Euler, Farm Bureau Service representative.

45 Yrs Ago
July 9, 1959

Winds of tornadic velocity struck the entire Friona area Sunday night, accompanied by heavy rains. One tornado was reported about 9:15 p.m. on the J. E. Knight farm about two miles east of Friona. It was reported by Jack Williams, who was combining on the farm immediately before the weather struck.

40 Yrs Ago
July 9, 1964

The sale of Harry's Supermarket in Friona and Dimmitt, was announced this past week. Roy Keith Moore of Chilicothe and Kenneth Moore of Olton purchased the store from Harry Brown of Dimmitt. The brothers currently operate grocery businesses where they live.

35 Yrs Ago
July 10, 1969

The Friona City Council passed Ordinance 424, raising water rates for the city, and establishing a water tap fee and new water deposit fees, during the regular monthly meeting Monday night.

30 Yrs Ago
July 14, 1974

Johnny Spring, 14-year-old son of Dr. and Mrs. Paul Spring of Friona, was injured Sunday while practicing roping a calf during the weekly "playday" activities when he became entangled in the rope and was dragged a considerable distance by his horse.

25 Yrs Ago
July 15, 1979

Friona's major industry, MBPXL beef processors, added to the plant's appearance this week by installing eight flags on the front of the building, representing the eight locations of plants and offices in the corporation's chain, which

sprawls across six states.

20 Yrs Ago
July 22, 1984

Cotton farmers in the Friona area have experienced massive damage from the herbicide, 2,4-D, it was reported this week. The damage appears to cover an area from Farwell to Friona and Hereford, and south to Muleshoe. Representatives from the Texas Department of Agriculture have been in the Friona area all week, inspecting the cotton and documenting the situation.

15 Yrs Ago
July 15, 1989

The Friona City Council considered bids that the city had

received on the proposed purchase of a new fire truck at the council's regular meeting, July 10.

10 Yrs Ago
July 16, 1994

The Friona Public Library recently sponsored bookmark and coloring contests with winners being named in several age groups. First place winners were Amber Wyly and Alisia Rando; Lucretia Field, Kristin Butman, Lory Wyly, Emily Allen and Jacob Miller.

5 Yrs Ago
July 8, 1999

Tonya Combest, 34, daughter of Rep. Larry Combest, died from complications during emergency surgery in Miami.



FRIONA NOON LIONS installed officers last Thursday. Lila Vars, Deputy District Governor, center, was here in Friona for the officer installation. Albert Ricketts, second from the right, is the incoming president while, l-r, Lance Gatlin, Clint Mears, and John Gurley are vice presidents. ron carr photo

MORE FUN ON AT THE FOURTH ON THE FIRST CELEBRATION!



OBITUARIES

Faye Southward

Services for Faye Southward, 92, of Friona, will be held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, July 9, 2004 at the First Baptist Church of Friona with Rev. Mark Stovall officiating. Burial will follow in the Friona Cemetery under the direction of Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

She died Monday, July 5, 2004 at Prairie Acres Nursing Home in Friona.

Faye was born in Hasca, Texas on January 22, 1912 to James Rice Southward and Willie Lee Clinkscales.

She moved to Parmer County in 1940 from Hedrick, Oklahoma and was a longtime area farmer. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Friona and the Order of Eastern Star, past Worthy Matron.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Maydell Hope and Boyce Mitchell; four brothers, Orville Southward, Melvin Southward, William "Bill" South-



FAYE SOUTHWARD

ward, and Kenneth Southward. Survivors include two brothers, Harold D. Southward of Albuquerque, New Mexico and Morris Southward of Saltillo, Texas; nephew, Gregory T. Southward of North Carolina; and several other nieces and nephews.

Joe Lewis Salazar

Services for Joe Lewis Salazar, 35, a lifetime resident of Bovina, were held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 7, 2004, at St. Ann's Catholic Church of Bovina. Arrangements were under the direction of Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Mr. Salazar died Friday in Lubbock, Texas.

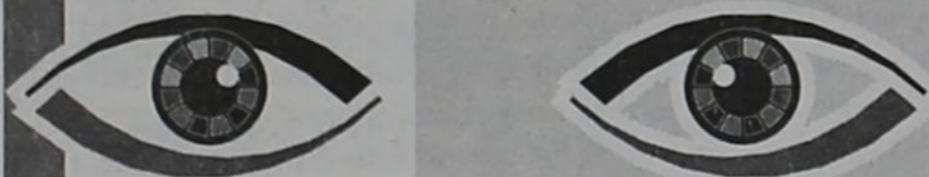
He was born October 1, 1968, in Muleshoe, to Joe and Santos

(Hernandez) Salazar. He worked as a cook in various restaurants and was a member of the Catholic Church.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Linda Aguillon in 2001.

Survivors include his parents of Bovina; one son, Matthew Palmer of Roswell, New Mexico; and one sister, Margaret Cisneros of Bovina.

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Northwest Plains Pest Management News GPAC Cash Distribution

Significant rainfall has been received over most of the Northwest Plains. From June 26th thru July 1st weather stations have recorded the following accumulated precipitation amounts: Muleshoe Wildlife Refuge 1.53"; Muleshoe 2.25"; Farwell 1.93"; and Friona 2.64".



CRAB SPIDER feeding on an insect in a bloom.

Other localized reported rainfall amounts ranged from 2 to 6 inches for the week. Cooler temperatures have slowed cotton development this past week but were a welcomed relief to area corn. Wheat harvest is nearing completion. Weeds could become a problem in unharvested fields if harvest is not completed shortly. If weeds do become a problem there are several herbicides labeled as harvest aids in wheat, which could be applied to reduce harvest problems.

Weather conditions the last 10 days have been conducive for plant diseases. Crops that are particularly susceptible to disease should be watched very closely. Fungicide applications must be made early in disease development or even as a preventative treatment to be effective. Crops that are particularly susceptible to disease are most vegetables, beans, peas, peanuts, etc.

Insect pest pressure is relatively light in most crops. This low pest infestation is in part due to the high numbers of natural enemies that are in most fields. Lady beetles, bigeyed bugs, minute pirate bugs, damsel bugs, assassin bugs, and spiders are abundant. Every effort should be made to conserve these crop production partners.

Spiders are probably the most effective predator of plant bugs (flea hoppers, lygus, etc.). Spiders are active and aggressive hunters that chase their prey or hide in wait and leap out. Most spiders in crops do not build webs. Spiders feed on a wide variety of insects, both pests (flea hoppers, lygus, bollworm, larvae and eggs) and occasionally, beneficials.

Spiders balloon into cotton fields by floating on wind-blown strands of silk. Reproduction occurs throughout the growing season and there are one or two generations per year. There are several species of spiders currently present in crops including crab spiders, lynx spiders, and jumping spiders. The most numerous at this time is the crab spider. Crab spiders can be identified by their front legs, which are much longer and more robust than the other legs, giving it a crab-like appearance. Crab spiders also move quickly backwards or sideways like a crab, facing their antagonist or prey.

Cotton Growth Regulators (Pix)
Good moisture plus good fertility plus good growing conditions could lead to excessive growth in cotton. Mepiquat chloride (Pix, Mepex, Mepichlor, etc.) and mepiquat pentaborate (Pentia) are foliar applied plant

regulators, which modifies the cotton plant in several beneficial ways. They are tools which allow cotton producers to manage the cotton plant for short-season production leading to reduced risk of yield and quality loss due to delayed and prolonged harvest. The use of Pix may also result in several or all of the following: height reduction and more open canopy; better early boll retention and/or larger bolls; improved defoliation; reduced trash and lower ginning costs; better harvest efficiency; and darker green leaf color.

Pix reduces gibberlic acid production in the plant which in turn reduces cell expansion thus plant size. The final number of main stem nodes may be reduced by one over the whole season. Before applying Pix variety, soil type, fertility, irrigation potential, and field history must be taken into consideration. Pix application decisions should be based on plant vigor. Internode length between the 4th and 5th node down from the terminal is a good indicator. If this internode is 2 inches or more a Pix application may be justified if conditions will continue to be favorable for excessive growth. Fields with a history of excessive plant growth, planted to picker type varieties, or have a poor square set and have good available moisture and fertility may require higher rates.

Pix should not be applied if the cotton is under any kind of stress (moisture, weather, insects, disease, herbicide injury, etc.).

The Board of Directors of Great Plains Ag Credit, ACA has declared a \$662,000 cash patronage distribution to its stockholder borrowers, the largest amount in the cooperative's history according to Carroll Haygood, the agricultural lending cooperative's president. It was reported that a total of \$5.8 million in earnings has been allocated through GPAC's allocation of earnings program since the 2000 year. Such cash distributions defray interest costs to both short and long term borrowers, according to the release.

GPAC, which is headquartered in Amarillo, provides short-term loans through its Production Credit Association and real estate loans through its Federal Land Bank Association throughout the Panhandle and upper South Plains. Other loan offices are in Plainview, Dalhart, Dimmitt, Dumas, Friona, Olton, Muleshoe, and Tulia.

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RMA Denies PCG Request; Promises To Work Toward Solution On Non-Emerged Seed Issue

LUBBOCK, July 2, 2004 By Shawn Wade
USDA's Risk Management Agency has denied a request from Plains Cotton Growers to waive the agency's 8-day deferred appraisal period for non-emerged seed in several Texas High Plains counties. In a letter sent to PCG, RMA officials said that they believe the agronomic data they reviewed supports their position to leave the rule unchanged for 2004.

PCG officials note that a combination of a complicated issue and a rapidly advancing calendar eventually created a situation that would have limited the benefit a producer could have derived from a late deviation announcement. Had it been granted the deviation would have allowed for appraisal and release of dry planted cotton acreage at the end of the region's late planting periods.

Even though the agency's decision and the calendar have closed the door on the issue for the 2004 growing season, RMA officials have expressed a willingness to sit down and discuss a permanent solution that addresses the concerns raised by PCG.

Both groups have agreed to keep discussions open and work toward an equitable solution. PCG officers, traveling to Washington as part of a Texas Cotton Producers contingent are working to set up a meeting with RMA to begin the process.

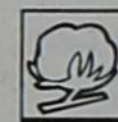
Under current rules, seed planted into dry soil that does not receive adequate moisture to emerge cannot be appraised or released to an alternate use until 23 days (15-day late planting period plus 8-day deferred appraisal period) after the final planting date for the crop.

PCG's concerns with the imposition of the deferred appraisal period were originally voiced in 2002 when the rule was first enacted. Since that time the rule has been modified, but not in a manner that fully addresses the issues raised by PCG.

Of primary concern is the potential that a rainfall event after the end of the late planting period can bring dry planted seed to a stand. A late emerging stand creates a situation where the producer can be involuntarily required to grow and care for a crop with significantly reduced yield potential and little chance of producing a positive economic return.

Looking at the issue of a late emerging stand from a different angle, a producer who wanted to plant after the end of the late planting period and achieved a stand on the same rainfall would be considered uninsurable by RMA.

A second PCG concern is that even though the crop does not emerge by the end of the deferred appraisal period, the producer has been unnecessarily forced to delay time sensitive management activities necessary to switch to an alternate crop.



TASS Reports 2004 Planted Acreage; May Marketing Figures Added To CCP Calculation

LUBBOCK, July 2, 2004 By Shawn Wade
USDA's release of the first survey-based accounting of the acres planted in 2004 should help clear the picture of just where the Texas High Plains stands, or more accurately where the crop started acreage-wise, in 2004.

Based on an early June sampling of cotton producers, the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service (TASS) has projected the High Plains region, or more specifically Texas crop reporting districts 1-N and 1-S, began 2004 with 3.72 million acres of cotton and indicates a 159,000-acre increase over 2003.

This is, perhaps, a slightly different number than some were expecting. Strong prices for corn and other crops that are options for producers in mostly irrigated, northern areas of the High Plains had been expected to take acreage away from cotton.

That does not seem to be the case as crop reporting district 1-N is estimated to have planted some 890,000 acres in 2004, 64,000 acres more than were planted in 2003 for a projected increase of 8 percent.

TASS district 1-S, which includes the majority of the cotton acres on the High Plains, is projected to increase acreage a modest three percent in 2004. TASS figures indicate a total of 2.83 million acres planted to the region's number one field crop. If these figures hold true it will amount to an acreage increase of 95,000 acres from 2003.

The TASS report has significantly refined the picture of how many acres the High Plains planted to cotton in 2004. Attention will now begin shifting to the production side of the equation, even though it is still too early to really begin talking about what the region might produce in 2004.

Early season estimates of how the Texas High Plains cotton crop is faring are usually a mixture of educated guesses, fact-based rumors and information gleaned from casual conversation. The 2004-crop year has been no different up to this point.

As PCG reported last week, cotton acreage lost so far continues to tally below the long-term average for the region. Most estimates at this time point to somewhere between 300,000 and 400,000 acres that have either been lost or are likely to be written off due to insufficient moisture to establish the crop.

Splitting the difference on that range and subtracting 350,000 acres from the TASS planted acreage figure indicates as many as 3.37 million acres are standing on the High Plains.

Pocket Guide For Trees Now Available

"What Tree Is That?", a pocket guide for identifying trees, is available from The National Arbor Day Foundation.

The 72-page guide will help you identify 135 different trees found in the eastern and central U.S.

Well-known trees are included: oaks, maples, spruces, and pines. Also species such as horsechestnut and mockernut hickory, sassafras and shadbush, persimmon and pawpaw, and pagodatree and pecan.

Dozens of drawings illustrate the trees' leaves or needles and their acorns, berries, seed pods, cones, and other identifying features. "What Tree Is That?" is organized to make it easy to identify trees in a simple step-by-step fashion.

"Helping people enjoy and appreciate trees in central to the educational mission of the Arbor Day Foundation," John Rosenow, the Foundation's President, said. "Being able to identify trees is important to knowing how to care for them and how to plant the right tree in the right place."

To obtain your tree ID guide, send your name and address and \$3 to "What Tree Is That?", The National Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska City, NE 68410; or go online to arborday.org.

RC&D Week July 11-17

High Plains RC&D Council joins the 375 RC&D Councils across the country in celebrating "RC&D Week". RC&D week was declared in recognition of the 40th anniversary of the designation of the first 10 RC&D areas. In the past 40 years the program has grown from 10 designated areas to 375 designated areas that cover over 80% of the United States and its territories.

Sharon Ruggi, President of the National Association of Resource Conservation & Development Councils, expressed pleasure and pride as the thousands of RC&D council members prepare to celebrate the National Community Service that RC&D Councils provide to America.

President Ruggi stated, "Local people determining their community needs and creating solutions for these needs in our communities, and the many projects that RC&D Councils carry out, are far too important to go unnoticed in our communities and unrecognized by the media."

Councils in the western Texas Panhandle are part of the High Plains RC&D Area. The office is located at 1306 W. 9th Street in Friona. Parmer County is represented by Kirk Frye, of Friona, on the High Plains RC&D Board of Directors. For more information or assistance with a community project please call Thomas Reed at (806) 250-2020.

Resource Conservation & Development Councils are volunteers who serve their communities in all 50 states and US territories. RC&D Councils identify, address and solve the challenges needed to sustain and improve the quality of life in their own communities. The RC&D program is administered and funded by the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service.

West Nile Virus Case Confirmed in Olton

According to the July 1 edition of the Olton Enterprise, a case of West Nile Virus has been confirmed in Olton.

Olton Clinic, Inc. confirmed a case of West Nile Virus. According to Peggy Birkenfeld, clinic nurse practitioner, tests confirmed that a 32-year-old Olton man had been infected with the virus.

"We want everyone to know that they need to protect themselves, their kids and their horses from the virus," Birkenfeld said.

Birkenfeld said residents need to wear mosquito repellent containing DEET and drain

standing water from around their homes to prevent mosquitoes from hatching.

Symptoms of West Nile illness appear from three to 14 days after a person is bitten by an infected mosquito.

West Nile Virus infections usually are mild with flu-like symptoms including fever, headache, sore throat, body aches and fatigue. Symptoms of more severe West Nile infections are headache, high fever, stiff neck, disorientation, tremors, convulsions, muscle weakness, coma and paralysis. If you have these symptoms, contact your health care provider right away.

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- TXism: "gave ___ song and dance"
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MRS. DANIEL CHAD PARTIN
(nee JESSICA RHEA BURCH)

J. Burch & D. Partin Are Wed In Lubbock

The marriage of Jessica Rhea Burch and Daniel Chad Partin took place at the First United Methodist Church of Lubbock, on the snowy evening of January 17, 2004 at five o'clock.

Parents of the couple are Kirby and Vickie Burch of Lazbuddie and Morris and Donna Partin of Plains.

Special guests included grandparents of the couple, M.C. Street and Lillian Street, Hazel Burch, and Bobbie Partin.

The double ring ceremony was conducted by Reverend Doug Chapman, formerly of Lazbuddie, and the director of music was Christopher Betts.

After the seating of the families, soloist Jeanie Barrick sang the Wedding Prayer and Don Burch read a scripture from Psalm 37. Just before the processional, the church bells chimed the hour.

The bride, escorted by her father, wore a floor-length, white satin gown, highlighted by a wide brocade sash that extended to the train. She carried a bouquet of red roses.

Gina Jarman Hill was the maid of honor and the bridesmaid was Lauren Whitley Luig, both friends of the bride.

The bridesmaids wore white satin gowns accented with red ribbon sashes and each carried a single, long-stemmed red rose.

Vic Partin served as best man and Jay Hudson as groomsman, both cousins of the groom. Ushers were Don and Keith Burch, brothers of the bride, and Wes Partin, cousin of the groom.

After the ceremony, guests were treated to a catered meal and music at Skyviews Restaurant at the top of the Bank of America building, where family and friends visited with the newlyweds.

After a honeymoon trip to Playa del Carmen, Mexico, the couple will make their home near Plains, Texas.

Gordon & Trevino Marry In Arlington

Miss Kendra Elaine Gordon and Samuel Trevino exchanged wedding vows in a double ring ceremony on Saturday, May 8, 2004 in Arlington, Texas.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Alec Gordon of Friona and Kris Gordon, of Brentwood, Tennessee is the brother of the bride.

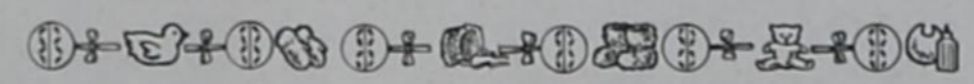
Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Augustin Soto of Harlingen, Texas.

Grandparents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Dale Neff of McAdoo, Texas, Mrs. Helen Bradsher of Canyon, Texas, and the late Loyd Gordon.

Grandparents of the groom are the late Mr. and Mrs. Del La Lozona.

The bride is a graduate of Friona High School and Wayland Baptist University. She majored in Business Administration with an emphasis in Marketing.

The groom is a graduate of Harlingen High School and Texas A&M University. He majored in Criminal Justice and Business Administration.



The Procters Welcome Sfrona

Proud parents, Darran and Tania Procter, announce the birth of their new daughter, Sfrona M'Lynn.

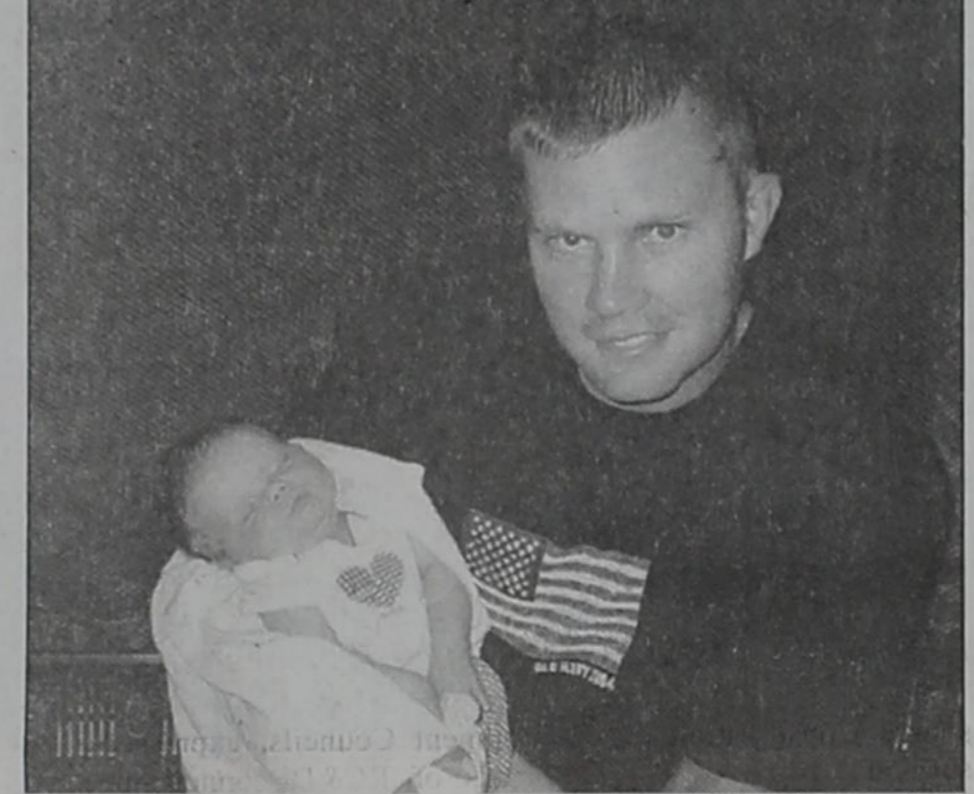
Sfrona was born at Ft. Hood, Darnall Army Hospital, on June 8, 2004 at 9:18 a.m. and weighed 8 pounds, 11 ounces and was 20½ inches long.

Sergeant Darran Procter is stationed in Afghanistan with Army Communications. Darran got to come home on leave for 15 days to see his wife and family and meet his one week-old daughter.

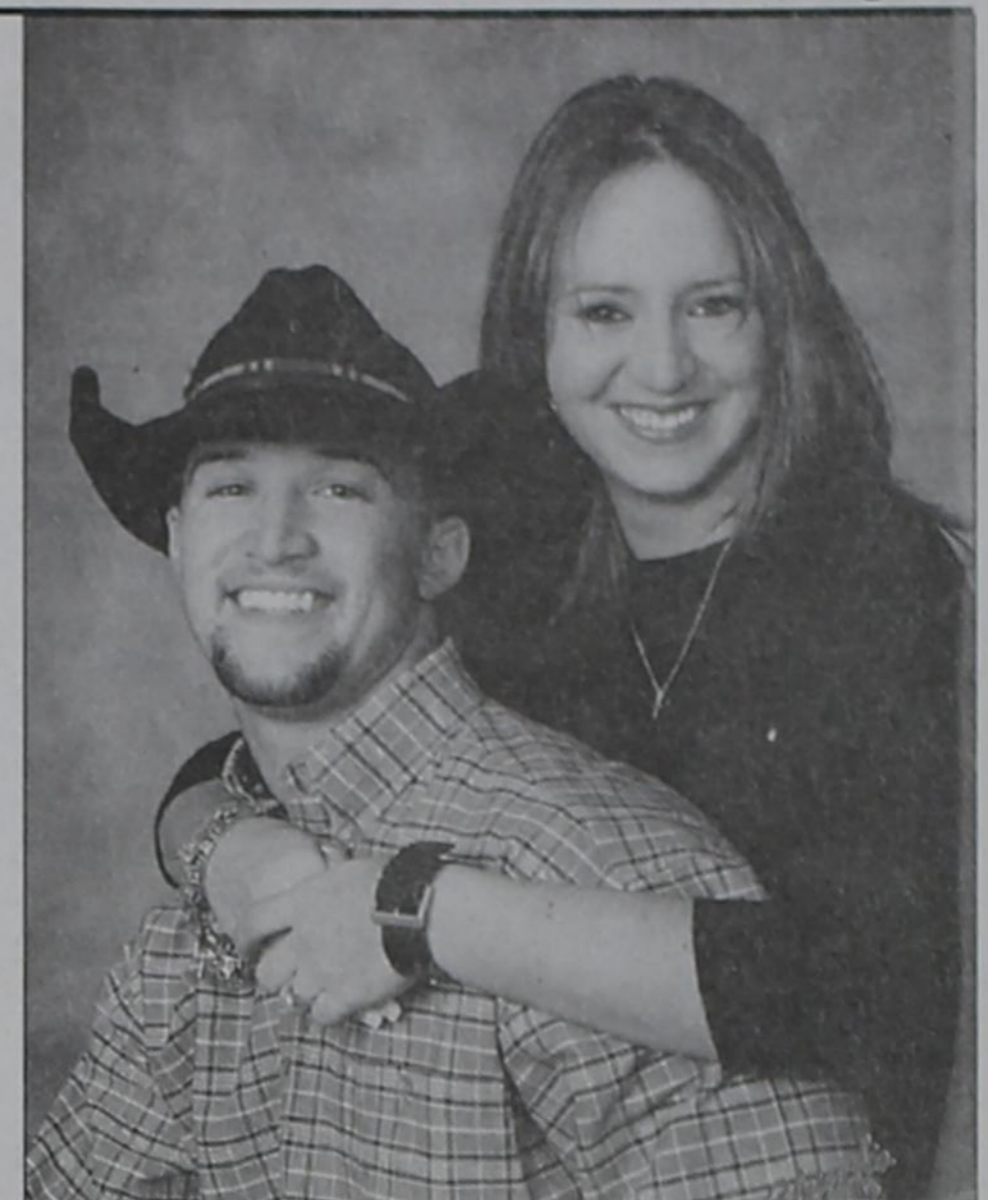
Sfrona has an older sister, Reagan, who is eight years old.

Grandparents are Dewayne and Cheryl Procter of Friona and Randy and Wilma Sargent of Briggs.

Great grandparents are James and Sue Procter of Friona and Darlene Ramage of Carthage, Texas.



SGT DARRAN Procter home on leave from Afghanistan, in time to meet one week-old Sfrona M'Lynn Procter.



DUSTIN BUEHRER & CAREY CUNNINGHAM

Cunningham & Buehrer Engagement Announced

Rodney and Barbara Cunningham of Goodwell, Oklahoma would like to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Carey Nicole Cunningham, to Dustin Agee Buehrer, also of Goodwell.

Grandparents of the bride-elect are the late Lloyd and Dorothy Jones of Goodwell, and the late James and Frances Cunningham of Livonia, Michigan.

The prospective groom is the son of Alvin F. and Krystal (Agee) Huschke, Jr. of Pleasanton, Texas and Wayne C. Buehrer of Poteet, Texas. Dustin is the grandson of Maynard and Mildred Agee of Friona, Texas, Alvin F. and Nelda Huschke, Sr. of Jourdanton, Texas, and Neoma and the late Wendell Buehrer of Cement City, Michigan.

Miss Cunningham graduated from Goodwell High School in 2000 and from Oklahoma Panhandle State University in December, with a BBA in Computer Information Systems and a BBA in Business Administration. She is currently employed with Bank of the Panhandle in Guymon, Oklahoma.

Mr. Buehrer is a 2001 graduate from Poteet High School and will graduate in May 2005 from Oklahoma Panhandle State University, with a Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Education. He is currently employed with G.M. Construction.

The couple plans to wed on Friday, July 23, 2004, at 7:00 p.m. at the St. Peter's Catholic Church in Guymon, Oklahoma.



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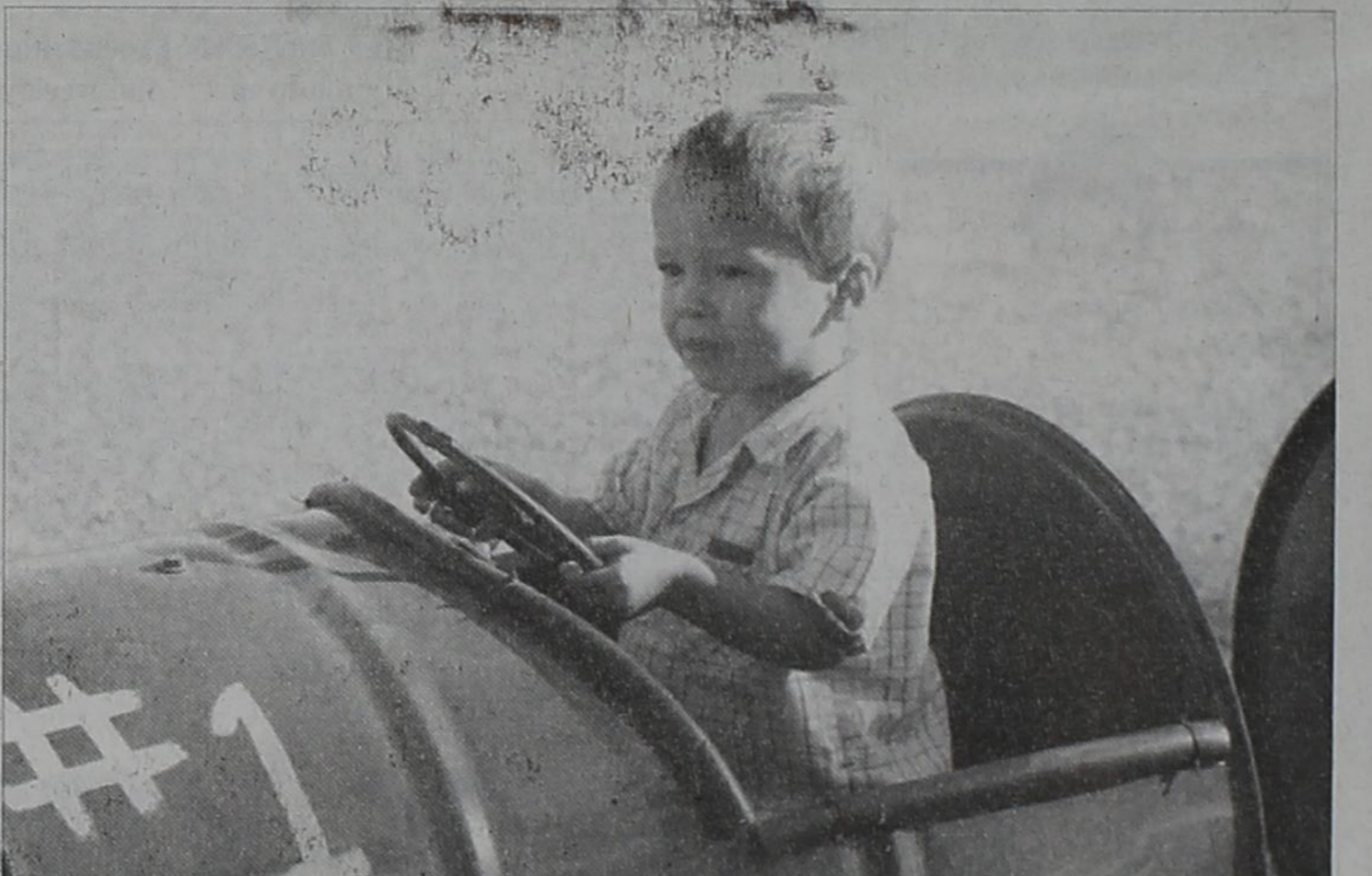
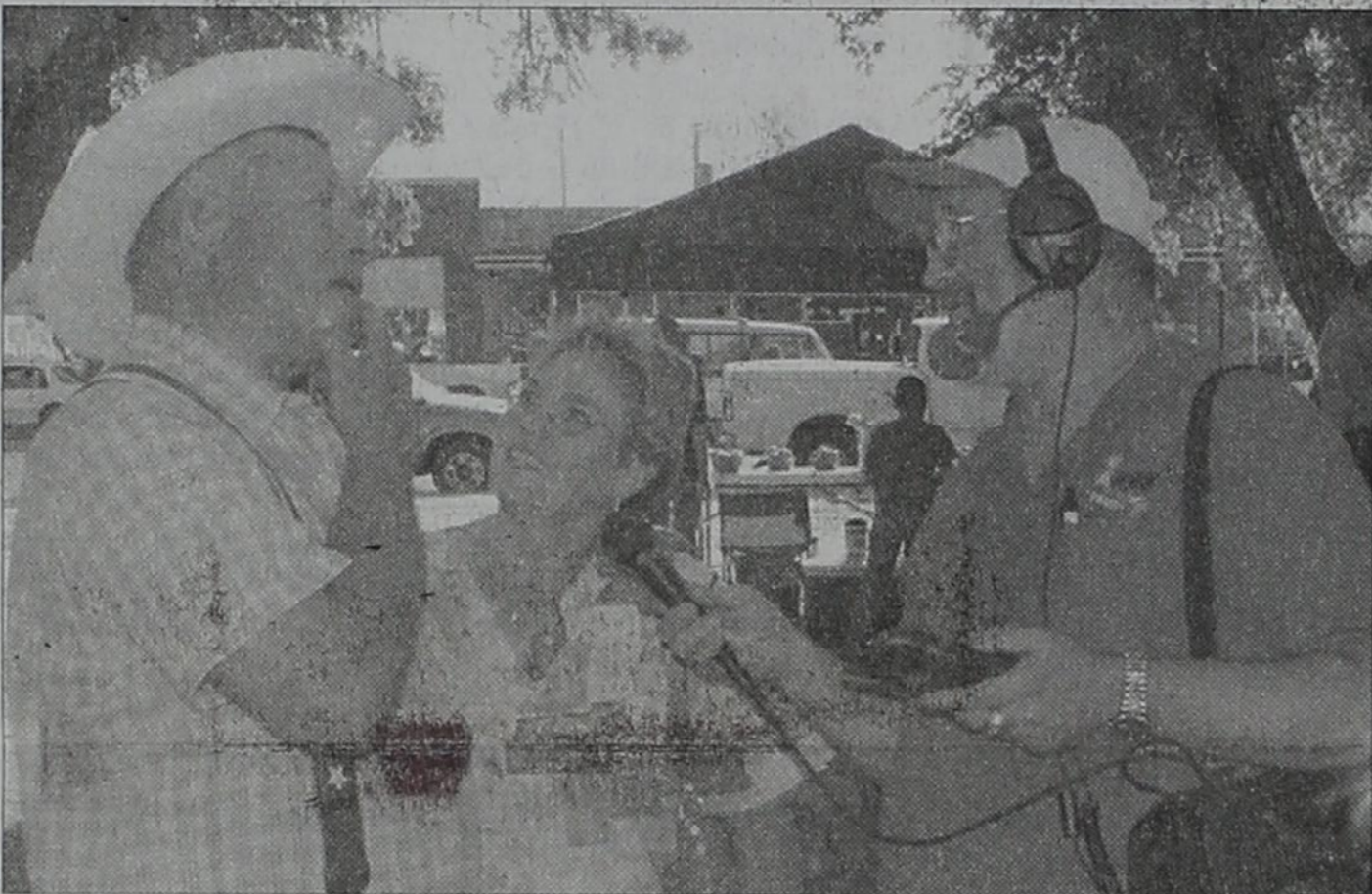


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Bovina Reflections

45 Yrs. Ago
July 15, 1959

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Stagner, former residents of Bovina, were killed in a two-car crash on U. S. 82 west of Ralls, Sunday afternoon. Mrs. E. M. Chapman of Lorenzo, who was with them at the time of the crash, was also killed.

40 Yrs. Ago
July 15, 1964

Funeral services were conducted here this afternoon (Wednesday) for Luther L. Boatman, 84. He had been a resident of the area since 1937.

35 Yrs. Ago
July 16, 1969

A Bovina man was injured and his car demolished in an accident at Friona early Tuesday morning. James Cooper was taken to Amarillo's Northwest Texas Hospital suffering from lacerations, abrasions and a broken leg.

30 Yrs. Ago
July 17, 1974

Funeral services for Mrs. Lillie Barron, a former resident of Bovina, were held Saturday morning in the Julian Mortuary Chapel at Fort Sumner, New Mexico, with burial in the Locust Grove Cemetery.

25 Yrs. Ago
July 18, 1979

Curtis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Garrison, suffered a broken arm when a ladder fell on him causing the accident. He is employed by Robertson Electric in Friona.

20 Yrs. Ago
July 25, 1984

Two Bovina lawmen have resigned as an outgrowth of an incident at the Bovina apartments, Mel Clark, City deputy marshal and Ron Averitt, county deputy.

15 Yrs. Ago
July 19, 1989

Bovina Police Chief Gary Coleman was shot in front of City Hall on Main Street in Bovina. Officer Coleman was shot in the face by Travis Gene Lambert, 24. Lambert was driving a pickup truck with stolen license plates and was stopped during a routine traffic check.

10 Yrs. Ago
July 16, 1994

Funeral services for Ruby v. Davies, 63, of Bovina were held at Wednesday at First Baptist

Church of Farwell, with Reverend Rick Sullivan, pastor and Reverend J.L. Bass, of Brownfield, officiating.

5 Yrs. Ago
July 5, 1999

Betty McInroe of Friona suffered a rattlesnake bite in her front yard. She was rushed to Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital.

Happy Birthday Bovina

July 11 thru July 17, 2004.
July 13-Jolyn Ortiz
July 15-Christian Drager
July 16-Sandy Guest,
July 17-Jeri Been

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.



July 4th Bovina Parade

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Evans Bridal Shower Jul 24

A bridal shower will be held for Stana Evans, the bride-elect of Darren Hromas on Saturday, July 24, 2004, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m., at the First Baptist Church of Bovina.

The couple's selections are at Sears, Dillard's, and Roden Smith.

2004-2005 Non-Discrimination Statement - English

It is the policy of Bovina ISD not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex or handicap in its vocational programs, services or activities as required by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended.

It is the policy of Bovina ISD to support districts as they provide a free, appropriate education to all students consisting of regular and special education and related aides and services in career and technology education programs that are designed to meet individual educational needs of disabled persons as adequately as the needs of non-disabled persons are met and are based upon adherence to provisions set forth in 34 CFR 104.33-104.36; 34 CFR 104.31-104.40; (see also standards under V-C, V-D, V-E, V-F, V-G, and V-H).

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Bovina ISD will take steps to assure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, Charles Carter at (806) 251-1336 ext 222 and/or the Section 504 Coordinator, Charles Carter at P.O. Box 70, Bovina, TX 79009.

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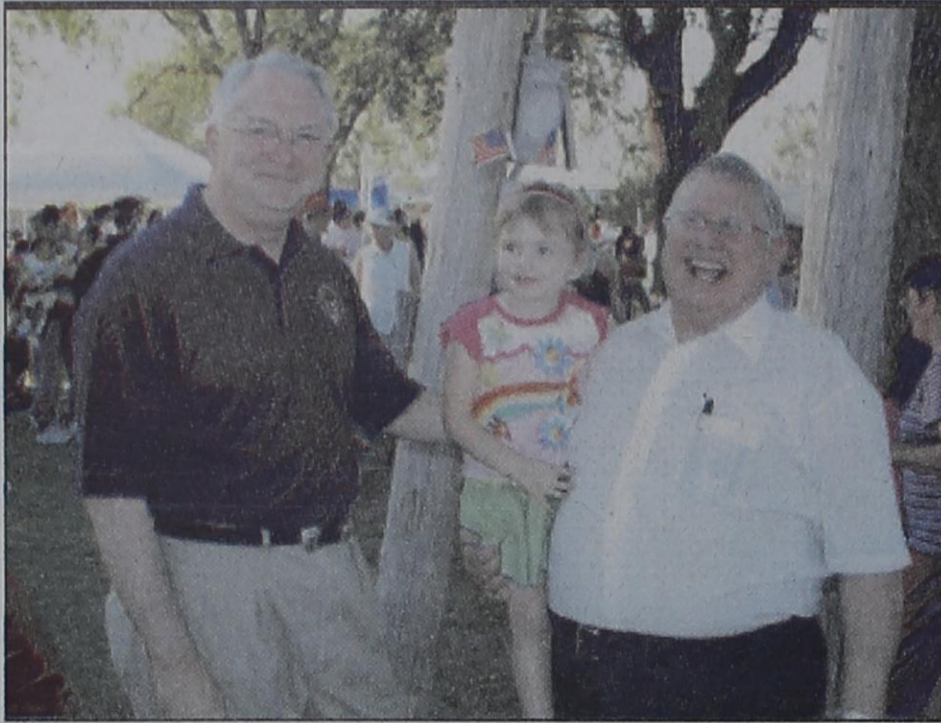
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Neugebauer In The Park



John Blackwell and granddaughter Brea Brown.



From left, Tommy Hefner, Rev. Mark Stovall, Jacob, Callie, and Jill Hefner.



Dana Neugebauer, center, visits with, standing, l-r, Tiny Taylor and Ruth Miller. Seated, l-r, Annie Mae Thomas, Ruby Hassenpflug, Gladys Day and Jonell Sims.

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Bovina Veterans



A SALUTE to veterans was held in Bovina Sunday evening during the July 4 celebration. Shown, l-r, are Robert Wilson, Army, WWII; Stan Miller, Navy, Vietnam; Leon Schilling, Army; Jessie Stone, Army, Vietnam; Jim Zehner, Army, 101st Airborne; John F. Dixon, Army, Korea; Antonio Duran, Army; Jay Sherrill, Navy, WWII; M. H. Carson, Army, WWII; Michael Carson, National Guard, Cannon AFB. M.H. Carson & Michael Carson were represented by Mr. & Mrs. Galen Carson.

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