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TWELVE PAGES

A Valentine Reminder
Parents, Grandparents, Lovers...
Bring photos to Friona Star office
Monday, Feb. 9th, for the annual
"Valentine Love Page"
In next week's issue of the paper.



FAMILY OF FROGS.....The new mascot around the Ellis house these days is a TCU Horned Frog. Friona senior tight end/defensive end Quint Ellis signed a letter of intent to attend TCU on an athletic scholarship. Gathered in the school library for the signing were, l-r, dad Trey, Quint, and sister Whitney, Coach James Morton, and proud mom Tracy. (ron carr photo)

New Dealership Comes To Friona Next Week

The former Friona Motors dealership, at Highway 60 and Grand, is going to take on a more "western" look next week following an agreement by Roy Riley, owner and president of Western Ford in Hereford, to purchase the business.

The new dealership will operate as Western Chevrolet, Oldsmobile, Inc. beginning Monday. It is expected to employ five people initially, including former Friona Motors service manager Mitch Terry, and salesman John Baxter.

Jerry Collier of Hereford has been named to assume the sales manager position for the new operation.

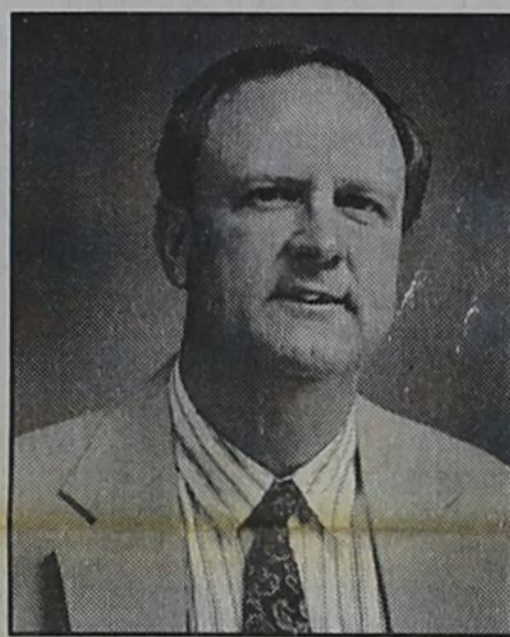
Friona Motors had offered

Ford and Mercury products in addition to Chevrolet and Oldsmobiles. The new dealership will not retain the franchise with Ford Motor Company, according to Riley.

The acquisition of Friona Motors follows Riley's recent buyout of a partnership agreement with Ft. Worth car and truck dealer Ken Nichols, for the Western Ford dealership in Hereford.

Riley and Nichols had also been partners in Southwest Truck Sales in Amarillo prior to the purchase of Western Ford in 1993.

Riley, 46, and his wife Helen are members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints of Hereford. They have four



ROY RILEY

children and two grandchildren.

"We love this area", Riley said. "The people are tremendous, the schools are great, it's a great place to raise a family. We are excited about doing business here for a long time."

Western, Chevrolet, Oldsmobile Inc., previously considered as a small-range dealership selling an average of 400 units annually, is scheduled to open for business February 9 with limited inventory.

Riley said he expects the dealership to be completely stocked with both new and used vehicles by mid-March.

Heritage Group Plans Covered Dish Event

Friona Heritage Society announces their Annual Meeting is being scheduled for "President's Day" on February 16 at 7:00 p.m. in the Depot in the City Park.

This will be a "covered dish" supper. Members and the public are all invited to attend.

Four directors will be elected. "Miss Friona" Kayla Wylly will be on hand to entertain the group with a reading.



OFFICIAL WELCOME...Chamber members and ambassadors gathered in the nice weather last week to officially welcome John Crozier, III, CPA at his office on Main St. (ron carr photo)

W.T. Services Opens New Friona Office

W. T. Services/Friona has opened its local office at 1010 Columbia at Highway 60. The company is hosting a "Sign-up Party" on Friday and Saturday, February 6-7.

Residents may enroll for hometown telephone and cable TV service to businesses and residences. Refreshments will be served both Friday and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

W. T. Services, a wholly-owned subsidiary of West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative, is offering Friona telephone users the option of changing from their old telephone and/or cable company to a local company.

There will be absolutely no installation fee to get connected to hometown telephone and/or cable TV service.

W. T. Services customers won't be dealing with a far-removed corporate giant when paying bills or seeking help with a service problem. They will be able to call or visit their business office here in Friona.

"Extending telephone service to Friona has been a desire of WTRT for 22 years, but it wasn't until dereg-

ulation of the telephone industry came about with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 that it was even an option," says Thomas Hyer, WTRT manager.

"The decision to enter the Friona telephone market was made much easier by the fact that a majority of Friona businesses--and a number of residents--asked us to extend 'phone service to their city," Hyer continued.

Residents and businesses will be able to keep the last four digits of their old telephone number, but the new W.T. Services prefix will be "250" rather than "247." Those using either of the prefixes will be able to call those with the other just like any local call.

W.T. Services will be offering a variety of tele-

communications services, besides local telephone and TV cable, including long distance service, Internet and paging, all on one bill.

Hereford long distance will be available to W.T. Services' Friona customers, at a flat rate of 14 cents per minute. That excludes calling cards or international cards.

"You could be able to save up to \$200 yearly over the rates you are now spending with your present telephone and cable service," Hyer commented.

Other services available will be "Caller ID," "Call Blocker," and "Last Number Redial."

A number of new TV channels will be available, including four new premium channels like HBO 2 and The Movie Channel. All of WT Services' TV and telephone service will be delivered over fiber-optic cable, using the speed and clarity of light to bring customers the highest-quality service they can purchase.

Getting local service to Friona from the existing facilities of WTRT has not been easy. New state-of-the-art digital switching equipment was installed at the company's Summerfield central office.

Thirteen miles of fiber-optic cable was buried between the Summerfield office to Friona by the co-op's construction crew last summer and fall. Approximately 70 miles of cable has been buried within the city of Friona.

UIL Makes Big District Changes

The only thing constant about the University Interscholastic League (UIL) is the element of surprise.

Having competed in District 1-3A for the past two years, which was very far-flung from Perryton to Muleshoe and Dalhart to Dimmitt, with River Road and Sanford-Fritch thrown in, Friona was hoping for a break in their travel miles, especially for sporting events.

Under the new alignment released Tuesday, it's a "whole new ballgame" for the next two years.

For starters, the new set-up separates Friona and Dimmitt as district opponents for the first time in 40 consecutive years. In sports or academics, students and student athletes from the two schools had been district mates every year since 1958, and 50 times in all since 1940.

The Bobcats have been scheduled for a non-district game for the third week of the football season--but it won't be exactly the same.

Tulia had been a district opponent 12 times in the past 14 years, and had been met on the gridiron 38 times, but will not be on the 1998-99 schedule.

School Earns Cash Award

Hal Ratcliff, Superintendent of the Friona Independent School District, announced today that awards for \$500 were made to Friona High School as part of the Texas Successful Schools Awards System (TSSAS).

Friona schools are among 2,300 cash-winning schools

Friona, along with Muleshoe, were taken out of District 1-3A. They are joining Littlefield, Lubbock Cooper, Lubbock Roosevelt and Shallowater in their new district.

Shallowater, which had been a district opponent in 1994-95, but had competed in conference 2A the past two years, was bumped back up in classification.

Littlefield, which "went south" for a couple of years, is back in Friona's district. The two Lubbock schools have not only never been in district with Friona, they have never been played in football at all.

River Road and Dalhart were retained on Friona's football schedule as non-district opponents. Lockney of 2A was added, as was Brownfield of 3A.

"We tried to get Tulia, but just couldn't get our dates to work out," said Coach James Morton. As to Friona's "new look" district, he said "I suppose it'll be all right. We don't know too much about the Lubbock teams, but we'll just have to line up and play them," he said.

Another new wrinkle is the fact that beginning in the fall

of 1998, three teams from each district will advance into the playoffs, which would be an even half of Friona's new six-team district.

"I was personally opposed to this, as it seemed to me that (three teams advancing) watered down the honor of making the playoffs. But everybody else seems to like it," Coach Morton said. In the voting, Friona voted against the expanded playoff scheme.

Here is Friona's 1998 football schedule:

Date	Opponent	place
September 4	Lockney	h
September 11	Brownfield	t
September 18	Dimmitt	h
September 25	Dalhart	h
October 2	River Road	t
October 9	*Shallowater	t
October 16	*Roosevelt	h
October 23	*Cooper	t
October 30	*Muleshoe	h
November 6	*Littlefield	t
	*District games	

FSB Plans Second Trip For Seniors

Friona State Bank has set the date for the next out-of-town trip for the Seniors Club. Reservations are being taken to send a bus to Lubbock on Friday, February 27. The group will eat at Furr's and see the production of "The Pajama Game" at the Lubbock Civic Center.

Those going on the trip are asked to be at the bank parking lot at 4 p.m. The bus will return to Friona by midnight.

Marca Herring, Assistant Vice President, said the Seniors Club is off to a great start with many already enrolled in the new program.

One of the many benefits of the new Seniors Club, out-of-town trips, started with the January 23 trip to Amarillo. The group ate at Furr's and went to the production of "Smoke On The Mountain" by the Amarillo Little Theatre.

Forty-two area residents attended the bus trip and approximately ninety are currently in the new Senior Club. February 15 is the deadline to name the club. A \$100 cash prize will be given to the individual who chooses the new name.

"We had a great time in Amarillo and think our trip to Lubbock will be even better," Herring said.

For more information and reservations, call Friona State Bank at 247-2706.

Star Lites



By Bill Ellis

AS YOU PROBABLY know by now, convicted murderess Karla Faye Tucker became the nation's first woman to be executed in a long time Tuesday night at Huntsville. The execution suited Ye Editor just fine. I'm more than a little bit insulted that the national media tried to paint Texas residents as non-caring bloodletters for carrying out the sentence.

If any of the last-minute appeals, from the Pope to the Supreme Court to Governor Bush had succeeded in sparing Ms Tucker's life, it would have been a travesty of justice.

So many verdicts, rulings and court decisions have been overturned in recent years that it must make lawmen, prosecutors, judges and juries wonder why we even bother with our legal system.

We cannot imagine the frustration that families of victims must feel when such criminals are spared, and worse yet, paroled back into society, where many times they duplicate their previous crimes.

And to have spared Tucker due to the fact that she had "found God" while in prison was about the worst reason of all, in our estimation. While she may have been completely sincere, this would have set a very, very bad precedent. Many observers have already commented that if this had happened, every criminal behind bars would have come up with their own conversion experience.

During the World War II era, the saying was that "there are no atheists in the foxholes" (or battlegrounds). This same axiom could be applied to prisoners, especially those on death row.

Karla Faye and others like her should have found their God a lot earlier in their lives. Then we wouldn't have had to have the situation that we experienced this week. Also, perhaps there wouldn't have been so many people needlessly murdered.

Sparing Karla Faye wouldn't have brought the victims back to their families. Can you imagine a person killing another with a pick-ax? Many of us oldtimers are familiar with this implement. The trial revealed that Ms Tucker had hit one of the victims 50 times with the ax. Were the last 48 whacks really necessary?

If Karla Faye's sentence had been commuted to life imprisonment, as she wanted, Texas taxpayers would have been paying dearly for her rehabilitation. At age 38, she easily could have lived another 40 years, maybe more.

A conservative estimate is that it costs taxpayers \$40,000 per year to house a prisoner. The 40-year tab would have run at the very least \$16 million.

Karla Faye had proven that she had little regard for human life, so why should the taxpayers pay 16 million dollars for her little slip-up? Come to think of it, I doubt that all of the prisoners in Huntsville together are worth \$16 million. They're not to me.

Governor Bush exhibited considerable stress and concern when he made his statement Tuesday evening.

We'd like to go on record as saying "Thank you, Governor, for backing up our state's legal system. With the eyes of the nation on you, it would have been easy to have faltered. I appreciate your dedication to duty."

One of the pro-life demonstrators said Tuesday "It doesn't make sense. We're executing Karla Fay, while O.J. is playing golf in California." Too bad O.J.'s trial couldn't have been moved to Texas. If it had been, I doubt seriously that he would have been playing golf.

Friona Flashbacks

...from the files of The Friona Star

55 Yrs Ago-Feb 5, 1943
The Star's "Sons in the Service" column included letters from the following servicemen-Harold M. Lillard, C.L. Vestal, Juan H. Eskew, Frank D. Stanley, Sam F. Williams, C. D. Holmes, Lonnie R. Baxter, Lyle Booker, P.L. New, Reeve Guyer, and Gilbert L. Baker.

50 Yrs Ago-Feb. 6, 1948
The Mothers Club of the Friona Chieftains was hostess at a banquet for the 1947 Chieftains and their girlfriends last Friday. Guest speaker for the event was Coach Frank Kimbrough of West Texas Teachers College, Canyon.

45 Yrs Ago-Feb. 5, 1953
Rev. Russell Pogue, Baptist pastor in Friona since March of 1951, tendered his resignation at the Sunday morning services this past week. Much progress has been noted during Rev. Pogue's pastorate, with the average attendance reported as about 325 out of the 480 resident members.

40 Yrs Ago-Feb. 6, 1958
Announcement of partnership of J.C. Claborn and Joe Ferrell in a furniture company is made this week by the new partners. The partnership was effective February 1.
Gus Shaw is the new manager of Ware's Department Store. He assumed duties as manager February 1, and replaces Joe Ferrell, who joined Claborn Furniture.

35 Yrs Ago-Feb. 7, 1963
Granville McFarland, owner, has awarded the contract for a new building to house the city's International Harvester and Oldsmobile dealership.
The new Parmer County Implement Co. building will be built somewhere on U.S. Highway 60, although the exact site is not known as yet. Contract was awarded to Stout Steel Builders of

Tulia and Amarillo.

30 Yrs Ago-Feb. 8, 1968
After a packed city council meeting room expressed interest in additional safety factors for the school crossing at highways around the school system, the Friona City Council voted Monday to employ two crossing attendants.
Voter registration topped the all-time record in Parmer County by over 1,000, it was revealed this week by Parmer County Tax Assessor-Collector Hugh Moseley. The county will have a total of 3,873 qualified voters in 1968 elections.

25 Yrs Ago-Feb. 8, 1973
The Friona Squaws are in the playoffs in girls basketball for the third straight year. The Squaws will meet the Tulia girls in a bi-district game next Monday. The Squaws coasted to the championship in District 3-AA, winning with a 6-0 district record.
The annual Parmer County Junior Livestock Show will be held in Friona next weekend, February 15-17.

20 Yrs Ago-Feb. 5, 1978
Erika Pope, 13-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Pope, returned from the Golden Spread Twirling Festival last weekend with four trophies, including the Pageant Trophy, indicating she was high-point individual.

15 Yrs Ago-Feb. 6, 1983
Friona 4-H Club and FFA youngsters won three of four of the major titles at the 36th annual Parmer County Junior Livestock Show. Corrie Lundy won the Grand Champion Steer honors. Roddy Berend exhibited the Grand Champion Heifer. Beth Johnson exhibited the Grand Champion Barrow.

Another winter storm struck the Friona area this week, dumping six to seven inches of snow. However, the

big factor with the snow of Tuesday, February 1 was the fact that a gusty north wind caused drifts of up to several feet in places.

10 Yrs Ago-Feb. 6, 1988
For the second year in a row, showmen from the Friona area dominated the Parmer County Jr. Livestock Show. Clint Hurst showed his 225-pound Hampshire barrow to top honors; Guy Ellis showed the Grand Champion sheep, and Michael Head showed his 1300-pound exotic crossbred steer to grand champion honors.

5 Yrs Ago-Feb. 6, 1993
Friona firemen battled wind and flames on Monday when the old storage warehouse for the former Rockwell Bros. Lumber Company burned. The structure was one of the oldest buildings in Friona, and it had been here since at least 1906.

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Love Fund For Hattie Moser at FBC

A love fund for Mrs. Hattie Moser has been established at First Baptist Church in Friona.
Mrs. Moser had serious surgery to remove a blood clot and is presently in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.
Contributions for Mrs. Moser can be made at the First Baptist Church office or contact Linda Black at 247-3933.



BECKY JONES

Branson Trip Pics Available

Those folks who ordered Branson trip pictures from Bill and Carol Ellis, may pick up their photos at the *Friona Star*.

Anyone who has not yet ordered their trip pictures can still order them by stopping in at the *Star* office.

ON JANUARY 18

B. Jones Receives 1998 UMW Honor

Each year the United Methodist Women honor someone in the congregation who was an inspiration and heeded the call to serve.

The 1998 UMW Mission Pin was awarded to Becky Jones at Friona United Methodist Church.

On January 18 (UMW Sunday), Rose Boren presented the 1998 Special Mission Recognition Pin as she read the following remarks:

"The woman we are honoring today is one who gives generously of her time, her efforts, and her talents. She was instrumental in organizing our church's bell choir. She has directed the choir, and she has helped raise money for bells and tables.

She has been a Sunday School teacher and a Vacation

Bible School teacher. She was a VBS director for two years, and for the last two years she has led arts and crafts. She has also served on the Evangelism Committee and Council on Ministries for our church. She initiated the Prayer for the Children and Youth program, and she helped organize our last church directory and brochure.

Currently she is a Kidz Choir director and she is starting a new term on the Council of Ministries. She is serving her second year as UMW Vice-President.

In the community she is active in the Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce and delivers Meals on Wheels.

She is a dedicated wife and mother and it is with great pleasure that the UMW honors Becky Jones."

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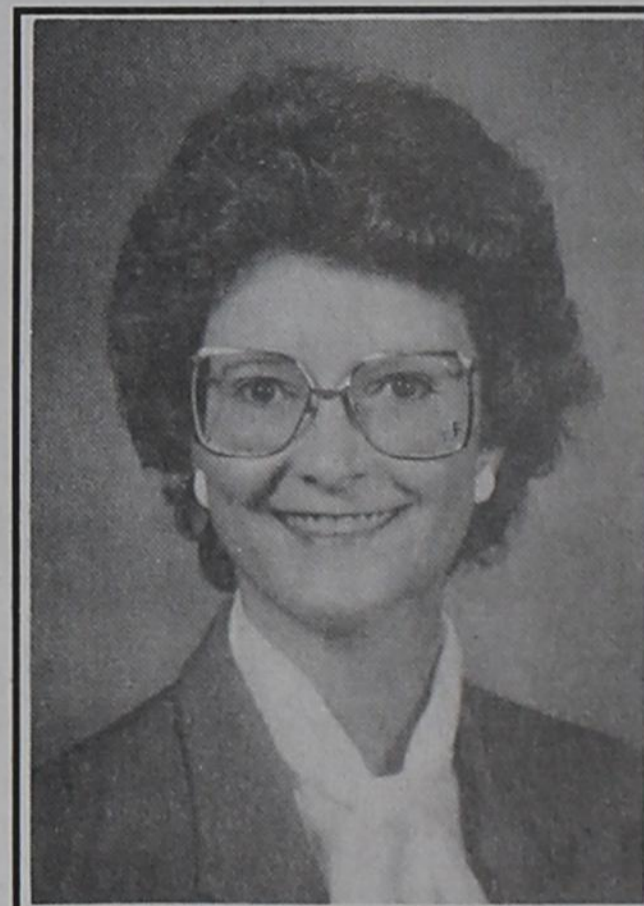
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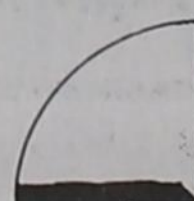
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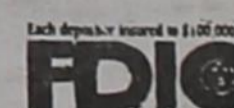
Lou Keith
Teller

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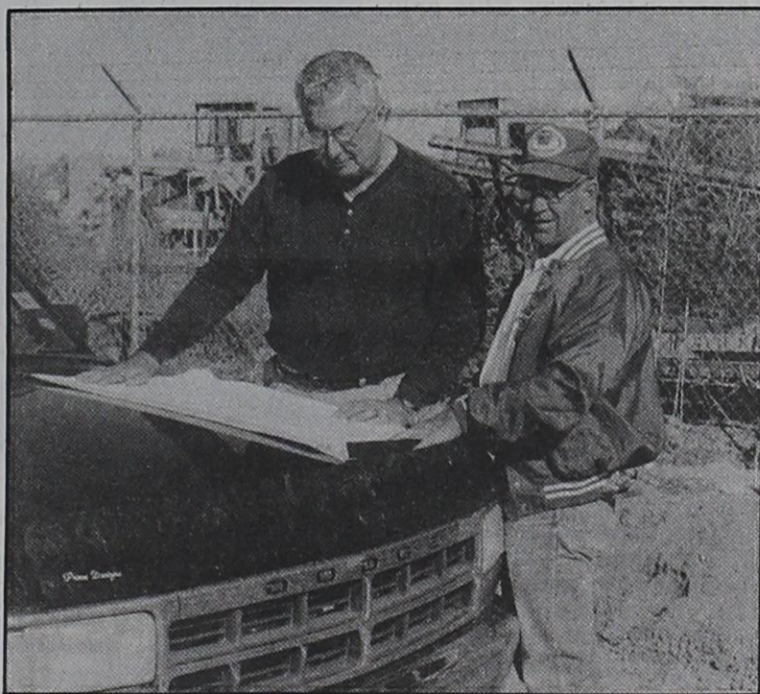
**Friday & Saturday, Feb. 6 & 7
8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at our
Brand New Friona Facility**



Our Office Ladies, Cherry Wells and Cindy Butman



Our Line-laying Crew



Our Engineers, Dave Sherrod and Stanley Wilcox



**It's a party...
and you're invited!**

It's time to sign up for hometown telephone and cable television from WT Services/Friona.

To celebrate the opening of its office at 1010 Columbia Avenue at Highway 60, WT Services/Friona is hosting a service sign-up party Friday and Saturday, February 6 and 7. You can enroll for hometown telephone and cable TV service and enjoy refreshments Friday and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Although you may have already signed an easement permitting burial of cable across your property, you'll need to sign additional forms in order to be served by WT Services/Friona. --Our party is a perfect time to do so!

Come by, enjoy donuts, coffee, and soft drinks, and let our friendly "hometown girls" Cindy Butman and Cherry Wells outline the telephone, cable television, cellular, paging, and computer service options that are available. You can make your selections and sign a letter of agency authorizing delivery of clear, clean local phone and cable television to your home or business when WT Services/Friona cuts over service in the near future.

Come join the party and sign-up for service now!

Esta Invitado a un Partido!

Es tiempo para firmar para servicios de telefono y cable de television con WT Services/Friona.

Para celebrar la apertura de su oficina a 1010 Columbia Avenida en el Highway 60, WT Services/Friona va ser un partido para firmar-el Viernes, Febrero 6 y el Sabado, Febrero 7. Usted puede alistar los servicios de telefono y cable de television y tambien a disfrutar los refrescos de las 8 a.m. hasta las 5 p.m. el Viernes y Sabado.

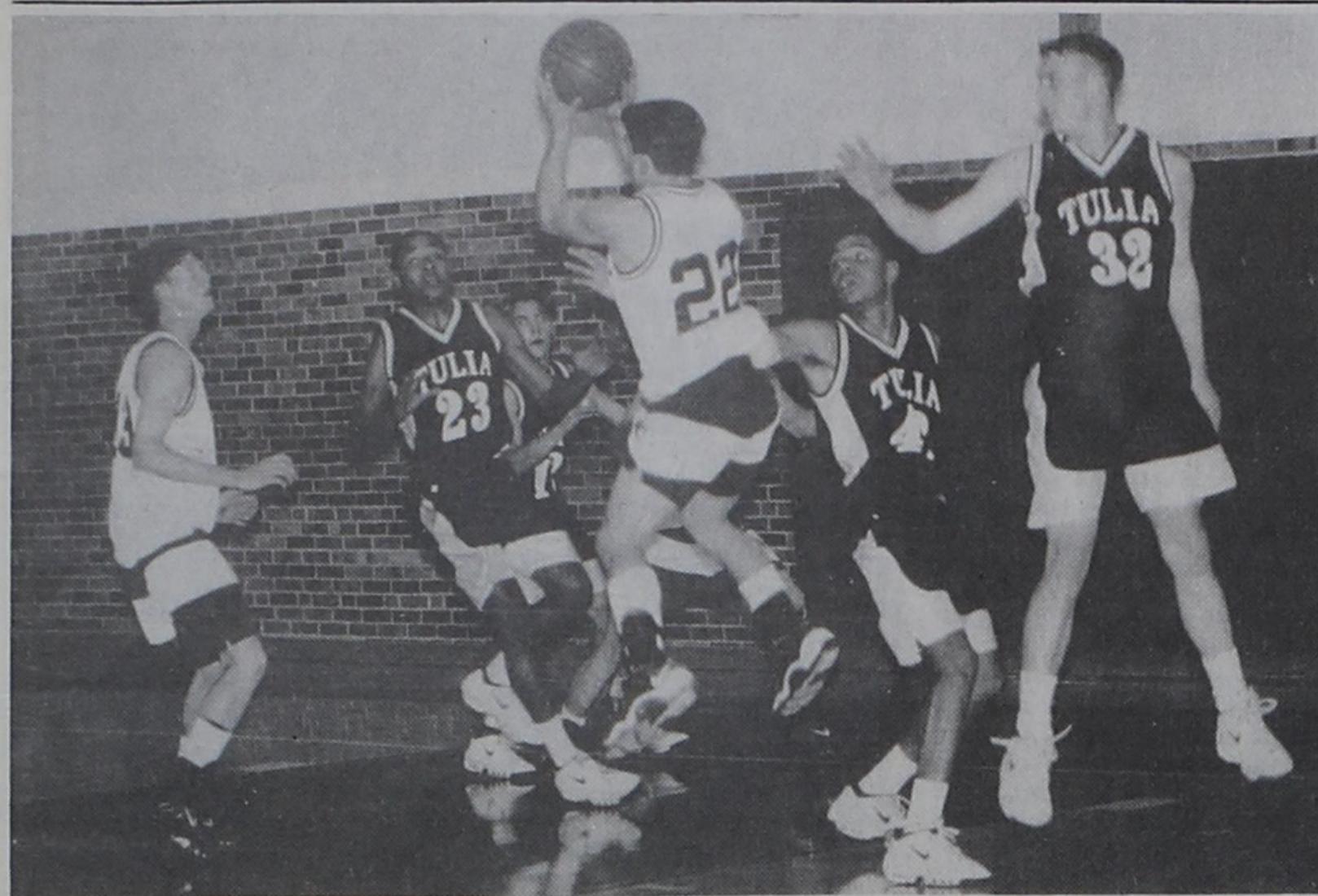
Aunque usted ha firmado un alivio permitiendo entierro de cable a traves de su propiedad, usted tambien necesita firmar formas adicional para estar servido con WT Services/Friona.-Nuestro partido es un tiempo perfecto para hacer eso!

Venga a disfrutar donuts, cafe y otros refrescos y permite nuestras amistosas "Muchachas de Friona" Cindy Butman y Cherry Wells que le ayude escojer servicios de telefono, cable de television, celular, paginar y opciones de servicio de la computadora que estan disponibles. Usted puede hacer sus selecciones y firmar la carta de agencia permitiendo a entregar servicio que es limpio y claro de telefono y cable a su hogar y su negocio cuando WT Services/Friona cortan servicio en el futuro que se esta cercando.

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LAND OF GIANTS....An idea of Tullia's height can be seen in this photo from Tuesday's action. Angel Vega (22) has the ball, and is about to pass it to Justin Daniel (33, left). Tullia players shown are Mikey Marshall, 23, Philip Marshall, 42 and Mark Dyer, 32. The Hornets rallied for a 56-52 win over the Chieftains. ron carr photo

BUT AARON KING SIZZLES

Hornets Edge Past Chieftains, 56-52

by **BILL ELLIS**

For the second time in a three-week period, Tullia's number one ranked Hornets came up with a big finish to avoid an upset by the Chieftain basketballers, scoring a 56-52 win over Friona Tuesday night at Chieftain Fieldhouse.

A packed house watched the Chieftains come from 11 points behind in the first half to take a third-quarter lead on the shooting arm of Aaron King, only to have the visitors make off with the win.

The Chiefs got very few breaks in the "close call" department, going to the foul line only four times. Friona was whistled for 15 fouls to nine by the Hornets.

Friona enjoyed only two leads in the first half. The first came on a free throw by Justin Daniel 1:07 into the fracas, giving the Chiefs an early 1-0 lead. The Hornets answered with a pair of layups for a 4-1 lead. Quint Ellis got on the scoreboard with a jump shot from the side for a 4-3 deficit.

A few minutes later, Ellis was awarded two points on a goal-tending call against Tullia, giving Friona a 7-6 lead with 2:46 left in the opening quarter.

Tullia finished with a flourish, getting seven unanswered points. Their pressing defense caused some Friona turnovers, aiding their 13-7 first quarter lead.

Ellis and King matched baskets by the Hornets in the first half of the second quarter. Ellis' follow shot made it a 19-13 deficit with 4:30 left in the half.

Nathan King made a sparkling three-pointer even while being guarded, to cut Tullia's lead to 21-17 at the 3:16 mark. A missed Friona

layup would have made it a 21-19 game. Joseph Bandy's jump shot brought the score to 23-19.

Tullia scored seven unanswered points to take their longest lead at 30-19. Aaron King sank a three-point shot with 27 seconds left to trim the Hornet lead to 30-22 at halftime.

The Chieftains played an outstanding third quarter. Their defense improved against the taller Hornets, and the offense kicked in. The King brothers scored the first seven points. Nathan's three-pointer ripped the net, and Aaron's layup drew Friona close at 33-29.

Angel Vega broke his scoring ice with a timely three-pointer with 4:40 showing, to make it a one-point game at 33-32. A minute later, Daniel's free throw tied it up. Aaron King took a rebound and drove quickly downcourt, stopped short of the three-point circle and neatly zapped a shot that gave Friona its first lead of the half at 36-34, as the home fans went wild.

The Chieftains had outscored the undefeated Hornets, 14-4 in the first six minutes of the third quarter.

Tullia tied the score, but Vega drove the length of the court and made one of his uncanny layups with a defender draped all around him. That put Friona ahead, 38-36 with 50 seconds left in the quarter.

Unfortunately for the scrapping Chieftains, it was to be their last lead of the game.

Tullia tied the score with a layup with six seconds showing, and Aaron King's long three-point attempt just across midcourt bounced off the rim at the buzzer.

Tullia scored the first six

points of the fourth quarter, to take a 44-38 lead, but the Chiefs didn't quit.

Friona came up with its six-point rally, when Aaron King zapped a pair of three-pointers in successive trips downcourt from his favorite spot, to make it a 46-44 game with 4:57 left.

The Hornets scored for a 48-44 lead, but Ellis made a layup off King's in-bounds pass, was fouled, and converted, for a 48-47 score with 3:17 remaining.

But Tullia countered with a three-pointer by Philip Marshall and made four for four at the free throw line when Friona had to foul, to open up a 56-49 lead. King valiantly sank his fifth three-pointer at the buzzer for the final margin of 56-52.

King had a game-high 24 points, and Ellis added 11. Tullia did a "defensive number" on Daniel, holding him to only two points. He had scored 12 in the game at Tullia.

Last Friday the Chieftains scored a 67-43 win over visiting Sanford-Fritch, for their 19th season win giving them a 6-2 district record.

Friona had four players in double-figure scoring. Ellis scored 16, Aaron King 14, Nathan King 14 (twelve coming on four three-pointers) and Daniel 12.

CHIEFS 67, S-F 43
Aaron King 6-1*-0-15; Jeff Rando 1-2-4; Angel Vega 1-1-3; Nathan King 1-4*-0-14; Joseph Bandy 0-2-2; Quint Ellis 6-4-16; Justin Daniel 6-0-12; Landon Martin 1-0-2.

CHIEFS 52, Tul 56
A. King 4-5*-1-24; Vega 1-1*-0-5; N. King 2*-0-6; Bandy 2-0-4; Ellis 5-1-11; Daniel 0-2-2.
*3-point baskets.

JV Girls Win 18th Game

The junior varsity Squaws won both of their games during the past week, to remain at or close to the top in District 1-3A, where they are now 9-1, and 18-3 for the season.

The team downed Sanford-Fritch, 58-31 last Friday, and came back with a 59-29 win over Tullia here Tuesday.

In the Fritch game, the young Squaws had a balanced attack. Jamille Hand scored ten points in the first half to pace Friona to a 24-14 lead.

The scoring picked up in the third quarter, as Kayla Smiley warmed up with ten

points to push Friona's lead to 43-23. Miss Smiley led the scoring with 16 points and Miss Hand had 15.

Miss Hand was a visitor to the foul line eight times in the first quarter of Tuesday's game, making six, to help Friona take an 11-4 lead. M'Kell Jarecki sank a pair of three-pointers and Belen Torres got one, as Friona opened up a 30-11 halftime lead.

Miss Jarecki nailed two more "treys" in the second half as Friona coasted to the win. She tied VLynda Wilcox for scoring honors with 12 apiece.

-Box Scores-

JV SQUAWS 58 SF 31
Diamond Aguirre 3-0-6; VLaura Wilcox 0-0-0; Belen Torres 1*-1-4; Lesli Fiel 4-0-8; M'Kell Jarecki 4*-0-12; Jamille Hand 1-6-8; Kayla Smiley 4-0-8; VLynda Wilcox 6-0-12.

JV SQUAWS 58, Tullia 29
Aguirre 1-1-3; Torres 1*-0-3; Fiel 2-0-4; Jarecki 2-1*-0-7; Hand 5-5-15; Smiley 6-4-16; VLynda Wilcox 4-1-9.
*3-point baskets.

Chief JV Lose Two

The Chieftain junior varsity lost both of their games during the past week, being edged by Sanford-Fritch, 41-38, and then doubled by Tullia, 72-36 here Tuesday.

Tyson Neill put on a free-throw exhibition in the first quarter of the Tullia game, hitting six of nine from the line, to keep the young Chieftains close at 10-8.

However, Tullia answered by outscoring the Friona team 21-9, 23-8 and 18-11 the rest of the way.

Neill scored 15 points for game honors. He also had a good game against Sanford-Fritch, scoring 13, and Josh Burleson added nine. Friona led 10-4 after one quarter, but trailed at halftime 20-15.

CHIEF JV 36, THS 72
Joseph Bustos 1-0-2; Charlie Saiz 1-0-2; Cason White 0-0-0; Tyson Neill 3-9-15; Smith 1-2-4; Josh Burleson 2-3-7; Matthew Mata 3-0-6.

CHIEF JV 38, S-F 41
Bustos 4-0-8; Neill 4-5-13; Burleson 4-1-9; Smith 1-0-2; Mata 3-0-6.

Boosters To Host Stew & Chili Supper

The Friona Booster Club will sponsor a stew and chili supper on Tuesday, February 10, from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the high school cafeteria.

The supper will be in conjunction with the Friona-Dimmitt games.

Cost is \$4 adults and \$2.50 for children under 12 years.



ON THE OFFENSE....Aaron King (12) has the ball for Friona, as Tullia's Matt Cannon defends. Chieftains in the background are Justin Daniel (33) and Quint Ellis, (32). In spite of King's 24 points (including five three-point baskets), the Hornets pulled out the win. ron carr photo



ELLIS INTERVIEWED....Chieftain star Quint Ellis is shown being interviewed by Amarillo TV stations here Tuesday. Ellis has been granted a football scholarship by Texas Christian University. ron carr photo

PLAYOFF CHANCES HURT

Tullia Hands Squaws 48-44 Overtime Loss

The FHS Squaws suffered a 48-44 loss to visiting Tullia Tuesday night. The loss was a jolt to the team's playoff hopes, with only three games remaining.

Things started off great for the team, as they took a 17-5 lead after the first quarter.

Tammy Spencer started with a hot hand, hitting three baskets. Teammate Christina Santellana also got a "three," Whitney Ellis and Sheri Fiel each had baskets.

But a nightmarish second quarter saw the team score just two points—a pair of free throws by Miss Ellis—and Tullia had taken a 20-19 halftime lead.

That got Tullia back in the game, although Friona managed to tie it up at 27-all in another low-scoring quarter.

Miss Santellana and Sandra Gonzalez each scored three-point baskets as the Squaws fought to hang on, but the team was trailing by three points, 42-39, with less than a minute to play.

With time running out, April Pope passed the ball to Miss Spencer, who dribbled into the left corner and calmly ripped a three-point shot as the buzzer sounded, to tie the score at 42-all and force an overtime.

Unfortunately, Tullia's Roni Henderson (40), who was bad news for the Squaws all night, got a pair of goals in the O.T., and Friona managed only a basket by Miss Gonzalez.

Miss Spencer led Friona

SQUAWS 59, S-F 32
April Pope 1-2*-0-8; Sandra Gonzalez 1-2*-8; Amanda Pope 3-0-6; Sarah Hendley 2*-0-6; Christina Santellana 2-1*-0-7; Tammy Spencer 1*-0-3; Whitney Ellis 1-2-4; Crystal Dow 5-2-12; Sheri Fiel 2-1-5.

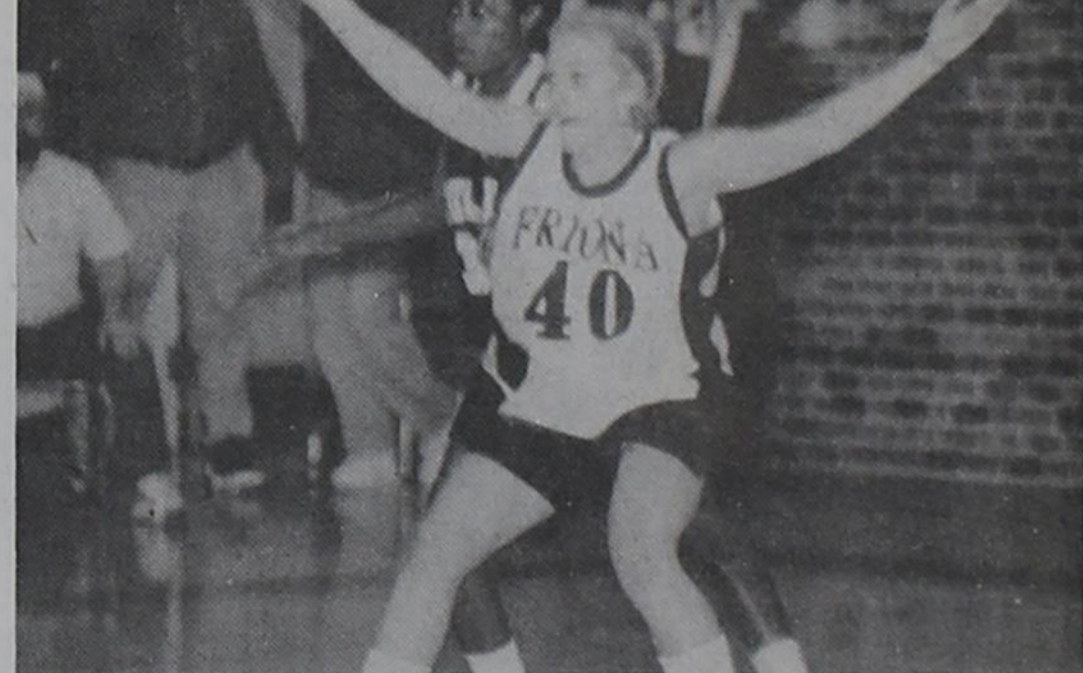
SQUAWS 44, THS 48
Ap. Pope 0-1-1; Gonzalez 1-1*-2-7; Am. Pope 1-0-2; Hendley 1-0-2; Santellana 2*-2-8; Spencer 3-3*-0-15; Ellis 2-0-6; Dow 0-1-1; Fiel 1-0-2.

with 15 points.

The team racked up a 59-32 win over visiting Sanford-Fritch last Friday, as every player saw playing time

against the luckless Lady Eagles, who dropped their 23rd loss vs only one win.

Crystal Dow took her turn at earning scoring honors with 12 points.



I'M OPEN....Sheri Fiel (40) signals for the ball in Tuesday's game against Tullia. Miss Fiel, a junior, has been a steady player for the varsity Squaws this season. Tullia left town with a 48-44 overtime win. ron carr photo



JV ACTION....Friona Chieftain junior varsity is shown in action against Tullia. Josh Burleson is number 30, Tyson Neill is 33, and Jeremy Smith is at right. Tullia made off with the win. ron carr photo.

District 1-3A Basketball Standings

Boys			Girls		
Team	District	Overall	Team	District	Overall
Tullia	9-0	26-0	Dimmitt	9-2	16-11
Dimmitt	8-1	19-7	Perryton	9-2	20-6
Friona	6-3	19-5	Friona	7-4	18-10
Mulshoe	4-5	17-10	Mulshoe	6-5	15-11
Sanford-Fritch	4-5	8-18	River Road	6-5	14-10
Dalhart	4-5	13-11	Tullia	4-7	9-18
Perryton	1-8	4-16	Dalhart	2-9	10-18
River Road	0-9	2-26	Sanford-Fritch	1-10	1-24

Last Week: CHIEFS 67, Sanford-Fritch 43; Tullia 56, CHIEFS 52.

Last Week: SQUAWS 59, Sanford-Fritch 32; Tullia 48, SQUAWS 44.

NEXT WEEK: February 6: River Road - There
February 10: Dimmitt - Here

Letter To The Editor

Dear Ron: In the Fri., Jan 30 issue of the Bovina Blade, in your "Out Here", you were talking about Karla Faye Tucker. One paragraph said, "Well anyway I guess God is used to stress by now. Some people say that God never gives you more than you can handle which I think is a lot of baloney. If that were true, suicide would not exist."

Out Here By RON CARR

"The only thing we have to fear is fear itself." Franklin D. Roosevelt

"Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country." John F. Kennedy

"SO WHAT?" Billy Jeff Clinton

A political analyst, commenting on the mess in Washington, said that we have become a society who stands in front of the microwave shouting hurry up. Thanks to computer and satellite technology we are an impatient country, accustomed to instant gratification.

representing all areas of life she wants. Kids get Game Boys and Giga Pets instead of Tonka Toys and Raggedy Ann's. Every toy seems to walk, talk, belch, or wet.

Someone in higher places thinks we need at least 100 varieties of pickles at the grocery store. Instead of dill, you can choose kosher dill, garlic dill, or polish dill. You can get them whole, sliced, quartered, or sandwich stacked.

We don't have time to slice pickles anymore. We stand in front of the microwave shouting hurry up. We are entrenched in excess from the media, from the government, and in society. But you know what? Many seem not to care.

As long as there are two cars in every garage and a chicken in every pot, we are a happy bunch. Thanks to our current president and his liberal democratic circle of talking heads, we have become a "SO WHAT?" society.

Folks, we have a mess in this country. Whether you are a Republican, Democrat, Populist, or Communist, we have a mess in this country. "SO WHAT?" I have a job, I made a killing in the stock market, I went to Disney World, I have a cell phone, and several dozen credit cards. Things are good. "SO WHAT?"

For weeks now, the person on the street has been interviewed about Billy Jeff's latest scandal and they say "SO WHAT?". I don't care what he does in his personal life, they say. Then they add, let's just let him run the country. They say he is doing a good job and most of them do not have a clue how the government works.

I am scared when people around the country say that it is okay for the president of the United States, who is married with child, to besmirch the office, to make the office a laughingstock in the world, and then to lie, and we say it is okay?

The allegations that have been raised since 1992 about Billy Jeff and Hill Rod cannot all be false.

I find it interesting that the raging feminists of America are not lambasting Billy Jeff for his latest zipper venture. Where are all the offended females who would take issue with a 50-ish male in a position of power taking sexual advantage of a 21-year-old female employee. (SO WHAT?)

You believe Billy Jeff and not Monica, huh? Consider these questions posed by

columnist Mona Charen in the Amarillo Globe:

"Would a 21-year-old intern invent a relationship that consists only of oral sex?"

"Is that the classic fantasy of young women?"

"Why would the president wait to see what Miss Lewinsky is going to say to prosecutors before giving his account of the relationship?"

You know, this whole sordid mess is frustrating. Republicans and Democrats alike are in a mess, they all lie, they all use the "so what, everybody does it" excuse.

Billy Jeff Clinton has abused the power of the office. Hill Rod ain't leaving him because as first woman, she has a bird nest on the ground there in Washington. Why would she want to give up her privilege and status just because her husband diddles around every now and then.

Besides, she wants to be president herself someday and it would not surprise me at all if she is elected.

Nothing about our elected officials will ever surprise me

again. Big government is in fact getting bigger and we like it that way.

Now that he has been reelected, Billy Jeff is going back to the liberal democratic line. He became a Republican long enough to get enough votes.

They call him the Teflon man because nothing sticks to him. That has been proven over and over and over.

I am weary of writing about it. If his version of family values and child care and education are yours too, so be it. I am tired of telling you what Billy Jeff is doing to America and then you don't listen.

It is sad when the young people of America are told it is okay to be married and be president and screw around with young women on the side. Dennis Rodman is a better example.

Preachers, teachers, and parents, you had better get busy. The Clintons are undoing everything you have been teaching for years. Good luck.

My dream is to be able to write a column that begins, "I told you so." Yes, there is a right wing conspiracy to get Billy Jeff. I am part of it.

"SO WHAT?"

(Editor's note: I Corinthians 10:13 says: "No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.")

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Johnnye Blackwell Submits Life Story For Publication



JOHNNYE BLACKWELL

Local Exhibitors Will Compete In Houston

FFA members from Parmer County will be joining other FFA and 4-H members from throughout Texas for intense show ring competition at the upcoming Houston Livestock Show, February 20 through March 8, in the Astrohall.

These FFA and 4-H exhibitors showcase their animal projects during the second week of livestock competition—the junior show. The first week of competition, the open show, features professional ranchers and breeders throughout the country exhibiting their breeding stock.

Entries in both the junior shows combine with horse show entries to make the Houston Livestock Show the world's largest.

Exhibitors from Parmer County include: Friona FFA—Jeremy Campbell, Jerrod Carr, Kendra Carr, Andy Carthel, Molly Carthel, Ashlee Hunt, Keith Hunt, Steven Hunt, Trenton Hunt, J'Lond Jarecki, M'Kell Jarecki, Joni Johnson, Chantell Lewellen, Charee Lewellen, Storm London, Cassie London, Luke London, Ryan Potts, T.J. Randolph, J'Mae Randolph, Kevin Schueler, Alicia Smith, Amber Widner and Trey Widner.

Bovina FFA—Cameron Charles, Yancy Graves, Albert Larrea, Alvaro Martinez, Chris Shufelberger, Levi Steelman, Jake Steelman and Jason Stone.

Representing approximately 930 Texas 4-H clubs and FFA chapters, the junior show will have close to 15,000 entries this year. A variety of animals is shown in the junior and open divisions of livestock competition: market steers, market barrows, market lambs, market poultry, beef and dairy heifers, breeding sheep, goats, commercial steers and breeding rabbits.

The four market animal categories (steers, lambs, barrows and poultry) represent animals raised by the exhibitors as food sources. Top animals in each of these categories are eligible for their individual market auctions. Last year, junior market auction sales totaled \$4,636,124.

"Undoubtedly, we have the most generous buyers anywhere. They understand and appreciate that the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo shows kids...and we simply allow those young people to bring an animal along with them," said John Sykes, assistant general manager/agricultural exhibits and competition department.

"We are always proud to annually present to the City of Houston thousands of Texas 4-H'ers and FFA members. They have worked countless hours on their projects learning specific life skills such as responsibility, time management and financial management. Our show will forever encourage such growth in young people," Sykes concluded.

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Every month a resident of Prairie Acres Nursing Home submits a story about his/her life's history to be submitted in the home's newsletter, "The Prairie Times" and for printing in this issue. This month we feature Johnnye Blackwell.

By JOHNNYE BLACKWELL
I was born in Caldwell County on January 13, 1915 to Bessie Mae Watkins. My father, John Harrison, passed away before I was born. My mother and I lived with my grandparents, W.N. and Ella Watkins. My mother had four sisters and a brother, Sarah Alice (S.A.), Lillian, Benton (Buddy), Wilma (Sister) and Yotive. My great-great Uncle Sam Watkins also lived with us.

Yotive was about one and a half years older than I. We were very close. I really considered them my brother and sisters, instead of my uncle and aunts.

We all went to a country school in Caldwell County. My Aunt Lillian was my teacher. I learned to read my the age of five. I really enjoy reading. We were taken to school by buggy. The thing I can still remember about my grandparents home, was that nice fireplace. We spent lots of fun times sitting by the fireplace.

Mother remarried when I was six years old. We then moved to the big city of Lockhart, Texas with the population of about 4,000 to 5,000 people. Lockhart, still in Caldwell County, was about thirty miles south of Austin. My step-dad, Wallace Neeley, adopted me. My name was changed from Harrison to Neeley. I was an only child and I sure missed being away from the family.

Yotive would go to the big city and stay with us for a week or so at a time, she always kept me company. Wallace was a mechanic and Mother was a housewife. Mother and I did lots of canning and I got to do the sealing. It was hard work but it was lots of fun and nobody minded. My mother tried teaching me to sew but it really didn't interest me.

When I was in the second grade, I remember I got on top of the barn and I wrote, "I Live Roland Prove," he never was my sweetheart and I don't even remember what he looked like. That was just one of the crazy things I did. I was a tomboy! We always played baseball with all the neighborhood. Mother always said she could never grow alone until she got rid of me. I graduated from High School at the age of sixteen.

I married Joseph Weldon Blackwell before I graduated from college on May 9, 1934 when I was nineteen years old. Later, I actually went back and got my Masters Degree in Education. I taught second grade for several years. Later I became Supervisor in Special Education and traveled from school to school.

Our sons Joseph Weldon Blackwell Jr. (Joe) was born in 1939 and John Blackwell was born in 1943. My son Joe was always determined to study and John wanted to have fun. I am proud of both of my sons. John is mischievous and he's my little rascal.

Joe married Elenor who is a German, when he was in the service. They had three children, Keith, Camille and Evelyn. Later he came back to the states and divorced Elenor and is now married to Diane. Joe and Diane live in the Washington D.C. area. Joe retired from the Army as Lieutenant Colonel. He now works as Tax Assessor-Collector in Fairfax County in Virginia.

John is married to Jo Gene Matson. They live in Bovina. They have two daughters, Melanie and Marcia. Melanie is married to Mark Montoya and they have three beautiful children, Brittany, Blake and Brennen.

John runs and owns Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home in Friona and does a great job. My daughter-in-law, Jo Gene is Administrator at Prairie Acres, where I now live. I am lucky to be able to live near my family and am happy to be at Prairie Acres. I've had a good life and continue to have one.

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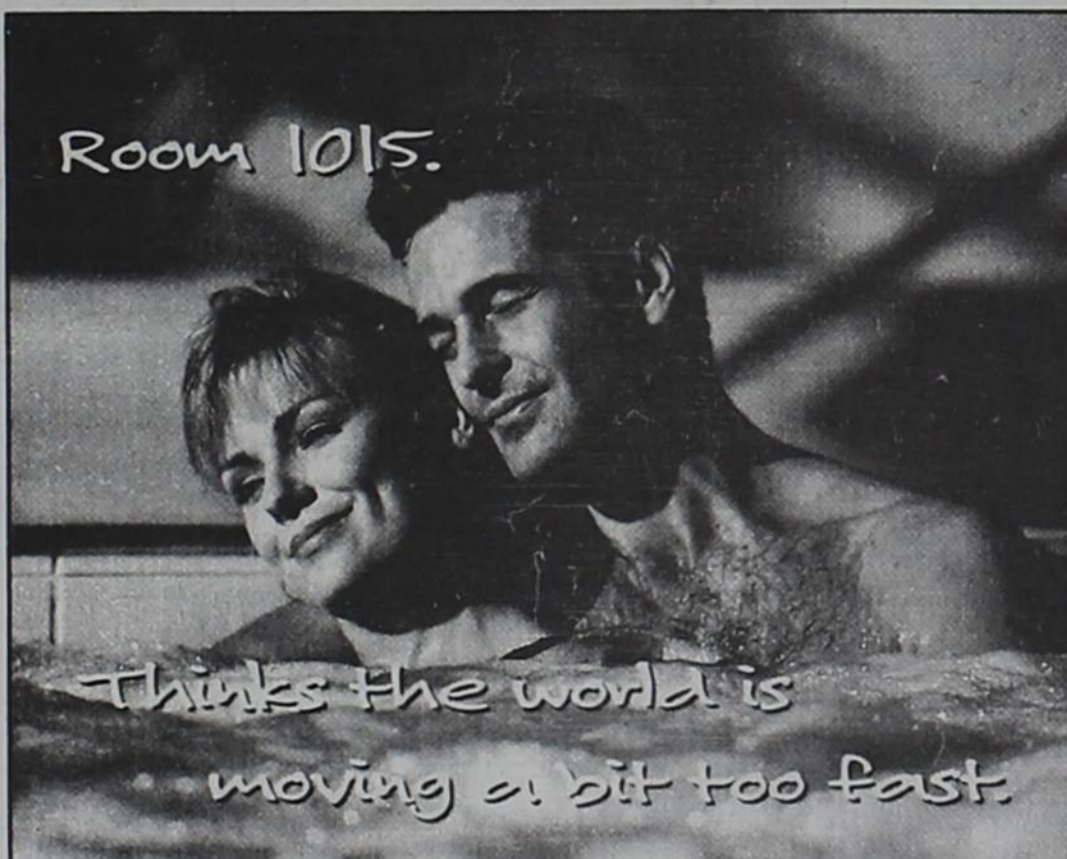
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PRAIRIE ACRES HONORS... Selected for the February spotlight at Prairie Acres were Mary Jane Marrufo, employee-of-the-month and Ben Israel, resident-of-the-month. Marrufo has been employed since Nov. 1997 and Ben has lived at PA since March, 1980. (ron carr photo)

Shot Dates Are Given For February

Immunization clinics offering vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases are scheduled for February.

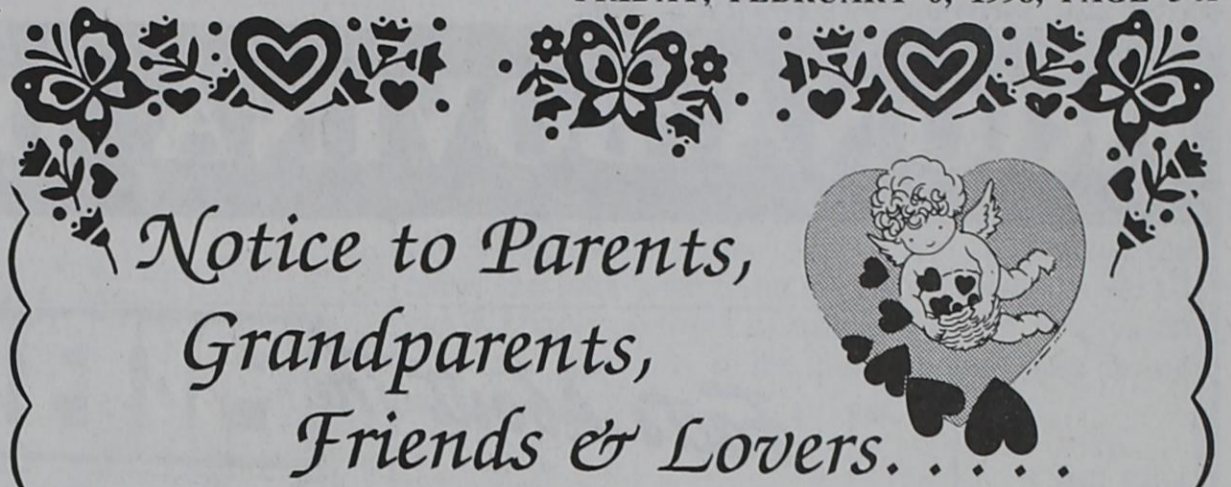
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Influenza and pneumococcal vaccines will be available.

The Texas Department of Health is charging fees to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount of money charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay.

The vaccinations are available at the WIC Office, 704 Main St. in Friona, on Friday, February 20 from 10 a.m.-12 noon and 1-3:45 p.m.

Vaccinations will also be administered at the EMS Office, 109 Third Street in Bovina on Monday, February 9 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.



Notice to Parents, Grandparents, Friends & Lovers.

Here's your chance to brag about your wonderful children and/or grandchildren . . . OR send a loving Valentine message to your very own "Someone Special."



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Parents: Andrew & Judy Fleming
Grandparents: Joe & Loy McLellan,
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Mon. Feb. 9th

Your photo will appear in an attractive Valentine frame in the Star/Blade Valentine issue.

All Photos Will Be Returned Unharmed

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(One or two people can be in one picture. More than two in one picture will require a larger frame and the cost will be slightly higher.)

*If you prefer a Valentine message without a photo, the cost is only \$6.00 for a 2" space.

Patients Prefer Home Health Care; Practice Growing In Popularity

Home care has grown dramatically as a preferred method of health care over the last two decades. Patients prefer to be cared for at home rather than in hospitals or nursing homes, and advances in medical technology allow more complex treatments to be administered in the home rather than in institutions.

In addition, home care is very cost efficient compared to hospital or nursing home care. Home health services include skilled and supportive care such as nursing; physical, occupation and speech-language therapies; medical social work; and nutritional counseling.

The Balanced Budget Act passed by Congress in the summer of 1997 is dramatically changing Medicare home health. Not only do new provisions attack fraud and abuse, but they also significantly reduce the number of Texans who

will be able to utilize legitimate services.

Under the new payment rules, the costs of providing care incurred by nearly 75 per cent of all home health agencies will exceed their reimbursement. Agencies will not be able to adapt to such significant cuts simply by striving to be more efficient.

Many agencies will be faced with the difficult choice of closing their doors, reducing services, altogether avoiding treatment of patients with high care-needs. Each of these alternatives poses a serious threat to senior citizens' ability to receive vital care at home.

A number of home health agencies will close in the next year, as the effect of the Balanced Budget Act begins to be felt. Approximately 30,000 Texans will lose their home care services because of

the changes to the Medicare benefit.

Care needs of Medicare recipients will not disappear. If home health services are unavailable, there will be an increase in expensive hospital and nursing home admissions, and an increase in the number of the elderly who die unnecessarily at home without the aid they need.

Congress is unaware of the real effects of the changes being forced upon home health agencies and their patients as a result of the Balanced Budget Act. It may not be too late to convince Congress to stop these changes and maintain the benefits that keep many Texans at home and independent.

For more information on how you can help, you may contact Rhonda Wilkins, RN Director, Parmer County Community Hospital Home Health, 1307 Cleveland, Friona, or call 247-2754 ext. 148.

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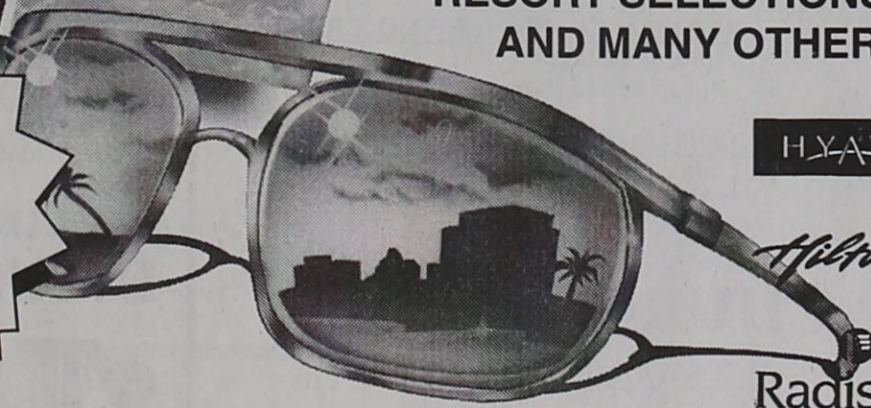
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FRIONA/BOVINA DEVOTIONAL PAGE

389 *Facts About The* **BIBLE** BY JOHN LEHTI

This is a dramatized version of facts taken from the Book of Esther, intending to show some of the customs of these ancient and traditional times.

EVIL HAMAN
AT THE BANQUET ESTHER IS GIVING FOR THE KING AND HAMAN, THIS EVIL MAN STILL HOPES TO GAIN PERMISSION TO HANG MORDECAI—NOW, AS THE KING SHOWS HIS DELIGHT IN ESTHER....

WHAT REQUEST HAST THOU, QUEEN ESTHER?

IF I HAVE FOUND FAVOR IN THY SIGHT, O KING, LET MY LIFE BE SAVED! FOR....

...I AND ALL MY PEOPLE ARE TO BE SLAIN BY AN ENEMY!

WHO IS THE MAN WHICH DARE DO SUCH AN EVIL THING—SHOW HIM TO ME!

UNTIL THIS MOMENT, HAMAN HAS NOT KNOWN QUEEN ESTHER IS THE NIECE OF MORDECAI, THE JEW, WHOM HE HAS PLANNED TO HANG, WHILE KILLING ALL THE JEWS IN THE KINGDOM—NOW HIS EVIL HEART FREEZES IN FEAR AS ESTHER SAYS "THE ENEMY IS THIS WICKED HAMAN!"....

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Showmanship Winners From Parmer County Jr. Stock Show



SENIOR BARROW SHOWMANSHIP....champion, Shena Seaton of Lazbuddie (right); reserve champion, Ashley Hunt of Friona.



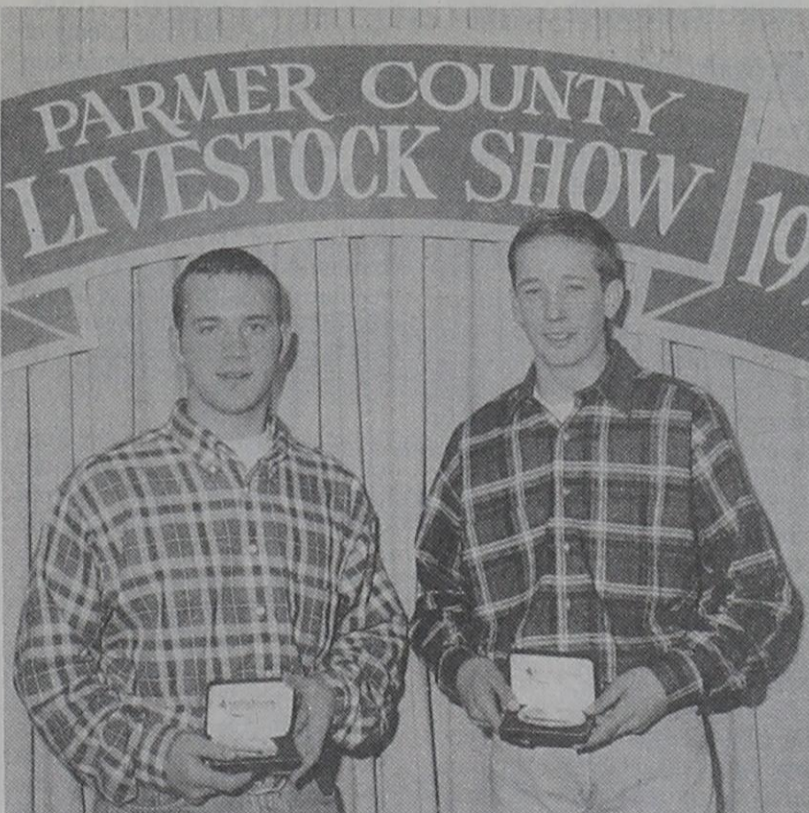
SENIOR LAMB SHOWMANSHIP....champion, Cassie Londor of Friona (right); reserve champion, Ginger Sides of Farwell.



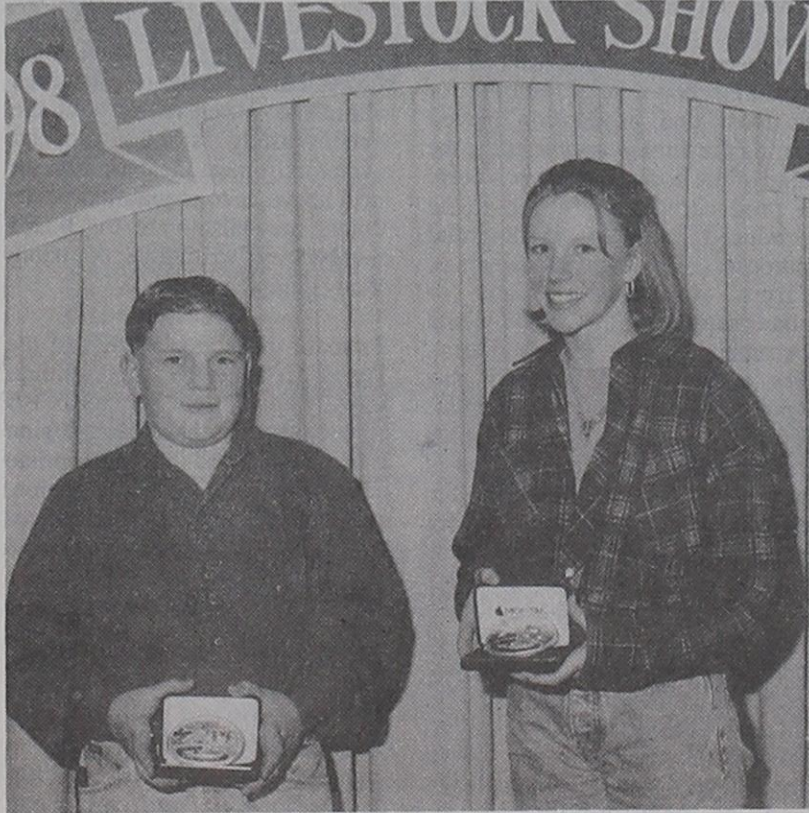
JUNIOR BARROW SHOWMANSHIP....champion, Andy Carthel of Friona; reserve champion, D'Anna DeLeon of Farwell.



JUNIOR LAMB SHOWMANSHIP....champion, Savannah Black of Lazbuddie (right); reserve champion, Suzanne Mason of Lazbuddie.



SENIOR BEEF SHOWMANSHIP....champion, Brice Redwine of Lazbuddie; reserve champion, Zach Barrett of Friona.



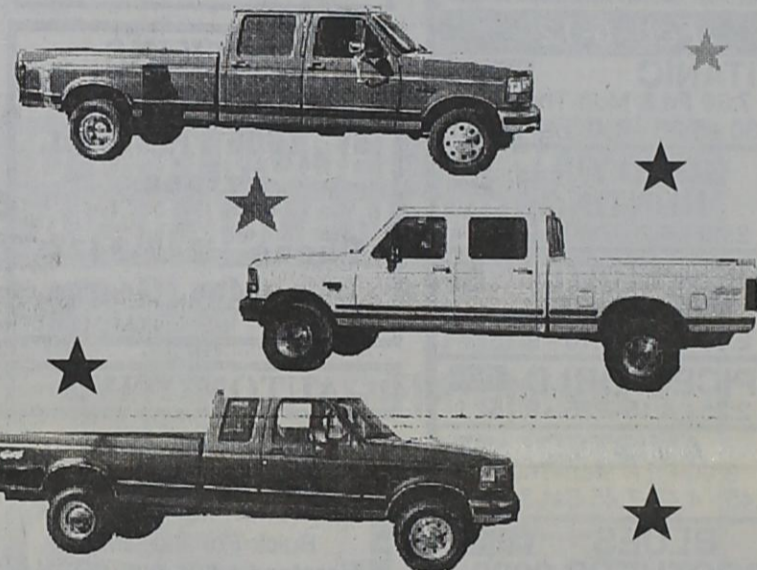
JUNIOR BEEF SHOWMANSHIP....champion, Wayne Terry of Lazbuddie; reserve champion, Savannah Black of Lazbuddie.

THANKS, DONNA

The Friona Star wants to thank Donna Schueler for taking pictures at the Parmer County Junior Livestock Show every year. We appreciate the effort she puts forth in taking these photos as we all know taking pictures of animals is not always an easy task especially in the numbers she takes during the two show days.

Bill Ellis

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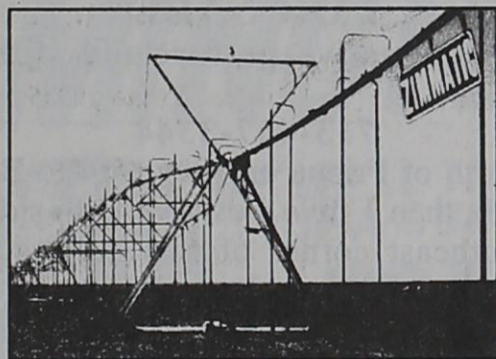
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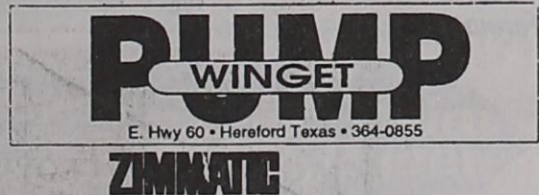
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Check advertisement and report any error immediately. The Star is not responsible for error after ad has already run once.

All classified ads are CASH in ADVANCE. Only legal notices or continuous running ads will be billed. All other ads must be paid in full before they will be published.

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HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED....Need wash and detail person for new Friona auto dealership. Also need computer skilled person for parts department. Experience helpful. Will train. Equal opportunity employer. Call Roy Riley, Western Chev-Olds, 806-364-3673. tfc 16-c

Political Calendar

The Friona Star is authorized to make the following political announcements, subject to next spring's primary elections:

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY:
DISTRICT JUDGE
 Gordon Houston Green
PARMER COUNTY JUDGE:
 Bonnie Clayton (re-election)
PARMER COUNTY TREASURER
 Anne Norton (re-election)
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 2
 Tom Ware (re-election)
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT 1
 Frances Euler (re-election)

LEGAL NOTICE

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TEXAS CORN PRODUCERS BOARD

VOTING REGION TWO

The Texas Corn Producers Board (TCPB) will conduct elections in four of its eight voting regions for the purpose of electing five new TCPB board members whose current members' seats have expired. There are a total of fifteen TCPB voting board members. These elections, to be conducted in 149 Texas counties, are being held pursuant to the Texas Commodity Referendum Law, Texas Agriculture Code, Title 3, Chapter 41, Subchapter A, Section 41.032. Voting Region Two consists of the counties of Hartley, Oldham, Deaf Smith, Parmer, and Bailey, and there is One Seat open for election of TCPB board members in Voting Region Two.

In 1990, Texas Corn Producers voted to expand the research and promotion program for corn, funded by a uniform code checkoff, to every county in the State of Texas. This election is the biennial election required by the Texas Commodity Referendum Law.

A person is eligible to vote in the board election if he or she is, or for at least one production period during the three years preceding the date of the board election has been, a producer of, or caused to be produced, corn for commercial purposes. This includes owners of farms and their tenants or sharecroppers, if the person would be required to pay the assessment. For a producer to vote in this voting region and for this TCPB seat, such producer must reside within the counties stated above. Only voters residing within the above counties may vote for candidate(s) representing this voting region.

Any eligible voter-producer as defined above may place his or her name in nomination to serve as a director on the TCPB. Nomination applications must be submitted to the TCPB signed by the applicant and ten other eligible voters. Nomination forms will be available in all 149 counties where elections are to be held this year, including the specific counties within this

voting region, as listed above. Nomination forms can also be obtained by writing the TCPB, 218 E. Bedford, Dimmitt, Texas, 79027. Please state your county of residence if you request nomination forms in writing from the TCPB office. All nominations must be filed with the TCPB not later than 30 days before the date set for the elections, and the date for the deadline for receipt of valid nomination forms by TCPB is therefore a postmark date of March 20, 1998. Nomination forms will be available after February 18, 1998.

The election in each of the four voting regions where elections are called for will be held by mail ballot. Ballots containing the nominations of all persons who have validly filed petitions under Section 41.025 of the above stated code will be available after April 1, 1998, at grain elevators or other points of check-off collection in each of the appropriate voting regions, at county agent offices in each of the 149 counties where elections are to occur, or by writing the TCPB at the address stated above. For a ballot to be counted, such ballot must be postmarked no later than May 1, 1998. There are four voting regions conducting elections in 1998. A voter must reside within a county contained within the voting region that the voter is casting his or her vote, and a voter must meet the definition set forth above as to a qualified voter. Voters may also vote for board members by "writing in" the name of any eligible person.

Pursuant to Section 41.023 of the Texas Commodity Referendum Law, this notice for a TCPB election within this voting region is being published in all appropriate newspapers with the voting region, such notice being published at least once a week for three consecutive weeks beginning at least 60 days before the date of the election.

The Texas Corn Producers Board is certified under Section 41.011 and Section 41.012 of the Texas Commodity Referendum Law to conduct this election, and has obtained all approvals and determinations required by law from the Commissioner of Agriculture, Texas Department of Agriculture. 17-3tc

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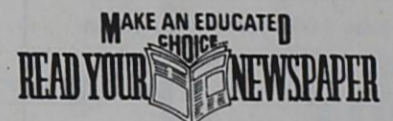
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Services Set For Vaughan

Memorial services for Theron Delmar Vaughan, 78, of Lazbuddie are scheduled for 2 p.m. Sunday, February 8 at the Lazbuddie Baptist Church.

Mr. Vaughan died Saturday, January 24, 1998 at the V.A. Medical Center in Amarillo.

He was born in Rolla, Missouri and was raised in Lazbuddie. He married Beatrice Martin in Indianapolis, Indiana.

He was a veteran of World War II serving in Belgium and France. He returned to Lazbuddie residing for fifty-three years.

Survivors include his wife, Beatrice Vaughan of Amarillo; a son, Theron Delmar Vaughan of Austin; a daughter, Sheila Allen-May of Amarillo and a daughter-in-law, Linda.

Also surviving are two sisters, Tomi Hutchison of Vici, Oklahoma and Nola Trieder of Lazbuddie; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by Larry Dean Vaughan.

Memorials can be made to the Palo Duro Nursing Home of Amarillo.

Happy Birthday Friona Folks.....

Week of February 8-14

Friona residents having birthdays next week include:

February 8--Nancy Roden, Micah London, Rhonda Romero, Erica Boeckman, Kathy McLean-Davis.

February 9--Joel Osborn, Renae Barnett, Randa Allen Copley, Deke Kendrick, Marlene Drake, Mona Campbell, Joe Gonzales.

February 10--Jana Floyd, Hayes Jones, Frank Saiz, Robert Saiz.

February 11--Holly Whatley, Eune Martin, Nancy Jackson, Jerry Harrelson,

Stephan Allen, Christy Stover.

February 12--Leon Coffey, Jeff Schueler, David Howard, Marilyn Stovell, Christina Santellana.

February 13--Jimmy W. Norwood, Michael Schueler, Robin Peace, Donny Campbell.

February 14--Tasha Cain, Wayne Schueler, Wade Schueler, Mildred Rule, Don Huckabee, Billie Jo Hand, Jimmy Broyles, Skyla Gay Knapp, Jimmy T. Norwood, Karen Conaway Cummings, Loraine Anthony.

Water Management Course Set Locally

The Division of Agriculture and the Continuing Education Center will be offering a three week course on agricultural water management. The course will focus on basic principles of water conservation and water use efficiency.

Specific subjects will include rainfall probabilities and distribution; water use efficiency; understanding the Potential Evapotranspiration (PET) Network; crop residue management for water conservation; effect of soil fertility on increasing water use efficiency; and crop-

livestock systems as an alternative to grain production for more efficient use of rainfall.

The course will be presented in Friona, at Friona State Bank, on Tuesday evenings, February 10, 17, 24, from 7:00-10:00 p.m.

Dr. B. A. Stewart, interim head, Division of Agriculture at WTAMU and former director of the U.S.D.A. Conservation and Production Research Laboratory at Bushland will be the course instructor. Cost is \$48.

To register call the Continuing Education Center at 806-651-2037.

Local Doctor Certified As Family Specialist

Dr. Robert S. Alexander of Friona, has been named a Diplomate of the American Board of Family Practice (ABFP), the certifying entity of the family practice specialty.

Dr. Alexander, a family physician, earned Diplomate status by passing the ABFP's certification examination, an intensive written test of the physician's abilities in pediatrics, internal medicine, surgery, obstetrics, gynecology, psychiatry, prevention and other aspects of family practice.

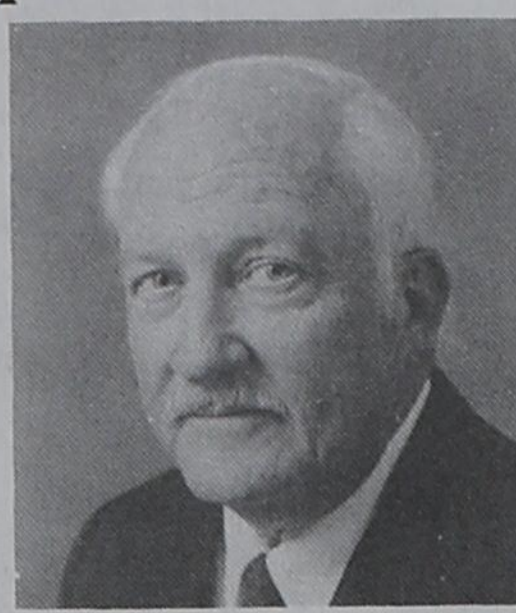
Family physicians are trained to care for the whole person, treating a majority of all medical problems people might have and referring them to other specialists as necessary.

There are family practice departments in approximately 126 U.S. medical schools and residency training programs in more than 465 university and teaching hospitals.

ABFP Diplomates must continue to demonstrate their competence in the specialty by taking recertification exams every six years.

Family practice was recognized in 1969 as a medical specialty by the American Medical Association and the American Board of Medical Specialties, and it was the first specialty to require its Diplomates to take recertification exams at regular intervals.

Most of the more than 50,000 physicians who have achieved ABFP Diplomate status are members of the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP). The AAFP is a national medical



DR. ROBERT ALEXANDER association that offers educational, legal, lobbying and practice support services to more than 84,000 family physicians, family practice residents and medical students.

Dr. Alexander has practiced at Friona Medical Clinic d.b.a. Friona Rural Health Clinic since 1965 and is currently Chief of Staff. He graduated from medical school at the University of Texas Galveston branch.

Dr. Alexander is a member of the American Medical Assn, the Texas Medical Assn., Phi Eta Sigma honorary scholastic fraternity, Alpha Omicron Alpha, honorary medical fraternity, Alpha Kappa Kappa medical fraternity and the Kappa Alpha order.

He is past president of the Tierra Blanca Medical Society, a five-county organization.

He is both the Parmer County and City of Friona Health Officer, and is the medical director for Prairie Acres Nursing Home in Friona.

Frionan's Rites Held

Services for Maria Elena Balli, 70, of Friona were held Wednesday at Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home with Charles Greene, Jehovah Witness Minister, officiating.

Burial followed at the Friona Cemetery under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Mrs. Balli died January 31, 1998 at Parmer County Community Hospital. She was born July 28, 1927 in El Ranchito, Texas. She married Ovidio Balli on October 18, 1942 in El Ranchito.

Mrs. Balli was a member of the Kingdom Hall Jehovah Witness Church. She lived in Friona since 1967 moving here from San Benito, Texas. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Balli was preceded in death by six children.

Survivors include her husband, Ovidio Balli of Friona; seven sons, Ovidio Balli, Jr., Eliseo Balli, Paul Balli, Andy Balli and Frye Balli, all of Friona, Murphy Balli of Levelland and Joe Balli of Midland; and five daughters, Ann Bowman, Minda Aguillar and Mary Aguillar, all of Friona; Vergie Hartline of Muleshoe and Marty Balli of Farwell.

Also surviving are five brothers, Juan Guerra, Heginio Guerra and George Guerra, all of San Benito; Joe Guerra of Friona and Robert Guerra of Levelland; and one sister, Lupita Guerra of San Benito; twenty-six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.



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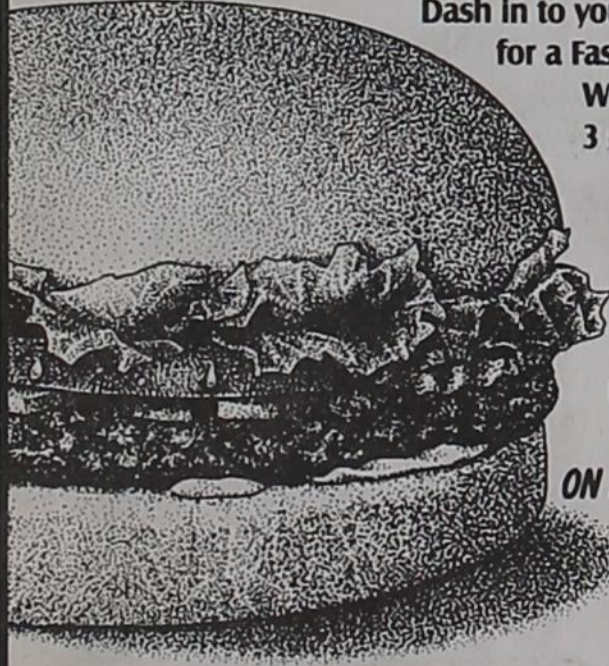
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A. Mejia Completes USMC Basic Training

Marine Pfc. Antonio Mejia, son of Mary E. Robledo of Friona, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

Mejia successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to

challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

He and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m., by running three miles and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, Mejia spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat and assorted weapons training. They performed close order drill and operated as a small infantry unit during field training.

Along with other field recruits, Mejia also received instruction on the Marine Corps' core values--honor, courage and commitment, and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

Mejia and fellow recruits ended the training phase with The Crucible, a 54-hour team effort, problem solving evolution which culminated with an emotional ceremony in which the recruits were presented the Marine Corps Emblem, and were addressed as "Marines" for the first time since boot camp began.

He joins 41,000 men and women who will enter the Marine Corps this year from all over the country.

He is a 1996 graduate of Friona High School.



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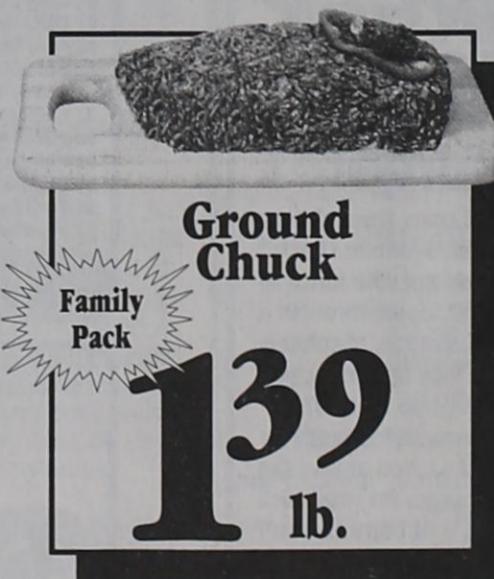
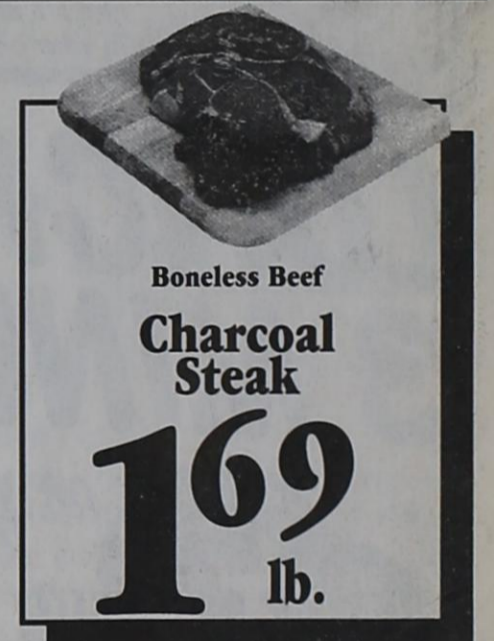
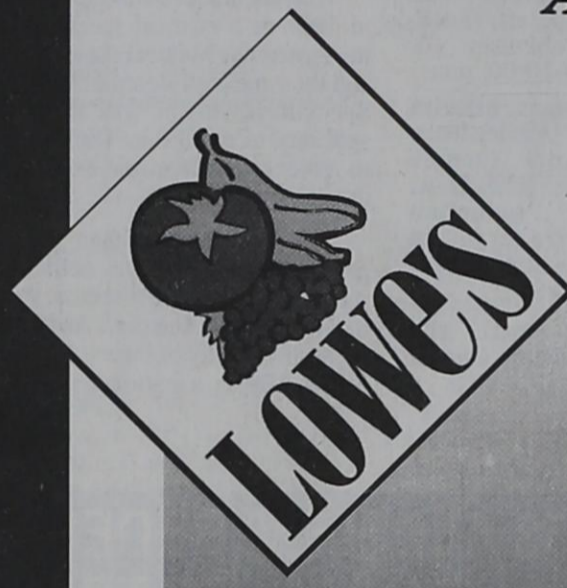


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