

FRIONA STAR

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No election for hospital board

Parmer County Community Hospital administrator Lance Gatlin has announced that in accordance with the Texas Election Code, the Parmer County Hospital District has cancelled the election scheduled for May 7. There were two board terms up for election and the two candidates, Danny Kendrick and Robert Neelley, were unopposed.

One-act play farewell performance Sunday

The Friona High School oneact play cast and crew will present a farewell performance for the public Sunday April 17 at 2 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Admission is free

The play is titled "April Fish." The thespians advanced to the area level competition but did not qualify for regional so this is farewell performance. The public is invited to attend.

Bovina booster club sets athletic banquet

Tickets are now on sale for the Bovina athletic banquet set for May 19 at 6:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Tickets are \$5 for adults and children and are available from any booster club

The booster club will operate concession stand Saturday April 16 at the Bovina vs Crosbyton baseball game at 1 p.m. at Bovina's ballpark. Boosters urge everyone to come out and support Mustang baseball and see the new baseball field and facilities.

Meeting called about future of VFW Post

All interested veterans of Parmer County and surrounding area are urgently requested to attend a meeting to determine the future of VFW Post 1413 and American Legion Post 206. The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. May 9, 2005, at the American Legion Building, Veterans Hall, 6th and Euclid in Friona. Please

Cemetery clean-up day set for April 19

Tuesday April 19 has been designated as clean-up day at the Friona Cemetery. Volunteers are asked to meet at the cemetery at 5 p.m. and to bring hoes, rakes, weedeaters, and plastic bags for trash.

The Cemetery Association reminds everyone of the city's rule concerning flowers at gravesites. Old, faded, or torn flowers will be removed and destroyed on the April 19 clean-up day. If you have flowers or ornaments at the cemetery that you really want to keep, remove them before April 19.

Come out and help get the cemetery beautiful for spring.

Headlight shatters illegal dreams

Safety tip: if you buy a van to transport illegal cargo after dark make sure both headlights are working.

For the second time this year the Parmer County Sheriff's office has intercepted a van of illegal Mexican aliens as they headed north through the county.

Saturday night April 9 Sheriff's deputy Billy Williams stopped a cargo van just east of Bovina for a traffic violation. The van had a burned out headlight. What Williams found inside, crowded on the floor of the van, was 18 illegal immigrants surviving the trip with chips and bottled water.

Sheriff Randy Geries said his department seized the van and a large amount of cash from the driver who was also an illegal. Geries said the Border Patrol had been looking for the man driving the van. "He was a known mule for illegal immigrants and they were glad to have him," Geries said.

The 18 aliens were booked into Parmer County jail and held for the Border Patrol who picked them up Sunday morning. Geries said the smuggler had purchased the van only two days before in Deming, New Mexico.

Back in February the Sheriff's department arrested another group of 18 illegals passing through the county in a conversion van. Deputy Billy Williams also made that stop and arrests and that van was also confiscated by the county.

In an earlier unrelated opera-tion, Sheriff's Deputy Sgt. Andy Stormes, assisted by the Friona Police Department, conducted a search warrant on a local residence in south Friona near the baseball fields. Geries said they found a large amount of cocaine and smaller amounts of marijuana and arrested a Randy Gonzales on drug charges. He has bonded out and awaits trial. The bust occurred about two weeks ago, Geries said.



INSIDE this cargo van, Parmer County Deputy Billy Williams found sixteen men and two women, all illegal Mexican immigrants, during a Saturday night traffic stop less than a mile east of Bovina on Highway 60. The Sheriff's Department seized the van and a large amount of cash from the driver.

votes to fix leaky roof School board

trustees met Monday April 11 in regular session. Board actions included routine approval of the Consent Agenda

and payment of April bills.
A 2005-06 school calendar was approved. The 2005 school starting date will be August 22 and the last day of

The Friona ISD board of instruction will be May 25 with graduation on May 26,

> In other business Superintendent Jim Parker reported the resignations and retirement of Gene and Karon Zachary from the school district. Gene is in the school maintenance department and Karon is em-

tration office. The board approved the promotion of Michelle Gonzales to serve as bookkeeper and administrative business assistant for the district. The district will now seek experienced candidates for the position of payroll services

budget amendments for the repair of the high school auditorium roof and additional heating, cooling repairs at the junior high school. An agreement with the City of Friona was approved granting use of school property for an adult

Board members received a preliminary report from the superintendent related to the selection process and requirements for school funds de-pository contracts. School officials continue the search process for a girl's volleyball coach and a boy's varsity team



THE FRIONA STAR placed in six categories of the Panhandle Press Association's annual Better Newspaper Contest. Showing off the plaques are newspaper staffers, standing, I-r, Marlene Mueller, Ron Carr, Nathan Parson, and Sherry Carr. Seated is Dana Jameson. holly campbell photo

Friona Star earns awards in **PPA Better Newspaper contest**

The Panhandle Press Association's annual convention was held last weekend at the Ambassador Hotel in Amarillo. PPA membership represents over 39 newspapers throughout the Texas Panhandle, Eastern New Mexico, and Southwest Oklahoma.

Over 25 newspapers submitted entries in the PPA's annual Better Newspaper Contest. Judging of the entries was done by the South Texas Press Association and winners were announced at the awards brunch which concluded the convention Saturday April 9.

The Friona Star placed in six categories in Division I judging which is for weekly newspapers. The paper earned two honorable mentions for Best Feature Photos and Best Front Page Layout; three third place finishes for Best Spot News Photos, Best Humorous Columns, and Best Sports Photos, and a second place win for Best News Writing.

Production manager and staff photographer Dana Jameson won in both the Spot News and Sports Photo categories for football and track photos, and an icy weather mobile home fire photo. Publisher Ron Carr won the third place Humorous Columns award for his Out Here columns and the second place News Writing award for coverage of the local hostage standoff in Friona in March 2004.

Judges comments said the newspaper has "well defined pages, is colorful and factful, readers can identify and relate, and pictures are well timed and in focus." Publisher Ron Carr said, "Picture selection, text, articles, and page and ad design are a joint effort of the five staff members here at the Friona Star. We enjoy the competition and share in the honors." Rounding out the staff are Marlene Mueller, office manager; Nathan Parson, graphics and advertising design; and Sherry Carr,

Celebrate The Depot Sunday afternoon April 17 in the park

By CAROL ELLIS

an open house in the Depot in the Park.

monument for Friona. 100-year-old building. Over the years, many civic-minded people, or- decoration for the park, their hard work.

day afternoon, April 17, useful gathering place in Christmas in the Park from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. at the center of the City Park.

The Heritage Society, On that day "Celebrate as an outgrowth of the The Depot" will honor local Texas Sesquicentenformer board members nial committee in 1985, and others who have of- was established for the fered significant contribu- purpose of moving and tions of their time, ef- restoring the old Santa forts, money, artifacts, Fe Depot building, and etc., to help make the to oversee indefinitely the Depot a major historical continuing upkeep of this

The Depot is not just a

Everyone in Friona is ganizations and business but is used for many varbeing urged to help cel- firms have donated in one ied civic events, art exebrate the 20th anniver- form or another to help hibits, political rallies, sary of the Community achieve the goal of hav-Heritage Society this Sun-ing such an attractive and Santa's visit during etc. Caring for an antique building requires a lot of effort and expense, not just on the part of the Heritage Society, but on all citizens of Friona.

You can show your pride in Friona and the Depot by attending "Celebrate The Depot" on Sunday afternoon. Tour the Depot, view the displays and scrapbooks, enjoy refreshments, and congratulate the honorees on



DEPOT ON THE MOVE...In August 1986, Lewellen Construction Co., took on the massive job of moving the old Santa Fe Depot building from its original home, beside the railroad tracks, into the City Park. This coming Sunday, Friona will "Celebrate The Depot" in the Park on the 20th anniversary of the Community Heritage Society. This charitable group was formed to oversee the moving, renovation, and upkeep of the Depot.



OUT HERE by Ron Carr

Be Back Next Week!



Friends of the Library annual meeting set

The Friends of the Friona Public Library annual meeting is set for Sunday April 24 at 2 p.m. at the Friona High School

Special guests will be three Panhandle authors: Gail Dayton of Clarendon, Louise Carroll George of Dumas, and Delbert Trew of Amarillo. Each author will speak followed by a ques tion and answer session. Refreshments will be served and there will be a drawing for a literary basket and an auction of a Friona basket.

Gail Dayton has written "Compass Rose", "Her Convenient, Millipnaire", and Hide & Sheikh." She lives in Clarendon and "I've worked a lot of jobs in my checkered career, from junior college history teacher to newspaper editorial staff, to paralegal for a rural prosecutor. Aside from mom-the job that never ends-I like writing books the best. I hope you enjoy

Louise Carroll George is from Dumas. She started her writing career when she was nearly 60-years-old and has written, "No City Limits, the Story of Masterson, Texas," and "Some of My Heroes Are Ladies, Women Ages 85 to 101 Tell About Life in the Texas Panhandle." You could say she is passionate about her writing and you would be right, says the Friends of the Library newsletter

Delbert Trew retired from a lifetime of farming and ranching along with stints as a carpenter, cow trader and 35 years as a Saturday night professional musician. He turned to freelance writing because he was "literally full of it." He and his wife Ruth live on the family ranch east of Amarillo. He states, "I write from a been there, done that, and seen it all philosophy." His column, It's All Trew, appears weekly in the Amarillo Globe

The Friends of the Library is formed to encourage under-standing and appreciation of the work of the library: to build a greater realization of the importance of the library bequests and gifts of books, manuscripts, money, or other appropriate materials beyond the library resources: and to serve as a medium through which friends of the library may become acquainted and share their enthusiasm for books.

Membership is open to all individuals in sympathy with these purposes, and to representatives of organizations and clubs. Memberships are divided into the following classifications and annual dues: individual \$5; family \$10; clubs, business & industry \$25; child/student \$1; and lifetime \$200. You can support the library by joining Friends of the Library. For more information stop by the library at 109 W. 7th or call 250-3200.

Cargill wins top environmental honor

Friona-based Cargill Meat Solutions will receive the state's highest environmental honor on May 3 from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). Cargill is one of 10 winners statewide of the Texas Environmental Excellence Award. presented annually as part of the TCEQ Environmental Trade Fair

Recognized in the Large Business - Technical category, Cargill pioneered an automated biogas recovery system that noxious emissions, controls odors and produces a valuable energy resource at the same time. The system - the first of its kind in the state of Texas – converts methane gas from the facility's anaerobic wastewater treatment lagoons into a viable energy

The recovery system features a gas-tight floating cover anchored along the top of the lagoons' berms – that captures methane gas emissions. The accumulated biogas is pulled from the space between the top of the wastewater and vacuum. A HDPE pipeline then delivers the gas to the facility's boiler room or, when necessary, to an emergency flare.

The Cargill system successfully alleviates toxic and greenhouse emissions and controls odors, while producing 20 percent of the facility's boiler fuel needs. Operating on a continuous basis, the system recovers an average of 800,000 cubic feet of biogas per day, with a monthly gas value of approximately

The TCEQ annually presents the Texas Environmental Excellence Award to the environmental projects across the state that demonstrates the highest achievements in resource conservation, waste reduction, and pollution prevention. For more information,

Letters to the Editor

Dear Ron, Marlene and all.

Just a note to tell you how very much we enjoy and look forward to getting the Friona Star each week. The pictures are wonderful, the ads are super and even the thank you notes are You all are doing such a good job on the paper and sounds like you have a lot of fun working together.

We are fine and it is good to have both our daughters in

Spearman. Janee is Director of RNs at the hospital and Tami is officer of the First National Bank. Her husband, John, is Plant Manager at the hospital. We have three granddaughters and their families, here and in Borger, and have a good time with all these

Members of our family, Pat Kunselman and her daughter, Vickie, attended a reception in Canyon on Sunday honoring the Alpha Chi, the top ten percent in the junior and senior classes. Our granddaughter, Gina, was among these and will be graduating from West Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of General Studies on Saturday, May 7. She has been teaching full time in Borger, has a five-year-old son, Conner, and her husband is an

engineer at the Conoco-Phillips Plant in Borger.

Gina was born while they lived in Bovina and attended school in Bovina for a few years. Her parents are John and Tami

Again, we do appreciate the Friona Star and it is nice to stay in touch. We love Spearman but still miss friends in Bovina and

Scooter & Jim Russell

(Editors Note: Scooter Russell wrote Scooter's Scoops for many years in the Bovina Blade and was a mentor to me when I came here in 1995. Always good to hear from folks that have

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Lady Bears' NCAA championship win demonstrates the value of women's sports

During the NCAA women's basketball championship, I was cheering for Baylor University's Lady Bears. They defeated the tough Michigan State University Spartan team by 84-62 to win their first NCAA national basketball title with the second-highest margin of victory in a woman's NCAA title game ever. In five years, Coach Kim Mulkey-Robertson took a team with a 7-20 record and took it to the pinnacle of women's collegiate competition. Both she and her team have made Baylor, Waco and all of Texas very proud.

success was built on hard work, commitment and Baylor's sacrifice. They were able to take setbacks, such as last year's loss to Tennessee in the Sweet 16 round of the NCAA tournament, to galvanize their play. Coach Mulkey-Robertson and her players rebounded from that disappointment to win this year's The Lady Bears are part of a trend toward more female

participation in organized sports.

In 1971, there were only 325,000 women in high school varsity

sports throughout the United States. Today there are 2.5 million. Before 1971, 32,000 women participated in college sports; today that number exceeds 150,000. Women's high school, college and professional sports are drawing increasing numbers of Women professional athletes are celebrities whose achievements are enjoyed by all Americans.

Texas has long been fertile ground for talented female athletes Beaumont's Babe Didrikson Zaharias was the premier female athlete of her era, dominating the Olympics in track and field and later in professional golf. She stunned the athletic world on July 16, 1932, with her performance at the national amateur track meet for women in Evanston, Illinois. Mrs. Zaharias entered the meet as the sole member of her team and by herself won the national

women's team championship by scoring 30 points.

Recent Texas female athletes include Carly Patterson of Allen, who won the coveted gold medal for the all-around competition at the 2004 Olympics. She is only the second female gymnast from the USA to do this; Mary Lou Retton, of Houston, was the first, 20 years ago.

Texas women compete in professional sports ranging from golf and tennis to the bruising world of professional rodeo. Three Texas women are at the top of the National Cutting Horse Association's pyramid in terms of titles and earnings,

The new athletic opportunities for young women are welcomed by many leaders, including Lynne Cheney, chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities from 1986 to 1993, and wife of Vice President Dick Cheney. "Sports are good for women because it teaches you how to play hurt," she said. "Women sometimes think if you get knocked down, either literally or figuratively, you go into your room and cry. But what you learn in sports is that if you get knocked down, you get back up and try to get that ball in the net the next time."

When I was writing my book, American Heroines: The Spirited Women Who Shaped Our Country, Mrs. Cheney confided that her teen sports options were limited, so she took up baton The competition and drill required for baton twirling

provided many of the same lessons you learn in sports, she said.

The importance of organized sports was proven in a study

Girls who participate in sports have higher levels of confidence, stronger self-images and lower levels of depression;

Girls who participate in athletics are more likely to gradu-

ate from high school and get better grades;

Sports prepare girls to be successful in the workplace by giving them the opportunity to learn about teamwork, goal-setting and the pursuit of excellence in performance. It is no accident that 80 percent of the female executives at Fortune 500 companies identified themselves as having played sports;

Women who continue to exercise, lower their risk of breast cancer and osteoporosis.

While all of us may not be natural athletes, and have other talents and abilities, we should cultivate, we can benefit from increasing our level of physical activity. Research shows we benefit at all ages from even moderate exercise such as walking.

We can also benefit from the lessons taught by Coach Mulkey-Robertson and the Lady Bears when they won the NCAA basketball championship. They demonstrated that we can all bounce back from defeat and achieve our goals through perse-

Hats off to Baylor's Lady Bears!

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Around Town

City park depot open house April 17

The Community Heritage Society invites everyone in the area to help celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Depot in the (Reprinted with City Park at an Open House and Reception in the Depot on April 17, from 2:30 to 4 p.m.

"Celebrate the Depot" will honor former board members and others who have offered significant contributions in some manner or other to help make the Depot a major historical point of interest for Friona. This has required donations of much time, effort and money from many community-minded people over the years, to achieve the goal of having such an attractive and useful gathering place for the center of the City

The April 17th event will be a time for all Friona citizens to show their appreciation to those who have made the Depot in the Park a reality. The public is invited to attend, tour the Depot, view the displays and scrapbooks, enjoy refreshments, and congratulate the honorees.

Men's prayer breakfast set for April 20

A men's prayer breakfast is set for Wednesday April 20 at 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. at the Calvary Baptist Church at 1500 North Cleveland. Invite your friends and come fellowship with the men of Friona

Lazbuddie shootout April 22 & 23

The Lazbuddie 2005 Senior Parents proudly present The Lazbuddie Shootout, a 3 on 3 festival, April 22 & 23 at the Lazbuddie High School Gymnasium. Entry fee is \$50 per four-member team in the following divisions: Elementary, Jr. High, High school, Adult, Coed (2 men, 2 women), and over 40. The deadline for signup is April 15. For additional information contact the Lazbuddie High School, P.O. Box 9, Lazbuddie, Texas 79053, 806-965-2152 or call Debbie Weir at 806-965-2302, Sarah Black at 806-265-3861 or any high school senior. Call within weeks," says Carpenter. today to enter. He worked hard at getting

Clean-up Friona week April 16-23

Clean-up Friona Week is April 16-23. The city will provide a roll-off box at 8th & Jackson St. all week for discarding items. They ask that you please be sure you put discarded items in the roll-off box, not on the ground. This week is also National Volunteer Week, April 17-23, a good time to volunteer in the Clean Up Friona Week.

Amarillo Panhellenic to meet April 24

Amarillo Panhellenic will host a Rush Information Meeting on Sunday April 24, 2005 at 2 p.m. in the Parish Hall at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church at 4100 South Coulter, Amarillo. Please enter the north, green-canopied entrance. All high school senior women who are interested in going through Rush should attend this meeting to receive important informa-tion on Rush packets and deadlines. A short discussion will be part of the meeting. For more information, please call Sandy Riney 806-359-6706.

'arpenter still an "original"

(Reprinted with permission from the April 2005 West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative -Op Connection Newsletter.)

Harold Carpenter, 86, of the Oklahoma Lane exchange, will always be an "original". Carpenter is the only surviv-

ing member of the first board of directors and is a living link to the beginning days of West

Texas Rural Telephone.

As he sees it, WTRT is doing the same thing today that it was when he helped it get started back in the 1950s—striving to get good communications service to rural residents who

While still in his 20s, Carpenter was solicited by WTRT's original manager, Leo Forrest, to become the very first WTRT director, representing Oklahoma

"Leo thought that Oklahoma Lane would be the easiest community to get started toward signing up for phone service. held a meeting of nearly 200 people in the school house. I was named the first director, and the entire board was formed

Tharp exchange organized, and joined other board members on a trip to Austin to seek the enabling legislation that would allow the Cooperative to

Harold and Avis, his wife of 65 years, were glad to get phone service from WTRT-even if it was via six, eight and even tenparty lines.

"When our service went in, we thought we had achieved the greatest state of communication technology that there would ever be. We were just tickled to death to have a

phone."
"We thought we'd be on



AVIS & HAROLD CARPENTER

party lines forever-a private line cost the hound out of you in those days. Everybody learned to live with the party lines. To get the phone after the school bus ran was pretty hard. As I recall, there may have been a timing device to cut off the line after ten minutes," he

According to Harold, practical jokers occasionally injected humor into life on a party line.

"In the early days someone would get on there occasionally and tell the ladies that they needed to drape a towel over their phone because the phone company was going to blow the dirt out of the line. A surprising number of people would put a towel on their phone.

"We didn't imagine that telephone service would evolve as it has today—so much more than we ever dreamed."

Carpenter says when the original board tackled the chore of organizing the Cooperative, service to rural areas was constantly being put off by the

"The big phone companies were cherry picking and the customers were concentrated in the cities. That's the business that they were going after first-just like a farmer harvests his best crop first. They kept telling us they'd get to the rural folks eventually. 'Eventually' may have meant service in 20 or 30 years, but we wanted it now,

Carpenter says changes have been "all for the good", and as for the "good old days", he feels he's living in them right

"It's easy to take today's technology for granted because it's so widely available, but we know some of it was a long time in coming

Harold prefers to "stay out of town as much as I can", and still plows his family's farmland in Parmer County.

When he's not farming, Carpenter plays piano for rest homes—weekly in Farwell. He also plays in Muleshoe and Lubbock, and at three homes in

"I'm self-taught on the pi-ano—it was easy for me. I could hear a song and play it out the way I heard it. I like playing honky-tonk piano," he explains.

Avis says Harold performs many of the "old, old songs that bring back floods of memo-

Carpenter is also the longtime president of the board of the Oklahoma Lane Cemetery Association, having handled business for the organization for 50 years, and teaches a Sunday School class at the Oklahoma



THE BOVINA golf team wasn't very big this year but these golfers had fun competing. They are, l-r, senior Vanessa Garcia, senior Giselle Alvarado, freshman Trent Quintana, junior Karla Rivera, and senior Elizabeth Alonzo.

LIBRARY CORNER by DARLA BRACKEN

New realities, new directions

I was privileged to attend, for the second year in a row, the annual state conference of the Texas Library Association (TLA). It had not been held in Austin since 1965 and it is the largest library conference in the nation with upwards of 8,000 attendees. Many of my col-leagues go every year and have for many years, but as director of a small library-that has not been the case for me.

It is quite an experience especially not having gone since 1987 before last year, and I lag far behind my colleagues in the Panhandle in this political arena. I must confess that my favorite part of these conferences is seeing and hearing authors. I am wowed by that opportunity even if I am not very familiar with them. This year Cokie Roberts would speak featuring her book Founding Mothers, but at the very last minute she was called by ABC News to cover the Pope's funeral. I was very disappointed. Henry Winkler, the "FONZ", was also

booked but had to cancel earlier. Liz Carpenter, former LBJ speech writer and an older, yet feistier Democrat, graciously filled in for Cokie Roberts. She was quite entertaining. Gloria Estefan was booked for Henry's replacement, but I missed that one. Elmer Kelton, Barbara Taylor Bradford, and Lisa Wingate were all there also. Authors are like old friends of mine whom I have not had a chance to meet.

At a conference this large, I am always amazed at what even the smallest of places and libraries bring to the table as far as ideas and experiences. I am also always very proud of how we our city, our library, and especially our FRIENDS

I cannot tell you how it felt to see our state Capitol for my very first time. It was an awesome, yet very humbling experience—truly one I will never forget. I also saw the Texas State Library Building but did not get a chance to go in. A throng of the 6,000 librarians rallied on the Capitol steps in support of renewed funding for libraries. That was quite an experience also, even for this 60's era librarian.

Once again, I want to thank all of you for the opportunity to go...and grow. I have a renewed spirit and enthusiasm, indeed "New Realities, New Directions". The 'keeper of stories' @ your

library, Darla Bracken.
National Library Week is April 10-16. Come

New arrivals: Impossible by Danielle Steel, Cold Service by Robert Parker, Cape Refuge Series/Breaker's Reef by Terri Blackstock, Jericho's Road by Elmer Kelton, Compass Rose by Gail Dayton, Tending Roses by Lisa Wingate, Moonlight on the Millpond by Lori Wick, Saving Cascadia by John Nance, Demon Rumm by Sandra Brown, and Suspicion of Rage by Barbara Parker

Non-fiction: Taking Heat by Ari Fleischer, Inspirations of the Heart by Susan Gallian-Mauppin, It's Bunco Time! by Crouch, Follow This Path by Coffman, Jump In Even If You Don't Know How To Swim by Mark Burnett, Women of the Year: Ten Fillies Who Achieved Horse Racing's Highest Honors by Duke, and American Heroines by Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison.

Memorial donations have been made to the Jason Slagle Birthday Memorial by the Slagle family; to Hazel Baxter by Wessie Hand, Cass Perkins, Opal Baxter, and Joe Mercers; to Oneida Allen by Eddie Halls, Wessie Hand, Randy Dicksons, Tommy Jones, Lilah Gaye Gee, and Joe Mercers; to A.L. Black by Wessie Hand, Cass Perkins, Jim Dixons, and Bill Stovells; to Wells by Jim Bob Jones, Eddie Halls, Lilah Gaye Gee, Edith Johnson, and Hugh Moseley; to Betty Heath by Cass Perkins and Brackens; to Ted Rutherford, James and Roberta Holland, and Mattie Rushing by Edith Johnson and Hugh Moseley; to Mattie Rushing Lilah Gaye Gee and Cass Perkins; to Kenny Hall, Mary Lee Cass, Grace Parr, Ray and Polly Whatley, Flora Goforth, and Linda Gore by Lilah Gaye Gee; to Loy Dale Harguess by Eddie Halls; to Mrs. Bill Harper by Mike Riethmayers; to Ben Israel by Jim Dixons and Rex Brackens; to Barbara Williams and Raymond White of Hereford, and Bertram and Verona Jack by Cass Perkins.

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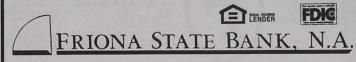


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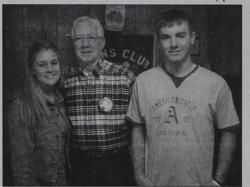


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DAVE THOMPSON, left, is the newest Evening Lions Club member. He is welcomed by Hollis Horton.

courtesy photo



NOON LIONS President Albert Ricketts welcomed club sweetheart Andrea Geries and guest Chad Hutson to the Thursday meeting. The FHS seniors talked about their tennis and one-act play competition. The two are advancing to UIL tennis regionals in Abilene April 27.

Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from March 30, 2005 to April 05, 2005.

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Christian Charles C and Christian Sheryl – Visser John Family Trust and Visser Grace Family Trust, 160 NE/4 S17 BLK X WD AND FW JOHNSON.

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Juarez Eloy and Juarez Hilda – Juarez Eloy, L6-7 B1 HILLCREST.
Quiroga Rosa – Cervantez Roberto and Cervantez Diane, W70' L2
B84 BOVINA.

Town and Country Food Stores, Inc - Chaparral Investments Inc, L7-9 B1 LAKEVIEW.

Bermea Jose Estate - Chavez Jose E and Chavez Sandra, N10 AC SE/4 S24 T6S R3E.

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The Friona Evening Lions Club welcomed new member Dave Thompson at their last Thursday night meeting. Dave was inducted into the club by Lion Hollis Horton. Welcome to Lions Dave.

The Friona Noon Lions met Thursday April 7 with 15 members and 4 guests present. Anthony Montelongo and Johnny Flores were guests and soon to be new members of Noon Lions. They are both employed by WT Services and we look forward to their joining us as members.

Our other two guests were FHS seniors Andrea Geries and Chad Hutson. Andrea is the Noon Lions sweetheart and will be participating in the District Convention's Lion Sweetheart contest in Dumas later in April.

Boss Lion Albert Ricketts had a program planned by a hospice

Boss Lion Albert Ricketts had a program planned by a hospice from Amarillo but the speaker canceled. So Andrea and Chad took over and gave a brief program report about their tennis and oneact play competitions. Andrea and Chad along with three other tennis teammates will advance to the regional UIL tennis competition April 27 in Abilene.

Both students are also members of the one-act play. Andrea is in the cast and Chad is the sound manager. The play did not advance from the area competition. The one-act play will be performed for the public in Friona on Sunday, April 17, at 2:00 p.m. at the high school.

In other club news, Ricketts said the annual broom sale will be held May 19 at the city park from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Brooms, mops, and all kind of cleaning supplies will be available. Watch for more information in later reports.

It was reported that Lion Danny Black is still battling his health problems. He is having regular dialysis in Lubbock and was set for cataract surgery Tuesday of this week. Our thoughts and prayers are with Danny and his family.

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Lion Fred Cook is on the board of the High Plains Water District. He told the club that Texas Senate Bill 3 (SB3) being proposed is not beneficial to the Panhandle. The bill and many legislators want to abolish water districts.

The Noon Lions cooking team will provide our famous burgers and onion-laced french fries during the May 15 Kids Fish event at Reeve Lake and at the football field during the July 4 celebration. Congratulations to Club Sweetheart Andrea on winning the accumulated \$135 prize in the club's weekly drawing contest.

The next meeting of the Noon Lions is Thursday April 21 at

The next meeting of the Noon Lions is Thursday April 21 at the clubhouse at 9th and Pierce. We are always seeking new members so come visit and consider joining. If you are interested in joining or just thinking about it see any Lion member or contact Ron Carr at 250-2211 or Clint Mears at 250-5200 or Larry Knowles at 250-5000.



Meet the Class of 2017

Kendall is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. Her parents are Erin and Ricky Barnett. She has one brother, Joshua.

Kendall likes gymnastics & playing with friends. Her favorite food is spaghetti, and her favorite color is purple.

Kendall Laine Barnett

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FRIONA'S TROOP 56, front row, l-r, Clayton Sides, Jacob Hefner, Sam Wales, Adrian Garcia, Jesus Anaya and Jaime Benavides. Back row, l-r, Phillip Saiz, Matt Knoll and Ethan Wales. Not pictured, Ramey Alaniz and Abriel Terrones.

Troop 56 elects new officers

On March 31, 2005, Ethan Wales, formerly Troop Scribe, was elected to Senior Patrol Leader, taking over from Adrian Garcia. Ethan chose Clayton Sides as Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, who will be taking over from Abriel Terrones. Sam Wales was elected as Patrol Leader, taking over the position from Jesus Anaya. Adrian Garcia takes over as Librarian for Jaime Benavides. Jesus Anaya is Quartermaster, taking over from Jacob Hefner. Jacob Hefner is new Troop Guide, taking over from Sam Wales.

Currently there are 11 boys in Troop 56 from five different school districts, Bovina, Dimmitt, Springlake-Earth, Walcott and Friona.

Sheriff's Report

April 8, David Caballero, 33, of Friona, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with burglary of a building, pending District Court; burglary of a building, pending District Court; and theft, pending County Court.

April 9, Christian Zatarain, 22, of Farwell, was arrested by the Farwell Police and charged with possession of marijuana-less than 2 ounces, pending County Court.

2 ounces, pending County Court.

April 9, Joe L. Herrera, 19, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police with an Oklahoma warrant, pending transport.

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April 9, Moises Ventura, 44, of Knoxville, Tennessee, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with unlawful transport, pending County Court

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April 9, 19 illegal aliens, were arrested by the Sheriff's Office and deported by the Border Patrol.

April 10, Daniel Rodriguez, 27, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with DWI, pending County Court.

March 28 and 29, in 287th District Court, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

—Dusty Lee Smith, 49, of Benton, Missouri, charged with possession of a controlled substance (meth), was sentenced to 6 months confinement at a state jail facility; \$278 court costs; \$500 fine; and \$150 restitution.

—Billie Dee Cartwright, 26, of Farwell, charged with indecency with a child, was sentenced to 3 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, deferred for 3 years; \$278 court costs; \$500 fine; 200 hours of community service; and obtain sex offender counsel-

—Kenneth Lee Bails Jr., 26, of Anton, Texas, charged with violation of community supervision (possession of a controlled substance-meth), had his community supervision revoked and received 2 years in a state iail facility.

—Deann Marie Ritch, 31, of Clovis, charged with possession of a controlled substance (meth), was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, probated for 2 years; \$303 court costs; \$750 fine; \$350 attorney fees; \$150 restitution; 120 hours of community service; loss of driver's license; and confinement in a substance abuse treatment facility as a condition of probation.

—Rhonda Ruth Jones, 34, of Friona, charged with class B misdemeanor theft (reduced from forgery), was sentenced to 2 days in Parmer County Jail; \$278 court costs; \$100 fine; and \$123.71 restitution.

—James Rickey Rose Jr., 36, of Clovis, charged with possession of a controlled substance (meth), was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred for 2 years; \$278 court costs; \$500 fine; \$150 restitution; 120 hours of community service; and obtain substance abuse counseling.

—Israel Zatarian Escobar, 18, of Farwell, charged with theft, was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, probated for 2 years; \$303 court costs; \$500 fine; and 120 hours of community service.





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screen every day and wonder why their eyes feel tired. General eyestrain can be greatly reduced by simply resting your eyes periodically. Improper lighting also contributes to this problem. Make certain you use good lighting and a proper back support when reading for long periods.

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The man of Psalms one

By T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

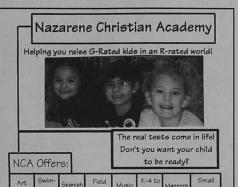
Psalms 1 is a contrast between the righteous man and the wicked man. (In this text, the term "man" is used in a generic way, meaning "man" or "woman".) It would be worthwhile for us to

"Blessed is the man". Blessed here is a Hebrew word that means "very happy". The contrast then is not only between righteous and unrighteous but also between happiness and unhappiness. Our search for happiness is often the story of our lives and we too often look in the wrong places. Genuine happiness is found only in one place. Note the Psalmist tells us where happiness is found:

True happiness, blessedness, is found in the "Law of the Lord". Happy is the person whose delight is in God's Word. It is the rule of his life; his actions are governed by it. In this law he "meditates day and night". He not only reads it, he meditates and thinks about how he can apply it to his life. He's "like a tree planted by streams of water". He has plenty of sustenance and becomes fruitful.

This is not so for those who are unhappy in life. They listen to the unwise counsel of ungodly people. They are either ignorant of God's Word or they don't care. They stand with the ungodly. They mock and ridicule the things of God. They are like the chaff that is blown by the wind. They have no sustenance in

Solomon said it all when he said, "The conclusion, when all has been heard, is: fear God and keep His commandments, because this applies to every person. For God will bring to judgment everything which is hidden, good or evil." How often do you read and meditate God's Word, the Bible?
Think about it!



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The Friona Star invites all area ministers to submit articles for publication on our church page. Pléase keep your message 250 - 300 words on the topic of your choice. Deadline is Tuesday at 5 pm. We look forward to hearing from you!



New Arrivals



Tyler Jay Jack

Kelly and Teresa Jack are the proud parents of a baby boy born on Wednesday, April 6, 2005, at 10:00 a.m., at the Covenant Health Center in Lubbock. The new arrival, Tyler Jay, weighed in at 6 pounds 13 ounces and was 1934 inches long.

Tyler has a two-year-old brother, Jared.

Grandparents are John and Sherri Taylor, and Galen and Keri Jack, all of Friona. Great grandparents are Troy and Billie Kirby



TYLER JAY JACK

Mother's Day gifts for the mother-to-be

There's no better time to pamper a pregnant woman than on Mother's Day. You'll make her day with acknowledgement of her new mommy status, and a thoughtful gift.

Trish Booth, author of "Pregnancy Q&A", suggests the

following gifts for the mother-to-be. Gifts for now:

Massage, day spa visit, time together to plan or prepare for the baby's arrival, breastfeeding or parenting class for both of

you, or prenatal yoga or exercise class. Gifts for after the baby is born:

Services of a postpartum doula, house cleaning or laundry services, gift certificate for a restaurant that delivers, prearrangements for a baby sitter, registration for a new mom's group, or postpartum yoga or exercise class.



HOMETOWN HEALTH

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Other signs may include sudden

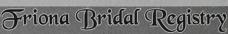
den sweat, nausea, lightheadedness or discomfort in other areas such as the arms, stomach or back.

If you observe any of the above symptoms, CALL 9-1-1 FIRST. Quickly recognizing the warning signs and responding can mean the difference between life and death.

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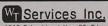
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CHASING down a Bobcat are Chieftains second baseman Kelby Monroe, left, and shortstop Jacob dana d jameson photo

Chiefs fall to Bobcats 9-3

By DANA D. JAMESON

The Chiefs fell to the Dimmitt Bobcats on Friday April 8. "We gave up six unearned runs in the 5^{th} and 7^{th} innings that led to our 9-3 loss to Dimmitt," commented Coach Greg Hazelwood.

Pitcher Hayden Patton gave up five runs and had eight strikeouts in five innings. Jon Nava pitched two innings with one strikeout and gave up four runs.

Patton, Ryan Schwab and Trent Hudson scored runs against the Bobcats. Hudson had a double in the fifth inning

The JV Chiefs saw action against the JV Bobcats after the varsity game. After fourth inning the ten run rule took over and the Chiefs won 15-1

Brett Field and Tolby Wilcox each had three runs, Ryan Schwab, Phillip Saiz and Jared Boyd each had two runs, and Stephen Campbell, Sean Lookingbill and Alex Gurley each had

The Chief hosted the Tulia Hornets on Tuesday April 12 and will travel to Floydada Friday, April 15



HOON and his teammates spent a good bit of time chasing Bobcats last Friday as they lost 9-3.

Tennis results: five qualify for regionals

Friona varsity and JV tennis Wyly 8-4 to take 3rd place. teams competed in the district meet last week in Plainview.

For the JV boys, Kaison Graham, Alex Gurley, and Micha Hummes won their 1st and 2nd round matches. In the 3rd round Hummes defeated Graham and Gurley lost his match. Hummes, an exchange student from Germany that took up tennis for the first time this year, won 1st place 8-4 in the championship round. Gurley finished in 3rd and Graham 4th. In boys doubles, Osvaldo Castanon and Omar Hernandez lost their match 8-2

In JV girl's doubles, Meagan Ingram and Laura Rosas won 8-2 and Hollis Gurley and Erika Wyly won 8-2. Dierdre Johnston and Morgan Anthony lost their match The Ingram-Rosas and 4th. Gurley-Wyly teams both lost in the 2nd round and played each other in the 3rd place game. Ingram-Rosas defeated Gurley-

GERIES

On the varsity tennis team, five players qualified for regional play which will be held in Abilene April 26-27. Doubles partners Ramey Alaniz and Matt Gammon and Andrea Geries and Brenda Murphree are regional bound as is boy's singles player Chad Hutson. All are seniors at FHS. First and second place finishers at regional advance to state.

In varsity action, Chance Lewellen defeated Jeremy Norman of Dimmitt in the 1st round but lost to Brandon Rainwater of Floydada in the 2nd round. Chad Hutson defeated Stephen Favela of Tulia, Trey Helms of Floydada, and Brandon Rainwater of Floydada to capture the singles championship. Lewellen placed

In varsity boy's doubles, Sawyer Reed and Ryan Geries, both freshmen, defeated veterans Cummings and Ford of Lockney

MURPHREE

CRANKING IT UP on the mound is Hayden Patton as

third baseman Sean Lookingbill looks to the plate.

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Floydada team and placed 4th. points. Floydada was 2nd. Friona Alaniz and Gammon defeated girls finished in 2nd place with 12 teams from Tulia and Floydada to capture the district champion-

For the varsity girls, Courtney Adams defeated Shelly Paxton of Dimmitt and Lauren Hughes defeated Danniel Salinas of Tulia in singles play. Adams lost her round 2 match to Lloyd of Floydada and Hughes lost to Griffin of Floydada.

Geries and Murphree defeated a team from Tulia in their first match. Krista Graham and Meagan Ingram lost a doubles match to Barnes and Gore of Tulia. Geries and Murphree lost in the semi-finals to Griffin-Leatherman of Floydada. However they won a match for 3rd place, then in a playback the two defeated Bradley-Williams of Floydada to earn 2nd place and a trip to regionals.

The Friona boys won the dis-

but lost in the semi-finals to a trict team championship with 34 points. The Floydada girls captured the district championship with 45 points. In overall district points Floydada was 1st with 75, Friona 2nd with 46, followed by Lockney 5, Tulia 2, and Dimmitt 0.

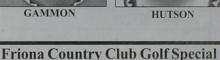


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Hornets buzz by Chiefs 5-4

If you have ever been to the Chieftain baseball diamond you know that a game is not complete unless at least a dozen trains roar past. Tuesday April 12 was no different except for the train that stopped and watched the Friona Chiefs take on the Tulia Hornets

As the conductor watched from the deck of the train engine the Chiefs played a tough game. Jacob Hoon pitching seven strikeouts and Cesar Prieto making a diving and rolling pop fly catch in left field.

"I am proud of the players for not giving up and playing hard and competing," said Coach Greg Hazelwood.

Sean Lookingbill and Trent Hudson had one RBI each. Hoon and Hudson each had doubles in the loss to the Homets 5-4.

The Chiefs will travel to Floydada to face the Whirlwinds Friday April 15 at 5 p.m.

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Katy Welch in Golden Spread all-star games

ball star Katy Welch will be on the West squad when the Golden Spread all-star basketball games tip-off for a 3-day tournament today (Thursday

Eighty seniors from the Amarillo and Panhandle area make up eight boys and girls teams in the Golden Spread event. The eight teams will play two games each in the Event Center at West Texas A&M. The semi final games are at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday. The girls' championship game is at 6 p.m. Saturday and the boys championship follows at 8 p.m. Consolation games are at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday.

Katy's West team will play its first game at 6 p.m. Friday vs. the South squad. Other members of the West team are Micah Christian.



KATY WELCH

Farwell; Kali Harrison and Emily Brister, Amarillo High; Kendra Banks, Springlake-Earth; Kristin McClure, Dimmitt; Jamie Gerber, Hereford; Jenna Acker, Nazareth; Ashley Kidd, Texico; and Kelsey Friskup, Muleshoe. Coaches are Eric Benson and Tanya Williams



STEPHEN CAMPBELL placed first in varsity boys discus at the Dimmitt Relays with a toss of 121'10".

holly campbell photo



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J.H. boys track at Dimmitt meet

By DANA D. JAMESON

Friona Junior High 7th & 8th ade track competed in the Dimmitt Relays Friday April 8.

The 8th grade team placed 3rd with 118 total team points. In the pole vault Andy Bentley placed 2nd with a height of 8'6" and Ricardo Monreal took 6th with a height of 6'0"; in the long jump Justin Dominguez placed 5th with a jump of 15'9" and Raul Licerio placed 6th with a jump of 15'7"; and Justin Echavarria took 4th place in the triple jump with a jump of 33' 'and 5th in the high jump with a height of 4'8"

Aaron Hand placed 3rd in the discus with a throw of 89'4" and 2nd in the shot put with a distance of 32'6 ³/₄". Gabriel Senibalo placed 5th in the discus with a throw of 80'11" and Alex Vega placed 5th in the shot put with a throw of 30' 5 1/2'

The 400m-relay team of Irving Huerta, Bentley, Licerio and Dominguez placed 3rd with a time of 52.62; the 800m-relay team of Bentley, Echavarria, Licerio and Vega placed 3rd with a time of 1:52.09; and the 1600m-relay team of Bentley, Dominguez, Huerta and Victor Guerrero also placed 3rd with a time of 4:17.55

In the 110m high hurdles Dominguez placed 2nd with a time of 18.49. Echavarria took 3rd with a time of 19.07 and Guerrero placed 5th with a time of 19.91; and in the 300m intermediate hurdles Echavarria placed 3rd with a time of 50.21, Guerrero placed 4th with a time 50.95 and Licerio took 6th with a time of 52.68.

Richard Salinas placed 5th in the 800m run with a time of 2:53.20; Joey Mendoza placed 6th in the 100m dash with a time 13.43; in the 400m dash Huerta placed 2nd with a time of 60.37, Vega placed 4th time of 67.08 and Mendoza

Correction

We would like to apologize to Erica Davila and her family for placing the wrong name under her track picture in the 4-7-05 issue of the Friona Star.

placed 6th with a time of 69.21; and in the 1600m run Monreal placed 4th with a time of 6:36.78 and Salinas took 5th with a time of 6:38.10.

The 7th grade team took 1st place with a total of 249 team points. In the pole vault Oscar Reyes placed 2nd with a height of 6'6" and Marquese Saenz of 6'6" and Marquese Saenz placed 3rd with a height of 6'6"; in the long jump Steven Mendoza placed 1st with a jump of 14'8", Jordan Kelly placed 4th with a height of 13' 6 1/2" and Stetson Reed placed 6th with a jump of 12'7 ½"; in the high jump Mendoza placed 1th with a leap of 4'5", Reed placed 3rd with a height of 4'2" and Matthew Stanberry placed 6th with a jump of 3'10"; and in the triple jump Saenz took 1th place with a jump of 32'00", Kelly placed 5th with a jump of 26'4" and David Schwab placed 6th with a jump of 25'8 1/2

Stanberry placed 1st in the shot put with a throw of 32'7 1/4" and 4th in the discus with a distance of 72'11". Stephano Orozco placed 2nd in the discus with a throw of 76'2'



MAROUESE SAENZ



MARQUESE SAENZ & JOSE RAMIREZ

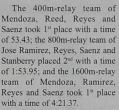
The 400m-relay team of Mendoza, Reed, Reyes and Saenz took 1st place with a time of 53.43; the 800m-relay team of Jose Ramirez, Reyes, Saenz and Stanberry placed 2nd with a time of 1:53.95; and the 1600m-relay team of Mendoza, Ramirez, Reyes and Saenz took 1st place

In the 800m run Jesus Sarabia placed 1st with a time of 2:51.31, Juan Rubio placed 2nd with time of 2:54.56 and Samuel Gonzalez placed 6th with a time of 3:09.23; Reed placed 1st in the 100m dash with a time of 13.79; in the 400m dash Kelly placed 2nd with a time of 69.33, Alex Ferguson placed 3rd with a time of 73.21 and Roy Burns placed 6th with a time of 75.25; and in the 200m dash David Ramos placed 2nd with a time of 30.74 and Joey Dickson placed 6th with a time of 32.69.

In the 1600m run Ramiro Vega placed 1st with a time of 6:39.20, Isidro Aguilar took 3rd place with a time of 6:50.72 and Roberto Vega placed 4th with a

time of 7:09.25.

The 7th and 8th grade boys will compete in District action in Dimmitt on Saturday April 16.



placed 2nd with a time of 2:11.87.



7th GRADE MAIDENS track team, back row, l-r, Sasha Estrada, Anna Murphree, Diana Bolivar. 4th row, l-r, Paige Herbert, Taryn Jamerson, Anyuli Lopez, Lupita Garcia. 3rd row, I-r, Jessie London, Irene Vera, Melina Vega, Shayla Parker, Janet Vital. 2nd row, I-r, Monica Dominguez, Stephanie Aguirre, Monica Saenz, Lupita Vasquez, Estephanie Macias, Yesenia Rojas. Front row, l-r, Lacey Lookingbill, Krystal Rios, Yesenia Ortiz, Ilsy Vital. courtesy photo



RITCHIE CASAS varsity & j.v. track photos by dana d. jameson



FRANCISCO TAFOYA & JUAN SILVA

Varsity track at Dimmitt Relays

By DANA D. JAMESON

The varsity track teams could not have asked for a more beautiful day for a track meet in Dimmitt. "No wind, 80 degrees and perfect" commented Coach Richard North.

The varsity girls placed 2nd in overall points with 142.

In field events high jumpers Darcy Daniel placed 3rd with a height of 4'8" and Miranda Frye place 6th with a height of 4'4"; and Angelica Chico placed 1st in the

long jump with a distance of 13'5". Trisha Winebrinner placed 1st in the discus with a throw of 109' and 2nd in the shot put with a distance of 30'.

Emmie Crutchfield placed 1st in the 1600m run with a time of 5:51.78. Jordan Monroe placed 2^{nd} in the 3200m run with a time of 13:21.80and 2nd in the 1600m run with a time 6:07.53.

The 400m-relay team of Anayeli

JV track 3rd at Dimmitt

By DANA D. JAMESON

Freshman Ryan Schwab had an awesome day at the track on Thursday April 7 in Dimmitt. Schwab placed 1st in the triple jump with a distance of 381 7st, 1st in the high jump with a height of 51 10st, 3rd in the 400m dash with a time 56.91 and was on the 1st place 1600m relay with teammates Daniel Vasquez, Ryan Geries and Sawyer Reed with a time of 3:48.98

The Friona JV track team placed 3rd overall with a team point total of 128 points.

In field events shot putters Derek Davila placed 1st with a distance of 36' 3 ½", Dillon Welch placed 3rd with a distance of 32' 7" and Jesus Tafoya placed 6th with a distance of 31' 2"; long jumpers Daniel Vasquez placed 4th with a distance of 16' 10" and Phillip Saiz placed 6th with a distance of 16' 3"; discus throwers Welch placed 1th with a distance of 113' 2", Chris Haile was 2rd with a distance of 105' 4" and Davila placed 6th with a distance of 89' 8".

Pole vaulter Ritchie Casas placed 6th with a height of 8'; Reed placed 6th in the high jump with a jump of 5'2"; the 400m relay team of Reed, Vasquez, Geries and Welch placed 4th with a time of 48.60; 110m high hurdlers Phillip Saiz placed 3rd with an 18.24 and Haile placed 5th with a time of 19.13; and in the 100m dash Josh Jameson placed 5th with a time of 12.72 and Vasquez placed 6th with a time of

Geries placed 5th in the 400m dash with time of 57.60; in the 300m hurdles Saiz placed 1st with a time of 43.59 and Haile placed 4th with a time of 48.50; and Jameson placed 4th in the 200m dash with a time of

"We had probably the best weather we have had all year long and the times reflected that," said Coach Rex Cumpton, "Most of our athletes ran their best times for the year, which is good because we are looking forward to the district meet on the 14th at Lockney. The kids continue to improve each week

Ramos, Chico, Katy Welch and Beth Nava place 2nd with a time of 53.90. The 800m-relay team of Ramos, Beth Nava, Daniel and Chico placed 2nd with at time of 1:55.61. The 1600m-relay team of Ramos, Erica Davila, Daniel and Emmie Crutchfield placed 2nd with a time of 4:22.99.

In the 100m hurdles Katy Welch placed 1st with a time of 16.92 and Erica Davila placed 2nd with a time of 17.50; Davila also placed 2nd in the 300m hurdles with a time of

The varsity boys placed 5th with 69.6 points.

Chris Carrillo placed 1st in shot put with a distance of 43'1"; David Davila placed 3rd in the 800m run with a time of 2.10.63; Willy Castillo placed 2nd in the 300m hurdles with a time of 41.60; and the 1600mrelay team of Ben Santiago, Castillo Davila and Steven Sanchez placed 2nd with a time of 3:36.00.

The varsity track teams will compete in district action in Lockney Thursday April 14.



TRISHA WINEBRINNER

J.H. girls 2nd in Dimmitt meet

By DANA D. JAMESON

Friona Junior High 7th & 8th grade girls track teams placed 2nd at the Dimmitt Bobcat Relays Friday April 8. The 8th grade finished with a total of 193 team points.

In 8th grade action the 1600m relay team of Corinne Hinton, Liliana Palacios, Heather Sandoval and Hannah Carthel placed 2nd with a time of 4:54.19; the 400m relay team of Hinton, Carthel, Sandoval and Melissa Gallego placed 2nd with a time of 58.52; and the 800m relay team of Gallego, Kathleen Wyly Maricela Sanchez and Sandoval

In the 1600m run Liliana Palacios placed 2nd with a time of 6:48.10, Jessica Delgadillo placed 3rd with a time of 7:18.81 and Monica Acosta placed 5th with a time of 8:06.25 and in the 200m dash Wyly placed with a time of 34.44, Acosta placed 5th with a time of 34.59 and

Tori Abeyta placed 6th with a time

In the 300m hurdles Carthel took 2nd place with a time of 56.98, Christy Widner placed 3rd with a time of 59.36 and Sanchez placed with a time of 1:02.96; in the 800m run Palacios placed 3rd with a time of 2:57.00 and Acosta placed 5th with a time of 3:25.50; and in 100m hurdles Widner placed 3rd with a time of 20.01, Gallego placed with a time of 20.87 and Hinton took 6th place with a time of 21.87.

In the 100m dash Sanchez placed 3rd with a time of 15.19, Ana DeLaPaz placed 4th with a time 16.05 and Emma Lopez placed 5th with a time of 17.11; and in the 400m dash Wyly placed 4^{th} with a time of 1:23.59, DeLaPaz placed 5^{th} with a time of 1:26.03 and Lopez took 6th place with a time of 1:40.97.

In shot put Staci Fairweather placed 2nd with a distance of 27'11", Maria Meza took 3nd with a distance of 27'1 3/4" and Brittany Berend placed 4th with a distance of 27'1 1/2"; in high jump action Sandoval placed 2nd with a jump of 4'2" and Hinton took third place with a jump of 4'0"; and in triple jump Widner placed 6th with a distance of 26'10"

Friona took the top three places in the discus with Meza in 1st place with a throw of 76'0", Berend took with a distance of 55'5' Lucy Mendez taking 3rd with a distance of 52'6".

In the long jump Sandoval placed 2nd with a jump of 14'1", Carthel took 5th place with a leap of 13'1 1/2", and Gallego placed 6th with a jump of 11'8 1/2

In 7th grade action the 1600m relay team of Anyuli Lopez, Monica Dominguez, Sasha Estrada and Yesenia Rojas placed 2nd with a time of 4:52.46; the 400m relay team of Lopez, Yesenia Ortiz, Stephanie Aguirre and Rojas place 2nd with a time of 59.90; and in the 800m relay the team of Estrada, Estephanie Macias, Diana Bolivar, and Rojas took 1st place with a time of 2:07.61.

In the 1600m run Monica Saenz placed 2nd with a time of 6:51.8 and Lupita Vasquez placed 6th with a

In the 100m dash Lopez placed first with a wind-aided time of 13.64 and Dominguez placed 2nd with a time of 14.28; Ortiz placed 6th in the 400m dash with a time of 1:20.54; and Macias placed 2nd in the 200m dash with a time of 31.28.

In the 100m hurdles Estrada placed 3rd with a time of 19.5 and Bolivar placed 6th with a time of and Saenz placed 6th in the 300m hurdles with a time of 1:02.52.

In the triple jump Lacey Lookingbill placed 3rd with a distance of 26'2 1/2" and Aguirre placed 6th with a jump of 24'1 in the long jump Rojas took first with a jump of 14'5" and Lopez placed 6th with a distance of 11'8 ½"; and in the high jump Anna Murphree placed 2nd with a height of 4'4", Rojas placed 3rd with a height of 4'2" and Estrada placed 4th with a height of 4'0

In the shot put Bolivar placed 4th with distance of 25'3 1/3" and Ilsy Vital placed 6th with distance of 24'4 1/4"; and Bolivar placed 2nd in the discus with a distance of 56'5

The 7th & 8th grade girls will compete in district action in Dimmitt on Saturday April. 16. Good Luck



CHRISTY WIDNER

From soil to supper table: onions

tion of popular seasonal fruits and vegetables by

d Consumer Sciences

CODY HILL, Parmer County Extension Agent-Agriculture MONTI VANDIVER, Extension Agent-Integrated Pest Man-

Onions can be grown from either seed, plants or sets for as both green onions and dry bulbs. Any standard onion variety or hybrid can be used for green bunching onions if harvested at the proper stage of maturity. There are, however, bunching varieties that produce a true bunching onion or scallion with either small or no bulbs.

An important aspect of onion development is the length of day or photoperiod. Photoperiod, along with temperature, controls when the onions form bulbs. Some onion varieties are short-day in response, and form bulbs when the days are 12 hours or less in length. Other varieties are long-day plants, forming bulbs when there are 15 or more hours of daylight.

Onions will tolerate a wide range of soil types; best results are obtained in fertile, well-drained, sandy loam soils with good moisture holding capacity and a pH range of 6.0 Typically onions require approximately three pounds of nitrogen, one pound of phosphate, and one pound of potassium per 1000 square feet. Fertilizer applications should be based on a soil test.

Onions are easily transplanted and should be planted 2-4 inches apart in an area with plenty of bright sunlight. They are adapted to a wide range of temperatures and are frost-tolerant. A constant supply of adequate moisture is necessary for best

Boll weevil assessment rates and dates are set

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Growers who pay by Septem-

ber 15 are eligible to receive a

2 percent discount on their as-

Eradication Foundation is a

nonprofit, grower-initiated and

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weevil from the state in the most cost-effective and envi-

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The Texas Boll Weevil

The Texas Department of ment is due September 30. Agriculture has established the 2005 assessment rate, due date, and discount date for the Northwest Plains zone of the boll weevil eradication program

The assessment for 2005 in the NWP is \$5 per dryland acre and \$12 per irrigated land acre, the rate established by growers and landowners in the original referendum

Growers with failed acres are eligible to receive a credit on those acres destroyed before the final certification date. Qualifying failed acres must remain free of all hostable cot-ton until a killing freeze, to receive the credit.

Assessment notices will be mailed by August 19, and pay-

Advising gardeners and cooks on the raising and prepara-on of popular seasonal fruits and vegetables by: results, typically 1-3 inches/week. Critical periods are during stand establishment and bulb development through maturity; SUZANNE REESE, Parmer County Extension Agent-Family discontinue irrigation at first evidence of top falling. Moisture stress will induce splits and doubles. For onions started from plants, a light mulch will help conserve moisture for uniform

> I hate to say it but a hoe is the best tool for control of weeds. Chemical weed control usually is undesirable and unsatisfactory because of the selective nature of weed control chemicals. The wide variety of vegetable crops normally planted in a small area prohibits use of such chemicals. The use of mulch is also an effective means of weed control. Thrips are the primary insect pest in our area; they suck plant juices from the plant and can lead to disease problems. On large scale operations 30 thrips or more per plant, fewer on small plants, will justify an insecticide application.

> Onions are sodium, fat, and cholesterol free, and provide dietary fiber, vitamin C, vitamin B6, potassium, and other key nutrients. With only 30 calories per $\frac{1}{2}$ cup serving, onions can pack a flavorful punch! So, here are the FAQs on the onion as stated by the National Onion Association:

How can I reduce tearing when cutting an onion?

Reduce tearing when cutting onions by first chilling the onions for 30 minutes. Cut off the top and peel the outer layers leaving the root end intact. (The root end has the largest concentration of sulphuric compounds that make your

How do I remove the smell of onions from my hands?

Remove the smell of onions from your hands or cooking equipment by rubbing them with lemon juice (or salt, if the pots or pans are made of aluminum, cast iron, or carbon-steel). How can I cut the pungency of an onion?

Chop, dice or finely slice onion and place in strainer or

sieve. Run water through onions for at least a minute.

Do the different colors of onions taste different?

Yellow onions are full-flavored and are a reliable standby for cooking almost anything. Yellow onions turn a rich, dark brown when cooked and give French Onion Soup its tangy sweet flavor. The red onion, with its wonderful color, is a good choice for fresh uses or in grilling and charbroiling. White onions are the traditional onion used in classic Mexican cui-They have a golden color and sweet flavor when sautéed.

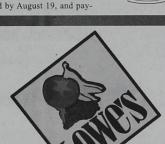
Where should I store my onions?

The storage onion is an original convenience food. It can be stored in a cool, dry, well-ventilated place for weeks-even months, without loss of vitamins or minerals. Don't store in piles, since a single layer ensures a longer life. Store your onions in a cool, dry, ventilated place-not in the refrigerator. Do not store whole onions in plastic bags. Lack of air movement reduces storage life. Chopped or sliced onions can be stored in a sealed container in your refrigerator for up to

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FLASHBACKS

70 Yrs. Ago April 12, 1935

the Class A. Oklahoma Lane Route 60. won the Class B division, followed by Lazbuddie, Bovina and Farwell. Rhea was the winner in rural school division with Lakeview second in literary, and Jesko second in track.

60 Yrs. Ago April 13, 1945

by military authorities. Elected ing some 21 gallons of lady- Apr. 18-Erma Brownd, Peggy in 1932, Mr. Roosevelt has bugs over some 500 acres. since served this country continuously as president. He will be succeeded by Vice President Truman.

55 Yrs. Ago April 7, 1950

saucer? No, it is Ray Landrum's answer to the gasothe nation, Landrum sailed Hale Center. (yes, sailed) his gasless mo-

torless "Windmobile" ahead of Thursday's not-so-gentle Winners in the County Meet breezes down Highway 60, held in Friona last week for right through Canyon, up the lot served as a landing strip high school literary events Amarillo hill and finally light- for a helicopter last Wedneswere: Friona, first with 84 ing and hitching just south of day afternoon. In asking the points; Oklahoma Lane, sec- Amarillo-a motorless trip of pilot why he had stopped, his ond, 49 points, followed by some 72 miles at a speed draw-reply was "to get a Coke." Bovina, Farwell and Lazbuddie. ing gasps and odd looks from In the track events, Friona won the morning's travelers along

50 Yrs. Ago April 8, 1955

Modern farming methods in Parmer County, with the selfguiding tractor, scientific fertilization of the soil, crop dusting via plane and helicopter, Apr. 17-Holly Welch Smith, Joe etc., were joined this week by President Roosevelt died another modern practice-the shortly after 1 o'clock Thurs- extensive use of ladybugs in day afternoon, according to ra- dealing with the greenbug dio broadcasts. He died at problem on young wheat. G.H. Warm Springs, Georgia. Early Whitaker, Woodrow Whitaker details were brief and no im- and Frank Zinzer are the piomediate comments were made neers in the project, distribut-

40 Yrs. Ago April 14, 1965

Bovina Mustangs track team finished a solid second in district competition Saturday at Lazbuddie and qualified seven Is it a bird? Is it a flying individuals for the regional

Bovina High School's oneline tax. Establishing a first for act play placed third in bithe Panhandle and probably district competition recently at



Friona Fire **Dept. News**

Reported by Darrell Barlow



The Friona Volunteer Fire Department held a 'weather spotters school', a couple of weeks ago, presented by the National Weather Service in Lubbock. The Bovina Fire Department and the Friona Police Department also attended the program, which was very informative.

Some Friona firemen traveled to Lubbock last week to participate in the Fire Training School, for three days. Each day they left Friona, headed to Lubbock, at 5:00 p.m. and didn't get back to Friona until sometime between 12 midnight and 1:00 a.m. That made for a very long week!

There have been several vehicle accidents including some single car accidents. Please drive responsibly; if you get tired, pull over and take a break. The life you save may be your

Be careful and cautious regarding any outdoor burning, as the countryside is very dry and it would not take much to start a large fire.

25 Yrs. Ago April 16, 1980

Bovina Supermarket parking

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 17, 2005 thru April 23, 2005

Mueller, Heather Osborn, Gary Smith, Donnelly, Clay Whitney Ellis, Beverly Elam, Carolyn Wiseman, Robert Marquez, Holly Easley, Kendall Neill

Allen, Carolyn Foster, Angela Fitzgerald, Alexis Deann Torres, Stephanie Jones, Dwayne Bauer, Brayden Potts, Azelynn Zinck

19-Danny Campbell, D'Aun Sisson, Karene Bass, Jason Floyd, Clint Hand, Monica Lynn Davis, Eli Gonzales, Loraine Welch, Kamryn Duke, Terry Schilling

Apr. 20-Ronnie McLellan, Twyla Roth, Beverly Ingram, Peggy Martinez, Chaney, Michael Debbie Martin, Kyle Wiseman, Wyona Clark, Kathy Anthony, Debbie Widner

Apr. 21-Rex Bracken, Norma Alexander, Riley Rector, Vandra Milloy, Pederson, Louis Brooklyn Elam, Joe Lewellen

Apr. 22-Sandy Spring Fuentes, Hayley Herring, Stan Miller, Carl Martin, Andy Carthel, Amy Osborn, Kyndall Whiteley, Wayne Stormes, Jesus Anaya, Cristy Harris

Apr. 23-Troy Bass, Derek Allen, Daniel Rios, JoAnn Berend, Mike Styles, Jerry Cass, Jenny Cunningham, Caralee Brockman, Thelma Barron, John Dixon, Paige Sifford



VOICE OF DEMOCRACY essay winners were feted by VFW Post 1413 Monday. The students, all from Lazbuddie, won scholarship money for their essays. From left are VFW ladies auxiliary president Dale Mann, 1st place winner Addie Jo Treider, 2nd place Mica D. Brandvik, 3rd place Rochelle Smith, Patriot's Pen essay winner Kinzi Jo Schacher, and VFW Commander John Duke.

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Gurley honored as attorney-of-the-year

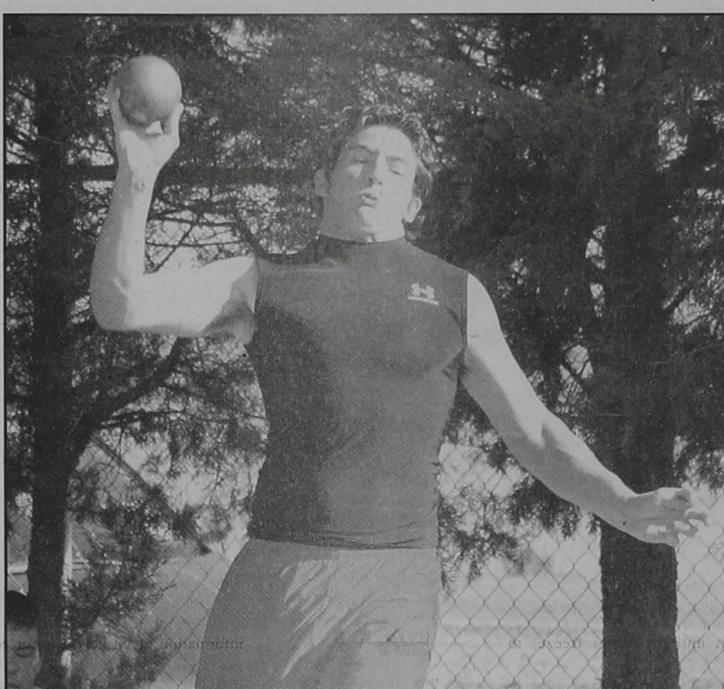
KATHRYN GURLEY

Friona attorney Kathryn Gurley was named attorney-of-the-year by Legal Aid of North West Texas at a meeting in Plainview.

Gurley was honored for her participation in the group's Equal Justice Volunteer Program, which donates time and expertise to assist low-income individuals in legal matters.

Legal Aid of North West Texas is a non-profit organization that provides free civil legal assistance for people who qualify under the financial eligibility guidelines and type of problem.

Mrs. Gurley is also the elected County Attorney for Parmer County.



JV SHOT PUTTER Dillon Welch shows off his form at the Dimmitt track meet. dana d. jameson photo NOTICE OF TRUSTEE ELECTION (AVISO DE ELECCION _de administracion) To the Registered Voters of_ (A los votantes registrados del Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 7 2005, for voting in a _____ election, to elect three trustees for three (3) full terms (Notifiques, por las presente, que las casillas electorales sitados abajo se abrirán desde las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m el 7 de Mayo de 2005 , para votar en la Elección para (3) miembros) dos (3) termingo completos. LOCATIONS) OF POLLING PLACES (DIRECCION(ES) DE LAS CASILLAS ELECTORALES Redeemer Center, 1304 Virginia Street, Friona, Texas 79035 Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at (La votación en adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de Lunes a Viernes en) Office of the Superintendent, 909 East 11th Street, Friona, Texas 79035 (location) (sitio) between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on de la mañana las 4 de la tarde empezando el 3 de Mayo de 2005 Additional early voting will be held at the same location as follows:* La votación en adelantada además se llevará a cabo en el mismo sitio de tal manera:) Date (Fecha) Hours (Horas) Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to: Las solicitudes para boletas que se votarán en ausencia por correo deberán enviarse a: Betty Chaney (Name of Early Clerk) (Nombre de Secretario de la Votación En Adelantada) 909 East 11th Street (Address) (Dirección) Friona, Texas 79035 (City) (Ciudad)

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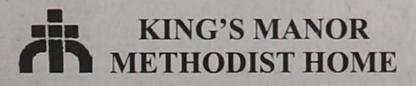
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THE PRAIRIE ACRES board of directors honored Administrator/CEO Jo Blackwell for her 25-years of service by presenting her with a watch during Tuesday's board meeting, Board members, from left, are Dr. Felipe Jubay, Jo Blackwell, Mike Riethmayer, board president Mike Hanes, Suzanne Bunker, and Kathy Terry. ron carr photo



OUTGOING president Mike Pyburn, left, passes the gavel to incoming Texas Groundwater Association president Jim Taylor of Friona.

Taylor president of Texas Groundwater Association

tion, a statewide organization Austin, and meets quarterly. composed mainly of water well

chief and co-owner of 4-Way dency for a one-year term. The are served by ground water Pump Service, was elected to Groundwater Association was supplied community water systhe office of president of the founded in 1947, boasts 1,800 tems which generate 1.26 bil-Texas Groundwater Associa- members, is headquartered in lion gallons of water per day.

contractors. Taylor has served dents are served by privately nual convention in January on the group's board for 8 owned water well systems. Al- 2006 to be held in Galveston.

Jim Taylor, Friona's fire years and assumed the presi- most 12,000,000 Texas residents

Taylor will serve as the Over 1,000,000 Texas resi- group's president until the an-

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Prairie Acres & Friona Heritage Estates is blessed not only to have a superbly qualified Administrator, but one who is as deeply caring as she is capable. Employed since April Fool's Day of 1980, her zeal and dedication has been anything but a "joking" manner. Attentive to detail, Jo Blackwell has weathered over three decades of massive health care changes with an attitude that ensures smooth and painless transitions. Her boundless energy is remarkable in that it spills into every facet of her life.

Since 1981, Jo has served as president and is still a member of Parmer County Child Welfare. In addition, she and her husband, John, volunteer with the local Salvation Army to ensure needed supplies arrive at desired destinations.

A devoted wife, mother, and grandmother, Jo's favorite charity is the Empty Stocking Fund, which provides needy children in the Friona area with warm clothing for Christmas. Her time and devotion to this charity is well-known in the Friona Community. To help raise funds one year, Jo personally auctioned off valuable items of her own.

In addition to her full-time job, volunteer work, and Sunday school teacher, Jo is currently serving on the Board of Directors of Panhandle Community Services. She has been an active member of the Panhandle Chapter of TAHSA since 1982, and has served as President, for two years, and Vice-President for two years. Jo also served on the TAHSA Board of Directors from 1991-1996 and is currently on the Public Policy Committee with TAHSA.

Altogether, Jo has been involved in long-term health care for approximately 35 years. One would wonder if this makes her close to being an expert. We at Prairie Acres & Friona Heritage Estates would like to think so, because if anything, she is a wonderful resource person and is extremely valued.

On behalf of the Staff and Board of Directors, Thank you for 25 dedicated years of service.



PORK EGG ROLL



Meet the Class of 2017

Briana is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. Her parents are Gloria Juarez and George Alvarado. She has one sister, Alex, and one brother, Xavier.

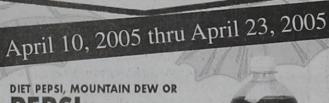
Briana likes riding bikes, going to the library, and swimming. Her favorite color is pink.

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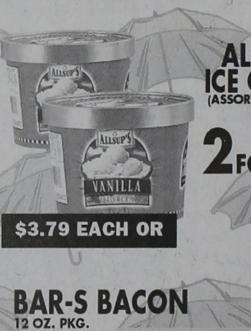
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Job descriptions and application forms may be picked up at the Friona City Hall, 623 Main Street, Friona. Applications will be accepted until jobs are filled.



Bovina Independent School District will be hiring for a full time CUSTODIAL POSTION. The job will begin on Tuesday, May 3, 2005.

The application deadline will be Tuesday, April 26, 2005 at 3:52 p.m. Applications can be picked up at the Administration Building located at 500 Halsell Street, Bovina, TX between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. If you have additional questions concerning this job, please contact Stan Miller @ 251-1336 ext. 310.

Interviews will be conducted, by invitation, and may be conducted prior to the application deadline.

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The Friona Police Dept. has an immediate opening for a Police Dispatcher for the 11 PM to 7 AM shift. Person(s) interested in the position can pick up an application at 102 E. 8th or they can contact Chief Tino Salinaz at 806-250-2711 or salinaz@amaonline.com for an application or more information.

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LEGALNOTICE

The undersigned hereby gives notice of renewal to the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, Austin, TX., for a Private Club Registration Permit. Said business is located at 1505 W. 5th, Friona, Parmer County, Texas, operated under the name of Friona Country Club, Friona Country Club owner. The names and titles of the officers of said business are as follows: Ronnie Glen Stevick, president; D.T. King, Jr., vice president; and James R. Atwell, secretarytreasurer. 2tc-4.14-4.21

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice to Bidders

Pursuant to the Local Government Code Annotated Chapter 116. Notice is hereby given that the Parmer County Commissioners Court will select a depository bank for Parmer County Funds and Parmer County School Funds.

Sealed applications must be brought or mailed to Bonnie

Clayton-Heald, County Judge, 401 Third Street, Room 104, PO Box 506, Farwell, Texas 79325, to be received no later than 10:00 a.m., Monday, May 9, 2005, at which time all applications will be considered.

The Parmer County Commissioners Court reserves the right

to accept or reject any or all applications. The Depository Contract will be awarded at the Commissioners Court meeting on Friday, May 13, 2005, at 10 a.m.

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COACH Hector Guevara (25) has a meeting on the field with, 1-r, catcher Trent Quintana, third baseman Jose Gutierrez, and pitcher Rodrigo Nunez.

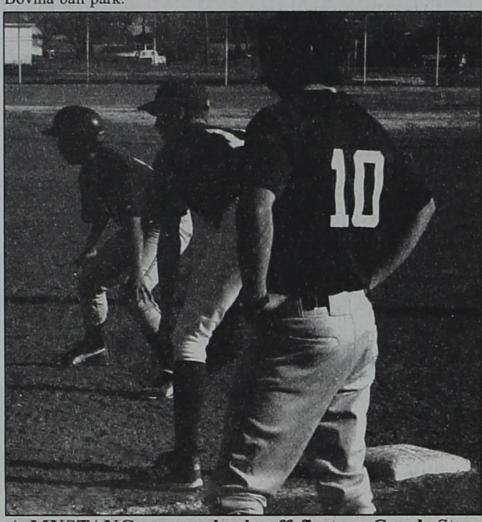
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Mustangs lose to Owls 6-3

Coach Hector Guevara says his fledgling Bovina Mustangs baseball squad is improving each week. The youngsters, in their first baseball season in over 10 years, played almost hit for hit with the Hale Center Owls Tuesday but the Owls won out 6-3. The Mustangs dropped a 12-2 loss to New Deal there last Saturday.

Against Hale Center, starting pitcher Rod Nunez went 3 1/2 innings before being relieved by Mike Ortiz who finished out the game on the mound. The Mustangs had 5 hits. Ortiz led with 2 for 4, and Trent Quintana, Miguel Munoz, Nunez, and Jose Gutierrez added hits for the Mustangs.

Saturday the Mustangs will host Crosbyton at 1 p.m. at the Bovina ball park.



A MUSTANG runner leads off first as Coach Steve Arias (10) keeps an eve on the action. ron carr photo

THAT IS Mustang senior Miguel Munoz in a cloud of dust slide at third base in the Hale Center game. Munoz was safe with a triple.

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Friona ISD

SPECIAL EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING INVITATION

WHAT The purpose of this public meeting is to gather public input on the effective operation and performance of the Friona ISD special education program through one or more community focus groups that address a set of predetermined questions. This district public meeting is a required component of the new performance-based Texas Education Agency's Special Education Monitoring system.

The meeting will be conducted in a structured format over 2-3 hours.

Your assistance in sharing this invitation with others in your community who may be interested in attending is appreciated.

WHEN	Meeting Date	Meeting Time
		Registration: 1:00 – 1:30 p.m.
	April 22, 2005	Meeting: 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
		Note: All participants should plan to arrive 15 to 30 minutes before the meeting to sign in. Your early arrival for registration will help ensure the meeting can begin on time.

WHERE	City	Location	Phone (for location or registration Information)
	Friona, Texas	Friona School Administration Bldg., 909 E. 11 th Street, Friona, TX 79035	(806) 250-3315

Special Accommodations

If you will need accommodations for a disability in order to participate in the meeting (e.g. interpreting services, assistive listening devices, materials in alternate format), please indicate this need when submitting your RSVP. Requests for special accommodations are required by April 15, 2005. We will attempt to meet requests received after this date, but cannot guarantee availability of the requested accommodation. The meeting sites are accessible to individuals with disabilities.

MEETING During the meeting, your input will be requested on the following questions, which QUESTIONS have been developed by the State to gather information on the effective operation and performance of special education programs throughout the State. Input will focus exclusively on these questions:

- 1. The special education program is most successful for students when those involved in the students' education are well informed about the special education process and its focus on results for individual students. Where do you get most of the information you receive regarding special education?
- 2. One purpose of the IDEA is to strengthen the role of parents and ensure family participation in the education of their children. Within the context of your district, how are parents involved in the educational process for their children?
- 3. An effective school program has supports in place to meet the needs of all students. What are the options available in your district to support the needs of struggling students?
- 4. The goal of education is to prepare students to live productive, independent adult lives. In what ways does your district ensure that students with disabilities are prepared to live as productive adults after leaving school?

Written input in response to these questions will not be accepted.

For more information on the special education monitoring process, please visit: http://www.tea.state.tx.us/pmi/spedmon/

Please Note: The meeting is NOT intended as a forum to resolve specific, individual complaints regarding services you have received. In order for TEA to investigate alleged violations of federal regulations and/or State rules, the complaint must be written and signed.

If you wish to speak to someone at the TEA about a complaint, you can leave a message on the Parent Information Line (1-800-252-9668). Your message will be responded to by a staff member from the TEA Division of IDEA Coordination. More information about the State's complaint process can be found on the web at:

http://www.tea.state.tx.us/special.ed/medcom/compinfo.html

FRIONA ISD

INVITACION A LA REUNION PUBLICA sobre la Educacion Especial

EVENTO El propósito de esta reunión pública es reunir opiniones y sugerencias del público sobre la operación efectiva y los resultados del programa de educación especial de Friona, TX. mediante uno o más grupos de enfoque comunitarios que tratan una serie de preguntas predeterminadas. Esta reunión pública del distrito es un componente obligatorio del nuevo Sistema de Control para la Educación Especial de la Agencia de Educación de Texas basado en los resultados.

La reunión se llevará a cabo en un formato estructurado durante 2-3 horas.

Agradecemos su colaboración en la distribución de esta invitación a otras personas interesadas en asistir a la reunión.

CUÁNDO	Fecha de la reunion	Horario de la reunion
		Inscripción: DE LA 1:00 PM a la 1:30 PM
	Abril 22, 2005	Reunión: DE 1:30 A LAS 3:30 PM Nota: Todos los participantes deben planear llegar de 15 a 30 minutos antes de la reunión para inscribirse. Al llegar temprano para la inscripción nos ayudará a asegurar que la reunión comience a tiempo.

DONDE	Ciudad	Lugar	Telefono (para obtener informacion sobre el lugar)	
	Friona, Texas	En el edificio de Administración de las escuelas de Friona, 909 E. 11th Street Friona, TX. 79035	(806) 250-3315	-

Si usted necesita algún arreglo especial para alguna discapacidad para poder participar de la reunión (p.ej. servicios de intérprete, aparatos para ayudar a escuchar, materiales en algún otro formato), por favor indique esta necesidad al mandar su respuesta (RSVP). Las solicitudes para arregios especiales deben recibirse a más tardar el 15 de Abril, del 2005. Para aquellas solicitudes recibidas después de esta fecha, haremos lo posible para brindarle lo pedido, pero no podemos garantizar la disponibilidad del arreglo solicitado. Los lugares donde se llevaran a cabo las reuniones son accesibles para los individuos discapacitados.

PREGUNTAS Durante la reunión, se le pedirán sus opiniones y sugerencias sobre las siguientes preguntas PARA LA que han sido desarrolladas por el Estado para reunir información sobre la operación efectiva y REUNIÓN los resultados de los programas de educación especial en todo el Estado. Las opiniones y sugerencias estarán enfocadas exclusivamente en estas preguntas:

- 1. El programa de Educación Especial tiene más exito para los estudiantes cuando éstos que estan envueltos en la Educación especial, sus resultados y su enfoque en los resultados por estudiante individualmente. De donde obtienes la mayorla de la información que recibes referente a Educación Especial?
- 2. Uno de los Propósitos de IDEA es de fortalecer el rol de los padres y asegurar la participación de la familia en la educación de su hijo. Dentro del contexto de tu Distrito, Cómo los padres están envueltos en el proceso educacional para sus hijos? 3. Un programa efectivo de las escuelas tiene apoyos con el propósito de satisfacer las necesidades de todos los estudiantes. Cuáles son las opciones disponibles en tu
- Distrito para apoyar las necesidades de estudiantes con dificultades? 4. La meta de la Educación es preparar estudiantes para una vida productiva e independiente como adultos. En qué caminos tu Distrito asegura que los estudiantes con deshabilidades están preparados para vivir una vida productiva como adultos

No se aceptarán opiniones ni sugerencias por escrito como respuesta a estas preguntas.

Para más información sobre el proceso de control para la educación especial, por favor visite: http://www.tea.state.tx.us/pmi/spedmon/

Por favor tenga en cuenta que la reunión NO tiene la finalidad de foro para resolver quejas específicas e individuales relacionadas a los servicios que usted haya recibido. Para que TEA investigue las supuestas violaciones a los reglamentos federales y/o reglas estatales, la queja debe presentarse por escrito y debe estar

después de dejar la Escuela?

Si desea hablar con alguien en la Agencia de TEA sobre alguna queja, puede dejar un mensaje en la Línea de Información para Padres (1-800-252-9668). Su mensaje será contestado por un miembro del personal de la División de Coordinación de IDEA de la Agencia TEA. Hay más información disponible sobre el proceso de quejas estatales en el sitio web:

http://www.tea.state.tx.us/special.ed/medcom/compinfo.html

Caprock sponsors Bovina teacher in environmental program

Bovina Elementary School teacher Bobby Martin will attend a week-long training program in Colorado with sponsorship by Caprock Cattle Feeders. Following the Keystone Science Center Key Issues Institute training, employees from Cargill's Caprock facility will partner with the teacher to develop hands-on environmental-education experiences for his students.

"The knowledge and experience Mr. Martin will bring back from this institute will have a tremendous effect on our students," said Darla Sealy, principal of Bovina Elementary School. "We appreciate Caprock's contributions toward the education of the youth and look forward to partnering with them to involve students in environmental activities here in our community."

Key Issues is a national teacher-training in-

stitute that provides educators with the process and skills to investigate current environmental issues with their students. The Caprock scholarship for Martin, \$3,000, will provide for transportation, lodging, meals, materials and instruction for the week-long program. Cargill has supported the program since 1993, sending more than 60 teachers through the institute. For the first time, teachers from Canada and Mexico, in addition to teachers from the United States, are being sponsored by Cargill.

"Environmental stewardship is a cornerstone to Cargill citizenship," said Jason Floyd, mill manager at the Bovina facility. "We are pleased that this development opportunity for Bobby will help build a partnership that engages our employees and enriches this entire community."



FELIPE DOMINGUEZ, above, of Cargill's Human Resources Department, and Rick White of the Safety/Training Department, made a trip to Texas Tech University, where they shared information about Cargill. They spoke to the juniors and seniors to give them another job option to consider upon graduation.

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A FISHEYE LOOK at one of Ms. Dorothy Prudhomme's fourth grade classes that visited the Friona Star office last week.

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Beef Checkoff News

Famed chefs win beef contest

Chefs David Bull and Saul Revuelta, of the famed Driskill Hotel in Austin, won first and second place, respectively, at the 2005 Chef's Steak Challenge on March 31. Each chef prepared one of the beef industry's new value cuts called the Flat Iron and Petite Shoulder Tender. Two chefs from the same company have never finished first and second in this annual contest sponsored by the Texas beef checkoff program. Ironically, Jesse Lincoln Driskill, a pioneer cattle driver, founded the Driskill in the 1880s.

Beef nutrition hot topic in 2005

The Texas beef checkoff is monitoring a number of nutrition developments that will favorably impact beef in 2005. Among the devel-

opments was release of the government's Dietary Guidelines for America that emphasized nutrient-dense foods, including beef. This spring, the government also is expected to release final rules for mandatory meat nutrition labeling. This development will help advise consumers about the vitamins and minerals that beef contributes to the diet.

Texas beef tasting impacts 50,000

The Texas Beef Council's Beef Express served beef samples to more than 50,000 consumers at the Houston Livestock Show over three weeks in March. Consumers tasted hot new beef items like cheeseburger fingers, Philly cheese steak, and shredded beef in salsa. Since the Beef Express was first launched in 2001, it has served beef samples to more than one million Texans.



STUDENTS in the Friona High School Technology class had a successful carwash last Saturday and thank everyone that brought their vehicles by and for their donations. Money will be used to attend the State Technology competition in Waco May 5-7.

dana d. jameson photos



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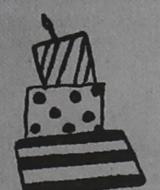
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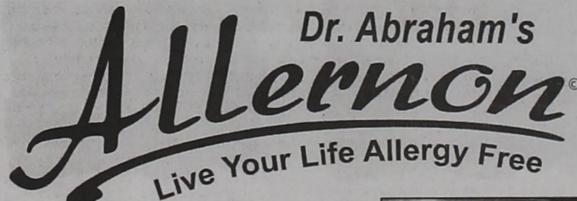
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Bi-Wize Health Mart Presents



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He will discuss allergies, answer questions and explain why his natural allergy relief formula, Allernon, works for so many allergy sufferers.



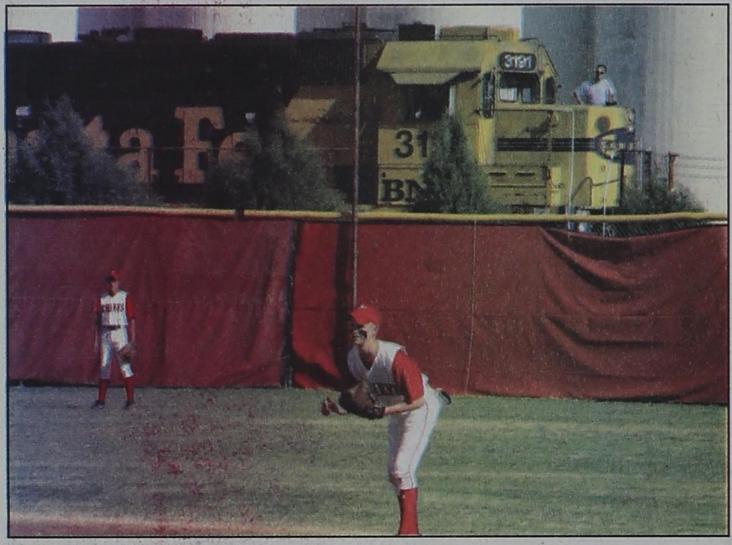


DISTRICT ONE-ACT PLAY award winners, l-r, Pedro Ramos, all-star cast; Katy Welch, honorable mention all-star cast; Andrea Geries, all-star cast; Meghan Hendrickson, best actress; Juan Carlos Silva and Chris Haile, honorable mention all-star cast. A farewell performance of the FHS one-act play, April Fish, will be presented Sunday, April 17 at 2 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Admission is free.



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ONLY IN THE PANHANDLE: A BNSF train stopped at the ball park Tuesday and the engineer took a break to watch the action vs. Lockney. Centerfielder Ryan Schwab and second baseman Kelby Monroe are the players.

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED INCREASE IN ENVIRONS GAS RATES

On February 25, 2005, Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos" or the "Company") filed a Statement of Intent with the Railroad Commission of Texas (the "Commission") to increase its gas rates in the unincorporated area ("Environs") surrounding the Cities of West Texas Service Area (the "Cities"). This proposed increase in gas rates willing to apply to customers residing inside the city limits of the West Texas Service Area.

In its filing, the Company proposes to change its Environs base rates and service charge tariffs to the same level as those current rates previously approved by the Cities for customers inside the city limits. The service charge rates have been in effect inside the city limits since April 10, 2003 and the base rates have been in effect inside the city limits since May 1, 2004. The Company proposes to change the Environs rates effective April 1, 2005. The Commission may suspend the proposed effective date for up to 150 days.

The proposed changes will affect all classes of Environs tariff customers, including Residential, Commercial, Industrial, State Institution, and Public Authority customers. The Company's Air Conditioning Customers, who currently take service under a separate tariff, will instead be served under the Residential tariff. There are approximately 17,306 Atmos Environs tariff customers (15,071 Residential, 1,916 Commercial, 182 Small Industrial, 16 State Institution, and 121 Public Authority). The proposed changes in Environs base rates are expected to increase the Company's annual revenues by approximately \$440,274. The Company also proposes to implement and apply a new Weather Normalization Adjustment clause to the bills of customers in weather-sensitive classes (Residential, Commercial, State Institution, and Public Authority).

The typical monthly residential customer bill (assuming consumption of 6 Mcf) and the typical monthly commercial customer bill (assuming consumption of 30 Mcf) will be affected as follows by these changes:

	Current	Proposed	. 9
	Bill (1)	Bill (1)	Difference
Residential Customer using 6 Mcf:	\$13.99	\$15.12	\$1.13
Commercial Customer using 30 Mcf:	\$43.05	\$43.10	\$0.05

(1) (a) Includes average PGA of \$4.96 per Mcf as of December 31, 2003.

Atmos estimates that the proposed changes to its nonrecurring charges will increase it s Other Revenues in the Environs by approximately \$30,377 annually. The proposed changes are as follows:

Description	Current Charge	Proposed Charge	Increase
DURING BUSINESS HOURS: Turn on new service (with meter set) Turn on service (shut-in test required)	\$23.50 \$19.00	\$32.00 \$23.50	\$8.50 \$4.50
<u>Description</u>	Current Charge	Proposed Charge	Increase
DURING BUSINESS HOURS (cont'd):			
Turn on service (meter read only required)	\$10.50	\$15.00	\$4.50
Miscellaneous service calls	\$10.50	\$11.25	\$0.75
Reconnect delinquent service or Service temporarily off at customer's reque	\$29.50 est	\$37.50	\$8.00
Dishonored Check Charge	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$0.00
AFTER BUSINESS HOURS: Turn on new service (with meter set)	\$35.25	\$48.00	\$12.75
Turn on service (shut-in test required)	\$28.50	\$35.25	\$6.75
Turn on service (meter read only required)	\$15.75	\$22.50	\$6.75
Miscellaneous service calls	\$15.75	\$16.88	\$1.13
Reconnect delinquent service or Service temporarily off at customer's reque	\$39.00	\$56.25	\$17.25

The various changes in base rates and nonrecurring charges proposed by Atmos would increase the Company's total revenues in the Environs by approximately \$470,651 on an annual basis, or 9.7%. The proposed change in revenues is a "major change" under state law. The new Environs rates will not exceed 115% of the average of all rates for similar services in all municipalities served by Atmos Energy within the same county.

Affected individuals may review a copy of the proposed filing during normal business hours (9 am until 5 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays) at 1) the local offices of Atmos in its West Texas Division; 2) Atmos' Lubbock office, located at 5110 80th Street; or 3) the Railroad Commission.

Customers affected by the proposed Environs rate changes may file written comments or protests with:

Docket Services Section
Legal Division (Re: Docket No. 9573)
Railroad Commission of Texas
P.O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967

