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FRIONAXSTAR

Extra copies of the Star's big Christmas 2001 issue were printed and are available at the Star office.



FIRST SNOWFALL of the year came over a period of three days, amounting to about five inches, with a meltdown of little over half an inch of beneficial moisture.

Dealership Closing Shocks Employees

FRIONA STAR ITEMS **New Clinic Opening Heads 2001 Stories** Friona's first homicide since Randall and Panhandle in

1988. Sandra Jenkins, 24,

died from stab wounds and

(Opening of a new clinic facility for Parmer County Community Hospital, and the addition of a physician, Dr. Jeff Dickson, topped the year's news, as seen in the pages of the Friona Star. Following is a "capsule" of the year's news events:) JANUARY

during the past week was

A domestic dispute call about 2 a.m. Monday, January 1, 2001, resulted in

eight degrees.

Frank Mendez, Jr. was arrested on a charge of voluntary manslaughter.

TEN PAGES

Former Friona Police Chief Randy Geries was sworn in as Sheriff of Parmer County on January 1. The member of the Friona new Friona Police Chief is Community Youth Choir Scott Given who served as a performed with the Texas lieutenant in the police All-State Choir in San department until his Antonio as part of the Texas promotion.

Project Christmas Card meeting. raised \$3,514 which is to be donated to Parmer County showed the grand champion Community Hospital.

The FHS Squaws won County Junior Livestock two games in the Caprock Show. He was the first grand Holiday tournament in champion barrow winner from Lubbock before losing to Bovina since about 1956. eventual champion Canyon

consolation play.

The total number of bales ginned in Parmer County for the 2000 crop stood at 95,492. Friona Farmer's Co-op Gin finished ginning on January 13.

Michael Johnston, a Music Educators Association

Josh Kerby of Bovina barrow at the 54th Parmer (Continued On Page 5)



WOMAN and MAN OF THE YEAR....Friona's Linda Chesher and Bill Ellis were named "Woman and Man of the Year" at the 2001 Chamber of **Commerce Banquet.**

2001 Moisture Comes To 19.66''

Month

January

March

April

February

The year's moisture the past week, plus another measured by Bill Ellis, official weather recorder for Parmer County, came to 19.66 inches, a final tabulation revealed this week.

This was a nice increase of 4.44 inches over the tally for calendar 2000, when 15.22 inches were measured.

The three inches of snow which fell on December 30 ran the snowfall tally for the calendar year to 15.5 inches. In calendar 2000, an even 15 May inches was the measurement.

June May was the wet month July for the year just ended, with August 5.91 inches. That got the September crops up and going, and added to the winter wheat October November crop yield. December

The late December snow of Totals:

went to press, we learned of the unfortunate closing of Friona's auto dealership, Western Chevrolet, too late to print the information in the

December 21 paper. Western Chevrolet in Friona and Western Ford Lincoln Mercury in Hereford closed suddenly on Wednesday evening, December 19. Employees were told to leave by representatives of Ford Motor Credit Corp., a security guard was posted, and the vehicles in Friona were moved inside the fence

at the back of the property. The dealerships were owned by Roy Riley of Hereford. He has been unavailable for comment.

In Hereford, Riley bought the former Whiteface Lincoln-Mercury dealership in 1993. It was renamed Western Ford Lincoln-Mercury. Riley then purchased the defunct Friona Motors (a Ford dealer) in 1998 and converted it to Western Chevrolet.

The dealership's manage-

As our final issue of 2001 ment reportedly attributed the closing to slow sales, mirroring a decline reported by Ford Motor Company earlier in the year.

The closing in Friona cost about 10 jobs in the community and speculation is that Friona has seen its last car and truck dealership, at least for the immediate future.

Star's "Naming" **Contest Winner Is Debra Baxter**

Debra Baxter is the winner of the "Name the Dance Hall Ladies" from the Branson, Missouri trip in the Christmas edition of the Friona Star.

If Debra will call us we will give you a choice of one of the books which the Star has been selling since prior to Christmas.

Note: we have a new supply of "Black Sunday" (third order) due to arrive in time for next week, if you still want one.

ron 2001 Collon Crop: **Best Yield Ever??**

Although the official figures on the 2001 cotton crop for Parmer County won't be known for a few weeks, the crop will most certainly end up as the highest-yielding crop ever, and may threaten the number of bales harvested.

This, in spite of the fact that the number of acres planted/harvested was down 40/45 per cent from last year's

The final survey conducted by the Friona Star/Bovina Blade Thursday showed that county gins processed 136,247 bales. This compares to the total bale yield of 140,700 on much more planted/harvested acres.

Many times the total bales ginned rises from our newspaper survey, due to the fact that some growers may gin their cotton across the county line, etc. Last year's crop was a good indication of that fact.

It appears that the county's yield per acre will top two bales to the acre. Reports of yields of three bales and above were not unusual for this past year's crop, and the quality may have been the best-ever.

"This year's crop was definitely the best quality for any crop since I have been here," said Jerry Butman, manager of Friona Farmers Co-op Gin. Butman is referring to 28 years in his case.

There are only five other years when the county's production topped 100,000 acres, 1996-2000. During that period, the top average yield has been 936 pounds per acre in 1996. This figure may be equalled or surpassed by the 2001 crop



BANK PRESIDENTS---Former president of Friona State Bank, Robert Neeley, (left) retired mid-2001 after 30 years at the helm. He was succeeded by new FSB president Dirk Davis (right).



NEW FACILITY---Friona was treated to a brand new Friona Rural Health Clinic next to the hospital last August, featuring all the latest equipment and shining new offices and waiting rooms.

BILL'S STAR LITES Here's An Idea To Boost The U.S. Economy

AT A TIME WHEN the U.S. economy has whose label says "Made in Bangladesh."

two inches on January 1-2

will be a big help to the current wheat crop. December was about to end on a dry

note, with only .19 inches

Here are the moisture

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Son Stanley of San Antonio's traditional gift

Stan also gave Carol a piece of fancy

I bought my spouse a set of candles. She

longtime allies of the U.S.A.)

were all made in China, naturally.

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prior to the snow this week.

been in a recession, and many businesses and industries are struggling, I am going to make sporty jacket that was waterproof. Carol found some suggestions that could possibly jump- one that fit the bill. It was made in Korea. A start our economy, not that any of the powers- matching cap was made in the same country. recommendations to jump in and act on these time. It was made in Hong Kong. threats to our economy.

Gramm and Hutchinson, please take note:

Having just gone through the Christmas ornament sets made in China. season, Ye Editor and his "My Turn" better half discovered a few things that would be stoneware from Crabtree and Evelyn. It was of Bob Phillips' "Texas Country Reporter" really nice if the jobs were returned to our made in London. (At least the "Brits" are country.

Among Carol's gifts to yours truly, I discovered the following (these are NOT made also received a beautiful picture frame. These up):

My traditional Christmas shirts were both made in Korea. A pair of slippers was made in Moments" figurine every year on her birthday. China. A Texas Tech cap was made in Macau, We have visited Sam Butcher's Precious it says "established in 1923." Lilah Gaye Gee, some of our trips to Branson, sponsored by among others, will attest that Tech opened in Friona State Bank. 1925

Prior to our 2000 trip to Canada with the couple of restaurants, hourly entertainment,

place caters to bus tour groups as well as Before the trip to New England, I needed a individual tourists.

I'm sure that Mr. Butcher is a millionaire several times over by now. The post cards we mailed from the Village were printed in Korea, that-be are waiting on this writer's Carol bought herself a nice jacket about that and the figurines were made in both Thailand and Taiwan.

Stan gave his dad a Billy Graham book, But for what it's worth, President Bush, to his Mom is a Hallmark piece for a "Homecoming," which was beautifully produced Congressman Larry Combest, and Senators collectable ornament set. Even Hallmark, in a print shop in Belgium. (Don't we have whose home office is in Kansas City, has their any printing shops in the U.S. that would like this business??)

> Carol gave me a nice book with a collection stories and photos. The book was produced in Guilford, Connecticut, and (whoops) printed in Canada.

I have nothing against the folks in New England, and the Canadians are excellent Stan gives his sister Laura a "Precious neighbors and probably our best allies, but again, I think Texas should have some printing establishments that could have done wherever that is. Under the double-T emblem, Moments Village at Carthage, Missouri, on Bob's book. My friend and former newspaper associate Ed Eakin of Austin, who printed the "Black Sunday" books we sell, would have The grounds are beautiful, featuring a gladly obliged.

You have to really search to find an article bank group, Carol bought me a nice overcoat, several gift shops, chapel, museum, etc. The of clothing that is "Made in the U.S.A." I do

have a few. My favorite cold-weather jacket was bought for me by Carol at Ingram's in Friona. It is American-made. I have had the jacket nearly ten years, and it still looks very nice.

It appears from this corner that the U.S. has been more interested the past 30-40 years in proping up business in countries they would like to have as good allies (Korea, China, and others mentioned above).

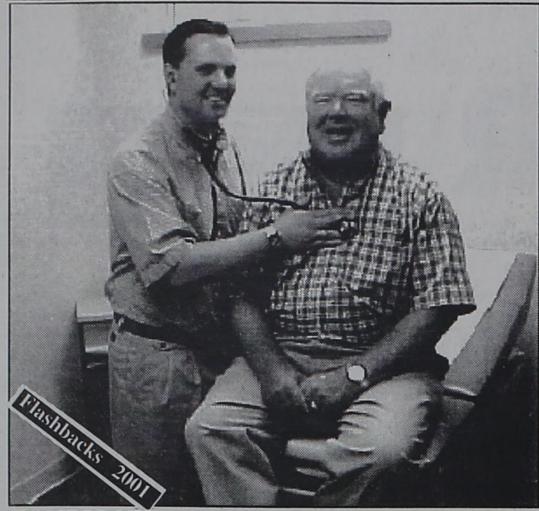
But at a time when our national economy could use a boost, why not give some of those manufacturing jobs back to Americans? With our jobless rate at a dangerous high point, wouldn't this make more sense than pouring money into foreign hands?

Maybe it is the large companies (Sears, Dillard's, Wal-Mart ("We buy American," etc.), who need to take a long look at their buying habits, and put their foot down. If it means paying a few dollars more for your merchandise, in order to create more American jobs, so be it.

The last time we checked, no foreign companies or their workers paid taxes in America, to fund our defense, add to our country's Social Security trust fund, etc.

Oh, by the way: HAPPY NEW YEAR!

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HOMEGROWN DOCTOR---Dr. Jeff Dickson, who grew up in Friona, returned to establish his medical practice here. His first patient was his former Jr. High Principal, Cecil Maddox.

Ex-Friona Resident Is Dead At Age 92

Davis, 92, of Dimmitt, were where they farmed for several conducted December 15 at years. She later worked as a Dawson County Cemetery in bookkeeper for Parmer Lamesa, with Rev. Howard County Farm Bureau and Rhodes of Dimmitt officiating. Adams Drilling.

Home in Dimmitt.

Arrangements were handled by Foskey-Lilley-Gill Funeral Home of Dimmitt.

Graveside services for Nell moved to Friona in 1947

Mrs. Davis passed away December 13, 2001, at Canterbury Villa Nursing and to Dimmitt in 1992. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Dimmitt.

She was preceded in death Mrs. Davis was born by her son Bobby D'Wayne February 21, 1909, in Davis, a daughter, Ola Marie Alvarado, Texas. She married Davis, a brother and four of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral

Friona Flashbacks ... from the files of The Friona Star

75 Yrs. Ago--Jan. 7, 1927 Messrs. O.G. Turner and J. W. Parr, who for the past few months have been doing business under the firm name of Turner and Parr Land Company, have changed their name to Turner and Parr Trading Company. They have also expanded their line of business from land only to include tractors. farm implements, coal and grain. They will handle the John Deere line of tractors and implements and the Willys-Knight and Overland line of cars, including the Whippett.

70 Yrs. Ago--Jan. 8, 1932

F.S. Truitt returned home election will be held to elect Monday from Gainesville, where he had gone the week the first permanent board of directors of the High Plains before with Mrs. Truitt and Water Conservation Dist. #1. their son and daughter. Frank Truitt will enter college there on Monday. changes went into effect Jan. **Connie Perez' Services**

Funeral services for Connie Perez, 64, of Friona were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, December 23, 2001.

The services were con-ducted at St. Teresa's Catholic Church by Father Ed Sweeney.

Burial was in Friona Cemetery under the direction

Home.

Mrs. Truitt plans to stay 1, most noticeable of which awhile, hoping the lower altihas been the abandonment of tude will improve her health. the 1 cent post card, Friona Postmaster Sloan H. Osborn 60 Yrs. Ago--Jan. 2, 1942 reminds the public. Drop Friona's fourth annual letters for delivery in the local Homecoming Banquet, held post office, will require 2 cents the night of Dec. 18, was postage, and rural routes will

require 3 cents.

45 Yrs. Ago-Jan. 3, 1957 The recent completion of the "gaps" in Farm to Market Road 299, which runs north and south out of Friona has resulted in the designation of this road as a state highway by the Texas Highway Department. This road is expected to gain more use by truckers and tourists.

Raymond Adams and Floyd Brookfield, doing business as Adams and Brookfield Drilling Co., announced this week the dissolution of their partnership. Brookfield revealed his plans to open a well repair, and domestic well-drilling business. Adams will continue to operate at the firm's location on Highway 60.

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40 Yrs. Ago--Jan. 4, 1962 Burglars struck at Grady Dodd's Texaco warehouse last Thursday night for the second time in seven months. and made off with 67 tires. A second burglary at Kendrick Oil Company is thought to

pleted for the new mobile base station at Hub. For the first time, mobile telephone service will be available to residents of the Friona area.

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25 Yrs. Ago-Jan. 9, 1977 Bobby Perkins was Friona's champion in the "longest tail feather" contest with an entry measuring an even 26 inches. The contest was in conclusion to the recent pheasant hunting season.

20 Yrs. Ago--Jan. 10, 1982 Construction in Friona

during 1981 was better than in some cities of the same size, mainly due to the million-dollar renovation at Friona Junior High School. According to figures compiled by City Manager A.L. "Jake" Outland, there were 40 permits issued during the year, calling for construction valued at an estimated \$1,682,833.

* * * 15 Yrs. Ago--Jan. 3, 1987 Friona High School Squaws won the consolation championship of the ABC Caprock Holiday Basketball Tournament in Lubbock, playing five games in three days and extending its season record to 13-3. The Squaws racked up wins over Dimmitt, Brownfield, Lubbock Dunbar and Shallowater after a dishave been committed by the appointing opening-round loss same persons. Eight truck to Abernathy. 5 Yrs. Ago--Jan. 4, 1997 On Monday, January 6, a vehicle was reported as stolen to the Friona Police Department. Officer Manny Torres spotted and attempted to stop the vehicle near the intersection of White and Elm Streets. The driver exited the car and fled on foot. Officer Torres chased the suspect to a nearby residence where a struggle, Officer Torre sustained a cut to his hand from a broken glass coffee table and minor injuries to the suspect.



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The family suggests memorials be sent to BSA

Community Hospital in

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pronounced a success. Nelson

Welch was chairman of the

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born played a harmonica solo.

Miss Floy Goodwine was

50 Yrs. Ago--Jan. 3, 1952

On Tuesday, Jan. 8. an

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elected 1942 chairman.

L.P. "Buster" Davis on sisters. December 19, 1925, in Sur Lamesa. He passed away in granddaughter, Margo Wendt 1981.

Survivors include a of Florence, Arizona, and She and her husband several nieces and nephews,

Funeral Services Held For Bonnie Blackstone

Bonnie Jo Blackstone, 76, of in Parmer, Bailey and Enochs, Texas, were held at 2 p.m. Friday, January 4, 2002, at Muleshoe Church of Christ.

Joey Pierce, Pastor of the Eastside Church of Christ of Morton officiated. Burial was in the Enochs Cemetery. Arrangements were under direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Muleshoe.

Mrs. Blackstone died Tuesday, January 1, 2002, in Odessa, Texas. She was born April 21, 1925, in Prairie Dell, Texas. She married Harvey Balckstone in Hot Springs, New Mexico on August 31, 1945.

She had lived in Enochs since 1990, moving from High School.

She was an active member of the Churches of Christ in Morton, Muleshoe, Lazbuddie and Friona where she taught VBS, Ladies' Bible Class and Sunday School classes.

She was a volunteer 4-H leader for more than 25 years

Funeral services for and was named Friend of 4-H Cochran counties. She was an active member of Home

Enochs office of the Levelland Amarillo. Coop Elevator.

Also, four daughters, Pampa, Ann and Gary Johnson of Arlington, Nancy Morton, Texas. She was a and James Peace of Friona, 1943 graduate of Morton and Shanna Blackstone of Arlington.

Also, four brothers, Tommy Brown of Lynnwood, California, Ira and Herman Brown, both of Morton, and Leonard Brown of Vallejo, California; five sisters, Opal Hair of Duncanville, Minnie The

Mae Fulton of Portales, NM, memorials to the hospice of Berta Abbe of Levelland, your choice.

Mrs. Perez died Friday, December 21 at BSA Hospice in Amarillo.

Born January 6, 1937 in Lordsburg, New Mexico, she had been a resident of Friona for the past 34 years, where she was employed by Parmer County Community Hospital several years. She was a member of St. Teresa's Catholic Church.

Survivors include three Demonstration Club and held sons, Bobby Aragon of Clovis, honorary degrees in FHA. She worked as a census taker, driver for Senior Citizens, substitute teacher and office manager of the Enceke effice of the Levelland

Also surviving are two Survivors include her sisters, Martha Avalos of El husband, Harvey, of the Paso, Texas and Margaret home; three sons, Dale and Flores of Las Cruces, New Carolyn Blackstone of Tyler, Mexico; one brother, Nicholas Robby and Cathy of Vargas, Jr. of Tucson, Arlington, and Thomas and Arizona; eight grandchildren Terri of Odessa. and one great-grandchild. Pallbearers were Joe San-

Katie and Lee McDonald of tellana, Ramey Alaniz,

Hallie Bennett of Lake Whitney, Texas, and Nell Coats of Midland.

She also had 19 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, T.G and Gladys Brown and one sister, Irene

The family suggests

THANK YOU!

We would like to thank Robin Baize, Josh Norwood and Danny Campbell of Campbell **Electric for their quick service on December** 19, 2001.

The quick action by Robin and Josh, and Danny's arrival to supervise the work undoubtedly prevented a major fire at our home.

tires, two smaller tires, and 120 gallons of antifreeze were taken there.

> 35 Yrs. Ago--Jan. 5, 1967 Friona Volunteer Firemen were called out during the holidays to battle a fire at Friona Motors, which caused damages in the neighborhood of \$25,000 to the firm and its

Raymond Alaniz was an equipment. honorary pallbearer.

30 Yrs. Ago--Jan. 6, 1972 West Texas Rural Tele-Hospice or Parmer County phone Cooperative announced this week that installation of equipment had been com-

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We have much cause for celebration this year, and we thank you for playing a starring part in it.

Best wishes to all for a happy,

Your dedicated and professional work made us thankful that we would have a "Merry Christmas."

> Thanks again, **Bill and Carol Ellis**

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throughout all of 2002 from loved one in the September the highly trained newspaper 11 attacks. employees here at the Ellis Publishing headquarters located in beautiful downtown Friona, right next door to the families. This was evident by donut shop.

is that sometime during 2002 the cable news channels will put the regular news back on donated. the screen instead of scrolling it across the bottom.

dead one day and alive the next. On the six o'clock news he is in Tora Bora and by ten he is over in Pakistan.

The politicians left for the holidays without passing an economy stimulus package. The only thing they can do to put more of your money into the economy is to cut taxes so you get more dough on each paycheck. Chances are if you get a raise, you will spend it.

Democrats would admit that. found out about them and Doesn't matter though if they implement a stimulus package, America will be running a deficit for the next few "breadwinner." Of course not years because of our War on all the tower victims were Terrorism. Huntin' Osama married. Many were not even ain't gonna' be cheap.

But the thing that bothers me and a lot of other pay less if a family's loved people is a piece of legislation one was a busboy instead of

Welcome back! America is federal government proposed to give families an average of Happy New Year to you \$1.65 million for losing a

The immediate reaction after the attacks was one of horror and sympathy for the the money raised from My wish for the new year private agencies for the victim's families. At last count about \$2 BILLION had been

Doing the math, if there are 3,000 families divvying Of course, Osama is still up \$2 BILLION, that amounts to about \$666,667 per family, if they ever get it.

Add to that the \$1.65 million the government is proposing and the families appear to be well taken care of, mostly with your tax dollars.

My question is why the federal government owes the families that kind of money. Some say the government is to blame for the attacks I'm not sure the because they should have prevented them.

Many families found themselves without the main U.S. citizens.

The government wants to

placing a monetary value on their wants too? a human life.

Out Here

by Ron Carr

What if the busboy had gone on to become a wealthy restaurant owner? What if the bond trader had gone bankrupt? Of course we will never know.

Every day in America, sudden deaths occur that leave families in despair about the future. Fathers die unexpectedly in many tragic ways but the government doesn't step in to guarantee the future of their family.

Maybe the difference is we all watched the towers collapse on TV and we can't imagine the horrible last minutes of the victims. But a father gunned down in a grocery store robbery is equally dead. What about his family?

I heard one mother of two small children say that her children should not have to want for anything for the rest of their lives. Why should her children be on easy street when thousands of other children in America are forced to struggle when their fathers die?

There is a caveat to the government's \$1.65 million handout. The families have to accept the money and agree not to sue the airlines for any more money. The victim's compensation fund was an

By next year the government will be broke. Gasoline prices will be on the increase again thanks to our Arab "friends." And there is a distinct possibility that taxes will increase.

Greed is a powerful emotion which runs roughshod over anyone who happens to get in its way.

Happy New Year!

Free GED Preparation

The Center for Student Success at Clovis Community College will be offering GED preparation classes during the Summer 2002 semester.

A Pre-GED class will be offered Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, January 14 through May 9 from 1-4 p.m.

For more information on this and other Adult Basic Education classes, contact the Center for Student Success at (505)769-4095.

Clinic Set January 16

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center in Amarillo will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic at Parmer County Community Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Avenue in Friona on January 16.

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JOHN DEERE **PARTS EXPO**

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called "the victim's compen- a rich bond trader. Politicians sation fund", in which the are now in the business of



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Also, if they receive any life insurance money or any money from pension and benefit funds (like the firemen and policemen unions) those amounts are also deducted from the government payments.

This is an issue I recommend you follow. It has the potential to get contentious and nasty as time goes on. Many of the victim's families will opt to sue for much more than the \$1.65 million.

Some of the victim's families will become increasingly greedy over time. Families of the Oklahoma City bombing victims, who were paid nothing by the government, are beginning to grumble and organize to petition for money too. Their loved ones died in a government building. Shouldn't the government take care of

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NUMBER THREE.. The Squaws won trophy number three in their regional quarterfinal victory over Clarendon. In back are head coach Richard North and assistant Ky Graham. Center, I-r, Holley Hand, V'Lesha Wilcox, Mandy Geries, Amy Murphree, Lindsay North, Mandy Daniel and Jacy Grimsley. Front, I-r, Kristie Jack, Audra King, Kahlie Ingram, Kayla Smiley and V'Laura ron carr photo Wilcox.





WINNING BAND---The 2001-2002 Fighting Chieftain Marching Band brought home a sweepstakes trophy last Fall.

Squaws Drop Three Games Over Holidays

team dropped three of their starts since our last issue. That included a 40-31 shocker at Olton on Friday, December 21.

Going into that game, the Squaws were 3-0 and 9-5, while Olton was 0-2, 3-11.

But Friona was much colder than the mild December night, managing to hit only two of 21 shots from the field in the first half, which saw the team the scoring with 23 and Murphree 4-3-11; Holley trailing 6-4 after a quarter Murphree had 14. and 24-12 at the half.

The Squaws basketball round, and it looked for three quarters like the Squaws would down the Lady Bulldogs.

But a fourth-quarter rally by Borger resulted in a 61-56 loss by Friona.

The Squaws led, 14-12, 33-27 and 45-43 at the quarter breaks.

The team's shooting picked up, as Friona hit five threepoint baskets, and were 19 of 26 from the line. Daniel led

least three free throws.

In the third round, Friona drew a red-hot Estacado team, and the Lubbock team made off with a 57-35 win.

Friona again had just seven players, and simply couldn't keep up with the 4A team. Murphree had 17 points to pace her team.

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LOTS OF HARDWARE....Friona High School scored many victories in all areas of school competition in 2000-01. Shown here with the 40 trophies, plaques and banners from football to forensics are coaches and teachers, I-r, Joy Morton, Patsy Allen, Mike Scott, Dean Price, Hayden Merket, Richard North, Paul J. Smith and Tim Youree. American Heart

Chieftains Go 0-3 In Week's Action

The Chieftain basketballers lost all three of their games heat on both ends of the court played since the Star's last to snare the win. Bandy issue.

The team fell to Olton, 74district starts.

The team got off to a good start, leading the Mustangs 12 for Friona. 23-15 after one quarter. Olton took charge after that. The Mustangs led 36-35 at the half and 50-44 after three quarters. Friona was outscored 24-16 in the final quarter.

Nathan Haile put in 20 points to pace the Chiefs, and Adam Bandy added 19.

At the Littlefield tournament the following week, the Chieftains fell to Idalou, 65-57 in the first round.

The Wildcats led, 19-15 after one, and 32-25 at the half.

The Chieftains had a great third quarter. Adam Bandy had three baskets, including two from three-point range; Brock Field sank a pair of "treys," and Haile hit one from long range. The longdistance bombing pulled Friona within a pair of baskets, 48-44 after three

OHS 74, CHIEFS 60 **Buried In** daughter, M'Kayla, and his law, Debbie Reeve and Chris and daughter, Brook and Nathan Haile 6-1*-5-20; wife, Suni. The couple also Lascelles were home for the Angela of Dallas. Chris Wiseman 2-2-6; Adam has a daughter who is about holiday. Their daughter and Two of the Perkins' son-in-law, Denae and Friona Bandy9-1-19; Andy Carthel a year old. children, Linda Pate and Bill 2-0-4; Brian Wiseman 1*-0-3; Johnny McLellan of Lubbock Perkins from Austin were Clarence and Peggy unable to come home for Dustin Thompson 0-1-1; Elaine Hailey and children Landon, Macy Heather Martin & Chris Storey Heath Gammon 1-1*-2-7. Armendariz, an infant, passed Monroe enjoyed having her Christmas. They had both and Averi were also here. Idalou 65, CHIEFS 57 Haile 3-1*-1-10; C. Shane Blackburn & Angel Bradley away Wednesday, December One evening Betty's Debbie Reeve & Chris Lascelles 26, 2001 at Baptist/St. sister, Irma Brownd, mother, Meet Friona's Class of 2014 Wiseman 0-1-1; Field 2*-0-6; Anthony's Hospital in Luella Drake and aunt Bandy 5-2*-3-19; Carthel 2-2-IVY COTTAGE Amarillo. Marlene Drake visited in the 6; Gammon 2-3*-2-15. Liliana Amezcua is a kindergartner at She was born December **FLOWERS & GIFTS** Reeve home. Also there that LHS 72, CHIEFS 49 26, 2001 to Eduardo and evening were some of Friona Schools. Phone 250-8073 С. Haile 8-1*-3-22; Irma Armendariz of Friona Marlene's family. They are Wiseman 1-0-2; Field 1-1-3; Her parents are Tony and Rosa Heather Martin & Chris Storey who are members of the son and daughter-in-law, Bandy 6-0-12; Carthel 1-0-2; Kingdom Hall in Friona. Amezcua. Her sister is Connie. Her Larry and Judy Drake of Shane Blackburn & Angel Bradley B. Wiseman 1-0-2; Thompson Stratford; son and daughter-Graveside services for the Debbie Reeve & Chris Lascelles grandparents are Gonzalo and Consuelo 1-0-2; Gammon 2-0-4. in-law, Bobby and Rhonda Drake and their daughter baby were held Friday, *3-point baskets Amezcua and Albert and Alicia Nicolas. December 28, 2001 at WYONA'S FLOWERS Friona's Cemetery with Bruce Amanda of Greenville. American Heart She likes to watch cartoons, color, & GIFTS Hunt officiating. Burial was Bobby's daughter, Lucy Association riding her bike and play on the computer. Phone 265-3416 under the direction of Ellis-Drake and her friend David Blackwell Funeral Home. Her favorite food is pizza and ice of Albuqeurque, New Mexico Shane Blackburn & Angel Bradley HEART ATTACK & STROKE Survivors include her were also there. Debbie Reeve & Chris Lascelles cream and her favorite color is pink. parents of Friona; **BI-WIZE DRUG** grandparents, Irma and Obie The Sugar Shack donut Balli of Friona and Ernesto Phone 250-3010 shop was closed during the Friona Texas Federal Credit Union and Socorro Armendariz of Christmas and New Year's Read the signs. Raise a flag. Shane Blackburn & Angel Bradley Mexico.

But Idalou turned up the scored 19 and Haile had 10.

The Chiefs drew Littlefield 60 in a game played Friday, on Thursday, and came home December 21 at Olton. It was smarting from a 72-49 loss. the team's second loss in two The 'Cats held leads of 17-10, 39-27 and 60-35.

Haile scored 22 and Bandy

Squaw JVs **Top** Olton **By 45-17**

The Squaw Junior Varsity downed the Olton JV, 45-17 in their last district outing. Friona raced to a 10-0 lead in the first quarter, and went to halftime with a 27-7 lead.

Katy Welch took scoring honors with 14 points and Misty Adams had nine.

SQUAW JV 45, OHS 17

Andrea Geries 2-2-6; Melissa Vasquez 1-0-2; Haleigh Herbert 2-1-5; Katy Welch 4-2*-0-14; Brenda

28 when he saw former **Baby Girl** grandson, Brandon of Lake Frionan, James Morton. You Floyd and Betty Reeve's City, Florida; their oldest son quarters. * * * will remember James' daughter and future son-in-James of Hereford and his son

The team's leading scorer, Amy Murphree, hit only one of her first nine shots.

To make matters worse, the Squaws got into foul trouble, and before the game was over, Murphree, Holley Hand and Mandy Daniel had all fouled out.

And the fouls were turned into points by Olton, which made 17 out of 31 from the line, easily the difference in the game. Murphree scored 11 to lead Friona.

In the Lubbock Caprock tournament, Friona drew

In their second-round

game, the Squaws put everything together. With only seven players available due to holiday commitments.

Friona still scored a 69-55 win over Amarillo Caprock, their second win over the Lady 'Horns this season.

Friona sank 20 of 29 from the free throw line, 69 per cent. Hand fouled out, leaving the team with only one on the bench for a time.

Daniel sparkled with 23 points, including a pair of "treys." Murphree had 22. 4-8. class 4A Borger in the first Six team members made at

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Grimsley 1-3-5; Geries 1-1*-0-5; Lindsay North 1-3-5; Smiley 0-3-3; Murphree 9-4-22; Hand 1-4-6; Daniel 7-2*-3-23.

EHS 57, SQUAWS 35 Grimsley 0-3-3; North 0-1-1; Smiley 2-0-4; Murphree 4-9-17; Hand 1*-0-3; Daniel 2-*3-point baskets.



Happy New Year! Let us know how you spent your Christmas and New Year holidays. Call me, write it down and bring it in or email your family news at case@wtrt.net.

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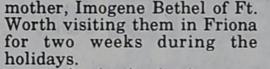
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Coach Richard and Rhonda North and their children, Lindsay, Eric and Hannah, spent time traveling during the Christmas holiday. They visited with Rhonda's parents, Ronald and LaVeda Gregory in Shamrock and Richard's parents, Ben and Alvinita North in Eric, Oklahoma, which is only 20 miles from Shamrock.

This was little Hannah's first Christmas and everyone

enjoyed seeing her. Coach North was with Houston. Amarillo and their two Murphree 1-0-2; Misty FHS's varsity basketball girls Jean was also able to children Blane and Bailey; Adams 3-1*-0-9; R.J. Barrett at the Caprock Tournament in Lubbock December 27 and visit with her son, Mike former son-in-law Mike Novak 3 - 1 - 7. Roberts, also of Houston. of Virginia and their



Richard and Lillie Perkins

had various family members visiting in their home during the holidays. They included daughter and son-in-law, Anita and Larry White of Lubbock; son and daughterin-law, Bobby and Diane Perkins of Amarillo and their son and daughter-in-law, Glenn and Susy Perkins of Shallowater and their daughter and son-in-law, Christina and Don Gibbens and sons Derrick and Dustin, all of Shallowater.

Also, the Perkins' daughter and son-in-law, Alisa and Glen Trimmell of

been home for Thanksgiving. The Perkins' daughter MISSED THEM !!!

and son-in-law, Angela and Duane Cole of Lake City, great cookie, cake, pie, etc., Florida were also unable to maker and her family, Louis, come to Friona for the Alex and Keeley, enjoyed holiday. They have twin seven days of skiing, daughters, Kaylee and shopping and relaxing in Cristen, 4 and son Cody, 6. Santa Fe, New Mexico. Cristen, 4 and son Cody, 6.

Ralph and Stella Shirley and Jean Roberts spent time in the Houston area for the Christmas Holiday. The mail on his route and Sherry Shirleys' son, Richard, is married to Jean's daughter, Pat, who live in Katy. The couple has two sons, James and Matthew.

While they were in the area, the Shirleys spent time with son and daughter-in-law, Gary and Jalaine Shirley of

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Top Stories For 2001 From Friona Star Files

(Continued from Page 1) FEBRUARY

Skyrocketing natural gas heating bills sent many county residents seeking assistance from local and state agencies. In many cases, gas bills tripled during the November/January period. Three snowstorms since Thanksgiving also affected rates.

The snowfall this winter totaled 26.5 inches so far. The total is the most since 31.75 inches during the winter of 1996-97.

Forty FFA members from Friona joined other FFA and 4-H members from across Texas for show ring competition at the 2001 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo February 1 3-March 4 at Reliant Park in Houston.

Charley Saiz, an FHS senior, was awarded the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest honor attainable by a Boy Scout. Charley is the son of Robert and Marie Saiz of Friona.

The city began strict enforcement of ordinances pertaining to truck parking on city streets and use of designated truck routes. The city noted that no more warning tickets will be issued for any truck or tractor parked on a city street.

Grading was begun the week of February 10 at Parmer County Community Hospital for the new clinic building.

The Friona Squaws made the basketball playoffs as co-district champs. The Squaws beat Clarendon for regional quarter-final, Olney in the area round, then lost to Wall in the regional semi-finals in a game played in Abilene. It was the first trip to regional semifinals for a Squaw team in 28 years.

MARCH

The Federal Emergency Management Association (FEMA) included Friona as a disaster area in its assistance to Panhandle cities. Money will be made available to Friona for snow removal expense and street repairs caused by the heavy HISTORIC FLAG---Friona cross-country runners snow and ice this winter.

Kristie Jack, Kayla Smiley, V'Laura Wilcox and Audra King were named to the District 5-2A all-district basketball team.

Customers of WT Services and Valor Communications in the 250-, 247-, 238-, and 251- exchanges were connected for local calling, allowing Friona and Bovina residents local instead of long-distance calls.

An open house and ribbon cutting for Friona Heritage Estates, the county's new assisted living center, was held on Sunday, March 11.

Parmer County's official census count for 2000 came to 10,016 according to figures released by the Bureau of the Census. The county showed a gain of 153 people, one of the few Panhandle counties to show an increase. Friona's population was pegged as 3,8S4, a gain of 166 over the 1990 total.

Members of the Friona Pioneer Heritage Museum have secured the necessary funding to begin stage one of the restoration of the museum building, formerly the old Congregational Church building on Sixth Street. Squaws basketball coach Richard North was named "Coach of the Year" by the Amarillo Daily News. Squaws Kristie Jack and Kayla Smiley were also named to the newspaper's 2A Super Team.



Rigoberto Tarango and Maegan Ingram took the flag from Hereford High school runners as the flag came through Friona as part of the "Flag Run Across America" last Fall.

was relocated to Farwell from Friona. The new location is at 109 Third Street and the phone number is 806-481-3311.

ConAgra Beef Company celebrated their one-year anniversary in June. During their first year of operation, ConAgra doubled the capacity of the feed mill, hired 60 employees and are feeding 70,000 head of cattle.

The local VFW Post 1413 hosted a ceremony May 28 for the planting and dedication of the Eisenhower Green Ash tree near the VFW Memorial at the Friona Cemetery.

The Friona High School All-Sports banquet was held at the Community Center May 15. Top honors went to Cason White, Fighting Chieftain; V'Laura Wilcox, Fighting Squaw; and Abel Santiago, Fighting Heart.

SEPTEMBER

Prairie Acres Nursing Home observed its 25th anniversary on September 9 with an open house which included entertainment, refreshments and a tour of Friona Heritage Estates, the new assisted living complex.

Candace Ingram was crowned "Miss Friona" at the annual pageant on September 7. First runner-up was Amy Terry, and Felicia Lafuente was second runner-up.

First National Bank of Hereford announced the first week of September that it plans to open a location in Friona on West Highway 60.

Holly Claire Johnston was named Little Miss Friona, with Amy Osborn and Cheyenne Harris as first and second runnersup.

Americans have been asked by President George W. Bush to fly their flags for 30 days as a tribute to those who lost their lives on September 11 in New York and Washington, D.C.

Felicia Lafuente was crowned as Friona's Homecoming Queen on September 14, and the Chieftains celebrated by pounding the Dimmitt Bobcats, 42-14 for their first win of the season.

A large crowd of people from Friona and the surrounding area attended open house festivities on September 25 at Parmer County Community Hospital.

Carol Boyd joined Holly Campbell on the staff of Property Associates Realtors in mid-September.

Dustin Campbell, 18, a freshman at Texas Tech, died after an automobile accident near Austin on Saturday, September 29. The life-long Friona resident was a starter on two FHS football teams advancing to the area round. He and his college roommate were enroute to Austin for the Tech-UT game. He was the son of Holly and Danny Campbell.

OCTOBER

The Friona Public Library received a \$9,205 grant from the Tocker Foundation, announced Darla Bracken, librarian. It is the second grant received by the library from the Tocker Foundation.

Congressman Larry Combest hailed the bombing attack on Afghanistan, in a telephone interview with publisher Bill Ellis. "I have no idea how long the campaign will last, but I believe President Bush has done a great job lining out the attack," Combest stated.

Kevin Welch delivered the first bale of cotton to Friona Farmers Co-op Gin on October 2, but the first bale ginned in the county belonged to Danny Hand and was ginned at North Lazbuddie Gin.

'Way to go, Fighting Chieftain Marching Band! The band received a "Superior" rating in the area UIL marching contest October 13 in Amarillo. The band advanced to the regional competition, held in Odessa.



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FRIONA HERITAGE ESTATES library was a gift from the Friends of the Friona Public Library. about a mile east of Friona. A gust of wind blew the truck Above (left-right) are FHE resident Effie Hicks, into the first train. After the couple evacuated the truck, it housing manager Rhonda Bentley, Friona library was hit by a second train some minutes later. director Darla Bracken and library volunteer Kathy Petty. The Friends presented a special plaque to FHE commemorating the library. The FHE library Equipment had operated dealerships in Friona, Hereford, area has over 500 volumes donated by Friends of the Dimmitt, Amarillo and Plains. It is the first time since the Library.

APRIL

A traffic stop by Friona Police Sgt. Joe Herrera netted \$125,900 in cash. Two Pennsylvania men were arrested and later released but the money was confiscated by the Friona PD.

Linda Chesher and Bill Ellis were named Woman and Man of the year at the 45th annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet April 9. Citizens of the Year were Barbara Neely and Karene Krauel. Karen Renner was named Teacher of the Year, Lynn Hutson the Most Courteous Employee and Veronica Velazquez and Matthew White were outstanding FHS students. John Gurley was chosen as outstanding Volunteer.

For the first time in over ten years, the Friona Chieftain Band received the "Sweepstakes" award in the annual UIL concert and sight-reading contest held at Boys Ranch.

Friona Star Publisher Bill Ellis was named to the Panhandle Press Association Hall of Fame at the PPA's 91st annual meeting April 6 in Amarillo. Ellis and his wife Carol have been publishers of the Friona Star for 39 years and the Bovina Blade for 28 years.

The Friona Squaws and the Friona Chiefs won the District S-2A track and field championships. The seventh and eighth grade Maidens and the seventh grade Braves also won district track titles.

MAY

JUNE

Excel Corporation and its parent company, the Cargill Foundation of Minneapolis, presented a \$25,000 gift to the Parmer County Community Hospital's building fund. It was the second gift to the hospital from Excel, which has now given PCCH \$75,000.

A-l Service Center celebrated its 13 years in business by announcing the opening of a new auto parts store at the location on west Highway 60.

A fire in a trash barrel was the cause of a fire that destroyed a barn on the Fangman farm northeast of Friona. The contents of the barn could not be saved due to the size and intensity of the fire.

Bill Carthel, Raymond Hamilton and Rickey Rector were elected directors at the Friona Farmer's Co-op Gin annual meeting.

The Friona Senior Citizen's board of directors voted to cut their yearly dues in half at a June 5 meeting. Membership dues are now \$30 per year for an individual and \$60 for a couple.

Wheat harvest got underway June 11. The first load of wheat to arrive at Friona Wheat Growers was delivered by Jayson Grimsley. Wheat from Jerry Loflin's farm was first at West Friona Grain and Keith Blackburn brought the first load to Attebury Grain.

Charley Saiz, Matthew Mata, Josh Burleson, Kyle Grimsley and Zach Barrett were all-district selections for the Chieftains baseball team. The Chieftains finished the season with a record of 12-10.

A sudden storm on June 28, complete with rain and a lightning show, was a factor in a freak accident involving a tractor trailer and two BNSF trains. The wreck happened

JULY

Parmer County's John Deere dealer, Texas Equipment Company, closed its doors on Saturday, July 14. Texas ron carr photo 1930s that the county is without a John Deere dealer.

Forty Friona residents returned July 9 from a tour of the Canadian Rockies. Jasper National Park's serene lakes and snow-capped peaks, the Columbia Ice Fields, Chateau Lake Louise, the West Edmonton Mall, the 1984 (winter) Olympic Village, and the Calgary Stampede were just a few of the attractions the group visited. The trip received a write-up in the Amarillo Globe-News (as well as the Friona Star!).

On Saturday night, July 14, Parmer County Chief Deputy Sheriff Michael Howard stopped a Ford SUV for speeding a mile east of Excel on Highway 60. Suspicious behavior by the vehicle's occupants caused Howard to get consent to search the vehicle. The search resulted in finding \$18,000 cash, in 20s, 50s and 100s, which was confiscated on suspicion it was drug money

The hot, dry spell continued unabated. The official recording station here shows five days over the 100-degree mark, with 10 other days when it topped out at 97 or over (four 99s) and other thermometers in the area showing 100 on some of those days.

Rev. Mark Stovall, 46, became pastor of Friona's First Baptist Church, and preached his first sermon on July 29. Rev. Stovall came to Friona from Conroe. He and his wife Debbie have three children. Laurie is 24, Jess is 21, and Hannah is twelve and will be an eighth grader this fall.

AUGUST

The new Friona Medical Clinic opened its brand-new office The Friona Chieftain Band competed at the 31st Annual on Wednesday, August 1. The new member of the medical Sandy Lake Music Festival and was awarded a First Division staff, Dr. Jeff Dickson, is a hometown product, and joins Dr.

MISS FRIONA 2001 is Candace Ingram, left. Little Miss 2001 is Holly Johnston, center. Cheyenne Harris, left, and Amy Osborn were runners-up.

New Friona State Bank president Dirk Davis was honored with a get-acquainted reception on Wednesday, October 17.

Con-Agra Beef Company's cowboys won the Feedyard Rodeo, sponsored by the Friona Chamber of Commerce. The chamber presented a trophy to feedyard manager Tommy Hefner and assistant Kody Kimbrough.

The Chieftain cross-country team qualified for the regional meet by being the district runners-up at the meet October 20 in Lubbock.

A Lazbuddie farmer, William Vernon Puckett, 74, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Department October 18 with charges of growing marijuana on his farm northeast of Lazbuddie.

The Friona Star made history by publishing its first fourcolor process photo in its issue of October 26, 2001.

NOVEMBER

Friona cross-country runners participated in the "Flag Across America" even. The U.S. Flag is enroute to Los Angeles from Boston.

The Chieftains were edged, 19-17 at Abernathy, a blow to their district title hopes, but the team can still qualify for the playoffs.

Kendrick Oil was honored by the Phillips 66 Company with a 50th-anniversary plaque.

Friona ISD received high academic ratings in a study compiled by the nonprofit foundation "Just for the Kids," which was published in the November issue of Texas Monthly magazine. FHS ranked in the top ten high schools in its economic group. Friona Jr. High received a "four star" rating.

Friona's representatives to Girls and Boys State, Kelcey Welch and Trevor Fields, were honored at a reception by Friona American Legion Post on November 5.

Terence Bunker's cattle truck collided with a TXDOT truck doing "striping" on US 60 east of Friona on November 12. Juan Alvarado of Lubbock, driving the TXDOT vehicle, as well as Bukner, were hospitalized.

Friona schools held patriotic programs the week of November 20. Different programs were held at the junior high, primary/elementary and the high school. FHS ex-student Mary Rando gave her stirring reading "I Am the Nation" at FHS. She also sang "God Bless America," in both English and Spanish for the elementary school.

The area received an excellent rain, with 2.54 inches measured in Friona on November 18-19-20. It was the best beneficial moisture since August 11-12.

The Chieftain footballers dropped a heartbreaking 27-20 overtime game to the West Texas High School Comanches on November 16. A fumble prior to the half inside the WT ten came back to haunt Friona in the bi-district playoff game. Friona landed nine offensive spots and six defensive positions on the all-district teams. Eric Rubio, Cody Grimsley, Nathan Haile, Andy Carthel and Adam Bandy made the team both ways.

"superior" rating.

Friona's Joy Morton was selected by the National Federation Interscholastic Speech and Debate Association to receive the outstanding Speech/ Drama/ Debate Educator Award. She is one of eight coaches in the nation to receive the award.

Memorial services for Frank A. Spring, 93, were held May 12 at First United Methodist Church. He died May 9 at his home in Friona. He held the distinction of having the first registered birth certificate in Parmer County, which was organized the year he was born.

Funnel clouds were spotted on Saturday, May 12, in the Friona area. No warning was given by the National Weather Service but many people reported seeing the funnels. Peasized hail and rain brought the month's total to 5.51 inches.

Velazquez, valedictorian, and Matthew White, salutatorian. Top FHS junior high grads were Andrea Geries, valedictorian, and Misty Adams, salutatorian.

B.K. and Janet Buske announced that they were selling Property Associates Realtors, including the building at Main and Highway 60, to Holly Campbell. The Buskes had owned the business since 1979.

Bob Alexander and Dr. Felipe Jubay. Dr. Dickson's first patient was Cecil Maddox, who was the doctor's principal when he was in junior high.

Friona ISD had 14 new teachers when the 2001-02 school term opened: Jimmie Arias, Rex and Connie Cumpton, Tonda Clark, Lori Zingerman, Erika Bermea Montana, Starlia Clayton, Trista Shelton Hickman, Rufus George, Rolland McNeill, Kim Hinton, Marti Cohen, Judy Head, Linda Wallace and Bonnie Morrison. Arias, Montana and Hickman are Friona natives, while Cumpton and Clayton are from Bovina. Zingerman is the new assistant principal at FHS.

A large crowd attended a reception honoring Robert Neelley on August 21. Neelley is stepping down as president of Friona State Bank after 30 years. Neelley has been very active in community affairs, including the Chamber of Top graduates for the 2001 FHS Class were Veronica Commerce and chairman of the Economic Development Board.

The enrollment in FISD was just three students short of the 2000 enrollment total on the first day of school August 21. A total of 1124 students enrolled.

Thirteen young ladies had been entered in the Miss Friona pageant as of August 23.

The Excel Corp donated money to provide special calculators for the Friona ISD.

DECEMBER

The Chamber's "Christmas in the Park" program was held on December 2, and the weather cooperated with a nice December day. Youngsters came to make their wishes known to Old Saint Nick.

Jim Johnston claimed the 2001 title in the Friona Star Football Contest. However, the Star couldn't get Jim's picture, as he was hospitalized in Amarillo. Jim won a tiebreaker with a former champ, Mark Zachary of Abilene.

The county's 2001 pheasant season kicked off on December 8. Hunters reported better luck, with somewhat more birds available than the past several seasons.

A group of 43 local and area residents returned Sunday, December 9, from a six-day trip to enjoy the sights and shows in Branson, Missouri. The trip was again sponsored by Friona State Bank.

Big Ticket Video was honored with a ribbon-cutting on December 8. New owners are Dee and Jody Lewellen.

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HEATHER MICHELLE MARTIN and CHRIS-TOPHER DANIEL STOREY....Mike and Reta Martin of Friona announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Heather Michelle, to Christopher Daniel Storey, son of Daniel and Sandra Storey of Memphis, Tennessee. The bride-elect is a graduate of Friona High School and Abilene Christian University with a degree in family and consumer sciences. The prospective bridegroom graduated from White Station High School and is currently CEO of Southern Masonry, Inc. in Memphis. The couple will exchange wedding vows Saturday, February 23 at 5 p.m. at First



Clovis Man Arrested In Assault On Deputy

Stormes stopped a vehicle miles west of Bovina on FM2290 about 9:30 p.m. While checking out the two male occupants he observed one of them trying to dispose of drugs.

Baca, 46, was wanted on a warrant out of Clovis. Stormes also found crack cocaine in the car.

During the arrest process, Baca started to fight and attempted to take Deputy Stormes' gun from him. Stormes called for backup and was able to subdue Baca in the meantime.

A routine traffic stop Saturday night turned dan-gerous for Parmer County Deputy Andy Stormes. Chandler, Sheriff Randy Geries and Chief Deputy Mike Howard and DPS Trooper Trey Ellis responded to the scene.

Approximately \$1,200 in cash was also confiscated along with the drugs and drug paraphernalia.

Irugs. In addition to the drug One of the men, Clarence charges and the warrant out of Clovis, Baca was charged with aggravated assault on a

officer, a 3rd degree felony. He is currently in the Parmer County jail on a \$45,000 bond. The other subject was charged only with possession of drug para-phernalia and was released on bond.

Deputy Stormes sustained Bovina Police Chief Leon a minor injury to one of his Saddler, Friona officer Eric fingers in the scuffle.



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MEGAN MILLER and SCOTT TERRY....Richard and Nancy Miller of Sublette, Kansas, formerly of Farwell, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Megan Miller, to Scott Terry, son of Mitch and Kathy Terry of the Rhea Community. The couple will exchange wedding vows March 2 at 3 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church of Friona. The bride-elect is a 2000 graduate of Farwell High School and attends West Texas A&M University, Canyon. Terry is a graduate of Friona High School and West Texas A&M University. He is employed by Sunray Co-Op.



Happy Birthday Friona Folks....

Week of January 6-12 Friona residents observing

their birthdays next week include:

January 6--Wesley Bar-nett, Mitch Massey, Randy

Sherri Jo Rector, Jeff Brown, V'Lynda Wilcox, Loren Martin, Jesse Castaneda.

When you see names which should be removed from our birthday list (moved away, names changed, deceased, etc.), call the newspaper and let someone know. Thank you.



THE BOVINA JV boys beat the Friona JV in the Friona JV tournament held in December.

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College day in Clovis Jan 5

North Plains Mall and Clovis Community College will host a College Day Saturday, Jan 5, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the mall. Over ten colleges will be in attendance including Texas Tech, New Mexico State, University of New Mexico, Clovis Community College and Eastern New Mexico. For more info, call the mall office at 505-769-2308.

Seniors board meeting

Friona Senior Citizens' board of directors will meet Tuesday, Jan 8, at 4 p.m. at the Friendship House. All seniors are welcome to attend.

Retired teachers meeting Jan 8

The Parmer County Retired Teachers and School Personnel members will have a meeting Jan 8 at 2 p.m. at the Senior Citizen's Friendship House in Friona. The program will be presented by Darla Bracken and Brenda Patterson, librarians at the Friona Library. All retired teachers and school personnel are encouraged to attend.

FHS basketball videos debut Jan 5

Friona Chieftain/Squaw basketball videos will begin on Saturday, Jan 5, with the Floydada games. Clint Mears and Mike Hutson tape the play-by-play of the home games then show them on WT Services channel 76 at 10 a.m. on



FRIONA'S Haleigh Herbert sets to rebound as a Bovina JV Fillie is at the free throw line during the Friona JV tournament.



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Longtime **Resident's Rites Held**

Funeral services for Tera McGlothlin, 95, a resident of Prairie Acres Nursing Home in Friona, were held Sunday, December 23, 2001 at Sixth Street Church of Christ with Leon Talley officiating. Burial followed at Friona

Cemetery under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

She passed away Saturday, December 22, 2001.

Mrs. McGlothlin was born November 5, 1906 in Summerfield to Albert Edward Stanley and Mattie Olivia Crow.

She was a lifetime Oklahoma; resident of Friona. She grandchildren; twenty-three married Bill McGlothlin January 29, 1946 in Friona. He passed away October 23, 1982. She and her husband owned the movie theater in Friona for many years.

Frances Merritt of Friona, Ted Proctor.



TERA MCGLOTHLIN

Alleene Moseley of Bovina and Mary B. Westbrook of twenty great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Gary Snead, Paul J. Smith, Gary Cash, Troy Sharrock, Mike Hutson and Dave Hutson.

Survivors include a Honorary pallbearers were daughter, Gail Hand of Jack Patterson, John Hand, Honorary pallbearers were Friona; three step-daughters, Rene Snead, Ralph Reed and



Saturdays. Tune in starting Saturdays, Jan 5.

Girl Scout cookies on sale Jan 7

Girl Scout cookies will go on sale Jan 7. Two new cookies have been added to the traditional favorites. The new ones are the All Abouts and the Ole' Ole'. Check 'em out. If you are not contacted by a Girl Scout by Jan 16, call Pam Kendrick, 250-2158 or Melanie London, 250-3741 to order.

VFW chicken dinner Jan 20

The local VFW and auxiliary will hold their "good old fried chicken" dinner on Sunday, Jan 20, at the Veterans Hall, 6th and Euclid, in Friona. Serving time will be 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$6 adult and \$3 for kids 12 and under. Menu is fried chicken, gravy, mashed potatoes, salad, green beans, drink and dessert. Takeouts are available, phone 265-7463.



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JV SQUAW Andrea Geries (10) puts on the brakes against Bovina's JV Fillies. Friona won the game and the tournament. ron carr photos

BSA Hospice Training Class Begins Jan. 14

Training and Community Hospital). Education Class starting Monday, January 14 contin-uing through February 6.

This comprehensive class is designed for adults who are interested in becoming a hospice volunteer, want to learn more about hospice care or desire personal growth and enrichment.

An afternoon class will meet Mondays and Wednesdays from 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. for four consecutive weeks. Class sessions will be held at the BSA Hospice

BSA Hospice Offers Grief Education

BSA Hospice offers grief education and group support for adults who are dealing with the loss of a loved one. A new group will meet Tuesday afternoons 1-2:30 p.m. or Tuesday evenings 7-8:30 p.m. beginning January 22-February 26, 2002.

Group sessions will be held in the Hospice Den, 600 North Tyler Street (south of St. Anthony's Hospital). For more information call 806-212-8777 or toll free 1-800-315-6209.

BSA Hospice is presenting facility, 600 North Tyler its Winter 2002 Volunteer Street (south of St. Anthony's

This program is offered free of charge to Amarillo and surrounding communities. CEUs will be awarded by Amarillo College. For more information or to pre-register call Deborah Andrews, LSW, 806-212-8715 or toll free 1-800-315-6209.

Letters To The Editor Dear Bill & Staff:

I would like to for you to know how much I enjoyed your "Christmas edition," especially the historical items. I just wanted you to know I appreciated your work. Sincerely,

Janie Jackson Dear Carol:

Please don't get too upset about Martha Stewart. We all know that she is not really a REAL PERSON. She is one of the Stepford Wives. Anita Guest

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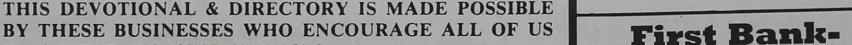


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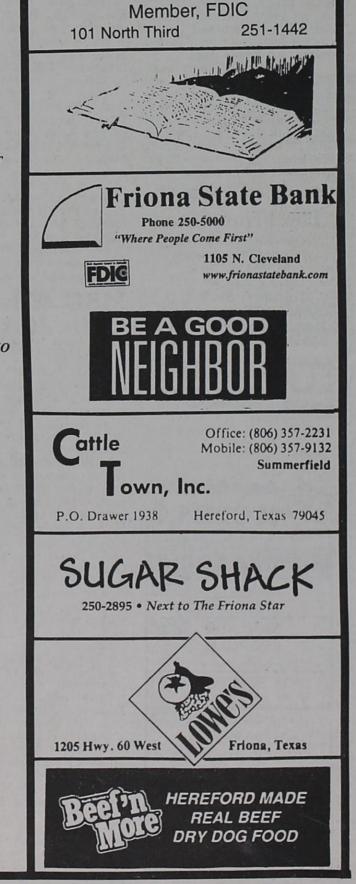
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FRIONA POLICE SGT. JOE HERRERA is shown during the search of a pickup which vielded \$131,500 in cash and various drugs. The Pennsylvania men were charged with drug possession and evidence tampering. ron carr photo

Get Rid Of Your Fear And Worry In 2002

BY REV. ALVIN PETTY It is quite possible to be delivered from all your fears. So why not make it your new your fear and worry in 2002.

find a deep sense of acceptance for yourself. Acceptance is always a gift. which focuses on your positive No one ever really earns any unconditional acceptance. It is always a gift from others, from yourself or God. So you can not change yourself or can not change yourself or perform well enough to gain shall handle this problem or acceptance by God, others or yourself. You can believe unconditional acceptance exists and then accept it for yourself. In the religious sphere, this is called grace. It is always the basis from which anyone overcomes their fears. established a sense of habitually respond to any acceptance in your mind you circumstance with courage, need to use the right confidence, and calmness. methodology to overcome One is greatly aided in this if your fear and worry. Never his affirmative thinking is attack your fears or worries done in dependency upon a directly. You must learn the great Higher Power whom he indirect method of feel cares for him and accepts displacement. This means that you should never tell yourself, "I removing fear and worry by must not be afraid," or "I displacing it, with positive must quit worrying." For affirmations of the better when you do this you focus reality one wishes to your attention on yourself dominate his life, is actually and your past failures and the way Jesus taught people you are actually expressing to pray (Mark 11 :24).

your determination in a way that reminds yourself you are afraid you will fail again in over coming your worries. year's resolution to get rid of Thus you are focusing your energy in a negative way The first thing to do is which increases your tendency to fail once again.

Use the indirect method potential to succeed. Whenever your fear or worry fear with calm self assurance." Say this a thousand times a week or more if necessary every time a negative thought pops up about your ability to overcome your problem or fear.



Car Batteries May Harm Vision

More than 5,000 motorists a year suffer serious eye injuries or blindness because they did not properly jump-start their car's battery. Vehicle batteries contain sulfuric acid and produce hydrogen and oxygen gases. If the hydrogen gas,

connects with a spark, the battery can explode and shoot pieces of the battery and acid into the air and your eyes. The battery parts can cut your eyes and the acid can burn delicate eye tissue.

The best way to prevent any accidents is to keep your battery in good condition. Check car batteries for cracks or corrosion before winter sets in, or, in warmer climates, before the heat of summer. Always keep a medical kit, water bottle, safety protective goggles, a flashlight and a jump-start instruction manual in your car in addition to jumper cables. If you or someone you are with has a battery accident, flush the affected eyes with whatever liquid is readily available, such as water, milk or juice. Apply the liquid as quickly as possible since you will have a lesser chance of getting a serious eye injury. Flush the eye for at least 15 minutes. Seek emergency medical attention if this does not eliminate the injury.

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Modern Study Club Held Meeting Dec. 4

Modern Study club met her daughters. December 4, 2001, with Donna Mears presiding. She led the members and guests in pledges to the United States and Texas flags.

ness meeting, club members were entertained by piano selections "Christmas Creations" and "Silent Night" played as duets by Kandace and Miranda Frye. Their mother, Annette Frye, attended the meeting with

Program director, Eva Kimbrough, introduced the program, "An Evening Spent With A Christmas Book."

tes and Texas flags. Special guest Darla Bracken Following the short busi- reviewed "The Little Mixer" by Lillian Nicholson Shearon.

The story was special to Darla because of Carmaleet Truitt. Carmaleet had reviewed the book years ago and the book was given to Darla because she enjoyed it so much.

The story was special for this time and especially since September 11 because of its message about the different

ed delicious refreshments to members and guests.

MSC & Lion's Club Join In Xmas Evening

Each year for a Christmas program, Eva Miller gathers some of her family members to present a program for a joint meeting of the Modern Study Club and the Evening

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