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LOOKING OVER a map of Parmer County's emergency service boundaries are Jerry London and Pam Nielsen, PRPC 911 coordinator. In the background are, l-r, Mark Osborn, Dale Schueler, Mitch Wiseman, and Feller Hughs. ron carr photo

# EMS and Fire Meeting Sparks Lively Discussion

By Ron Carr

Pam Nielsen, the 911 Emergency Services Coordinator for the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission (PRPC), tried her best to moderate a meeting last Friday night of county emergency services officials and volunteers.

"First of all," she told the approximately 75 in attendance, "I don't have a dog in this fight. I thought we had a good map when we met 6 months ago."

The 'fight' she alluded to concerned boundaries within the county that determine which emergency service group is paged out to respond to emergencies. The 911 dispatchers in Friona page EMS and fire departments based on the location of the emergency as drawn on a PRPC map.

Emergency calls from cell phones still continue to be a problem as far as pinpointing an emergency on the dispatcher's computer screen, Nielsen said. A call from a cell phone does not 'pop-up' an address on the dispatcher's unit and often cell phone callers do not know exactly where

they are calling from. Also Nielsen noted that many county residents are still not using their official 911 addresses that were supposed to be changed several years ago. Some are still using HCR numbers instead of the official CR designations. If you are not sure about the physical address that designates your location on the dispatch computer screen, you can call

PRPC at 800-687-7911 to check it extended west and south of the in-

Lazbuddie, Bovina, and Friona EMS and fire departments were present at the Friday meeting. Also attending were Friona PD personnel and dispatchers along with city officials, county commissioners, and several private citizens and businessmen.

Nielsen went through the existing map section by section seeking agreement on roads and boundaries. The Hub intersection and surrounding area caused the most discussion. Several local farmers, including John Jarecki, Jerry London, Mitch Wiseman, Floyd Reeve and Chris Ingram, plus Hub Gin owner JeDon Gallman and Paco Feedyard manager Feller Hughs, were present to request that the area around the Hub intersection be redrawn to include their farms and businesses in the Friona response area.

On the present map, the areas for Lazbuddie, Bovina and Friona meet at the Hub intersection leading to some confusion about who is paged out to respond. As one participant said, "When an accident happens at the Hub intersection we don't ask whether it is on the east or west side of the road." Based on citizen requests, Nielsen agreed to move Friona's response area a few more miles south of the intersection to just north of the Frio Draw.

Some of the farmers present requested that the boundary also be

tersection to include their property Representatives from the in Friona's response area. That land is currently in Bovina's response area. Nielsen told them they would need to get a petition signed by any other residents in the expanded area agreeing to the change before she could grant the request.

Bovina EMS director Larry Mitchell told the crowd that his crew can respond to the Hub intersection faster than Friona, a point disputed by the Friona contingent. Emotions escalated at times in the discussion, especially when units were asked to give up portions of their areas.

Friona Police Chief Royce Goodson declared that he and his dispatchers did not care which units respond where as long as the rules and territories were clear to everyone involved. Goodson said, "We are concerned about the people, not a dispute over who responds. We serve the people and need to keep that in mind."

A revised map will be presented by Pam Nielsen to the county commissioners for approval at their next meeting.

The question of ambulance transfers from PCCH to area hospitals was not addressed at the meeting even though Bovina City Manager Ernest Terry requested the meeting to discuss patient transfers. When Nielsen opened the agenda to hospital transfer concerns, Terry said, "We have solved the problem with the hospital." There was no further discussion or explanation given of the hospital transfer problem or how the issue had been resolved.

FHS ONE-ACT PLAY PUBLIC PERFORMANCE Tuesday, Mar 23 7 P.M. NO CHARGE. SEE INFO ON PAGE 6

# Miller To Become Bovina

**Mayor As Candidates File** As of Monday morning, March 15, Bovina city manager Ernest Terry had not received official application from a single candidate for the May 15 city council election. At the close of the Monday filing deadline, five residents had come forward to put their names on the ballot.

There are three openings on the city's Board of Aldermen, one for mayor and two for city council. Incumbent mayor Galen Hromas did not file for re-election. The council seats of Stan Miller and Jessie Stone are expiring. Miller filed for the Bovina Mayor position and is unop-

posed. Stone filed for re-election to the council and will be joined on the ballot by Larry Hodnett, Deolondo Alonzo, and Jesse Ramon. The four will vie for the two open council

For school board, BISD received four candidates for the three vacancies. Incumbent George Villarreal will join Richard Carson, Don Teague, and Josefina Alonzo-Coffey on the May 15 ballot.

The terms of Joe Steelman, Justin Brozek and Villarreal are expiring and Villarreal is the only incumbent to file for re-election.

#### **Alexander Chosen** As Chamber Exec The Friona Chamber of Commerce

and Agriculture Board of Directors selected Chris Alexander as the new Executive Director. This was her first week in the office.

Alexander replaces long time Chamber Executive Director Kathryn Goddard who recently resigned the post. She is the former owner of An Added Touch and has been taking classes in Amarillo toward a real estate sales license.

One of her first projects at the Chamber will be a Chamber fundraiser raffle for a side of beef. Tickets cost \$5 each and are available from Chamber directors or at the Chamber office. The drawing for the beef will be on April 17. We welcome Chris to the Friona Chamber and wish her

## Museum Plans For Maize Days, **Seeks Donations**

The Pioneer Heritage Chapel and Museum is already making plans and arrangements for the 2004 Maize Days celebration, according to Museum board member Teena Hughs.

Wendy Carthel, who is in charge of arranging displays for the Museum, is planning to create a room for visitors to sit and enjoy reading and looking at historical documents and books that have been donated.

She is in need of a couch or love seat and a couple of chairs for this room. Mrs. Carthel said that a table and chairs might also work in the reading room.

A number of military uniforms as well as a variety of clothing items have been donated to the museum. In an effort to take the best care of these items, and to allow them to be displayed at the same time, the museum is also seeking a wardrobe for display and storage of the clothing.

Anyone who can help out with donations or have any ideas on any of the needed items is asked to call Wendy at 250-3215.



THE NEW Executive Director of the Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture is Chris Alexander, seated. She assumed the duties this week and is shown meeting with, l-r, Betty Lamb, Chamber administrative assistant; Chamber president Dean Sasser; vice president Kody Kimbrough; and Chamber treasurer Patricia Phipps. ron carr photo

## Four File For Friona Council, Sch. Board Election Canceled

Monday, March 15, was the filing deadline for candidates seeking election for Friona city council or Friona school board in the May 15 elec-

Since there were two openings on the school board and only two candidates filed, a school board election will not be necessary this year. Terms of Kathryn Gurley and Danny Black expired. Black did not file for re-election. Kathryn Gurley filed and will be joined by newcomer Ricky

Three seats were open in the city election for mayor and two aldermen. Incumbent mayor John Taylor filed for re-election and is unopposed. The terms of council members Ronnie Stevick and Martha Barker are expiring. Both Stevick and Barker have filed for re-election. They will be joined on the ballot by Jayson Grimsley and Wesley Barnett.

## Recount Asked For In Commissioner Vote

County . Republican chairman John Armstrong and a small group of workers gathered in the County Clerk's office at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 17, to recount the ballots cast in the Precinct 1 county com-

missioners race. Three Board Slots Open In **Hospital District Election** 

announced that three (3) Board of Directors positions will be put up for election on May 15, 2004. The three expiring terms are currently held by: Brett Whitten, D.V.M., Dale Schueler, D.V.M., and Dennis An-

Any person wishing to declare a write-in candidacy for the director position election must file a declaration with the Secretary of the Board of Directors not later than 5 p.m., March 22, 2004. Parmer County Community Hospital will accept declarations on behalf of the Board Secre-

Declaration forms may be picked up at the Parmer County Community Hospital business office between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday

through Friday. To be eligible as a candidate for director, the person must be a resident of the district and a qualified

Parmer County Hospital District voter. An employee of the district may not serve as a director.

> Applications for ballot by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 7, 2004. Earliest date for submission of application for absentee ballot to be voted by mail was March 16, 2004. Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to: Parmer County Community Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Street, Friona, Texas 79035

The final totals reported were Kirk Frye 345, John Tannahill 81, and John Mars 57. On election night, Armstrong posted totals on a blackboard at the courthouse as the ballots were counted on the electronic scanner.

After Armstrong had marked the totals as final, there was an 11 vote adjustment from one of the election clerks. County Clerk Colleen Stover said Tannahill questioned the adjustment and he and Mars asked for a recount. According to Stover, when electronic scanning is used a losing candidate does not have to have a reason to ask for a recount.

The cost of the recount will be paid by Mars and Tannahill. Stover said the "counters" would be paid \$7 per person per hour and will be supervised by Stover and Armstrong. There were three people counting and one calling. The results of the election was not expected to change.

#### **Editorial**

## **Beware of the Telephone**

A lot of damage to your personal life can be done in one phone call. Senior citizens seem to be easy targets and especially susceptible to telephone solicitors. Even with the government's recent crackdown attempts on telemarketers, they still avoid the system and go on the hunt for your bank account or credit card information.

They use scare tactics like telling you they need to verify your accounts because someone has tried to steal them when it is the caller that is doing the stealing. Banks and credit card companies do not call to ask you for your numbers. They already have them.

Once they have your account number or PIN number or other personal numbers like Social Security or driver's license, there is no stopping the damage to you life, your credit, and your sanity.

A local resident received a call this week requesting her bank account number. They said they were 'upgrading their computer'. They also wanted the bank routing number from her checks. She told them she was not able to because she was ill and couldn't see so well. They asked if she didn't have a magnifying glass.

Crooks who want to take over your financial stuff have no scruples and don't like to take no for an answer. Another caller told a lady that she had won some money in England. All she had to do was give her account number so they could wire it over. She never stopped to think that she had never entered any English contests.

Some people say they just don't like to be rude when people call. There is no reason to chat when a stranger is trying to get personal info. There is no reason to stay on the phone with a telephone solicitor longer than 10 seconds. The best defense to protect your financial belongings is to hang up. Being rude is not a crime and is cheaper than insurance.

It is worth a reminder to be careful and wary of strangers bearing gifts. Be smart. Remember if it walks like a duck and quacks like a duck, it's probably a duck.



FRIONA STATE BANK replaced the old time and temperature sign. The former sign had served the bank for over 30 years and was pretty worn out. It had bulbs and this one operates with an LED display with no bulbs to replace. It flashes red numbers that can be seen from a longer distance. If you can't get by the sign to find out the time, you can still get the time and temperature recording courtesy of Friona State Bank by calling 250-8888.



## OUT HERE In My Dad's FOOTSTEPS

by Zac Carr

Zachary Carr, Ron Carr's son who journalism room to have a conferlives in Wichita Falls, and who ence with the newspaper staff. drops into town about four times a year. I'm sure my dad has told dent who wrote the editorial". Both everyone enough about me to turn men gave me a hearty handshake my cheeks red.

ery year not only to visit my dad, but see all the old faces. To see other column. their pictures in the paper, or drop by their house and listen to them the meeting. It was only one story talk about high school. Yes, you by one freshman at one high can all pinch my cheek and say school, yet the fact that I was able "You've grown ten inches since to voice my opinion in a profesyou were here last winter", but I sional manner made a difference. see a hundred people who've And because of that I was able to grown ten inches since I saw them draw the attention of a powerful

Now about the current events. I write stories for the Hirschi High School newspaper, The Husky city. Howl, and am one of two freshmen on staff. I've even got my name in the little staff box on the editorial page. I may even be a staff hadn't written my opinion into an editor come sophomore year. Living proof that heredity works.

Hirschi High School is one of be aware of the problem. three major high schools in Wichita Falls. It is a 4A school (dropping to 3A by one student). It is a magnet high school, and the only is equal to your approval of what's International Baccalaureate campus happening. By not speaking out in the area. It is a racially diverse against what you feel is unfair you school but most of the student are setting yourself up to be debody is black.

side of town, it is the least converevolution throughout the entire nient school for me to attend but city makes no difference, but the it's worth it.

I know you've been informed I we won't go quietly. recently wrote an editorial about the unfair press my high school silent is to approve. I don't acgets in the Wichita Falls newspaper. I had no idea it would cause silent. such a response, but the senior editor and publisher of the Times

understand those terms?

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Allow me to introduce myself. Record News came to the Hirschi

I was introduced as the "stuand a toothy smile. The meeting It's nice to come to Friona ev- was interesting and some valid points were made, but that's an-

The editorial was the cause of newspaper. We (as a high school Well, that's my reminiscent bit. newspaper staff) were able to make a difference in the mindset of my school and the newspaper of our

> Here is the philosophy of this column. Too many people have opinions they don't share. If I editorial, no conference would have been held, and no student would

I realize the issue isn't a big problem, but when you are silent against what you think is unfair, it stroyed. Not writing the editorial I go to Hirschi for a lot of would have meant to accept the reasons but mostly for the IB pro- way we were being treated. gram. Since I live on the other Whether or not we made a radical Times Record News now sees that

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I'm Zac Carr and that's my two

What everyone wants to know is

"how secure is on-line banking"?

We can tell you many technical details about "secure log-in and

user authentication, industry-standard SSL encryption, secure

firewalls", etc. but does that really help you? Do you

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Next week in this space we'll discuss how to sign up for on-line

banking with Friona State Bank. We'll also have a glossary or

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## Letters to the Editor

Dear Friona Star,

I would like to respond to the article "The Best Teacher is The One at Home". This article is one of the best articles I have read in the Friona Star. Thank you for sharing David Waters' eloquent article on one of today's education misconceptions. If people don't believe in the power of parenting, they just need to walk a day or two in a teacher's shoes. It is amazing that we miss the fact that when God said, "Train up a child in the way he should go", He was talking to parents and not the school

Thanks again for sharing such an articulate article. Sincerely,

Ben Kirton

## Chili Cook-off March 27 To **Benefit High School Grads**

BY RON CARR

So you think you make a pretty mean chili? Put it to the test and join some fun. And it benefits the FHS all-night drug free graduation party. Read on!

The Friona Fire Department has long claimed that they have some fine chili cooks. The Friona Police Department issued a challenge to the firemen that the PD chili was hotter, meaner and tastier.

Out of that rivalry has grown a March 27 Chili & Salsa Cookoff where you can have a team, cook some chili and salsa, and align yourself with either the firemen or police department.

You can cook at the cook-off site, the Friona Community Center, or bring your Crock Pot that you cooked at home prepared and ready for judging.

Contestants can start cooking at 10 a.m. Saturday morning or any time up until 2 p.m. Electricity is supplied but you have to bring everything else.

At 3 p.m. the public can buy a tasting cup, spoon and voting ticket for \$1. They can taste each pot of chili one time, then mark the number of their favorite chili on the voting ticket and put it in the

chili jar. The chili with the most votes wins "The People's Choice" award which is a cash prize, a traveling trophy and bragging rights for the year.

There is also a Salsa Division. Cook one gallon of salsa for entry and judging. (There have to be some world-class salsa cooks around the area.) The entry fee for Chili is \$10 and the entry fee for Salsa is \$5. 1st place in chili competition wins \$50 and the trophy. 1st place in the salsa division wins \$20 and a trophy. Both divisions will award 2nd & 3rd place ribbons.

There will be live entertainment and refreshments available. If you aren't cooking you will still want to come out and sample some chili and salsa.

If you plan to enter chili or salsa, contact Richard Spears at the Friona Police Department, 250-2711,

Richard@gettingsleepy.com. Proceeds from the cook-off will benefit the Friona High School allnight drug free graduation party.

#### Road Graders Top **Commissioners List**

The Parmer County Commissioners voted on Monday, March 8, to seek bids for road graders for Precinct 1-Friona, Precinct 2-Bovina, and Precinct 4-Lazbuddie.

In other business the commissioners approved insurance coverage for the county including auto liability of \$8,446, General liability of \$11,927, Auto physical damage, \$9,019 and Property of \$17,902.

The commissioners also gave Sheriff Randy Geries the go-ahead to seek bids for a new vehicle to cost under \$25,000 including a trade-

A checklist from the engineers on the final work needed at the new jail was discussed. Many items on the checklist had already been taken care of and the remainder is being addressed at press time. Such items as window and roof leaks, sprinkler system problem, fire alarm short and kitchen sink leak will be taken care of.

The commissioners also accepted the resignation of county attorney Charles Aycock.

## Meet the Class of 2016

Lorena is a Kindergarten student at Friona Schools. Her parents are Javier & Rosa Soto. She has one brother, Ivan.

and jump on the trampoline. Her favorite foods are maccaroni and fruits.

again. Along with it will come the problems bite of a mosquito. However, doctors may now be able to diagnose the virus based

In a recent issue of Archives of Ophthalmology, researchers reported on the case of a 62-year-old woman who had symptoms such as eye floaters, fatigue, headaches and low fever for two weeks. Her eye exam revealed she had anterior uveitis, vitritis and chorioretinitis, all forms of eve inflammation. When treatment did not clear up all her symptoms, she was tested for the West Nile

The West Nile virus typically does not cause any severe symptoms. In some cases, people develop a flu-like condition. In rare cases, especially when co-existing with other medical problems, it can cause hospitalization or death.

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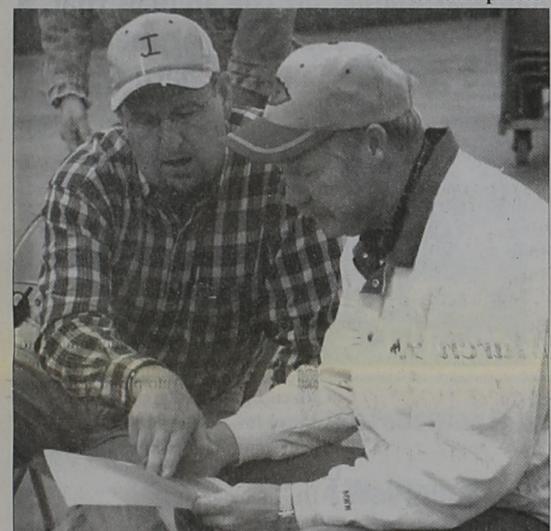


FRIONA EMS Director Kelly Daniel and Friona Fire Chief Jim Taylor in a discussion at the Friday night emergency service meeting.



ABOVE, I-r, Floyd Reeve, Feller Hughs, Bryan Harris, JeDon Gallman and below, John Jarecki and Mitch Wiseman all attended the emergency service meeting.

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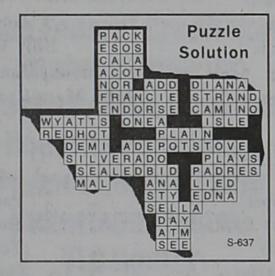


## **Burris To Be**

Lions Speaker On March 25th Harold "Bergan" Burris will speak on prescriptions, Medicare and Social Security in general. Anyone interested is invited to attend and ask questions.

Mr. Burris was employed by the Social Security Administration when disability program and Medicare began and is still active as a volunteer.

He will be at the Friona Lions Club meeting at 7:30 pm, Thursday, March 25th, 9th & Pierce.



### Who Makes The BEST Chili?



#### March 27 2004 We're Gonna Find Out! So you think you make a pretty mean Chili? Well put it to the test. Come and join the fun!!!

All you have to do is show up with your Crock Pot full of Chili. The Chili cooks can start their pots here or they can bring the chili prepared and ready for judging. (We are really easy on the rules.) The contestants can start cooking at 10:00 Saturday morning or any time from then to 2:00 pm. We upply the electricity for your crock pot you must bring everything else. At 3 pm we start selling a tasting cup, spoon and voting ticket to the public for \$1.00. They can taste each pot of chili once. When they are finished, mark the number of their favorite chill on the voting ticket and place it in the traveling troohy, and bragging rights for the year.

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"Chill Division" Entry Fee \$10.00 (Prepare at least one crock pot of Chili) 1st Place

\$50,00 & Trophy 2<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>st</sup> Place Ribbons

"Salsa Division" Entry Fee \$5.00 (Prepare 1 gallon of salsa)

1st Place \$20,00 & Trophy 2" - 3rd Place Ribbons

Friona Community Center Saturday, March 27, 2004

Cooking begins at 10:00 am, or you can BYOC (Bring your own chill): Judging begins at 3:00 pm. There will be live entertainment and refreshments available!

If you plan on entering your chill or salsa, contact Richard Spears at the Prioria Police Department, 250-2711, or small <u>Richard Southing Memory.com</u> Proceeds from the cook-off to benefit the High School Senior Graduation Party

## Around Town

#### PCRT&SPA met March 2

The Parmer County Retired Teachers and School Personnel Association met on March 2 in the community room of Friona State Bank with nineteen members and one guest present. James Cunningham, president District XVI Texas Retired Teachers Association was the featured speaker.

The election of new officers was held. The following officers were selected to serve for the coming year: president, Ann Corn; first vice president, Sharon White; second vice president, Sarah Owen; secretary, Bobby Wied; and treasurer, Valoris Osborn.

After the meeting refreshments were served by Elizabeth Gore and Tommie Mercer.

#### Special Olympics needs help

Special Olympics fundraisers are now selling flower bulbs until March 26. Some one will be knocking on doors. If you are not contacted and would like to donate or order bulbs pleas call Donna Mullins at 250-

A booster club is also being formed for Special Olympics. Assistance is also needed for coaching athletes, starting Tuesday, March 16 at the Friona High School track. If you are interested in helping please call

#### Cancer screening Friday, March 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 Friday, March 19, 2004. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only. Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

#### Mexican Pile On lunch planned

The Calvary Baptist Church is hosting a Mexican pile-on lunch at 12 noon, Sunday, March 21. A dessert of strawberry shortcake will also be served. Donations will be accepted. All proceeds will benefit the J.P. Sims Memorial Scholarship Fund for Friona youth. Two \$1500 scholarships will be given this year.

#### FUMC has full schedule

Friona United Methodist Church has a full schedule beginning with a Cowboy Fellowship, March 16 at 7 p.m. at Hub. A Stitchin' Posts will be held March 18 at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Nail & Hair Care will be held at Prairie Acres on March 23 at 8:30 a.m. The fourth and fifth grade SS Class is putting together UMCOR kits. If you are interested in helping, there will be a decorated box sitting outside the sanctuary for donations for their project. Sunday, March 28, the FUMC are sponsoring a Youth Rally from 4 to 8 p.m. All area youth are invited to come join in the fun & fellowship.

#### Palo Duro Handweaver's to meet

The Palo Duro Handweaver's Guild monthly meeting is on March 25 at 7:30 p.m. in Amarillo. Anyone interested in weaving, spinning, dyeing or fiber arts is welcome. For meeting location or information call Becky Martin at 806-358-2765.

#### Friona Evening Lions meeting set

Friona Evening Lions Club will meet Thursday, March 25, at 7:30 p.m. Program chairman, Clarence Martin, has scheduled Harold Burris, formerly of the Social Security Administration, to speak on prescriptions and Medicare.

#### Texas Plains Two-Cylinder Club to meet

The Texas Plains Two-Cylinder Club will host its 12th annual antique tractor show at the Ollie Liner Center in Plainview, Texas, March 27 & 28. Antique tractors of various makes will be on display Saturday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Antique engines and equipment will also be on display. There will be daily parade of the tractors at 2:30 p.m., a children's pedal tractor pull, and other various activities. Admissions free but donations will be accepted. Concessions will be provided by the Hale County Farm and Ranch Museum. For more information contact Paul Sarchet at 806-744-4457.

#### Lazbuddie Sr. Class Team Roping

CLT Roping Productions will present the annual Lazbuddie Senior class Team Roping, Sunday, March 28. Books open at 12:30 p.m. and roping will begin at 1 p.m. at the Dusty Rhodes Arena in Muleshoe. For more information contact Thurman Myers at 806-272-3598 or 806-946-9208. A concession stand will be available.

#### **BSA** Hospice offers grief education

BSA Hospice offers grief education and group support for adults who are experiencing grief due to the death of a child. A new group, "Grieving the Loss of a Child" will meet Thursday evening 7 p.m. to 8:30

pm. Beginning April 1, 2004. The group will meet for six consecutive weeks. Facilitator for the group is Paula Bencini, LPC. Meetings will be held in the Den in the BSA Hospice facility located at 600 North Tyler in Amarillo. Meetings are opened to the public and are free of charge. It is recommended that participants wait approximately 3 months after a death before attending. Registration is requested. For more information call 806-212-8028 or toll free 1-800-315-6209.

#### **Ladies Spring Luncheon**

The 2004 Ladies Spring Luncheon will be Saturday, April 3 at 11:30 a.m. in the Friona High School Cafeteria. A fashion show by Ingram's will be presented. Bring a salad or dessert and a friend! Sponsored by Friona Chamber of Commerce Women's Division.

#### Archeological Society to meet Apr. 3

A presentation by a longtime archeologist is among the highlights of the 40th Annual Meeting of the Southwest Federation of Archeological Societies, set for April 3, 2004 in Canyon, Texas. For reservation information call the Amarillo Convention and Visitors Council at (806) 374-1497.

#### FUMC revival coming soon

Friona United Methodist Church will be hosting a revival April 4-6 with Bishop Dan Solomon. The schedule will be Sunday, 11 a.m. worship service and 7 p.m. evening service, Monday & Tuesday, 7 p.m. evening service each night.

#### BSA Hospice offers training

Baptist St. Anthony's Hospice will be presenting volunteer training and community education classes called "The Hospice Approach to Living with Dying". This is a class for anyone interested in becoming a hospice volunteer, learning more about hospice care and/or desiring personal growth and enrichment. Training is free of charge. There will be eight class sessions April 5 thru April 29, 2004, Monday and Thursday! morning from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the BSA Hospice Den, 600 N. Tyler, Amarillo. To register call Stacie Boyer at BSA Hospice, (806)-212-8715 or (800) 315-6209. 24 Contact hours/2.4 CEU's awarded by Amarillo Col-

#### Lazbuddie Shootout set Apr. 23-24

The Lazbuddie Senior Parents of Class 2004 proudly present The Lazbuddie Shootout, a 3 on 3 festival, April 23-24 in the Lazbuddie High School Gymnasium. Entry fee is \$50 per 4-member team. Elementary, Jr., High, High School, Adult, Coed (2 men, 2 women), and over 40's divisions. Entry deadline is April 18. For additional information contact Lazbuddie High School, P.O. Box 9, Lazbuddie, TX 79053, 806-965-2151 or Call Debbie Weir, 806-965-2302, Sarah Black, 806-265-3861 or any high school senior. Call today to enter.

#### Relay for Life info

The Parmer County Relay for Life has been scheduled for June 11 this year. Times will be different than last year. The event will begin at 7 p.m. and end at 1 a.m.

There will be many ways to be involved in the Relay for Life. More information will follow in the weeks ahead but it is important to organizers to get teams together as soon as possible. So start thinking "Cancer Research" and "Relay for Life". If you have any questions, call Jyl Grimsley at 250-5700 or Suzanne Bunker at 250-8055.

#### Bill Ellis needs your help

Bill Ellis asking for everyone's help with information he is collecting for a sports and academic record book on Friona High School.

On the academic side, Bill needs to know the class valedictorians from the years prior to 1938, and those after 1956. He also plans to publish photos of all of these honor grads that he can get.

Also, the longtime publisher would like to have class GROUP pictures from as many of the classes he can find. At the present time, all he has are the classes of 1935, 1938, 1940 and 1951.

"Please help me to recognize these ex-students. Call me if you have either photos, or an idea of who we could contact," Bill says.

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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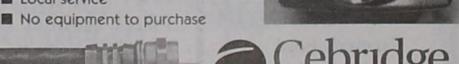


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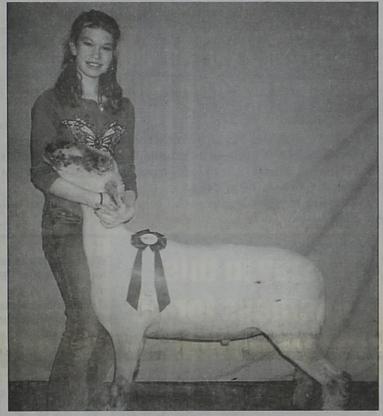
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## Thank You From The Parmer County Jr. Livestock Show.

The Junior Livestock Show premium sale was another outstanding success with a total of over \$60,000 returned to the young exhibitors for the animals that made the sale. We appreciate all the buyers and the add-ons that make it such a great country that supports our talented youth for all their hard work.



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SGT. DARRAN & TANIA PROCTOR

## Sgt. Darran Procter **Came Home To Visit**

U. S. Army Sgt. Darran Procter came home to Friona for a visit before his deployment to Afghani-

Darran is a Friona graduate who attended Lubbock Christian University for two years, spent two years in the U.S. Navy on the USS Blue Ridge, got out, worked for a couple of years, then joined the U.S. Army five years ago. He is now stationed in Hawaii and is assigned in Army communications.

Recently Darran was able to come home to visit family and friends. He and his daughter Reagan, 8, were welcomed with a 'coming home' party hosted by his grandparents James and Sue Procter, parents Dewayne and Cheryl Procter, and relatives Ted and Glenda Procter & family, Ron and Lib Procter, and Tim and Jenny Nations & Cloe. Friends attending were Johnny and Elthie Hand, Wessie and Dustee Hand, Kevin and Ashley Roberts and girls, and Shannon and Vickie Cochran and family.

Homemade enchiladas and Mexican food were enjoyed by all. Darran's wife Tania was unable to pregnancy complications.

then took a trip across Texas, visiting Darran's brother Wade and family in Odessa, then to Mansfield grandmother Darlene Ramage and

Sgt. Procter leaves for Afghanistan March 26 for 12-15 months. His wife Tania will return to Lampasas, TX, on April 1 to stay with her parents Randy and Wilma Sargent. She is scheduled to have their baby daughter at Fort Hood on June 14. The family requests your prayers for Darran's safety in Afghanistan and for his wife Tania staying to have their baby at Fort Hood all alone.



LIFE ACTION MINISTRIES

## Life Action Ministries Revival Crusade Set

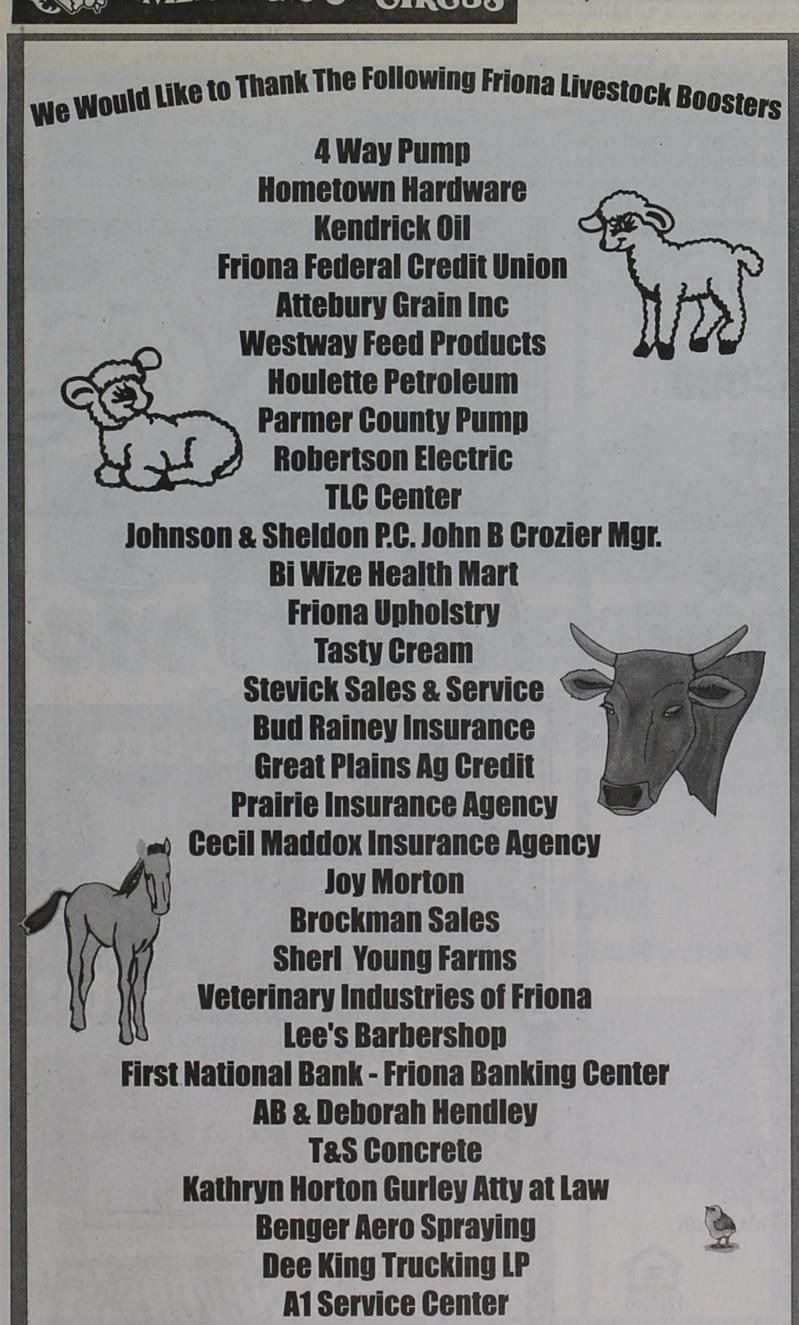
Life Action, a ministry dedicated to living and teaching practical, daily application of the Word of God, is coming to Friona, March 28, to hold a two-week Revival crusade.

Through a series of evening services and seminars at First Baptist Church the Live Action team make the trip from Hawaii due to will present thought provoking messages and music which will direct Darran, Reagan, and his parents your focus to the practical truths of the Word of God. The crusade will begin on Sunday, March 28 at 10:40 a.m. and will continue each to visit his sister Darla Sandlin and weekday evening at 7 p.m., Monfamily, and on to East Texas to see day through Friday. This crusade will feature instructional preaching, other relatives. Darran had never family seminars, music and seen his nephew Cason Procter (10 children's programs. The focus of months old) and niece Brylie the crusade is on the greatest need Sandlin (5 months old) before this in America today, practical steps to see God empower and draws visit. He flew back to Hawaii from on how to daily live by the biblical Christians to practical dependence values and principles upon which this country was founded.

Included in this two-week crusade are nightly musical presentations by the nationally recognized Life Action Singers. In addition, each crusade includes family seminars; young adult seminars; an informal discussion time for teenagers; a youth seminar called "Master Control"; Dynamite Club, for boys and girls in grades 2-6; and Happiness Club, a sparky group of 4 and 5 -year-olds and first grad-

This energetic group, from Buchanan, Michigan, is one parts of Life Action Ministries. Founded in 1971 by Evangelist Del Fehsenfeld Jr. Life Action has brought together a staff of over-100 individuals from across the continent with one bonding goal, upon Himself, resulting in a Spiritual Awakening among the lost.









ONE-ACT PLAY ROYALTY, back row, l-r, Mason Vasquez, Meghan Hendrickson, Ty Potts. Front row, I-r, Sara Widner, Stephenie Jones, Eddy Ortiz, Lory Wyly ron carr photo

**Parmer County Relay For Life** 

**American Cancer Society** 

A Walking/Running Event for the Prevention of Cancer

June 11th

7pm - 1am

Friona High School Track

All monies raised at this event are for Cancer research. This is an event that you

need to plan to be a part of, and attend. There are many ways to be involved.

Event Sponsor, Team Member, purchase Luminarias that will be lit during the Luminaria Ceremony at dusk during the walk.

Mark your calendars for this event and plan to come and walk with us. Cancer

effects many people and this is a way for us, as a community, to honor our loved ones who have and are suffered from this devastating disease, and raise money for

prevention through research.

Some CANCER FACTS from the American Cancer Society:

Sadly, many individual battles against Cancer are lost; however, slowly the battle

is being won. Five-year survival rates are rising among the most common cancers.

100% for Prostate Cancer

97% for Breast Cancer

96% for Malignant Melanoma

94% for Bladder Cancer

92% for Cervical Cancer

90% for Colorectal Cancer

Your involvement in this event will help support continued Cancer research,

prevention and treatment and patient services.

The first Parmer County Relay for Life was held in August 2003. The event raised

\$18,600 plus for Cancer Research. Our goal this year was \$21,500. In 2003, there

was 12 teams, our goal this year is 20. We need your help and involvement to see

this goal met. Make your plans NOW and...

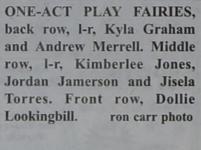
WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU JUNE 11TH !!!!



ONE-ACT PLAY RUDE MECHANICALS, I-r, Pedro Ramos, Meghan Hendrickson & Juan Silva









ONE-ACT PLAY CREW, back row, 1-r, Joseph Bentley, A.J. Huckins and Fabian Dominguez. Front row, l-r, Chad Hutson, Julie Echevarria, Mashay White and Allison Jones.



## **One-Act Play Performance Tuesday**

One-Act Play production is Will- Prologue; Mason Vasquez, Oberon; and Kyla Graham/Titiana. iam Shakespeare's A Midsummer Lysander; Ty Potts, Demetrius; Sara The sound and stage crew are Night's Dream.

There will be a public perfor- ena. There is no admission charge.

Erika Montana. The cast includes: Eddie Ortiz as Theseus, Stephenie Jordan Jamerson, Peaseblossom/ Thursday, March 25. Jones, Hippolyta; Meghan

The 2004 Friona High School Hendrickson, Egeus/Peter Quince/ Starveling/Moon; Andrew Merrell, Widner, Hermia; Lory Wyly, Hel- Mashay White, Chad Hutson,

mance on Tuesday, March 23, at 7 Also, Pedro Ramos, Bottom/ Julie Echevarria, Alan Huckins, p.m. in the high school auditorium. Pyramus; Juan Carlos Silva, Flute/ Oliver Loya, Joey Bentley, and Thisby; Kimberlee Jones, Puck; Directors are Joy Morton and Jisela Torres, Cobweb/Snout/Wall; Dollie Lookingbill, Moth/Snug/Lion; 2A one-act play competition on

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# Heritage Museum In For Electric Overhaul

meeting March 11. President Bruce Fleming presided. Members present were Don and Gladys Spring, Jim and Mary Johnston, Teena Hughs, Wendy Carthel and Darla Bracken, Max 'ones and Ronnie McLellan of Robe. Ison Electric were present to answer questions about their bid to connect the tion, local historical significance, etc. building to electrical services.

After a detailed discussion about the existing electrical circuits, lights, etc. in the building, Jones told the board a separate bid would be necessary for ceiling, outside, porch and basement lights and fixtures. His bid of \$4,300 for the connection work was accepted by the board and work should begin in late April.

has about \$9,000 total in two accounts The quilt is ready for display. and another \$500 in calendar sales recently deposited.

Friona High School seniors are looking

## **Breast Cancer Screening Clinic**

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Parmer County Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Ave., in Friona on April 16, 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 a breast selfexam each month.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment

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

Board of Directors met in a special end of April and would be asked to trimming companies. assist with cleanup projects at the mu-

> The board discussed duplication of donated items and the board policy on what to do with them. The storage issue will have to be addressed for future acquisitions and also the condiare to be considered for accepted items.

Mary Johnston said she had been asked about storing and maybe selling the Parmer County History books. She said the museum did not have the room to store the books but would consider selling them. Doris Lange of Houston donated an old quilt which was made for a 1923 fundraising raffle to build the current building which Mary Johnston said the museum was then the Congregational Church.

Gladys and Don Spring had checked with the city for records about the Teena Hughs reported that the sewer system (tap or cesspool) and will ask the city to check the grounds for a sewer line. Don also asked about removal of dead trees and it was de-

The Pioneer Heritage Museum for community service projects at the cided to get a quote from several tree

## WTAMU **Scholarships**

West Texas A&M University has kept its promise to seven students from Friona.

Each student received \$1,000 through WTAMU's Top Quarter Scholarship Guarantee. The scholarship is awarded to students who graduate in the top 25 percent of their high school class and choose to attend WTAMU.

The scholarship recipients are Adam Bandy, sophomore; Adrian Delgadillo, freshman; Jose Dominguez, freshman, engineering technology major; Lindsay North, sophomore, education major; Tyler White, sophomore, computer information systems major; Amber Widner, sophomore, social work major; and Brian Wiseman, freshman, marketing major.

## WTAMU Workshop

On Monday, March 29, the WTAMU Small Business Development Center will be presenting a workshop entitled "ARTS, CRAFTS and MONEY". The presenter is Libby Platus noted sculptress and judge of juried competitions. Topics include; Locating Sales Outlets and Opportunities, Marketing Strategies and Action Plans, Maintain Image and Attitude, Selling at Fairs, Festivals and Shows, Establishing Goals, Using Marketing Tools, Getting Representation, Pricing Products and Identifying Customers.

The seminar is from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The seminar will be held at the Small Business Development Center, located at 2300 N. Western, Amarillo, TX.

Cost of the seminar is \$35 in advance and \$45 at the door. You may register online at the SBDC website: www.smallbusinessdevelopmentcenter.com or contact our office at 806-372-

Additional seminars being presented are: Microsoft Applications, May 13

Due to the demand the Small Business Development will again present its Basic Business Series Seminars in April. Contact the SBD for further information.

## FRIONA FLASHBACKS

#### 75 Yrs. Ago March 15, 1929

Work on the new school building in the Jesko district, about twelve miles south of Friona, has been progressing recently to the extent that the walls are up and with favorable weather the entire structure will be enclosed. The building will contain two regular classrooms, and will be located just across the highway from the old building. Settlers are coming in all the time, and trustees are building with the view to the future needs of the district.

#### 70 Yrs. Ago March 16,1934

The sixth number of the lyceum course will be presented Friday evening by the T-Anchor Cowboys. This group of college students from West Texas State Teachers College has carried the 31-0. program to several communities outside of Canyon. The cowboys have arranged about 45 minutes of this program, and the last 45 minutes will be used for request from the audience.

#### 65 Yrs. Ago March 17, 1939

Several of Friona's young people who are teaching school at various places were home to spend the weekend with the home folk. Among those who were here included Misses Lora Mae McFarland from Wellington, Reba Hill from Hale Center, and Mary Reeve from Pampa; Hadley Reeve from Snyder.

Hens and their products add wealth to the Friona area, a news story pointed out, explaining how the egg business had increased in the adjacent area in Mar. 21-Jeffery Sunderlin, Joe the past 20 years.

#### 60 Yrs. Ago March 10, 1944

Members of Friona Post No. 206, American Legion, cordially invite all veterans of World Wars I and II and all who are eligible to become members of the War Dads to meet with them Wednesday night, March 15. That date will also mark the Silver Anniversary of Mar. 23-Judy Potts, Roma Wilson, the American Legion.

#### 55 Yrs. Ago March 11, 1949

"Why can't we buy license plates in Bovina and Friona?" was the question posed by a page one editorial on out that Castro County had thought enough of the taxpayers of Summerfield (population about 70) to send an agent to the store there for the past ten, while Friona and Bovina residents were forced to drive to the county seat each

#### 50 Yrs. Ago March 11, 1954

General Telephone Company will poll its subscribers to see if they wish to absorb increased costs of calling tollfree to adjacent rural areas (Hub and Mar. 27-Billy Sanders, Randy Allen, Parmer) in order to erase the present toll charge

#### 45 Yrs. Ago March 12, 1959

An office building will be erected in the near future to house the Friona office of Plainview Production Credit Association, according to Olan

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#### 40 Yrs. Ago March 12, 1964

The Friona High School Squaws, having swept to the Region I title last weekend in Lubbock, will put their 31 game winning streak on the line in Austin this weekend, in quest of the elusive state championship. On nine other occasions, the Squaws have sought the state title, in both "McKamie League" and UIL competition, but they have yet to bring home the title. The team faces a Class AAA school, Mineral Wells, who stands 33-1 for the year, in the opener. Friona is

#### 35 Yrs. Ago March 13, 1969

Kara Beth Sides, a 1968 graduate of Friona High School, is a spring pledge of Theta Chi Lambda social club at McMurry College, Abilene.

> 30 Yrs. Ago March 17, 1974

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY FRIONA

March 14 thru 20, 2004. Murphree, Lou Keith, Amelia Wright, James M. McFarland, Rojelio Reyes Jr., Adriana Garza

Mar. 22-Teresa Kendrick, Derek Dunn, Jack Wilson, Alisa Perkins Trimmell, Amber Hart, Andrew Diaz, Kenny Austin, Willie Cooper, Cecil Cooper

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March 11, 1949. The editorial pointed Mar. 24-Matt Osborn, Dennis Field, Jessica Estrada

Mar. 25-Halie Herring, Tye Phillips, Nikki Love McDowell, David Brown, Elton Wyly, Tony Castaneda, Tony Williams, J. Ryan Seright, Sydney Grace Frye

Mar. 26-Ken Stowers, Tara Shae Rector, Delia Roth, Morgan Barnett, Bryan Blake Stover, Joni Lyn Johnson, Ken Jamerson, Joan Grimsley

Keven Clark, Jon Goddard, C.B. Eddins, Macy Diana Reeve, V'Lesha Wilcox, Alysa Cooper

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-

Plans were announced this week mance on the night of April 20.

#### 25 Yrs. Ago March 18, 1979

Chuck Nichols set a school and meet record in winning the pole vault event at Farwell's Twin City Relays last Saturday. Nichols won the event with a 12-7 leap, bettering the meet record by four inches. The former M school record, 12-6, was held by David 18

#### 20 Yrs. Ago March 25, 1984

Brent Hinkle won the first place award in the math and computer division of the High School Science Fair. His project, "The Effects of 4000 hz." Sound On Germinating Seedlings," was named "Best of Show."

#### 15 Yrs. Ago March 18, 1989

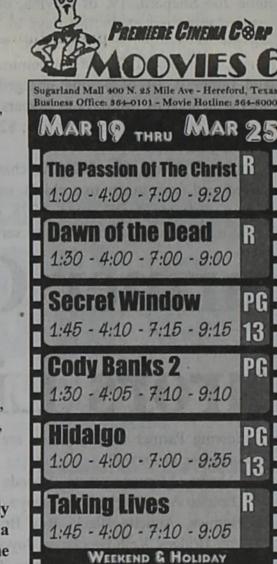
Friona High School's UIL contest play, "The Thirteen Clocks," was chosen, along with Muleshoe High School's "Elizabeth The Queen" to advance to the Area I competition April 8 in Muleshoe.

#### 10 Yrs. Ago March 19, 1994

Alisa Perkins Trimmell, a December graduate of the Southwestern Oklahoma State University School of Pharmacy at Weatherford, Oklahoma, began her employment as a pharmacist at Drug Sav in Mount Pleasant, Texas, March 15.

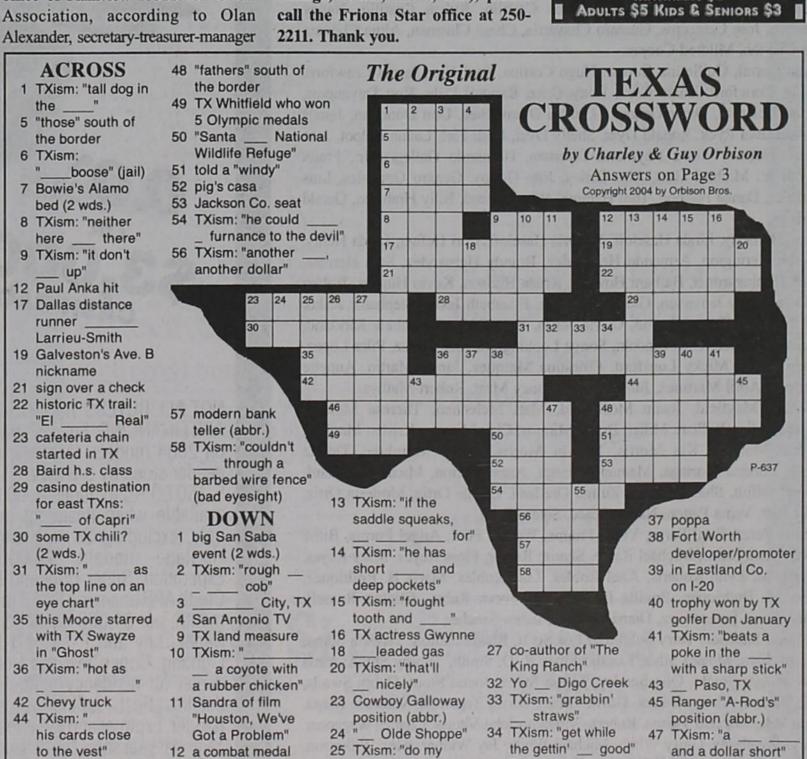
#### 5 Yrs. Ago March 19, 1999

The Friona area had received an excellent boost in the moisture department at the Star's presstime this week. The official city gauge showed 1.20 inches of moisture as of 2 p.m. Thurs-



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## Sheriff's Report

March 12, Juan Ramirez, Jr., 42, of Clovis, NM, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with possession of marijuana less than two ounces, pending County Court.

March 13, William Johnson, 22, of Amarillo, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with possession of marijuana less than two ounces, pending County Court.

March 14, Inez Delacruz, 38 of Friona, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with DWI with a child, pending Grand Jury. In 287th District Court on March 2, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

Debra Hudson Abeyta, 47, of Friona, charged with DWI with a child in the vehicle, was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, probated for 2 years; \$303 court costs; \$500 fine; \$350 attorney fees; 120 hours of community service, and obtain substance abuse counseling at own expense.

Jonathan Bruce Chisom, 17, of Bovina, charged with criminal mischief (property), was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred for 2 years; \$278 court costs; \$750 fine; \$350 attorney fees; \$2,176 restitution, and 120 hours of community service.

Victor Manuel Garcia, 17, of Bovina, charged with criminal mischief (property), was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred for 2 years; \$278 court costs; \$350 attorney fees; \$2,176 restitution, and 120 hours of community service.

Jeremy Ruben Gomez, 17, of Bovina, Charged with retaliation, was sentenced to 3 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, deferred for 2 years; \$278 court cost, \$750 fine; \$350 attorney fees, and 160 hours of community service.

Wade Joe Kelley, 37, of Dimmitt, charged with burglary of a habitation, was sentenced to 6 years in the Department of Criminal Justice, probated for 6 years; confinement in a substance abuse felony punishment facility as a condition of probation; \$303 court costs; \$2,500 fine; \$350 attorney fees; \$665 restitution; and 400 hours of community service. On a charge of violation of community supervision (possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver-cocaine), Kelley had his community supervision continued, 6 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, probated for 6 year; confinement in a substance abuse felony punishment as a condition of probation.

Tamisha McClendon, 21, of Fort Worth, charged with theft, was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, probated for 2 years; \$303 court costs, \$500 fine; \$350 attorney fees; \$3,350 restitution, and 120 hours of community service.

Maria Rosario Moore, 18, of Oklahoma City, charged with possession of marijuana, was sentenced to 6 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, deferred for 6 years; \$278 court costs; \$1,500 fine; \$350 attorney fees, \$140 restitution, 160 hours of community service, and obtain counseling at own expense.

John Colby Pena, 18, of Bovina, charged with criminal mischief (property), was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred for 2 year; \$278 court costs; \$750 fine; \$350 attorney fees; \$2,176 restitution, and 120 hours of community service.

Debra Darlene Selman, 26, of Amherst, Texas, charged with a Class B misdemeanor (reduced from 3rd degree felony theft), was sentenced to up to 180 days in county jail, probated for 6 months, \$303 court costs; \$200 fine; \$350 attorney fees; \$75 restitution, and 24 hours of community service.

Bennie Joe Shepard, 19, of Bovina, charged with criminal mischief (property) was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred for 2 year; \$278 court costs; \$750 fine; \$350 attorney fees; \$2,176 restitution; and 120 hours of community service.

Claud Tamez II, 19, of Bovina, charged with criminal mischief (property) was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred for 2 y ears; \$278 court cost; \$750 fine; \$2,176 restitution; and 120 hours of community service.

Christy Lee Villareal, 18, of Bovina, charged with Class A misdemeanor assault (reduced from injury to a child), was sentenced to up to 1 year in county jail, deferred for 1 year, \$278 court costs; \$750 fine; \$386 restitution; and 80 hours of community service.

# Parmer County Jurors List

The following Parmer County jurors are to report on March 23 at the

county courthouse in Farwell:

Sandra Abarca, Manuel Acosta, Shonda Adams, Dan Allen, Ernestina Aragonez, Ernesto Armendariz, Dora Arroyo, Mark Barnes, Rosalio Benavides, Macario Bermea, Annette Black, Rex Bracken, Suann Braning, Brenda Bridges, Jerry Bridges, Kelli Brockman, Joyce Broyles, Reba Buske, Anthony Caporusso, Daniel Carmichael, Andrew Carr, Jennifer Carrasco, Jesus Castanedo, Abraham Castanon, Carlos Castillo, Ruben Castillo, Nancy Chasteen, Jose Ceniceros, Gumaro Chavarria, Chase Chisman, Alma Clayton, Tina Clayton, Mildred Cooper.

Ana Corral, Guillermo Correa, Hugo Cortina, Paul Cox, James Crawford, Tucker Crawford, Luiza Cruz, Roxy Cruz, Randell Dale, Ron Davenport, Adrian Delarosa, Omar Delgado, Chayci Dominguez, Don Donovan, James Downes, Eva Ryck, Ronald Dyer, Shelly Dyer, Lesli Fiel, Luann Fillpot, Jose Flores, Norma Flores, Raymond Freeman, Hernando Gallegos Jr., Frank Galvan Jr., Michael Gast, Alta Geries, Jose Godoy, Genaro Gonzales, Luis Gonzalez, Danna Hagood, Tom Hammit, Wessie Hand, Billy Hrabison, Gerald Hardage.

Loy Hardesty, Linda Haseloff, Victoria Haseloff, Lori Hefner, Linda Henry, Lawson Herington, Armando Hernandez, Brandy Hernandez, Sam Herrera, Willis Hopingardner, Barbara Howard, Krista Hudson, Kevin Hughes, Bobby Jackson, Ricky Jamerson, Glenda Jennings, Elizabeth Jesko, Stephanie Jesko, Berl Johnson, Terri Johnson, Olivia Jones, Betty Kelley, Michele Kirkland, Detrica Lewellen, Cliff Lincoln, Sonye Lookingbill, Jose Lopez, Pilar Lopez, Ruben Lucio, Micky Lunsford, Ernestina Marquez, Jamie Martin, Annette Martinez, April Martinez, Julie Mason, Honey Mast, Robert Mathys.

Wanda Mayfield, Joann McDonald, Matt Mclennan, Theresa Mcleod, Valinda Miller, William Miller, Brady Mimms, Clay Mimms, Kristen Mitchell, Alberto Morales, Kia Morris, Melvin Morris, James Murphree, Donita Noble, Loreina Noriega, Manuel Noriega, Anne Norton, Micah Odegaard, Samuel Offutt, Sharon Olney, Zulma Orellana, Estella Ortiz, Modesta Ortiz,

Larry Parr, Verna Patton, Nancy Peace, Sotero Pena. Jesus Perez, Raul Perez, Virgil Phipps, Wesley Pool, Angel Porras, Billie Powell, Jack Rains, Michael Ratke, Sharon Rector, Flora Reyes, Mary Reyes, Delia Rios, Lynn Roberts, Abel Robles, Luis Robles, Maria B. Rodriquez, Maria M. Rodriquez, Pricilla Rosales, Genoveva Rubio, Clinton Russell, Kathy Saenz Jessica Saiz, Diana Sanchez, Iadira Sanchez.

Ramon Sanchez, Terry Schilling, Lee Scott, Rickie Seaton, Teresita Serna, Miriam Silva, Moises Silva, Rosalio Silva, R. D. Smith, Timmy Smith, Alma Solis, Ruben Sotelo, Olie Stanley, Teresa Stone, Joann Stout, Debra Swails, Janie Timms, Alonso Torres, David Torres, Oliver Trimmell, Veronica Mega, Maria Vela, Marcelo Vidana, Roberto Vironchi, John Vitolas, Charles Waggoner, Cheryl Weatherly, Garry White, Michael White, Jay Widner, Alex Wilkerson, Carole Wilkerson, John Wilson, Betty Wiseman, Carolyn Wiseman, Michelle Wiseman, Nicholes Yruegas.



#### THE CHIEF'S CORNER by ROYCE L. GOODSON

Friona Police Department

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On Saturday morning, March 13, While in custody at the Friona the Friona Police Department re-Police Department Wilkins advised sponded to a suspicious person Officers that he had been at the call at the Bunker Trucking parking Bunker Trucking Company because lot on Main Street, south of the he was going to shoot one of the railroad tracks. Employees of the employees with his bow and arrow. business reported that subject was Officers then also charged Wilkins hiding behind trucks parked in the with the offense of Criminal Atparking lot and was wearing camtempt Murder. Wilkins was later ouflage pants, a mask and was transported to the Parmer County carrying two pistols and a bow Jail where he was incarcerated. and arrow. The employees also ad-

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The Friona Police Department is currently investigating the theft of currently investigating a Burglary of a Building offense that occurred try Club Golf Course. The flag that at American Canvas business in the 1100 block of Hwy. 60 West in Friona. Items reported stolen from white pole. Anyone having any in- a building at the location include, formation concerning the theft or tool chests, tools, and other misc. items. / nyone having information concer ing the burglary of the location or the stolen items should contact the Friona Police Department or the Parmer County Crime

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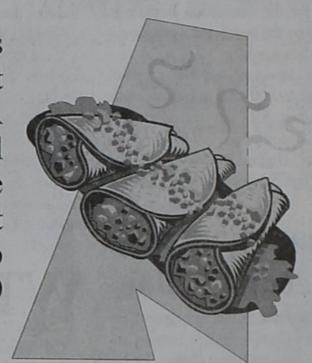
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## Eat Lunch With Us This Sunday and Benefit J.P. Sims Scholarship Fund for the Friona Youth

The Calvary Baptist Church is hosting a Mexican pile-on lunch at 12 noon, Sunday, March 21. A dessert of strawberry shortcake will also be served. Donations will be accepted. All proceeds will benefit the J.P. Sims Memorial Scholarship Fund for Friona youth. Two \$1500 scholarships will be given this year.





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mer County Crime



REPRESENTING Bovina at the Friday EMS meeting in Friona were, l-r, police officer Eddie Everhart, councilman Jessie Stone, city manager Ernest Terry, and Mayor Galen Hromas. Story on page one. ron carr photo

#### Bovina Chamber Banquet Mar. 27

The Bovina Chamber of Commerce annual banquet will be held Saturday, March 27, at the school cafeteria. Tickets to the popular rib eye steak dinner will cost \$10 per person. They are available at the middle school office, the Parmer County Tax Appraisal office, or at the door the night of the banquet.

## **Bovina Chief** Recovering From Surgery

Bovina Police Chief Leon Saddler underwent a heart bypass operation Monday, March 8, in Lubbock. Bovina EMS was called on Sunday and transported Chief Saddler to a Clovis Hospital complaining of chest pains.

He was later transferred to Lubbock. City manager Ernest Terry said Saddler came home Saturday March 13 and is expected to be off 4-6 weeks recovering from the surgery. Doctors told him not to drive during the recov-



## Bovina Reflections

#### 45 Yrs. Ago March 18, 1959

Setting records as they went, Bovina's Fillies finished as Class B runners-up in the girls state basketball tournament at Gregory Gym in Austin last weekend.

#### 40 Yrs. Ago March 18, 1964

A mysterious burglary at Wilson's Super Market Monday night netted burglars \$114.36.

#### 35 Yrs. Ago March 26, 1969

Mrs. Lucille Walling and Wayne Spears received the 1969 awards for Woman of the Year and Man of the Year at the Ninth Annual Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture banquet Thursday night in the school cafeteria.

#### 30 Yrs. Ago March 27, 1974

Amidst a setting of "Cowpoke" Reid, creator of the nationally syn- day. dicated "Cowpoke" cartoon, re- Larry Mitchell and Esther Man of the Year. ceived a tremendous welcome from Steelman were named Bovina's Man

a packed house Thursday night in the 14th annual banquet of Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agri-

#### 25 Yrs. Ago March 21, 1979

Virgie Cary was named as the Woman of the Year at the Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture banquet and Stephen Sherrill was named as Bovina's Man of the

#### 20 Yrs. Ago March 21, 1984

Bob and Sarah Owen were honored at the Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture banquet as the 1984 Man and Woman of the Year. Barbara Charles was honored by the Bovina Chamber of Commerce as "Teacher of the Year".

#### 15 Yrs. Ago March 22, 1989

Marci Dale and Scott Sudderth cartoons along with replicas of received the outstanding youth cowboys and "cow chips" Ace award from the Chamber last Thurs-

and Woman of the year at the 1989 Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture banquet.

#### 10 Yrs. Ago March 19, 1994

Danny Martinez, a fourth grader at Bovina Elementary School, was the spelling be winner in the junior division of the Parmer County Spelling Bee, which was held on March 10. Danny's winning word was "adhesive." Danny is the son of Alvaro and Francisca Martinez and is a student in Mrs. Deen's fourth grade class.

#### 5 Yrs. Ago March 19, 1999

Gary Smith, the "Prime Minister of Laughter", was the speaker at the 1999 Bovina Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture banquet. Ashley Zehner and J.T. Roach were named outstanding students. Bill Shelly was named 1999 Educator of the Year. Ethel Johnson was presented the Heritage Award. Suzan Hughes and Earl Whitten were honored with Woman and

## Happy Birthday Bovina

March 21 thru 27, 2004. Mar. 21-Kathy Graves, Tracy

Jamerson Mar. 22-Anita Guest, Jonathan Murphy

Mar. 23-Becky Herrera, Sara **Flores** 

Mar. 24-Ella Jo Stormes, March

**Anthony Englant** Mar. 25-Mark Englant, Ireneo

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Mar. 26-E.G. Steelman, Gene

Hutto, Ken Jamerson Mar. 27-Carolyn Beauchamp,

Jessie Stone

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.

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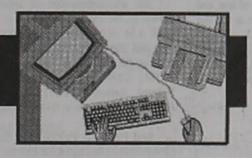
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1-1997 John Deere 8400 mFWD Diesel Tractor, Cab, A/C, 3-pt., 4 Hyd., Wts., 18.4x46 Rubber W/Duals (8,300 Hrs.) Sound & Solid 1-1992 John Deere 4960 MFWD Diesel Tractor, Cab, A/C, Htr., Radio, P/S Trans., T.H., Wts., Q/H,

14.9x30 Front Rubber, 18.4x42 Rear Rubber, Duals (7,659 Hrs.) S.N. 1674 1-1989 Case-IH 7140 Diesel Tractor, Cab, A/C, Htr., Radio, P/S Trans., T.H., Wts., Q/H, 18.4x42

Rubber, Duals (4,035 Hrs.) S.N. 9765 1-1988 John Deere 4850 M.F.W.D. Diesel Tractor, Cab, A/C, Htr., Radio, P/S Trans., T.H., Wts., Q/H, 14.9x30 Front Rubber, 18.4x42 Rear Rubber (New).

Duals (7,395 Hrs.)S.N. 14125 1-1984 John Deere 4450 Diesel Tractor, Cab, A/C, P/S Trans., D.H., Wts., 18.4x38 Rubber W/Duals, New Clutch Pack & Radiator

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1-1992 International 1800 S.P. Diesel 4 Row Cotton Stripper, Cab, A/C, Htr., Hydrostat (1,986 Hrs. &

3-International 95 S.P. Diesel 2 Row Cotton Strippers, Cab, Hydrostat (1 Salvage) 1-Big 12 32' Module Builder, Cab, P.T.O. Speed Up 1-Bush Hog 32' Module Builder, Cab, P.T.O. Speed Up Kit, Bridge Extension

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ANNA LEEPER, RN, Director of Patients Care, and Rhonda Wilkins, Administrative Assistant, Parmer County Hospital, spoke about Patients Privacy Rights at Friona **Evening Lions Club Thursday, March 11.** 

## Friona Country Club **2004 Tournaments**

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR PERMIT RENEWAL

PERMIT NO. 3926 -

AFPLICATION Friona Wheat Growers, Inc., has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for the renewal of Air Quality Permit No. 3926 which would authorize continued operation of the Hill Grain Elevator located at 6th and Washington Street, Friena, Parmer County, Texas. The facility will emit the following air contaminants: particulate matter (including particulate matter less than 10 microns in diameter.)

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on Fobruary 20, 3004. The application is available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Amerillo regional office, and the Friona Public Library, 109 West ? Street, Friona, Parmer County, Texas. The facility's compliance file,

if any exists, is available for public review in the Amarillo regional office of the TCEQ.

The TCEQ executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. Information in the application indicates that this permit renewal would not result in an increase in allowable emissions and would not result in the emission of an air contaminant not previously emitted. The TCEQ may get on this application without seeking further public comment or providing an opportunity for a contested case bearing if certain criteria are met.

PUBLIC COMMENT You may submit public comments, or a request for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEO will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. The dendline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEO's jurisdiction to address in the permit process.

After the technical review is complete the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If only comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who is on the mailing list for this application, unless the application is directly referred to a contested case bearing.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING You may request a contested case hearing. The applicant or the executive director may also request that the application be directly referred to a contested case hearing after technical review of the application. A contested case bearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may act on the application. If no hearing request is received within this 15-day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided. According to the Texas Clean Air Act § 382 056(o) a contested case hearing may only be granted if the applicant's compliance history is in the lowest classification under applicable compliance history requirements and if the hearing request is based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission may only grant a liesting on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air confaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "[I/we] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or association, the one or more members who have standing to request a bearing and the interests the group or association seeks to protect must also be identified. You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 15 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address

If any requests for a contested case bearing are timely filed, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for a contested case hearing to the TCEQ Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. Unless the application is directly referred to a confested case hearing, the executive director will mail the response to comments along with notification of Commission meeting to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application. If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed. issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST in addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk for this application.

INFORMATION Written public comments and requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please cell the Office of Public Assistance, Tell Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from Friona Wheat Growers, Inc., P.O. Box 248, Friona. Texas 79035 or by calling Mr. Ron Smiley, General Manager at (806) 250-3211.

Issuance Date: March 1, 2004

#### LEGAL NOTICE

On February 10, 2004, Valor Telecommunications of Texas, LP (Valor) filed its Second Amended Application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) to establish surcharges to recover lost revenues and incurred costs associated with Expanded Local Calling Service (ELCS) routes implemented from February 1, 1996 through December 31, 2002 between Valor's Texas telephone exchanges and, in many instances, the exchanges of other local telephone companies. The Second Amended Application was filed pursuant to the Commission's Substantive Rule § 26.221 titled "Applications to Establish or Increase Expanded Local Calling Service Surcharges."

ELCS expands the local calling scope of a telephone exchange to include one or more additional telephone exchanges if customers in a petitioning exchange approve by ballot the payment of an ELCS fee in lieu of long distance charges. Costs and lost revenues associated with Valor's surcharge application are those not recovered through existing ELCS fees.

In the Second Amended Application, Valor proposes to implement monthly ELCS surcharges for five years beginning on the date the Commission issues a final order on Valor's request. The Commission can establish an ELCS surcharge for any duration. ELCS surcharges apply in addition to monthly ELCS fees.

Valor proposes the following monthly ELCS surcharges per residential line: \$.86 in Year 1, \$.85 in Year 2, \$.03 in Year 3, \$.02 in Year 4, \$.01 in Year 5. Valor proposes the following monthly ELCS surcharges per business line: \$1.72 in Year 1, \$1.70 in Year 2, \$.06 in Year 3, \$.04 in Year 4, \$.02 in Year 5.

Valor is currently billing interim ELCS surcharges approved by the Commission, including an interim ELCS surcharge of \$.65 per month per residential line and an interim ELCS surcharge of \$1.30 per month per business line. If rates below the level of the interim surcharges are ultimately approved by the Commission, Valor may be required by the Commission to refund all or part of the interim surcharges. If Valor's Second Amended Application is approved, the net annual effect on

Valor's Year 1 revenues will be zero since the requested surcharges are designed to replace lost revenues and to reimburse Valor for increases in costs associated with the provision of ELCS. The estimated total lost revenues and increased costs Valor seeks to recover through this proceeding is \$3,867,372 in Year 1, 3,791,870 in Year 2, \$133,831 in Year 3, \$89,220 in Year 4, and \$44,610 in Year 5.

If you have questions about the proposed surcharges or would like further information, please call Valor at 1-877-520-5220.

The Commission assigned Docket No. 27363 to this proceeding. Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the Public Utility Commission of Texas as soon as possible, and no later than April 21, 2004, the intervention deadline. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, PO Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearingimpaired and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136.

#### **AVISO**

El 10 de Febrero de 2004, VALOR Telecommunicaciones de Texas, LP (VALOR) sometió una solicitud a La Comisión Pública de Servicios de Texas (Public Utility Commission of Texas) para establecer sobrecargos para recuperar las ganancias perdidas y los costos incrementados relacionados del Servicio Expandido de Llamadas Locales (Expanded Local Calling Service - ELCS) entre los despachos centrales de teléfono de VALOR de Texas y en muchas instancias, despachos de otras companías locales de teléfono. La Segunda Enmendacion de Applicacion se sometió basada en la Regla 26.221 de La Comisión titulada, "Solicitudes para Establecer o Incrementar los Sobrecargos de Servicio Expandido de Llamadas

ELCS extiende el alcance de llamadas locales para incluir uno o más despachos de teléfono adicionales, si los clientes de un despacho hacen una petición de cambio que es aprobada por voto para pagar un cargo de ELCS en lugar de sobrecargos de larga distancia. Los costos y ganancias perdidas relacionadas con los sobrecargos de la solicitud de VALOR no son recuperables a través de la cuota del

En la Segunda Enmendación de Applicación, VALOR propóne implementar un cargo mensual por cinco años commensando el dia que la Comicion sumete el orden finál, por la solicitación de Valor. La Commissión puede establisar sobrecargos ELCS for cualquier duración. Sobrecargos ELCS see applicarán arriba de los cargos mensuales ELCS.

Valor háce proposito de los siguientes sobrecargos mensuales por cada linea residental: \$.86 en Año 1; \$.85 en Año 2; \$.03 en Año 3; \$.02 en Año 4; y \$.01 en Año 5. Valor háce proposito de los siguientes sobrecargos mensuales por cada linea comercial: \$1.72 en Año 1, \$1.70 en Año 2; \$.06 en Año 3; \$.04 en Año

Corrientemente, Valor esta cobrando sobrecargos ELCS interines aprobados por la Comisión, incluyendo un interin sobrecargo de \$.65 por mes por cada linea residencial, y un interin sobrecargo de \$1.30 por mes por cada linea comercial. Si tasas bajo de los sobrecargos interines serán ultimamente aprobadas por la Comisión, es posíble que Valor estará disponible a reembolsar todo o parte de los

Si la Segunda Enmendación de Applicación de Valor esta aprobada, el effecto neta annual de tasas para Valor en Año 1 serán cero desde que los sobrecargos solicitados son apuntados a reemplazar tasas y a reembolsar a Valor por los gastos aumentados y associados con la provision de ELCS. El estimado total de tasas perdidas y cargos aumentados que Valor trata de recuperár sobre este procedimiento es \$3,867,372 en Año 1; \$3,791,870 en Año 2; \$133,831 en Año 3; \$89,220 en Año 4, y \$44,610 en Año 5.

Si usted tiene alguna pregunta acerca de los sobrecargos propositados, o si necesita más información, por favor llame a VALOR al 1-877-520-5220.

La Comisión de Servicios Públicos ha asignado el Proyecto No. 27363 a este procedimiento. Las personas que deseen intervenir o comentar en o sobre estos procedimientos deben notificar La Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas tan pronto como sea posible y no más tarde del dia 21 de Abril, 2004, fecha límite de la intervención. Para intervenir o para más información, escriba a La Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas (Public Utility Commission of Texas), 1701 N. Congress Avenue, PO Box 13326, Austin, TX 78711-3326. También puede solicitar más información llamando a La Comisión de Servicios Públicos al (512) 936-7120 o al (888) 782-8477. Personas con impedimentos de hablar o del sentido de oir con teléfonos de textos (TTY) pueden comunicarse con La Comisión al (512) 936-7136.

## PUBLIC **NOTICES**



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#### TO: ISMAEL LEAL, GREETING:

You are commanded to appear by filing an answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten oclock 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 APRIL, 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 February 18, 2004, in this case numbered 448 on the docket of said court, and

#### Parmer County Community Hospital ISMAEL LEAL

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

Issued and given under my hand and seal of the said court, at my office in Friona, Parmer County, Texas, on March 9, 2004.

Valton Howard Justice of the Peace Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas P.O. Box 635 Friona, Texas 79035

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#### TO: JESSE L. KING, GREETING:

You are commanded to appear by filing an forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday the 26th day of APRIL, 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 February 18, 2004, in this case numbered 445 on the docket of said court, and

#### Parmer County Community Hospital JESSE L. KING

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Valton Howard Justice of the Peace Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas Friona, Texas 79035

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#### TO: DUSTIN JESKO, 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 February 18, 2004, in this case numbered 444 on the docket of said court, and

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said court, at my office in Friona, Parmer County, Texas, on March 9, 2004.

Valton Howard Justice of the Peace Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas P.O. Box 635 Friona, Texas 79035

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TO: MARCUS LISCANO, GREETING: answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o- directs. 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 said court, at my office in Friona, Parmer County, APRIL, 2004 before the Honorable Judge Valton Texas, on March 9, 2004." 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 February 18, 2004, in this

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case numbered 449 on the docket of said court, and

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TO: OMAR MALDONADO, GREETING: You are commanded to appear by filing an answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten oclock 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 APRIL, 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 February 18, 2004, in this case numbered 452 on the docket of said court, and

#### Parmer County Community Hospital **OMAR MALDONADO**

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TO: RHONDA MARLER, GREETING: You are commanded to appear by filing an answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten oclock 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 APRIL, 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 February 18, 2004, in this case numbered 454 on the docket of said court, and

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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 February 18, 2004, in this case numbered 463 on the docket of said court, and

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

FRIONA MASONIC LODGE No. 1332 Slated Meeting-1st Tues. 8 P.M. - 7th & Ashland John R. Blackwell, W.M. Larry J. Knowles, Sec.

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Bovina I.S.D. is now accepting applications for an educational paraprofessional. Applications may be picked up from Darlene Miller in the superintendent's office. Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

Silverhawk Security has positions open for security guards. Applicants must be at least 18 years old, have a high school diploma or GED and have no criminal record. Pay \$7 per hour. Call 295-8357 or come by the security office at Excel.

Operations Manager needed for Animal Health Company to direct operational personnel, manage multiple projects and oversee administrative needs. Assist with coordination of customer service, inventory control, facility and fleet management. Must have strong organizational and computer skills. Prior experience preferred, strong accounting background required. Complete benefits and competitive salary offered. Send resume and salary requirements to TX Operation Manager, P.O. Box 1697, Hereford, TX 79045.

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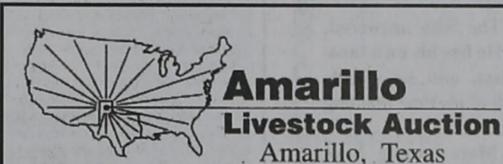
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#### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Parmer County Commissioners Court is currently accepting bids for the purchase of three (3) new Motor Graders for use in Precinct #1, Precinct #2 and Precinct #4. Bids must be brought or mailed to Bonnie Clayton-Heald, County Judge, at 401 Third Street, Room 104, P.O. Box 50, Farwell, Texas 79325, to be received no later than 11 a.m., Monday March 29, 2004 at which time bids will be considered. Please include an original and four (4) copies in your bid packet.

A copy of the bid specifications is on file at the County Judge's Office.

The equipment to be considered for trade-in is one (1) 1999 Caterpillar 140H Serial No. 2ZK04068, Precinct #1. Any questions concerning the trade-in should be directed to Commissioner Kirk Frye at 806/250-3713 or 806/265-7514. The other equipment considered for trade in is one (1) Caterpillar 140H Serial No. 2ZK00887, Precinct #2. Any questions concerning this trade-in should be directed to Commissioner Tom Ware at 806/251-1193 or 806/225-7082. The other equipment considered for trade-in is one (1) Caterpillar 140H Serial No. 2ZK04401, Precinct #4. Any questions concerning this trade-in should be directed to Commissioner Elvis Powell at 806/965-2316 or 806/946-7200.

Bids must reflect the total cost of the equipment.

The Parmer County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.

By order of the Parmer County Commissioners Court, Bonnie Clayton-Heald, County Judge

#### NOTICE

The Parmer County Commissioner's Court is currently accepting applications from qualified candidates seeking to fill the vacancy of Parmer County Attorney created by the resignation of Charles F. Aycock.

Qualified persons wishing to be considered must bring or mail their application to Bonnie Clayton-Heald, County Judge, at 401 Third Street, Room 104, P.O. Box 506, Farwell, Texas 79325, to be received no later than 2 p.m., Monday, March, 22, 2004, at which time candidates will be interviewed. Please include an original and four (4) copies in your packet.

The person appointed by the Commissioners Court to fill the vacancy shall hold office until the next general election.

By order of the Parmer County Commissioners Court, Bonnie Clayton-Heald, County Judge.

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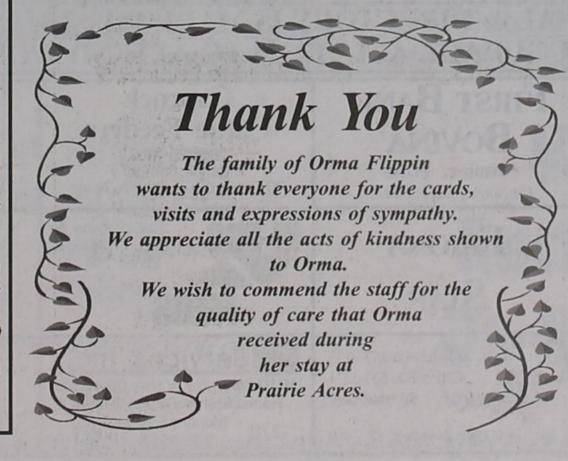
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Abernathy	22,000
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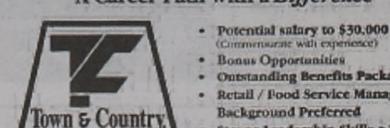
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#### WILLIAM ELTON TORBERT

William Elton "Bill" Torbert, 71, action of any radio property in the of Amarillo died Friday, March 12, history of Clovis. 2004, in Topeka, Kansas.

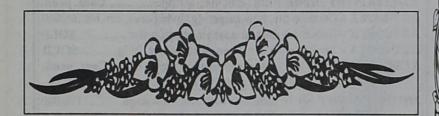
Wednesday, March 17, in the and Associates and was a co-owner Chapel of Polk Street United Meth- of the Natural Food Center of odist Church with Dr. James E. Clovis. He moved to Topeka in Garrett officiating. Arrangements 1981 and back to Amarillo in 1986. were by N. S. Griggs and Sons After his retirement from the com-Funeral Directors.

sas City, Kansas and raised in Ca- for the Amarillo ISD. nadian. He graduated from West vice president and director of KGRT, children. where at the time the sale of the

He was a partner in the adver-Memorial services were held tising agency of Torbert, Torbert munications industry he worked Mr. Torbert was born in Arkan- part-time as a substitute teacher

Survivors include a son, Kent Texas State University and worked Torbert and wife Starla; four daughas news director for KGNC. He ters, Karen Stewart, Stacy Hand married Beverly Beck on June 30, and husband Matt, Amy Cronister 1956. They moved to Clovis, N.M., and husband Tim, and Becky in 1967 where he was owner/gen- DeShano and husband Bob; 15 eral manager of KICA Radio and grandchildren and 4 great grand-

Mr. Torbert's son, Kent, is the station involved the largest trans- athletic Director and head coach at Bovina High School.



#### D. KELLY HARRELSON

Harrelson, 79, will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, March 19, 2004, at the Friona rangements are by Blackwell Fu- and a brother Connor Kelly. neral Home of Friona.

Home in Friona. She was born Au- of the Friona Methodist Church. gust 16, 1924, in DuBois, Pennsylvania, and was formerly a resident Mickey Harrelson of Friona and of Buffalo, New York. She had lived Jerry B. Harrelson of Houston; and in Friona for 55 years, moving from two brothers, Jerry Kelly of Mesa, Buffalo in 1949.

She married Glen Harrelson on Missouri.

Graveside services for D. Kelly September 16, 1950 in Friona. He preceded her in death in November, 1975. She was also preceded Cemetery with the Reverend Steve in death by her parents Connor Patterson of the Friona United Kelly and Mabel Cunningham Methodist Church officiating. Ar- Kelly, a son Jodean Glen Harrelson,

Mrs. Harrelson was a registered Mrs. Harrelson died Wednesday, nurse, retired from Parmer County March 17, at Prairie Acres Nursing Community Hospital and a member

Survivors include two sons, Arizona and Jim Kelly of Fulton,

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Matilda, a gossip, asked her new neighbor, "What does your husband do for a liv-

The wife answered, "He has his own business, and he spends all of his time minding

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And there's the liniment type-always rubbing it in.

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# Dee Clarks Welcome New Grandbaby

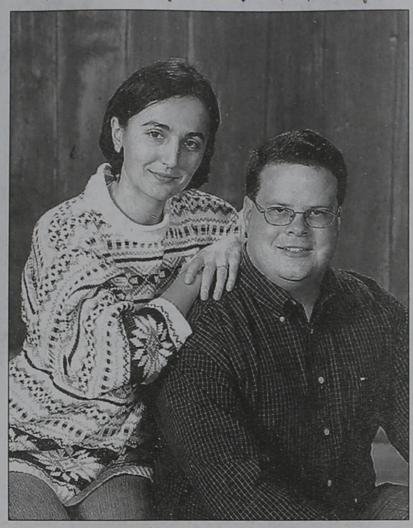
Tanner Dee Clark was born March 10, 2004, at BSA Hospital in Amarillo. He weighed in at 7 pounds 12 ounces and was 20 3/4 inches long.

Parents are Timothy and Rhonda Clark of Amarillo. He is the couple's first child.

Grandparents are Dee and Wyona Clark of Friona, Kathy Maurer of Nazareth and Duane Maurer of Dimmitt.

Wyona Clark said that their youngest grandchild is now 16 so Tanner is their first new grandbaby in 16 years.





LIDIA ONICA & TIMMIE SMITH

# L. Onica & T. Smith Announce Engagement

Lidia Onica and Timmie Gene Smith both of College Station, Texas announce their engagement and approaching marriage. Lidia and Timmie are both PhD student in Computer Science at Texas A & M University.

Lidia received Bachelor's Degrees in both Mathematics and Law in Romania. She has also received a Master's Degree in Mathematics from Texas A & M University.

Timmie graduated from Lazbuddie High School in 1996 and has received both a Bachelor's and Master's degree in Computer Science from Texas A & M.

He is the son of Debbie and Dale Gallman of Bovina, Texas.

The couple will wed in private ceremony on May 29, 2004. Family and friends of the couple are invited to the reception.

#### Neelley's Welcome Baby Miles Lee

Dan & Shanda Neelley, of Vega, are the proud parents of new baby boy, Miles Lee Neelley, born February 27.

Baby Miles weighed 8 lbs. and one ounce and was 21inches long.
Miles has one brother, Jackson,

His grandparents are Luther & Sue Gulledge of Cleveland, Texas and Robert & Connie Neelley of Friona.

Miles' great grandmother is Melba Neelley of Lubbock.



#### Cooper's Welcome New Arrival

Kevin & Sharlet Cooper, of Friona, are the proud parents of a new baby boy, Charles Gothard Cooper, born on Wednesday, March 3 at 10:19

Baby Charles weighed 8 lbs. and 12 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Charles has one brother, Will, 9, and four sisters, Sara, 13, Debra, 11, Grace, 4, and Faith, 2.

His grandparents are J.B. and Iwana Taylor of Texico, New Mexico, and Harry D. Cooper of Grady, New Mexico, and great grandparent Yvonne Wilson of Clovis, New Mexico.





ROYALTY...West Texas A&M University crowned royalty March 5 at the annual All-University Formal. Members of the royal court were, from left to right, Garrett Griffin, prince, a sophomore accounting major from Spearman; Chelsea Glover, princess, a freshman general business major from Arvada, Colorado; Tonya Murray, queen, and senior mass communications major from Odessa; and Barry Procter, king, a senior biology major from Friona.

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Milo Center: Carl Strafuss (Unopposed)
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### 2004 EQIP Ranking Period March 15-April 16

Friday, March 12, 2004

By Shawn Wade
Farmers and ranchers interested in applying for cost-share assistance through the 2004 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) need to have their 2004 application forms turned in to county Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) offices no later than April 16 in order to be

considered for 2004 funding.

Since the EQIP program utilizes a continuous sign-up process, a ranking period is used to set appropriate cut-off dates for each year's EQIP sign-up.

This year Texas will receive a significant increase in base EQIP funding levels. Preliminary 2004 funding levels indicate the state will receive approximately \$56.8 million in base EQIP program funds. The 2004 EQIP funding level is in \$18.4 million increase over the 2003 EQIP base funding level of \$38.4 million.

The 2004 program will provide approximately \$106,000 in base EQIP funds per county. This marks a 47 percent increase in base EQIP funding per county over the 2003 program's \$72,000 allocation.

In addition to the base EQIP program funds, additional EQIP funding is available in some counties that are in special emphasis or statewide resource

One example of an additional EQIP funding source is the Ground and Surface Water (G&SW) program. In 2004 \$5.5 million in G&SW funds have been allocated to Texas to provide additional EQIP funding in counties that utilize the Ogallala Aquifer.

Other examples of special emphasis areas and resource concerns that can provide additional EQIP funding in a county are wildlife habitat improvement and invasive species control.

A listing of base and special emphasis area funding, cost-share amounts and other pertinent information about the EQIP program in a particular county will soon be available from the NRCS website (www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/EQIP). The website also includes downloadable application forms for 2004 and other information about the EQIP program.

The goal of the EQIP program is to assist producers in complying with local, state, and national regulatory requirements involving soil, water, and air quality. It is also used to encourage producers to establish wildlife habitat and new ground and surface water conservation measures.

#### NCC Seeks 2004-5 Leadership Class Applicants Friday, March 12, 2004

The National Cotton Council announced today that the application period for the 2004-05 Cotton Leadership Class has opened. NCC will accept applications from qualified U.S. industry members through July 1.

Those interested in applying can visit the Cotton Leadership Program's web site at http://leadership.cotton.org to review the program curriculum, eligibility requirements and download the application. The site also includes a contact form that allows users to submit questions, request information and schedule a personal visit with local program alumni. The NCC's Cotton Leadership Program seeks to identify potential industry leaders and provide them developmental training through this class.

During five sessions of activity across the Cotton Belt, participants visit with industry leaders and observe production, processing and research. They meet with lawmakers and government agency representatives during a visit to Washington, DC, and attend the NCC's annual meeting and its mid-

year board of directors meeting.

The program, now in its 21st year, is supported by a grant to The Cotton Foundation from DuPont Crop Protection and is managed by NCC's Member Services department. The 10-member leadership class is comprised of four producers and one participant from each of the other six industry segments.

The 2004-05 class is to be announced in August by the NCC's Cotton Leadership Development Committee. Committee Chairman Jimmy Sanford, an Alabama producer, says the U.S. cotton industry has benefited from dedicated leaders for decades, but the need to groom future leaders is imperative.

"Sound leadership will be crucial for helping move U.S. cotton forward in a rapidly evolving global marketplace," Sanford said. "The leadership program is an ideal training ground for those men and women who would like to embrace the challenge of guiding this outstanding industry."

Many of the 200-plus leadership program alumni have utilized the skills and knowledge gained from their participation to represent the industry on state, regional, national and international levels. That includes 1984-85 leadership class graduate Bobby Greene, an Alabama ginner who served as the NCC's chairman in 2003-the first leadership class graduate elected to that position. In addition, Bobby Carson, a Mississippi producer and 1983-84 class program graduate, served as president of the NCC's export promotions arm, Cotton Council International, last year. He also has served as president of the The Cotton Foundation.

Mark your calendar:
Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.
47<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting
Thursday, April 1, 2004
Lubbock Memorial Civic Center—Banquet Hall

#### Combs Declares Northwest Plains Area As Suppressed of Boll Weevils

Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs officially declared the six counties in the Northwest Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone as "suppressed" – one of seven Boll Weevil Eradication Zones that obtained this status.

"Suppressed" means that less than 0.025 boll weevils were found per trap per week during the cotton growing season.

"This is a great milestone in Texas' fight against boll weevils, a destructive pest that has plagued our state's cotton industry for more than a century," Combs said. "The determination and hard work of cotton growers in the Northwest Plains Zone, the Texas Legislature and the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation helped us reach this goal.

"Boll weevils cause more than \$200 million in crop losses and crop protection treatment costs in Texas every year, so obviously our ultimate goal is to eradicate this pest in Texas completely. Today we are much

closer to that day," Combs said.

"It is indeed a proud moment for our producers when we can claim a region is nearing a weevil-free status," said Sen. Robert Duncan from Lubbock. "This spirit of hard work and cooperation for a common goal is commendable, and I hope it will continue as we face other challenges in rural Texas."

Growers in the Northwest Plains Zone initially approved a boll weevil eradication program in 1999. The Northwest Plains Zone covers almost 510,000 acres in Bailey, Castro, Deaf Smith, Lamb and Parmer counties, and part of Randall County.

Other Boll Weevil Eradication Zones obtaining suppressed status today were the southern High Plains Caprock around Lubbock; Northern High Plains around Plainview; Western High Plains around Seminole; Permian Basin around Midland-Odessa; Northern Rolling Plains around Childress; and Elpaso/Trans-Pecos around El Paso. More than 4 million acres of cotton are farmed in the suppressed zones.

#### **HPUWCD Inducts Committee Members**

New county committee members in District Director Precinct 3 of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District were recently sworn in.

Those directors taking the oath from Precinct Three in Parmer County were Mitchell Wiseman and James R. Taylor of Friona, Kay Williams of Farwell, Don Bandy of Bovina, and Keith Hicks of Clays Corner.



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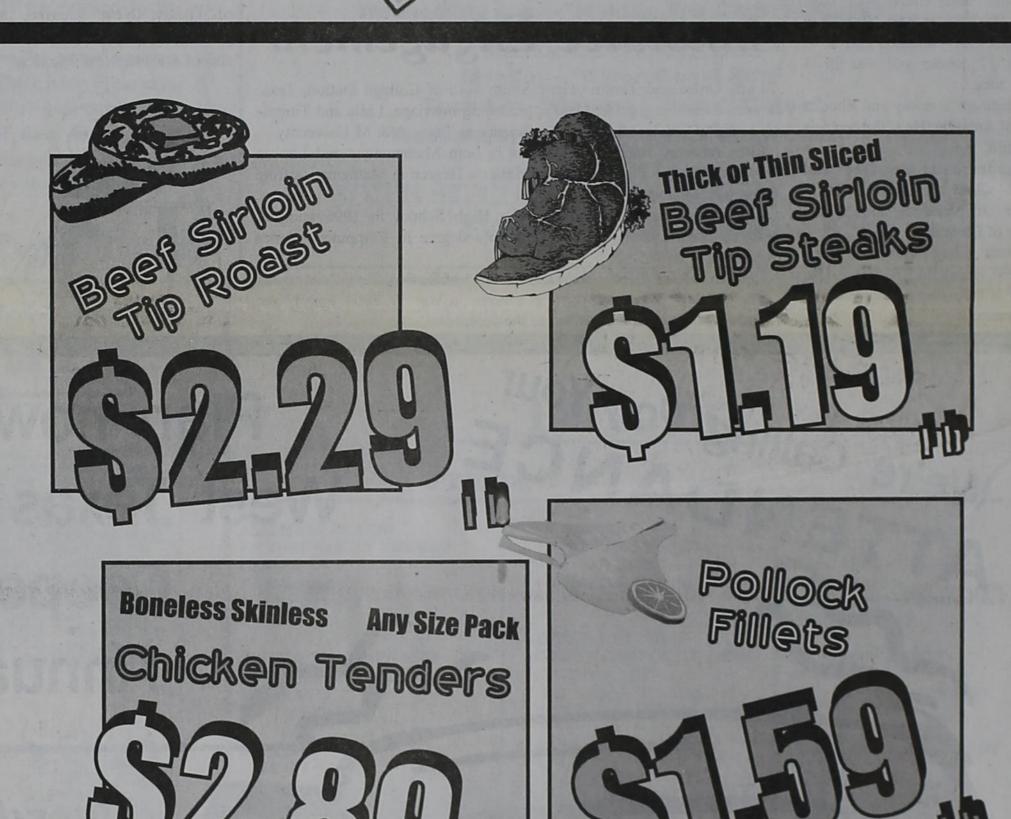
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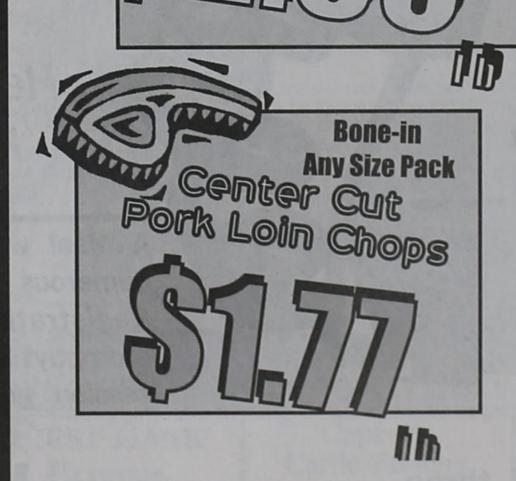
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