



flowery desserts at the prom

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Welch, Reyes qualify for state track meet

BY RON CARR

It rained in Abilene last Friday, delaying the regional track meet field events about three hours and causing some Saturday participants to make a mad dash home for the Saturday night senior prom.

When all the heats were run and final tallies in, two youngsters from Friona had earned a trip to the state 2A track meet May 12-13 in Austin.

Sophomore discus thrower Dillon Welch reached down for extra effort and heaved a personal best 161'5", good enough for 2nd place. The first and second qualifiers in regional events earn the trip to Austin.

Junior Juan Reyes will join Dillon in Austin. Reyes qualified in two sprint events by placing 2nd in both the 200m and 400m runs. Reyes had also qualified for regional in the 100m dash but coaches held him out of the event in Abilene. Reyes had been battling a thigh strain injury so coaches thought better of the grueling 100m dash and held him out to increase his chances in the other two events. Reyes turned in a time of 22.51 in the 200m and 50.40 in the 400m, both good for 2nd place.

In other regional track results, Ryan Schwab had a 38'8 1/2" triple jump and finished 17th while Antonio Monreal tied for 14th in the pole vault with an 11' effort.

For the girls, Molly Carthel set a new FHS pole vault record at 8'6", finishing 10th; Briar-Barnett discus 23rd 82'; and Jordan Monroe 1600m run 16th 6:02.63 and 3200m run 20th at 13:39.65.

Congratulations to all the kids and coaches in the Friona track program for their dedication and participation this year. Good effort and good luck to Dillon and Juan at the state track meet in Austin.



ron carr photo

Congratulations to Juan Reyes, left, and Dillon Welch for their superb efforts at the regional track meet. Both Chieftains will be competing at the state track meet next weekend, May 12-13, in Austin. Juan will run the 200m and 400m and Dillon will throw the discus. Good luck fellas.

Chieftains vs. Abernathy

Thursday, May 4 at 7 p.m.

& Saturday, May 6, Noon in Littlefield

Chiefs edge Dimmitt, clinch 2nd in district

BY RON CARR

It took a while for the Chiefs and Dimmitt Bobcats to get together. Tied in District 6-2A with identical 6-4 records, the two teams were supposed to meet in Hereford last Saturday at noon in a game to decide playoff seeding. But after months of drought it decided to rain.

The Saturday game was changed to Monday at 5 p.m. Then Hereford had a seeding game in their district so the location was changed to Littlefield Monday at 5:30 p.m.

The combination of pitchers Sean Lookingbill and Hayden Patton tossed a 4-hitter at the Bobcats as Friona scrambled to a 5-3 victory. The win gave the Chiefs 2nd place seeding and a 2-out-of-3 series with old nemesis Abernathy with the first game Thursday at 7 p.m. and two games Saturday if necessary. The Saturday games begin at 12 noon with the 2nd game 30-minutes after the end of the 1st game. The bi-district series will be played at Littlefield.

Some of the baseball squad were also on the Chieftain football team that lost to Abernathy in an area round playoff game so there is a certain amount of revenge riding on these games. Coach Greg Hazelwood said, "We need a big crowd Thursday and Saturday to cheer on the Chieftains."

Against Dimmitt the Chiefs scored in each of the first three innings to take a 4-0 lead. Dimmitt scored in the 4th and 5th to narrow the margin to 4-3. Friona added a run in the 6th then held the Bobcats scoreless in the final two at-bats to notch a 5-3 win.

The Chiefs scored their 5-runs on 5 hits and committed 3 errors. Hits were recorded by Hayden Patton, Stephen Campbell, Trent Hudson, Kelby Monroe, and Antonio Monreal, all had one hit. Monroe scored twice, Campbell, Hudson, and Cesar Prieto drove in runs.

Prieto had two RBI's on a confusing comedy of errors. Prieto hit an automatic out infield fly but ran all the way to 2nd base forcing two Chief run-

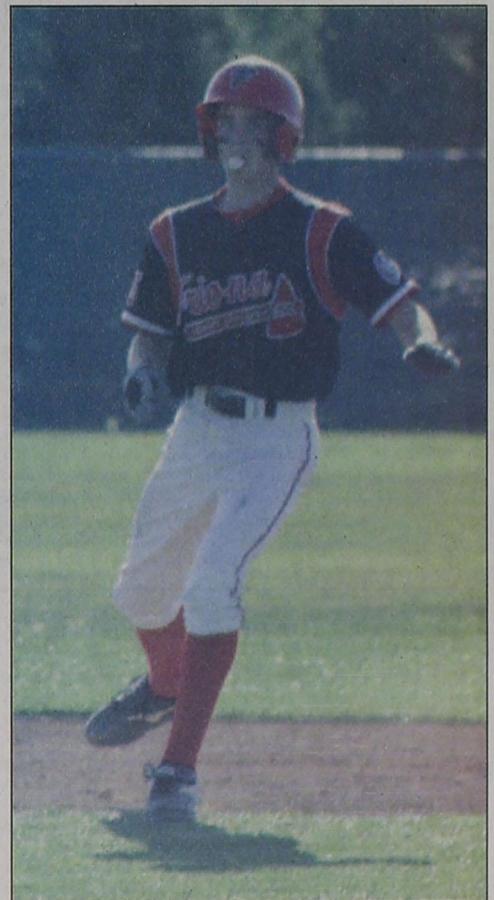
ners to try and advance as the Dimmitt player dropped the ball then overthrew third base allowing a second Chieftain to score. By that time Prieto was standing on 2nd base but had to head for the dugout as he was automatically out.

The tandem of Lookingbill and Patton gave up only one walk and struck out 7 Bobcats. Lookingbill was the winning pitcher.

If the Chieftains win over Abernathy they would advance

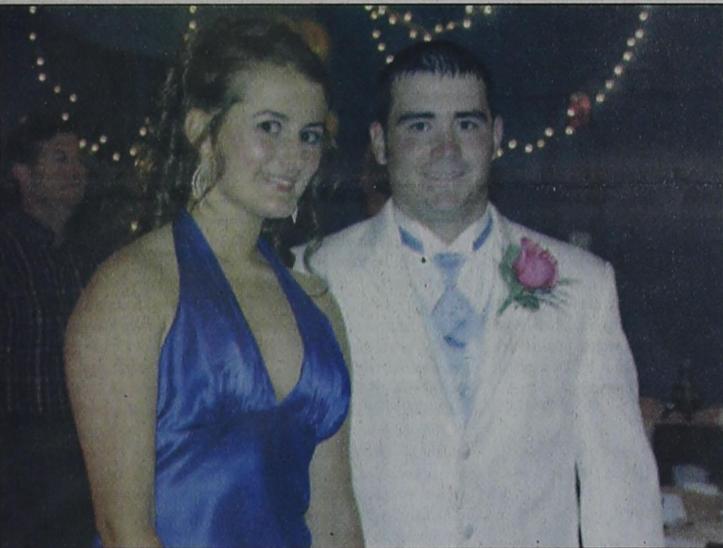
to the area round next weekend against the West Texas' High Comanches who drew a bye the first week. The winner of that area contest would then take on either Boys Ranch, Electra, or Post in the regional quarterfinals the weekend of May 20.

District 6-2A winner Lockney gets a bye and meets the winner of Sanford-Fritch vs. Holliday next weekend. The Dimmitt Bobcats meet the Slaton Tigers in bi-district this weekend.



dana d jameson photo

Who said base running was stressful. Nothing like a hunk of bubble gum to confuse the other team. Senior second baseman Kelby Monroe had time to blow a bubble on the base paths against the Bobcats.



dana d jameson photo

Luisa Held, a foreign exchange student from Germany, experienced her first high school prom last Saturday evening. Luisa, who is living with George and Aundrea Frye this year, was escorted to the prom by Stephen Campbell. With the help of computer technology, Luisa's parents got to see the youngsters live over the internet at the Frye residence and watched as Luisa pinned on Stephen's boutonniere. They were also able to talk to each other before leaving for the prom.

Bovina cemetery historical marker dedication Saturday

The Parmer County Historical Commission will hold dedication ceremonies at the Bovina Cemetery on Saturday, May 6, 2006, at 9 a.m. A historical marker designating Bovina Cemetery as a Historic Texas Cemetery was recently placed at the front gate where the ceremony will be held. The ceremony will officially declare the site as a Texas landmark.

The Bovina cemetery boasts a couple of markers from 1907

and in addition a section has been fenced off in honor of several graves that have never been marked. Historical Commission chairwoman Gladys Spring says, "No one knows who is buried in this section but it may include a couple of dirty varmints that were a little slow on the draw. It allows the imagination free reign."

Mrs. Spring will dedicate the marker assisted by Bovina Mayor Stan Miller. Mike Prather of the Bovina Church of Christ will give

the invocation and Larry Mitchell of the First United Methodist Church of Bovina will give the benediction. City manager Ernest Terry will give the welcome.

Immediately following the ceremony, all interested parties will join with rakes, shovels, and hoes in a clean up and dress-up of the cemetery. "Hamburgers and hot dogs will be furnished by the city to those who show up to work to keep our cemetery neat and clean," Mrs. Spring said.

Friona cemetery clean-up day Thursday, May 11

Put it on your calendar! The Friona Cemetery Association is sponsoring a cemetery cleanup day Thursday, May 11. Anyone and everyone that can help is asked to be at the cemetery at 5 p.m.

A similar day was held last year but in the one year since, weather conditions have taken their toll on the cemetery. Individual lots need attention. Many stones get covered with sand and grass and it is the responsibility of each family to see after their plots and headstones.

Friona city employees tend to the cemetery but the cleanup day gets the cemetery in good

shape for Memorial Day. Plastic flowers and other mementoes get discolored and blow away. Trash needs to be picked up and if you have flowers you want to replace or take home you need to come see about

Sheriff car in Umbarger wreck

A Parmer County Sheriff's Department vehicle was involved in an accident in Umbarger Thursday, April 27. Deputies Andy Stormes and Richard Jimenez were on the way to Amarillo to pick up a prisoner.

In Umbarger, an elderly driver and his daughter pulled out of the Rafter G Restaurant onto Highway 60 in front of the officers. The cars collided left front to left front, according to Sheriff Randy Gerles. None of the individuals were injured. The patrol car was towed back to the county.

The 2006 Ford Crown Victoria was the newest car in the department's fleet. It had 9,000 miles on it.

them.

Shovels, weed-eaters, rakes, clippers, and trash bags would be welcomed. Bring them out to cemetery cleanup day May 11, 5 p.m. The Cemetery Association says thanks.



OUT HERE

by Ron Carr

good and messy

I don't know where to start this week.

One bit of good news for Chief-tain football fans and Amarillo shoppers. A restaurant chain called Red Robin Gourmet Burgers is building a new location at Soncy and I-40. They say it should be open in late June. Two of the menu items are the Lone Star Burger with salsa, guacamole, bacon and pepper-jack cheese, and the Pot Roast Burger featuring pot roast piled on a ciabatta bun and covered in sauteed onions and horseradish sauce. Sounds good and messy.

Another burger joint to add to my collection. Should be a great stop on the way to Bushland and Highland Park and River Road and Dick Bivins Stadium. No I don't know what a ciabatta bun is but I am familiar with sauteed onions and horseradish.

Lot of bad news in the state and world. Gasoline prices are the big topic. Illegal immigrants want amnesty but the politicians don't like that word. The state legislature still doesn't know what to do about education except raise some taxes in order to lower other taxes. The war on terror seems to be breeding more terrorists, the United Nations

is even more corrupt, and Iran told us to shove it.

It's about time somebody told the U.S. to shove it. (Don't send me any communist hate mail.) The U.S. is fond of telling the rest of the world what to do and now the rest of the world is tired of it. Big surprise. At least that is the way it seems.

Venezuela and Bolivia have elected dictator and communist presidents. The Bolivian president says he is going to nationalize the country's natural gas and other property. Venezuela's president Hugo Chavez thumbs his nose and middle finger at us. By the way, Venezuela owns Citgo in case you are looking for something to boycott.

Germany is taking sides with Russia. France is not on anybody's side, Palestine is still threatening Israel, Iran says they are going to develop nuclear power (and probably bombs) whether anybody likes it or not. We don't want Iran to have nuclear but North Korea, Pakistan, India, China, and Russia have nuclear. We are running out of friends.

How about Saudi Arabia? They don't have democracy and going

likely to get it. They do have oil though. We like oil. We just don't want to drill any holes close to America's shoreline. We need refineries but tree huggers say they pollute and bother all the little horny owls that are so important to our quality of life.

If I wasn't so lazy I would go back and look at all the statements Dubya made before and after his campaign. I remember the "smoke 'em out and get 'em" and the "either with us or against us" promise. Saudi Arabia is not with us but we still kiss their booties. He doesn't talk about privatizing Social Security anymore and goes around the country trying to put a smiley face on the Iraq mess and illegal immigration.

At a recent meeting in Friona, Congressman Randy Neugebauer said the number one problem facing America is solving our energy dependence problem. He said the folks in the Middle East are getting richer with our money.

I haven't cut back much on my gasoline use, I just don't go to Amarillo and Clovis for no reason anymore. Gas prices are high thanks to the no-action Con-

gress that has done nothing to explore domestic oil sources and build refineries. The good news is we won't be running out of caribou and minnows any time soon.

Some morons up there suggested sending every taxpayer \$100 to help out. That is the stupidest idea they have come up with this year. What about the folks that have a whole bunch of vehicles? How much do they get? How long would it take to spend \$100? Then we would still have the same problem of high gas prices, too much demand and lack of supply.

What it's really about is a bunch of self-centered, posturing, no-solution bureaucrats trying to buy votes and get re-elected to their cushy really important jobs so they can keep getting free stuff and not pay Social Security taxes and get a whole bunch of taxpayer money in retirement benefits.

Thanks to people like Tom DeLay and the Bush administration Hillary Clinton will be elected president in 2008. You can take it to the bank.

I'm done now.

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Editorial

Most editorials are about government and politics. This one is not.

It is a salute to some unsung heroes. The parents, mostly moms, who transformed a few hours into a fantasy for some really dressed up kids.

The prom was held last Saturday night at the high school cafeteria which did not look at all like a cafeteria after some bright, energetic, creative parents got

through with it. Mostly moms did the decorating with a lot of moral support from the dads. It is amazing to those of us who are not creative to watch the creative types go to work.

Paper the walls, add a lot of glitter, string some lights, cover the tables and make some Eiffel Tower candle holders and suddenly the senior and junior boys and girls can spend "A Night in Paris" without ever leaving

Friona.

Not to mention the eye-catching display of food snacks and the main course the moms and dads prepared, served to the honored guests by an equally well-dressed group of sophomores. We noted some thick slices of cheesecake adorned with chocolate drizzle and edible orchids. They are pictured in the upper left corner of the front page. Some of the snacks ended up here at

the newspaper office Monday. They are not here now.

It all sounds pretty easy when you write about it but our hat is off to the moms and dads and school staff that put in many, many long hours of labor to provide a fun prom for the kids. It was pretty, it was elegant by small town standards, and it was fun for all.

But then it all had to be undone, torn down, cleaned up,

and hauled off. The moms and dads again worked into the wee hours and came back Sunday afternoon to take down the paper and lights and sweep and dust to turn Paris back into a cafeteria by Monday morning.

Too often the volunteers don't get the recognition they should. Not that they seek recognition. They do it for the kids and the school and the town. From start to finish of a school year, volun-

teers pitch in and donate countless hours at school functions. It all culminates with the prom and graduation. After a brief summer break it starts over and the volunteers resume their duties in the fall.

We just want to applaud the prom parents, past, present, and future, and all the volunteers that keep on giving. Stand up and take a bow. You deserve it.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hello Ron and Staff,

I have been reading with interest your articles and letters concerning the upcoming vote on the new hospital. I have no vote there but would like to put in my two cents worth if I might.

My memory goes way back to when the first old wooden barracks were brought in after WW 2 and set up for our first hospital. Everyone was so proud of that new hospital. My family had use of it many times over the years. Then, later the current hospital was built and we were all even more excited to have such a grand facility. I had 2 daughters born there and had family there many times. I have the greatest respect for the staff. Dr. Bob was one of my Dad's favorite people and he was there to tell us that the end was near for him and was so very gracious. I am not acquainted with the rest of the staff other than, Dr. Dickson is the son of my oldest and dearest friend there, Randy Dickson.

We have to give Dr. Dickson credit for extending the life of my mother an extra couple of years due to his quick and knowledgeable decision of her problem and sent her on to Lubbock for emergency surgery.

If I have any thing to say about the old facilities, it is all very good. As for the new facility, how could you ever exist without the very best available to Friona and the surrounding communities? If I had a vote, it would be "YES". I hope all will be the same.

Thanks for your ear on this matter,
 Dale Williams
 Midland, Texas



To the Editor (to all voters in the PCCH district):

Please vote "Yes" in the upcoming bond election (May 13, 2006) concerning the possibility of building a new Parmer County Community Hospital.

The existing facility will - in the near future - no longer meet the regulatory requirements to remain operational. Remodeling or building? If you have ever remodeled an older home, you know there is no end to the process. It is very time consuming, very expensive, and you still have an old structure in the end. Building a new structure will have many advantages for present and future use, and will satisfy all requirements.

PCCH has been an integral part of Friona and surrounding area for many years. Let's not squander this important asset of our community.

Tumbleweed Smith Roswell is UFO city

We've passed through Roswell, New Mexico dozens of times, always in a hurry to get somewhere else. The other day on a trip to Ruidoso we had a little time and stopped in at Roswell's UFO Museum and Research Center and visited with director Julie Shuster.

She says the museum opened in 1992 to present both sides of the story about an extra-terrestrial craft that crashed north of Roswell in 1947 and the efforts by the military to cover up the story.

"We're also here to present information on other UFO phenomena, since Roswell has become a household word in the UFO world."

The museum keeps expanding. It's now in its third location and a new building is being planned north of the present site. The museum averages 187,000 visitors a year. They come from all over the world.

"We have affidavits and signatures of people who were directly involved with the UFO crash and documentation of the incident obtained by various researchers. We also have details about the military's side of the story."

The story was dormant until the late 70's when a researcher ran

Most of us have children and grandchildren who were born there. Most of us have had several occasions to use the clinic as well as the hospital for our health care.

Where else can you have access to physicians, lab, radiology, rehab, etc. - as well as a "doc" within a few steps in two adjoining buildings? Referral to tertiary care is prompt and results in immediate transfer to a specialist, if necessary. Aftercare can be followed up by local physicians, again saving the trips to outlying healthcare providers.

Think it over - then vote.

Anne Corn
 Bovina, Texas



Dear Ron:

I would like to commend the Parmer County Community Hospital board and administrator for a job well done in getting us the facts and allowing us "the taxpayer" a vote on the issues concerning the PCCH.

While the thought of an increase tax is unpalatable, the thought of loss of quality medical care in our county is even more unpalatable.

In my limited experience with community and economic development, I have found that one of the first questions that is asked by prospective businesses about our area and our community is the type of medical facilities that we have. We are fortunate to have a top notch group of physicians and staff at our facility and a forward thinking administrator and board that allows all of us the opportunity to answer that first question in a very positive manner.

It is my opinion that we have to move forward and I am going to vote yes on the proposals on May 13th

I would encourage everyone to research the facts and then vote on May 13th

Sincerely
 Bill Stovell
 Friona, Texas



Dear Sir:

I applaud your community for its vision to insure appropriate and



across the story and started following up on it.

On July 4, 1947, about 11:50 PM, Mac Brazel, who ranched 75 miles north of Roswell, heard a loud noise. The next day he found some debris he couldn't identify, so he took it to town and gave it to the sheriff.

The sheriff didn't know what it was, thought it might be military, so he called Major Jeff Marcel, the base intelligence officer at Roswell Army Air Field who went to the site and had military trucks haul off the debris.

On July 7, Lieutenant Walter Haut, the public information officer, issued a press release saying the military had a flying saucer, which was flown to higher headquarters in Fort Worth. From Fort Worth, the military issued another press release saying it was a weather balloon. Military personnel and civilians involved were told not to talk about the incident.

adequate health care for the 21st century. Constructing a new health care facility will be expensive but not constructing one would ultimately be more expensive. Health care is a very large and complex entity. Its costs account for 14% of the GDP (1.2 trillion dollars) and involve care to 10 million patients in various settings. Medicine is a high-technology, science and evidence-based profession in constant flux from advancing innovations. Proven benefits of community health care include the accessibility of health care services, improvement of local awareness, sustainability of health services and strengthening of local economies.

The local hospital provides life-saving and stabilizing care to the acutely ill patient who might otherwise die during transfer to a remote care center. The local hospital offers needed rehabilitation to those local patients who have serious medical procedures performed at tertiary care institutions. The local hospital serves individual patients and the community to aid and support recruitment of additional industries to insure continued growth of your community.

Joel Osborn MD
 Amarillo, TX



I thought this might help with the election.
 Letter to the Editor:

As most of you know, Jim had a close call a couple of weeks ago. We were both shocked because we had no idea he had clogged arteries.

We went to the Friona Rural Health Emergency Room because Jim thought he was having an asthma attack since he was having trouble breathing.

Thankfully, Dr. Felipe Jubay (Jim's primary physician) knew this was not an asthma attack. He took charge, got the help Jim needed to stabilize him, and put Jim in an ambulance.

The emergency things that Dr. Jubay did may well have saved Jim's life. They reacted to the heart symptoms immediately.

The fact that we had a hospital close may have made a real difference in Jim's having a full heart attack and having no heart damage after the Bypass Surgery that was done in Lubbock.

In my books, Dr. Jubay, and the ER nurses are HEROES!!

Vote yes on May 13 for the proposed new Parmer County Hospital. The next time, it may be your mate that needs the lifesaving emergency treatment that is provided at this hospital.

Kay Swafford

There is speculation that bodies were aboard the craft. Local undertaker Glenn Dennis was contacted by the military about the number of child size caskets he had in stock and when could he get more.

Dennis went into the base hospital but was escorted out of there with threats to his life. A nurse later drew a picture of what she saw on the examining table: a big-eyed alien.

Both a movie and a television series have been made about the Roswell incident. The city of Roswell has gone all out to keep the UFO motif alive. There are businesses with alien themes and city streetlights have alien eyes on them. The McDonalds in Roswell is shaped like a UFO. A big UFO festival is held annually around July 4, which draws huge crowds and leading UFO researchers.

This year the 4-day festival starts on June 30 and will include an alien invasion and costume contest. Julie believes the story is true. Her father was the PIO Walter Haut. "My father doesn't lie."

Around Town

To get your area events published, call 250-2211 or email friornastar@wtrt.net

2006 Chief baseball t-shirts available

Celebrate the Chieftain baseball teams playoff drive with a 2006 playoff t-shirt. Shirts are available by calling Leigh Monroe at 250-3951 or 250-2462 or Jan Hazelwood at 382-7193 or 265-3400.

Driver's license office new hours

The Motor Vehicle division of the Texas Department of Transportation will be open Tuesdays only for the next 6-8 weeks. They will be open from 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

TDH immunization May schedules

Immunization clinics offering the vaccines that give protection against childhood diseases are scheduled for May 2006 in Friona and Bovina.

The clinic in Bovina will be Monday, May 8, in the Bovina EMS Building, 109 S. 3rd, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The clinic in Friona will be Friday, May 19, at 616 Euclid from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

All clinic times are subject to change or cancellation due to weather or scheduling conflicts.

Youth fishing day set May 14

City manager Terri Johnson has advised that the next fishing day for the youth of Friona is set for Sunday May 14 from 1-4 p.m. at Reeve Lake.

Breast cancer screening May 18

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Parmer County Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Avenue, in Friona on May 18, 2006.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and per-

forming a breast self-exam each month.

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

Living History Day May 18

National Museum Day will be observed by the Parmer County Historical Museum Thursday, May 18, 2006. Area 7th grade student tours will begin at 10 a.m. at 221 W. 6th St. in Friona. Many historical activities will be demonstrated. Donations will be accepted for a Chuckwagon lunch which will begin serving at 12 noon. All county residents are invited. Public tours will begin at 1:30 p.m. Don't miss the chance to visit the museum.

Friornastar Shootout May 19-20

Coaches Richard North and Ky Graham will host the Friornastar Shootout May 19 & 20. Entry fee is \$100 per team. Payments may be mailed or paid before the first game is played. Divisions are boys and girls, 3rd/⁴th grade, 5th/⁶th grade, 7th/⁸th grade and high school. Entry deadline is May 12 with brackets being emailed May 15. Three games are guaranteed, entries limited to the first 8 teams per division. Individual medals for division winners. Warmup balls will be provided. All divisions except high school will have 20 minute running clock halves. High

school will have 16 minute halves. For more information contact Richard North at 806-250-8800 or 806-250-3619 or Ky Graham at 806-250-3452.

Senior Citizens membership drive

Friornastar Senior Citizens will be conducting a social and membership drive, Tuesday, May 23, 2006 starting at 6 p.m. at the Friendship house located at 15th and Washington. Free barbeque sandwiches and all the trimmings plus homemade ice cream. Dues are \$30 per person for the year. Election of officers and board member will follow supper.

Brand book needs brands by May 26

The Friona Chamber of Commerce is gathering registered brands for the updated Parmer County Brand Book. All farmers and ranchers in the county are encouraged to register their brands. The deadline for getting your brand in the book will be May 26. Call the Chamber at 806-250-3491 for more information.

Methodist Vacation Bible School May 15

The Friona United Methodist Church Vacation Bible School theme this year is "Gospel Express Celebration." The Bible School is open to 3-year-olds (as of June 1) through 6th grade. The dates are May 30-June 2, from 9-11:45 a.m. For more information contact the church at 250-3045.

Registration open at ENMU

Registration for the summer and fall terms at Eastern New Mexico University in Portales is underway.

The 8-week summer session runs from June 5-July 28. The first 4-week term is June 5-30 and the second 4-week term is July 3-28. Courses are offered on-campus, online, and over Instructional TV. Currently enrolled students can register online at www.enmu.edu. Those not admitted should contact the admissions office. For more information call 1-800-FOR-ENMU or email enrollment.services@enmu.edu.

Squaw Basketball Camp May 30-June 2

Improve your basketball skills and have fun for free at the Squaw Basketball Camp May 30 through June 2 for 7th through 9th grade girls and May 30 through June 1 for 3rd through 6th grade girls. Camp for 7th through 9th graders will be from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. for 3rd through 6th graders. Contact any of the girls coaches for forms or bring the form with you the first day. No t-shirt, ball or insurance will be provided.

Chieftain Basketball Camp June 12-15

Friornastar High School Coach Ky Graham would like to invite everyone in grades 3-9 to participate in the 2006 Chieftain Basketball Camp, June 12-15. Grades 3-6 will meet from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and the cost is \$25 per child. Grades 7-9 will meet from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and the cost is \$35 per child. Free t-shirts and prizes for contests will be given. Contact Coach Ky Graham to register. Forms need to be returned by June 9 to Friornastar High School or 1603 W. 7th. For more information call 250-3862 or 250-3452.

Armed Forces Celebration set for May 20 in Amarillo

Armed Forces Day, May 20, 2006, is a national holiday for citizens to recognize, honor, and pay tribute to those men and women who are currently serving our country on active duty in the United States military.

Local residents will have an opportunity to show their support for our military on Saturday, May 20, at an area wide banquet. "America Supports You—Celebrating Freedom and Honoring Service," a tribute that will take place in the Amarillo Civic Center Heritage Room from 6-10 p.m.

Master of Ceremonies will be Jay Ricci, KVII TV news anchor and 2006 Broadcaster of the Year. Activities at the banquet will include a reception for military guests and their families, a welcome by Amarillo Mayor Debra McCart, a toast to the armed Forces by Major General Robert Dempsey, USAF retired, tributes to Vietnam vets and POW's, and other tributes. The Tascosa High School Freedom Singers will provide special music.

A special video produced by Johnny Mann honoring 20 fallen heroes from the Panhandle area will be shown. The keynote speaker will be Captain Michael Coats, USN retired, and Director of the NASA Johnson Space Center in Houston. He was the pilot of one space mission and commander on two subsequent flights.

Proceeds from the banquet will benefit the American Red Cross, Disabled American Veterans, USSRY-Roan Texas State Veterans Home in Amarillo, and the Junior ROTC scholarship programs in AISD.

The general public is invited to attend. Tickets are \$25 per person for non-military attendees. Military personnel, active duty, Guard, Reserve, US Military Academy Cadets and veterans will receive free admission with a reservation. Deadline for reservations is May 15, 2006. Reservations are required of all guests and may be made by contacting kgallery@amaonline.com or 806-290-1380.

Lafuente, Samarron honored at ENMU scholarship ceremony

Eastern New Mexico University in Portales held its annual scholarship and awards ceremony April 11 at the Campus Union Ballroom. Two Friona natives were among those honored by ENMU.

Joe Lafuente was the recipient of three university scholarships: the Dylan Balch-Lindsay Memorial Scholarship in Liberal Arts, the Political Science Merit Scholarship in Liberal Arts, and the ENMU Nontraditional Student Scholarship.

Lafuente is a junior pursuing dual bachelor degrees, a Bachelor of Science majoring in history and minoring in psychology with a secondary licensure in social studies, and a Bachelor of Science majoring in political science. He is presently employed by ENMU as the student director for the Non-Traditional/Re-Entry Educational Services Center.

Lafuente is a 1977 graduate of Friona High School and a retired Navy Chief Petty Officer. His daughter Felicia is an ENMU graduate currently working as a reporter for Channel 10 TV in Amarillo. Daughter Natasha will graduate with the Friona Class of 2006.

Marie Samarron was named as ENMU's Outstanding Undergraduate Student in Bilingual Education. She is a recipient of the President's Scholarship and has completed her Special Education degree with a minor in Bilingual Education and is completing her Elementary Degree with a bilingual endorsement.

Samarron is a 1992 graduate of Friona High School and is married to Jose Samarron.

DID YOU KNOW?

Directions or locations around The Star Ranch in Parmer County used to be given according to names of windmills, according to Mrs. F.L. Reed, whose husband purchased a part of the ranch in 1908. A few of the windmills were: Red Tower, Keefer, Four-mile, Carter Corner, and Cottonwood - important, for they meant water for thirsty stock and humans in dry country.

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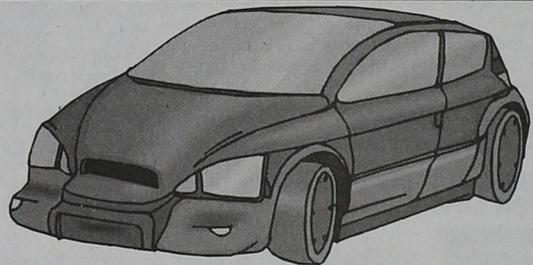
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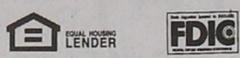
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Nurse Nelson says beware of lawn mowing hazards

Parmer County Hospital Director of Nursing Lynn Nelson, RN/DON/TNC, sent along a news release to warn people that lawn mowing time is near and to be careful to avoid mowing injuries. The most common injuries are caused by strikes from debris such as rocks and branches propelled by the mower's spinning blades. Mrs. Nelson says the American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that no one under age 16 should use a riding mower and no one under the age of 12 should use a push mower. She recommends some safety tips to keep you safe and away from the Parmer County Hospital emergency room during the summer mowing season:

- Wear goggles, long pants and close-toed shoes with gripped soles.
- Clear the yard of debris before mowing.
- Keep everyone, especially small children, from the yard while mowing.
- People with histories of chest, back, or joint pain should reconsider mowing.
- Use care and wear protective gloves when servicing mower or changing blades.
- Many injuries occur when lifting mower-get help if needed. Never service the mower when it is running.
- Mow only in good weather conditions—avoid mowing in high heat.
- Do not use riding mower on steep hills or embankments. Do not carry passengers on riding mowers or tow passengers behind mowers.
- Do not allow children under the age of 16 to operate riding mowers.
- Store lawn mowers in area with minimal traffic and not accessible to children.

These are machines with sharp blades spinning at 160 mph just inches away from your feet and hands. Everyone needs to respect the dangers and use common sense. (Information taken from a study and press release from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health in Baltimore, Maryland.)

James Brown Named Conservation Farmer

James Brown was recently named Parmer County Conservation Farmer of 2006 by the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board.

Raised on the farm in Parmer County where his dad farmed all of his life, James graduated from Lazbuddie High School in 1962 and went on to earn a Bachelor of Science degree in Plant Science in 1967 from West Texas State University. In 1966 James married Diane Wilson in Muleshoe, Texas. They have three children, Courtney, Lang and Debbie.

James is the owner/operator of Corvette Farms in Parmer County. Currently farming approximately 1500 acres, James produces a rotation of corn and cotton with cover crops of wheat and rye. James practices minimum tillage and he was one of the first Parmer County farm-

ers to adopt additional water saving practices such as replacing furrow irrigation with center pivot irrigation, the use of moisture blocks and the use of private crop consultation to help determine when to irrigate to obtain maximum efficiency.

James also employees high residue cover crops to help control wind erosion and to retain moisture, always planting into the residue to maintain soil tilth and to build nutrients in the soil.

James also works closely with the Parmer County Extension Service, planting experimental test plots, evaluating different types of cotton and chemicals and their effect on each other. A deacon of the Muleshoe Church of Christ, James is also very involved in numerous agriculture organizations.



courtesy photo

PCCH Administrator Lance Gatlin, congratulates Employee of the Month Leah Senibalo. Leah was nominated by three different people. She was instrumental in saving a patient with her attention to detail. We are so proud to have staff that will go above and beyond to help meet the needs of our patients.

Conservation Award Winners Honored

The Parmer County Soil & Water Conservation District is proud to have sponsored the 2006 Conservation Awards Program. The purpose of the Conservation Awards Program is to recognize and honor Soil and Water Conservation Districts and individuals who have dedicated their time, efforts and talents to making wise use of renewable natural resources.

This year's competition included Area Conservation Farmer/Rancher, an Essay Contest for students 13 and under, a Poster Contest for students 12 years and younger and a Coloring Contest for Kindergarteners and First and Second Graders.

The 2006 Parmer County Conservation Award winners are:

- Essay Contest: 1st, Arturo Aguillon, Bovina Elementary
2nd, Heather Miller, Bovina Elementary
3rd, Juan Pinela, Bovina Elementary
- Poster Contest: 1st, Ashton Mason, Lazbuddie Elementary
2nd, Karina Galaviz, Lazbuddie Elementary
3rd, Shea Scott, Lazbuddie Elementary
- Coloring Contest: 1st, Courtney Bunker, Friona Elementary
2nd, Cheyenne Hill, Farwell Elementary
3rd, Micah Vera, Lazbuddie Elementary

All Award winners will be recognized at their individual school awards assemblies.

All Essay and Poster Contest winners were eligible for Area competition after winning locally. Area One consists of the 51 counties in the Panhandle. All Area winners were honored at a Conservation Awards Banquet on Thursday, May 4, in Plainview. This year Parmer County was proud to honor James Brown of Lazbuddie, Conservation Farmer; Heather Miller of Bovina, Area 2nd place in essay writing and Arturo Aguillon of Bovina, Area 3rd place in essay writing.

Bandy graduates from Central Oklahoma

The University of Central Oklahoma announces that Valerie Lane Bandy is a candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education in Elementary Education. Miss Bandy will graduate with honors at commencement ceremonies Friday May 5.

She is a Friona High School graduate and the daughter of Clay and Tamela Bandy of Friona.

Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from April 19, 2006 to April 25, 2006:
Kenneth Frye and Linda Frye-Roye & Smith Land & Cattle LLP, S6 BLK V OLIVER
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May 9-Greg O'Brian, Sally Putman, Janie Martinez, Linda Rushing, Barry Bowden, Mildred Mercer, Sid Whiteley, Clairia Garcia, Jeff Rainey
May 10-Edward Allen, Stan Ellis, Patti Zachary, Nancy Castaneda, Kendall Kaufman, Carolin Reeve, Guy Sanders, Susan Phillips, Brandi Brailiff, J'Lond Jarecki, Carolyn Gonzales, Sandra Randall, Justin Jeter, John David Haile, Hillary Bermea
May 11-Robert Jones, John Baca, Reese Fleming, Butch Preston
May 12-Jay Beene, Roy Eastep, Becky Reeve, J.D. Spencer Sr., Susie Spring, Darla Skaggs, Lynn Gowens, Richard Turner, Trevor Rathburn, Kelly Laxson, Joel Cramer
May 13-Olivia Ortiz, David Hough, Sharla Trimm, Hanna Nelson, Trey Hurst, B.L. Marshall

Sheriff's Report

The following is reported weekly by Sheriff Randy Geries office:

April 26, 2006, Juan Costilla, 33, of Uvalde, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with failure to appear and driving with license suspended, fine, court costs and three days.

April 26, 2006, Chad Perkins, 27, of Anton, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with theft by check, pending County Court.

In 287th District Court on April 13, 2006, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

—Pedro Dimas, Jr., 38, of Friona, Texas, was charged with violation of community supervision (driving while intoxicated), had the community supervision revoked and was sentenced to 3 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

19th Annual Dimmitt garage sale bigger and better

On Saturday, June 3, 2006, the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce and the Panhandle Dairy Women Association will team up for the 19th Annual Garage Sale Day and National Dairy month celebration.

In addition to the regular garage sales, the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce will be renting spaces at the Dimmitt Expo Building. The Dimmitt PTO will be on hand to sell cold sodas at the Expo Building. Many of the local businesses will have sidewalk sales as well as several open houses throughout Dimmitt hosted by various real estate agents.

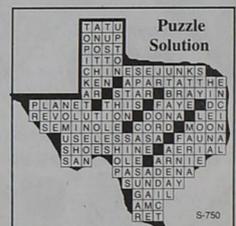
Official maps will be available at the Courthouse Square and various businesses the morning of the event.

Plan on eating lunch with the Kiwanas Club at the Courthouse Gazebo from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. They will be selling

hamburgers, chips and drinks for \$5.

The Panhandle Dairy Women will be on the Courthouse Square giving out free ice cream, cheese and milk as well as doing several demonstrations to imitate the workings of a dairy. There will be games, giveaways and raffles.

For more information contact Stacy Thompson at the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce at 806-647-2524.





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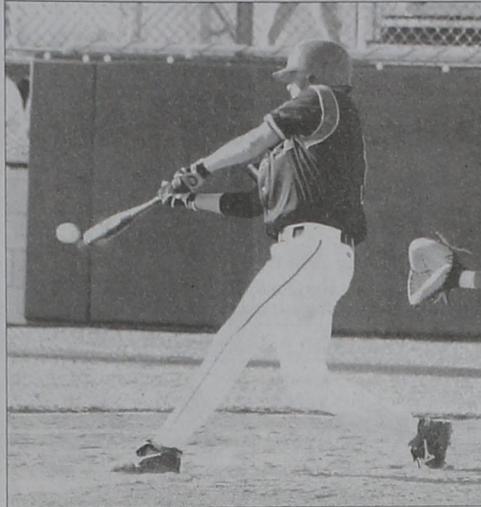
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Friona pole vaulter Molly Carthel focuses on the bar during the regional track meet in Abilene. Molly set a Friona girls school record in the vault at 8'6" but not enough to qualify for state.

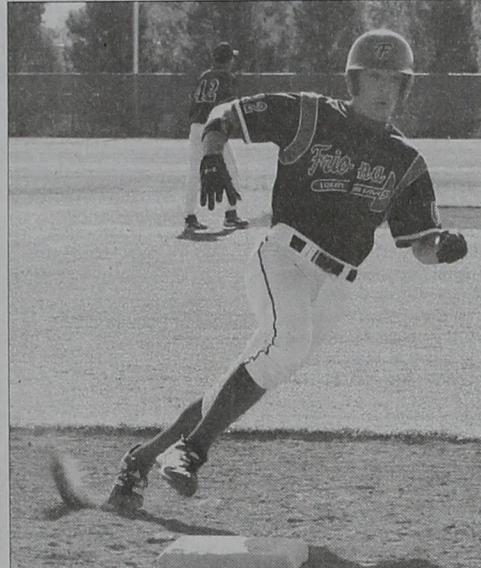


Hayden Patton's bat met the ball for a hit against the Dimmitt Bobcats.

dana d jameson photos



Center fielder Cesar Prieto looks up at his infield pop fly that resulted in two Chieftain runs in the 2nd inning vs. Dimmitt.



Phillip Saiz rounds third base.



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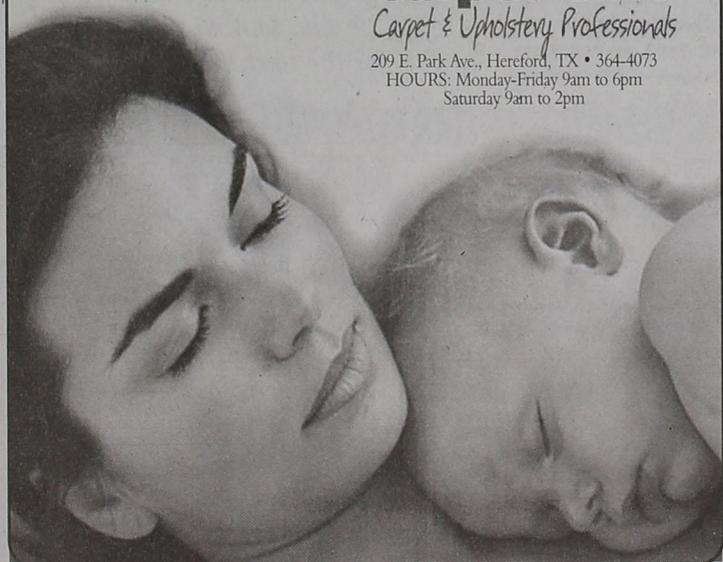
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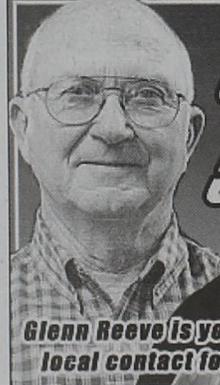
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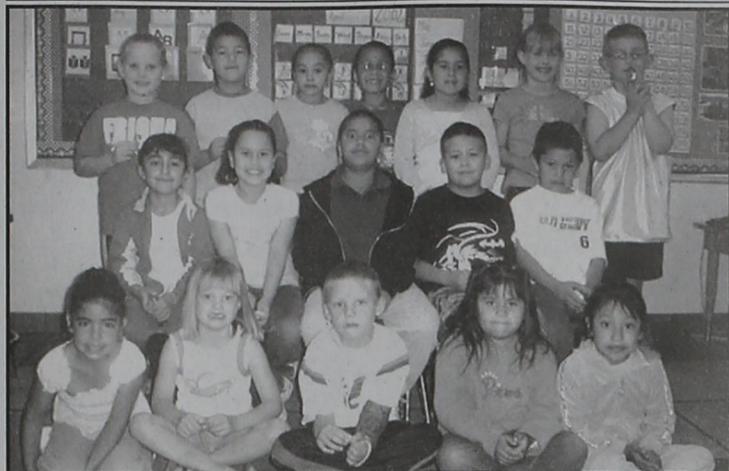
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FlashBacks

Reprinted from the Thursday, April 11, 1963 Friona Star

FHS coaching position tops board agenda

70 apply for job

The Friona Independent School Board was faced with 70 applications for the job of coach of the Chieftains in its regular monthly meeting Monday night. Applications came from all parts of Texas, and from Oklahoma and New Mexico.

The board whittled the number of applications down to eight or nine men it considered in the running, and began interviewing the candidates Tuesday night. It hopes to come to a decision in another meeting Thursday.

Necessity for hiring two coaches came about with the decision of the board not to renew contracts for two head coach Kenneth Miller and assistant Vernon Scott at its last meeting March 11.

In other business, the board canvassed the returns from the trustee election last Saturday, in which members D.C. Herring and W.M. Massie were re-elected to three-year terms on the board.

In re-organizational procedures, Herring was re-elected president of the group. Massie was chosen secretary, and Clyde Weatherly was named vice president. Other members of the board include Cordie Potts, Glynn Don Hughes, Ellis Tatum and W.R. Mabry, all of whom were present Monday.

A motion was passed au-

thorizing the school to purchase two new 60 passenger school buses for routes 6 and 7 for the coming school year. Both buses now in service on those routes are 1955 models, oldest on the force.

It was reported that five teachers in the system have declined their contracts for 1963-64. They include Mrs. Ernest Osborn, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Livingston, Mrs. Travis Harrell and Mr. Bill Spencer. Two teachers were listed as "undecided." They are Mrs. John Benger and

Mrs. L.B. McClain.

The board voted to send Superintendent of Schools Alton Farr and elementary school principal J.T. Gee to the state elementary school principal's conference in Galveston April 24-26.

It was reported that a service is available through the Texas Education Agency for assistance with planning and making recommendations concerning new school buildings. Farr was authorized to secure the service and advice of the representative.



BOARD OFFICERS...These three Friona School Board members were elected Monday night to lead the board during the coming year. D.C. Herring was re-elected president of the board; W.M. Massie was named secretary, and Clyde Weatherly was elected vice president. Herring and Massie were returned to office last Saturday in the trustee election.

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Brooklynne Johnston assists Zorro a/k/a Rankin Brown with the drawing of names for the winners of the "A Tisket, A Tasket, A Literary Basket" Fund Raiser as outgoing Library Friends President Teddy Jones enjoys Zorro's performance.

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Think about this

Practical steps toward contentment

BY T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

We all need to pursue contentment as one of our dominant character traits. What are some practical steps we can take toward being content? It all begins by renewing our minds with the Word of God. Paul tells us how to be transformed in Romans 12:2. He said you do it by "renewing your mind." The bible is saturated with passages of scripture that remind us of the importance of the Word of God in controlling the appetites that wage against our souls. (Note just a few for consideration. Deuteronomy 6:4-9; Psalms 1; Matthew 4:1-11; Mark 8:36-37; Luke 12:15; 1 Timothy 6:11; Hebrews 13:5)

Read, memorize and meditate daily on passages like these. You also need to decide on the steps that you will take to deal with discontentment in your life and begin to take those steps today. Think about how contented you are with your circumstances or possessions and remember that contentment is one of the most distinguishing traits of a Godly person.



Nothing gets a man moving like being bitten in the sanctuary

Rewritten from "When Did Caesar Become a Salad and Jeremiah a Bullfrog" by Martin Babb

The first known usage of the word bite in Scripture appeared in the garden when Eve was tempted by a talking snake to take a bite from the forbidden fruit. Except for a few biting serpents, we do not see much of the word until we get to the land of Moab. The people were called Moabites because the enjoyed the bite of the fruit so much they planted apple trees in order to have some moa.

Moabites soon became extinct, which is just a kinder, gentler way of saying, "there soon were no Moa." Needless to say, traditions from generation to generation were seldom handed down, and the people pretty much took a hands-off approach to everything.

On the other hand, in times of anger, we are admonished by our children not to bite their heads off, yet we are encouraged to bite the head off of a crowd before eating it. Let us never confuse the two. We say someone's bark is worse than his bite, which I've never understood, because it seems to imply that when you meet a really crabby person it's OK to let him bite you...just don't let him talk. Newlyweds are de-

scribed as being bitten by the love bug. As time goes by, many of them realize it was only a tick.

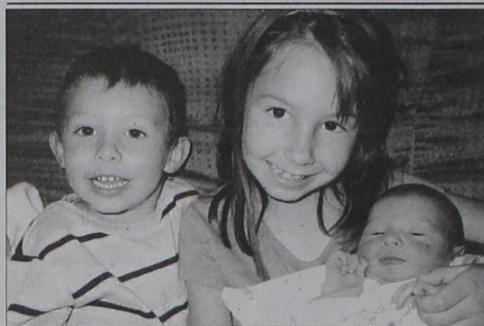
We sometimes affectionately remember someone's passing as another one bites the dust. If you have ever been in West Texas on a windy day, it could also mean you just yawned outside. My favorite contemporary use is biting sarcasm, as in the phrase, "Hey fella! Do I have a sign on my truck that says 'Please drive as close to my tail as possible,' or are you just stupid?"

We once had a burglar in our church who bit off more than he could chew. He was cornered when police saw an open window around midnight and sent in a dog to do some

research. That doggy in the window was worth every penny. He found his subject and bit him in the sanctuary. Without further ado the surprised intruder was moved to surrender. I marvel at God's sense of time. Maybe we were guilty of robbing God of His tithe or stealing time away from Him and spending it elsewhere, but for whatever reason, three days before this incident God used our pastor and his message to grab hold of each one of us and bite us in the sanctuary. He got our attention. Now we need to act on it and get in step with His will.

It may be painful, but we must bite the bullet and move forward.

New Arrivals



Kane, Paige and Cash Burney

Cash Burney

Blair and Tammi Burney, of Las Vegas, New Mexico, are proud to announce the birth of their son, Cash Van Burney, on April 18, 2006 at 12:30 a.m. at St. Vincent Hospital in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Cash weighed 7 lbs., 8 oz., and was 20 1/4 inches long. He has an older sister, Paige, and a big brother, Kane. Cash's grandparents are Larry and Judy Potts of Friona, Texas and Chick and Wanda Burney of Las Vegas.

Ribs sale Saturday

The Friona United Methodist Church will hold a fundraiser rib sale Saturday May 6 to raise money for the annual girls' retreat in the New Mexico mountains. Mark Osborn will do the cooking in the parking lot behind the elementary school. A full rack of ribs is \$25, half rack is \$12.50. For more information contact one of these ladies: Deirdre Osborn 250-3182, Terri Ellis 265-3346, Kim Hofferichter 295-3644, or Karla Rector 250-5216.

Thoughts from the Pastor ...

Steve Patterson, Friona United Methodist Church

Herb Miller reminded me of the old ancient Hindu folktale about a tiger that was raised with a herd of goats. The tiger never knows anything else, so he thinks he is a goat. He eats grass, butts heads, and bleats just like all the other goats.

Then one day, a tiger comes into the clearing. There is no doubt that this tiger knows exactly who and what he is. While in the clearing, he spots the goats and lets out an earthshaking roar.

While the goats flee in terror, the tiger (which grew up with them) hesitates. He flexes his great muscles briefly, but he can't quite believe in himself. He wants to be something else, but a goat's life is all he knows, so he turns and flees with the goats.

Now, there is nothing wrong with being a goat ... if you're a goat. But there is something wrong with being a goat if, in reality, you are a tiger.

I am convinced that many in this world are living far below their potential ... often because they have allowed themselves to be influenced by the world rather than by God.

I want to invite you to come and discover your God-Given Purpose for life. For you see, God created you and God calls you to be a "Child of the Living God!" Nothing more and nothing less! Come and join us every Sunday as we worship the "King of Kings" and the "Lord of Lords"

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The Girl in Yellow Jeans

Her hair was brown and her eyes were blue.
The sweetest smile. Somehow I knew,
She was the one. Our son knew, too.

Her laugh infectious. She'd sometimes crow.
But, a generous heart, always, you know.
When that special girl—yeah she is such a treasure—
Entered our lives, it has been our pleasure.

Yes, that brown-haired,
smiling girl in the yellow jeans
Is now my second daughter, my steadfast friend,
My son's bride and my granddaughters mother.
And if you're wondering what all this means—
Well, chalk it up to just good jeans.

We love you, Kayla! Happy Birthday!

Love, Suzanne and Bodie McLennan

Facts About The BIBLE BY JOHN LEHTI

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OBITUARIES

Charles Wayne Hargrove

Charles Wayne Hargrove, 65, of Bovina, Texas, passed away Wednesday, April 26 in Odyssey hospice in Amarillo, Texas. Funeral services were held at 3 p.m. Friday, April 28, 2006 in the First Baptist Church in Bovina with Rev. Kelly Warren, pastor, officiating. Burial was held at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 29, 2006 in the Goree Cemetery in Goree, Texas with Gabriel Akin officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona, Texas.



Charles Wayne Hargrove

Mr. Hargrove was born January 4, 1941 in Goree to Arthur and Ollie Coley Hargrove. He married Peggy Ann Chase August 27, 1976 in Liberal, Kansas.

Mr. Hargrove had been a Bovina resident since 1990 having moved from Rolla, Kansas. He was the Lead Yard Man at Caprock Feed Yard. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Bovina.

Mr. Hargrove is survived by his wife, and one daughter, Sue McClure of Bovina. He is also survived by a sister, Lois Meyers of Joshua, Texas; a brother, Eddie Hargrove of Euless, Texas; and five grandchildren.

Billie Francis Long

Billie Francis Long, 79, of Ruidoso, New Mexico, passed away Saturday, April 29, 2006 in Ruidoso. A memorial service was held at 11 a.m. at the Chapel of Ruidoso Downs Race track on Thursday, May 4, 2006. A second memorial service will be held Friday, May 5, 2006 at 2 p.m. at the Friona United Methodist Church in Friona, Texas. Arrangements are under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.



Billie Francis Long

Long was born January 7, 1927 in Dickens County, Texas and moved to Ruidoso from Clovis, New Mexico 25 years ago to pursue her career as an artist.

Long is preceded in death by a son, Tommy Long.

Long is survived by a daughter, Sheryl Snead* of Ruidoso; a son Eldon "Bubba" Long of Roswell, New Mexico; five grandchildren, Layle Snead, Clint Snead, Todd Long, Cary Long and Chris Bradley; two great-grandchildren, Kai Long and Arabella Snead.

The family requests memorials to your favorite charity.

Cliff Coffman

Cliff Coffman, 68, of Dardanelle, Arkansas, passed away April 22, 2006 in his home. Graveside services were held at Breary Cemetery with pastor Ray Brown and minister Hal Blackburn officiating.

Mr. Coffman was born November 22, 1937 in Parmer County to William Joseph and Arma Plant Coffman. He was a drywall contractor, U.S. Army veteran and a lifetime member of Boyce-Woods Post 3141 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Dardanelle.

Mr. Coffman was preceded in death by his parents; five brothers, Eugene, Horace, Truitt, W.J. Jr., and Harold Coffman; and four sisters, Oneida Allen, Marie Hinds, Esther McKillip and Cordelia Cochran.

Mr. Coffman is survived by his wife of 47 years, Carol; two sons, Jeff and Clifford of Dardanelle; and one daughter Lisa Cooper of London, Arkansas. He is also survived by two sisters, Anna Jo Blackburn of Friona, Texas and Minnie Glasscock of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Jimmy Parson

Jimmy Parson, 72, of Amarillo, Texas, passed away Saturday, April 29, 2006. Graveside services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 3, 2006 in Memory Gardens Cemetery with Dr. Carey Skinner, minister of adults at Trinity Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Blackburn-Shaw Memorial Chapel.

Mr. Parson was born December 2, 1933, in Okemah, Oklahoma. He had lived in Parmer County where he was a farmer for many years. He married Lola Drinkard in 1954 at Rising Star, Texas. They had lived in Amarillo for five years.

Mr. Parson is survived by his wife; two daughters, Carolyn Emerson and Jamie Parson, both of Amarillo; two sons, Aubrey Parson and Danny Parson, both of Amarillo; two sisters Helen Gwyn of Rockwall, Texas and Carol Neill of Monahans, Texas; and a brother, Homer Don Parson of Cross Plains, Texas. He is also survived by four uncles John, Joe and Frankie Allen and Thomas Parson, all of Friona; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.



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En 1945 un grupo de ciudadanos de Condado Parmer se juntaron alrededor de una causa común-para traer servicios de asistencia médica organizados a los ciudadanos del área del Condado Parmer. A consecuencia del trabajo difícil, sacrificio y apoyo de individuos del la area, aquel objetivo fue realizado cuando PCCH trató a su primer paciente en 1947.

En todas partes de la historia de casi 60 año de PCCH, tiempo y tiempo otra vez hemos visto la comunidad movilizarse en apoyo del hospital – para construir la instalación de hospital original en 1956, dos adiciones a la instalación en 1960 y 1964, una nueva clínica de médico en 2001, y establecer el Hospital del Distrito del Condado de Parmer en 1991. Los residentes del Condado Parmer tienen una tradición rica de apoyar su hospital, y ahora pedimos su apoyo el 13 de mayo.

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My Life Story



Myrtle M. Rule Deaton

By Myrtle M. Rule Deaton

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

I was born August 4, 1918, in Strong City, Oklahoma, Roger Mills County, to Lonnie R. Rule and Myrtle Bell Henson Rule. Mother was born in Topeka, Kansas and Dad was born in Pinkersville, Illinois.

Dad left Illinois when he was 18-years-old during the Depression and went across the country looking for a job. Dad was 24 and Mother was 18 when they got married in 1888 in Oklahoma. Dad was a farmer and Mother was a homemaker. There were twelve children in my family, eight boys and four girls. My brother in Brownsville and I are the only ones still living.

Mother was a wonderful cook and sewed most of our clothes, even overalls and made beautiful quilts. The bread pudding she made was my favorite.

We moved to Raymonville, Texas for a few years then moved back to Oklahoma. In 1924, Dad and three of the kids moved to Parmer County and Dad worked in the fields to break out land for the Syndicate. In 1926 we sold our place and the rest of the family moved to Parmer County.

We had a brush arbor Church in Oklahoma. They would cut trees to make the seats. The preacher would come in a covered wagon and hold a Revival for six weeks.

The whole neighborhood would take turns having parties. There was dancing, music games and lots of food.

We kids went to school in Friona until we moved to Castro County in 1936. I went to Rence Country school, then we were bussed to Hereford. I graduated from Hereford High school.

I met my future husband in 1940 at a dance in Friona. Everett Ector Deaton lived in the Black Community and I lived in the Hub Community. For dates we would go to the old Clovis Hotel for dances with other couples. We dated 9 months. We were married in Clovis, New Mexico, September 7, 1942, at Brother B. Babor's home.

We lived at Black with Everett's mother, then moved to Friona. Everett drove the Black school bus in the mornings, worked at a service station, then drove the bus in the afternoon. I did ironing for the Doctors and nurses. I cleaned at the hospital and helped the cook, also I cleaned houses.

We attended the First Baptist Church in Friona.

We have three children, Deanna, Morris and Berny Dell. We have three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Deanna lives in Groverton, Texas, Morris lives in Friona and Berny lives in Lubbock.

Everett worked at the gas station for Preach Edelman, then he went to work for the county.

For vacations we would go to the mountains in either Santa Fe or Espanola, New Mexico. We would rent a cabin and go 2 or 3 weekends a month.

My husband, Everett, died in 1966 and is buried at Friona.

I stayed here for three years and then moved to Lubbock in 1969. I was a foster grandparent for 17 years at the Lubbock State School.

I lived in an apartment in Lubbock until February of 2006, when I came back to Friona to live at Prairie Acres. I feel this is "Home Sweet Home" for me.



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Behind the scenes at the prom were a bunch of hardworking moms, l-r, Lisa Reed, Tonya Lookingbill, Lesli Bronniman, and Debbie Lewellen.

ENGAGEMENTS



Jamie Slagle & Greg Lewellen

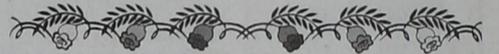
Slagle~Lewellen

Dennis and Connie Slagle of Friona, Texas, proudly announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jamie Denise, to Greg Thomas Lewellen, son of Donnie & Debbie Lewellen, also of Friona.

The bride-elect is a 2000 graduate of Friona High School and attended Abilene Christian University. She is the location administrator at Agriliance, LLC.

The prospective groom is a 1997 graduate of Friona High School and received his Master of Science degree from West Texas A&M University in 2005. He is currently enrolled in the PACE Program and plans to teach.

The garden wedding will take place August 5, 2006, at 7 pm at the country home of Donnie & Debbie Lewellen. Family and friends of the couple are invited to attend.



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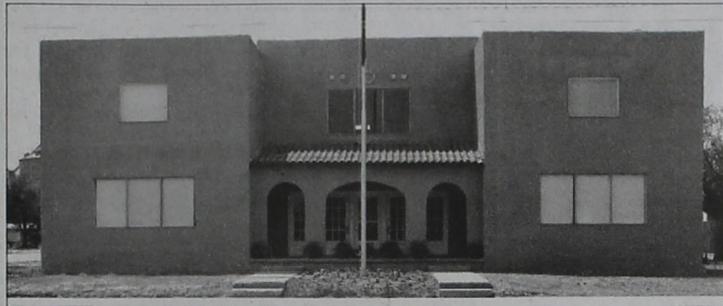
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FRIONA CENTENNIAL MOMENTS

(This is one of a series of weekly articles pertaining to Friona's 100th anniversary, which will be observed throughout 2006)

Syndicate's "Capitol Inn" Makes 21st Century Statement

by Darla Bracken



Syndicate Hotel c. 2006

After 80 years, this 1920s hotel still remains an imposing structure in its setting although it is no longer surrounded by thousands of acres of prairie grasslands. Its horseshoe windows are gone now, as part of a well-intentioned renovation in the 1960s, but much of the mission style architecture remains. It has graced the area just south of our City Park for over 60 years of its memorable life. In 1943 it was moved from its original site 8 miles south on Highway 214 and 6 miles east on Highway 86 (formerly Highway 28) where it sat angled 'catty-cornered' on the land facing east, southeast on the north side of the road. Little evidence remains on the original site to tell the story of this grand old hotel which was built in 1925 at a cost of \$18,000 and opened in 1926.

Although extensively renovated in the mid to late 60s, much of the building's character is still intact. It has served our community in so many ways over the years. From 1943 to 1985(?) it was owned by the American Legion Post 206 of Friona. In addition to serving as a meeting place, or 'hut' as they used to call it, for the Legion and the Legion Auxiliary, it has served as a church meeting place, the city hall, our first public library in 1947, a soil conservation office, a CPA office, and for high school dances. From 1968 to 1982 it was home to the Friona Public Library. The Library started in the west side originally and then 'grew' into the entire downstairs space. We also used the upstairs for Story Hour and Summer Reading programs.

Parmer County History Preserved

American Legion Post 206 was organized in 1934 and chartered in 1939. At first the Legion met in Scotty Weir's cafe, but members soon dug a basement on lots donated by the Henschels at the corner of 7th and Washington with plans to build a structure on top of it. The American Legion Auxiliary was organized in June 1935.

In 1943 the old Syndicate Hotel was for sale and the Muleshoe American Legion Post bought it with intentions of moving it to Muleshoe (Bailey County) but could not figure out how to move the large structure over the Running Water Draw. So the Friona American Legion bought and moved the structure. It had not been in use since 1931 according to a WPA document dated 1941 and was 'drab and worn-looking'. "Originally it was a nine room stucco structure with a lobby, dining room, office, bath, kitchen and the caretaker's living quarters. Upstairs there were two large bedrooms that would accommodate a dozen beds each (with more on coats, if necessary) and two small bedrooms, a hall and a bath. It had its own Delco light plant to supply electric light, a windmill to furnish piped-in water throughout and large coal stoves for heating and cooking." (WPA Document O.P. No. 665-66-3-299, circa 1940-1941)

I cannot help but think of what a welcome sight it must have been for everyone at the end of a long day of viewing huge tracts of land. It would have been an impressive sight to any new prospective land buyers visiting the area. The large outdoor lamps would have helped visitors see in the sparsely populated area with little artificial light. Note the signs in the oldest photograph: "Your Farm Home out of this great tract of land. Buy your farm home on 'TEN YEARS TIME.'" "Capitol Field Office Capitol Reservation Lands

J.D. Hamlin, Proprietor. (Many of you will be familiar with the work, "The Flamboyant Judge: James D. Hamlin" by J. Evetts Haley and William Curry Holden, c. 1972 available @ your library.)

75 guests showed up early and all at once causing the caretaker to have to 'borrow silverware from a neighbor.' A place setting of the hotel silverware has been on display at the Parmer County Historical Museum courtesy of Lloyd and Betty Louise Rector. The

Hotel accommodated as many as 137 guests at once which would have been a full to overflowing capacity.

New Home to Area Artist

Today just seven months since the September 15th Star article by Holly Campbell: "Landmark Hotel Now Home for Donna Baker", the building is sporting a new coat of paint with southwestern accents and is once again a stunning eye-catcher. The new paint is a special blend used in highway beautification projects and is supposed to have a 40 year lifespan. Downstairs, the original French doors open into the lobby featuring two self-contained apartments, A & B on either side. Upstairs, there is a large living and dining area with the original hardwood floor and a spectacular view of our beautiful City Park, also newly added rooms including a bedroom and bath, an office/studio and a small gallery display area and the kitchen with original cabinets installed by the Legion in the 1940s.

It was my privilege to "re-ward" our 2006 Senior Workday Library Volunteers with a visit to this wonderful relic from our past. Donna Baker was very gracious to allow us to visit—not everyone intends for the public to visit their home—no matter how historic. The young girls were impressed with the modern feel to the historic structure. While appreciating the significance to our area history (one of the girl's grandmothers had stayed at the hotel when they came to Texas in 1926.), the girls loved the modern colors and touches, saying "it looked like a magazine". Donna Baker's sense of style, design and

color helped create a very welcoming space—that caught the eye of HGTV recently as reported in the Star. She has plans to really develop the lobby into a gallery and examples of her own artwork warm the space very effectively. Her degree in art and subsequent work history are indeed fascinating and inspirational to our young students.

I cannot really tell you how very nostalgic it was for me to visit the building that had housed our library for 14 years. Though many changes had been made, the feel was still there and I could certainly envision those books and the bookshelves from so long ago some 24 years now. I was amazed at how small the back room, which once held the entire adult section, seemed to me now. We used the upstairs for Story Hour and Summer Reading Programs,



Syndicate Hotel c. 1926

films, etc. My own children did May Pole dances in the lobby around the support pole. I was really happy to be able to answer some of Donna's questions about the building as I remembered it. I am so thankful for those folks who take on the sometimes monumental tasks of restoring or reclaiming historical

spaces. Many of you today may remember experiences at the hotel when it was in use. Please share these experiences with us. As we gather more history during our centennial year, we invite your recollections from our past. We want to preserve them for our future settlers.



Syndicate Hotel c. 1970

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6 Paducah newspaper

7 TX Henley's "Take ___ the Limit"

8 oriental ships (2 wds.)

17 long-time Astro Caminiti who died of heart attack at age 41

18 TXism: "came ___ seams"

21 first recorded cattle brand in TX

22 symbol of the Dallas Cowboys

23 TXism: "___ like a mule" (yelling)

24 Dublin is "Milk Capital of ___ Erath"

29 TXism: "in ___ neck of the woods"

30 this Dunaway played TX Bonnie Parker in '67

31 TX actor Dabney (init.)

32 Texas ___

34 actress Drake of "Son of Belle Starr"

35 Hawaiian "howdy"

36 Gaines Co. seat

37 a pile of fireplace wood

38 this Warren was star Oiler QB

39 TXism: "___ milk bucket under a bull"

DOWN

1 TXism: "tight enough ___ (good fence)"

2 TXism: "another day, ___ dollar"

3 CA home for Trinity Broadcasting

4 Rankin is seat of this county

9 TXism: "___ regulations" (manners)

10 health resorts

11 TXism: "bend your ___" (gossip)

41 animals of TX

42 airport acquisition? (2 wds.)

43 antenna

44 ___ Diego, TX

45 many TXns performed at the Grand ___ Opry

46 in '60 this Palmer won the Texas Open where UT won nat'l championship in '06

47 game day for the Cowboys & Texans

50 TX milk condenser Borden

51 old movie cable channel

52 not working (abbr.)

12 a hated "Dallas" Ewing

13 Longhorn marchers

14 TXism: "___ soul"

15 once an AM in Taylor, TX

16 pig casa

19 TXism: "fits like ___ horse"

20 in La Salle Co. on I-35

22 footwear store (2 wds.)

24 TX actress Rashad (init.)

25 famous guitarist Paul

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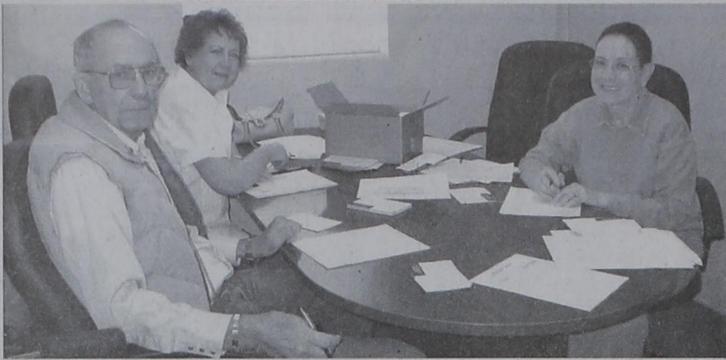
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Friends of the Hospital volunteers, l-r, Rex Williams, Raye Jean London and Elizabeth McLellan recently filled out post cards to all registered voters in the hospital district encouraging them to vote "Yes" on May 13.



dana d jameson photo

Classmates Nathan Hoon and Ashley Ingram enjoyed the lively dancing at the Friena high school prom Saturday night.

Chamber seeks former Maize Queens

The Friena Chamber of Commerce plans to invite all past Maize Queens (and Miss Friena) to the 2006 Maize Days celebration in September. This year is Friena's 100th birthday and the Chamber would like to honor the past queens.

A list of the past winners was provided by the Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber would like a current address for the past queens so they can mail an invitation to the celebration.

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If you know the current address of any of the ladies, or know how they can be contacted, please forward the information to the Chamber of Commerce at 806-250-3491 or email fede@wtrt.net.

Former Harvest Queens

- 1957-Betty Agee
- 1958-Celia Berry
- 1959-Darla Bingham
- 1960-Joy Ingram
- 1961-Kay Burleson
- 1962-Janet Buckley
- 1963-Sheryl Long
- 1964-Sandy Beene
- 1965-Susan Neill
- 1966-Crista Evans
- 1967-Paula Fortenberry
- 1968-Pat Roberts
- 1969-Pam Grissom

- 1992-Freda LaFuente
- 1993-Lana Fangman
- 1994-La Tawn White
- 1995-Mary Frances Cass
- 1996-Sheila Wiseman
- 1997-Kayla Wily
- 1998-Tania Hand

- 1999-Crystal Morton
- 2000-Katherine Johnston
- 2001-Candace Ingram
- 2002-Haleigh Herbert
- 2003-V'Lessa Wilcox
- 2004-Kristin Bulman
- 2005-Hollis Gurley

After 1969 the rules changed to make it a strictly Friena Maize Days Queen Contest.

- 1970-Ann Hurst
- 1971-Kathy Horton
- 1972-Carolyn Murphree
- 1973-Teresa Ingram
- 1974-Amal Malouf
- 1975-Nell Fulks
- 1976-Sharla Bengel
- 1977-Debbie Menefee
- 1978-Laura Ellis
- 1979-Sharla Duggins
- 1980-Sunny Horton
- 1981-Pennie Weatherly
- 1982-Diane Johnston
- 1983-Kristie Herring
- 1984-Nikki Osborn
- 1985-Sonia Lafuente
- 1986-Christy Jordan
- 1987-Sindy Preston
- 1988-Deena Willard
- 1989-Kelley Cash
- 1990-Amy Israel

I would appreciate your vote for Friena Board of Trustees on May 13th.



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TOWN TALK TWO

by ron carr

Tonight, Thursday May 4, at the Friena Community Center, a group of people from Parmer County Community Hospital will host a big meeting to explain anything you need to know about the proposed new hospital and the upcoming May 13 election. Engineers, financial experts, and hospital administrators will be on hand so go on over and participate. It starts at 7 p.m.

As fate would have it, others of us will be in Littlefield tonight to watch the Chieftains battle the Abernathy Antelopes in the first game of a 2-out-of-3 bi-district baseball playoff. The Chiefs beat Dimmitt Monday to clinch 2nd place in district and will be playing the first official 6-team district baseball playoff game in school history.

The opponent is Abernathy who beat the football Chieftains in an area playoff game last November. Many of the baseball Chiefs were on the football team too so no doubt revenge will be a factor. The first game is Thursday night at 7 p.m. and a doubleheader (if needed) will be played Saturday at noon.

Happy birthday to my daughter Candee Holmes and my son Zachary, Candee, who lives in Coppell, turned 40 on April 24 and my son Zach was 17 on May 3. My daughter Megan turned 15 in December and has finished her driver's education class work, has a driving permit, and will be first in line for her license next December.

By coincidence, Megan goes to school at Wichita Falls Rider high school which is the alma mater of local business lady Misty Frye. Misty is a Rider grad and her aunt is still the choir teacher at Rider and my Megan is in the choir. Small world sometimes.

While I am on family things, my daughter-in-law Candice, who is married to my son Casey, tried out to be a Dallas Cowboys Cheerleader. She made the finals and is now in the cheer-

leader training camp. Casey said 600 girls tried out and they narrowed it down to 50 and Candice made the cut. It looks good that she may be in a Cowboys Cheerleader uniform when the season starts. It pays \$50 per game by the way.

Received word from family that Harold Richardson is in the hospital in Amarillo after undergoing quadruple bypass surgery. He is recovering but was not home yet as of the first of the week.

Not so good news from our medical community this week. Friena Rural Health Clinic business manager Marilyn Watson is facing a brain tumor situation and we received a report that Dr. Jubay's wife Dita has been diagnosed with breast cancer. We have not talked directly to either family and do not know more than this. We will keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

There is a new minister at Calvary Baptist. His name is Rick Burton. He and his wife Gail moved into the parsonage Saturday. They come from Paducah and have two grown

children. The Monday illegal immigration protest did not have a great impact on Parmer County as far as we could tell. Cargill Meat Solutions ran extra shifts over the weekend so they could close the production line Monday. A quick drive around town saw closed signs at Los Arcos and Pancho's restaurants but not much more obvious protest activities.

This year's Summer Drama Workshop will begin July 10 instead of early June like in the past few years. Detailed information will be published when available.

The final day of school will be May 25 and graduation ceremonies in Friena and Bovina will be May 26.

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Sixteen years ago the citizens of Parmer County Hospital District voted to form the district and secure our healthcare needs for the future. It was time then and it is time now to look to the future needs of all the citizens of the county. It is time to ensure that we continue to have a facility that allows our physicians the ability to deliver healthcare services for Parmer County residents for the next 50 years and beyond.

It is time to look to the future healthcare needs of our children, our elderly and for the future economic growth of the county. The time is now to do the RIGHT thing. Vote YES on Saturday, May 13th, on both proposals. Our health depends on it.

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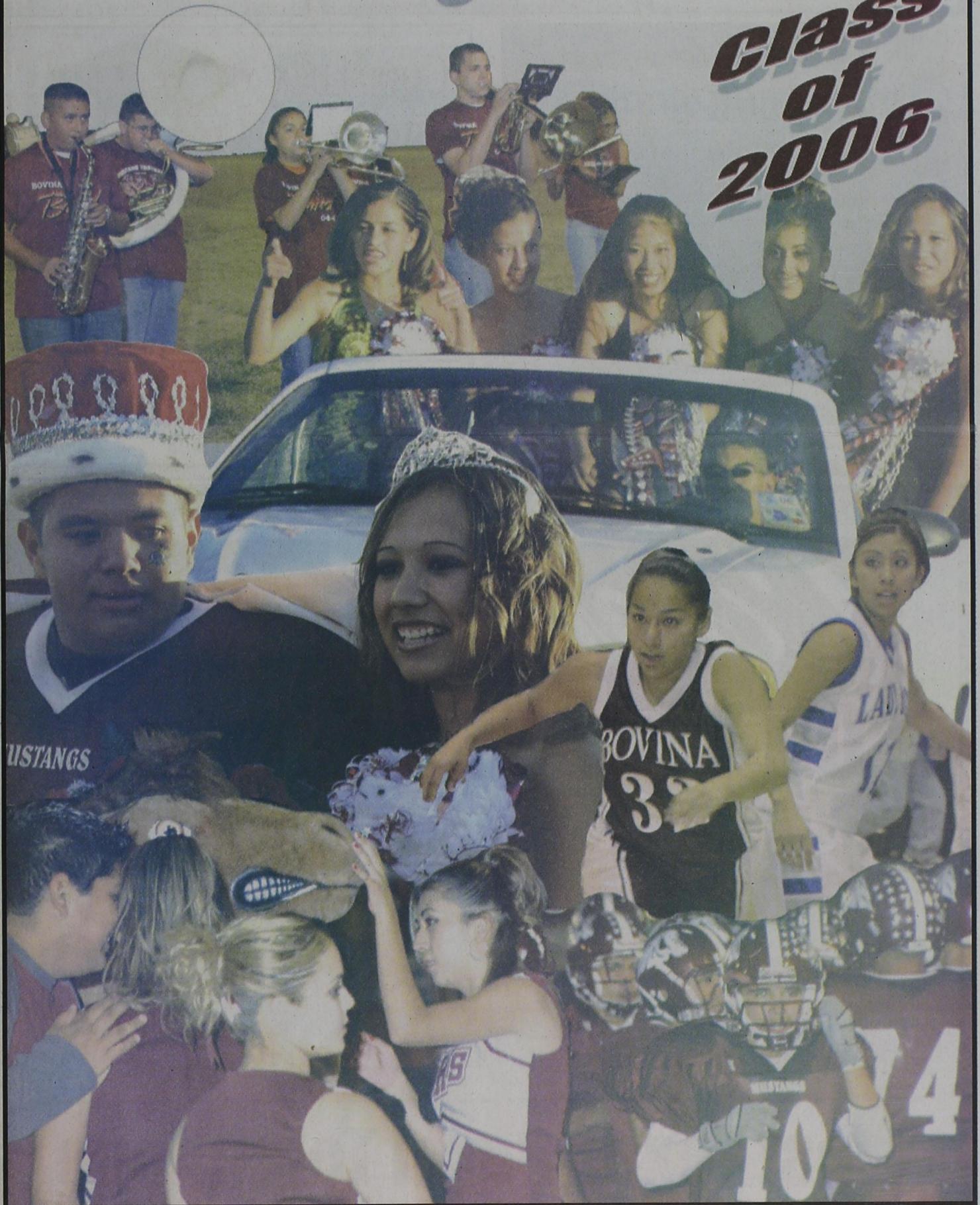
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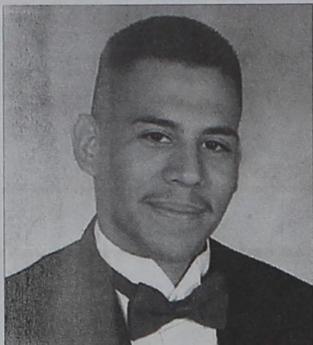
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Marco Antonio Castaneda



Marco Antonio Castaneda is the 18-year-old son of Jesus and Ana Castaneda. During his high school years he played football for four years and was in the band for one year. Marco plans to attend Amarillo College.

Diana De La Rosa

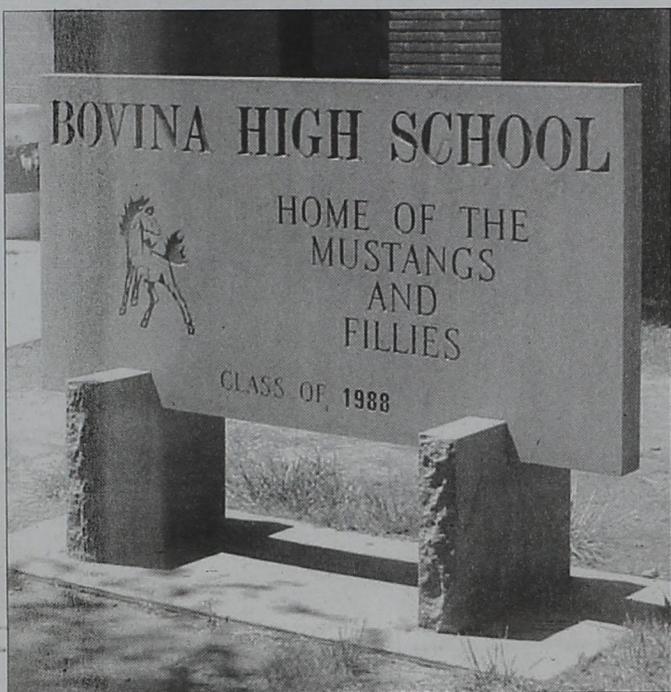


Diana De La Rosa is the 19-year-old daughter of Luz Jurado and Andres De La Rosa. During her high school career she was on the honor roll, participated in band, FCCLA and the Student Council. Diana plans to attend Eastern New Mexico University majoring in art.

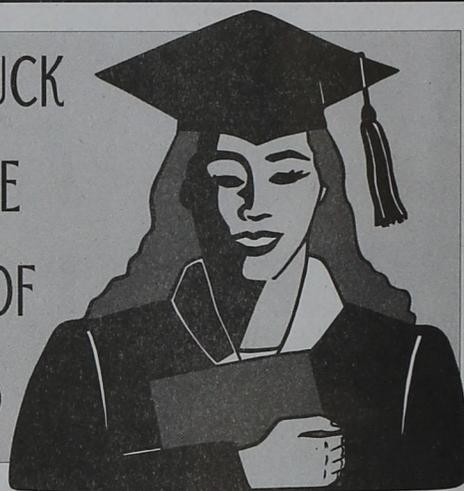
Yvonne Espinoza



Yvonne Espinoza is the 18-year-old daughter of Alejandro and Estella Espinoza. She played basketball her freshman year and participated in FCCLA and was on the Annual Staff. Yvonne plans to raise her little boy, Aiden Gonzales the best and go to college at South Plains College to get her basics to become a nurse then transfer to a university.



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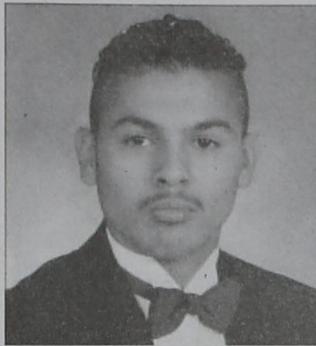
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Dina Kay Garcia



Dina Kay Garcia is the 18-year-old daughter of Eddie and Leticia Garcia. She participated in the Student Council for four years, was on the A/B honor roll, FCCLA, and FFA. Dina was the student council treasurer for one year. She plans to be the best mom she can be and hopefully go to college and succeed in life.

Joshua Ray Guevera



Joshua Ray Guevera is the 17-year-old son of Loana Diaz Guevara and Javier Guevara, Sr. He played football for four years and played his best. Joshua plans to join the Marines if nothing else.

Vanessa Garcia



Vanessa Garcia is the 17-year-old daughter of Fidel and Catalina Garcia. She participated in basketball, golf, FCCLA for three years, and Annual Staff for four years. She was recognized in Who's Who Among American High School Students. Vanessa was the basketball manager for one year, in NHS for two years and was STUCO Representative and STUCO Treasurer and Editor. She plans to attend West Texas A&M.

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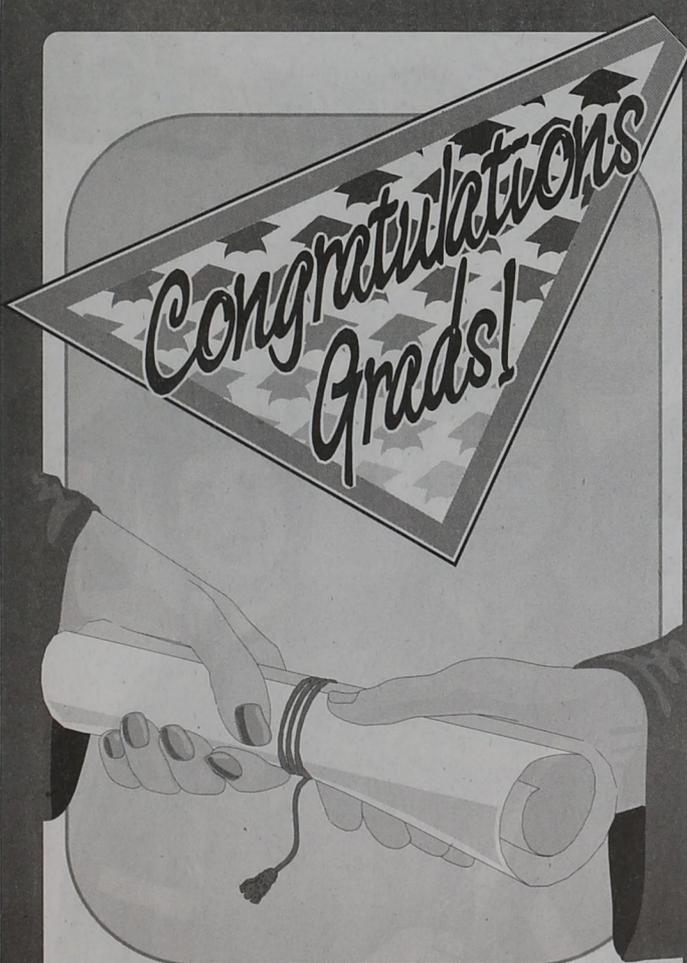
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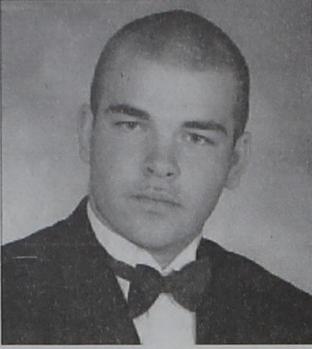
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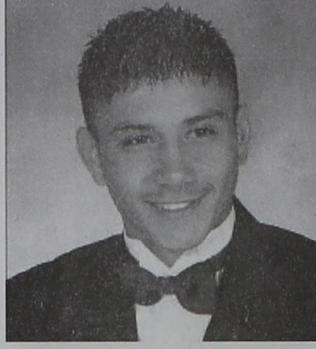
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Brett Hancock



Brett Hancock is the 18-year-old son of Lesley Gama. While in high school he played football, basketball and participated in the Student Council. Brett plans to go to college to become a sound technologist which would hopefully lead to becoming a music producer.

Chris Heinzman



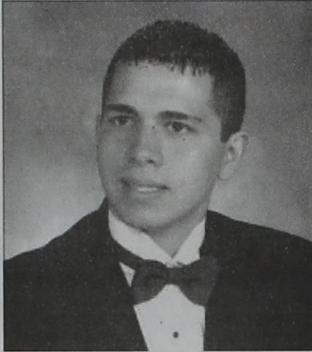
Chris Heinzman is the 19-year-old son of Tiofila Santellana. While in high school he played football and basketball. He participated in FCCLA for one year and Student Council for one year which he was the president. Chris plans to attend West Texas A & M or Midland College or he is thinking of joining the Army.

Johanna Micheal Knoll



Johanna Micheal Knoll is the 18-year-old daughter of Michael and Tammy Knoll. She was recognized by the Who's Who Among High School Students all four years, Miss BHS nominee and as an Outstanding Senior. She participated in band for one year, on the Annual Staff for one year, NHS for two years, Student Council for one year and V-teens for one year. She served as the NHS secretary. Johanna plans to attend WTAMU for her basics and transferring to Baylor University to major in social work.

Saul Martinez



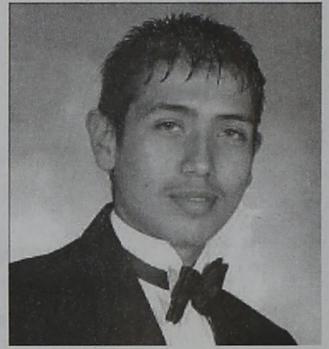
Saul Martinez is the 17-year-old son of Rogelio and Alicia Martinez. He was a Venture Scholar, on the National Honor Roll and a member of NHS for three years. He participated in band for four years, the Annual Staff for one year, the Spanish Club for two years, and Student Council for four years. He held the offices of Freshman Class president, Sophomore Class vice president, Junior Class president, Senior Class vice president and NHS vice president. He plans to attend West Texas A&M University.

Dorothy Martinez



Dorothy Martinez is the 17-year-old daughter of Pablo and Linda Martinez. While attending Bovina High School she ran cross country and track, played basketball and was honored with track Honorable Mention in 2005 and 2006, Fillie of the Year in 2005 and the AB Honor Roll. She participated in FCCLA for two years, Thespian for one year, Annual Staff for one year, Spanish Club for one year and Student Council for one year. She plans to enlist in the Marines.

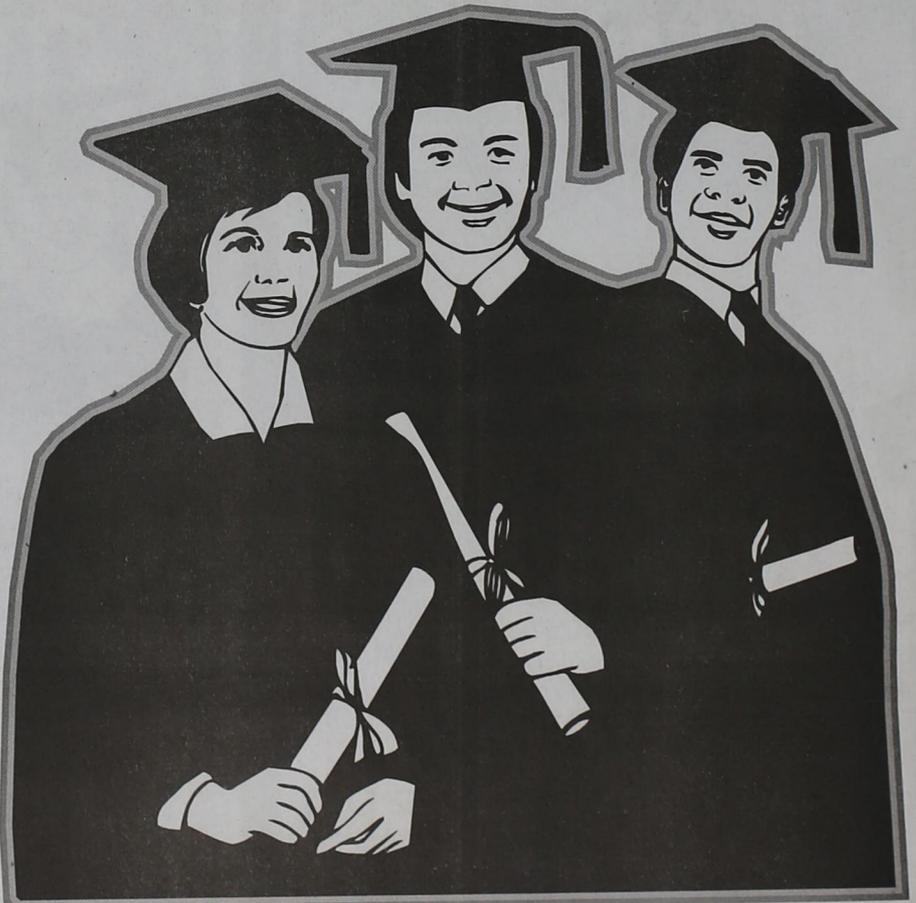
Noe Lara



Noe Lara is the 17-year-old son of Noe Lara and Maricela Lara. He participated in basketball, football, Spanish festival, Annual Staff for one year and Student Council for one year. He was recognized as 2nd team offensive lineman. He plans to join the military.

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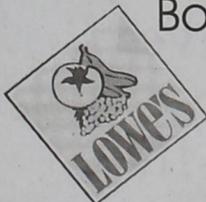


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Cornelio Ortiz



Cornelio Ortiz is the 18-year-old son of Cornelio Ortiz and Juana Ortiz. He played football and basketball. Cornelio participated in FCCLA for two years and FFA for one year. He plans to enlist in the military.

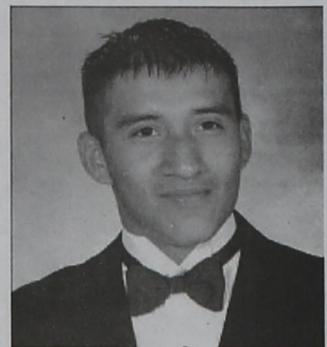


Elizabeth Christina Ortiz



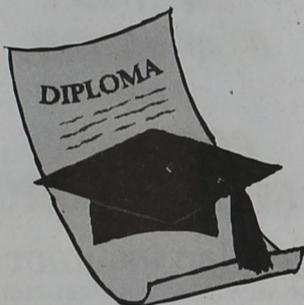
Elizabeth Christina Ortiz is the 18-year-old daughter of Carol Ortiz, the late Andrew Ortiz and stepfather Cesar Marquez. She was recognized by the Who's Who Among High School Students and the AB Honor Roll. She participated in band for one year, FCCLA for one year, Annual Staff for four years, Student Council for four years and FCA for two years. She was Student Council secretary and class representative her freshman and sophomore years. She plans to attend WTAMU to major in Criminal Justice and social work.

Michael Ortiz



Michael Ortiz is the 18-year-old son of Noel and Susan Ortiz. He participated in band one year, annual staff one year, and student council four years. He has participated in football, basketball, baseball, golf, and track all four years. Michael has been named to various all-district teams in football, basketball, and baseball since his sophomore year. His senior year he was 1st team all-district offense and defense and All South Plains in football, was district Most Valuable Player and all-district in basketball, and captain of the baseball team. He was senior class president, student council vice-president, and was honored by the Bovina Chamber of Commerce as Boy Student of the Year. Michael plans to attend college and major in business and minor in coaching.

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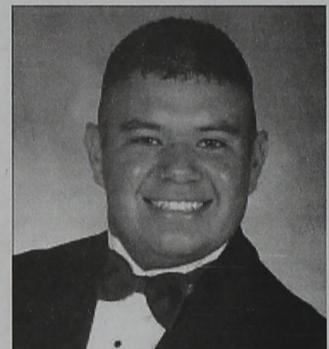
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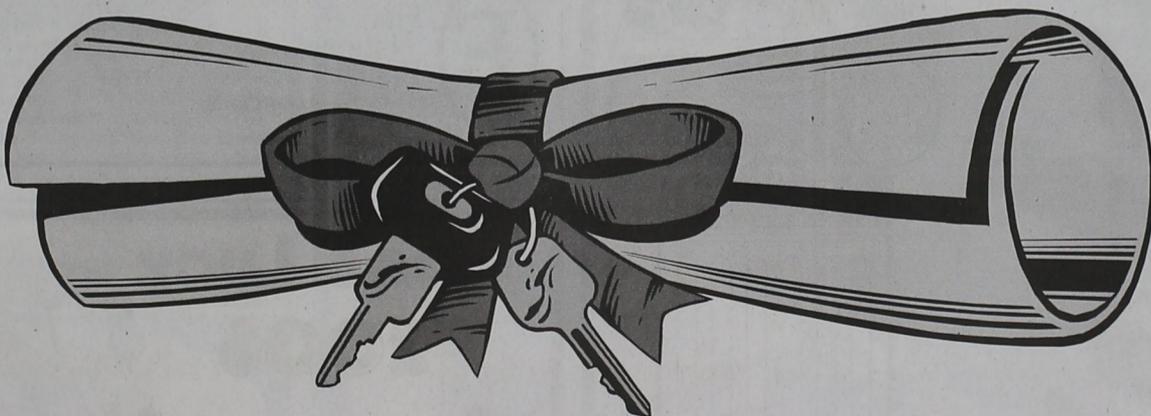
Luis Carlos Munoz, Jr.



Luis Carlos Munoz, Jr. is the 18-year-old son of Luis Carlos Munoz, Sr. and Norma Munoz. He was 1st team all district offensive and defensive lineman, Lubbock Avalanche Journal offensive lineman of the year. He participated in band for three years, Student Council for one year, football for four years, baseball for four years and track for four years. He was class representative. He plans to attend Amarillo College to pursue a future in dental hygiene.

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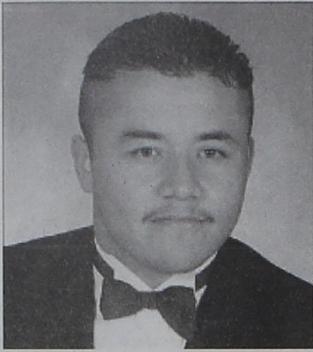
Wherever the Future Takes You, Don't Forget To Call!



We want to congratulate the Class of 2006 on all your many accomplishments.

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David Perez



David Perez is the 18-year-old-son of Nino and Maria Perez. He played football for four years and ran track for one year. He plans to enlist in the Air Force.

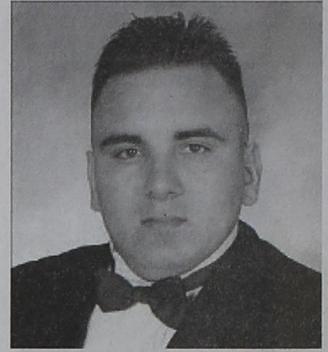


Sandra M. Perez



Sandra M. Perez is the 17-year-old daughter of Jose Concepcion Perez and Gregoria Perez. She was honored by the Who's Who Among American High School Students, honor roll, most beautiful nominee and homecoming candidate. She participated in band for one year, FCCLA for one year, NHS for two years, Student Council for two years, Choir for two years, Football and Basketball manager for two years. She was the Junior Class vice president and NHS treasurer. She plans to attend West Texas A&M or Eastern New Mexico University.

Dusty Riley



Dusty Riley is the 18-year-old son of Angie Riley. While in high school he played football, basketball and baseball. He participated in FCCLA for two years, FFA for three years and Student Council for two years. He plans to attend Texas State Technical College.



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Karla Rivera



Karla Rivera is the 19-year-old daughter of Jose Rivera and Consuelo Rivera. She was recognized by Who's Who Among American High School Students. She was on the honor roll and played basketball for one year and golf for two years. She participated in FCCLA for three years, Annual Staff for four years and Student Council for one year. She was senior class president and NHS vice president. Karla plans to attend Clovis Community College.

Edda Alicia Robles



Edda Alicia Robles is the 18-years-old daughter Luis Robles and Guadalupe Robles. She was on the AB honor roll, a cheerleader and an Outstanding Senior. She participated in band for two years, FCCLA for one year, Annual Staff for two years, Spanish Club for three years and Student Council for three years. She plans to attend El Paso Community College and then the University of Texas at El Paso.

Juana Alejandra Roldan



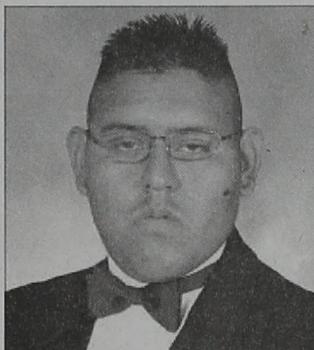
Juana Alejandra Roldan is the 18-year-old daughter of Juan Jose and Margarita Roldan. She was on the AB honor roll and responsible for the dance choreography. She participated in the Spanish Festival, church choir, band for five years, FCCLA for two years, Spanish Club for two years, Student Council for one year and cheerleader her junior year. Juana plans to become a flight attendant.

Irma Rocha



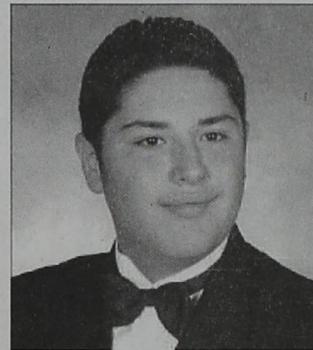
Irma Rocha is the 18-year-old daughter of David and Irma Rocha. While attending Bovina High school she was 2005-2006 Student of the year, Basketball All-District her junior and senior years. She was on the 2005-2006 Varsity basketball team that advanced to the playoffs. She participated in band for one year, FCCLA for one year, Spanish Club for two years, NHS for two years and Student Council for one year. Irma plans to attend Amarillo College.

Bacilio Viernes, Jr.



Bacilio Viernes, Jr. is the 18-years-old son of Bacilio and Maria Viernes. He was an All-American lineman in football. He participated in band for four years, Spanish Club for one year, NHS for one year, Student Council for two years and athletics for three years. Bacilio plans to go to UTI in Houston.

David Michael Salazar

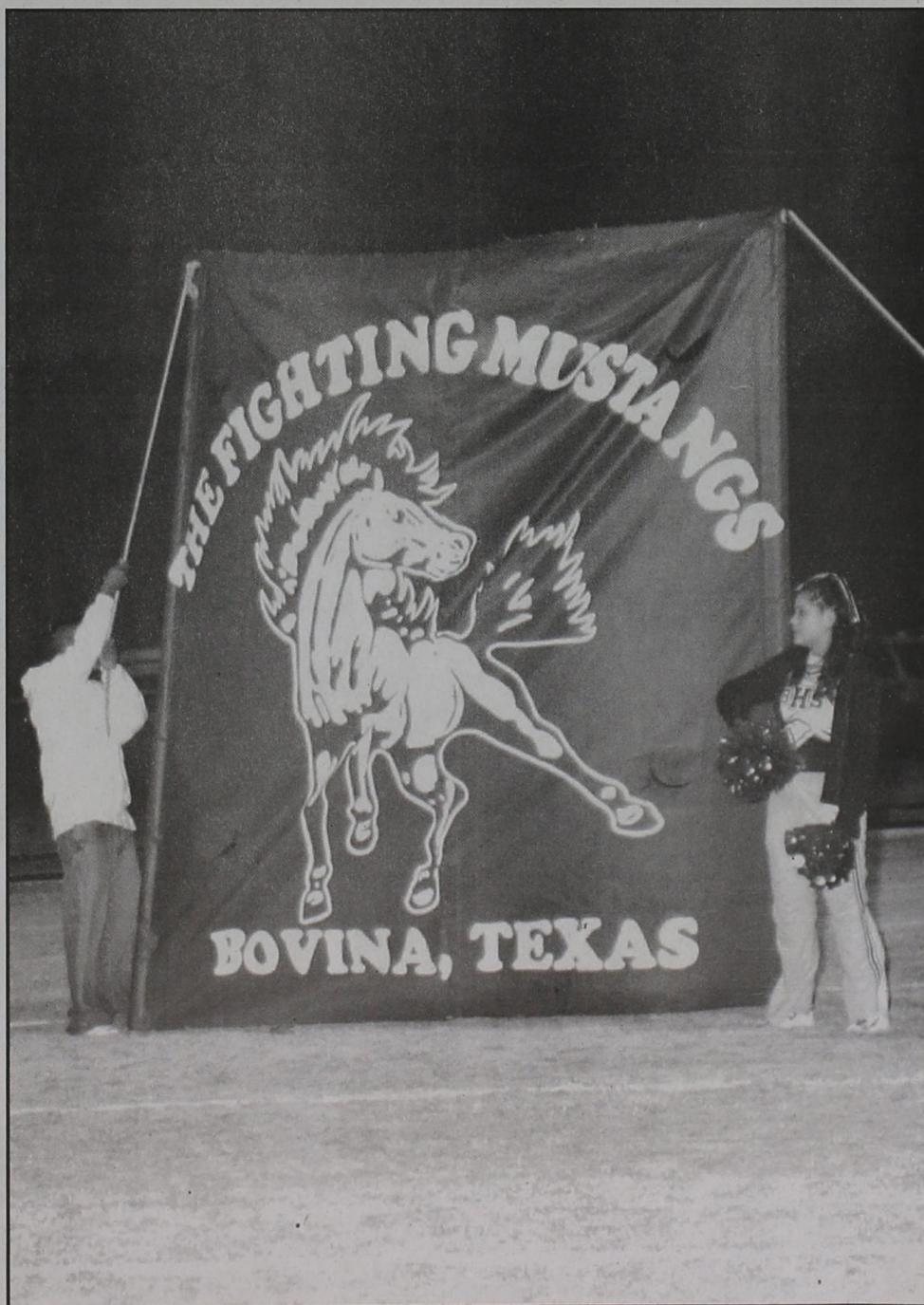
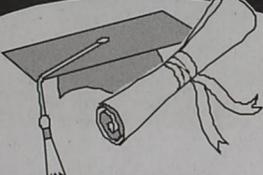


David Michael Salazar is the 17-year-old son of Linda Lou Salazar. He was on the honor roll and participated in band for three years, Spanish Club for three years and Student Council for two years. David plans to attend college and enlist in the military.

Laura Rocha



Laura Rocha is the 17-year-old daughter of David and Irma Rocha. She was named All-District in basketball, cheerleader co-captain, ran track and cross country. She was on the AB honor roll. She was on the 2005-2006 Varsity basketball team that advanced to the playoffs. She was the Homecoming Queen, Outstanding Student and Most Beautiful nominee. She participated in band for one year, Annual Staff for two years, Spanish Club for two years, NHS for two years and Student Council for two years. She was Junior Class president, Senior class secretary, Sophomore and Junior class favorite, and NHS president. Laura plans to attend Amarillo College and become a nursing assistance.

We are very Proud of the Graduating class of 2006!

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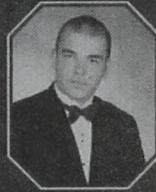
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