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## New rates for trash collection

Friona city manager Terri Johnson advises that a rate increase for trash collection will go into effect with the September 28 billing.

The increase is due to two increases in the 2007 calendar year by Allied Waste, the company that provides solid waste collection for the city of Friona.

For residential customers, collected one time per week, the rate will be \$15.50.

For commercial unit customers the rates will be: once a week, \$62, twice a week \$74, three times a week \$86, and four times a week \$105. The minimum charge for commercial customers is \$31.

## Booster Club news

The Friona Chieftain Booster Club meets every Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. Watch game film with analysis by Coach Ferguson. Everyone is invited.

## No game replay on TV this week

Because of the Maize Days celebration on Saturday the FHS-TV re-broadcast of the Friona-Bovina game will not be shown until Saturday, September 29 as part of a doubleheader with the Friona-Bushland game.

The Friona-Bovina game replay will start at 10 a.m. followed by the Friona-Bushland game. The rebroadcasts are shown on WT Services channel 76. Tune in next Saturday, September 29, for Friona Chieftain football.

## Blood drive results

Coffee Memorial Blood Center says thank you so much for your help during the September 13 Friona blood drive.

Coffee said they saw 23 people and drew 18 units of blood. A spokeswoman said, "We had a really good turnout. Thank you for supporting Coffee Memorial Blood Center and the patients of the High Plains region."

## Homecoming ceremony begins at 7 p.m. Friday

The Friona High School homecoming game is Friday, September 21, vs. the Bovina Mustangs. The game starts at 7:30 p.m.

The homecoming ceremonies, and crowning of the 2007 homecoming queen, will take place at 7 p.m. before the game. The Noon Lions Club will be selling burgers and fries before and during the game.

The 2007 homecoming queen nominees and their escorts are: Erin Anthony, Ritchie Casas; Morgan Anthony, Chris Haile; Miranda Frye, Sawyer Reed; Brooke Herbert, Alonzo Rojas; Ashley Ingram, Ryan Schwab; and JoAnn Mendoza, Dillon Welch.

The nominees were chosen by the varsity football team. The little mascots will be Jacob Isom and Bailey Pope.

## Junior high sets open house Tues

Friona junior high principal Kevin Wiseman invites all parents and guests to attend the fall open house at Friona junior high on Tuesday September 25 from 6 p.m.-7:10 p.m.

Parents will meet the teachers and follow a seven-minute mock bell schedule. Please meet in the homeroom classes at 6 p.m.

# Off duty deputy foils meat heist, bandit family caught

BY RON CARR

A husband and wife shoplifting team was finally apprehended Thursday, September 13 thanks to an alert off duty sheriff's deputy who went grocery shopping.

The shoplifting duo, who brought along their three young children on the spree, were first noticed a few weeks ago at Fast Stop in Friona. Their modus operandi was to enter a store

with the children, walk around stuffing goods down their pants, then exit. After viewing a store videotape of the suspected shoplifters, a Fast Stop employee said, "You wouldn't be-

lieve how much they were able to stuff down their pants."

A few days later the Fast Stop manager, Esperanza Herrera, was shopping at Lowe's Grocery when she recognized

the family inside the store. She notified the police but the family left the store. Felony warrants were then issued for the pair. One source said they had also done some "shopping" at Dollar General.

Thursday September 13 around 6 p.m. Parmer County Deputy Billy Williams was off duty and on his way into Lowe's when he spotted the suspects leaving the store and "recognized the bulges in their clothing" as they had hit the grocery store again.

Williams notified the Friona Police Department. Friona officer Lt. Andy Stormes followed the suspects east out of town on Highway 60 and stopped the vehicle near Black. He was joined by Deputy Clint Cox and DPS Trooper Izzy Carrasco. The two bandits, Rene Rodriguez, 42, and his wife Maria Rodriguez, 48, were arrested by Friona police and were both charged with two cases of theft (enhanced).

At press time they remained in the Parmer County Detention Center. The case is pending before the grand jury.

Lowe's manager David Figueroa said the duo got away with 8-10 packages of meat from the store, most of which were expensive cuts. Officials said the pair had former residences in Hereford and Muleshoe and the most recent known address was in Clovis. The three children were removed from the family and placed in temporary protective custody. "Apparently they made their living stealing," a Lowe's store employee observed.



ron carr photo

The 2007 Miss Friona winners, l-r, 2nd runner-up Christy Widner, Miss Friona 2007 Deirdre Johnston, and 1st runner-up Kathleen Wylly. More pageant photos at frionaonline.com.

# Johnston, Torres crowned Miss Friona, Little Miss

Eight talented young ladies represented their sponsors well in the 2007 Miss Friona Pageant at the high school auditorium Saturday evening September 15. Stormi Lookingbill, who was the chairman of both pageants, did an outstanding job of organizing the events.

The master of ceremonies for Miss Friona was Perry Crafton, director of the drama department at West Texas A&M. The girls appeared in evening wear and were interviewed by Crafton for the first half of the pageant. Following a pie supper intermission, the contestants then performed their talent presentations.

The judges selected Christy Widner, sponsored by Kendrick Oil, as 2nd runner-up, Kathleen Wylly, sponsored by JG Farms, as 1st runner-up, and the 2007 Miss Friona is Deirdre Johnston, sponsored by Property Associates Realtors. Miss

Johnston was also named Miss Congeniality by her fellow contestants.

The annual Little Miss Friona Pageant had 18 entries. It was held Tuesday evening September 18 at the high school auditorium. The emcee for the Little Miss show was local farmer and businessman Ricky Barnett.

The judges named Victoria Torres, daughter of Billy and Stephanie Williams, as 2nd runner-up. The 1st runner-up was Morgan Gatlin, daughter of Lance and Belinda Gatlin, and the 2007 Little Miss Friona is Elizabeth Torres, 5-year-old daughter of Elias and Gloria Torres.

Mrs. Lookingbill thanked everyone that donated their time and talent to make the pageants successful, including Erika Montana and her high school Thespian Troupe 1379 students who managed the stage props and the lighting and sound for the pageants.



ron carr photo

The 2007 Little Miss Friona finalists are, l-r, 1st runner-up Morgan Gatlin, Little Miss Friona 2007 Elizabeth Torres, and 2nd runner-up Victoria Torres. Other Little Miss pageant photos available at frionaonline.com.

# School district tax rate lowered, board adopts \$9.2 million budget

The Friona Independent School District board of trustees met in regular session Monday September 17.

The board conducted a tax and budget work planning session and unanimously adopted an ordinance setting the school district tax rate at \$0.85 per \$100 valuation. The tax ordinance provides for a 22-cent decrease in the local

school tax rate.

Superintendent Jim Parker said that coupled with the tax rate reduction one year ago Friona ISD taxpayers are benefiting from a 32-cent tax reduction since 2004-05 when the school tax rate was \$1.17 per \$100 valuation. "The board is hopeful that everyone will experience at least a minimal decrease in their school tax bill

this year," Parker said.

At an earlier meeting in August the board unanimously adopted an operations budget of \$9,200,000 for the 2007-08 school year.

In other business the board adopted a six-year energy conservation plan as mandated by recent legislation. The district is currently at the mid-point of a district-wide energy management

project to upgrade heating, cooling, and roofs.

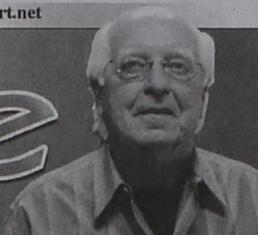
Work is scheduled to begin at the elementary campus in the coming weeks. Window air conditioner units in service more than 15 years and heating units original to the construction of the building will be replaced by high efficiency rooftop heating and cooling units at the same time the

roofs are being replaced.

Friona junior high will enjoy their first winter with new heating and cooling units in full operation. The old steam boiler, estimated to be more than 75 years old, and the steam distribution system original to the building has been shut down and will be dismantled in the coming year.

# Out Here

By Ron Carr



## a brisket in a burr pile

Often a column idea comes out of nowhere.

Thank goodness for that. If I had to actually plan what to write about, this space would be blank most weeks.

My problem is remembering the ideas after they pop up. That is why God and 3M made sticky notes. It is difficult enough to remember whether I am supposed to put on my shoes or pants first in the morning, much less something someone told me two days ago.

A few weeks back the fire department was paged to a fire at the Co-Op Gin. That is what it said on that board at the fire station where they write the location of the fire. I'm told they write the fire location on the board because all the volunteers don't get to the station at the same time and those arriving later will know where the fire is.

When I heard the sirens that day I drove by the station, looked at the board, then

headed out to the Co-Op Gin a few miles south of town. I could see the gin up ahead but there were no flashing lights and no smoke. When I arrived on the scene no trucks or firemen or other panicked people were around so I drove back to town.

I called Erma at the Co-Op Gin. Turns out the fire was southeast a mile or so behind the gin. A cotton burr pile had a fit of spontaneous combustion and was smoldering.

The burr pile belonged to Bryan and Dana Campbell, owners of Farmer's Feed, a local trucking operation. Bryan buys and sells the burrs to farmers to be used in cattle feed. He is also a Friona volunteer fireman.

Later on I heard the firemen head back out there. Cotton burr fires smolder for days. It is a volunteer fireman's least favorite kind of fire if they have favorites.

I moved on and forgot about the burr fire. That is until Sat-

urday night at the Miss Friona Pageant. Dana Campbell is on the committee of ladies that do such a fine job of decorating the stage for the Miss Friona and Little Miss pageants. (If you want to see their creativity, have a look on our frionaonline.com web album photos of the pageants.)

During an intermission Dana and I struck up a conversation about the burr fire. Seems that her husband Bryan had spent every night for almost a week camped out at the burr pile while it smoldered. A couple of nights, she said, he got permission to have one of Friona's fire trucks out there all night. Burr fires are spontaneous and unpredictable.

What she did understand was that a big part of the Campbell's livelihood might go up in smoke. Along the way Bryan tried to explain the science of a cotton burr fire to her. She had difficulty with the concept.

Sometimes a guy has to take

drastic measures to prove a point. Bryan took her out to the pile, dug out a hole in it and had her put her hands in to feel the combustible heat. The burrs were still smoldering inside at that point so she did what all good wives would do under the circumstances.

To prove to herself just how hot it might get, she bought a brisket, wrapped it in foil and stuck it in the pile of burrs to cook. I've forgotten how long she said it took, maybe 24 hours, but it did cook and they did eat it.

Now she has a better understanding of the dynamics of a cotton burr fire, she said, but still doesn't understand exactly how a pile of cotton burrs can just catch themselves on fire. Neither do I. But sometimes something as simple as a pile of cotton burrs that set themselves on fire can lead to a neat column idea.

We're never too old to learn, huh Dana? And the brisket? She said it was delicious.

## Mark Your Calendar

**September 15-22**  
51st Annual Maize Days celebration

**September 20**  
Homecoming pep rally with fireworks at the Chieftain Field at 8:45 p.m.

**September 21**  
Friona vs. Bovina homecoming game at 7:30 p.m.

**September 22**  
Maize Days Parade and celebration in the Friona City Park

**September 25**  
Junior high school open house 6-7:10 p.m.

**September 28**  
Chieftains vs. Bushland-here at 7:30 p.m.

**October 2**  
Town hall meeting with Kel Seliger from 1-2 p.m. in the FHS auditorium

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## Letters to the editor

Hello Ron,

Find enclosed, payment for another year of the Friona Star. Eva and I always look forward to Friday, the day our paper arrives. We left Friona in 1990 but still like to keep up with things that go on there. Eva was born in Friona and graduated from high school there.

I was especially interested in the September 6 edition in which Nellie Rose Fenmore wrote her life story in the, My Life Story, article.

I too was born at Chaney, Oklahoma. So was my brother, Lloyd Rector, who lives there, and also my Aunt Laurretta Brookfield, a resident of Prairie Acres. Chaney was just a small place with a grocery store, a post office, and a blacksmith shop. There was also a small building that was used by a man from Gage, Oklahoma, who came out there to buy cream and eggs from the farmers. The Chaney School was one mile north of the store.

My Grandad Griffith homesteaded 160 acres that joined the store on the southeast corner, in 1902, which at that time was Indian Territory. He and his family moved to Friona in 1926.

My family moved onto their farm and lived there until December 1, 1935, when we moved to Friona.

My brother, Lloyd, and Aunt Laurretta, were both born in the same house on that Oklahoma farm.

Just a little history of my life, and some Friona folks, too.

Thanks,  
Floyd L. Rector

(Editor's Note: Thanks for your comments and sharing. Always nice to hear from our readers and former Friona residents.)

Mr. Carr,

You can add Iraq to the names of places where the Friona Star is read. I love to be able to keep up with the real world through your site. Thanks a million.

Darran Procter  
SSG Procter

TCF Operation Supervisor

(God bless you Darran and thank you for your service. Be safe.)

To my friends in Parmer County,

I would like to personally invite you to a town hall meeting I am holding on Tuesday, October 2, 2007 at 1:00pm at the Friona High School Auditorium. I look forward to hearing your input and thoughts on the recently completed regular session of the 80th Legislature. Feel free to extend this invitation to any of your family, friends and co-workers who may also be interested in attending. Please see the attached invitation for more details, and do not hesitate to call Christy Bertolino in my Amarillo District Office at (806) 374-8994 for additional information. Thank you and I hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,  
Kel Seliger

## Congratulations Deirdre! Miss Friona 2007



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# Town Talk II

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By Ron Carr

The NFL season is here and it is time for those Campbell's Chunky Soup momma commercials. This year's momma is Ladanian Tomlinson's mother. He is an all-star running back for the San Diego Chargers. His connection to Friona is that while at TCU one of his blockers was Quint Ellis, a Chieftain star who went on to play football for the Horned Frogs. Now ya'll eat your Chunky Soup. It has a new black label for some reason. Don't know if that makes it taste better or not.

Flu shots. There have been several flu patients at PCCH already this year. It is recommended that you consider getting the shot. At present the clinic has flu vaccine available. Flu shots are \$29 and you don't need an appointment but you may have to wait a little while. For more information you can call the clinic at 250-2781.

Friday night Clint Mears, Mike Hutson, and I took a circular route to the Morton football game. Clint needed to pick up a printing order in Lubbock so we left early, fought the Lubbock construction and traffic and then ate at Cagle Steaks.

Cagle is a noted steak house and barbecue restaurant west of Lubbock off 19th Street. They have a mini-western city there and in addition to the steak house there are several venues for private parties and receptions. We opted for the barbecue brisket, sausage, and ham since a 12- or 16-ounce steak was a little much before a football game. Great place though. Hope to go back one day.

From Cagle's it was an easy

drive west on Hwy 114 through Levelland and Whiteface, to Morton. Gasoline in Levelland was \$2.69 but when we got to Morton it was \$2.99. Sound familiar.

My guess is if any of you Chief fans tried Leal's in Muleshoe Friday night on the way to Morton you had a wait for a table. It was Muleshoe homecoming vs. Shallowater. Getting a table on Friday night is bad enough when the Mules are playing out of town.

FISD superintendent Jim Parker told me that school enrollment was 1202 when school started and is now about 1229. He said it was within a few students of last year's enrollment. The UIL realignment takes place again after this year. Looks like Friona will remain in 2A but who knows how they will align the district.

At the senior citizen's lunch Monday it was announced that Eddie Hall is in the hospital undergoing some cancer treatment. Also that Harold Taylor is seriously ill in the hospital in Amarillo. We hold them and their families in our thoughts and prayers.

There were quite a few visitors at the Monday lunch. I didn't get all their names but we are glad to have them. Visitors are always welcome. We have lunch for \$3 every Monday and Thursday at the Friendship House.

Good crowd at the Miss Friona pageant. The girls did a great job on their talent presentations. Congratulations to them all for their time and energy.

A special hats off to all the ladies that worked so hard to decorate the stage, organize

the program, and provide the desserts for the pie supper at intermission. They amaze me every year. What a great group.

It was tough to decide on a dessert but I had the Mississippi Mud cake. It was outstanding so to whoever brought it, thank you.

Our sympathies to Dana Jameson and family on the passing of her mom, Tana Young. Mrs. Young was the Justice of the Peace in Dimmitt. She died Sunday at the age of 63 of cancer. After a few years at the Friona Star, Dana is now the editor of the Castro County News in Dimmitt. She got to spend a few months closer to her mother. Please keep Dana, Tyler, Josh, and the family in your thoughts.

Local realtor Holly Campbell is back from a few days visiting with Pam Messer in Memphis, Tennessee. Pam's late husband Waide was pastor of Friona's First Baptist Church several years ago. The pair went to Nashville and attended the Grand 'Ol Opry, did some shopping and visited Graceland II, an Elvis museum.

Holly's dad Dale Hart celebrated his 75th birthday Tuesday with an early morning party at the post office before Dale had to run his postal route. I hear mini-muffins and sausage balls were on the birthday menu.

Maybe you have noticed a new look at the Friona police station. City employees painted the building with a new gray color recently. City manager Terri Johnson said with the red on the fire station and the yellow on the back of the fire station, gray seemed to be a good choice. It did come out a little darker than they planned, she said, and they still have some trim work to do.

The police department is in need of a dispatcher and a school crossing guard for Highway 60. Former officer Houston Gass and his wife Heather have moved to Pampa. If you know of anyone that might qualify for these positions have them go by the police department for an application.

It has been a busy week here with Maize Days activities. We are looking forward to Friday night's game with Bovina and the parade and city park activities on Saturday. Chamber boss lady Chris Alexander says there will be hot dogs, chili dogs, hamburgers, barbecue, gorditas, grilled corn, and ice cream among the food items for sale.

Don't forget the chuckwagon breakfast from 8-

9 a.m. Ken Branum of Hereford will be the chuckwagon master. Tickets in advance only. No tickets sold Saturday morning. Go by the Chamber office or see a Chamber board

member. Next week's Star will have a photo wrap-up of the week's festivities. Lots of photos will be available for viewing and

purchasing on our frionaonline.com website too. We welcome the visitors and former residents in town for Maize Days. Thanks to all.

## NRCS applications for EQIP funding

Texas agricultural landowners interested in participating in the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) need to apply by November 16, 2007, if they have not already done so to be eligible for the next round of funding, according to the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

"Although EQIP is a continuous sign-up program, some producers may not have signed up yet," said Don Gohmert, NRCS state conservationist for Texas. "We will rank all eligible applications received by the end of the ranking period on November 16 for 2008 funding. There is a strong possibility that EQIP funds will become available in October."

EQIP promotes agricultural production and environmental quality. Through EQIP, farmers and ranchers receive financial and technical assistance to help install conservation practices and to implement management systems that promote conservation. Financial assistance is on a cost-shared basis with the producer. The technical assistance is provided at 100 percent of the cost by NRCS.

According to Gohmert, there are a few changes in EQIP for 2008.

NRCS is adding another statewide resource concern to the program at the recommendation of the State Technical Committee. Fund-

ing will be provided in 2008 specifically for conservation practices that improve habitat for the pronghorn antelope in west Texas.

Also new in 2008 will be a process to streamline payments. Instead of the traditional percentage-of-cost rates, NRCS will offer flat-rate payments based on a schedule for each conservation practice. "Landowners will know up-front what the payment in dollars will be," Gohmert said.

"One important component of EQIP that remains the same is the input needed from the local level to make EQIP address the most pressing resource concerns there," said Gohmert. "Our local offices may be holding program development group and local working group meetings very soon to gather that input." NRCS offices and local soil and water conservation district officials will have more information about local meetings.

To sign up for EQIP or to get more information, contact the NRCS office serving your county. Look in the phone book under "U.S. Government, Department of Agriculture," or find your service center on the Web at <http://offices.sc.egov.usda.gov/locator/app>.

You can also get information about Texas NRCS conservation technical assistance and programs at [www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov).



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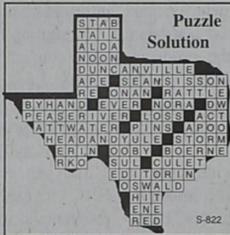
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## September 23 – September 29

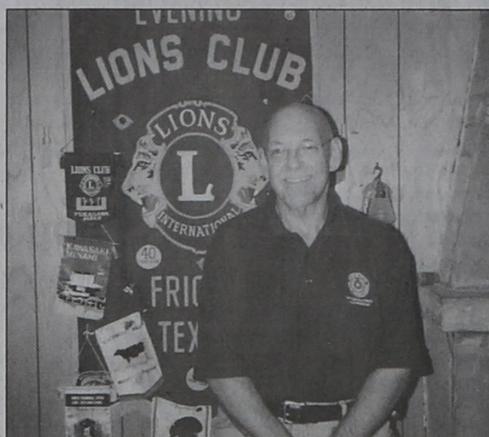
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- Sept. 23-**Stephanie Wilcox, Jan Rogers, Camille Lacewell, Mardee Sifford, Jesse Morales, Sr., Abe Lane, Daniel O'Brian, Ryan Strebeck
- Sept. 24-**Marie Saiz, Mitch Terry, Cam Buchanan, Dee Buchanan, Shirley Ferguson, Leigh Monroe, Jaime Fuentes
- Sept 25-**Toby Jack, Jane Dixon, Dr. Robert Alexander, Michelle Stanberry, Erma Raymond, Bailey Davenport, Robert Alexander, Jr.
- Sept. 26-**Chris Barnett, Christopher Alexander, Craig Cranfill, Janie Gonzales, Brent Hinkle, Hector Perez, Mike Chaney, Kyla Graham, Rachel Clark, Krista Graham, Eunice Widmier, Megan Lea Jackson, Jessica Stowers Dearing, Phyllis Meagan Alexander
- Sept. 27-**Patty Corbell, Walter Schueler, Dwayne Ridley, Logan Bingham, William Osborn, Doyle Melton, Ethel Walker, Mariah Lynn Edelman
- Sept. 28-**Florence Sifford, Keith Black, Virginia Jennings, David Wilkerson, Cindy Mata, Dennis Anthony, Gordon Stokes, Tell Stockstill, Macy McLellan, Chad L. Jennings
- Sept. 29-**Judy Head, Tammie Potts Burney, Lois Norwood, James Widner, James Cunningham, Brock Baker, Jeannie Belcher, Harold J. Wells, Shana Fleming, Barbara Cockerham, Suzan Hughes, Anthony Jucha



# Lions Club News

By Ron Carr



**Lion Bruce Gipson has been elected to be president of Friona Evening Lions Club 2007-2008**



**Lion Percy Parsons introduced guests Ken and Cordella Jeter at the Friona Evening Lions Club on Thursday Sept. 13th. Ken is a lab technician at Southwest Cheese Company.**

# Sheriff's Report

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

September 10, 2007, Lucrecia Armyo, 28, of Clovis, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with possession of marijuana (less than 2 ounces), pending County Court.

September 11, 2007, David Searcy, 33, of Farwell, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with possession of marijuana (less than 2 ounces), pending County Court.

September 11, 2007, Jeremy Otiz, 27, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with purchasing/furnishing alcohol to a minor, pending County Court.

September 12, 2007, Joshua Shelby, 21, of Hereford, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with theft by check, fine, court costs, restitution, and two years probation.

September 13, 2007, Rene Rodriguez, 42, of Clovis, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with two counts of theft (enhanced), pending Grand Jury.

September 14, 2007, Maria Rodriguez, 48, of Clovis, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with two counts of theft (enhanced), pending Grand Jury.

September 14, 2007, Matthew Rangel, 24, of Lubbock, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with motion to revoke (theft), pending District Court.

September 15, 2007, Juan Campos, 29, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with driving while intoxicated, pending County Court.

# Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deed from September 05, 2007 to September 12, 2007:

Beardean Broyles and Joyce Marie Broyles – Eugene Bandy and Patsy Bandy, W/2 S21 HARDING SUB.

Valter Eddie Nowell – Tomas M. Ruiz and Oralia M. Ruiz, S97 BLK H THOMAS KELLY.

Betty Louise Rector – Kenneth McLellan and Joe McLellan, 111.3 AC S12 T3S R3E; 8.5 AC S/P T S1 T3S R3E; SW/4 S2 BLK B RHEA BROTHERS.

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Charles William Summers and Rena Sue Summers – Melvin Summers Irrevocable Trust and Juanita Summers Irrevocable Trust, S7 BLK H THOMAS KELLY.

# PCRT & SP meeting notes

The Parmer County Retired Teachers and School Personnel met on September 4 in the community room of Friona State Bank. President Sharon White led the pledge of allegiance to the American flag and to the Texas flag. David George gave the invocation.

Janna Kiehl from the Amarillo Better Business Bureau presented an interesting program on identity theft. During her presentation she talked of several measures that individuals could take to prevent their vital information from being stolen, and what to do in the event that one does become a victim of identity theft.

For the second part of the program Diana Esch from the Palo Duro Retirement Village in Canyon gave a presentation on the Village and life there. Of special interest to the group was the fact that Ann Corn, past president of the organization and former Bovina resident is now a resident there.

One of the projects that the organization undertook this past year was to participate in a program to provide a book to every elementary student in each of the four county schools. The program was so successful that it was decided to participate in the program again this year.

Refreshments for the meeting were furnished by Margaret Duggins.

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# Chief momentum sinks Morton 42-21

BY RON CARR

Morton didn't show until the 2nd quarter. The Morton Indians put 14 points on the board in the 1st quarter while the Chiefs were trying to find momentum.

The Morton Indians took the opening kickoff and drove for a touchdown. They chipped away at the Chief defense with a no-huddle pass and run series. The Indians operated from the no-huddle shotgun formation the entire game.

Morton scored on a 13-yard pass with 6:54 left in the first quarter to take an early 7-0 lead. On Friona's ensuing possession they were on the move but a long pass from Sawyer Reed was intercepted by the Indians. They drove to the Chiefs' 35-yard line and quick-punted on 4th and 1. The ball rolled dead on the Chiefs' 1-yard line.

After three tries the Chiefs faced 4th and 1 at about the 10-yard line. Reed punted and Morton took over at Friona's 40. Again their no-huddle formations pecked away at the Friona defense. A reverse moved the Indians to the 19-yard line. Another pass play gave Morton its second TD and a 14-0 lead with 6 seconds left in the 1st quarter.

Momentum showed up for the Chiefs in the 2nd quarter. Raul Licerio returned the kickoff to the 50. An 18-yard keeper by Reed, a reverse to Schwab, and two nice runs by Reed gave the Chiefs a first and goal at the one-yard line. Joey Mendoza powered over for Friona's first of five unanswered touchdowns. The extra point try was not good and the score was 14-6

with 7 minutes left in the quarter.

On Morton's next series the Chiefs used their defensive momentum to stop the Indians and force a punt. A combination of Reed up the middle, Gerardo Padilla around right end to the 20, and a Reed to Padilla pass gave the Chiefs a 1st and goal. Mendoza again dived in for the Chiefs second TD of the quarter with less than a minute to play. A Reed to Alonzo Rojas pass was complete on the two-point try. The score was tied 14-14.

Morton launched a stepped up drive, passing and chipping away to inside Friona's 20 but Ritchie Casas intercepted a last ditch Morton pass as the half ended.

The momentum showed itself big time as the second half started. The Chiefs scored two touchdowns in 1:06 minutes before the Morton offense ever has its first snap. On the second half kickoff, the ball was bobbled by a Chieftain but Alonzo Rojas scooped it up and streaked full speed down the right sideline, outracing a bunch of Indians for a 78-yard touchdown.

The kick by Gerardo Garza was good making the score 21-14 but he was injured when an Indian slammed into his leg and Morton received a 15-yard roughing penalty on the kick-off. The coaches called for a "bunch kick", a modified version of an onside kick. Rodrigo Vasquez lobbed a perfect kick high and downfield about 20-25 yards.

The entire "bunch" of Chieftains swarmed to the ball and recovered near the Morton 30. Two plays later, Reed launched a 25-yard TD strike to Padilla and Vasquez's extra-point was good. The Chiefs led 28-14 with 10:54 still left in the 3rd quarter. On Morton's next possession, after a late-hit penalty and some minor scuffling on the field, Trent Hudson sacked the Morton quarterback on a 4th and 11 attempt.

Friona took over on their own 32 but were unable to move the markers. Reed launched a 42-yard punt to put the Indians deep in their own territory. Ernesto Monreal intercepted a Morton pass but Friona was again unable to convert. A 4th down pass was incomplete and Morton took over but were stopped by the fired-up Chief defense. The Morton punt went only 7 yards.

On a 3rd and 5, Reed hit Ritchie Casas along the left sideline and raced in for a 29-yard TD. Vasquez's kick made the score 35-14.

But Morton found a little momentum on the next possession. The Morton quarterback scrambled out of the pocket for about a 30-yard gain then converted on a 4th and 14 pass to 1st and goal. Morton scored on a quarterback keeper and the score moved to 35-21.

Ritchie Casas returned the kickoff to the 50, Alonzo Rojas carried on the first play to the 20, and Padilla ran right and appeared stopped at the one but some nice second effort vaulted him into the end zone for the score. Vasquez came through again and the Chiefs put the game to bed 42-21.

With 8:45 left in the game Coach Ferguson gave playing time to the second team. Justin Dominguez came in at quarterback. He got some good runs from Raul Licerio and Noe Saenz as the Chiefs ran out the clock. Also seeing a lot of playing time was freshman Clayton Smiley. He was moved up to varsity due to some injuries and did a fine job along the offensive line.

The Chieftains are 2-1 and host Bovina Friday for homecoming. The Mustangs lost a tough defensive battle to New Deal 10-0 and will be a challenge for the Chieftains. The game with Bovina marks the end of non-district games. The next week the Chiefs will host Bushland in the first game of District 2-2A competition. Maybe momentum will stick around until then.



Wide receiver Ryan Schwab takes off on a reverse end around play at Morton. Teammates Joey Mendoza (11) and Clayton Smiley (65) are coming over to help.



Above, Quarterback Sawyer Reed (3) hands off to Alonzo Rojas (7) in this view from the end zone. Below, Rojas is dragged down by a couple of Indians while Gerald Padilla (12) looks on. More Chiefs vs. Morton photos in our album at frionaonline.com.



## Chieftain notes & stats

Last year the Chiefs beat Morton 46-0 which could have contributed to Morton's 14-0 first quarter lead this year. A couple of coaches said they felt the boys didn't take Morton seriously enough at first but they came back with 35 unanswered points in the final three quarters.

Good defensive performances turned in by Sawyer Reed (4 unassisted tackles), Alex Dunnam (a sack), Chris Haile, Noe Saenz, Matthew Stanberry, and Trent Hudson. Saenz was brought up from JV and turned in 3 unassisted and 5 assisted tackles.

Quarterback Sawyer Reed carried 4 times for 60 yards and a TD and was 5 of 10 passing for 79 yards and 2 TDs. Other rushing were

Alonzo Rojas 9 for 61, Gerald Padilla 5 for 40, Joey Mendoza 5 for 11, Raul Licerio 3 for 16, and Noe Saenz 2 for 11.

Gerald Padilla and Ritchie Casas each had 3 pass receptions and scored a touchdown. Through three games Reed is the leading rusher with 23 carries and 148 yards. In passing yardage he is 22 of 43 for 431 yards and 6 touchdowns with only one interception.

Ritchie Casas is the leading receiver with six catches for 115 yards and two TDs. Ryan Schwab has four catches for 135 yards and three touchdowns. Through three games the Chief offense is averaging 327 yards per game and the defense has held opponents to a 247 yard per game average.

## Little Chief peewee football Saturday here

Friona has three peewee football teams that participate in a league with teams from Hereford and Clovis. Most of the games are played in Clovis.

But local folks will have a chance to see the Little Chiefs in action Saturday September

22 at Chieftain Field.

The 1st and 2nd grade Little Chiefs will play at 2 p.m. The 3rd and 4th grade Junior Chiefs will play at 3 p.m. and the 5th and 6th grade Senior Chiefs will

play at 5:30 p.m.

The youngsters play full uniform tackle football. Opponents will be teams from Hereford and Clovis. Come out and see these future Chiefs in action.

## JV Chiefs lose to Dalhart

The JV Chieftains fell to the Dalhart Wolves Thursday September 13 by a score of 37-12. Zack Fair scored for the Chiefs on an 80-yard run and Kirby Frye scored on a 10-yard pass reception from Joey Dixon.

Coach Rex Crompton said: "We had too many turnovers

and broken plays. We would get a good series going on offense and then do something to hurt ourselves and slow us down. Our kicking game was not very good at times. Defensively we did not play too bad, but we gave them a short field on several occasions."

**ACROSS**

- TXism: "take a \_\_\_ at it" (try)
- TXism: "got a skunk by the \_\_\_" (trouble)
- This Alan was in "The Four Seasons" with TX Burnett
- "high \_\_\_"
- SW Dallas suburb
- big uncouth person
- This Kaufman 12-year-old was youngest ever Eagle Scout
- TX Reynolds was in '56 "Bundle of Joy," a \_\_\_ make of "Bachelor Mother"
- TXism: "fits like ugly \_\_\_ ape"
- several TX towns have \_\_\_ snake roundups
- Los Ebanos Ferry is pulled \_\_\_
- TXism: "beats anything I \_\_\_ saw"
- "neither a borrower \_\_\_ lender be"
- Waggoner Ranch founder (init.)
- east co. line 'tween Hardeman & Foard counties (2 wds.)
- "at a \_\_\_ for words"
- parental warning: "sit up and \_\_\_ right!"
- "\_\_\_ Prairie Chicken" refuge
- "on \_\_\_ & needles"
- Kick \_\_\_ Indians

**DOWN**

- Fredericksburg paper: "\_\_\_ Post"
- TX melon: "Pecos can \_\_\_"
- TX Willie's "Farm \_\_\_" was in '85 in Illinois
- this Mel was "Man of 1,000 Voices"
- this Ed was in TV's "Roots" with TX Lynda Day George
- TXism: "it's \_\_\_ 'bout"
- TX church production: "Boar's \_\_\_ Log Festival"
- TX actress Gale
- SMU noted alumna: \_\_\_ Bain Jones
- TX Roy Orbison 1st hit: "\_\_\_ Dooby"
- Kendall Co. seat
- TX Ginger film studio
- Alpine state university: "\_\_\_ Ross"
- buttocks armor
- VIP at a TX magazine "\_\_\_-chief"
- Lee Harvey
- TXism: "\_\_\_ the trail"
- dir. from Amarillo to Pampa
- \_\_\_ River
- TX pianist Cliburn
- TXism: "getting long \_\_\_ the tooth"
- governor (1886-90)
- TXism: "there's more of them than there are \_\_\_ in TX"
- "this" south of the border
- Dublin, TX has big \_\_\_ Patrick's Day celebration
- TXism: "as green as two-week-\_\_\_" (rookie)
- Osmond country song: "You're Still \_\_\_"
- how TX Janis Joplin died
- pre-game hitting rehearsal (abbr.)
- affirmative vote
- biblical verb
- TXism: "he speaks cow like \_\_\_"
- TX or NJ town
- "all \_\_\_" (tied)
- TXism: "not a lick"
- "is \_\_\_ emergency?"
- famous TX saloon: "The Jersey \_\_\_"
- Galveston (2 wds.)
- newspaper VIP
- at age 36, Houston married one (2 wds.)
- TXism: "a fine how do \_\_\_"
- TXism: "dead \_\_\_ perfect"
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## OBITUARIES

### Leo J. Ruzicka

Leo J. Ruzicka, 86, passed away Monday, August 27, 2007. A rosary was held at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, August 30, 2007 at Resthaven's Abbey Chapel. Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, August 31, 2007 at St. John Newman Catholic Church, with Msgr. Joseph Tash officiating. Interment followed at Resthaven Memorial Park with arrangements by Resthaven Funeral Home of Lubbock.

He was born August 23, 1921 in Abbott, Texas to the late Leo M. and Frances Marek Ruzicka. He graduated from Abbott Public Schools and Hillsboro Junior College. He attended the University of Texas prior to entering the U.S. Army Air Force where he received his Silver Wings from Stockton Field in Santa Anna, California, advanced to a First Lieutenant, and became a Pilot Instructor at Randolph Field, San Antonio from February 6, 1943 thru January 9, 1946.

Leo moved to the South Plains with his family from Abbot, Texas. As he was helping to build and open County Line Gin, outside Morton, he taught school at Pep, Texas, where he met the love of his life, Margaret (Mike) Demel. They married in Pep, on August 17, 1948, and shared a loving marriage for the past 59 years.

His achievements include partnering and mentoring other fine people in cotton ginning, delinting and several farming ventures. Due to his respect in the business, he was nominated for the Texas Cotton Ginners' Association Ginner of the Year in 1996. He established West Hub Gin, near Friona and Bovina, in 1954, where he and his wife raised their five children until 1976, when they moved to Lubbock. He never retired. Instead, he enjoyed going to the farms and stayed active mentally and physically until recently being diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. He was a member of St. John Newman.

One sister, Eveline Greener, preceded him in death.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret of Lubbock; one son, William (Bill) and wife Victoria; four daughters, Rhonda Cutair and husband Ray Fournier, and Donna and husband Billy Pevehouse all of Amarillo, Linda and husband Kevin Herbert of Greenville, Texas, and Margaret (Noni) and husband Cody Love of Lubbock; one brother, Jerry Ruzicka; two sisters Mollie Beseda, and Frances Wilkerson, both of Lubbock; fourteen grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Pallbearers included Mark Ruzicka, Larry Beseda, Marty Demel, Miles Demel, Billy Demel, and Rory Brito. Honorary pallbearers were Norton Baker, Coy Myrick, David Rodriguez, Stanley Degan, Arthur Summers, Buzz Poage, John Marek and Jerry Walker.

The family suggests memorials to the Lubbock American Cancer Society, Pancreatic Research.

### Tana Moorlene Young

Tana Moorlene Young, 63, of Dimmitt, Texas passed away Sunday, September 16, 2007, in Amarillo, after a short battle with cancer. Funeral services were held Wednesday, September 19, 2007 at the First Baptist Church of Dimmitt at 1:30 p.m., with Reverend Clint Young officiating. Burial followed at Muleshoe Memorial Park in Muleshoe, Texas. Arrangements were handled by Colonial Funeral Home in Dimmitt.

Mrs. Young was born October 22, 1943 in Temple, Texas, to J.M. and Leta Mae (Dickerson) Hefner. Mrs. Young served as the Bailey County Justice of the Peace for a time and the Castro County Justice of the Peace from 1999 until her passing. She was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Dimmitt and loved singing in the choir.

Mrs. Young is preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her husband, Marshall Young of Dimmitt; one daughter, Dana D. Jameson of Dimmitt; one son, Jim Holmes and wife Susan of Lubbock, Texas; one step-daughter, Darla Rice and husband Dennis of Canyon, Texas; six grandchildren, Tyler Jameson and wife Teresa of Fritch, Josh Jameson of Friona, Alexandra and Samantha Holmes, both of Lubbock, and Danielle and Deanne Rice, both of Canyon. She is also survived by many loving aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. She will truly be missed.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial can be made to Odessey Healthcare, 6900 I-40 W., Suite 150, Amarillo, TX 79106 or to your favorite charity.



Tana Moorlene Young

## Playa lakes symposium Oct. 23-24 in Amarillo

By Kay Ledbetter, Texas A&M Extension and Colorado.

A bountiful, wet spring and summer have made playa lakes more noticeable as they fill with water across the state, a Texas Cooperative Extension specialist said.

But there's a concern, whatever the rainfall situation, that without proper management these sources of wildlife habitat and groundwater recharge may become essentially non-functional, said Ken Cearley, Extension wildlife specialist.

Playas are small wetland areas with a shallow, natural basin and are found throughout the Central Great Plains states, Cearley said. A playa is a playa whether it has water in it or not. And all playas perform a valuable function. Some hold water for extended periods of time and others do not.

While the recharge may be limited, playas are about the only source of replenishment to the Ogallala Aquifer in this region, said Cearley.

Playas also are often the main wildlife habitat in intensively farmed areas of the region. In some years, they may attract waterfowl and shorebirds, and in other years, if they are not full of water, maybe only pheasants.

In addition to vegetation in the playa basin itself, management of the surrounding plant life is equally important to keep it functional, Cearley said.

Sedimentation, a major threat, can occur without proper management on the area immediately adjacent to and around playas. Playa volume is reduced, lessening its value to waterfowl, and sedimentation also could destroy valuable native wetland plants that provide food and cover for wildlife.

Cearley is working with other wildlife professionals to help raise the awareness of playas and their numerous contributions to wildlife and aquifer recharge in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska

A jointly sponsored Playa Lakes Symposium will be held October 23-24 at the Ambassador Hotel in Amarillo. The Extension is co-hosting the symposium with the Texas Wildlife Association, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service and other agencies.

"Some of the most respected researchers on the management of playas will be on hand, as well as noted educators, field biologists, farmers and ranchers," Cearley said. "We hope to encourage people to manage playas to benefit wildlife."

Getting others to help provide the necessary management will take incentives, he said. The incentive may be attracting fee-paying hunters or photographers, or may include a government-based offer to landowners.

Landowners, land managers, natural resource professionals, hunters, outfitters and the general public are invited to the conference.

The symposium will begin at 1:00 p.m. on October 23 with a welcome by Texas Parks and Wildlife Commissioner Mark Bivens. The keynote address will be given by Loren Smith, Oklahoma State University Zoology Department head, who has been involved for many years with research and education concerning playas.

Registration is \$50 through October 14 and \$60 thereafter. The fee will cover a light meal at the social, a continental breakfast, lunch on the second day and a copy of the proceedings.

For registration and lodging information, go to <http://texas-wildlife.org>. For further details contact Ken Cearley at [kcearley@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:kcearley@ag.tamu.edu) or 806-651-5760.

## Northwest Plains Pest News

From Monti Vandiver, Extension Agent-IPM

Cooler temperatures and scattered thunderstorms have prevailed in the first two weeks of September. These conditions have relieved some plant stress where moisture deficits are present but have also slowed some crop development.

Corn harvest is in full swing, silage choppers have taken a large bite out of the area corn crop and combines have begun to harvest corn for grain. Most producers have been happy with silage yields.

Hot temperatures in August have been very beneficial to cotton. Heat unit accumulations for August were 116% of the long term average and those in 2006. This translates into about a five day gain in maturity.

Cotton aphids continue to infest most cotton at relatively low numbers. As bolls begin to open treatment decisions shift from protecting yield to protecting quality. The honeydew excreted by aphids can accumulate on cotton lint causing "sticky cotton".

Early reported sorghum silage yields have been fair to good and have been likely negatively impacted by the late hot dry conditions. Spider mites continue to infest much of the area sorghum.

For the complete text of Vandiver's pest management newsletter go to <http://pamer-tx.tamu.edu>.

## Amarillo Int'l week celebrates Ireland

September 30-October 6 is Amarillo International Week. This year the Amarillo International Club invites you to Celebrate Ireland.

Starting Sunday September 30 is a 3:00 p.m. concert at Amarillo College Concert Hall by Drs. Jim Rauscher and Steven Weber.

Monday October 1 historian Dr. Brian Farmer will present a history of Ireland at 7:00 p.m. in the Amarillo Central Library.

A Taste of Ireland is planned Friday October 5 at 6 p.m. at the home of Ilene and Bob Balliett, 7600 Norwood, Amarillo.

Tickets are \$25 per person. Mail to Helen Marr Johannesen, 3100 Amberwood Lane, Amarillo 79106.

Saturday October 6 an Irish Theatre Sampler will be presented by the Amarillo Repertory Theatre at 2:30 p.m. at Sunset Center. Donations for the performance will be accepted.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS SPECIAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 6, 2007

### PROPOSITION 1 (HJR 103)

HJR 103 would update the constitutional reference to Angelo State University to conform with the statutory transfer of that institution from membership in the Texas State University System to membership in the Texas Tech University System.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the continuation of the constitutional appropriation for facilities and other capital items at Angelo State University on a change in the governance of the university."

### PROPOSITION 2 (SJR 57)

SJR 57 would authorize the legislature to permit the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to issue up to \$500 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to college and university students, and to enter into bond enhancement agreements.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of \$500 million in general obligation bonds to finance educational loans to students and authorizing bond enhancement agreements with respect to general obligation bonds issued for that purpose."

### PROPOSITION 3 (HJR 40)

HJR 40 would authorize the legislature to limit the maximum appraised value of a residence homestead for property tax purposes in a tax year to the lesser of the most recent appraisal valuation, or 110 percent, or a greater percentage as determined by the legislature, of the appraised value in the preceding tax year.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide that the maximum appraised value of a residence homestead for ad valorem taxation is limited to the lesser of the most recent market value of the residence homestead as determined by the appraisal entity or 110 percent, or a greater percentage, of the appraised value of the residence homestead for the preceding tax year."

### PROPOSITION 4 (SJR 65)

SJR 65 would authorize the legislature to permit the Texas Public Finance Authority to issue up to \$1 billion in general obligation

bonds, the proceeds of which would be dedicated to maintenance, construction, repairs, and equipment purchases, as authorized by the legislature for the following state agencies: the Texas Building and Procurement Commission; the Parks and Wildlife Department; the Department of the Adjutant General; the Department of State Health Services; the Department of Aging and Disability Services; the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired; the Texas Youth Commission; the Texas Historical Commission; the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; the Texas School for the Deaf; and the Texas Department of Public Safety.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of up to \$1 billion in bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for maintenance, improvement, repair, and construction projects and for the purchase of needed equipment."

### PROPOSITION 5 (SJR 44)

SJR 44 would authorize the legislature to permit cities with a population of less than 10,000 to hold an election to allow the city to enter into an agreement with a property owner to temporarily freeze taxes on property either in or adjacent to an area approved for funding under the Downtown Revitalization Program or the Main Streets Improvements Program administered by the Department of Agriculture.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit the voters of a municipality having a population of less than 10,000 to authorize the governing body of the municipality to enter into an agreement with an owner of real property in or adjacent to an area in the municipality that has been approved for funding under certain programs administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture under which the parties agree that all ad valorem taxes imposed on the owner's property may not be increased for the first five tax years after the tax year in which the agreement is entered into."

### PROPOSITION 6 (HJR 54)

HJR 54 would authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem tax one motor vehicle owned by an individual that is used by the individual for both business and personal use.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional

amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation one motor vehicle owned by an individual and used in the course of the owner's occupation or profession and also for personal activities of the owner."

### PROPOSITION 7 (HJR 30)

HJR 30 would allow a governmental entity to sell property acquired through eminent domain to its immediately previous owner at the original purchase price, if the public use of the property has been canceled, if no progress is made toward that public use by a prescribed deadline, or if the property is unnecessary to accomplish that public use.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to allow governmental entities to sell property acquired through eminent domain back to the previous owners at the price the entities paid to acquire the property."

### PROPOSITION 8 (HJR 72)

HJR 72 would clarify home equity loan procedures and protections and make conforming changes to the written disclosure provided to the borrower at the loan closing. The amendment would establish that the status of whether property is an agricultural homestead for the purpose of receiving homestead protection, would be determined by whether it was designated for agricultural use on the date of the loan closing. The amendment would provide that a declared state of emergency (e.g., following a natural disaster) would justify execution of a second home equity loan on the same property less than one year after the first home equity loan. It would provide that non-substantive omissions on a loan application would not affect the agreement. It would require a borrower to receive a copy of all executed loan documents, and a disclosure list of fees and costs at closing. It would prohibit the use of preprinted checks for the use of uncollected loan advances to obtain a home equity line of credit.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to clarify certain provisions relating to the making of a home equity loan and use of home equity loan proceeds."

### PROPOSITION 9 (SJR 29)

SJR 29 would authorize the legislature to exempt all or part of the market value of the residence homesteads of veterans certified as having a service-connected 100 percent

disability rating. SJR 29 would also clarify the progression of property tax exemptions available to veterans who are less than 100 percent disabled.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to exempt all or part of the residence homesteads of certain totally disabled veterans from ad valorem taxation and authorizing a change in the manner of determining the amount of the existing exemption from ad valorem taxation to which a disabled veteran is entitled."

### PROPOSITION 10 (HJR 69)

HJR 69 would remove constitutional references to the former office of inspector of hides and animals.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to abolish the constitutional authority for the office of inspector of hides and animals."

### PROPOSITION 11 (HJR 19)

HJR 19 would require a vote taken in either house of the legislature to be recorded by record vote, if the vote was on final passage of a bill, other than local bills, a resolution proposing a constitutional amendment, or any other resolution that is not purely ceremonial. The record vote must be archived and available for public viewing on the Internet for at least two years.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment to require that a record vote be taken by a house of the legislature on the final passage of any bill, other than certain local bills, of a resolution proposing or ratifying a constitutional amendment, or of any other nonceremonial resolution, and to provide for public access on the Internet to those record votes."

### PROPOSITION 12 (SJR 64)

SJR 64 would authorize the Texas Transportation Commission to issue up to \$5 billion in general obligation bonds for highway improvement projects, the proceeds of which will be used to pay for projects, costs, and payments owed under related credit agreements.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds by the Texas Transportation Commission in an amount not to exceed \$5 billion to provide funding for highway improvement projects."

### PROPOSITION 13 (HJR 6)

HJR 6 would authorize the denial of bail to a person who violates conditions of release

in a family violence case and permit the legislature to authorize the denial of bail to a person who violates certain court orders in a family violence case.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment authorizing the denial of bail to a person who violates certain court orders or conditions of release in a felony or family violence case."

### PROPOSITION 14 (HJR 36)

HJR 36 would limit a state justice or judge's service to December 31<sup>st</sup> of the fourth year of the term if he/she is elected to all or part of a six year term, and reaches mandatory retirement age during the first four years of said term.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment permitting a justice or judge who reaches the mandatory retirement age while in office to serve the remainder of the justice's or judge's current term."

### PROPOSITION 15 (HJR 90)

HJR 90 would require the legislature to establish the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas, and would provide for its management, duties, and powers. It would authorize the issuance of up to \$3 billion in general obligation bonds to be used for general and grants for the purpose of scientific research of all forms of human cancer.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment requiring the creation of the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas and authorizing the issuance of up to \$3 billion in bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for research in Texas to find the causes of and cures for cancer."

### PROPOSITION 16 (SJR 20)

SJR 20 would authorize the issuance of up to \$250 million in general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board to provide financial assistance to economically distressed areas of the state to help provide adequate sewer and water supply services for residential use.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board in an amount not to exceed \$250 million to provide assistance to economically distressed areas."

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## Essays on social issues

(Reprinted from "Musings for a New Millennium" by Hal D. Blackburn.)

The creation of cults was one of our boldest initiatives. Through a broad and varied assortment of these cultic groups, we offer earthlings numerous choices on each continent of the globe. They can join a cult in North or South America, Africa, Asia, or Europe—even Australia. (If they only knew what the land down under was really like.) Once they enter one of our cults, they leave their humanity behind. They sell us their soul. From that moment on they wear plastic smiles, they see the world through glassy eyes, and they exist in the hazy realm in which we reign. Most never find their way out of these satanic traps that we've set globally. We can take devilish pride (one of our favorite words) in the fact that earthlings from all along the socio-economic scale join our cult-ranks. We attract impoverished earthlings, materialistic and highly educated ones, and everything in between.

Throughout the course of time, along with our bold initiative of cults, we've also engineered the subtle initiative of syncretism. Even though we know all too well that the life of Jesus and His triumphant resurrection from death enables Christianity to stand alone as the singular, definitive religion for earthlings to follow—through the scheme of syncretism, we've provided the necessary confusion to deter and mislead billions and billions. We've constructed the kingdom of syncretism by creating an astounding number of world religions. Once we lure an earthling into this maze, they begin to sample many of them and combine elements from each. In so doing, they've allowed us to fashion a religious world view of syncretism for them. In this way, we've successfully worked as consultants ever since Eden. Into this maze we also cast a few million false teachers who call themselves Christian, and our syncretism scheme is complete. All we have to do is provide some general maintenance every now and then. It is no secret or surprise to us that one of the catchwords from the humans toward the end of the last millennium was—"whatever". That word that we coined, and they eagerly received, comes back as music to our ears.



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## Think about this Choose the frog you want to be

BY T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

Two frogs fell into a can of cream or so I've heard it told.

The sides of the can were shiny and deep.

The cream was deep and cold.

"O, what's the use?" said one.

"Tis fate, no help's around. Goodbye dear friend,

goodbye sad world."

And weeping still he drowned.

But frog two of sterner stuff,

Dog-paddled in surprise.

But while he wiped his creamy face

and dried his creamy eyes,

"I'll swim awhile at least" he said, or so I've heard it said.

"It really wouldn't help the world,

if one or more frogs were dead!"

An hour or two he kicked and swam

Not once he stopped to mutter,

But kicked and kicked and swam and

kicked and hopped out via butter!

(Author Unknown)

Frog two persevered and worked so hard that he made

something he could use to get out of his mess.

I thank God that Jesus didn't quit!

## Revival service Saturday

The First Pentecostal Church, located at 5<sup>th</sup> and Ashland, invites everyone to join them in a revival service on Saturday, September 22, at 7:00 p.m.

There will be special featured singing and a tag team preaching in this service. This is a daughter church service of Calvary Tabernacle of Clovis, New Mexico.

For additional information please call (505) 769-0329.

## Seeds from the Sower

BY MICHAELA GUIDO

A mother had given her son two apples, saying, "Give your little sister her choice."

Later on she noticed that he had kept the big apple for himself. She asked, "Didn't you give your sister her choice?"

"I did," he answered. "I gave her a choice of a little one, or none at all. And she took the little one."

There's a lot of selfishness in all of us, isn't there? We're more anxious to hoard than we are to help, to get than we are to give, to be served than we are to serve. But the Living Bible says, "Don't be selfish. Be interested in others."

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### Three new exhibits at PPHM

The Panhandle-Plains Historical Society will host its 86th annual meeting and debut three exhibits on September 28, 2007, at 6:30 p.m. Urban Texas and Suitably Dressed is open to the public September 29. Sense of Self opened September 15.

The exhibits cover a range of subjects representative of PPHM's vast collection from art to textiles to cultural history.

**Urban Texas: Changing Images of an Evolving State:** Texas is known nationwide more for its rural western landscapes than for its urban concrete towers, especially in art. But as Texas evolved from an almost exclusively agricultural economy in the latter part of the 19th century and became more industrialized, Texas artists began depicting the urbanization of the state. Images of this genre will be displayed in the Foran Gallery through February 17, 2008.

The timeless designs of both men's and women's suits will be apparent in an exhibit through March 16, 2008, with formal suits on display in the Textile Gallery from various de-

cadres throughout the last 100 years. The origins of men's suits can be traced to 17th century England when King Charles II decreed that men were to wear a long coat or jacket, a waistcoat (vest), a cravat (a forerunner of the modern necktie), trousers and a wig when in court. The earliest women's suits were riding habits, consisting of a tailored coat or jacket and a matching skirt.

**Sense of Self:** The rich ethnic diversity in the Panhandle-Plains allows exploration of a variety of beliefs and how cultures survive. Artifacts pertaining to funeral rituals, life after death beliefs, taboos, social customs and marriage ceremonies identify times in life a person most strongly identifies. The exhibit will look at diversity in terms of differing ways to do the same thing and that any particular way is not better or worse, just different.

Visitors can explore these cultural, religious and ethnic characteristics through January 27, 2008, on the Derrick Room Balcony.



courtesy photo

Friona elementary 5th grader Keaton Irons holds his winning drawing for the 2007 Xcel Energy calendar. Congratulating him are, left, art teacher Sherry Zehner, and Terry Price of Xcel Energy. He won a backpack full of prizes.

### Student is Xcel calendar winner

Keaton Irons, a 5th grade student at Friona elementary, is one of the winners in the Xcel Energy 2007 Calendar Contest. His entry was one chosen from thousands of entries across the U.S., according to elementary art teacher Sherry Zehner.

"In the past 5 years, Friona has had two elementary and two primary school winners," Zehner said.

Keaton, son of Michele and James Irons, won a backpack filled with prizes, presented by Terry Price of Xcel Energy.

## New Parmer County Extension Agent here

Parmer County has a new Agriculture Extension Agent. Benji Henderson assumed the duties as the Parmer County Agent-Agriculture effective Monday September 17.

Benji was raised in Slaton, Texas. While attending Slaton schools he was active in the Slaton FFA Chapter, football, UIL one-act play, and golf. He graduated from Slaton High School in 1993. After graduation he attended Clarendon College and then transferred to Texas Tech.

While attending Texas Tech he worked part time at Lubbock Stockyards and was an active member of the Texas Tech Collegiate FFA Chapter. After graduation from Tech he married his wife Misty and they moved to Colorado where he served as an agriculture teacher for six and one-half years. While teaching in Colorado his students had projects including swine, crops, sheep, and steers.

The joys of his life were born while he was teaching in Colorado. He and Misty have four boys: Sterling, 6 years-old, and 3-year-old triplets Kolter, Landry, and Garrett.

In June 2005 he and the family moved to Big Lake, Texas where he has served as the Ag Agent for the past two years. Benji said he was looking forward to serving Parmer County in any way that he can.



**Benji Henderson**  
Parmer County Extension Agent-Agriculture

## Blues concert in Clovis Sept 29

Noted blues singer and guitarist Dave Gross will lead a band of some of the finest blues musicians in the country at a concert September 29 at 8 p.m. (MST) at the Lyceum Theater in Clovis.

Tickets are \$20 general admission, \$15 seniors, military, and students. They are available at the Clovis Community College cashier window or at the door the evening of the performance, pending availability.

The presentation is part of the Cultural Arts Series sponsored by Clovis Community College and Citizen's Bank of Clovis. The Clovis Mainstreet Wine and Cheese Gala at Wells Fargo Bank precedes the concert.

Dave Gross, age 22, is known as a world-class guitarist who moves from Chicago blues to swing to rockabilly to gypsy jazz and beyond. His extraordinary talents are showcased in his second album "Take the Gamble." For more information about the concert call 505-769-4956.

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to the end of that child's case. For these children it can mean the difference between instability and permanence, insecurity and learning to trust, invisibility and being made a priority.

The next CASA training is scheduled for September 22, 25, 27, October 2, 4, and will conclude on October 6. The training will be held in Hereford. For more information about becoming a CASA volunteer or the training, please contact Elizabeth Holguin at 363-1211.

We hope you decide to join the family of volunteers, everyday people, who are committed to improving abused children's lives. It is easier than you think—again for more details on this flexible and hugely rewarding volunteer opportunity, please call your local CASA office at 806-363-1211.

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The Noon Lions Club will be selling hamburgers and fries before and during the homecoming game Friday September 21.  
A big burger and the famous Lions Club fries for only \$5.  
(The Chieftain Squaw Boosters will be selling drinks in the concession stand.)  
We should be ready to serve about 6:30 p.m. so come on out and support the team and the Lions Club. Thank you!  
Check out the Friona Star's website: [Frionaonline.com](http://Frionaonline.com)

# Friona Star 2007 Football Contest

**Weekly 1st Place Prize \$25**  
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**Overall Grand Total Prize \$100**

## Week 5

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### CONTEST RULES

**Tie Breaker:** Pick the score of both tie breaker games. The second tie-breaker game will be used in case two or more players are tied after the first tie-breaker game. Entries are due by 4 p.m. each Friday.

**Three ways to enter:**

Fax to: 806-250-5127    Mail to: Football Contest  
 P.O. Box 789  
 Friona, TX 79035  
 Bring entry to: Friona Star Office  
 916 Main St.  
 -or-  
 Dorothy's Beauty Shop  
 3rd St. in Bovina.



Mailed entries should be sent to the Friona address above and postmarked by 4 p.m. Friday.

Cash prizes of \$25 for first place and \$15 for second place will be awarded weekly.

Each correct game picked counts as one point. Player with most total points at the end of the 13-week contest will win a Grand Prize of \$100.

Only one entry form per individual. Must be 10-years or over to enter. Newspaper employees and their immediate families are not eligible to enter.

For questions or more information about the football contest, call: 806-250-2211.

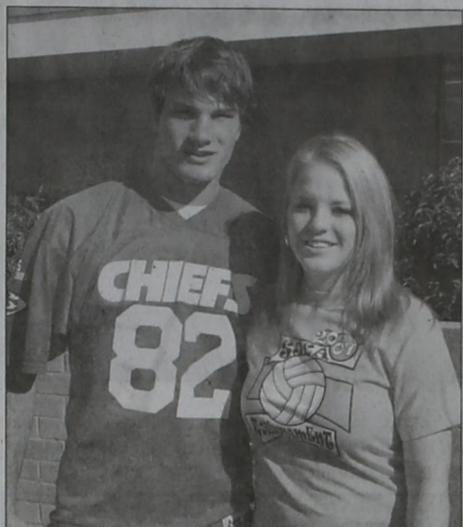
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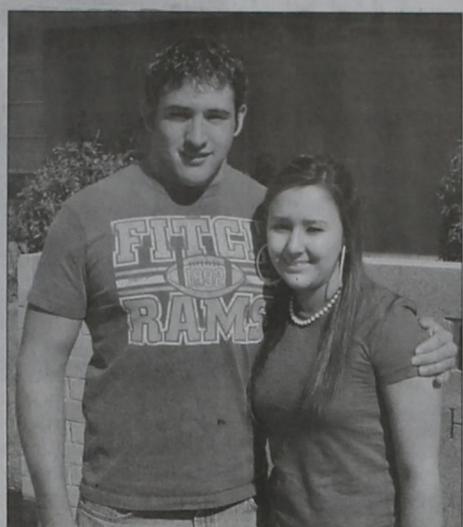
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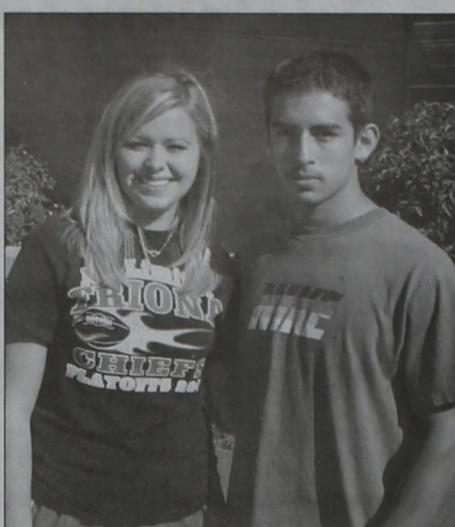
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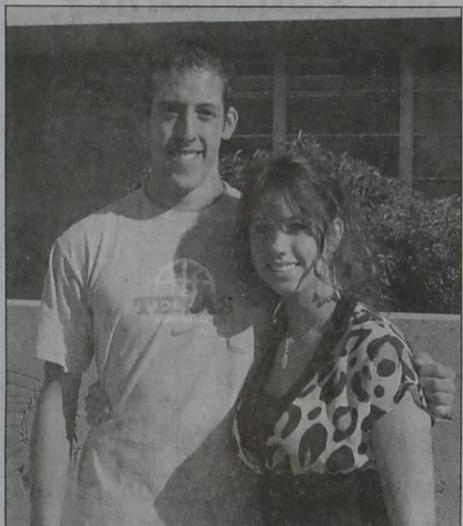
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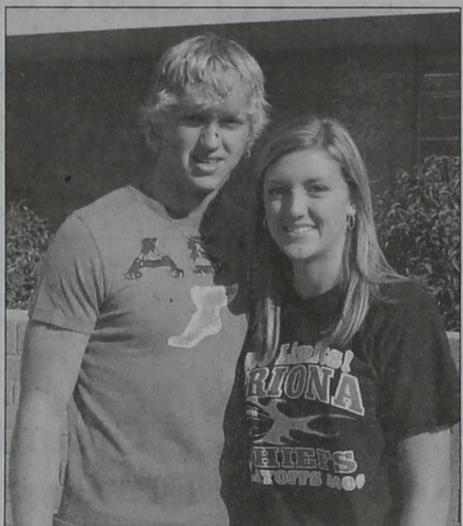
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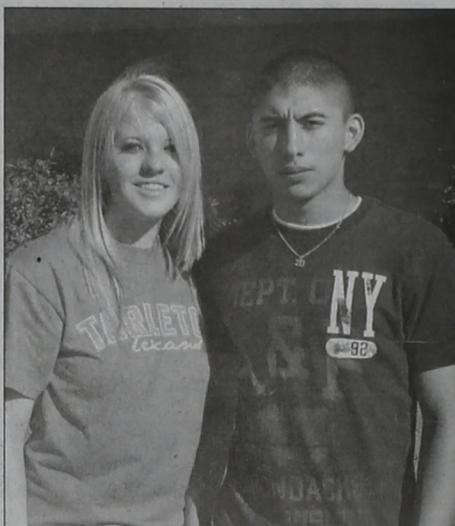
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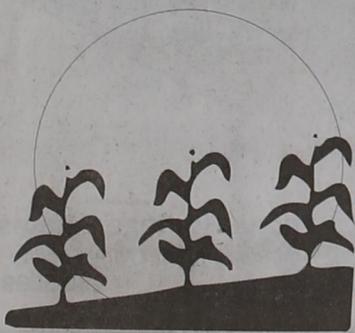


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# Library endowment fund 'gears up' for second half

"We are very proud to announce that we are just over halfway to our goal of \$150,000 for the Friends of the Library Centennial Endowment," a spokesperson for the endowment committee said. "We have a current total as of September 8 of \$76,183 with \$65,233 in cash contributions and \$10,950 remaining in pledges." As a result of receiving the \$20,000 matching grant from the Mary E. Bivins Foundation when the required match was reached in June, the endowment fund is much closer to the goal of \$150,000. Everyone is welcome to participate in this endowment campaign. If you wish to

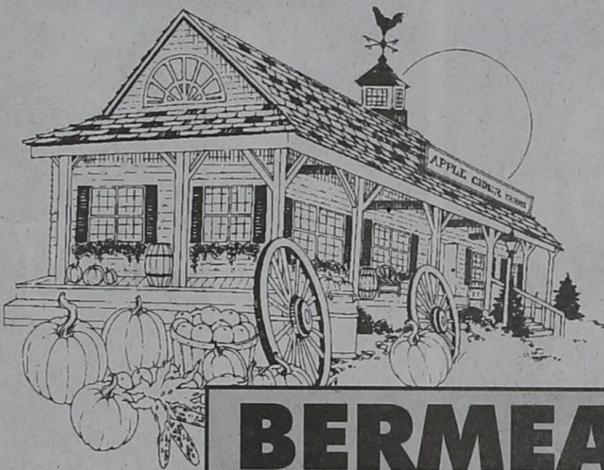
honor a friend or loved one with an honorarium or memorial gift to the endowment you may do so anytime at the library or by contacting any of the endowment committee members. Kitty and JeDon Gallman are serving as chairs of the committee. Other committee members are Teddy and Jim Bob Jones (grants, donor receipts, and recognition); Karen and Gary Renner (grants and corporate giving); Kathryn and John Gurley (donor contacts); Marilyn and Bill Stovell (corporate giving), Allison and Bryan Johnston (donor contacts), Terri and Leroy Cox (donor contacts); Margaret and

Percy Parsons (donor contacts and publicity); Sandra and Bud Rainey (donor contacts); Joy Morton (donor contacts); and Darla Bracken (library director). Pedro Ramos and Kimberlee Jones, FHS Class of 2006, served as student members during the initial phase of fundraising. The spokesperson said, "We appreciate so much the generous response to this endeavor and all other Friends activities to raise money for the library." Pledges and donations will be counted toward the endowment through December 31, 2008. Gifts are cumulative.



ron carr photo  
Miss Friona escorts John Torres, left, and Ryan Schwab assist Monica Dominguez during the Miss Friona Pageant. She injured her ankle playing volleyball but participated in the pageant on her crutches.

**See You Saturday At The Parade. Enjoy Maize Days!**



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# Parade lineup instructions

Participants in the Maize Days parade please note the diagram and instructions for lining up for the Saturday morning parade.

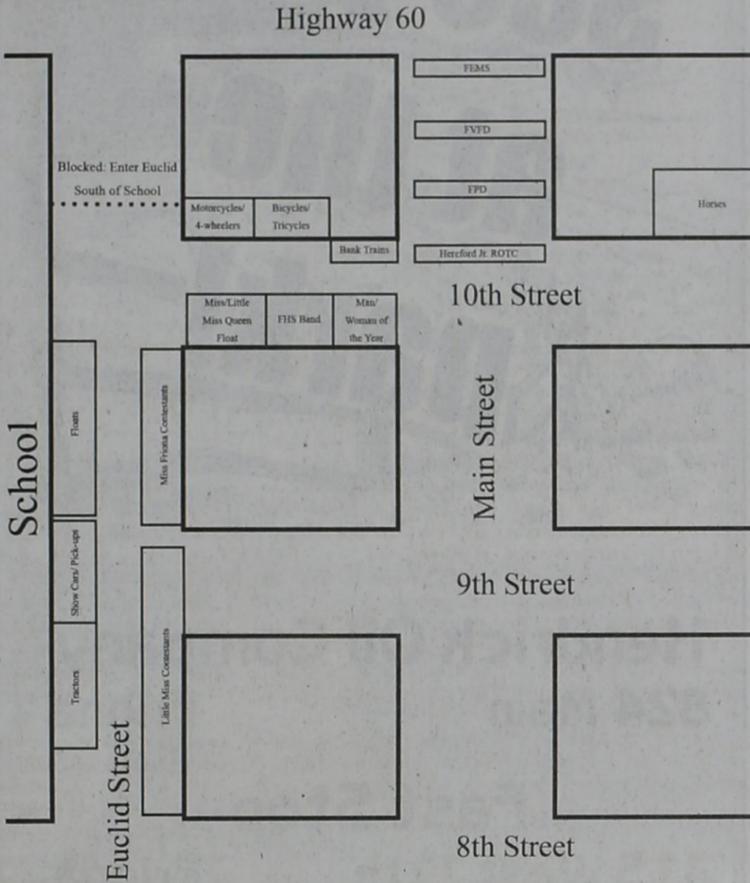
Euclid Street will be closed off at the north end near 10th St. Enter Euclid at some point south of the school.

Set up in the appropriate location as designated on the diagram. If the diagram does not list your entry type or you are unsure as to where you should set up, Chamber of Commerce board members and

volunteers will be on hand to assist parade participants.

Please avoid blocking the staging areas with vehicles which will not be in the parade. If you have not completed a parade entry form please do so at the Chamber of Commerce office or arrive early enough Saturday morning to complete the form. There is no charge.

The parade lineup is at 9:30 a.m. The parade begins at 10:30 a.m. Let's be safe and have fun.



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# Maize Days

...Is a time when we come together as a community to express our joy in Friona as a place to live and work in harmony with our people, our land, and our industries.

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*Saturday, September 22nd*

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 8:00 am - Info: Jim Dixon @ 295-6392

Parade Line-up @ 9:30 am on Euclid Street

Parade Begins @ 10:30 am on Main Street

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# Football contest standings

In Week 3 Martin Brito of Bovina won 1st place and Robert Kerby of Friona won 2nd place. Here are the point standings after three weeks.

If you have not turned in an entry all three weeks your name is not listed. We do keep totals for all entrants at the office. If you have any questions about your point totals or standings call us at 250-2211.

The leaders after 3 weeks are:

47 - Tim Elmore  
45 - Brenda Brito, Caleb Monroe, Dean Sasser

44 - Clint Mears  
43 - Martin Brito, Robert Kerby, Brent Loflin, Mack McFarland, Rusty McFarland, Mitchell Smiley, Max White

42 - Aprile Hudson, Harley Merritt, Tyson Neill, Pat Schwab, Glenden Sudderth, Linda Sudderth, Mark Walker, Bobby Wied

41 - Scott Brown, Alex Ferguson, Jack Glover, Sally Gonzalez, John Seright, Ron Smiley, Jeremy White

40 - Lester Fennell, Larry Johnston, Mal Manchee, Myrtle Melton, Andy Montana, Stetson Reed, Roy Lee Stowers, Derek Sudderth, Janie Sudderth, Michael Villa, Jimmy Walker

39 - Jeremy Dearing, Kirby Frye, Thomas Reed, Jenny Staton, Christen Stowers, Haden Smiley, Weston Wyly

38 - Velta Anderson, Donica Baker, Kirk Frye, Kaegan Kerby, Joy Morton, Marcus Rosales, Silvino Silva, Jr., Blake Sudderth, Landon Wiseman

37 - Raul Braillif, Mona Contreras, Jessica Dearing, Gale Deaton, Frank Dominguez, Jr., Wm. Gromowsky, Mary Lara, Irma Lozoya, Adam Raymond, Lisa

Reed, Jose Vasquez  
36 - Clare Brown, Daniel Guzman, Jamie Lewellen, Tyrone Shelby, Blair Smiley, Lilly Sudderth, Debbie Weir

35 - Connie Cumpton, Marilyn Engelking, Frank Gonzalez, Greg Lewellen, Brock Miller, Jesse Morales, Del Ray Sudderth, Kale Sudderth, Christi Villa

34 - Ronald Diaz, Isabel Rios, Emmanuel Rosales, Rodney Shelby, Amy White

33 - Erma Serna, Dorothy Stowers, Clayton Smiley, Scott Sudderth

32 - Michael DeLaRosa, David Gonzalez, Mason Loflin, Sharon May

31 - Raymond Diaz, Tenna Montana

30 - Daniel Hernandez  
29 - Antonio Duran, Jr. Martha Rodriguez  
28 - Shirley Fangman

## Brito wins Week 3 football contest

If you play often enough and keep trying sooner or later you'll cash in. The only two games Martin Brito of Bovina missed in the Week 3 football contest were Idalou-Littlefield and Cincinnati-Cleveland. Idalou and Cleveland won.

He was the only entry to score 18 correct so Martin wins the \$25 1st place cash. Two contestants managed 17 correct to compete for the 2nd place money. Robert Kerby of Friona and Brenda Brito of Bovina tied. The tie-breaker was Cowboys 37, Dolphins 20. Robert was 12 points off and Brenda was 15 points off so the \$15 goes to Robert Kerby as our Week 3 second place winner.

Seven other contestants scored 16 correct. Most everybody missed the Idalou and Cleveland wins. The

49ers win over the Rams was a popular miss also. The Week 5 contest in this week's Star is all high school and college games. We are giving the pros a rest. Soon, maybe next time, we will throw in an all high school and pro week. Who knows what challenge lies ahead. Keep playing every week to stay in the race

### Pageant, game videos available

Tapes of the Miss Friona and Little Miss pageants are available for purchase from Mike Hutson and Clint Mears. The DVDs are \$10 each.

Also they have Chieftain football game videos available for \$10. Call Clint at Intheden Graphics, 250-5200 to order your copies.

for the \$100 grand prize. Say thanks to our sponsors for making this 2007 football contest possible.

### Volleyball recap

The Squaw varsity volleyball team beat West Texas High in a match that went the full five games. The Squaws started slow, losing the first game 14-25 then rallied for a 25-20 win in the second. The third game went into extra scoring but Friona lost 25-27. The girls then won the next two games 25-13, 16-14, to win the match.

Tuesday they lost to Lubbock Christian in a 3-game sweep 20-25, 19-25, 18-25.



# Plan For A Great Time At Maize Days!



# See you at the park!

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# Maize Days

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# Cherry Wells is descendant of 100-year-old Beck Ranch

The Texas Department of Agriculture's Family Land Heritage Program recently honored owners of 126 farms and ranches from 76 counties for maintaining their property in continuous agricultural production within the same family for 100 years or more. Since the Family Land Heritage Program began in 1974, the Texas Department of Agriculture has honored more than 4,200 farms and ranches from 232 Texas counties.

## History of the Beck Ranch

John Louis Firmin Beck was born in Black Walnut, Missouri, but vowed to establish a new home in Texas as soon as he could. He did so on March 1, 1898, after herding a flock of 1,500 sheep to Texas and purchasing 640 acres along one of the prettiest waterholes in West Texas on Elm Creek, a tributary of the Colorado River.

A few men told Firmin he had not arrived in sheep country and best move on, but he stayed put and in effect, introduced the first sheep to the area. Firmin believed in quality rams for his Delaine-Merino sheep. So in 1904, he purchased the St. Louis World's Fair award winner "Old Premier" for \$1,000 and paid the same amount for "Sensation," the following year's winner. Some of their offspring sold for \$200 each — a large sum in those days. Also, during the first years on the ranch, wool had to be hauled to Fort Worth by wagons, but after the railroad came through, San Angelo became a sheep and wool center for West Texas, and Beck Ranch found a market there.

Firmin and his wife, Malinda Elizabeth (Pauley) Beck, had eight children and as their family grew and the number of sheep increased, so did the size of the ranch. Firmin added 7,680 acres of land, and the original section of his ranch grew to 14 different sections. Through the years, Firmin and his family set an example of hard work, steadiness of purpose, character and good citizenship that earned them the respect of those with whom they came into contact.

In 1924 Firmin's son, George Julius Beck, acquired 1,280

acres of his father's land. He continued to raise fine-wool Delaine-Merino sheep but also added cattle to the ranch. There were no trailers to haul animals at that time, so the sheep and cattle had to be driven by cowboys to a rail-head where they could be loaded into rail cars before heading to market. Electricity did not exist at the ranch until after the Rural Electric Administration helped create cooperatives to bring electricity to rural areas. Prior to that time, the Becks sheared sheep by hand or with the use of a gasoline motor.

George and his wife, Maude Sue (Mitchell) Beck, spent their entire married life of 45 years on the ranch, where they raised two sons, Hal Mitchell and Rex Harrison. The boys were both skilled horsemen and ropers, participating regularly in events in the area and later joining the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association. George was a charter member of the Coleman Rodeo Association and served as the first area director. He also actively participated as a member of the Coleman County Breeder-Feeder Association, the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association and the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association until his death in 1966. Maude was a leader in the Valera Baptist Church, which her father had chartered, and served as the spiritual inspiration for her family.

Hal Mitchell Beck acquired his family's land in 1981 and except for the time he spent in college and in the Army, he lived all of his 80 years on the ranch. He was drafted into ser-

vice at age 21 as a medical technician with the Army's 99<sup>th</sup> Air Service Squadron during World War II and earned several prestigious honors while in Central Europe. After his honorable discharge in October 1945, he returned to the ranch and married Norma Dorrice (Hedgpeth) on August 3, 1946. They built a home on the ranch where they raised their three children.

Hal broke and trained his own horses, but a severe drought and lack of water in 1999 forced him to sell more than 90 percent of the 200 horses he had raised. He was involved in many of the same organizations as his father but also served as a member of the American Quarter Horse Association and on the Board of Education for the Talpa-Centennial school district.

Dorrice was a devoted mother who encouraged all three of her children — Cheryl "Cherry" Lynn (Beck) Wells, Cynthia "Cindy" Ann (Beck) Maedgen and Hal Zane — to participate in a variety of activities through the Coleman County 4-H Club, Future Farmers of America, sports and lessons for piano, dancing, voice and baton twirling for the daughters. Together, Hal and Dorrice were loving parents who disciplined their children when necessary and taught by example the old-fashioned values of hard work, perseverance, honesty, humility and integrity.

Hal passed away on September 10, 2002, while preparing to spend another day on his beloved ranch. Dorrice resides in San Angelo at the Baptist Memorials Retirement



courtesy photo

Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples recently recognized Cindy (Beck) Maedgen and Cherry (Beck) Wells of Beck Ranch at the Family Land Heritage ceremony in Austin at the Capitol. Beck Ranch in Coleman County was honored for their acceptance into the Family Land Heritage Program for 100 years of agricultural operation. Beck Ranch has been in continuous agricultural production since 1898 by the same family.

Center. Their children acquired the ranch in 2004.

Cindy and her husband, James, operate the land today. A wooden barn with a corrugated tin roof and a rock building once used as a chicken house, both more than 100 years old, still stand but are no longer in use. Cindy and

James are in the process of restoring the ranch house where she and her siblings grew up and her parents lived for 56 years of their married life. Other activities such as brush control, water conservation, fence building, range management and restoration work on the windmill and ranch

house have contributed to the development of the property in recent years.

Acres in original parcel: 640  
Crops or livestock raised: 1898-Delaine-Merino sheep; 2006-Cattle.  
As told by Cindy (Beck) Maedgen, great-granddaughter of the founder.

**BECK RANCH**  
Coleman County  
Seven miles southwest of Valera.

Dates of Ownership	Names
1898 - 1924	John Louis Firmin Beck
1924 - 1966	George Julius Beck
1966 - 1981	Maude Sue (Mitchell) Beck
1981 - 2002	Hal Mitchell Beck
2002 - 2004	Norma Dorrice (Hedgpeth) Beck
2004 - 2006	Cheryl "Cherry" Lynn (Beck) Wells Cynthia "Cindy" Ann (Beck) Maedgen Hal Zane Beck

**Texas Commission on Environmental Quality**

**NOTICE OF CONCENTRATED ANIMAL FEEDING OPERATION APPLICATION**

General Permit Authorization No. TXG920959

**APPLICATION.** Tommy Hefner, 2110 County Road 10, Bovina, Texas 79009, has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) under General Permit No. TXG920000 for authorization to operate a new beef cattle facility at 10,000 head in Parmer County, Texas. The notice of intent was received by TCEQ on May 31, 2007. No discharge of pollutants into the waters in the state is authorized by this general permit except under chronic or catastrophic rainfall conditions or events. All waste and wastewater will be beneficially used on agricultural land.

The proposed facility will be located on the north side of Farm-to-Market Road 1731/Farm-to-Market Road 2013, approximately 7.5 miles west of Friona on Farm-to-Market Road 1731/Farm-to-Market Road 2013 in Parmer County, Texas. The facility will be located in the drainage area of the Upper Prairie Dog Town Fork Red River in Segment No. 0229 of the Red River Basin.

A copy of the notice of intent, application, the Executive Directors technical summary, and the CAFO general permit is available for viewing and copying at the Parmer County Courthouse/County Clerk's Office, 401 3rd Street, Farwell, Texas 79325.

The Executive Director of the TCEQ has made a preliminary decision to approve coverage of this facility under General Permit No. TXG920000.

**PUBLIC COMMENT.** Written public comments may be submitted to the Office of Chief Clerk, at the address provided in the information section below, within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of this notice. In addition, the public may request a public meeting. If significant interest exists, the Executive Director will direct the applicant to publish a notice of the public meeting and hold the public meeting. The applicant must publish notice of a public meeting at least 30 days prior to the meeting in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the CAFO is proposed to be located. The Executive Director will consider all relevant information pertaining to whether the applicant meets the requirements of the general permit and will issue a written determination as to any final action on the notice of intent for coverage under the general permit.

**INFORMATION.** Written public comments should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. For additional information, about the application or the procedure for public participation in the general permit process, individual members of the general public may contact the Office of Public Assistance at 1-800-687-4040. Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-800-687-4040. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at our web site at [www.tceq.state.tx.us](http://www.tceq.state.tx.us).

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## Rules for new Texas franchise tax

Comptroller Susan Combs says proposed rules implementing major changes to the Texas franchise tax are now published in the *Texas Register*. Following a 30-day public comment period, the rules are expected to be adopted in December.

"It is important for all franchise taxpayers, especially those who will be required to report franchise tax for the first time, to review these proposed rules," said Combs.

The Texas Legislature revised the franchise tax by changing the tax base and the tax rate and extending coverage to most legal entities. About 200,000 new entities will have to file franchise tax reports.

For franchise tax reports originally due on or after January 1, 2008, taxable entities with \$10 million or less in

total revenue may choose an E-Z filing option (i.e., .00575 x apportioned total revenue) or they may choose to pay tax on their margin. All taxable entities with total revenue greater than \$10 million must pay tax on their margin. Margin is the least of three calculations: total revenue minus cost of goods sold, total revenue minus compensation or total revenue times 70 percent. Total revenue is determined based on federal income tax reporting. Discounts ranging from 20 percent to 80 percent are available for taxable entities with less than \$900,000 in total revenue.

The new tax rate is generally 0.5 percent for wholesalers and retailers and 1 percent for all others. Based on calculation formulas and discounts, entities with total revenue of \$434,782 or less and entities that calculate they owe less than \$1,000

in franchise tax will not be required to pay the tax, but they will still be required to file a report.

"Now is the time for businesses to begin familiarizing themselves with the revised Texas franchise tax, before the first major filing deadline occurs on May 15, 2008," Combs said. "The experts in our office are always available to answer questions or assist taxpayers in any way."

Read the proposed rules for the revised franchise tax at: <http://www.sos.state.tx/texreg/archive/September142007/PROPOSED/34.PUBLIC%20FINANCE.html#106>.

An online franchise tax calculator is available at [www.window.state.us/taxinfo/taxforms/HB3Calc.pdf](http://www.window.state.us/taxinfo/taxforms/HB3Calc.pdf) to help taxpayers estimate their revised franchise tax liability.

CONGRATULATIONS CHRISTY

Thanks for representing us!  
we're proud of you!

Christy Widner

Kendrick Oil Company

824 Main - Friona

# American Legion commander says support the troops

BY MARTY CONATSER

When the term "betray" is used to describe any American general not named Benedict Arnold, it gets most people's attention. When it is used in a New York Times advertisement to describe a brilliant wartime commander with the credentials of David A. Petraeus, it gets the 2.7 million member American Legion's attention.

I met General Petraeus when I visited Iraq earlier this summer. That I was impressed with this visionary officer is unsurprising and relatively unimportant. What is important is that the men and women serving under General Petraeus believe in him. Their faith in the uniformed Princeton Ph.D. is not misplaced. Petraeus earned a reputation as a counterinsurgency genius early in the Iraq war when he commanded the 101st Airborne Division and basically rebuilt the government infrastructures in Mosul and Ninevah Provinces. As he mentioned in his congressional testimony, sectarian violence in Iraq is down - especially in the once-wild Anbar Province. Local tribes are turning on al Qaeda and in many cases cooperating with the coalition. When one senator said General Petraeus's firsthand report required "a willing suspension of disbelief," it seemed to this Midwesterner that it was

Washington's way of calling him a liar.

Even so, the libelous attack on a general is not The American Legion's primary concern about the anti-war movement. Our concern is for the private, the sergeant, the lieutenant and the major. If a distinguished general could be attacked in such a manner, what can the rank-and-file soldier expect when he or she returns home?

At the national convention last month in Reno, nearly 3,000 delegates unanimously passed Resolution 169, codifying The American Legion's support for the global war on terror. The resolution recalls that Congress authorized the military action in both Iraq and Afghanistan and reminds Americans that you cannot separate the wars from the warriors. With nearly a million Vietnam veterans in our organization, the symbolism of such a resolution is striking. Never again should Americans be tarred as baby-killers, terrorists or criminals for risking their lives so others could be free.

With almost 170,000 American forces in Iraq, there will be some criminal acts from time-to-time. Find me a town anywhere in America with the same population and I promise you will find a higher crime rate than what is seen among our military. Where is the perspective when the headlines repeatedly remind us of those crimes, yet little is written about Army Reserve Capt. Joel Arends, who led a team in Baghdad through fire to rescue Iraqi civilians? And why are the convicted soldiers from Abu Ghraib more famous than Marine Cpl. Jason Dunham, who sacrificed his life smothering a grenade so that others would live?

As Americans, we all have a duty to speak up when our uniformed heroes are slandered. When a major media outlet accepts advertising revenue to mass produce such slander, we should be outraged. MoveOn.org can write anything it wants to, but the New York Times is not required to publish such libel.

Earlier this year, a presidential candidate called the Global War on terrorism a "bumper sticker." I can think of 3,000 dead Americans who probably would disagree. "Support the troops," however, really is a mere bumper sticker if we allow our fellow Americans, the media and our elected leaders to slander their heroism.

(Marty Conatser is national commander of the 2.7-million member American Legion, the nation's largest veterans' organization. [www.legion.org](http://www.legion.org).)



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Perry Crafton, drama department director at WTA&M, was emcee for the Miss Friona Pageant.

# Happy Maize Days

From your friends at

## Robertson Electric

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250-2169



## We Salute the town of Friona during the 2007 Maize Days Celebrations



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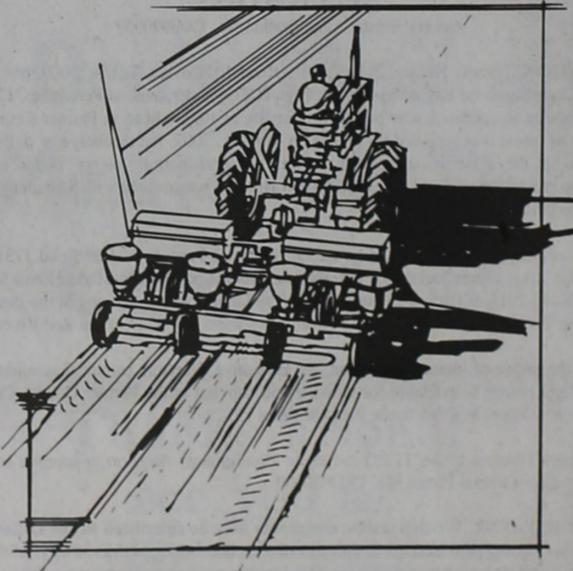


# Everyone Come out and enjoy all the Maize Days Activities!



# Friona Feedyard

Congratulations Friona on  
Another Year  
of Maize Days





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Little Miss Friona master of ceremonies Ricky Barnett talks with pageant contestant Nicole Fair during Tuesday's Little Miss Friona Pageant.

## Council recognizes September as National Preparedness Month

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRIONA, TEXAS RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 2007 AS BEING NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH AND ENCOURAGING OUR LOCAL RESIDENTS TO GIVE HEED TO THE PURPOSE OF THIS NATIONAL AWARENESS CAMPAIGN.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security is encouraging communities, businesses and individuals across the country to join in recognizing September 2007 as National Preparedness Month; and

WHEREAS, the goal of this nation-wide effort is to encourage residents to prepare for disasters in advance of those events so as to minimize the potential threat to their safety and well-being; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Friona similarly supports the CONCEPTS OF "being prepared" and "being aware" in an effort to reduce personal injury, prevent the loss of life and to help in speeding recovery in the wake of a disaster, and

WHEREAS, in general, preparedness and awareness are two measures critical to the survival of individuals and communities in any type of disaster situation.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Friona, Texas that:

1. The City Council of the City of Friona officially recognizes its support of September 2007 as being National Preparedness Month.
2. The City Council of the City of Friona encourages residents of the region to learn more about how they and their families can become better prepared to cope with disaster situations by 1) building an emergency supply kit, 2) making a family emergency plan, 3) being informed about different threats and 4) getting involved in preparing their communities.
3. The City Council of the City of Friona encourages local residents to consider volunteering their time and efforts in support of local and area preparedness efforts.

CONSIDERED AND APPROVED THIS 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2007.

JOHN C. TAYLOR, MAYOR

ATTEST:  
TERRI JOHNSON, CITY SECRETARY

### The Basic Emergency Supply Kit

People need to be prepared to care for themselves, at least for a short period of time, in the wake of a disaster situation. One good method of preparing for disaster is to build a dedicated cache of supplies or an emergency kit; kept in a handy place so that it will be readily available when the need arises. An Emergency Supply Kit should be equipped to meet the basic physical needs of the individuals it's intended to serve for at least a 72-hour period. The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) suggests that the following basic items be included in an Emergency Supply Kit.

#### Recommended Items to Include in a Basic Emergency Supply Kit:

- Water, one gallon of water per person per day for at least three days, for drinking and sanitation
- Food, at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food
- Battery-powered or hand crank radio and a NOAA Weather Radio with tone alert and extra batteries for both
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- First aid kit
- Whistle to signal for help
- Dust mask, to help filter contaminated air and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shelter-in-place
- Moist towelettes, garbage bags and plastic ties for personal sanitation
- Wrench or pliers to turn off utilities
- Can opener for food (if kit contains canned food)
- Local maps

#### Additional Items to Consider Adding to an Emergency Supply Kit:

- Prescription medications and glasses
- Infant formula and diapers
- Pet food and extra water for your pet
- Important family documents such as copies of insurance policies, identification and bank account records in a water proof, portable container
- Cash or traveler's checks and change
- Emergency reference material such as a first aid book or information from [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov)
- Sleeping bag or warm blanket for each person. Consider additional bedding if you live in a cold-weather climate
- Complete change of clothing including a long sleeved shirt, long pants and sturdy shoes. Consider additional clothing if you live in a cold-weather climate.
- Household chlorine bleach and medicine dropper—When diluted nine parts water to one part bleach, bleach can be used as a disinfectant. Or in an emergency, you can use it to treat water by using 16 drops of regular household liquid bleach per gallon water. Do not use scented, color safe or bleaches with added cleaners.
- Fire extinguisher
- Matches in a waterproof container
- Feminine supplies and person hygiene items
- Mess kits, paper cups, plates and plastic utensils, paper towels
- Paper and pencil, books, games, puzzles or other activities for children

More information and personal preparedness tips for families and persons of all ages can be found on the DHS website at: [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov).

**Kendrick Oil's**  
**New tire close-out sale!**

We have closed our tire shop and will be selling our remaining new tire inventory at cost.

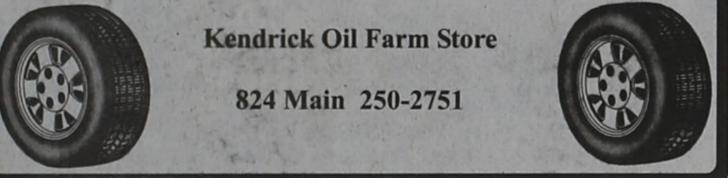
New tires for pickups, sprinklers, passenger cars, tractor and implement and a few truck tires on hand.

We need to get rid of the inventory!

Kendrick Oil would like to thank you for the business and support over the years.

Stop in and see Loren or Joe today!

**Kendrick Oil Farm Store**  
824 Main 250-2751



# Maize Days

*It's Our Kind Of Celebration!*  
*Check Out All The Maize Days Activities - Join In - We'll See You There!*



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**Celebrate Maize Days**



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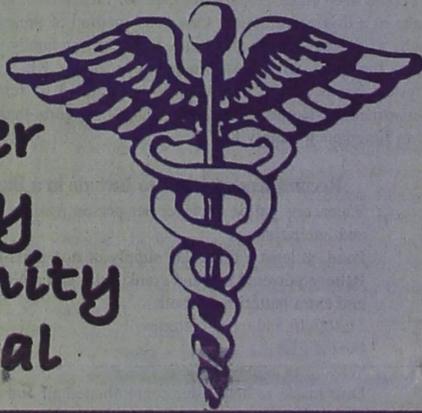
Wishing **Friona** a **Festive Maize Days** CELEBRATION

**ATTEBURY GRAIN**  
Randy Thomas 265-3286

*Thanks everyone for  
your support as we  
make plans for the  
new hospital.*

*Have a healthy and fun  
Maize Days  
Celebration*

Parmer  
County  
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## Fun farm corn maze to open in Amarillo

Just in time for Maize Days, the Patton family of Amarillo has opened the area's first Maize carved into 8 acres of corn at Amazingly Fun Farm, S.E. Loop 335 and Whitaker Road. The Maze opens to the public September 21.

The Patton's Maze was designed by maze designer Brett Herbst who has designed 600+ mazes worldwide. The object is to find the one exit from the mind boggling puzzle. The correct pathway can be walked in 15 minutes but they say most maze-goers will require about

one hour to travel through more than three miles of twists and turns and decision points. As a tribute to its location, the maze is designed in the shape of West Texas A&M University and its buffalo mascot.

The MAiZE will be open September 21 through November 17. Hours are Friday 5-9 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Sunday 1-6 p.m. Special hours on Wednesday October 31 5-9 p.m.

Field trip hours, during weekdays, are available by reserva-

tion. The maze is located ¼ mile north of SE Loop 335 on Whitaker Road. Cost is \$8 for ages 10 and up, \$6.50 for ages 4-9, and free for kids 3 and under. Discounts are offered for groups and field trips. For more information or reservations call 806-685-1473 or visit [www.comfieldmaze.com](http://www.comfieldmaze.com).

Customized activities have been added for birthday parties, corporate outings, and group rivalries/races. Visitors can also enjoy a pick your own pumpkin patch, a hayride, corn cannon, cow train, picnic or campfires.



# It is time to celebrate Maize Days

## Welcome to all the returning exes and visitors Enjoy all the Maize Days Activities

We'll see you at the game Friday night and at the park on Saturday

Pat Schwab  
Manager

**Cargill™ Cattle Feeders**