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U.S. 60 It's gonna' be a mess

BY RON CARR

Maybe you have noticed some congestion on Highway 60 between Main and Cleveland. If possible you might want to avoid that area for the next several weeks or at least figure out an alternate route on side streets.

According to a notice received from the Texas Department of Transportation

workers they have begun a \$250,000 road enhancement project on US 60. For the next month TxDOT will be milling and resurfacing US 60 from Main St. to Cleveland Ave. and the SH214 overpass area.

TxDOT crews began work Monday April 30 on both the

west- and eastbound inner lanes of US 60. Once the inner lanes are completed, crews will begin work to resurface the outer lanes, said Troy Daniel, TxDOT's Bovina maintenance crew chief.

"Work on the outer lanes will require us to close off access onto Main St., Euclid,

and Cleveland," Daniel said. "Motorists traveling on US 60 needing access to these streets should use side streets located before or after the construction zone."

The work on SH 214 will include resurfacing and removal of the median at the

south end of the overpass for about one-mile south.

For approximately the next three weeks traffic on US 60 will be narrowed to one lane in either direction. Daniel also said the middle turn lane will

not be resurfaced during the project.

He said they hope to be completed as quickly as possible but the length of time required will depend on the weather and the ability to get materials.



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Texas Department of Transportation workers brought out the heavy equipment this week as they began a 3-4 week resurfacing project on US 60 from Main St. to Cleveland. Local residents are urged to find alternate routes when possible. US 60 will be narrowed to one lane each direction for the next several weeks.

Early voting until May 8

The official election day is May 12. The polling place in Friona on May 12 will be at the city council chambers on Main St. next to city hall from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The only race on the ballot in Friona will be for two seats on the Friona school board. The three candidates are Alan Monroe, Ricky Barnett, and Loraine Anthony.

The Texas constitutional amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a reduction of the limitation on

the total amount of ad valorem taxes that may be imposed for public school purposes on the residence homesteads of the elderly or disabled to reflect any reduction in the rate of those taxes for the 2006 and 2007 tax years."

Early voting opened Monday April 30 and continues until close of business Tuesday May 8. The early voting is held at the FISD administration office at 909 E. 11th. Hours for early voting are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Early voters can vote for Friona school board and the amendment at the same location.

April weather from the local weather guy

Local weather guy John Gurley reported only 0.33" of rain in April. The area also received light snow and drizzle early in the month on a couple of days.

The average high temperature for the month was 66-degrees and the average low was 36. The month began with a high of 80 on April 3 but on consecutive days of April 7-8-9, the high/low was 36/25, 29/25, 35/25.

The last half of the month high temperatures remained mostly in the 70s and 80s with lows in the 40s. The last day of April high was reported as 74 and low of 48.

Distinguished graduates will be honored Sunday

Friona High School will hold a senior class reception and scholarship ceremony on Sunday, May 6 at 2:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. The public is invited to attend.

Three former Friona High graduates will be formally in-

ducted into the school's Hall of Distinguished Graduates during the assembly.

Former students are chosen for their exemplary careers and for distinguishing themselves in their accomplishments and service to society in the years

after Friona High School.

The three inductees this year will be Dr. Lacye Osborn Ratliff, Class of 1987; Thomas Jay (Tom) Sanders, Class of 1962; and Lila Gay Buske Vars, Class of 1958.

A reception will follow the

scholarship awards and induction ceremonies.

Bios and photos of the inductees are on page 12.

Happy Birthday Parmer County

By Don Spring

Centennial time is here and I hope all are making plans to enjoy the fellowship and celebration at the courthouse in Farwell Saturday May 5, 2007. Everything is in place for the blow-out and many fun programs are planned. There is a schedule of events printed in this week's edition and as you can see the community speakers are only allotted five minutes. Don't count on it. It takes five minutes to introduce the speaker and the community they hail from. Be prepared for some good comprehensive speeches highlighting the good folk of all the communities of Parmer County. That is as it should be because we are celebrating our heritage and our people are our heritage.

Several new developments have been added to the entertainment. Brenda Wilson has talked with a gentlemen who has a climbing wall as well as a bungee jump. I'm sure many of the younger set are looking forward to the more strenuous activities. I'm ready for the sausage wraps and BBQ, and many food booths will be available at the celebration. To each his own!! Also she reports that the exotic rides will feature a Dromedary as well as a Bactrian Camel. Not many Bactrian camels around so that will be interesting to see. Fritz Friemel will be bringing several rides for the smaller children and many other activities are on tap for the kiddoes as well as the older set.

Clint Mears has agreed to film the festivities and the DVDs will be offered for sale on Saturday and the days following. They will cost ten dollars locally and fifteen if mailed. A table will be set up on the courthouse lawn on Saturday where you can purchase a DVD. The table will feature other items of interest such as Parmer County History Books and assorted jewelry items as well as T-shirts.

Three Bovina school students designed a special cancellation stamp for the birthday occasion. Arlene Ortiz drew the Texas outline with the cowboy hat and lasso, Jacob Cruz created the locomotive and Osvaldo Snyder added the cow. The county post offices have designated a time you can get the cancellation at each post office. The Farwell post office will be offering the commemorative stamp on Saturday and the postal employees will be at the courthouse grounds that day. Bovina will be stamping on Monday, May 7, and Friona on May 8. Lazbuddie will be using the cancellation stamp on Friday, May 4 so if you want to be an early bird just head down to Lazbuddie the day before the birthday party and get all your letters stamped. This is a super special stamp and we thank our post office friends and the Bovina School students for their efforts.

The final act on the agenda is the Kwahadi Indian Dancers. These youngsters work long hours at perfecting not only the dance steps but the spiritual aura of the moves and music. They have performed all over the country and always receive rave reviews.

Last but not least, the monument has been moved to the courthouse lawn and is sitting there even as we speak. That was a long job and the effort will be well rewarded. We hope the family bricks will arrive in time to be installed around the monument so we can all better see how beautiful the living commemorative will be.

That is the latest from the Parmer County Historical Commission except to say we all hope that the residents of Parmer County are as excited about this celebration as we are and we look forward to visiting with each of you at the party. LET ME CAPITALIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF BRINGING A LAWN CHAIR OR OTHER COMFORTABLE SEAT TO HELP MAKE THE DAY A LITTLE MORE PLEASANT.

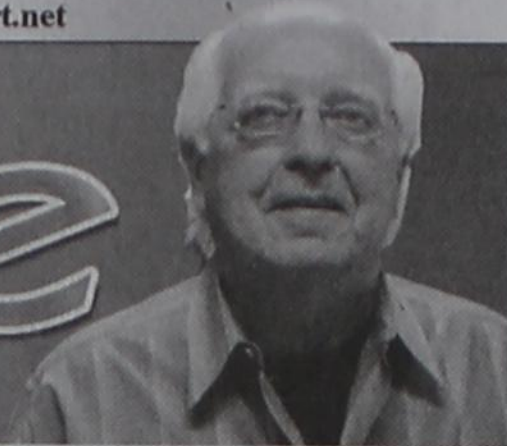


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Drawing the basket winners during Sunday's Friends of the Library Book Fiesta were Marina Jimenez, 5, daughter of Jessica and Richard Jimenez, and Aubrie Brown, 3, daughter of Renee and David Brown. Friends of the Library president Karen Renner presided over the afternoon's activities. More photos from the Book Fiesta event can be viewed at frionaonline.com.

Out Here

By Ron Carr



guns or no guns, that is the question

Most people that own guns don't kill people with them. An old 12-gauge bolt-action choke shotgun and a 22-automatic clip rifle sit in the back corner of one of my closets. I bought the shotgun in Hillsboro at Babcock Brothers for less than \$50. Paid it out by the week from my job at Barnard's Grocery. That would have been in 1955-56 while I was still in high school. I bought it for my dad's birthday but when I gave it to him he wasn't happy because I wasted my money on a gun. It hurt my feelings when he didn't want it so then he tried to make it up to me by driving out to the country to shoot it. We loaded it and I squatted down to fire. The boom and the recoil knocked me on my butt. Daddy laughed. Daddy wasn't much of a hunter so I ended up with the shotgun. Me and Jimmy Morelock rode many a mile on dirt roads in his old Model T Ford hunting dove and rabbits. Later I bought a short barreled .22-caliber rifle. It fired long rifle ammo that loaded into a nine-shot clip. It had a strap. I wrapped it around my arm to steady my aim and look cool. We had a ton of jackrabbits in the area. Jimmy and me dis-

patched many of them with a single shot between the ears. More than 50-years later I still have both guns. Not once in that 50-years have I ever thought about going on a rampage and killing people with them. I can't even remember the last time I fired one of them. I'm sure they will end up with one of my boys later on. But here is the question. If I had decided to take the shotgun and head for a mall and blast a few people could the government have stopped me? Not likely until it was too late. The only sure way they could prevent me or anyone else from a killing spree would be to make guns illegal and take them all away. Which is what gun control activists scream for after every incident like the one at Virginia Tech. Someone should have been able to figure out Cho Seung-Hui was going to kill people and stopped him, they say. They don't say how though. Yes he acted weird but that isn't a crime in America, at least not yet. At Virginia Tech all the students and teachers killed were totally exposed and vulnerable to attack. Cho had the gun and they didn't. Therein lies

the debate. Should colleges allow guns on campus? If not why not? Would have been nice if one of the professors could have pulled a .44 out of the desk and drilled this Cho dude early on. How about a gun securely locked in a gun safe at the local high school so only the principal and a couple of teachers know the safe's combination. How about allowing concealed handgun permits on college campuses. The common argument is that college students are too unpredictable to be trusted near guns and besides the bad guys can take a gun away from you and use it on you. Both arguments are baloney. What do you think? Should college campuses allow guns for protection? How about other school campuses? Churches? I know that God's House is a place of peace not meant for guns. But if some crazy steps into the aisle with a .9mm Glock and starts killing people in the name of the Lord, it would be nice to be armed with more than just an Amen. Professor Librescu. Died a hero holding the classroom door while students jumped out of a second floor window. Cho shot him through the door. If Professor Librescu had had a gun he may be a live hero today instead of a dead one. If Professor Librescu had had a gun he would not have hesitated to kill Cho. As it was the professors and students were vulnerable and defenseless, hiding under desks and jumping out of second story windows. The only guy with a gun on campus that day was the maniac. I have a son heading to college this year. I want him to be safe and happy. I don't expect the government or the college to protect him 24/7. That would be unreasonable. But if some fool starts firing I don't want him to be a sitting duck either. Colleges should be allowed to bear arms. That's my side of the argument. What's yours? If you are against guns on campus, or guns in general, don't try to convince me. Explain to the relatives of the 32 victims that died at Virginia Tech that having a gun in Professor Librescu's classroom was a bad idea. When guns are outlawed only outlaws.....well you know how it ends.

commentary

Cinco de Mayo ya'll.....!

The May 5, Cinco de Mayo, Mexican holiday celebrates a Mexican victory in the Battle of Puebla. Contrary to what many gringos think it is not Mexican Independence Day. That is September 16. In the battle of Puebla, Mexican patriots stopped a French invasion. The victory is significant to Mexicans because a smaller less-equipped army toppled the bigger and stronger French army. The battle took place May 5, 1862. At the time, Napoleon wanted to put one of his relatives, Archduke Maximilian of Austria, in control of Mexico. The French invaded the Gulf Coast of Mexico. They began marching to Mexico City, a distance of less than 600 miles. When the 6,500 soldier French Army arrived at the forts of Loreto and Guadalupe in Puebla, they were stopped by Texas-born Gen. Ignacio Zaragoza Seguín and a militia of 4,500 soldiers. But Napoleon did not give up. He sent 30,000 more troops and a year later took control of Mexico. Maximilian ruled for the next four years. The U.S. couldn't help because we were involved in our own Civil War. When our war ended we gave Mexico military and political assistance. Napoleon pulled out his troops in 1867 and left Maximilian behind. He was executed by the returning Mexican government. As a holiday, Cinco de Mayo became popular in the U.S. in the late 1960s. To honor the day people in Mexico and throughout the U.S. have parties with special music and food. Parties often wear red and green, two of the colors in the Mexican flag. You don't have to be Mexican to celebrate Cinco de Mayo any more than you have to be Irish to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Saturday is Cinco de Mayo and the 100th Parmer County anniversary party in Farwell. No doubt there will be Mexican food and music among the activities at Farwell's city park. Now you can enjoy two celebrations in one and know what you are talking about. Happy Cinco de Mayo ya'll.

Letters To The Editor

Friona High School and the City of Friona, I would like to take this time to express our gratitude to your school and your community for your thoughtful donation to our community in this time of need. The outpouring of help, donations, and prayers has been overwhelming to the city of Tulia. It is a blessing to see communities come together in a time of need. People from all over have been here helping just as if it were their property that had been damaged. With continued support from communities such as yours, the healing process will be made easier. It is great to know that we live in an area of the state that is willing to help their fellow man. Nowhere else in Texas will you find people more willing to step up and help than in the Panhandle. Friona High School and the City of Friona have proven that once again. On behalf of the Tulia ISD and the City of Tulia, I once again say thank you for a job well done. Sincerely, Eric Wilson Tulia High School

Ron, From time to time I notice that different classes are seeking addresses for their classmates for reunions. I had a call from the class of 1967 this weekend. I have a fairly complete database beginning with the class of 1916. I would share any information that is on the database. I haven't updated since 2005, so I would like to have any recent information from any class. Current addresses are scarce after the 1990's, although I have home addresses for the last few classes, which I got from the school. My email is white@wrt.net. I would love to hear from any Friona school ex-student. Sharon White Class of 1963

Hi, I'm Sam Wales. I'm a life scout in Friona Boy Scout Troop 56. I just finished my Eagle Scout Project. My project was planting trees at the RV Park at Reeve Lake. I planted Eastern Redbud trees and 39 evergreen trees and installed a drip system for watering the trees. The trees were paid for by the Friona Economic Development Corporation. I spent \$125 on the drip system. I used the money I had left in my scout account; it was money I had raised selling meat raffle tickets. I want to thank the following people for helping me to complete my project: Chris Alexander, Terri Johnson, Richard Perez, Kenny Ford, Jose Samaron, Ted Osborn, Mercedes Williams, my Scoutmaster, my fellow scouts, and my parents. Thank you to all the people of Friona, Dimmitt and Hereford who bought meat raffle tickets.



Pictured l-r: Jacob Hefner, Sam Wales, and Ethan Wales.

Mark Your Calendar

May 5
Parmer County Centennial Celebration at Farwell City Park 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

May 6
Senior class reception, scholarship announcements Hall of distinguished graduates at 2:30 p.m. at the high school

May 8
All Sports Banquet at 6:30 p.m. in the junior high cafeteria

May 10
Friona cemetery clean-up day starts at 5 p.m.

May 12
School board election

May 13
Mother's Day
Kid-Fish at Reeve Lake 1-4 p.m.
EMS safety day at Community Center
Burger lunch for ambulance fund

May 19
Junior/Senior Prom
High school cafeteria

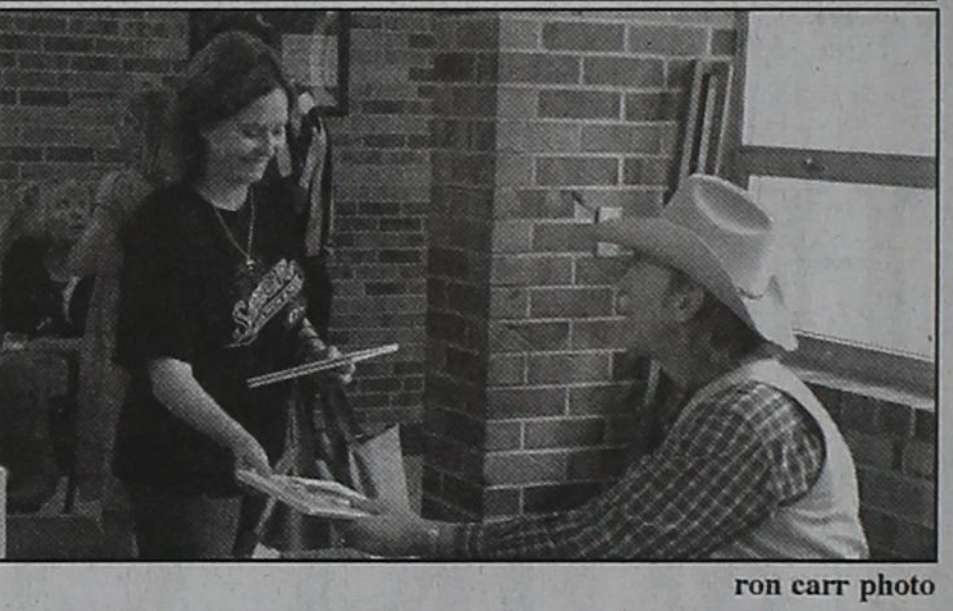
May 25
Friona high school graduation in the junior high auditorium at 8 p.m.

May 29-June 1
First Methodist Church Vacation Bible School. For information call the church at 250-3045.

June 22
Relay for Life cancer walk. For information contact Jyl Grimsley at 250-5700 or Jamie & Greg Lewellen at 250-3545.

July 21
2nd annual Friona Cheeseburger Festival. Call chamber for info-250-3491.

September 15-22
51st annual Maize Days celebration



Tim McKenzie signs a copy of his book, Baxter Barrett Brown's Bass Fiddle, for Holly Campbell.

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By Ron Carr

Seems the weather has calmed down out here at least for a while. Folks in Cactus, Tulia, and Olton are still a long way from normal as they clean up after tornado damage. Oscar and Patsy Vazquez of Friorna spent several days in Cactus helping Oscar's sister and brother-in-law. They owned the meat market that was a total loss and their home next door was also destroyed.

Rumor has it the latest fad around town is weight-loss clubs. A bunch of ladies get together and see how much total weight they can lose over a specific period of time. A similar project at Friorna primary school recently resulted in about 250 total pounds of weight loss.

I'm told one lady was forming a club and to her surprise over 50 women showed up to participate. So far I haven't actually met a woman who admits to being a weight-loss club participant. Guess we'll have to wait in great anticipation for an official report.

Ab Hendley at First National Bank called to report a potential scam going around. Several of his customers, mainly senior citizens, said they received phone calls that said they were from the bank and there had been

some trouble with the computer and they needed to verify the customer's debit card number.

The callers said they were calling "from the bank" without giving a bank name. Seniors and everyone else beware. Do not give out your personal financial information to anyone over the phone, especially if you do not know who they are. If you get a call like this, hang up and report it to the bank and the police department.

How do you suppose these scam artists know they are calling senior citizens? May be a database somewhere like AARP where they can get senior citizen phone numbers. Be cautious.

Here is a piece of irony I picked up out of the Tulia newspaper. About one week before the tornado hit Tulia a new Sonic Drive-In opened. It replaced an existing Sonic that was there about a block away. The tornado destroyed the old Sonic location but the new one was not damaged. The local manager said he rushed his employees into the store's freezer. At the old Sonic the front wall and the freezer were the only things left standing.

If you are a huge die-hard garage sale fan you might note

that the city of Memphis is having a city-wide garage sale Saturday June 9. It is a bit of a drive to Memphis but that never deterred garage sale fans before. Memphis has several antique stores and is right on Highway 287 about 2 1/2 hours drive from here. If you need some Memphis tips ask local funeral director Dusty Hansard. He and his family are from Memphis.

A nice big crowd at the Library Friends Book Fiesta Sunday afternoon. Enjoyed a brief visit with Hal Blackburn, a 1976 Friorna graduate, who was on hand to participate in the library program. He has written a book of 50 spiritual based essays. I bought a copy, as did many others folks and will reprint several of them over the weeks on our church page.

He is also an accomplished photographer. In high school Hal worked as a photographer for the Friorna Star. On occasion we still use one of Hal's photos of Prairie Acres taken from the top of the water tower. He admitted climbing the water tower for the picture. He mentioned a couple of buddies that climbed up with him. One was Danny Campbell. He also got a picture of the tornado west of town that destroyed the drive-in

movie and the roof over the swimming pool house.

He said he remembered going by the high school office to tell them he was going to take a tornado picture but there was no one in the office. They were all hiding from the tornado warning.

Hal and his family have lived in California and New Mexico where he was active as a college counselor. They now live in Canyon.

At senior lunch last Thursday a nice crowd enjoyed meat loaf and sang happy birthday to Opal "Granny" Strickland. She was 97 years-old and all decked out in a corsage. Her daughters Elwanda Campbell and Ollie Pearl Taylor were there to celebrate along with several other family members. (See the picture on this page).

At Monday's senior lunch it was said that Louisa Wilson is

now in hospice. Christeene Mann is back in an Amarillo hospital. She developed a staph infection after her hip replacement surgery. No news on when she will be back in Friorna.

Bill and Carol Ellis attended their Ellis family reunion in Oklahoma last weekend. A highlight was a catered dinner at General Tommy Franks' ranch. Gen. Franks is married to an Ellis family cousin and hosts the reunion dinner at his ranch near Roosevelt, Oklahoma. General Franks, who led the U. S. into battle in Iraq, is retired now but is still in demand on the speaker's circuit. Bill said Franks' ranch is named the Ellis Four Star Ranch. About 125 Ellis relatives attended.

Received a new subscription this week for Mary Taylor in Ft. Worth. Her daughter ordered the subscription for her for Mother's

Day. She said her mother's name was Mary Wyly when she lived in Friorna. Hope you enjoy the Friorna Star for the next year Mrs. Taylor and thanks.

Speaking of subscriptions, we have started a new procedure to let you know when your subscription is expiring. Instead of sending the postcards like we have before, we will now insert a bright 8 1/2 X 11 notice in your paper the first week of the month in which your subscription expires. All Friorna Star subscriptions expire the last week of the month in which they began.

It's going to be a busy May especially for the school kids. Awards assemblies, final tests, banquets, and proms are all crammed into the month. Keep us posted on local news and concerns. We'll see you next week.



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Opal "Granny" Strickland, center, celebrated her 97th birthday Thursday April 26. Joining her at the senior citizen lunch were family members, l-r, daughter Ollie Pearl Taylor, granddaughter-in-law Deborah Campbell, daughter-in-law Lois Strickland, daughter Elwanda Campbell, great granddaughter Misty Tishmann, and great-great grandson Keithan Tishmann.

FSA offering loans for beginning farmers

In today's farming situation, success is not always as easy as it first appears. Loan applicants have to deal with historically low prices and higher than ever expenses. Beginning farmers will need some assistance in making ends meet. The Farm Service Agency (FSA) has loans available for SDA and beginning farmers and ranchers.

"We are seeing the debt to asset and expense to income

ratios soaring", said Farm Service Agency Manager Thomas Taylor. "Many banks are charging around 11 percent interest on their operating lines of credit and young farmers are having a very hard time making their operations work." The Farm Service Agency has started a new program for beginning farmers for farm operating and farm ownership loans.

Under the farm—operating

loan, a farmer must have operated a farm or ranch for five years or less. The maximum loan amount is \$200,000.00 for a direct loan and \$717,000.00 for a guaranteed loan. Borrowers have to meet basic loan eligibility criteria.

Taylor said down payment farm ownership loans are also available to encourage beginning farmers who do not have the 20 to 30 percent equity requirement most lenders require to become landowners. The program should also help retiring farmers to transfer their land to future generations of farmers and ranchers.

The loan applicant must make cash down payment of at least 10 percent of the purchase price. FSA will loan up to 30 percent of the purchase price or appraised value; whichever is less at four percent interest amortized over ten years. The remaining 60 percent of the purchase price may be obtained from a commercial lender with up to 95 percent guaranteed loan.

This lets the loan obtainer stay liquid and not tie up too much of his current assets on long-term liabilities. "Today's farming more than ever requires new innovations, without them, farmers are not going to make it", said Taylor. For more information on this or any FSA program, contact the Parmer County FSA office in Farwell, Texas at 109 3rd Street or call (806) 481-3349.

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- Mandy Daniel & Jeff Pettit
- Ashley Smiley & Jason Gutierrez
- April (Pope) & Kenton Guidry
- Jacy Grimsley & Landon Weatherly
- Mindy Johnson & Doug McLemore
- Tony Beauchamp & Traci Sherrill

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- Kent & April (Pope) Guidry
- Ashley Smiley & Jason Gutierrez
- Mandy Daniel & Jeff Pettit
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- Mindy Johnson & Doug McLemore



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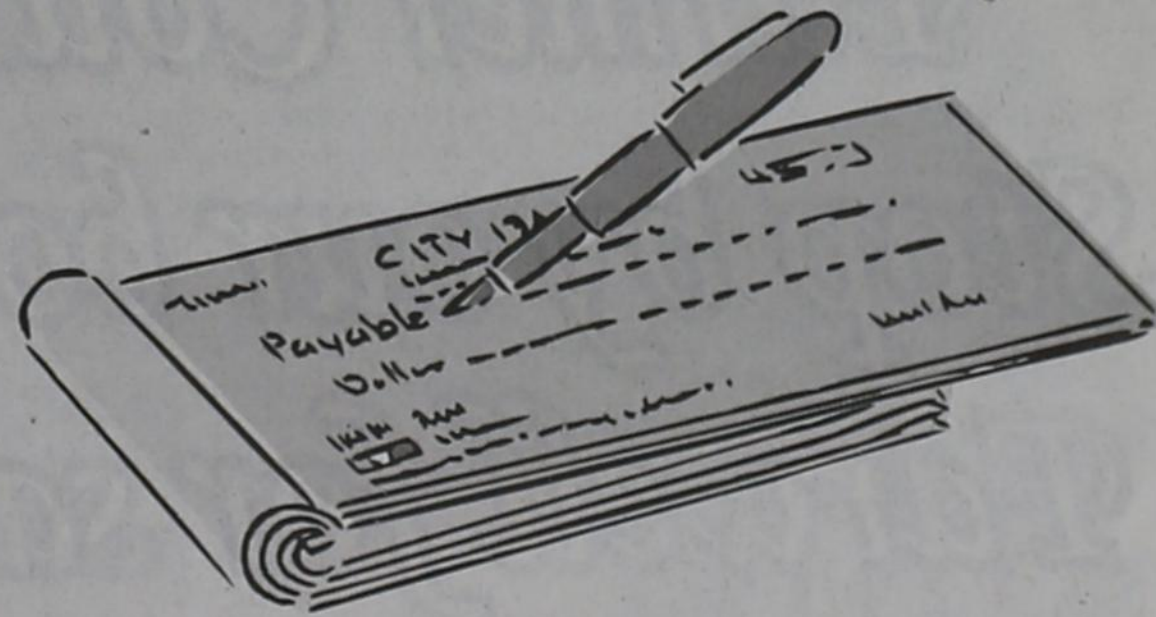
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Tony Beauchamp, left, a local cotton grower, is shown accepting an award from Lee Rivenbark, FiberMax director of cotton operations.

Beauchamp joins One Ton Club

Bayer CropScience recently hosted the second annual FiberMax One Ton Club™ awards banquet in Lubbock to honor the 2006 class of One Ton Club growers. The club recognizes growers who plant FiberMax® cotton seed and produce 2,000 lbs of lint cotton or more per acre on at least 20 acres.

Area resident Tony Beauchamp was among those honored during the banquet. Beauchamp had a field of FM 958LL that yielded 2,423 lbs per acre. Despite a season highlighted by drought in 2006, 78 growers were accepted into the FiberMax One Ton Club for achieving one-ton yields in Texas and Arizona, bringing the total number of members to 185 since the club was established in 2005.

"We were excited to honor 2006 One Ton Club members in Lubbock during our annual awards banquet, which is held in conjunction with the Texas Gin Show," said Brehmer. "These growers are top-class producers who set out from day one to produce high-yielding, high-quality cotton."

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Sheriff's Report

The following is reported weekly by Parmer County Sheriff Randy Geries office:

April 25, 2007, Jeff Campbell, 39, of Farwell, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with two counts of theft by check, pending County Court.

April 27, 2007, Jose S. Gonzales, Jr., 35, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a Potter County warrant (theft by check), posted bond and released.

April 27, 2007, Erica Gonzales, 32, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a Bailey County warrant (theft by check), posted bond and released.

April 27, 2007, Joshua Shelby, 20, of Friona, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with motion to revoke (assault), pending County Court.

Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deed from April 18, 2007 to April 25, 2007:

Glyneth A. Knight - The Knight Family Trust, N/2 SW/4 S35 T9 R1E.

John W. Renner and Lavon Renner - Ricky Don Jamerson and D'Lynn Jamerson, W/2 S5 T55 R4E.

Pedro Hernandez - Manuel Grado and Dolores Y. Grado, L5 B16 FRIONA.

Darrisa Gaye Tunnell - Kerry Don Ford, L12 B3 HILLCREST; S/2 L17 B60 FARWELL.

John W. Renner and Lavon Renner - Six Iron Farms, E/2 S5 T55 R4E.

Adolf Haseloff Estate - Richard Haseloff, NW/4 S1 T15 R2E.

Russell Irvine Nowlin and Dixie Gene Nowlin - Osvaldo Almaguer and Dora Flores, L14 B3 LAKESIDE.

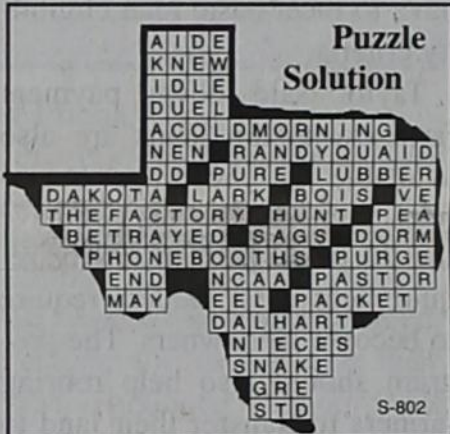
Chamber collecting used cell phones

Friona Chamber of Commerce executive vice-president Chris Alexander says the Chamber is collecting used cell phones to participate in a nationwide 911 program.

She stated they wanted only the cell phone and battery, not accessories. The used phones will be sent to an organization in Florida called Secure the Call Foundation. It is a coalition of law enforcement agencies and non-profits that collect and redistribute used cell phones to people that need a 911 phone for emergency.

Secure the Call inspects and cleans the phones, charges the batteries, and reprograms them to be used as free 911 emergency phones. The phones are distributed to domestic violence shelters, senior centers, neighborhood watch groups, school crossing guards, and other agencies with a need for 911 access.

For more information go to www.donatemycellphone.org and take your used cell phones by the Chamber of Commerce office.



Lions Club News



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Program chairman Dean Eichenauer, of the Friona Evening Lions Club, is shown with Rhonda Wilkins, center, and Heidi Eichenauer, who were guest speakers representing the Parmer County Hospital, Thursday, April 26th. Plans for the new hospital, as well as renovating the existing building, were explained using slides to show various changes and additions to both interiors and exteriors, plus enlargement of parking facilities.

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Varsity girls track results

The Friona Squaws placed 5th in the district track meet with 71 points. Qualifying for the regional meet were Lucretia Field 1st 100m hurdles 16.84; Erica Davila 2nd 100m hurdles 16.95; Jordan Monroe 3rd 3200m run 14:08; Maria Meza 2nd discus 91'-02"; Tiffany Vazquez 1st shot put 34'.
Regional meet results: Davila 16th 100m hurdles 17:43; Field 17th 100m hurdles 17:50; Meza 19th discus 91'-10"; Vazquez 9th shot put 33'-3/4"; Monroe 21st 3200m run personal best time of 13:45.47.

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Reyes and Welch qualify again for state track meet

The Friona varsity boys scored 17 points and finished 14th at the regional track meet in Abilene last weekend. But the bright spot is two Chieftains qualified for the state track meet in Austin May 11-12.

Juan Reyes placed 2nd in the 400m run with a time of 49.3 and 6th in the 200m run at 22.7. Dillon Welch placed 2nd in the discus with a toss of 171'-2".



Dillon Welch
Qualified for state track meet in discus



Juan Reyes
Qualified for state track meet in 400m

In other events, Ryan Schwab was 14th in triple jump at 41'-7" and Aaron Arcos was 14th in the shot put at 44'-6".

Coach Rex Cumpton said, "Our athletes competed well. We were able to get two of them to the state track meet, Juan in the 400 and Dillon in the discus. Both had personal best efforts at the regional meet. The athletes we took to the regional meet outsourced every other school in our district. We will be represented well at the state track meet."

This will be the second consecutive year for Reyes and Welch to make the trip to the state meet. Last year Reyes qualified for both the 200m and 400m and Welch qualified on

the discus. Reyes is a senior and has signed a track scholarship at Wayland Baptist University. Welch is a junior.

Good luck Juan and Dillon. Have fun and bring back the medals.



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Winners again. The 3rd-4th grade Friona Chiefs won their second tournament of the season at Hereford over the weekend. They have won 2 out of 3 tournaments this year. Back row, l-r, Coach Dean Sasser, Gavin Douglas, Brayden Pope, Mason Loffin, Haden Smiley, Josh Barnett, Coach Charlie Pope; front, l-r, manager Logan Loffin, Cole Stowers, Brent Hickman, Cody Stowers, and manager Weston Sasser.

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OBITUARIES

Dorothy Sue Cummings Stark Hallmark

Sue Hallmark passed away peacefully on April 26, 2007 following a brief illness. Sue was born on July 24, 1928 during the depression to Ennis Cummings and Jewell Newman Cummings in Hereford, Texas. She grew up in the small community of Lakeview near Friona.

Sue married Wayne Stark in 1947 and raised her first family in Hereford and Canyon. She returned to West Texas State University and earned her Bachelor's Degree in Education in 1971. Sue taught mathematics at Travis Junior High School in Amarillo from 1971 through 1981. She took special pride in providing individual attention to her students to help them achieve success.

Sue met Raymond Hurston Hallmark, the love of her life, on June 20, 1981. She retired from teaching, married Hurston on June 28 and together they built a home and a wonderful life together in Oak Ridge Estates on Lake LBJ. They shared more than 25 years of loving companionship, travel, adventures and family life in the Hill Country of Texas. Her greatest and most challenging work was the long-term care for her dear husband during his illness with Parkinson's. Sue's greatest loss was that of her dear husband in February 2006.

Sue was a lifelong member of the Church of Christ and leaves many friends in her church communities in Friona, Hereford, Canyon, Kingsland, and Marble Falls, Texas, and Rodarte, Mora and Taos, New Mexico. Sue leaves behind many friends in her home communities of Tres Ritos, New Mexico and Lake LBJ.

Sue had a great love for nature that she experienced in the New Mexico mountains and the Hill Country. Her keen eye for nature's beauty was preserved for posterity through her photography, sharing her view of her world with us all. Sue was truly dedicated to her loving extended family and friends. She was an avid San Antonio Spurs fan.

Sue's husband Wayne Stark, her husband Raymond Hallmark and her only brother Doyle Cummings, preceded her in death.

Sue is survived by her loving family: Sister in law, Judy Cummings of Friona; two sons, Ken Stark and wife Denise of El Paso and Nate Stark and wife Sheila of Round Rock; one daughter, Connie Doak and husband John of Tulsa; two stepsons, Craig Hallmark and wife Dorothy of San Antonio and Doug Hallmark and wife Beverly of San Antonio; and one stepdaughter, Tama Blend and husband Jim of San Antonio. She is also survived by six grandchildren: Jordan Doak, Evan Doak, John Stark and Sally Stark, Paige Blend, J.B. Blend, and Jenna Blend and one great-grandson, John Nathan Stark III.

All friends are invited to a memorial service to celebrate Sue's life on May 5, 2007 at 1:30 P.M. at the Church of Christ in Marble Falls, Texas. The family would like to thank the employees of Kingsland Hills Care Center and Hearststone Health Care Center, Seton Highland Hospice and Odyssey Hospice for their loving care during her final illness.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made in Sue's memory to the American Cancer Society, Cherokee Children's Home, or to your favorite charity for the preservation of nature.



Sue Hallmark

Mildred Alice Martensen Deyke Clements

Mildred Alice Martensen Deyke Clements entered into Eternal Rest on April 27, 2007 in Dallas, Texas. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 2, 2007 in the chapel of Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home with Reverend Terry Meyer officiating. Burial followed in the East Post Oak Cemetery under the direction of Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home.

Mrs. Clements was born in Platte Center, Nebraska on May 25, 1931 to Arnold and Anna Harms Martensen. As a former resident of Hereford, Texas, she later moved to Grand Prairie, Texas in December 2005, to be near her children. Mildred was a devout Christian of the Missouri Synod Lutheran faith, and a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church of Hereford. She was baptized at the Zion Lutheran Church in Platte Center. She attended St. Johns Lutheran School in North Columbus, Nebraska and later in her adult life received her GED. She was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Ladies Auxiliary in Hereford and served as the treasurer.

Mrs. Clements was the proud mother of six children and is survived by one son, Arlo Deyke and wife Sue of Longview, Texas; five daughters, Sylvia Lueker and husband Ron of Grand Prairie, Texas, Sheryl Moore and husband Bill of Detroit, Texas, Sheila Henry and husband Tim of Oak Leaf, Texas, Sonja Deyke of Arlington, Texas, and SuLee Waters and husband Gary of Ft. Worth, Texas; two granddaughters; two grandsons; two step-grandsons; one step-granddaughter; one great-grandson; one great-granddaughter; two brothers, Eldon Martensen and Arvin Martensen; one sister, Velma Shipley; the father of her children, Elmer Deyke; and many loving relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Raymond Martensen; her parents; and two nephews.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the Ladies VFW Auxiliary, Post 4818, Hereford, TX 79045, c/o Erma Murphy, 501 Ave. K, Hereford, TX 79045. Online condolences may be sent to the Mrs. Clements' family by visiting www.fry-gibbs.com.



Mildred Clements

Bernice Hayes Crump Wyble

Services for Bernice Hayes Crump Wyble, 88, were held at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, May 2, 2007 at Bell Avenue Church of Christ with Mr. Glen Walton officiating. Interment was at Fairview Cemetery in Memphis, Texas, under the direction of Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors of Amarillo.

Mrs. Wyble died April 29, 2007 in Amarillo. She was born April 20, 1919 in Memphis, Texas. She moved to Amarillo in 1968 from Bovina.

She was a member of Bell Avenue Church of Christ. She loved gardening, cooking, and feeding birds. Mrs. Wyble was a loving and caring person and will be missed by all who knew her.

She was preceded in death by two husbands, Bud Crump and Leo Wyble; a son, Tom; a sister, Estelle; a twin sister, Genice; and her parents, Burl and Retha Hayes.

Survivors include one son, Eddie Crump of Austin, Texas; three daughters, Carolyn Richards and Billy of Las Cruces, New Mexico, Cindy Kunselman of Austin, and Cathy Avery and husband Bob of Canyon; one sister, Cleon Burleson of Panhandle, Texas; eight grandchildren; and 11 great grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to BSA Hospice, P.O. Box 750, Amarillo, Texas.



Bernice Wyble

DID YOU KNOW?

The first water system the City of Bovina had was renting the water tanks from the Santa Fe Railroad. In April of 1948 the City of Bovina held an election to decide on a \$25,000.00 Waterworks Bond to pipe this water through out the city.

Prairie Progress c. 1981

John Otis Payne

Services for John Otis Payne were held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, May 1, 2007 at Blackburn Shaw Memorial Chapel, in Amarillo, with Reverend Robert M. Lindley of Lubbock officiating.

Mr. Payne died April 27, 2007 in San Antonio, Texas. He was born June 18, 1930 in Loco, Texas to Eugenius Sterling and Ruby Jewel Payne and graduated from Wellington High School in 1948.

Mr. Payne sold farm equipment for most of his career and managed Muleshoe Ford Tractor. He owned a sewing machine repair shop at the time of his retirement and continued to repair machines for several years afterwards. He was a long time Baptist church member and an active member of Lion's Club International for several years.

He was preceded in death by three sisters, Blonde Nadine Payne Field, Catherine Joy Payne Johnson, and Ruby Jeannette Payne Tickner.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce Rice Payne of Spring Branch, Texas; four children, Vickie D. Payne Cannon and husband Doug, Alan S. Payne, Lisa C. Payne Cave and husband Al, and Jay E. Payne and wife Marci; two sisters, Mattie Marie Payne Porter and Sylvia Lois Payne Sanders; nine grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to the American Heart Association.



John Payne



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Lilah Gay Gee & Hollis Horton enjoy the Library's Book Fiesta.

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- 1 TX Bentsen was an ___ to LBJ
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- 6 TXism: "got as much to do as a hibernating bear"
- 7 TX King Vidor's ___ in the Sun"
- 8 TXism: "far as an outhouse on ___"
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- 18 TX actor who was cousin Eddie in "Vegas Vacation"
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- 22 TXism: "___ as the driven snow"
- 23 clumsy seaman
- 24 TX Bentsen family came to TX from South ___
- 29 singing bird
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- 31 5/8/45: "___ Day"
- 32 TX Clint Black's "Straight Out of ___"
- 34 TXism: "that dog won't ___"
- 35 TXism: "___ shooter" (slingshot)
- 36 TXism: "sold 'em down the river"
- 37 loses firmness
- 38 a "day duck" is an Aggie who doesn't live in a ___
- 39 Superman changing rooms

- 41 remove impurities
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- 46 lamprey or electric
- 47 a small bundle
- 48 Dallam Co. seat
- 50 brother's daughters

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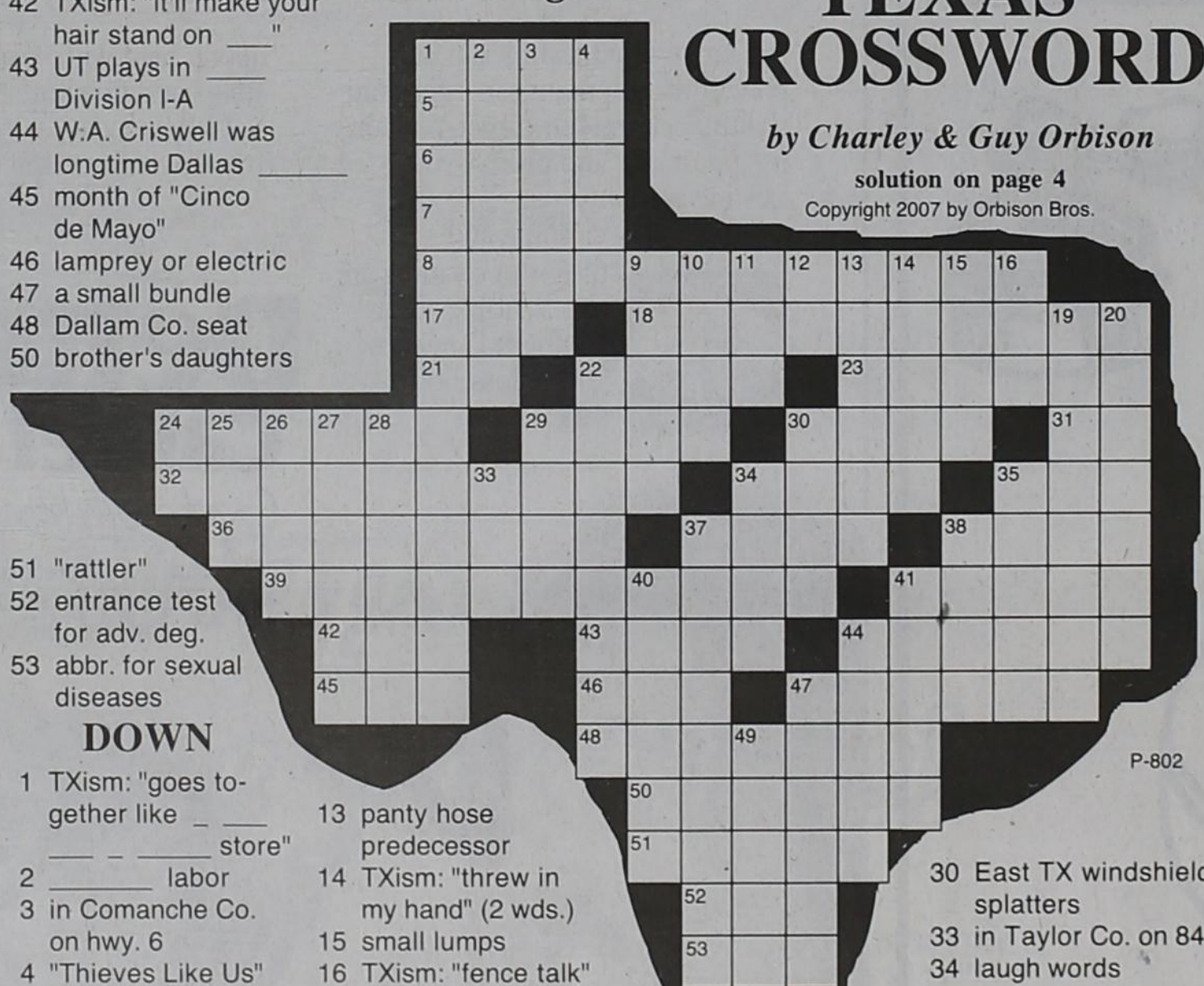
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Tony Beauchamp
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Steve and Trish Sherrill, marriage of their daughter, and Debra Beauchamp, of Bovina, New Mexico on July 21, 2000. Grandparents of the pros Sorley of Bovina. Traci graduated in 2002 from the University of Texas at A&S. Science. She is currently employed in Friona. Tony graduated from Bovina High School in 1971 and is currently farming in Bovina.

Think about this
Can you trust
BY T. LEON TALLEY, M.D.
Almost from the very beginning, I had a heart problem. Listen to what Noah said: "The Lord saw how wicked man had become, and that every inclination of the heart of man was evil all the time" (Genesis 6:5). Nothing had changed when Paul wrote to the Romans 1:21-24. He's talking about the same thing as the description in verse 21: "Their hearts were darkened." The tendency of the human heart is that we know His will, but we do not do it. The only way that we can be saved is by the grace of God on the mind of God regarding our hearts. We'll notice next that the only way that we can be saved is by the grace of God as He

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Tony Beauchamp & Traci Sherrill

Sherrill & Beauchamp

Steve and Trish Sherrill, of Tahoka, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Traci, to Tony Beauchamp, son of Mike and Debra Beauchamp, of Bovina. The couple will wed in Ruidoso, New Mexico on July 21, 2007. They plan to reside in Bovina.

Grandparents of the prospective groom are Grady and Dorothy Sorley of Bovina.

Traci graduated in 2002 from Panhandle High School and graduated in 2006 from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor's degree in Science. She is currently employed by Muleshoe ISD.

Tony graduated from Bovina High School and graduated in 2004 from Texas Tech University with a Bachelor's degree in Finance. He is currently farming in Bovina.

Think about this

Can you trust your heart?

BY T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

Almost from the very beginning of time, man has been plagued with a heart problem. Listen to what the Bible says about man in the days of Noah. "The Lord saw how great man's wickedness on the earth had become, and that every inclination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil all the time" (Genesis 6:5).

Nothing had changed when Paul, by inspiration, wrote what he did in Romans 1:21-24. He's talking about the decadence of the world. Note his description in verse 21: "Their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened".

The tendency of the human being is to turn away from God. God's desire is that we know His will. That our hearts be attuned to His heart. The only way that we can be attuned to God's heart is to know what's on the mind of God regarding His will for us. He wants our hearts. If He doesn't have our hearts He doesn't have our lives.

We'll notice next that the objects of our thoughts and affections must be directed toward God as He is revealed through His Word.

New Arrival



Madison Kay Tyler

Bobby and Paige Tyler, of Plainview, Texas, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Madison Kay Tyler, the couple's first child. (Paige works at the Friona Post Office.)

She was born on March 9, 2007, at 12:36 p.m., at Plainview Covenant Hospital in Plainview. She weighed 7 pounds and was 19 1/4 inches long.

Madison's grandparents are Darrell and Brenda Tyler of Plainview, and Kirby and Kay Beckwith of Hardesty, Oklahoma.

Her great grandparents are Dean and Doris Randles of Enid, Oklahoma, Ken and Lou Beckwith of Woodward, Oklahoma, and Bobby Phillips of Emery, Texas.



Sara Katelyn Sifford

Ryan and Rashed Sifford, of Little Elm, Texas, announce the birth of their 8 pound, 10 ounce daughter, Sara Katelyn, on Saturday, April 28, 2007.

Sara joins her three-year-old sister, Paige, at home.

Her grandparents are Glenda Sifford of Friona, Wayne Sifford of Woodward, Oklahoma, and Debora Phillips of Lubbock.

Great-grandparents are Ewart and Lillie Phillips of Midland, Texas.



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Pampa native and former Texas A&M and NFL football player Billie Wayne Lemons was guest speaker at the 6th Street Church of Christ senior class banquet Monday evening. The banquet theme was Life is a Highway. Lemons is a minister and works with abused and disadvantaged children in Lubbock.

ENGAGEMENT



Todd Raines & Amanda Taylor

Taylor & Raines

Jim and Amelia Taylor, of Friona, are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Amanda Jo Taylor, to Todd Kenneth Raines, the son of Linda Raines and the late Ben Raines, of Taylors, South Carolina.

Amanda is a Friona High School graduate and is pursuing her second Master's in Student Development and Leadership in Higher Education at Angelo State University. She is currently employed by Angelo State University as the Coordinator of Recruiting.

Todd graduated from Doherty High School in Colorado Springs, Colorado and attended the University of Colorado in Colorado Springs. He is currently employed by the United States Air Force.

Amanda and Todd will exchange wedding vows on Saturday, July 28, 2007, at 4:00 p.m., at St. Luke United Methodist Church in San Angelo, Texas.

Happy Birthday

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May 8-Randy Boeckman, Susie Davis, Jennifer Lamb, Floyd Schueler, Hazel Sifford, Mary Pipes, Emma Talley

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 Braillif, J'Lond Jarecki, Carolyn Gonzales, Sandra Randall, Justin Jeter, John David Haile, Hillary Bermea

May 11-Robert Jones, John Baca, Reese Fleming, Butch Preston

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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: Byron J. Boyd
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DATED the 26th day of April, 2007.

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Sealed applications must be brought or mailed to Bonnie J. Heald, County Judge, 401 Third Street, Room 104, P.O. Box 506, Farwell, Texas 79325, to be received no later than 10:00 a.m., Friday, May 18, 2007, at which time all applications will be considered.

The Parmer County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications. The Depository Contract will be awarded at the Commissioners Court meeting on Monday, May 21, 2007 at 10:00 a.m.

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A rumor (imagine that)...that a railroad line from Tu...might pass through nea...town in the lower Panha...failed to happen and in...development of the town...Cadillac was surveyed...George G. Wright Real E...pany and was located...corners' of where Parm...Counties now meet. It w...Smith County in section...mas Kelly's huge 65,000...Star Ranch.

Clay's Corner...

Only a windmill tower...1953 when Herbert and...Parmer County from Lam...who was the operator of...and he had suggested th...might be needed. The C...Drive-in' grocery store...Farm Roads 145 & Highw...As farming and irriga...area more farmers move...store. James Robinson...grey hounds in addition...years 'catty-corned' to th...Clays had added a cafe...to their business. The Fa...tor was built in the earl...the establishment of a...1961.

The Clays began hostin...giving Dinner at their ca...their wholesale suppliers.

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Lakeview, Texas...

Lakeview came into exi...the Black School District v...room school house built h...a community facing the l...dry except during the ra...Voting Precinct 8 was als...Whitefield's Lakeview hom...With a new school in 19...dents needed furnishings...items donated by Friona...an auction sale and raise...library books, maps and o...even brought in enough...piano. Miss Wana Vestal...the school, could play the...for many community gather...served as their 'water foun...freezing weather, and then...inside sufficed. Young stu...

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Parmer County Centennial Moments

By Darla Bracken fridarla19@yahoo.com

Black, Texas...small but proud

It was a shipping station on the Pecos Valley and Northern Texas Railway in 1898. E. B. Black, a Deaf Smith County pioneer of Hereford, had purchased several hundred acres of land north of the railroad for his brother-in-law Captain J.E. English. For his being the only landowner in the area at the time, the community became his namesake. A townsite was mapped south of the railroad, but it never developed.

George G. Wright Real Estate of Kansas City, Missouri began selling XIT Ranch land here in 1908 and potential buyers came in on the excursions trains about every two weeks. A hotel, built to accommodate some of these buyers, later became the Black Community School in 1910 as Parmer County School District # 1. On April 6, 1912 a post office was established. The county's first irrigation well was dug here in 1913.

Community activity centered on the mercantile store and later large grain elevators and a closely-knit community developed. The store also served as a community gathering place and also a meeting place for church services

led by Ray Coneway when he opened the store in 1921. The store with the post office went back and forth for several years, but closed when Les Deaton retired in 1981. Les had served as postmaster for 34 years and was considered by some as Black's unofficial 'mayor'.

The Black 'Bears' played soccer football and basketball against the Summer Field 'Coyotes'. Black fought hard to keep its school, but it was consolidated with Friona in 1950 with part of its students going to a new school at Lakeview. Only recently the old Black School which had been moved from its original location and served as the Black Community Center was torn down. It was a sad day for many area residents.

The Black Social and Study Club was organized in 1931 with dues of 25 cents per year. Many social events took place in this community including an annual Thanksgiving Dinner. The population of Black was 100 in 2000 yet there were 12 businesses including Attebury Grain formerly Friona Industries and formerly Black Grain.

Cadillac, Texas...Parmer County's other ghost town

A rumor (imagine that) of the day suggested that a railroad line from Tucumcari, New Mexico might pass through near this location to a town in the lower Panhandle of Texas. That failed to happen and in this case so did the development of the town of Cadillac.

Cadillac was surveyed and mapped by the George G. Wright Real Estate and Land Company and was located very near the 'three corners' of where Parmer, Lamb and Castro Counties now meet. It was registered in Deaf Smith County in section 104 as part of Thomas Kelly's huge 65,000 acre purchase for the Star Ranch.

B. C. McCleary surveyed the town site of Cadillac, Texas and recorded his plot on February 9, 1907—100 years ago this year. The town site was made up of 14 city blocks.

Avenues were named Silver, Carpenter, McMillan, Vorpe, Davis, Foster, Ford and Jackson. Streets were designated as First, Second and Third and ran at right angles to the Avenues in the blocks measuring 300 feet by 300 feet.

Cadillac Feed Yard today is in the general vicinity and maybe a namesake of the 'ghost' town of Cadillac.

Clay's Corner, Texas...County Crossroad

Only a windmill tower marked the spot in 1953 when Herbert and Vera Clay moved to Parmer County from Lamesa. Clay had a friend who was the operator of the cotton gin here and he had suggested that a country store might be needed. The Clays established a 'Drive-In' grocery store on this 'corner' of Farm Roads 145 & Highway 214.

As farming and irrigation increased in the area more farmers moved to the vicinity of the store. James Robinson raised championship grey hounds in addition to farming for many years 'catty-corned' to the store. By 1955, the Clays had added a café and a hardware store to their business. The Farmer's Co-Op Elevator was built in the early 1960's followed by the establishment of a fertilizer business in 1961.

The Clays began hosting an annual Thanksgiving Dinner at their café in 1956. Many of their wholesale suppliers helped supply the

fixings and the Clays added gifts for everyone from their store. That first meal was 49 cents. The store also served as a port in a storm during the blizzards of 1956 and 1970 and had as many as 39 stranded there at once.

Easter egg hunts were held annually from 1958 to 1967 when over 10,000 eggs were hidden. In later years, Mr. Clay enjoyed a garden and he and Mr. Robinson put together a plow and a mule named 'Old Toby' to till the garden. Mr. Clay's poodle 'Bear' could sometimes be observed taking a ride on Old Toby's back as he was plowing. It must have been quite a sight.

Although there was never a school or a church at Clay's Corner, many enjoyed the fellowship of pitching washers and swapping stories in addition to the Thanksgiving dinners and the Easter egg hunts at this country crossroads store. Population in 2000 was 15.

Hub, Texas...the hub of the wagon wheel

First known as 'Homeland' when it was established in 1925 as the Syndicate Hotel was constructed just east of here. Land buyers and prospective settlers were brought in fleets of automobiles to the hotel until it closed for business in 1931. The building was purchased by the Friona American Legion Post 206 and was moved into Friona in 1943. It is on the corner of 7th and Washington and has been renovated by Donna Baker as a gift shop.

The Homeland Baptist Church was active in the community for several years from 1927 to 1932. The church was also used for school for a short period of time. Like spokes from a wagon wheel, Hub, with its metal grain elevators, two cotton gins and the surrounding fertile farmland, is a vital commerce center in

the county today. Hub is located where State Highways 86 and 214 meet.

Hogue's Super Market owned by Clyde & Dora Hogue provided a convenient grocery store for this community and through highway traffic. Purchased by Otis and Athlea Neel in 1957, it became Neel Grocery which they operated from 1957 to 1969. Along with Hub Café, the Hub Community Center has served as the social gathering places for many years. The Hub Community group donated \$7,000 in 2006 to the Parmer County Historical Museum to help make the museum more accessible for all residents. For many years the traffic light at Hub slowed traffic from both directions. The traffic light has only recently been replaced with stop signs east and west on Highway 86.

Lakeview, Texas...a playa lake community

Lakeview came into existence in 1928 when the Black School District was divided. A new 2 room school house built here brought together a community facing the lake. The 'lake' was dry except during the rainy season, however. Voting Precinct 8 was also held at the E. B. Whitefield's Lakeview home for many years.

With a new school in 1928, Lakeview residents needed furnishings and supplies. With items donated by Friona merchants, they held an auction sale and raised enough money for library books, maps and other supplies. They even brought in enough to purchase a used piano. Miss Wana Vestal, a young teacher in the school, could play the piano and did so for many community gatherings. The windmill served as their 'water fountain' unless it was freezing weather, and then a bucket of water inside sufficed. Young student, Sam Mears,

made it his job every day to ring the hand bell signifying the end of recess.

During another auction to raise funds, the homemaking girls made a friendship quilt which Miss Brewer purchased with a \$5 donation. That quilt has been donated to the Parmer County Historical Museum. The Lakeview School was moved to Friona in 1942 when the school district merged with Friona. "There is nothing left to show the location of the old school campus," wrote Mrs. Wana Brewer for *Prairie Progress* in 1980.

In 1985 the population of Lakeview was 45. A cotton gin and a fertilizer business along with a grain elevator and Friona Wheat Growers—Lakeview Station are now located at Lakeview.

NOTE: There are 8 other Lakeview's in the state of Texas all located in different counties.

Lariat, Texas—lassoing a landmark

W. H. Simpson of the Sante Fe Railroad is credited with naming Lariat (a cowboy's rope) in 1913 on former XIT Ranch land as a stop on the Pecos Valley and Northern Texas Railroad, a subsidiary of the Sante Fe Railroad. Mr. Simpson was a purchasing & passenger agent for the railroad. Lariat is located on U.S. Highway 84.

In 1921 the German Lutheran Church began meeting in the Paul Graf home in Lariat. They built St. John's Lutheran Church in 1924. A Post Office was established December 9, 1925 with Maggie L. Robertson as postmistress. By 1927 the local Church of Christ had constructed

their meeting place and Transit Grain had built a grain elevator.

Early Lariat also had a cotton gin, a general store, a blacksmith shop and a resident doctor. Lariat was also home to many talented musicians and singers and often hosted regional gospel singing schools and workshops. Sherley-Anderson of Farwell constructed a second grain elevator here in 1952.

Although Lariat did not have its own school its students have been bussed to Farwell. Today there is a day care center. A large grain receiving station is currently located in Lariat. The population of Lariat in 2000 was 200.

Oklahoma Lane, Texas...a community transplanted from Oklahoma

Before 1916, this area was part of the XIT Ranch with only windmills, line camps and half dugouts about. In 1915 land agents hit Oklahoma with deals and the allure of 'virgin soil' for as little as \$100 down with teams of mules and horses also being accepted as payment. Ed McGuire, John Scribner, T. Hooser and brothers, Jim and Joe Johnson, each bought choice acreage from the Capitol Syndicate and brought their families back with them from their native Oklahoma.

Knox School and Sunnyside School developed when more folks began to move to the area in 1916. By 1917 the first Christmas, the longstanding tradition of the Community Christmas Tree was established. At first, all they had was a peach tree which they proceeded to decorate with strands of cranberries and popcorn. Santa sacks which were handmade by the women of Oklahoma Lane were given as gifts. Later, box suppers were used to raise funds for the Santa sacks. The flu epidemic of 1918 halted the community Christmas tree that next year. This tradition was rotated between these community schools until they consolidated into the Oklahoma Lane School District in 1921 when a new

red brick building was constructed.

Parmer County School District # 10 was partitioned between Lazbuddie, Farwell and Bovina and consolidated in 1949. The former Oklahoma Lane School now serves the community as the Methodist

Church. The Agric-Center Farm Store now serves Oklahoma Lane and the surrounding area and is also a local gathering place.

Oklahoma Lane is the boyhood home of NFL Place kicker Mac Percival. Population in 1990 was 64.



Oklahoma Lane softball team-1930: Vera Hanna, Estellene Magness, Francis Carpenter, Angeline Lee, Ernestine Hromas, Wanna Levy, Annie Dugger, Ollie Dugger, Joe Jenkins, Sherley Hendrickson, and Dollie Hammonds.

Rhea, Texas...a German Lutheran Colony from Indiana

The Rhea Brothers, Joe E. and John W., established a ranch here in 1901 on land purchased from the XIT Ranch, thus the name Rhea. But by 1906 they had sold out and moved to New Mexico to continue ranching. In 1908 Herman F. Reinking bartered with the George G. Wright Land Company for land in this area. Mr. Reinking was 60 years old at the time and had carefully observed from his own home in Indiana as the lands in Iowa and Nebraska were being sold and settled. After viewing firsthand the land in the Panhandle of Texas and following much deliberation, he made the following proposal to George G. Wright that they, the land company would:

1. Set aside 10 sections of land to be sold exclusively to German-Lutheran people in one plot.
2. Donate and set aside 40 acres of the half-section of land which Mr. Reinking had chosen to purchase for himself. These 40 acres were then to be deeded to the German-Lutheran Congregation, Missouri Synod, as soon as it was feasible after the congregation had been organized in Texas.
3. Donate \$1,000 for the erection of a Chapel on the forty-acre church ground.

The land company agreed, without quibbling, to the proposition and even added that they would also donate a bell to the chapel after it was built. The promise of the bell was not kept, however. The Reinkings solicited freewill donations to drill a well and to build a colony house before the settler began moving to the Panhandle. Then the settlers helped each other build their homes from half-dugouts to stone houses as they could.

Early residents of Rhea battled drought, prairie fires, water shortages and winter blizzards. These Midwestern farmers had to adjust to different planting methods and crops, growing seasons and equipment needs, along with their new neighbors—but they learned by experimenting and doing. The strong spirit of the community held them together as they built their Chapel and a parochial school here in 1908 or 1909. Pastor Arthur Lohman from Canyon brought services to Rhea until they could hold their own. Only

three gates separated the tiny new village of Friona and the new community of Rhea. Friona, at the time had a few stores, a lumber yard, a bank and a hotel. In fact, early residents first bought supplies from Hollene, New Mexico which was closer.

The idea of having fenced farmlands was not very popular with the XIT in the Escarbada division; but, with thousands of cattle still about, fences was necessary for the ranch and the farm. Box socials, pie suppers, sing-songs along with holidays and weddings kept Rhea residents happy as they made Texas their new home. Being so far from supplies, these homesteaders



This reminds us of the pioneer days. It shows the colony house built in 1908 or 1909, and the church built in 1910. At first the colony house was to the left of the church near the colony well and accommodated the first early settlers. Later on it was moved to the right of the church and served the Christian Day School. Still later on with a few additions it served as the parsonage until the new parsonage was built in 1954.

kept and used many home remedies for everything from toothaches to pneumonia.

A Post Office was established on March 5, 1909 with J. W. Barnett as the first postmaster. Herman J. Reinking became postmaster in 1911. The post office operated through March 31, 1924 and has since been delivered from Friona. The school was consolidated and partitioned with Friona and Bovina in 1949. The Immanuel Lutheran Church and Parish Hall remain the center of Rhea. Grain Elevators and a receiving station, a grocery and farm supply store as well as a veterinary clinic, an engine and auction service serve Rhea today. The population of Rhea in 1980 was 98.

Parmer County 100th Anniversary Celebration
Saturday, May 5 - 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Farwell City Park

Seniors work 632 hours cleaning up Friona



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The trash crew. Class of 2007 seniors, l-r, Tiffany Vazquez, Caleb Miller, Shayli Reed, Staci Murphree, Lucretia Field, Krista Graham, Tolby Wilcox, and Cargill Meat Solutions' Rick White picked up bags of trash along Highway 60 near the Cargill plant. Seniors worked clean-up crews around town during the TAKS tests.

Friona FCCLA in state competition in Dallas

The Friona FCCLA Chapter qualified six teams and four individuals for state competition in Dallas April 11-14. They presented about projects completed this past year, competed in State Proficiency Events, and took Leadership Enhancement Exams.

The delegates also participated in a FCCLA Relay for Life helping raise over \$27,000 for the American Cancer Society. FHS principal Denver Crum and FCCLA teacher Patsy Allen accompanied the group.

The Focus on Children team of Isabel Romero, Jordan Carr, and Emily Allen placed first and will compete at nationals in Anaheim, California in July.

The Parliamentary Procedure Team placed third. Members

were Stephanie Tirado, Yvette Garcia, Morgan Anthony, Ashley Ingram, Burkleigh Briones, JoAnn Mendoza, and Julissa Saenz.

Sasha Estrada placed fourth in Interpersonal Communications. The Design for Living team of Cassie Ramos, Lucy Mendez, and Edlyn Romero received a bronze medal. Meline Vega, Stephanie Aguirre, and Paige Herbert qualified as the National Programs-Junior Team.

Liliana Palacios, Hannah Carthel, and Teresa Ramos qualified as the National Programs-Senior Team. Eddie Ortiz received a Silver Medal in Job Interview competition. Jessica Delgadillo, Taryn Jamerson, and Maria Jurado received bronze medals in FCCLA Step One.

The Senior Class of 2007 continued the tradition of using TAKS Test week to work in Friona as a gesture of gratitude for all of the contributions Friona has made to them throughout their school years. The three-day clean-up event was planned and organized by seniors who contacted 57 local businesses and industries.

According to Family and Consumer Science teacher Patsy Allen the 82 seniors worked a total of 632 hours. Work sites included Cargill Meat Solutions, City of Friona, Dr. Jon Mack Roden's office, Prairie Acres and Heritage Estates, Hi-Pro Feeds, Parmer County Community

Hospital, Parmer County Museum, Ingram's Department Store, Ivy Cottage, Friona Public Library, Los Arcos Restaurant, Lowe's, Malouf's, the primary school, Sonic, Unique Image, and Silver Screen Video.

The crews hauled many loads of trash and limbs, painted, washed windows, collected trash along the highways, organized books and other materials, and prepared displays.

Seniors Nathan Hoon and Cody Lanier with sponsor Paul J. Smith cooked hamburgers for the crews on Wednesday and Prairie Acres hosted all the seniors for lunch on Thursday.



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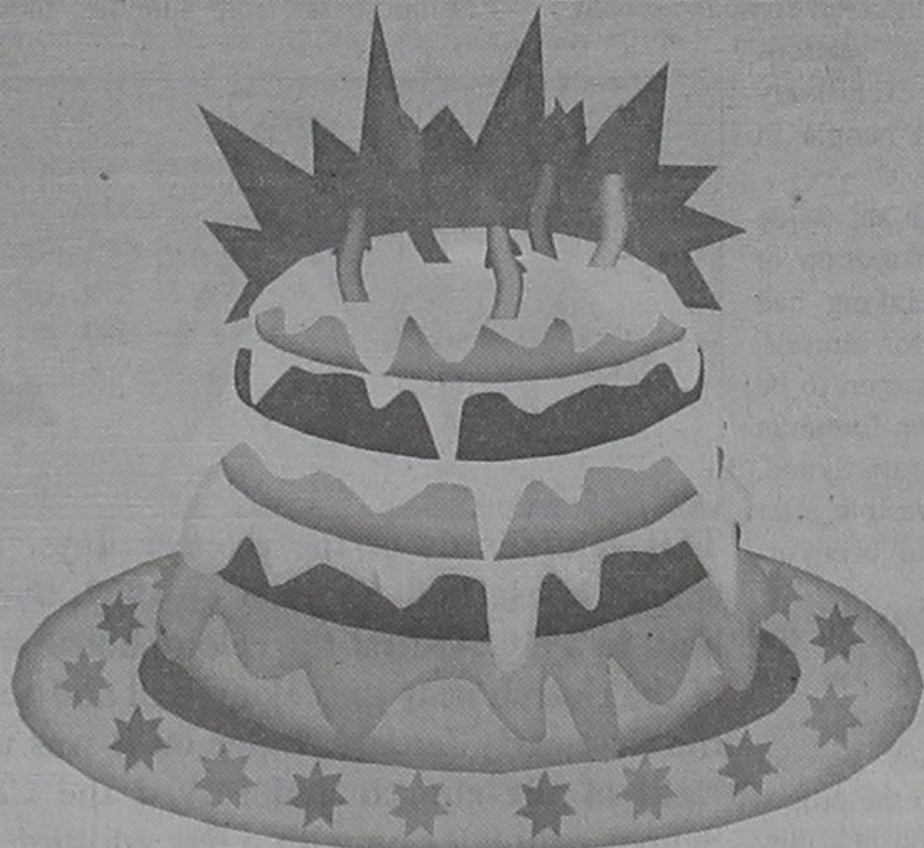
Members of the Friona ISD school board were on hand for the Class of 2007 senior banquet at 6th St. Church of Christ. Clockwise from left, Leigh and Alan Monroe, Tracy Bunker, Ricky Barnett, Mitchell Smiley, Billie Wayne Lemons, Jiselle and Danny Hand, and Brent and Annette Loflin. More banquet photos at frionaonline.com.



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The FCCLA state qualifiers are, back row, l-r, Stephanie Aguirre, Edlyn Romero, Meline Vega, Sasha Estrada, Jordan Carr, Emily Allen, Hannah Carthel, Morgan Anthony, Ashley Ingram, Yvette Garcia, JoAnn Mendoza, Julissa Saenz, Stephanie Tirado; Maria Jurado, FHS principal Denver Crum; middle row, l-r, Teresa Ramos, Liliana Palacios, Taryn Jamerson, Isabel Romero, Burkleigh Briones, Cassie Ramos, Lucy Mendez, Jessica Delgadillo, Paige Herbert; front, l-r, Eddie Ortiz, Carlos Avalos.

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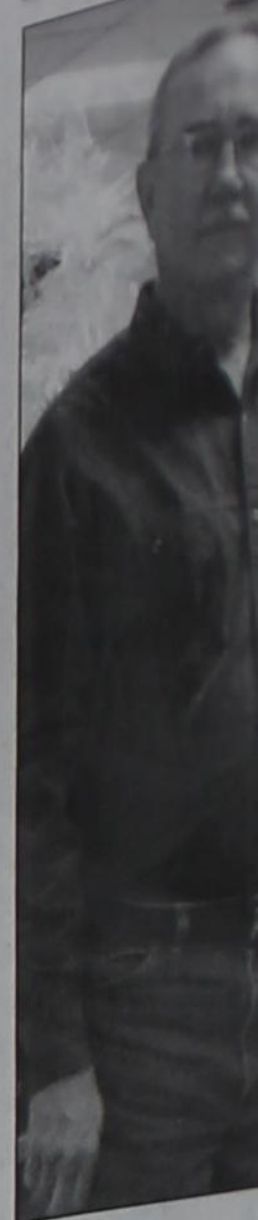
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Dick Holland, left, presenting a \$2,000 Centennial Endowment Commemorative donation. The He Friona.

Libra and e

Here are the winners of the Friends of the Lib afternoon:

Sandra Randall, Carol Deep South Staples; Lory Scrapbooking; Di the 50s; Anna Jo Black Nancy Edelman, Houlette, Move Over R em Living Cooking; Tuscan Sun; and Jerry tries.

Holly Campbell was the auctioneer of the Basket. The huge basket related items was valued at \$530. All proceeds

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Dick Holland, left, of J. D. Heiskell & Company of Tulare, CA is shown presenting a \$2,000 check to the Friends of the Friona Public Library's Centennial Endowment Campaign. Jim Bob Jones, a member of the Friends Endowment Committee, looks on as Library Director Darla Bracken accepts the donation. The Heiskell Company is in the process of establishing a facility in Friona.

Library basket winners and endowment notes

Here are the winners of the baskets raffled at the Friends of the Library Book Fiesta Sunday afternoon:

Sandra Randall, Cargill Basket; Patsy Allen, Deep South Staples; LaShea Mason, Family History Scrapbooking; Diane White, Favorites from the 50s; Anna Jo Blackburn, Flower Power.

Nancy Edelson, Home Improvement; Robin Houlette, Move Over Rover; Debra Baxter, Southern Living Cooking; Bonnie Pope, Under the Tuscan Sun; and Jerry Spicola, Veterinary Industries.

Holly Campbell was the successful bidder in the auction of the Parmer County Centennial Basket. The huge basket of County Centennial related items was valued at \$750 and the high bid was \$530. All proceeds of the basket raffles

and auctions go to the Friends of the Library to support our local library.

Endowment committee chair Kitty Gallman announced that as of April 24, 2007, the Library Endowment fund had reached \$43,415. When the endowment fund raises another \$5000 it will qualify for a \$20,000 grant from the Bivins Foundation.

The grant would put the endowment fund at about \$70,000 which is halfway to the goal of \$150,000. The \$150,000 was a 3-year goal. Mrs. Gallman said the fund had almost reached the halfway mark at the end of one year.

For information on how you can be an endowment fund donor contact Librarian Darla Bracken at 250-3200. Your support of our library is always appreciated.

Emergency farm loan applications accepted

Applications for emergency farm loans for losses caused by severe storms and tornadoes that occurred from March 23 to March 24, 2007 are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office located in Farwell.

Parmer County is one of five in Texas recently named by Secretary of Agriculture eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from the tornadoes and severe storms. Thomas S. Taylor said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 100% of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue the agricultural business, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest is 3.75 percent.

"As a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of production to be eligible for an FSA emergency loan", Thomas S. Taylor said. Farmers participating in the Federal Crop Insurance program will have to consider proceeds from those programs in determining their loss.

"Applications for loans under this emergency designation will be accepted until December 3, 2007 but farmers should apply as soon as possible. Delays in applying could create backlogs in processing, with possible delays into the new farming season", Thomas S. Taylor said.

The FSA office in Farwell is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.



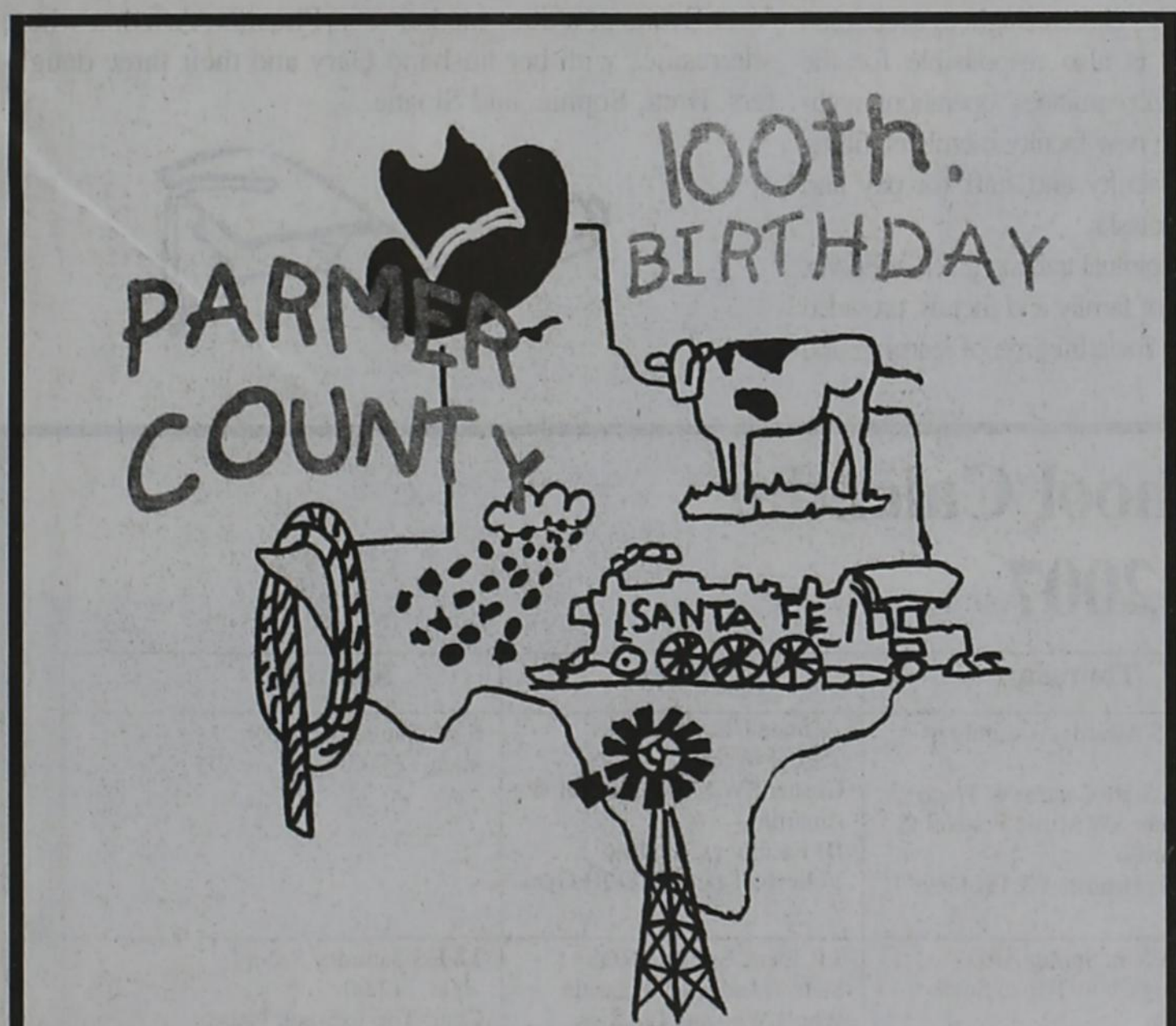
My name is Richard Villarreal, and I am running for Bovina City Council Alderman. My family and I have recently moved back to Bovina after my military career. My wife Elida and I have two sons, Patrick, a junior at Texas Tech, and Rick, a sophomore at Bovina High.

I am a retired Army veteran; I have served my country over 25 years of active duty and National Guard Reserve. My military career consists of serving in the Persian Gulf War, Kosovo Peace Keeping Mission and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

I am asking for your vote at the May 12 elections. I want to represent you and our town as City Council Alderman. As a Bovina graduate of 1979, and once again a Bovina resident, I want to see Bovina become a community we can be proud of.

I HAVE SERVED MY COUNTRY, NOW I WANT TO SERVE YOU!

(Political ad paid by Richard Villarreal)



U.S. Postal Service Special Cancellation will commemorate Parmer County's 100th Birthday on these dates:

- Farwell -- On May 5 at the Farwell City Park.
- Lazbuddie -- On May 4 at the Post Office.
- Bovina -- On May 7 at the Post Office.
- Friona -- On May 8 at the Post Office

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2007 Hall of Distinguished Graduates

Lacey Osborn Ratliff

Dr. Ratliff received her Bachelor of Science degree in nutrition from Texas Christian University, holds a Master of Science degree from Texas A&M University in food science and technology, and completed her Doctorate of Philosophy in nutrition from Texas Woman's University.

Dr. Ratliff has worked in a variety of settings, including acute and long-term care facilities, psychiatric hospitals, and wellness and weight loss clinics, as well as teaching at Texas A&M and TCU, where she was recognized as a Mortar Board Preferred Professor. She has also published numerous research articles and presented research findings at state and national meetings.



Currently, Dr. Ratliff travels around the country presenting scientific lectures to healthcare professionals for continuing education credits. She frequently speaks on topics regarding bone and joint disease, women's health issues, diabetes, brain health and obesity related chronic diseases. To date, she has traveled to 48 states and lectured to over 30,000 professionals.

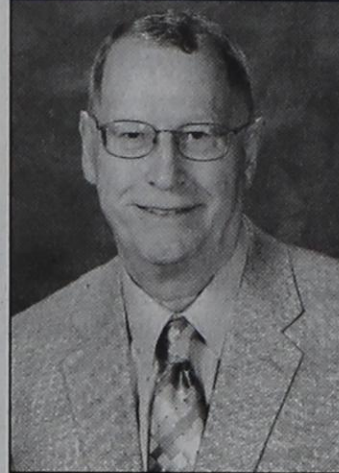
Dr. Ratliff is active in the Texas Dietetic Association and served for five years on the legislative and public policy committee. Through this committee, she has had the opportunity to work with U.S. Representatives Kay Granger (R-Fort Worth) and Joe Barton (R-Fort Worth) regarding nutrition related policies on Capitol Hill.

Dr. Ratliff was the recipient of the 2000 Recognized Young Dietitian of the Year Award for outstanding contributions to the profession at a young age. Ratliff has been a media spokesperson for her professional organization, as well as, for the Texas Beef Council, appearing on local news programs and in print media.

Dr. Ratliff is a 1987 graduate of Friona High School and the daughter of the late Ann and M.C. Osborn (FHS 1953). As a fourth generation resident of Friona, she is also one of 37 descendants of J.B. McFarland to graduate from FHS between 1929 and 1991. She is married to Harvey Locke Ratliff and they make their home in Fort Worth.

Thomas Jay Sanders

Thomas Jay (Tom) Sanders was born in Dimmitt, Texas on March 3, 1944 to John D. (Jay) and Phyllis Sanders. The family included an older brother, John Theodore (Ted) Sanders. They moved to Friona several years later and Tommy Jay (as he was known then) began public school in Mrs. Benger's first grade class in 1950. A younger brother, David Gene Sanders, was born in 1955. After graduating from Friona High School in 1962, Tom matriculated Wayland Baptist College (now University) where he earned a B.S. degree with major mathematics and minor physics. It was also at Wayland that he met and married his wife, the former Joan Willard of Kress, Texas.



After graduating from Wayland in 1966, Tom and Joan moved to Norman, Oklahoma, where Tom began graduate study in mathematics at the University of Oklahoma and Joan continued working as a medical technologist. Their son, Scott, was born during this time in Oklahoma. Early in 1968, Tom completed his M.A. and the family moved to Morehead, Kentucky, where Tom began teaching mathematics at Morehead State University. In 1969, they returned to Norman so that Tom could continue his graduate studies in mathematics. Their daughter, Stacy, was born during this time in Oklahoma. Tom completed his Ph.D. degree in mathematics in 1972 and accepted an appointment as a Visiting Assistant Professor at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (VA Tech) in Blacksburg, VA.

After one academic year at VA Tech, Tom accepted an appointment as Assistant Professor at the United States Naval Academy (USNA) and the family moved to Annapolis, MD. Tom was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure in 1979 and he was promoted to full Professor in 1985. In addition to teaching all levels of mathematics courses from freshman calculus to senior operations analysis courses, Tom also engaged in mathematical research and in committee service. He spent summers working at the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics laboratory, at the Naval Research Laboratory and for the Department of Health and Human Services.

In 2005, Tom was appointed as Chair of the Department of Mathematics at USNA. In this capacity, he supervises the largest academic department at the Naval Academy, consisting of over 70 faculty members and two administrative support personnel. He is responsible for over 150 mathematics classes taught to over 2,500 midshipmen each semester. He is also responsible for the department budget, the department committees' operation, mathematics curriculum changes, hiring new faculty members, filling naval officer billets, evaluating faculty and staff for pay and promotion changes, and many other tasks.

The mental, moral, physical and spiritual training given at Friona, together with the unfailing support of family and friends, provided Tom with an excellent foundation for a lifetime of learning and service.

Lila Gay Buske Vars

Following graduation from Friona High School in 1958, Lila Gay Buske Vars went to Texas Tech University where she received her bachelor's degree in education. She later obtained the Master of Arts degree in speech communication from West Texas A&M University.

Lila has spent her adult life in service to her community. She was active in the Top of Texas Federation of Women's Clubs and served as the youngest president of that organization. Twenty years later she became an active member of Lions Clubs International. She was the first woman president of the Lions Club in Canyon and the first woman to hold the office of District Governor of Lions of 2-T1. She currently serves on a number of state and international committees for the Lions.

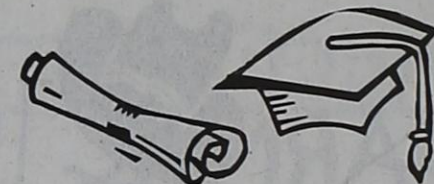


As an employee of West Texas A&M University since 1974, her career has been primarily working with families of students and prospective students as they prepare for higher education. Her role as the director of admissions and director of scholarships has enabled her to assist students financially and personally. Extending her interest in education, Lila served on the Canyon Independent School Board over a period of 26 years.

Lila has considered her church as a primary focus in her life. She has led several department Bible Studies, from university students to young marrieds, and chaired several church committees. She is also involved in the Emmaus community.

Many honors have been bestowed on Lila over the years from a variety of organizations. She received the Texans Caring for Texans public service award; a Staff of Excellence Award; a Career Achievement Award; and numerous commendations from Lions International. She has also been recognized with appointments to the executive committees for professional organizations and charitable groups.

She married Tulia native, Don Max Vars, the summer of 1962 and they moved to Canyon in 1964, where they still reside. They have two daughters, Mayla Vars Paris lives in Amarillo with her husband Kyle, who is a building contractor, and their three sons, Colt, Creed, and Cutter. Misty Vars Evans practices medicine in Phoenix, Arizona where she resides with her husband Gary and their three daughters, Brett, Sophie, and Sloane.



Induction Ceremony

Sunday, May 6

2:30 p.m.

Friona High School Auditorium

Friona ISD School Calendar May, 2007

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 8 th grade Pre-registration @ 6:30 Cap & Gown Delivery @ 9:30	2 2 nd Grade Field Trip Tux Measurements @ 9:00	3 HS Awards Assembly @ 9:30 TSA State Contest @ Waco Greater SW Music Festival @ Amarillo ECE, Headstart & PK Field Trip	4 State UIL Academic TSA @ Waco Greater SW Music Festival @ Amarillo JH Faculty vs. Student Volleyball game 2:00 JH Gym	5 HS Saturday School 8:am-12:00
7 5 th Grade Playa Lake Festival AP Govt. Exam HS Student Council Campaign Begins TPRI K & 1 st	8 5 th Grade Playa Lake Festival Sports Banquet @ 6:30 p.m. AP Spanish Exam TPRI K & 1 st 6 th Grade Bank Reception @ 3:00 8 th Grade College Talent Search to Texas Tech Pride Tribe to Amarillo leave at 1:40	9 5 th Grade Playa Lake Festival AP Calculus Exam HS Student Council Election TPRI K & 1 st Pride Tribe Field Trip to Amarillo leave @ 1:40	10 Elem. Spring ARDS Spring Choir Trip to South Padre AP English Literature Exams TPRI K & 1 st JH Awards Assembly @ 2:00	11 Elem. Spring ARDS State Track meet @ Austin Who's Who and Lip Sync Choir Trip to South Padre AP US History Exam TPRI K & 1 st 8 th TAG Field Trip	12 HS Saturday School 8:00 - 12:00 Choir Trip to South Padre returns on Sunday 8 th TAG Field Trip
14 AP Biology Exam JH Early Release Schedule For Those Passing TAKS - May 14 - 18	15 5 th Math TAKS Retest	16 AP English Exam Kindergarten Field Trip	17 AP Economics Exam HS & JH Spring Band Concerts First Grade Field Trip Art Field Trip	18 AP Spanish Lit. Exam HS Soccer Game Primary Awards Assembly Jr. High Auditorium @ 1:00 6 th Grade Field Day and 8 th Grade Day to Amarillo	19 HS Saturday School 8:00 - 12:00 HS Athletic Physicals @ 9:00 a.m. Junior/Senior Prom
21 HS Choir Follies TAKS Celebration Assembly @ 2:00	22 Early Dismissal Primary - 12:30 Elem. - HS - 1:00 Elem. Awards Assembly 10:30 @ JH Auditorium HS Semester Exams Jr. High Final Exams Dismissal	23 Early Dismissal Primary - 12:30 Elem. - HS - 1:00 Primary Field Day 9-12 HS Semester Exams Jr. High Final Exams and 1:00 Dismissal	24 Early Dismissal Last Day of School Primary - 12:30 Elem. - HS - 1:00 HS Semester Exams HS Graduation Practice @ 1:30 HS Graduation Pictures @ 4:00 Jr. High Final Exams 1:00 Dismissal	25 HS Graduation @ 8:00 Staff Breakfast & Workday	26
28	29	30	31	Sunday, May 6 th Senior Awards Reception @ 2:30 June 4 th Summer School Begins	May 27-29 State Solo/Ensemble Band/Choir @ San Marcos

Thursday, May 3, 2007

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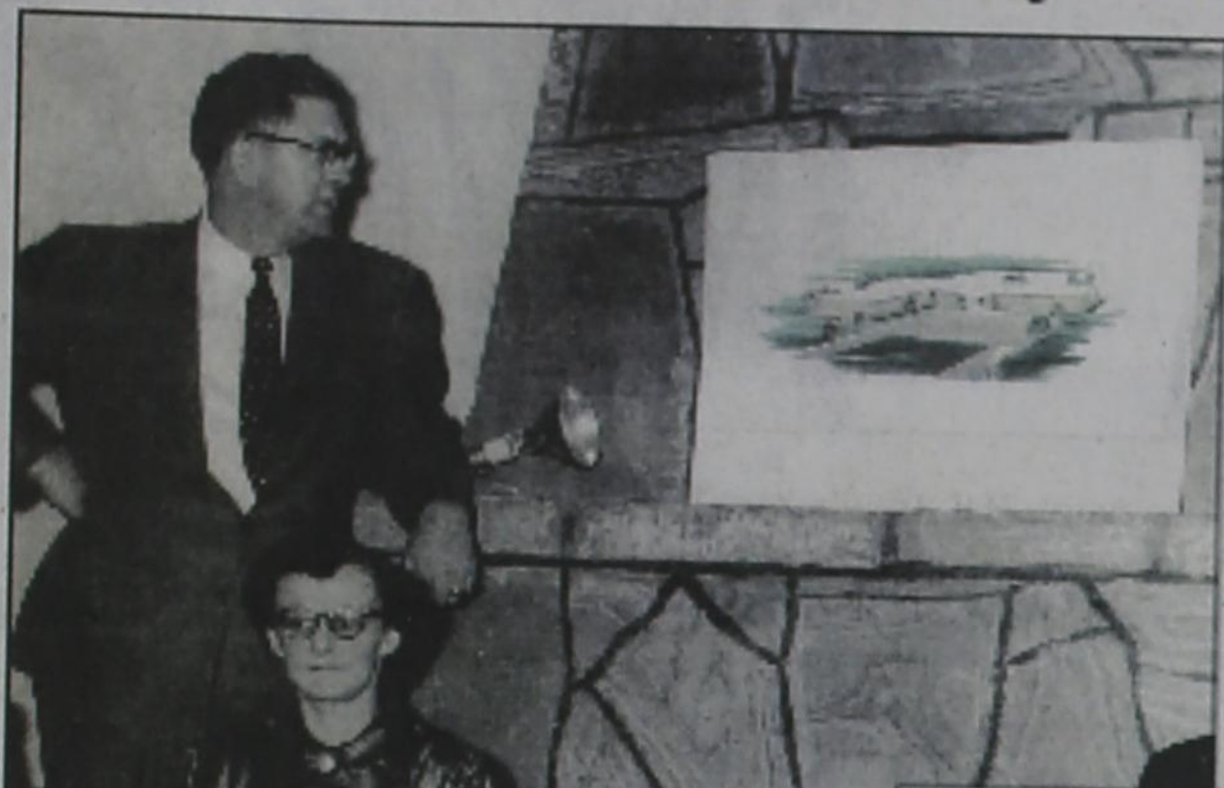
Artist rendering of



Established in Friona in 1947



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Dr. and Mrs. Paul Spring with the drawing of the hospital today.



Pete Buske and Jimmy Baxter at the 1947 ground breaking.

Yesterday

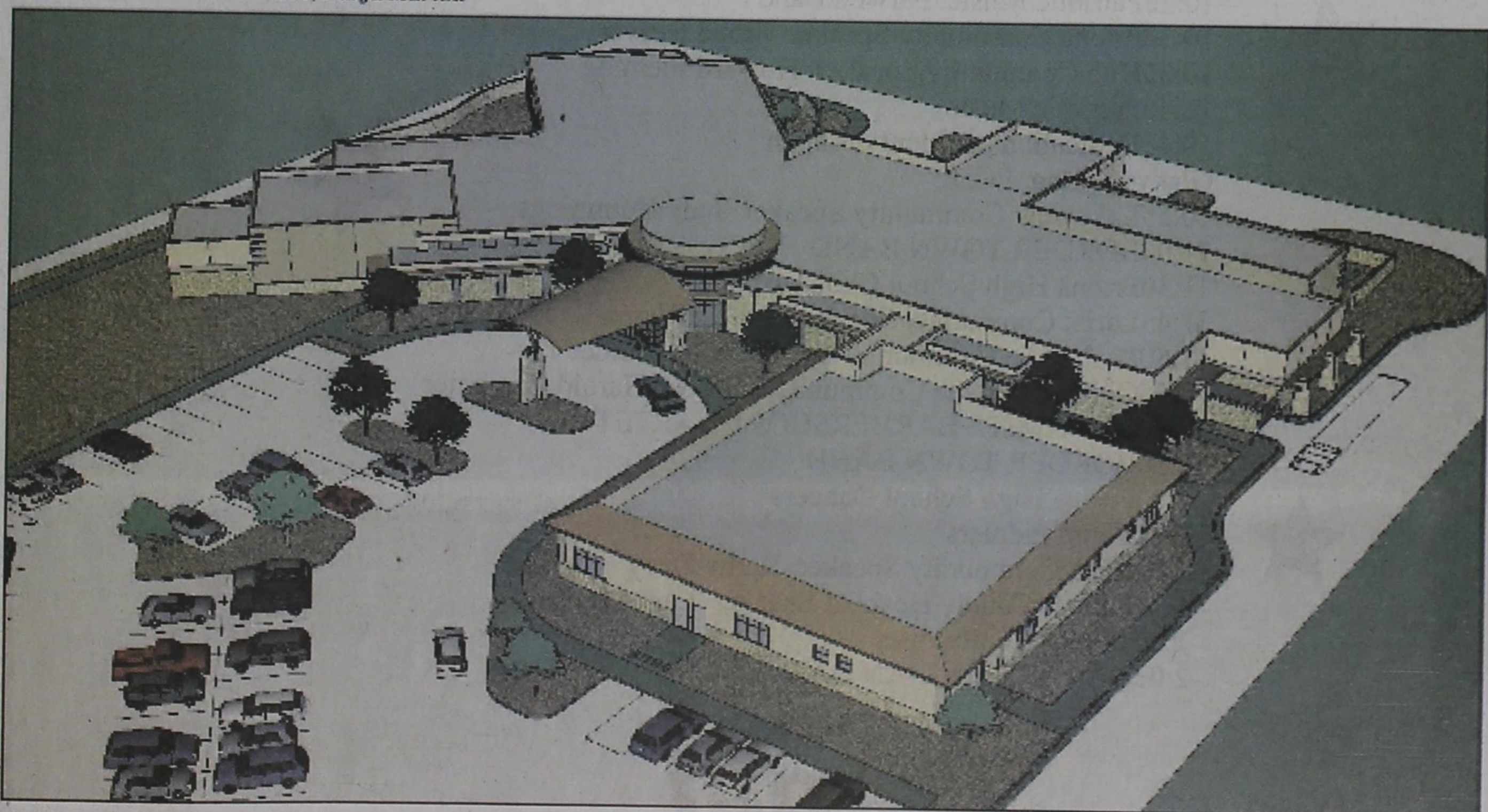


Ladies auxillary present a check to G.B. "Pete" Buske and H.E. "Barny" Barnett. Members were left to right, Lilah G. Gee, Willard Stewart, Lucille Latta, June Spring, Ethel Ruth Spring, Vera Bainum, and Eufaula Ethridge.

Today



From left, Dr. Jubay, Rhonda Wilkins, Glendora Jordan, Dr. Dickson, Tina Soto, Cathey Hamnan FNP, Dr. Alexander, Nimfa Martin.



Artist rendering of our new facility. Construction scheduled to begin this year.

Tomorrow



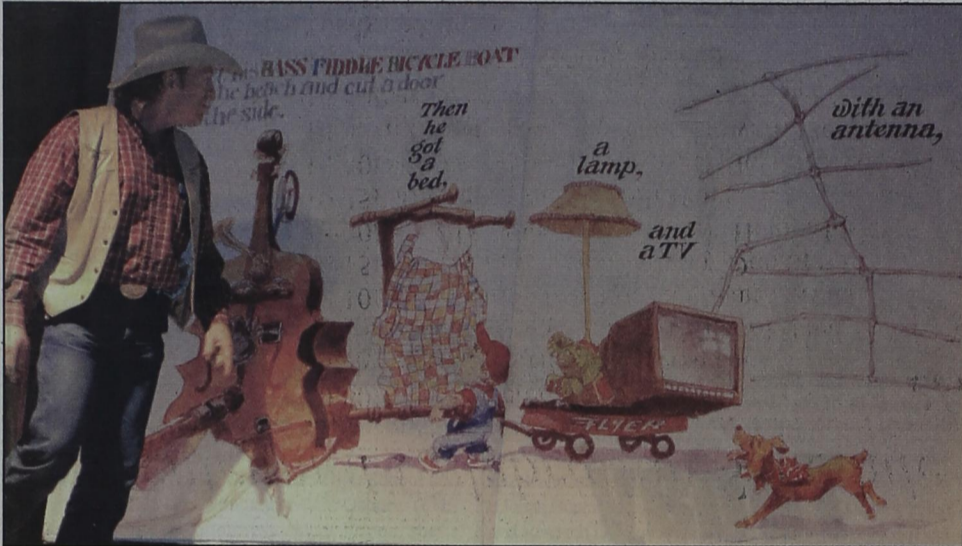
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A server on life's highway. Underclassman Stetson Reed was one of the young people serving at the 6th St. Church of Christ senior banquet. Here he serves a couple of plates of brisket to his parents Lisa and Thomas Reed. The theme of the banquet was Life is a Highway. More banquet photos available at frionaonline.com.



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Friona native Hal Blackburn, left, chats with Ky Graham during Sunday's Library Fiesta and book signing.



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Tim McKenzie shares his book, Baxter Barrett Brown's Bass Fiddle, during Sunday's Friends of the Library Book Fiesta. McKenzie is an author and musician from Shallowater.

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PARMER COUNTY CENTENNIAL

- 10:00 Opening Ceremony
Gladys Spring PCHC Chairperson
National Anthem Farwell High School Band
- 10:10 Black Community Speaker Ann Carthel
- 10:15 Bovina Community Speaker Don Spring
- 10:20 Farwell Community Speaker Hugh Mosley
- 10:25 Patriotic Music Farwell Band
- 10:30 Friona Community Speaker Floyd Reeve
- 10:35 Hub Community Speaker Howard Fleming
- 10:40 Patriotic Music
- 10:45 Dedication of County Marker
Gladys Spring PCHC
- 10:55 Lakeview Community Speaker Judy Cummings
- 11:00 BORDER TOWN BAND
- 11:30 Friona High School Choir
- 11:45 Lariat Community Speaker Ernest Ramm
- 11:50 Lazbuddie Community Speaker Ted Treider
- 11:55 Oklahoma Lane Community Speaker Harold Carpenter
- 12:00 DYNAMITE BARBERSHOP QUARTET
- 12:30 BORDER TOWN BAND
- 1:00 Friona High School Dancers
- 1:10 Youth Fiddlers
- 1:20 Rhea Community Speaker Kathy Terry
- 1:25 Parmer County Hospital Speaker Lance Gatlin
- 1:30 Talking Tombstones
- 2:00 KAWAHDHI INDIAN DANCERS

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