

Friona Star

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VOTE

School board election Saturday May 7
7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Friona city hall



Mason Mireles



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The Kid's Inc. Little League field has a new scoreboard thanks to donations from 5W Sales Company, Andy Montana Insurance, Bi-Wize, Bunker Trucking, Campbell Electric, Cargill, Chieftain Gym, Chuck's Barber Shop, Creative Chaos, Farm Bureau, Friona Star, Friona Wheat Growers, Friona United Way, H & R Block, Hi Pro, Kendrick Oil, Malouf's Fabrics, Milk House Market, Parmer Medical Center and Wilbur Ellis.

City council agenda for Monday meeting

The Friona city council will meet Monday May 9 at 6:30 p.m. at 619 Main St. All council meetings are open to the public.

Council members Alan Monroe and Martha Barker and Mayor Rick White will be sworn in for a two-year term. They are all incumbents and ran unopposed. The council will then elect a mayor pro-tem for the 2016-2018 term.

Fire Chief Jim Taylor will ad-

dress the council regarding the department's upcoming activities and events. The council will hear a report from the Friona Police Department regarding budget, expenses, personnel, and upcoming activities and events.

The council will consider and take action on an amendment to the agricultural lease with R&J Farms extending the expiration date to December 31, 2016

to better align with the USDA Farm Service Agency program. Accounts payable and financial statement for April will be considered and action taken.

After the regular agenda the council will go into executive session for the annual evaluation of Municipal Court Judge Deborah Campbell, and discussion regarding employment status including salary, benefits, discipline, termination, promotion,

and/or reclassification per Texas Government Code, Subchapter D, Section 551.074 Personnel.

After the executive session the council will return to regular session and either take action on the executive session discussion or adjourn. The above agenda items are tentative and subject to change. The official agenda is posted on the front window of city hall at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Baseball playoff games

The Chieftains lost a district seeding game last Friday vs. Littlefield. The game was played at Muleshoe and the Chiefs lost 12-4. The loss put the Chieftains in third place in district with Shallowater first and Littlefield second.

The Chiefs will meet the Childress Bobcats in bi-district in Idalou. First game is Friday May 6 at 4:30 p.m. The second game is Saturday May 7 at 1:00 p.m. A third game will follow if necessary. We assume the games will be broadcast on KNNK 100.5 FM, WT Services channel 6, and online at knnkradio.com. Recent games have been broadcast over the HPRN network but their coverage has not always been reliable.

PMC to be recognized Monday

On Monday, May 9, 2016, Parmer Medical Center will be recognized by the City of Friona in acknowledgment of National Hospital Week. The brief recognition ceremony will take place at 1:00 p.m. in the hospital lobby.

As part of the local National Hospital Week activities, tours of the hospital will also be offered to the public between 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. on Monday, May 9. Everyone is invited to attend the brief ceremony and take a tour of the facility if you have not already done so.

Remember
Mother's
Day
Sunday,
May 8



courtesy photo

Three Friona High School juniors completed the TCFA Feedyard Technician Program on April 26-27 at West Texas A&M University. Pictured are, l-r, FHS Agricultural Science Teacher Tracy Blount, Luis Trejo, Carlos Prieto, and Edwin Garcia.

Area students complete TCFA Feedyard Technician Program

Texas Cattle Feeders Association, in collaboration with West Texas A&M University and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension, presented 30 area high school students a certificate and vest for completing the Cattle Care & Handling portion of the Feedyard Technician Certification Program April 26-27 at West Texas A&M University's Stanley Schaeffer Agriculture Educa-

tion Learning Lab.

Students from Friona who graduated from the program were Edwin Garcia, Carlos Prieto, and Luis Trejo.

WTAMU students who are obtaining a degree in Agriculture Education tested the Feedyard Technician program participants on important cattle care skills, such as pharmaceutical knowledge and proper administration and implanting

technique and accuracy. The students were trained on Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) cattle handling skills in a seminar at either Bartlett I Feedyard on April 19, Dawn Custom Cattle Feeders on April 20 or Cactus Feedyard on April 21 depending on the location of each school.

To complete the certification process, the students were tested over their skills with a

written exam. They were also interviewed by TCFA and feedyard industry officials on topics covered in the training.

Completion of this certification program enables students to be better prepared to obtain employment within a feedyard with a basic understanding of the knowledge and skills necessary to be an asset to the operation.

Students in the program are

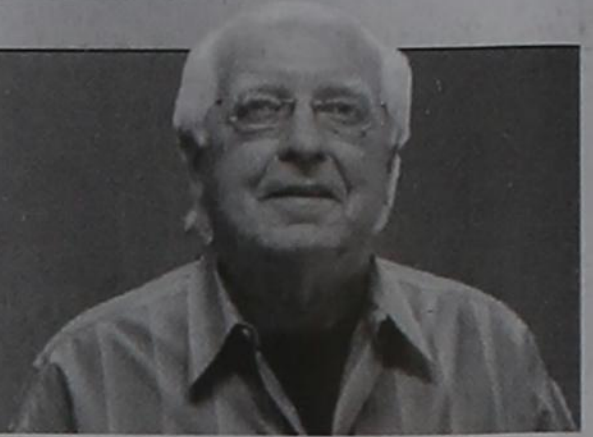
identified by their Agricultural Science Teacher, feedyard managers or have expressed interest to be accepted into the program. They should be enrolled in at least one high school agricultural class each semester, participate in extra-curricular activities such as FFA and have a supervised agricultural experience project.

Individuals who work in the

fed beef industry have one of the most important jobs in the world - to produce food for a growing domestic and global population. The vitality of having young people with a desire to work in a feedyard setting, especially in the TCFA-area of Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico where 28 percent of the nation's beef is produced, is crucial in the future success of the industry.

Out Here

By Ron Carr



Send Calendar information to: frionastar@wtrt.net or call (806) 250-2211 or fax (806) 250-5127

- May 8-MOTHER'S DAY
- May 8-Baby Dedication at First Baptist Church
- May 9-Victory Family Worship Center Senior Dinner-6:30 p.m.
- May 10-FFA Banquet-7 p.m.
- May 12-FHS/JH Band Spring Concert @ 6 p.m.
- May 12-14-FHS Track @ Austin-STATE
- May 13-FHS Band Trip to Dallas
- May 14-Kid Fish Day, 3-6 p.m. at Reeve Lake-Open to kids 16 and under
- May 16-All Sports Banquet @ 6 p.m.
- May 16-17-State Tennis @ Texas A&M
- May 17-FHS Choir Follies @ FHS Cafeteria 7 p.m.
- May 19-Friona Cemetery Association Annual Cleanup workday-5 p.m.
- May 19-All School Awards/Who's Who/Lip Sync
- May 20-Chieftain Challenge
- May 21-ARMED FORCES DAY
- May 21-FHS Prom
- May 25-Early Release
- May 25-First Baptist Church End of School Party 6-8 p.m.
- May 26-Early Release/Last day of School
- May 27-Harrington Breast Center screenings at PMC
- May 27-FHS Graduation
- May 28-29-Cannon Air Force Base free Air Show-gates open at 9 a.m.
- May 30-MEMORIAL DAY
- June 19-FATHER'S DAY
- June 20-SUMMER BEGINS!
- July 4-INDEPENDENCE DAY
- July 4-Fourth of July Festivities
- July 5-16-Summer Drama Workshop @ FHS Auditorium
- July 9-Annual German Sausage Festival in Nazareth

here we go again

In 1925 for several years the Friona Star was printed in Hereford.

Hard to imagine the process Friona Star founder Uncle John White had to go through to get a newspaper printed in 1925. In researching Friona Star history over the years I found several times Uncle John referred to sending his typewritten copy to Hereford.

Back then a one-year subscription to the Friona Star

was \$1.50.

At one time in the 50s and 60s the Friona Star, Farwell paper, and several others were printed here in Friona. The Star office and printing press were in the building on 6th Street where the VFW, American Legion, and the Book Shoppe is located.

In the late 80s or thereabouts several newspaper publishers, including the late Star publisher Bill Ellis, went

together and started their own printing plant located in Canyon on Highway 60 near VFW Road.

That is where the paper was being printed when I came along in 1995. Every week on Friday I drove to Canyon and waited while the Star was being printed. In those days we still did cut and paste the old fashioned way, waxing articles down on grid sheets. The Canyon plant burned metal plates

of each page. It took a while. Most Fridays I would get to the Canyon plant around 8:00 a.m. and back to Friona by 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. in the afternoon, which meant local subscribers did not get their Star until Saturday or Monday.

After 4-5 years driving to Canyon each week the printing plant was sold and eventually closed. We then switched to North Plains printing in Hereford, which was owned by the Hereford Brand.

printing press operation. We were given two days notice and were offered an opportunity to continue printing our pages but our weekly cost was increased by about \$300.00. And the printing would be done in Santa Fe, New Mexico. We declined the "opportunity."

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All this time over the years the Star was printed in black and white, no color except for an occasional splash of red or yellow.

After I took over the Star in 2003 I continued printing in Hereford until the Clovis News Journal came along and offered me a package deal that saved money and allowed us to have color photos. We printed in Clovis for several years and always had quality issues with their printing.

The Hereford Brand came calling several years later so we switched back to printing in Hereford but then a couple of years ago they shut down the Hereford printing operation so here we went again back to Clovis. There continued to be quality issues in Clovis but we learned to live with it.

So last Wednesday we get an email from the new Clovis News Journal publisher that they were closing down their

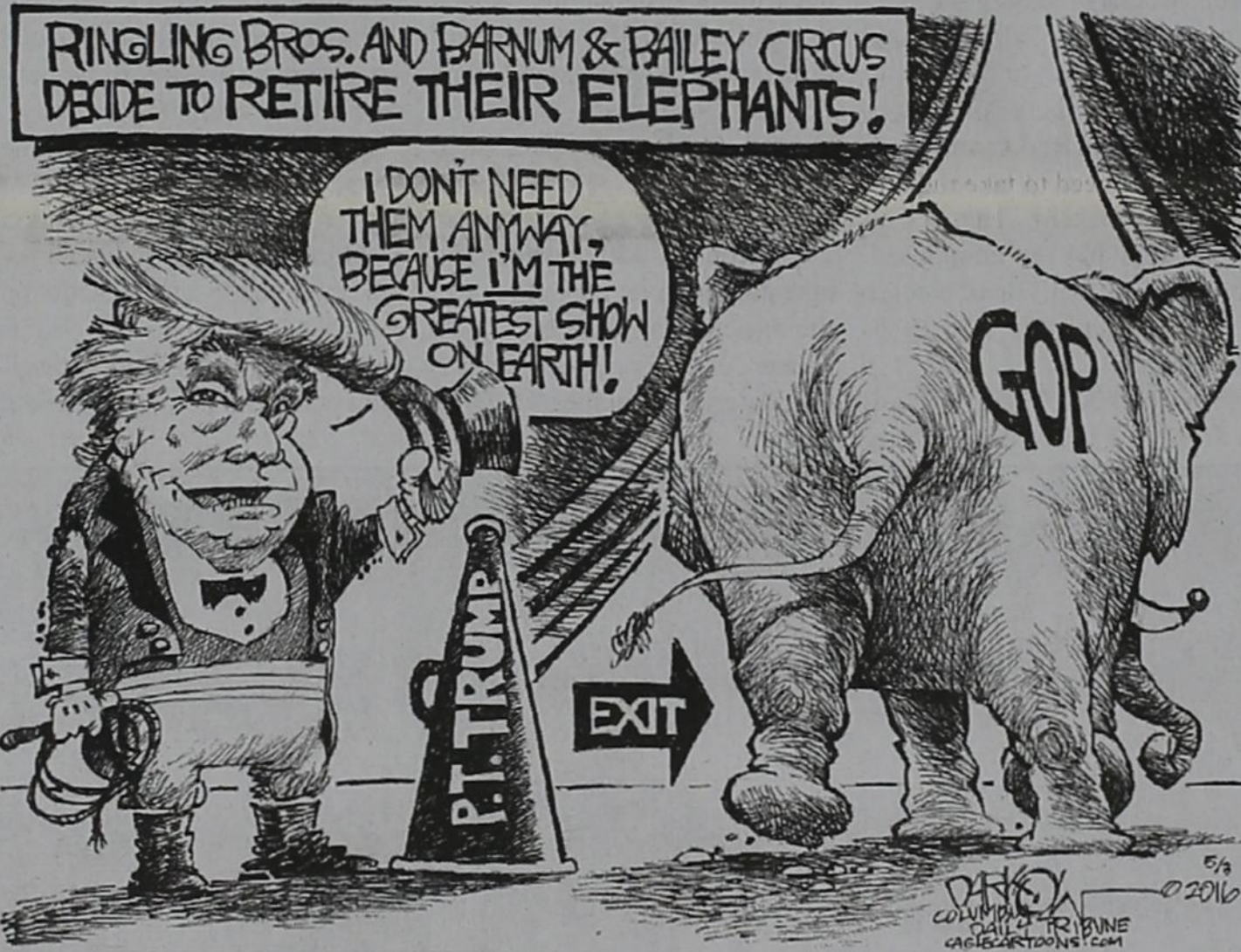
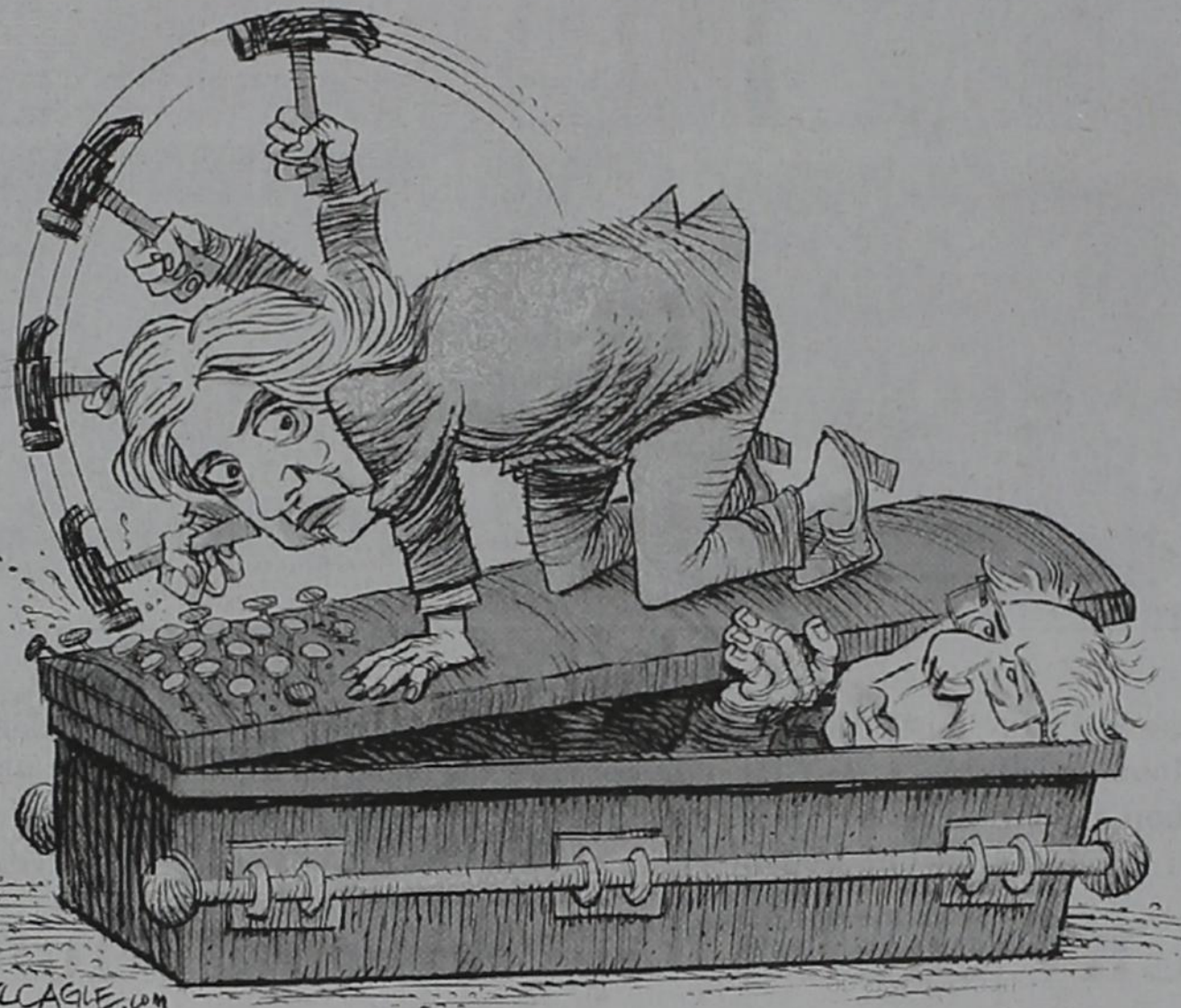
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To make a long story short, this Friona Star will have a little different feel. It is about one-inch wider than before. We will still be a Thursday paper. The Farwell paper had to move their publishing day forward from Wednesday to Thursday.

The Shamrock printer will deliver the Friona and Farwell newspapers to our office in the wee hours of Thursday. Farwell will come over and pick up their papers here. We will split the weekly delivery charges. For the first time in 20 years I will not have to get up and drive out of town Thursday mornings to fetch our papers. Thanks for sticking around.

Next week I promise to write about Donald and Hillary. I know you can't wait.



School Menu

May 9-13

- Monday**
- Breakfast: Cereal, waffles, fruit punch juice, applesauce, milk
- Lunch: Turkey pull sub, green beans, corn, peaches, milk
- Tuesday**
- Breakfast: Cereal, fruit punch juice, banana, milk
- Lunch: Beef ravioli, roll, broccoli, cheese cauliflower, fruit cocktail, milk
- Wednesday**
- Breakfast: Cereal, Holland burrito, grape juice, peaches, milk
- Lunch: Hamburger, carrot sticks, French oven potatoes, oranges, milk
- Thursday**
- Breakfast: Cereal, sausage pizza, orange juice, pears, milk
- Lunch: Chicken friend steak, roll, mashed potatoes, cheese tomatoes, pears, milk
- Friday**
- Breakfast: Cereal, apple Frudel, fruit punch juice, fruit cocktail, milk
- Lunch: Cheese enchiladas, Mexican rice, refried beans, lettuce & tomato salad, fruit cocktail, milk

- 1 Mule ____ TX
- 5 TX gov. serves a four-year ____
- 6 Houston on SFA death: "The Father of Texas ____ more"
- 7 actress in TX-filmed "Silkwood"
- 8 this past San Antonio rep. led effort to get return of the Alamo flag
- 17 TX Stone of "the Family Stone"
- 18 TX George Strait sang "____ Morning"
- 21 TX Kenny Rogers' "Coward ____ the County"
- 22 potato dipper
- 23 "not a clue" (2 wds.)
- 24 in Lubbock Co. on hwy. 82
- 29 Glen Rose has dino ____ tracks
- 30 Corpus Christi AM
- 31 summer cooler (abbr.)
- 32 TX Bebe Daniels began career in this era (2 wds.)
- 34 "____ act to follow"
- 35 TX cosmetics mogul Mary Kay ____
- 36 first career for TX actress Shannon Elizabeth
- 37 cowboy covers
- 38 TXism: "that hits the ____" (satisfying)

- 39 noted TX silent film director and actor
- 41 bridges
- 42 Tibetan wild ox
- 43 unbranded calf or Dallas BB player: Mav ____
- 44 perceives sound
- 45 Boerne's "____ Kendall Inn"
- 46 TX Tejano band: "Little Joe ____ Familia"
- 47 TX-based 1984 film: "Places in the ____"
- 48 declare support
- 50 clean vigorously
- 51 TXism: "cashed in ____ chips"
- 52 New Year's ____
- 53 this Wise was a 3-term Dallas mayor

TEXAS CROSSWORD

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1 TXism: "____ a sore thumb" (conspicuous)

2 TXism: "____ a bubble out of plumb" (crazy)

3 rouchy

4 seat of Rains Co.

9 Biblical prophet

10 noble title in Arab countries

11 Astros or Rangers headwear

12 TXism: "come hell ____ high water"

13 nickname for Dallas' San Francisco foe

14 this TX Bentzen was a 4-term U.S. Senator

15 Manning and UT grad Wallach

16 "Father ____" leader of the "Source Family"

19 early Columbus, TX: "____ Crossing"

20 1962 Neiman X-mas gifts: His & Her Chinese

22 Canadian city that hosted 1988 Olympics

24 TX Buddy Holly sang "Love ____ Strange"

25 faint light

26 Valley plant

33 fish appendage

34 TXism: "watching him like a ____"

35 TXism: "coming ____ at the seams"

37 TXism: "bit off more than ____"

38 extra tire

40 irritates

41 oceans

44 this Williams played for the Mavericks (1989-92)

47 "casas" south of the border

49 moving beef: cattle ____

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President Barack Obama
July 24, 2013 Galesburg, Illinois

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Town Talk II

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Sunday May 8 is Mother's Day. Bless all mothers on this special day.

The Muleshoe Spring Bling, with over 40 vendors, is Saturday May 7 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Bailey County Coliseum. Free admission. There is also a 5K walk/run at 9:00 a.m.

Kid Fish Day Saturday May 14 from 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. at Reeve Lake. Bait and equipment furnished or bring your

own. Kids should be accompanied by an adult.

Chieftains vs. Childress in bi-district baseball playoff, 2 out of 3 in Idalou. First game Friday May 6 at 4:30 p.m. Second game Saturday at 1:00 p.m. with third game to follow if necessary.

Aristo Sham is a professional pianist. Been playing since he was three years-old. He is originally from Hong Kong and went to high school in England.

This year he is a freshman at Harvard and Haden Smiley's roommate. Haden is a member of the Harvard Glee Club.

Having said all that, you are invited to a piano and voice recital featuring Aristo and Haden Sunday May 15, 2:00 p.m. at the Friona First Baptist Church. A reception will follow. See the ad in this Star for more info.

May 6-12 is Nurses Week. We have really caring and professional nurses here in our town and we thank them for all

they do and the care they give.

At Prairie Acres the resident-of-the-month for May is Melinda Brownlow. The employee-of-the-month is Rosa Pineda. Rosa works in the dietary department and has been employed since December 2009.

First Baptist Church Bible School will be June 6-10 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. You can register on their website, fbcfriona.com.

Received a subscription renewal from former resident Darrell Barlow from up in Wagoner, Oklahoma. He sent this note: "Ron, keep up the good work. I enjoy your column very much. Also, to keep up with all of the people. You are doing great work." Thanks Darrell.

The White House recently hosted an event titled "The Police Data Initiative Year of Progress: Building on the President's Call to Action to Leverage Open Data to Increase Trust Between Police and Citizens."

Another White House event was titled "Opportunities and Challenges: Open Police Data and Ensuring the Safety and Security of Victims of Intimate Partner Violence and Sexual Assault."

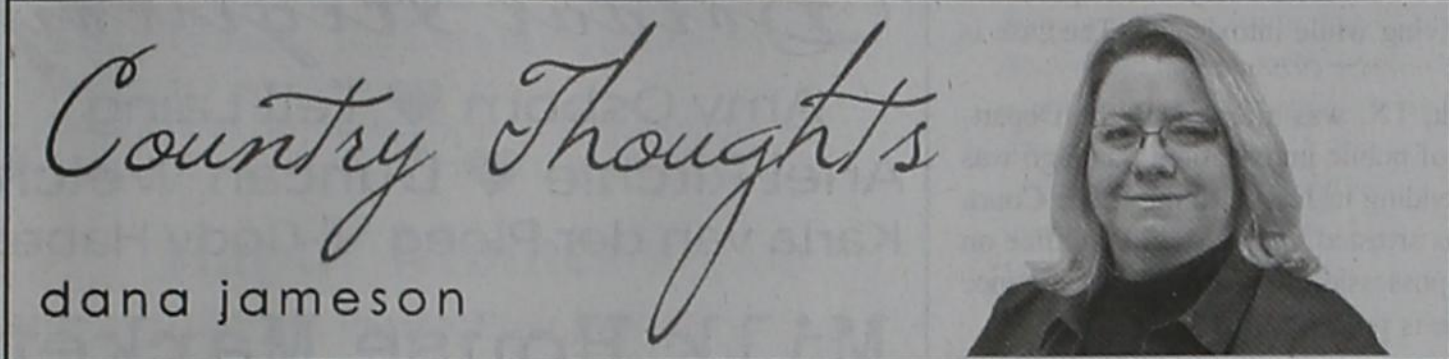
I'm really sorry I missed these two very exciting meetings. More hi-faluting words from the government to make us

think they are smart and really doing something beneficial.

As of about noon Tuesday, the last day of early voting, 360 people had voted early in the school board election. Saturday May 7 is election day. Voting will be at city hall from 7:00

a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

We are busy on our graduation papers. This Friona Star was printed in Shamrock, Texas, our new printing vendor. Read the details in my Out Here column. Until then!



Colorful people

Throughout life, there are people that come into your life that can only be described as 'colorful'.

I truly believe that every person that comes into my life is placed there for a reason. Sometimes it is hard to see why they are there because they cause difficulty or pain. Sometimes it is a joy to have them in your life.

I was reminded recently of one of those colorful individuals that came into my life at a time when I was not feeling very confident or sure of myself.

Geraldine wandered the streets of Olton and then Dimmitt. Her clothing was rather mismatched but she always had a smile on her face and a story to tell.

I remember getting a phone call from Olton City Hall and being warned that she was coming my way. I am not sure I needed to be warned because I was okay with her visits.

Geraldine would come into my office at the Olton Enterprise and later on at the Castro County News just to talk. There were a few times that she would come in to visit and I could tell she was not as happy as her smile covered. Those were the times that she was running low on money or was hungry. We always had food at the office, so I would share but she always insisted on doing some chore to pay me back. She would sweep up the backroom or dust the office and then go on down the street.

The times she needed money I would give her what I had in my wallet. (There was not much in my wallet back then.) In my mind, she needed it

more than I did.

When I moved to Dimmitt, she followed.

I was sitting behind my desk one morning and heard the front door open. I was working on a story so I didn't think anything about it. When I looked up from the computer there stood Geraldine. She was holding an umbrella and announcing that it was my gift. I thanked her and then she told me where the umbrella had been found.

She had a habit of 'dumpster diving' and her collection of treasures was unlimited. I was now the recipient of one of her diving expeditions.

I once again thanked her and then listened to her tale of how she came to be in Dimmitt. She eventually left and as I walked her to the door, I noticed that the two women that worked with me had put their umbrellas in the trash. I could see it hurt her but she continued to smile and head off to visit with someone else.

As I walked back to my office I couldn't help but think how cold they had been to her. She was doing a nice thing and all she got was a slap. How rude can some people be?

Anyway, I really didn't need another umbrella but I put it by the door so it would be handy when it rained.

I still have that umbrella and I think of Geraldine when I see it. It reminds me that there are colorful people all around us, we just need to take the time to see them.



dana jameson photo

Aundrea Frye and Becky Riethmayer led the parade of beautiful ladies and styles at the 2016 Ladies Spring Luncheon and Style Show held Saturday at First Baptist Church.



dana jameson photo

Good food and fellowship were enjoyed by an abundant crowd at the 2016 Ladies Spring Luncheon and Style Show hosted by the Friona Chamber of Commerce. Friona merchants displayed the newest in Spring fashion.

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Friona Flashbacks

News from Thursday, May 7, 1964

- *Friona High School's 440-yard relay team will compete in the state finals in Austin Saturday afternoon. The foursome of David Lee Carson, Everett Gee, S.D. Baize and Danny Murphree, with Bob Welch, as alternate, rates a chance at a high finish.
- *Earl Drake and Billy Dean Baxter were elected to the board of directors at the annual meeting of Friona Consumers last Saturday afternoon.
- *Belinda Mabry and Kara Beth Sides are the honor students for the eighth grade graduating class, according to Tom Jarboe, Junior High School principal.
- *A dedicatory service for a church building recently moved to the Mexican Mission property has been planned for 3 p.m. Sunday. Kenneth Neill, chairman of the mission committee, will lead the prayer of dedication.
- *Friona's response to the Texas State Library's bookmobile was among the best during its first "circuit run," according to bookmobile librarian, Georgia Pena.

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Praying For Our Mothers

By JEFF PROCTER, Minister, 6th Street Church of Christ

Dear Father and God great is Your Name. We would like to thank you for giving us the one person that knew us before we were born. Thank you for giving each of us a mom. Father you of all knew what we would need. We thank you that you gave us moms full of love and kindness. We thank you for giving us moms with a firm hand and a gentle touch. We thank you that moms taught us so much.

Father, we know that some moms are so without having given us birth, but that did not stop their love for us. We ask Father for Your continued favor and care for our moms. Help us to appreciate and recognize the sacrifices they have made to give us the best opportunity to succeed.

Father we recognize Your love in them and as You gave us to them we thank you that they loved us enough to give us back to You. Let us honor them not only on a day we call Mother's Day but let us honor them each day and in so doing honor You who gave us life.

Thank you for the wisdom of grandmothers. They are a blessing to be treasured. Thank you for the patience of mothers with teens. Thank you for the energy of mothers with toddlers, and Lord help those mothers who hold their child for the first time this year.

Help us Lord to heed the lessons taught by our moms, to continue the legacy of faith that they shared, to cling to the hope they have instilled in us and to share the love that they have given.

Bless each mom this year and give us the opportunity to thank them for what they mean to each of us. In the name of our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Happy Mother's Day

BRETT HOYLE, Pastor, First Baptist Church

Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers out there! Your importance in our lives is impossible to quantify, and the privilege the Lord has given you as mothers is immeasurable. When one looks at the world of motherhood, there is a wide variety of mothers. There are messy mothers, moody mothers, cussing mothers, cheerful mothers, frazzled mothers, faithful mothers, frugal mothers, old mothers, young mothers, in-between mothers, and much much more. However you mothers identify and label yourself is up to you, but are you a praying mother?

A praying mother can move mountains for her children, drawing them near the gates of heaven. Praying mothers provide for their children the richest of treasures from God's storehouse, pave their children's pathways with the finest of materials, and shine the light of the gospel on their lives. Praying mothers may be tempted to give up, give out and give in, but are sustained by divine strength and faith that carries them to their knees pleading before the Most High. Although there is not time to mention their stories in full, Hannah, Mary and Moses' mother, their examples display the worth of a praying mother, as their prayers bear fruit even unto today. Therefore, of all the gifts a mother could give her children, may it be that of Christian prayer.

God's Creation Offers Much

By TEENA HUGHES

This last weekend, Feller and I attended a family wedding in Junction. We spent Friday and Saturday nights with Mother in Barksdale. To say that it is absolutely beautiful from here to there would be an understatement!

The countryside was beautiful a year ago, but everyone was recovering from a drought. This year, everything has recovered and is so lush and overflowing. The Hill Country has had good rains, so the creeks are running, adding to the beauty!

People often dream of what Heaven looks like; personally I don't know how it can look much more beautiful than what we saw this weekend. I have learned from Steve Friskup that the Kingdom of God is here on Earth right now, and we need to live like it and enjoy what God has given us.

I do enjoy life, but I admit that I don't get out of my "rut" very often and explore new, different areas. Being so enthralled with God's creation this weekend, and being with family and friends, encouraged me to be more bold and start trying some new things. Only time will tell exactly what I will do with that encouragement.

One thing I felt this weekend was a tremendous peace. You just know that God, and only God, is responsible for the beauty of the countryside, so He gets all of the praise and glory, and we get to enjoy His work.

How does God feel when we don't take time and enjoy His handiwork? Sometimes we get so caught up in working, doing, planning, etc. that we forget to look around and see what God has done. Other times we think we can take the time to enjoy it all later, but later never comes.

I just encourage you to take some time and spend it with God's creation. Allow God to make you feel better and give you peace. After all, He has done it all for you!

OBITUARIES

Arthur Cabrera



Arthur Cabrera, 58, of Amarillo, passed away on Thursday, April 21, 2016 in Amarillo. Funeral services were held Saturday, April 23, 2016 at Angel Funeral Home Chapel of Angels with Deacon Andy Gonzalez officiating. Arrangements were by Angel Funeral Home, 2209 S. Arthur Amarillo, Texas 79103.

Arthur was born on June 5, 1957 in Muleshoe to Antonio and Ignacia Cabrera. After graduating from Delta High School in Delta Colorado, he joined the U. S. Army, serving for twelve years in Germany and Ft. Sill, Oklahoma. After leaving the Army, he worked as a security guard for a while before becoming a truck driver.

He was a proud grandpa who loved spending time with his family. He also loved the Dallas Cowboys, dancing and playing pool.

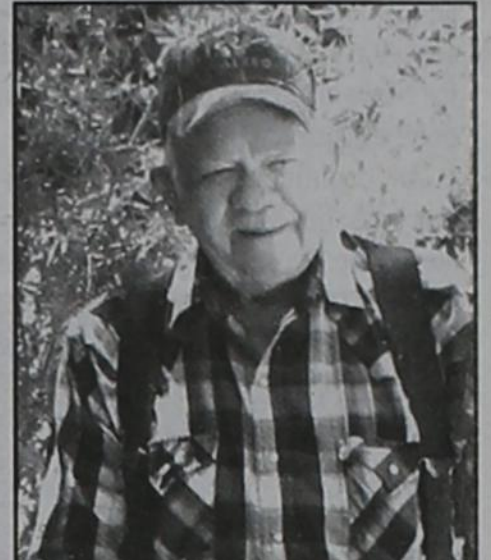
He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Carolyn Gonzalez; and three brothers, Tony, Julian, and Robert Cabrera.

Survivors include his daughter, Stephanie Cabrera of Midland; his son, John Cabrera

of Michigan; his sisters, Rosa Villa and husband Tom of Friona, Mary Galaviz and husband Jesse of Amherst, Lucy Monroe of Dallas, Adele Cabrera of Virginia, and Isabell Bailey and husband Matt of South Carolina; his brothers, Johnny Cabrera and wife Sifer of Colorado, Ray Cabrera and wife Lupe of El Paso, Alex Cabrera and wife Shelly of Dallas, and Jesse Cabrera and wife Vivian of Clovis, NM.; and his grandchildren, Xavien Blanco and Alazay Cabrera.

The family suggest memorials be made to Disciples of Our Lord Jesus Christ, P.O. Box 64, Prayer Town, TX, 79010.

C. B. Eddins



Funeral services for Carl Benjamin "C. B." Eddins, Jr. will be held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, May 6, 2016 in the Wheeler Mortuary Chapel with Dr. Keith Wilks officiating. Burial will follow in the Friona Cemetery, Friona, TX at 3:00 p.m. with Mark Anthony, Damon Parker, Benjamin Anthony, Blane Parker, James Griffin, Paul Thornton and Dakota Hernandez serving as pallbearers. All of his many friends will be honorary pallbearers. A close friend, Trey Parr will furnish a police escort in Friona.

The family wishes to express special thanks to the Plains Regional Hospice caretakers. Those desiring to make memorial contributions may send them to Plains Regional Home Healthcare and Hospice, 2217 Dillon St., Clovis, NM 88101.

Carl Benjamin Eddins, Jr. was born March 27, 1937 in Center, TX to the home of Annie Belle (Scruggs) and Carl Benjamin Eddins, and died May 3, 2016 at his home in Portales, NM. C. B., as he was known to virtually everyone, grew up in Center, TX. He began working to support his mother and six siblings at the age of 14 when his father was killed in an accident. C. B.'s first job was cleaning out chicken pens. Later he drove chicken delivery trucks. Driving trucks was in his blood, and through the years he drove grain trucks, cement trucks, and propane trucks among others. Later in life, C. B. owned his own trucking company, C & C Trucking, and hauled everything from fresh produce to fertilizer. He finally retired from driving trucks in 2007.

In the late 1950's, he and his brother were working as custom harvesters, and came to Friona. While there, he became acquainted with Katharyn "Cordelia" Parr. They were married March 27, 1963 at the First Baptist Church in Friona. Mrs. Eddins preceded him in death on June 4, 2000. On June 22, 2006 in Farwell, TX he was married to Norma Griffin. At that time he moved to Portales to make his home. C. B. was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church in Portales.

C. B. was a man of many talents. He loved to build

things, out of wood, and built numerous wood projects that grace the homes of family and friends. C. B. also enjoyed welding, and completed many metal projects as well. He loved to be outdoors, camping, fishing, hunting, or just working. C. B. enjoyed dancing, square dancing, gardening and playing 42. He was a people person, and never knew a stranger. If you met him once, you became his friend.

He is survived by his wife, Norma of their home in Portales; a son and daughter-in-law, Will and Tina Eddins of Friona, TX; two daughters and sons-in-law, Belinda and Mark Anthony and Katie and Damon Parker both of Friona, TX; two step-sons and daughters-in-law, James and Janie Griffin of Carlsbad, NM and Jerry and Kim Griffin of Arvada, CO; five step-daughters and three step-sons-in-law, Katrina and Kenny Prince of Portales, NM, Sheila and Paul Thornton of Hobbs, NM, Michelle Griffin of Arvada, CO, Tracy and Robert Allen of Hobbs, NM and Saprina Griffin of Portales; nine grandchildren and sixteen step-grandchildren; two great-grandchildren and twenty-one step-great-grandchildren and 1 step-great-grandchild expected later this year; two brothers and sisters-in-law, J. T. and Vernetta Eddins of Camden, TX and Prentice and Angel Eddins of Shepherd, TX; and a sister, Maxine Hight of Center, TX.

Besides his first wife, Mr. Eddins was preceded in death by both of his parents, a brother Rex, two sisters, Mary Belle Latham and Tiny Lee Bennett and a grandson, Blare Carl Parker.

Arrangements are under the direction of Wheeler Mortuary of Portales.

Celestine Wilson



Celestine Wilson, 92, of Friona, died Saturday, April 30, 2016 in Friona. No viewing or services are scheduled. All arrangements are under the direction of Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home of Friona.

Celestine was born February 3, 1924 in Alboin, Oklahoma. After high school, she attended nursing school where she became a Registered Nurse caring for people for many years.

She married John T. Wilson November 26, 1945 in El Paso.

She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Friona.

She is preceded in death by her parents, husband, and son, John Michael Wilson.

Survivors include two grandsons, John Edward Wilson and wife Angel, and Jack Michael Wilson of Red River, New Mex-

ico; and one great-grandson, Preston Slade Wilson of Red River, N.M.

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Children's Book Day/Dia de los Ninos celebrates 20th Year

Friona Public Library hosted Friona ISD's Migrant Center Children and their parents on April 27 for the 20th anniversary of American Library Association's Dia de los Ninos. Dia de los Ninos celebrates books for children of all backgrounds and languages.

As community partners, the Library and the Migrant Center cooperate during the school year to provide



Friona Public Library Director Darla Bracken read "Old McDonald Had a Farm" to the attendees of the event.

Spanglish Packs for supplemental and incentive educational activities. In all, there are about 35 different backpacks that were made by Friona FCCLA several years ago. At the end of the year the Bright Beginnings Migrant Program includes a trip to the library.

After serving refreshments of lime sherbet punch and pastries provided by the Friends of the Library, Director Darla Bracken assisted by Rita Prieto and Santino demonstrated a Spanglish pack. "Old McDonald Had a Farm" was the featured story provided in English and Spanish plus games and other activities for the students.

Migrant recruiters Elvira Arellano, Elvira Carrasco, Nancy Cigarroa and Delmira Gonzales and approximately 20 guests toured the library and learned how to apply for a card and to hear about library programs available for children and adults. Brightly colored paper flowers made by Lucy Hernandez, Ruby Rodriguez and Angela Hernandez and a parrot pinata completed the decorations for the event.



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Migrant recruiters Elvira Arellano, Elvira Carrasco, Nancy Cigarroa and Delmira Gonzales gave a tour of the library to approximately 20 guests at the Children's Book Day/Dia de los Ninos event on April 27.



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Noelia Bautista won the 11-12-year-old, 114 lb. championship at the West Texas Title Boxing Classis held in Lubbock, April 30. She advanced to the Title Nationals in Hot Springs, Arkansas in June.

Bautista advances to Nationals

Noelia and Mario Bautista competed at the West Texas Title Boxing Classic in Lubbock on Saturday, April 30. Noelia and Mario are members of the Friona Chieftain Boxing Club.

Noelia defeated Marisol Denegane, from Old School Boxing in Deming, New Mexico, to capture the 11-12-year-old 114 lb. female championship. She will go on to compete at the Title Nationals in Hot Springs, Arkansas in June.

"Both kids did extremely well," said Coach Roman Garcia. "Noelia went up against a more experienced girl that had a little bit of a size advantage."

Mario lost a very close split decision to Brayden Quiroz, of Munoz Boxing in Odessa, Texas, in his amateur boxing debut. Mario competed in the 11-12-year-old 95 lb. class.

"Mario competed until the end of the bout," Garcia continued. "I thought he won, but unfortunately, he lost by split decision."

"It was a great experience for both of them, and we will fix some things in the gym and prepare for the next bouts," said Garcia.

Law enforcement cracks down on unbuckled drivers, passengers

"Click It or Ticket." It's simple, it's the law and it's a reminder from the Texas Department of Transportation that seat belts save lives.

"With Memorial Day weekend and the summer vacation season approaching, we're urging people to buckle their seat belts every time they get in their vehicle," said TxDOT Executive Director James Bass. "Every person in a vehicle - front seat or back seat - needs to buckle up. Not only is it the law, but seat belts save lives."

Last year in Texas, 2,370 vehicle crashes involving unrestrained occupants resulted in 889 fatalities and 1,854 serious injuries. Wearing a seat belt helps keep occupants from being ejected in a crash and increases the chances of surviving by 45 percent. In pickup trucks, that number jumps to 60 percent, as those vehicles are twice as likely as cars to roll over in a crash.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that since its inception, the "Click It or Ticket" campaign in Texas has resulted in 4,687 fewer traffic fatalities while preventing 79,578 serious injuries. When the "Click It or Ticket" campaign launched in 2002, only 76 percent of Texans used their seat belts. Today, 9 out of 10 Texans buckle up.

Along with TxDOT's annual, statewide "Click It or Ticket" campaign and awareness tour, police departments across the nation will step up enforcement efforts from May 23 - June 5. In Texas, the law requires everyone in a vehicle to buckle up or face fines and court costs up to \$200. Children younger than 8 years old must be in a child safety seat or booster seat unless they're taller than 4 feet 9 inches.

To learn more about "Click It or Ticket," visit texasclickitorticket.com.

Turfgrass handbook available through AgriLife Extension

By Kay Ledbetter

Homeowners and professional turfgrass managers now have a new Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service publication available to help them when selecting herbicides, insecticides and fungicides to control common turfgrass pests.

Regardless of the type of turfgrass, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service has a new management guide for weeds, insects and diseases. (Texas A&M AgriLife Communications photo by Kay Ledbetter)

Weed, Insect, and Disease Control in Turfgrass was authored by AgriLife Extension turfgrass specialists Dr. Casey Reynolds, College Station; Dr. Matt Elmore, Dallas; and Dr. Young-Ki Jo, College Station; as well as Diane Silcox Reynolds, a postdoctoral research associate.

"It's a pretty extensive document that I think will be useful to those managing turf in Texas," Reynolds said. "In addition to providing information such as the common and trade names, application rates and intervals and mode of action, we've included notes and cautions throughout to help you improve control and learn about restricted-use pesticides, use sites, turfgrass tolerance and other issues of importance."

Reynolds said the 120-page guide will be useful for anyone responsible for maintaining athletic, golf course, landscape, recreational or utility turfgrasses.


The document can be found in the publications section of AggieTurf, the Texas A&M turfgrass program's website: <https://aggieturf.tamu.edu/publications/>.

For more information on this publication or other AgriLife Extension turfgrass programs, contact Reynolds at casey.reynolds@tamu.edu.




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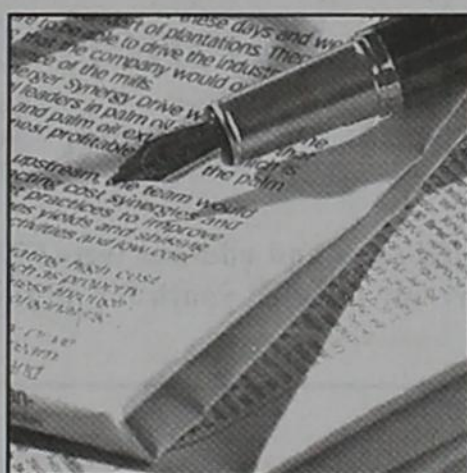
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By Darla Bracken



A legacy...

"Jim Rob" was born just past the turn of the 20th Century in Limestone County, Texas. His parents were poor farmers in Kosse, Texas when he was born. As the oldest of eventually 10 children, "Jim Rob" grew up working in the cotton fields on the family farm. His family worked hard, but they also enjoyed playing music. As was the custom of the times, families used music for entertainment and many became proficient at playing various and usually multiple musical instruments. Just as singing in many areas, such as Parmer County, gave birth to singing schools and quartets, other areas developed theirs around the instruments people could play and the dances held as social gatherings.

"Jim Rob" came from a family of talented musicians including his father, grandfather and uncles not to mention his siblings. Friends and neighbors joined forces and enjoyed the 'musical talent' of the area. Long before radio and the Grand Ol' Opry in scenes all over America, musical history was being made. In fact, Jim Rob's family supplemented their meager income by playing for 'ranch dances' in the area—sometimes working 12 to 14 hours in the fields and then playing music till dawn—for 25 cents per dance or \$10 to \$35 per night—which sounded pretty good when you had worked for 50 cents a day picking cotton. The Cowboys cooked so they were always well fed: beef, barbecue pork ribs, chicken, beans potatoes, pickles and relishes. He first learned to second (or play as background music) on the mandolin for his father on the fiddle and his sister on the piano, if the host of the dance owned one. With so



many talented musicians, contests soon sprang up and created another way to make money—but you had to be good and you had to win to collect. Jim Rob's Dad won many contests and rivalries soon developed.

In 1913 the family moved to a farm near Memphis and at first lived in a dugout. As he grew older, "Jim Rob" tried his hand at many things: being a barber, shoeshine boy, farm worker, hobo, preacher, sailor, salesman, working in a smelter, but he always came back to the music he loved and seemed to be the happiest when he was playing music. His family played for many ranches including the 6666s and the Matador and he was once chosen to play for Charles Goodnight's birthday party. From a family of champion fiddlers, he eventually had his own band, developed his own style of music incorporating the Negro blues from the cotton fields and the Mexican rhythm Spanish 2 Step, he learned in Roy, NM, while also including drums and horns in his band and became a legend...you know him as Bob Wills, King of the Western Swing, 1905-1975.

It was my privilege to travel to Turkey, Texas for the 46th Annual Bob Wills Day to hear two young fiddlers from

Friona compete in the Old Fiddlers Contest, 12 & under: Miss Maddie Tyler, 9 year old daughter of Bobby and Paige Tyler and Miss Elaina Procter, 10 year old daughter of Jeff and Monica Procter. In a crowded field of 20 or more very talented fiddlers, these two young ladies made their parents and Friona proud. They are both quite accomplished for their young years. Some of the fiddlers were as young as 6 and played on half and three-quarter sized instruments! All played well. Elaina placed 4th. Good job, girls! We are proud of you.

As the old time fiddle tunes filled the air of the old auditorium, the familiar strains of "Ragtime Annie", "Old Joe Clark", "Anniversary Waltz", "Red Wing", "Sally Goodin" and others, touched my heart with nostalgia remembering my dad, self-taught and playing by ear in circumstances very similar to Bob Wills. Daddy was also a barber and also played for country dances in Oklahoma when he was a young man. He's the reason I know and love these tunes...

New on the bookshelf: Apartment by Danielle Steel, Slow Burn by Ace Atkins, No Safe Secret by Fern Michaels, Girl from Summer Hill by Jude Deveraux, Most Wanted by Lisa Scottoline; As Time goes by by Mary Higgins Clark, Last Mile by David Baldacci, Obsession by Nora Roberts, and Miller's Valley by Anna Quindlen.

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The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is encouraging residents to get a jump on their summer to-do lists by renewing their license or identification (ID) card early or online. The summer months tend to be one of the busiest times of the year at driver license offices, and many Texans are eligible to skip the trip to the office completely via online renewal of their license, identification card or change of address at Texas.gov.

"DPS offers a variety of convenient options that allow eligible residents the opportunity to conduct Texas driver license or ID card transactions without coming into the office, and we encourage customers to take full advantage of these options—especially during the summer months," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "If an office visit is required, customers should visit offices that offer additional technology or capacity, if one is available near them."

Customers in the major metro areas who must visit an office should consider visiting mega centers in their area. Located in the Austin, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston and San Antonio metropolitan areas, driver license mega centers offer high-capacity facilities and technology designed to improve efficiency and customer service. Mega centers

feature an innovative queuing system that offers customers the convenient option to reserve a spot in line before going to the office. Customers can virtually enter the line via cell phone, online or using a land line telephone.

In addition, DPS encourages customers to take advantage of this same technology to get in line before arriving at an office, which is available at several other locations across the state. To find an office that offers this option, see <http://dps.texas.gov/DriverLicense/onlineScheduling.aspx>.

Licenses must be renewed in person every 12 years, so an updated photo can be taken and eyesight can be tested. If residents need to come into the office to renew, they can do so up to one year before the expiration date, which means they can pick a time that is convenient for their schedule.

In order for a customer to be eligible for online renewal, the card holder must be a U.S. citizen and the expiration date on the card must be within one year. When the card is renewed, the expiration date on the new card will be six years after the current card's expiration date, whether customers renew early or not.

Additionally, in order to re-

new online, the card cannot have been expired for more than two years. Requirements for renewing online are available at Texas.gov, the official website of the State of Texas. Customers can also renew by phone at 1-866-357-3639. The eligibility requirements for phone renewal are the same as for online renewal. The fee is the same for online, in-person and telephone renewals.

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Visit the DPS website to make sure you have the proper paperwork (including documents needed for residency requirements) before making the trip to the office: <http://www.dps.texas.gov/DriverLicense/ApplyforLicense.htm>.

Many offices require online scheduling in order to obtain an appointment for a driving test. To see if an office near you offers online scheduling, visit http://dps.texas.gov/administration/driver_licensing_control/Rolodex/scheduleDriveTest.htm.

To find out more about online renewal services, visit: <http://www.dps.texas.gov/DriverLicense/OnlineServices.htm>.

State sales tax revenue totaled \$2.4 billion

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced that state sales tax revenue in April totaled \$2.38 billion, up 3 percent compared to April 2015.

"Growth in sales tax revenue was led by remittances from the retail trade and construction sectors," Hegar said. "As expected, receipts from oil and gas-related sectors continued to fall due to the ongoing decline in drilling activity."

Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in April 2016 is down 0.8 percent compared to the same period a year ago. Sales tax revenue is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 56 percent of all tax collections. Motor vehicle sales and rental taxes, motor fuel taxes and oil and natural gas production taxes also are large revenue sources for the state.

In April 2016, Texas collected the following revenue from those taxes: motor vehicle sales and rental taxes--\$250 million, down 31.9 per-

cent from April 2015; * motor fuel taxes--\$302.9 million, up 3.2 percent from April 2015; and oil and natural gas production taxes--\$147 million, down 36.1 percent from April 2015.

For details on all monthly collections, visit the Comptroller's Monthly State Revenue Watch.

*State motor vehicle sales taxes are remitted to county tax assessor-collectors who in turn remit them to the state. To cover the costs of collecting these taxes, counties are permitted to retain 5 percent of the preceding year's collections. This tax retention occurs during one month each year and results in lower-than-usual state revenues for the month in which counties retain their 5 percent. Counties retained that amount in April this year, but did so in May last year. This resulted in a sharp drop in April 2016 collections compared to April 2015; whereas May 2016 is anticipated to show a large gain compared to May 2015.

Thank You! From the Parmer County Junior Livestock Show

The 2016 Junior Livestock Show Premium Sale was another outstanding success! The total sales and add-ons were \$226,657.50. We sincerely appreciate the buyers clubs, individuals, businesses and the add-ons that support our talented youth for all their hard work.

2016 Top Buyers

Platinum: Parmer County Implement

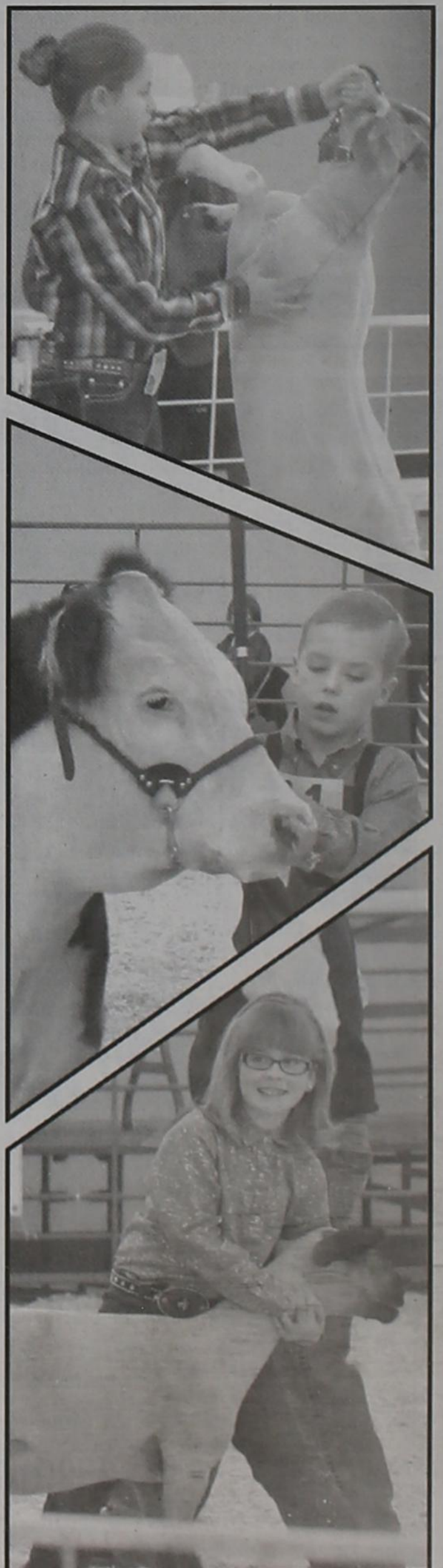
Gold: Optima Dairy

Silver: Blue Sky Farms

- 4 A Cattle
- Aaron & Tonia Abarca
- Al Kerby
- Altman Insurance Group
- American Heritage Bank
- A-Tex Dairy-Bovina Ag Boosters
- Backdoor Boutique
- Backdoor Boutique-Mike Beauchamp
- Backdoor Boutique-PCI
- Backdoor Boutique-Steve Kennedy
- Bill & Jeri Lynn White
- Blue Sky Farms
- Bob's Pump
- Bone Joint-Bovina Ag Boosters
- Bovina Ag Boosters
- Bovina Family Healthcare
- Brian & Shanna Glover
- Bunker Trucking
- Cal Maine
- Capital Farm Credit-Hereford
- Capital Farm Credit-Muleshoe
- Caprock Dairy
- Carey & Kathy Stancell
- Cargill Cattle Feeders
- Charles Oil & Gas-Bovina Ag Boosters
- Charlie Trimble
- Chris Hunt
- CHS-Muleshoe
- Citizens Bank-Clovis
- Coleman Young
- Cris & Sylvia Ingram
- Dale & Donna Schueler
- Danny & Holly Campbell
- Danny & Jiselle Hand
- Darren & Loree Haseloff
- Davy & Kathy Carthel
- Deaf Smith Electric
- De'Aun Willoughby-CPA
- Del Rio Dairy-Bovina Ag Boosters
- Delbert Sours
- Dusty & Jodie Urbantke
- E T Electric-Bovina Ag Boosters
- Essential Foods
- Farmers Pump-Bovina Ag Boosters

- Farwell Abstract
- Farwell Banking Center
- Farwell Buyers Club
- Farwell Hardware-Parmer County Cattlemen
- FirstBank Southwest
- First National Bank of Hereford
- Friona Buyers Club
- Friona InterBank
- Friona Wheat Growers
- G & M Construction
- Gary Morris
- Good Shepherds
- Greg & Jamie Wellen
- Greg & Kay O'Brian
- H & R Block
- Happy State Bank
- High Plains Dairy-Bovina Ag Boosters
- Hurst Farm Supply
- J D Heiskell-Bovina Ag Boosters
- Jacob Osborn
- Jarecki Custom Farms
- JeDon & Kitty Gallman
- JEL LLC
- Jim Bob & Teddy Jones
- Jim Roy Wells-Parmer County Cattlemen
- Jo Ann Berend
- Jody & Dee Wellen
- John & Beverly Ingram
- John & M'Lynda Jarecki
- Kerby Welding
- Kevin & Ami Schueler
- Kevin & Sharlet Cooper
- Kip & Misty Frye
- Legends
- Lowes-Friona
- Lynn Tate Farms
- Mack Heald
- McClaran Land & Cattle
- Mike Beauchamp
- Mike Camp Insurance Agency
- Monty & Tessa Schueler
- Muleshoe Valley Sprinkler
- Muleshoe Valley Sprinkler-PCI

- Muleshoe Vet Supply
- NewTex Feedyard
- Optima Dairy
- Parmer County Cattlemen
- Parmer County Feedyards-AzTx Cattle Feeders
- Parmer County Feedyards-Bovina Feeders
- Parmer County Feedyards-Cargill Cattle Feeders
- Parmer County Feedyards-NewTex
- Parmer County Feedyards-Paco
- Parmer County Feedyards-Parmer County Cattlemen
- Parmer County Feedyards-Patrick Crow
- Parmer County Feedyards-Vet Industries
- Parmer County Implement
- Parmer County Vet
- Pat Crow
- Peppertree Land & Cattle
- Quintana Mechanical-Bovina Ag Boosters
- R & M Cattle
- Ray Lee Equipment-Muleshoe
- Ricky Barnett
- Sawyer Osborn
- Security State Bank-Farwell
- Sharon White
- Silveus Insurance Group
- Steak Dinner
- Steve & Sherri Kennedy
- Terry & Caroline Gilley
- Terry & Janene Jesko
- Terry Jesko Farms
- Tim Foote-Parmer County Cattlemen
- Tracy Bunker
- Tyler Gun Works
- United Supermarkets
- Vet Industries
- Vince Smith
- W T Services
- Wayne Jesko-Parmer County Cattlemen
- Wilbur Ellis-Farwell
- Wilbur Ellis-Friona
- WTRT



Increase in groundwater levels

Annual water level measurements indicate an average increase of +0.37 of a foot in the groundwater levels of the Ogallala Aquifer within the 16-county High Plains Underground Water Conservation District (HPWD) service area from 2015 to 2016.

Above-average rainfall, which fell in a timely manner, helped increase groundwater levels during 2015-2016. This compares to the average change of -0.56 of a foot recorded in 2014-2015.

The 10-year district average change (2006-2016) is -9.29 feet while the five-year district average change (2011-2016) is -5.94 feet.

Water level measurements are made from December to March each year in 1,400 privately-

owned water wells completed into the Ogallala/Edwards-Trinity (High Plains) Aquifer.

In addition, the district made water level measurements in 24 wells as part of the newly-established Dockum Aquifer observation well network.

"We encourage area residents to visit the interactive web map at map.hpwd.org to view charts of water levels as well as the saturated thickness for each of the observation wells in our network. The online tools provided on the district's website can help people understand the variability in saturated thickness and groundwater levels within the district's 16-county service area," said HPWD General Manager Jason Coleman.

Results of the 2016 HPWD water level measurements are

also presented in a 80 page report available for online viewing/downloading at www.hpwd.org/reports/

A limited number of printed copies are available by contacting the HPWD office at (806) 762-0181.

Created in 1951 by local residents and the Texas Legislature, the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District is charged with the responsibility of conserving, preserving, protecting, and preventing the waste of groundwater within its 16-county service area. It celebrates its 65th Anniversary in 2016.

Visit www.hpwd.org for more information about the district. You can also follow HPWD on Facebook and Twitter.

Catalyst Grant Program available for non-profits

The Amarillo Area Foundation is proud to announce a new Catalyst Grant Program to benefit nonprofit organizations in the Texas Panhandle. The program provides grant awards from \$2,500 to \$20,000 for programs and projects that fall within the following focus areas: education, health, human services, and poverty. There will be a special focus within this grant program on funding requests for capacity building and general operating.

Nonprofit organizations who seek grant funding in excess of \$20,000 will continue to utilize the Foundation's Discretionary Grant Program. An organization may only submit one grant application per twelve month period to the Amarillo Area Foundation and must choose to submit either a Catalyst Grant application or a Discretionary Grant application.

If a nonprofit organization has an open grant with the Foundation, they are not eligible to apply for additional grant funds until the requirements of the original grant have been met.

The Amarillo Area Foundation will accept applications for both the Catalyst Grant Program

and the Discretionary Grant Program until noon on Friday, July 1, 2016. Applications for both grant programs must be submitted through the Foundation's online portal which can be accessed on the Internet at aaf.spectrumportal.net. Applications submitted in any other manner (paper, e-mail, etc.) will not be accepted.

A free workshop detailing how to submit a grant application using the Foundation's online portal will be presented on May 17 from 1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Registration is required through the Foundation's website: [http://www.amarilloarea-](http://www.amarilloarea-foundation.org/news-and-events)

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A committee comprised of community members aged 45 and younger from across the Texas Panhandle will review applications for the Catalyst Grant Program and then make funding recommendations to the Amarillo Area Foundation Board of Directors.

Contact Kathie Grant, Grants Administrator, at 806.376.4521 or kathie@aaf-hf.org with questions about eligibility or the grant process. Contact Jessica Tudyk, Grants Manager, at 806.376.4521 or jessica@aaf-hf.org with questions about priorities and focus.

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Property Tax Protest and Appeal Procedures

The law gives property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

- the market or appraised value of your property
- the unequal appraisal of your property
- the inclusion of your property on the appraisal roll
- any exemptions that may apply to you
- the qualification for an agricultural or timber appraisal
- the taxable status of your property
- the local governments which should be taxing your property
- the ownership of property
- the change of use of land receiving special appraisal
- any action taken by the chief appraiser, appraisal district or appraisal review board that applies to and adversely affects you.

Informal Review

(Insert description of appraisal district's informal review process, if any, then give name and telephone number of person taxpayer should contact.)

If you wish to have an informal review of your property with our staff, please come to our office in Bovina, M-F, 8:30am to 5pm except holidays.

Review by the Appraisal Review Board

If you can't resolve your problem informally with the county appraisal district (CAD) staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board (ARB).

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the CAD to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You'll receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening or on a Saturday or Sunday. Prior to your hearing, you may ask to review the evidence the CAD plans to introduce at the hearing to establish any matter at issue. The law provides that before a hearing on a protest or immediately after the hearing begins, you or your agent and the CAD shall each provide the other with a copy of any written material intended to be offered or submitted to the ARB at the hearing. To the greatest extent practicable, the hearing will be informal. You or a designated agent may appear in person to present evidence or you may send notarized evidence for the ARB to review at your hearing. The CAD representative will present evidence about your case. You may cross-examine the CAD representative. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. In most cases, the CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented.

Deadline for Filing Protests with the ARB*

Usual Deadline

On or before May 31 (or 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later).

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have good cause.

Late protests are due the day before the ARB approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more information.

Special Deadlines

For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is not later than the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

In certain protests where the owner has submitted an independent appraisal before the hearing, the chief appraiser has the burden of proving the property's value by clear and convincing evidence. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office at

(insert address).

Parmer County Appraisal District
305 3rd Street
Bovina, Texas 79009

Note: You shouldn't try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they haven't talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

Review by the District Court or an Arbitrator or SOAH

After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 60 days of the date you receive the ARB's order. In certain cases, as an alternative to filing an appeal in district court, you may file, not later than the 45th day after you receive notice of the ARB order, a request for binding arbitration with the county appraisal district. In certain cases originating in certain counties, as an alternative to filing an appeal in district court, you may appeal to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH). An appeal to SOAH is initiated by, not later than the 30th day after you receive notice of the ARB's order, filing with the chief appraiser of the county appraisal district a notice of appeal. Appeals to District Court, Binding Arbitration, or SOAH all require payment of certain fees or deposits.

Tax Payment

You must pay either the amount of taxes due on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute or the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which the appeal is taken.

More Information

You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at

(insert appraisal district name, address, telephone number).

Parmer County Appraisal District
305 3rd Street Bovina, Texas 79009
(806)251-1405

You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district or from the State Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division at P.O. Box 13528, Austin, Texas 78711-3528.

For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change didn't result from a protest you filed), the deadline is not later than the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually February 1) or no later than the 125th day after the date you claim you received a tax bill from one or more of the taxing units that tax your property. The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

* The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or holiday.

Wanderings

A Piano and Voice Recital featuring
Aristo Sham and Haden Smiley
performing Chopin, Copland, Fauré,
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at the Friona First Baptist Church

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 Friday May 13 and Saturday May 14th
 Evening meal on Friday catered by Country Rose

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www.thevictory.tv



National Teacher Appreciation Week May 4-8, 2015

The Friona Independent School District Board of Trustees and the Administration staff salute our dedicated teachers and para-professionals during Teacher Appreciation Week. Thanks for your dedicated service to our students, our school, and our community!!

Teach the children so it will not be necessary to teach the adults.
 -Abraham Lincoln

High School

- Cindy Alexander
- Erin Barnett
- Sandra Berend
- Johnna Blackburn
- Tracy Blount
- John Bonner
- Amy Cook
- Amber Drake
- Kathy Eppers
- Fabian Flores
- Tammy Gammon
- Mario Garcia
- Richard Hill
- Daniel Hutchins
- Bryan Massé
- Celeste Miller
- Michael Miller
- Cindy Moreno
- Fernando Moreno
- Mayra Olivas
- Jo Osborn
- Alyssa Paschel
- Jesus Quiroz
- Chris Rackley
- Darrel Ray
- Daniel Rosales
- Linda Sargent
- Katherine Thompson
- David Towner
- David Woods
- Maria Ybarra

Jr. High

- Hannah Alger
- Brandon Bennett
- Alayne Bradshaw
- Victoria Bueno
- Kevin Cooper
- Jennifer Davis
- Sylvia DeLeon
- Jake Ebeling
- Maria Garcia
- Sarah Gerles
- Candice Geske
- David Gonzales
- Jennifer Gonzales
- Melodee Hansard
- Becky Jones
- Benjamin Monk
- Hector Aaron Moralez
- Mario Moreno
- David Muir
- Rhonda Murphree
- Miguel Porchas
- Melissa Randolph
- Franzella Reynard
- Heather Stowers
- Gaylene Whitworth
- Barbara Winston

Elementary

- Lupita Alvidrez
- Susan Annett
- Linda Blount
- James Bulin
- Tonda Clark
- Shanna Daniels
- Elsa Galvan
- Roman Garcia
- Blaire Herring
- Trista Hickman
- Francis Huckins
- Kelly Jones
- Casey Kendrick
- Amy Kerby
- Kim Kimbrough
- Maria Mendoza
- Kathi Miller
- Shelby Moser
- Estela Ortiz
- Lisa Reed
- Martha Rodriguez
- Nancy Rosales
- Marie Samarron
- John Shipley
- Kim Smiley
- Claudia Suarez
- Linda Welch

Primary

- Shilo Essex
- Rosa Flores
- Annette Frye
- Lupe Garcia
- Katie Gilley
- Aimee Godinez
- Erminia Gonzalez
- Shayla Horsford
- Toni Huddleston
- Beverly Ingram
- M'Kell Jeter
- Randy Johnson
- Ann Kelley
- Kay LaRue
- Cecilia Lindley
- Deirdre Osborn
- Robin Ott
- Jodi Rando
- Jenny Riethmayer
- Maria Sarabia
- Diamond Stephens
- Erika Vega
- Leslie Wright

High School

- Fabiola Dominguez
- Maria Flores
- Michael Kramer
- Lindsay Rackley
- Senera Rodriguez
- Vickie Vasquez

Migrant

- Nancy Cigarroa
- Delmira Gonzales

Primary

- Becky Albarado
- Joyce Amaya
- Sadie Armendariz
- Erin Castaneda
- Claudia Castillo
- Monica Garcia
- Kathy Jack
- Elizabeth Martinez
- Kelci McCord
- Martha Mendoza
- Terry Morales
- Liliana Palacios
- Claudia Posada
- Yvette Ramos
- Jamie Rejino
- Kenia Rocha
- Rachel Saddler
- Lupe Shelby
- Tasha Stanberry
- Elizabeth Zapata

Jr. High

- Julie Carrasco
- Josefina Coffey
- Amber DeLeon
- Patricia Lanier
- Sandra Rainey
- Blake Romano
- Delia Stark
- Mercedes Williams

Elementary

- Tonia Abarca
- Rosa Cigarroa
- Marissa DeLaCruz
- Linda DeLeon
- Caroline Estrada
- Vilma Gallardo
- Jessica Garcia
- Sally Garcia
- Virginia Hidalgo
- Magdaelena Legarreta
- Angelica Marquez
- Rachel Martinez
- Luz Maria Salas
- Carla Scott
- Becky Upton
- Herminia Ureste

