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Band instruments drive set for Aug 30

FHS band director Ron McWilliams announced that the annual beginning band instrument drive would be held on Tuesday, August 30 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the junior high band room.

Tarpley Music Company, of Amarillo, will provide a display of new band instruments for the parents of sixth grade students who are beginning band this fall at Friona Junior High School.

The public is requested to bring any used instruments they might like to sell to the junior high band room no later than Monday, August 29, if they would like to include them in the sale. The instruments should have the person's name and telephone number along with the price in the case.

"We always need used instruments, and this is a great opportunity for the general public to make a little money off of those used instruments they no longer have a use for", stated McWilliams.

Senior lunches to resume Sep 1

The Friona Senior lunches at the Friendship House will resume on Thursday, September 1.

Lunch will be served every Monday and Thursday at noon at a cost of \$3.

All seniors are urged to "get back on schedule."

Parmer County cotton field day postponed

At press time news was received from the Parmer County Extension Office that the Parmer and Baylor county cotton field day on August 25 was postponed until Monday August 29 due to excessive moisture in the field.

Details about Monday's field day are available from the Extension Office, 806-481-3619.

WT Services adds two new channels

Local cable TV provider WT Services has added two new channels to the local lineup.

By popular demand the company has added The Food Network on channel 67 and The Outdoor Life Network on channel 68.

Jerry Walker, WT Services marketing manager said, "We are doing this to continue providing our customers in Friona and Bovina with good quality TV programming."

Football contest will start September 8

The annual Friona Star football contest will begin with the September 8 issue.

This year's contest will run 12 weeks, have 15 games, and 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes will be awarded. The overall grand prize will be \$100 for 1st and \$50 for 2nd. More details in next week's paper.

Make plans now to join the fun, enter every week, and increase your chances to win the grand prize. Stay tuned.

Friona Country Club championship results

The Friona Country Club championship golf tournament was held August 13-14. Results are:

Championship flight: 1st Jayson Grimsley 152; 2nd Kirk Wright 153; 3rd Casey Williams 158.

First flight: 1st Tommy St. Clair 168; 2nd Jerry Butman 175; 3rd Jerry Loflin 177.

Second flight: 1st Morris Deaton 181; 2nd Bud Rainey 184; 3rd Jim Atwell 185.

Burnett homestead destroyed by fire

BY RON CARR

Betty Burnett and her 5-year-old grandson were returning home from a church meeting in Dimmitt Sunday night about 10 p.m. Up ahead at the intersection of Highway 214 and CR 1 she spotted the flashing lights of the Friona Volunteer Fire Department and Friona EMS.

The volunteers were trying to reach the Burnett home two miles away on an impassable muddy road. Fire Chief Jim Taylor said the lightest truck the fire department has got stuck 200 yards onto the road. There was no way the heavier tankers could get there.

At the home on County Road 20, Leroy Burnett and his son Shannon had managed to grab a few clothes and pictures and escape as the house was engulfed in flames. A lightning and rain storm in the area was the likely cause of the blaze. Mrs. Burnett said her husband and son told her the lights flickered, went out, came back on, then went out again. During this time they heard loud booms like lightning striking nearby.

The smell of smoke and a smoke alarm prompted them to pull down the attic stairs where they discovered the attic on fire. They believe lightning caused the fire.

Leroy Burnett, 72, had lived

in the house for 61 years. "He moved there with his family when he was 11-years-old," Mrs. Burnett said. Leroy and Betty, 67, have lived in the home their entire married life of 36 years.

Over the years the Burnetts had remodeled and restored the 3,800 square foot home. Mr. Burnett's mother had lived with them for four years before her death. Leroy had retired from farming and sold all

his land except about 7 acres around the home. Two quonset barns on the property were not harmed.

Not totally suited for retirement, Leroy has worked at Paco Feedyard as a night watchman for the past 7 years. Betty said they did save some clothes and will be living at the home of son-in-law Glen London for now.

"We did have good insurance and the insurance adjuster has already been here," Mrs. Burnett said. "We are not sure at this point what all our options are." She said the house and all their belongings were completely burned up in the fire. "There is nothing left there to pick through," she said.

A fund has been set up at Friona State Bank for the Leroy Burnett family. Donations can also be made through the Calvary Baptist Church. All donations made to the fund will go directly to the Burnett family. For any other information contact Calvary Baptist Church at 250-3000.



tyler jameson photo

This is what is left of the Betty and Leroy Burnett homestead after lightning struck the residence and caused a fire Sunday night, August 21. The house was a total loss. A fund has been set up at Friona State Bank to assist the Burnetts.

Rats and mice invade the county

BY RON CARR

The rat and mouse population seems to be booming in the Friona area. Usually there is always concern for mice, especially in outlying rural areas.

But this year reports say that rats are on the increase too, and not just out in the country.

Eldon Reeb, co-owner and manager at Veterinary Industries, said, "I've sold more rat and mouse poison and traps this month than I have the entire time we've been in business," Reeb said.

Farmers have reported "hundreds of mice" scattering in front of combines during the recent harvest.

Jimmy Grimsley, who farms north and east of town, has been using various poisons around his place. "Every morning we find dead rats and mice around the farm. We've got a couple of dogs and cats that help too."

Grimsley also said you can drive down the county roads at night and observe the rodents running back and forth across the road.

The mouse population has invaded the town too. No particular part of town seems to be immune. Residents in the west part of town and around the Reeve Lake area report a lot of activity. At a residence near the high school a lady reported catching a rat in a trap in her backyard.

Danny Campbell at Campbell Electric, which borders the Reeve lake area, said he was mowing behind the building and saw "hundreds" of rats scattering.

At Veterinary Industries, located at Highway 60 and Grand, Reeb sells a variety of poison options. There is liquid, pellets in throw packs, bar bait, glue boards and the old dependable snap traps.

The Tom Cat brand liquid can be mixed in water and put out for the rodents to drink. The throw packs contain poison pellets. "You just throw the pellet packets on the ground under shrubs or in other places where mice will be. They will gnaw through the packet to get to the pellets," Reeb said.

There is also Ft. Dodge bar bait, a poison bar that is scored to break it apart easily. The bar bait is covered by tallow which makes it good for using outside. The tallow coating keeps the bait drier in case of rain.

The pieces of bar bait are also scattered around in obvious mouse population traffic areas. Reeb also sells glue boards, a sticky contraption that can be used inside, under cabinets, or in closets.

Once the mouse gets on the sticky surface, it can't get unstuck, and dies.

If none of the above appeals to you, Reeb also sells

the old fashioned mouse traps in two- and four-packs also. You'll have to get your own peanut butter.

In addition to Veterinary Industries, various kinds of poison, and traps, are also sold by Mike Blackburn at Blackburn

Hardware and Leroy Cox at Hometown Hardware.

The common opinion of old timers around here say that residents need to take precautions now to mouse-proof their houses. When it starts getting colder they say the mice will be

looking to find a warm place indoors.

Now seems like a good time to put out some poison bait, or call an exterminator, and start plugging those holes around the doors and cabinets where mice might come inside to visit.



ron carr photo

Eldon Reeb of Veterinary Industries is shown in front of his poison and trap display at the store. He says he has sold more rat and mouse poison this month than the entire time he has been in business. In addition to rat poison, the store sells animal feed, animal health products, and other farm and ranch supplies.

August: Wettest month for 2005

BY BILL ELLIS

Friona's official rain barrel caught an additional 2.24 inches of rain during the week ending Tuesday morning. This brought the months total to 4.98 inches, making it easily the year's wettest month, with still over a week remaining in the month.

January had been the wettest month, at 2.77 inches of moisture.

Lloyd Rector, who has volunteered to be this recorder's "rain gauge shootout" opponent (since he's way in the lead), said Tuesday that he had measured seven inches for August, and 21.2 inches of moisture for the year.

"We country folks need a break, so our roads can be safe to drive on," the Rectors said. Referring to the bad fire that destroyed a neighbor's home (the Leroy Burnett's) just a couple of miles north and east of where they live, gives a good idea of what shape the rural "dirt" roads are in.

The latest round of rain brought the year's official total in Friona to 14.41 inches (I'm nearly seven inches behind Lloyd). Through the month of June, Friona had measured only 8.15 inches, after last year's near record of over 36 inches of moisture.

Cotton farmers need some open, hot weather, while those growing other crops continue to enjoy the regular moisture.



Aug. 31- Pre-Registration Deadline

FHS All-Class Reunion to be Maize Days finale

Around 2500 invitations have been sent out to alumni of Friona High School for the All-School Reunion, which is set for Saturday, September 17. This will be the closing event of Friona's annual Maize Days Celebration.

Several classes are also planning to have smaller get-togethers just for their class at various times during Maize Days.

The reunion committee urges everyone who is a former student of Friona High School to attend. All Friona and Parmer County residents are invited to attend. The reunion is not just for graduates of FHS.

If you are an FHS grad and you did not

receive an invitation, it may be because your address has been misplaced. Please make plans to attend the reunion at 6 p.m. on September 17 at the Community Center, and get the word around to any others whom you know would like to attend.

Advance tickets are \$15.00 per person for the event and the catered meal. Checks may be sent to the following address: Friona School Reunion,

P.O. Box 664, Friona, TX 79035. Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your check. You will be sent a nametag sticker, which you should wear to the reunion to indicate that you have pre-paid.

Pre-registration checks need to be sent by August 31.

Ticket price at the door will be \$20 per person for those who have not pre-registered.

If you cannot attend but wish to send a letter of best wishes to your fellow alumni, use the address shown above.

In case you are unable to get your check sent in by August 31, or if you have any questions you may call Sharon White at 265-3874 for further information.

Exes to honor J.R. Cook

John R. Cook, longtime principal and coach at FHS, who passed away in January 2002, will be honored at the All-School Reunion on Saturday, September 17.

Cook served as FHS principal for 25 years, more than his immediate 10 predecessors combined. He served as football and basketball coach when he came to the FHS. His 1951 Chieftain football team still holds the all-time record of giving up only 47 points for their entire season, after 54 years.



OUT HERE

by Ron Carr

How much does it take to make death feel better

Sudden or unnecessary death provokes anger.

There are three other stages of grief but I don't remember them right now. Suffice to say that death in any form evokes a myriad of emotion. The big question is usually "why?" And of course there are never any answers.

Suicide must be the worst for families. The question of why is never answered after a loved one takes their own life. Anger survives all emotions,

In sudden or unnecessary death situations, sooner or later the loved ones left behind seek some sort of revenge. We like, even cherish, retribution. We want guilty ones to show remorse and sorrow. Say you're sorry. Beg us for our forgiveness, which of course we are not going to give you but we want you to beg for it anyway.

Robert Ernst was a 58-year-old produce manager for Wal-Mart. He was married to Carol. They seemed a happy couple. Robert was coming down with arthritis. Not unusual for his age and the type of work he did. So he started taking Vioxx. Took it for 18 months they say. Then he died of clogged heart arteries.

The Vioxx manufacturer, Merck, had taken Vioxx off the market a few months ago because it was determined to be more dangerous than previously thought. Merck was selling \$2.5 billion a year of Vioxx. Merck has a lot of money. They are an easy target for grieving families and aggressive lawyers.

Carol Ernst decided to sue Merck because she said her husband died because of the Vioxx. Her lawsuit was the first one against Merck. There are over

4,000 other lawsuits pending against Merck over the Vioxx issue.

A 7 man, 5 woman, jury in Angleton, Texas, decided Carol Ernst's husband was worth \$253.4 million. Even though he would be lucky to make even one million working for Wal-Mart. When the verdict was announced in the courtroom, Carol Ernst's lawyers shouted "Amen." The day the verdict was announced Merck lost \$5 billion in stock value on the stock exchange.

The jury said they picked a big number so they could send a message to Merck. Sending a message to Merck is not what the jury was picked for but in today's system and society, rules don't always matter.

I don't believe a company like Merck intentionally market a drug that kills people. Yet when

\$2.5 billion a year in sales is at stake, who knows.

In the end, Carol Ernst said it was not about the money, it was about stopping a mean old drug manufacturer from hurting other people. Yeah, right. I reckon whatever money she gets, which in the end won't even be close to \$253.4 million, she will give to charity or just refuse to take it. What about handing it out to some of Robert's co-workers at Wal-Mart. They could always use a boost.

The truth is it is about the money. Carol is angry that Robert died and left her. That is understandable. Merck got what was coming to them, Carol got some money, the lawyers said "Amen".

And Robert? He is still dead. But we all feel better now.

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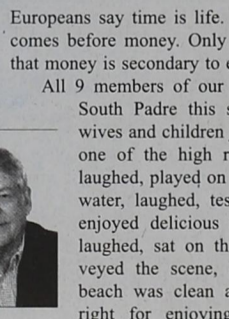
Attention parents of 5 & 6 year old girls
 The Little Miss Friona pageant will be held Tuesday, Sept 13.
 Forms were sent home with the girls on Monday. If your daughter did not receive a form, contact Chris or Betty at the Friona Chamber of Commerce office at 621 Main or call 250-3491 for more information.
 The deadline for returning forms is September 1.
 To sponsor a Little Miss candidate contact the chamber. Sponsor fees are \$50 for chamber members and \$75 for non-chamber members.



ron carr photo
 Friona 4-H'ers earned recognition at the annual 4-H banquet Tuesday at the Farwell Community Center. Back, l-r, Emily Allen, I Dare You award; Patsy Allen, Parent Leader award, Suzanne Reese and Cody Hill of the Parmer County Extension office. Middle, l-r, Mykelti Rhodes, Kendall Barnett, Katy Osborn. Front, l-r, Jacob Osborn, Kendall Kimbrough, and Rowdy Rhodes. Emily also won a first place in state competition for her 4-H record book and will go to Washington, D.C. in October.

Chieftain Football Boosters
 Show your support by adding your name to the weekly Friona Booster page
 Call Jan at the Friona Star 806-250-2211

Just about everybody I talk to says, "I've been busy," when I ask what they've been doing lately. I mean it's rare when I get any other answer. Everybody's busy.
 That worries me.
 When someone asks me what I've been doing, my standard reply is, "just goofing off, taking it easy, relaxing, having a ball."
 The looks I get after my utterance are varied.
 Some people just sort of smile, others just nod their head, as if to say, "you're not busy enough." Some people look at me like I'm crazy. Rarely does someone say, "boy I wish I could say that."
 I think it's boring to tell people you're busy. Who cares? Is that something rare? To be busy? Are we supposed to be busy all the time? Can't we ever have a day off?
 I admire the European attitude toward life and work. Generally, to the European, work is just a part of life, not the whole thing.
 A man from Spain told me he could do twelve months' work in eleven months, but not in twelve. When I asked him what he meant, he said he has to have a month off to have new experiences, go to new places, meet new people, spend time with the family and forget about work for a month. He said it gives him a whole new perspective on life. He enjoys the month off to relax, read and rejuvenate.
 Being busy is very American, I know. Time is money.



Europeans say time is life. To their way of thinking, life comes before money. Only the wealthiest Americans say that money is secondary to enjoyment.
 All 9 members of our family had a get-together on South Padre this summer. Our two sons, their wives and children joined us in a corner condo on one of the high rises on the beach. We read, laughed, played on the sand and in the warm gulf water, laughed, tested our skill at table games, enjoyed delicious food prepared in the condo, laughed, sat on the 8th floor balcony and surveyed the scene, laughed and took naps. The beach was clean and the temperature was just right for enjoying summer by the sea. The previous week a hurricane came ashore, but missed South Padre.
 We spent a fun day at Schlitterbahn, one of the most innovative water parks in the country. One reason we enjoyed it so much was the fact that our sons had visited Schlitterbahn in New Braunfels when they were youngsters. One of our 2 two-year-old grandsons loved the water. The other thought he had enough after a few minutes.
 We started our annual get-togethers last year when we went to Lake Tahoe. We decided that we were all busy, but needed to take some time off once a year to be together when there wasn't a wedding or funeral or illness or holiday. At South Padre, we were relaxed and rejuvenated. It was a valuable and rewarding use of time.





ron carr photo

Guests at the Friona Noon Lions meeting were, l-r, Hollis Gurley, Erin Barnett, Alex Gurley, and Noon Lions Club sweetheart Breann Barnett.



dana d. jameson photo

Noon Lions Rick Barnett and Edward Martinez work the hamburger grill during last Thursday's scrimmage vs. River Road. Thanks to all who stopped by. The Lions sold about 150 burgers during the evening.

Lions Club News

BY RON CARR, PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN

The Friona Noon Lions met Thursday August 18 with 16 members and 4 guests present. Guests were club sweetheart Breann Barnett, Friona high school Spanish teacher Erin Barnett, wife of Lion Rick Barnett, and Hollis and Alex Gurley, FHS students.

Boss Lion Clint Mears announced that the club would be cooking hamburgers and fries for the River Road scrimmage Thursday night August 18. Lion Cecil Maddox presented a stick horse to the club that he bought during the Pokey the Clown Junior Rodeo in July. Boss Lion Mears offered stick horse rides to members for fifty cents. There were no takers on the offer.

Mrs. Barnett and her students Alex and Hollis Gurley presented a program on their trip to Mexico July 8-25. They attended school in Cuernavaca to learn more of the Spanish language. It was an international school with students from all over the U.S. and foreign countries. While there they also visited Mexico City, Acapulco, and Taxco.

They also toured many museums and cultural sites and stayed with private families. The students receive high school credit for attending the foreign school. For more information about the school contact Erin Barnett.

Hollis Gurley is also the new club sweetheart for the Friona Evening Lions. The next meeting of the Noon Lions is Thursday September 1.

FlashBacks

60 Yrs. Ago August 24, 1945

Friona - Issuance of sugar for home canning will stop August 25, the War Price and Rationing Board states. All applicants in this county received only five pounds per person after the drastic cut in sugar rations were announced in the early summer. Originally plans were to continue issuance through October, but the local board has been advised to issue the entire allotment for 1945 by the end of the year.

50 Yrs. Ago August 24, 1955

Bovina - Bovina School's opening has been postponed until September 5 due to the fact that the new building will not be completed by the originally set opening date of August 29. The cost of the new school building is \$600,000.

Seventeen Bovina High School footballers reported to Coach Bob Wills for practice Monday. Boys, with their weights, that were out Monday are: seniors, Lynn Isham, 240; Billy Richards, 145; French Crook, 110; Darrell Read, 165; Larry Ezell, 160; Kenneth Estes, 140; and Jerry Loflin, 150.

Juniors include: Sonny Brito, 180; Neil Smith, 140; and Erith Hawkins, 160.

Sophomores include: Terry Adams, 155; and Dick Hom, 125.

Freshmen include: Furman Kelso, 115; Billy Routt, 115; James Lawlis, 140; Ronnie Isham, 160; and Billy Burnam, 140.

50 Yrs. Ago August 25, 1955

Friona - Construction of the new Parmer County Community

Hospital building is at last an actuality, with foundations for the 50 feet by 248 feet brick and tile structure being staked out Monday morning, on the plot of ground north of the present hospital. Official ground breaking is scheduled to be held sometime during the upcoming Parmer County Fair.

40 Yrs. Ago August 25, 1965

Bovina - Bovina's Bull Town Days 1965 was a gigantic success. It was so proclaimed by the vast majority of the more than 6000 people who attended one or more of the events during the three-day celebration, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week.

30 Yrs. Ago August 24, 1975

Friona - Amal Malouf of Friona will be one of the 30 entrants in the Wheatheart of the Nation Pageant this week. Representing the Friona Chamber of Commerce, she was named Miss Maize days in the local pageant. She will be in the annual pageant in Perryton Saturday night, August 23.

10 Yrs. Ago August 26, 1995

Friona - On Friday, August 11, a serious water shortage occurred in the city of Friona. The Friona water tower, which has a capacity of 100,000 gallons, could not keep up, even with three tanks that are fed by ten wells. The most recent billing cycle for water was July 10 to August 20. Friona water customers used 41,514,700 gallons of water during that period, a significant increase from recent months.

Around Town

Castro County Harvest Days

The Castro County Harvest Days will be held Thursday - Saturday, September 8 - 10 at the Castro County Exposition Center, 405 SE 4th Street in Dimmitt. Thursday night will feature a Teen Queen Pageant, Tractor Pull, and a Pet show. Friday night will be a football game. Fair entrees will be due and judged. Booth set up will begin.

Saturday will include the Harvest Day Parade (10 am), Fiddler's Contest (1:45 pm), and Lawn Mower Races and Water Polo.

Craft and food booths, a petting zoo, rides, a quilt show, traditional fair, and a VFW horse shoe pitching, and dance all will be included in the celebration.

For more information contact the Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce (806) 647-2524.

Story Time Starts Thursday Sept. 1

Story Time starts Thursday, September 1, 2005 at the Friona Public Library. Any child that is three years old before September 1 is invited to join.

Come register before your child attends, if possible.

We have several helpers and are looking forward to a great year! Call us if you have any questions - 250-3200.

Boys Ranch Rodeo and Old Tascosa Rendezvous

Dust off your cowboy boots and shine your spurs—it's time for the 61st Annual Boys Ranch Rodeo held at Cal Farley's Boys Ranch. Cheer the riders from Boys Ranch and Cal Farley's Girlstown, U.S.A. as they compete for buckles and saddles while displaying their skills in pole bending, barrel racing, calf and bull riding, bull fighting and breakaway roping. And don't miss the younger buckaroos in the crowd-pleasing favorites of mutton bustin' and stick-horse barrel racing.

Before the action in the rodeo arena begins each day, a mouth-watering barbecue lunch is served. It's FREE with the purchase of a Rodeo ticket. Tickets are \$5 general admission; \$8 box seats. For ticket information, call 372-2341.

The rodeo will be held Labor Day weekend, September 3 and 4. The barbecue meal will be served from noon until 2 p.m. The rodeo begins at 2:30 p.m.

each day. The 6th Annual Old Tascosa Rendezvous is held in conjunction with the rodeo. The Rendezvous allows visitors to experience the "rough and rugged" times of Old Tascosa as early cow-

boys, explorers and Native Americans lived it in the old town's heyday. Historical re-enactors display their wares in primitive campsites and teepees typical of the 1800's. Step into the past to watch games and demonstrations such as fire making, black powder shooting, hide tanning, beading and campfire cooking.

The Rendezvous is open to the public and free of charge beginning Friday, September 2 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, September 3 & 4 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. For more information about setting up a camp, please call 322-2635.

Alaniz awarded rank of Eagle Scout

Ramey Alaniz, 18-year-old son of Ramiro and Lisa Alaniz of Friona, was awarded the rank of Eagle Scout on Monday, August 22, 2005. Eagle Scout is the highest honor attainable by a Boy Scout.

Ramey received the award at a court of honor conducted by Troop 56. Appetizers and snacks at the Boy Scout hut followed the ceremony and presentation.

Presiding over the event were Scoutmaster Mercedes Williams, Assistant Scoutmaster Tara Wales, Charter Organization Representative Hollis Horton, and committee members Joe Bob Mann and Jill Hefner.

Ramey began scouting as a Tiger Cub when he was six-years-old in the first grade. He continued to become a Webelos Scout and earned the highest Cub Scout rank, The Arrow of Life, in 1997. He went on to become a Boy Scout earning The Order of the Arrow in 2001 by being a part of a brotherhood of the National Honor Society in scouting.

To qualify for the Eagle rank, Ramey earned merit badges and completed a service project incorporating leadership and man-

agement skills. The twelve merit badges required for the rank of Eagle are camping, citizenship



Ramey Alaniz

in the community, citizenship in the nation, citizenship in the world, communications, emergency preparedness, environmental science, first aid, swimming, personal management, personal fitness, and family life. He has also earned 30 more merit badges in his career as a Boy Scout.

His service project consisted of painting house numbers on curbs. He completed 74 houses with the help of his fellow scouts, leaders, family and friends who spent a total of 88 hours.

State sales tax collections up

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn said the state collected \$1.45 billion in sales tax revenue in July, and she sent local governments \$466 million.

"With just weeks remaining in the 2005 fiscal year, sales tax revenue is running 5.9 percent higher than the same point in FY 2004," Strayhorn said.

July state sales tax collections are up 14.5 percent compared to July 2004.

July state sales tax revenue and August allocations to local governments represent sales taxes collected in June by businesses that report sales taxes monthly, and sales taxes collected in April, May and June by quarterly filers.

The Comptroller's next sales

tax allocation will be made on Monday, September 12.

Parmer County's August 2005 payment totaled \$46,689 broken down as Bovina \$7,238; Farwell \$11,008; and Friona \$28,442. In August 2004, the tax payment total was \$45,080.

Comparing August 2004 to August 2005 tax receipts, Bovina is up 1.27%, Farwell is up 43.05%, and Friona is down 5.93%.

For the year 2005, Parmer County cities have received a total of \$348,848 compared to \$282,040 for the same period last year. For the year, Bovina tax revenue is up 29.30%, Farwell is up 129.42%, and Friona is down -4.20% for an overall increase of 23.68% for the county.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

August 29, 2005 - September 3, 2005

Aug. 29-David Walker, Vickie Harrison, Alicia Gonzales, Ty White, Colby Carthel, Othena Smith, Dianna Hernandez, Celia Quintana

Aug. 30-Jiselle Hand, Gavin Ellis, Jerry Butman, Gay Chrisman, Judy Rhodes, Bobby Broyles, Ruth Sifford, Bob Dow, Stephen Campbell, Mary Frances Cass Weatherly, Millie Randolph, John Kirk Banfield, Brooke Stover, Misty Burkhart, Laura Bartlett, Dustin Riley, Justin Brozek, John Kirk Banfield

Aug. 31-Ruth Drager, Kris Hamilton, Bettye Jarboe, Tim Grissom, Adrian Gomez, Anita Lafuente, Taylen Sossaman, Ruth Drager

Sept.-1-Melissa Hardin, Candice Randolph, Shelley Preston, Iona Cook, Helen Bailey, Joe Cunningham, Billy Harbison, Shayla Parker, Crystal Potts, Magen Rainey

Sept. 2-Will Cooper, Clarence Monroe, Corey Hamilton, Betsy Clark, Kendall Barnett, Dollie Lookingbill, Raquel Mendez, Claudia Arpero

Sept. 3-Jacob Cruz, Lindsay Buske, Jane Osborn, Dr. Lisa Edelson Veggeberg, Kelsey White, Pat Pacella, Carleen Sims, Anna Belle Mohr

Back to School Savings

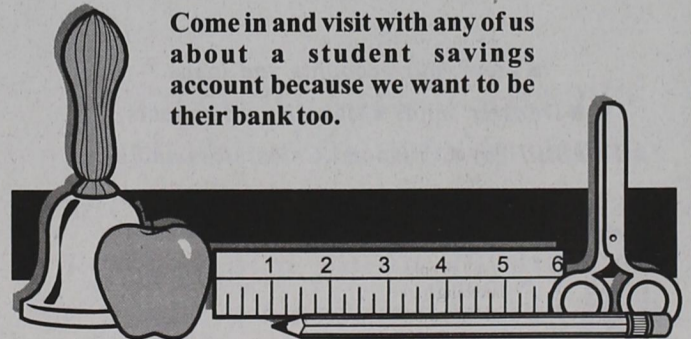
Now is the time for us all to think about opening that savings account for our children.

With school starting, our children are learning new skills and more in depth studies. This may be the time for them to learn about saving money.

Friona State Bank has a no service charge student savings account. The account can be opened with a low amount and there is not a minimum balance.

We at Friona State Bank wishes all our young people would have a wonderful start in life and what better way than to have the discipline to save money.

Come in and visit with any of us about a student savings account because we want to be their bank too.



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Courtesy photo

Texas Farm Bureau Agent Andy Montana, second from left, delivered a check to the Bovina Volunteer Fire Department for responding to a house fire on August 3, which was insured through Texas Farm Bureau Insurance. "I would like to thank all the Bovina Volunteer Fire Department for their dedication, sacrifice and hard work they do to make their community a better place to live," said Montana. Pictured with Montana are, l-r, Volunteer Fire Fighter Andres Garza, Fire Chief Cesar Marquez, and Assistant Chief Jerry Rocha.

Area News Briefs

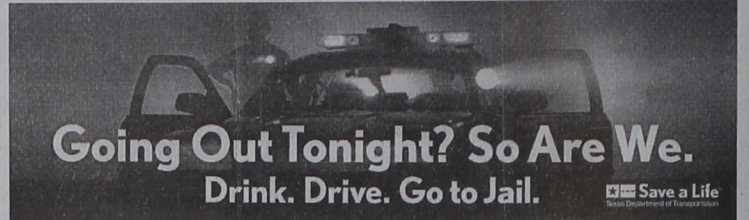
Ag commish to visit Hereford Sept 14

According to the August 15 Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association newsletter, Texas Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs will visit the area during her town hall meeting swing around the state.



During the free open forum producers and community members can discuss issues and present ideas and solutions to the commissioner.

Commissioner Combs, who will be running for state comptroller in the next election, will visit Hereford Wednesday, September 14. The meeting will be at 1 p.m. in the Hereford Independent School District administration building, 601 N. 25 Mile Ave.



Texas joins crackdown on drunk driving

With Labor Day and the last surge of summer road trips just two weeks away, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) announced that Texas will be part of a coast-to-coast effort to remove drunk drivers from the nation's streets and highways. Between August 19 and September 5, state troopers and thousands of local law enforcement officers will be stepping up enforcement of the state's DWI laws.

"We're putting drivers on notice: if you drink and drive during the upcoming Labor Day holiday, you're asking for trouble," said Steve Simmons, TxDOT's Deputy Executive Director. "TxDOT is joining the National Highway Traffic

Safety Administration (NHTSA), the Texas Department of Public Safety and local law enforcement organizations statewide to get drunk drivers off the road."

NHTSA reports that alcohol was involved in almost half of the traffic deaths that occurred in Texas in 2003 and predicts that alcohol will be a factor in 7 of the 10 traffic deaths expected during the Labor Day weekend.

"The national crackdown is a comprehensive impaired driving prevention effort focused on highly visible enforcement, public awareness, and paid media to deter im-

paired driving," said Georgia S. Chakiris, regional administrator for NHTSA. "Travelers in Texas and across the nation will see plenty of officers taking care of business—getting impaired drivers out from behind the wheel and into jail before they can cause injuries and deaths."

This month, motorists can also expect billboards, and radio and television ads warning them not to drink and drive. First-time DWI offenders can lose their driver's license for as much as a year, pay a fine of up to \$2,000 and serve up to 180 days in jail.

Courthouse Notes

The Farmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from August 11, 2005 to August 17, 2005.

Alec L. Gordon, and Sharon E. Gordon-Sirva Relocation LLC, 104' 9" BY 110' SW/PT NE/4 S1 T3S R3E.

Sirva Relocation LLC-Jon M. Douglas and Rachel Douglas, 104' 9" BY 110' SW/PT NE/4 S1 T3S R3E.

Ova Lorena Outland Borel and George Borel-Jon Mack Roden, Nancy Lynn Roden, Ricky Jon Roden and Stephanie Jan Roden, L4 B5 FIRST ADDITION TO WEST LOOP.

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Dollie Aldridge Testamentary Trust-Samuel Hart, Sam (Sandy) Hart and Denise B. Hart Smith, N80 AC SW/4 OF NE/4 S13 T9S R1E.

Ralph W. Shelton Estate-Bybee Exchange LLC, 656.2 AC S3 BLK H THOMAS KELLY.

Larry Jesko and Sherri Jesko-Bybee Exchange LLC, 85.38 AC NW/4 S50 BLK H KELLY.

Barbara Alleta Camp Trust and Don Wayne Flynt Trust-Bybee Exchange LLC, S50 BLK H THOMAS KELLY.

Clint W. Cryer and Erin N. Cryer-Sharon Parham Agee, N40' L8 S35' L9 B52 RIDGECREST.

Blue Star Mothers to organize here

An organizational meeting of the Panhandle Area Blue Star Mothers of America will be held Monday, August 29 at 7 p.m. at the Friona State Bank Community Room. Mothers who have sons or daughters currently serving in any military branch or whose child has received an honorable discharge are welcome to join. Membership is \$10.

Fathers and other relatives may attend and join the organization as Associate Members at no cost. The Blue Star Mothers is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving our military members in a variety of ways. This fall there are several fundraisers planned to pay for sending packages to our troops, as well as a tribute to our local heroes. If you have any questions, please contact Becky Dickson at 250-3690.

Friona School Menu

August 29 - September 2

(Every meal is served with milk.)

Monday, August 29 - **Breakfast** - Bagel french toast, sausage, assorted juice.

Lunch - Tacos, spanish rice, corn on the cob, pineapple.

Tuesday, August 30 - **Breakfast** - Breakfast burrito, fruit,

Lunch - Chicken nuggets, rolls, mashed potatoes, green beans, yogurt.

Wednesday, August 31 - **Breakfast** - Waffles, bacon, assorted juice,

Lunch - Frito pie, ranch style beans, garden salad, peaches.

Thursday, September 1 - **Breakfast** - Breakfast pizza, yogurt,

Lunch - Corn dog, scalloped potatoes, pork n' beans, gelatin w/ fruit.

Friday, September 2 - **Breakfast** - Honey bun, assorted juice,

Lunch - Cheeseburgers, tator tots, fresh fruit salad.

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Sheriff's Report

August 18, Erica Peace, 20, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with abandoning/endangering a child, pending Grand Jury. She was also charged with injury to a child, pending Grand Jury.

August 20, Jesus David Rubio, 25, of Friona, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with assault, pending County Court.

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We are so blessed in our community to have citizens who care enough to see that we have facilities and activities for our citizens young and older alike. 246 children read nearly 43,000 pages during the month of June and an average of 130 people a day visited our library!

I am also so grateful for the City Pool, which has been quite busy this summer with swimming, swim lessons, parties and I am especially grateful for the women's aerobics class I have participated in this summer. My mother, who is 78 years young, participated also and we have both thoroughly enjoyed the pool and the other participants. Both my granddaughters also learned to swim and dive there this summer. Wish it could be a year round facility. I enjoyed the interaction between the age groups including my granddaughters, the lifeguards and all the generations of ladies represented in our little group. It was great fun!

We all make up this old world and our relationships should be cherished. Just as the farmer nurtures his crops, giving them what they need when they need it, so should we treasure and nourish our relationships of all types. Where would our farming community be if the farmer did not take good care of his crops? They would never survive. We sometimes starve our civic responsibilities and other obligations to death... So if you are blessed enough with opportunities to 'make connections', please make the best of them. People need you.

New arrivals: Miracle by Danielle Steel; Dancing in the Dark by Mary Jane Clark; Lifeguard by James Patterson; Chill of Fear by Kay Hooper; Looking for Peyton Place by Barbara Delinsky; Lazy B by Sandra Day O'Connor; Long time gone by J. A. Jance; One soldier's story by Robert Dole; No country for Old Men by Cormac McCarthy & Texas Home School Coalitions Handbook 2004-2005. Check out our Sentimental Productions Video Magazine on DVD to 'travel' America.

Story Time starts for 3 year olds September 1, 2005 at 10:30 AM. Let the little folks know if you know any.

Memorials have been donated by: Valoris Osborn to ONEIDA ALLEN; John Bakers, Rex Brackens, and Patricia Phipps to MIKE EVERYBEY; Kenneth Fords, Cass Perkins, Vickie Samarron, Library Staff, Friends and Colleagues at the City of Friona, Patricia Phipps to PAULA WILSON; Cass Perkins and Patricia Phipps to PETE HOLLIS; Jim Bob Jones to JOHN TANNAHILL; Cass & Marie Perkins to PETER JENNINGS.

Puzzle Solution

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Chieftains open season at Muleshoe

BY RON CARR

After two-a-days and scrimmages, it's time for area high school teams to finally play for real. Coach Bob Ferguson and his Chieftain charges will get that opportunity as they invade Muleshoe Friday night to do battle with long time rival, the Muleshoe Mules.

Ferguson will be without the services of key players Pedro Ramos, Fernando Moreno, and

quarterback Steven Sanchez. Ramos and Sanchez, both seniors, are likely out for the season with torn ACL's and Moreno, a promising junior running back and linebacker, has a torn or sprained meniscus (knee ligament). It is uncertain how long he will be out.

Junior Sean Lookingbill will be the man under at quarterback in his first varsity start.

Lookingbill's backup is sophomore Sawyer Reed who led last year's JV Chiefs to a 9-1 season. Sophomore running back and linebacker Dillon Welch will also see some action as Moreno's replacement.

Ferguson, who is beginning his 4th season as head coach, will rely on the offensive front four of returning starters A.J. Cordova, Daniel Aguilar, Fabian

Dominguez, and Jesus Gonzalez to clear the way for running backs Eddie Ortiz, Ruben Chico, Andrew Chico, or Octavio Moreno.

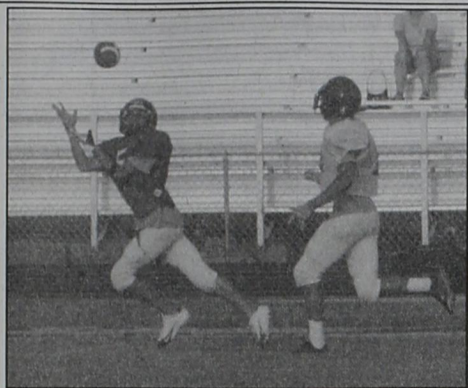
Vying for the wide receiver slots will be Cesar Prieto, Juan Reyes (who coaches say is the fastest player on the team),

Tolby Wilcox, and Antonio Monreal. Anchoring the linebacker positions will be senior and returning starter Ben Santiago and junior Chance Lewellen.

Other returning defensive starters are Eddie Ortiz, Adam Carrasco, Lewellen, and defen-

sive backs Monreal and Reyes.

There are a lot of question marks about this year's team for Coach Ferguson and his staff as the season opens. Facing Muleshoe is a big step toward finding some answers.



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That is Valente Casas, left, intercepting a pass during the River Road scrimmage. Junior QB Sean Lookingbill (15) will get his first varsity start vs. old rival Muleshoe Friday night. Game time is 7:30 p.m. at Muleshoe.



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Returning defensive starters have a challenge in stopping the Muleshoe Mules. That task will fall to, l-r, Ben Santiago, Juan Reyes, Antonio Monreal, Chance Lewellen, Adam Carrasco, and Eddie Ortiz.



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A big burden is on the Chief offensive line as returning starters, l-r, Jesus Gonzalez, Fabian Dominguez, Daniel Aguilar, and A. J. Cordova will be the key to Friona's success this season. They will be trying to move out some Mules Friday night.

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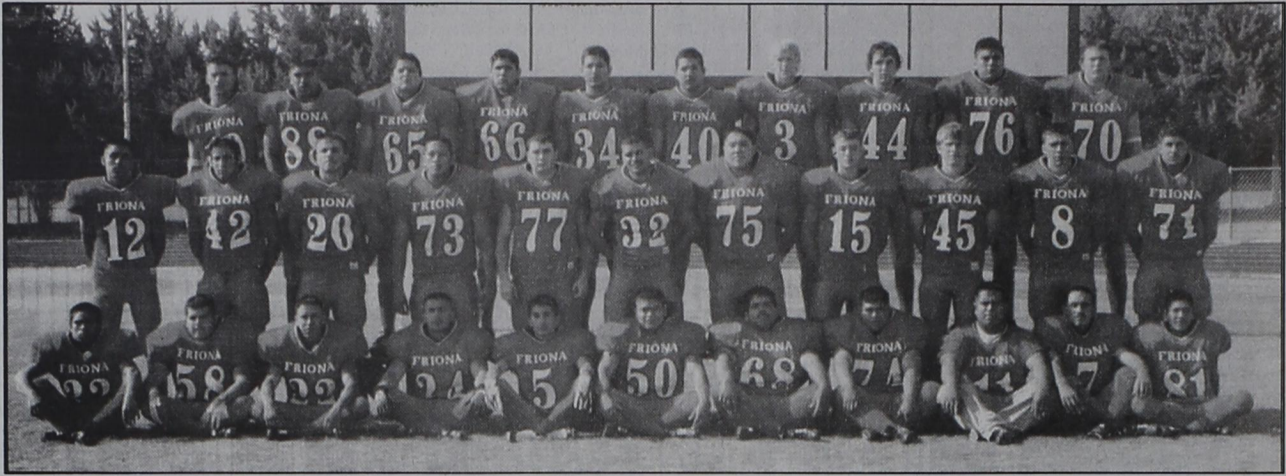
PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL from properties on the tax roll in the preceding year by

7.913669 percent on **August 23, 2005 at 7:00 PM.**

The Parmer County Hospital is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on **September 15, 2005 at 5:30 PM** at Parmer County Hospital Boardroom.



Go Big Red!



2005 Varsity Chieftain Football team, l-r , back, Juan Reyes, Hector Sanchez, Fabian Dominguez, Daniel Aguilar, Octavio Moreno, Fernando Moreno, Sawyer Reed, Tolby Wilcox, Gabriel Villareal, Chance Lewellen; middle, Steven Sanchez, Dillion Welch, Antonio Monreal, Jesus Gonzalez, Stephen Campbell, Andrew Chico, AJ Cordova, Sean Lookingbill, Joshua Jameson, Phillip Saiz, Omar Anchondo; front, Javier Sanchez, Bobby Silva, Eddie Ortiz, Ruben Chico, Valente Casas, Ben Santiago, Adam Cararasco, Ozzie Castanon, Pedro Ramos, Ceasar Prieto, Lupe Gonzalez.

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Sept 9 - Farwell, 7:30 p.m.
Sept 16 - Bovina, 7:30 p.m.
Sept 23 - Dalhart, 7:30 p.m.
Sept 30 - OPEN
Oct 7 - Dimmitt, 7:30 p.m.
Oct 14 - Tulia, 7:30 p.m.
Oct 21 - Floydada, 7:30 p.m.
Oct 28 - Olton, 7:30 p.m.
Nov 4 - Lockney, 7:30 p.m.



2005 Friona Chieftain Coaching Staff, l-r, back, David Towner, Mike Herbert, Jeff Isom, Jose Gonzalez; front, Rex Cumpton, Jimmy Arias, Bob Ferguson, Lanny Crow, Greg Hazelwood.

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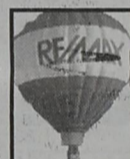
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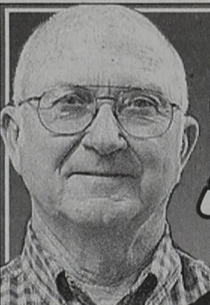
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Bidders must submit a Cashier's or Certified Check issued by a bank satisfactory to the Owner, or a Bid Bond from a reliable Surety company, payable without recourse to the order of the City of Friona, Texas, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the largest possible bid submitted as a guaranty that the bidder will enter into a contract and execute bonds and guaranty in the forms provided within ten (10) days after notice of award of contract to him. Bids without the required Check or Bid Bond will not be considered.

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All lump sum and unit prices must be stated in both script and figures. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating the prices in the bids, the Owner reserves the right to consider the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject the bid. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive formalities, and to accept the bid which seems most advantageous to the City's interest.

Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and to inform themselves regarding all local conditions under which the work is to be done.

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Also Ann Osborn, Marca Herring, Clarence and Peggy Monroe, Floyd and Betty Reeve, Jonell Claborn, Jerry and Lucy Beth Hinkle, Teddy and Sharon White.

Attending from Hereford were Peggy Higgins, Lola Veazey, and Helen Noyes. Others attending were Billie Carpenter, of Edmond, Oklahoma, Mary Lou Gooch, of Ruidoso, New Mexico, Pat Holland and Linda Brown, of Grove City, Pennsylv-



FRIONA STATE BANK'S tour group smiles for the camera in Denali National Park, Alaska on July 22, 2005.

vania, Charlene Treider, of Muleshoe, Frank and Elsie Duggins, of Joseph City, Arizona.

Also Virgil and Marie Hughlett, of Nocona, Texas, Lawrence and Carolyn Widner, of Bovina, Wayne and Liz Jesko,

of Lazbuddie, Edwin and Pat Axe, of Amarillo and Dub and Joyce Norwood, of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

The tour members flew to Fairbanks, Alaska on July 20 on four different flights.

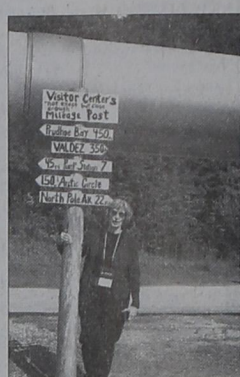
Their first full day in Alaska proved to be a very full day. They boarded a Stern Wheeler and paddled down The Chena River. While paddling down the river they witnessed a Bush pilot taking off. Susan Butcher, four-time Iditarod race winner, gave a demonstration of her champion sled dogs and how they work. The group then explored a replica Chena Indian Village and learned about the natives and how they lived in the interior of Alaska.

That evening they were invited to dinner in the homes of the citizens of Fairbanks. They

others went white water river rafting on the Nenana River, which is a glacial river.

Anchorage, the capital of Alaska, was the next stop. Jimmette McLean, daughter of Pearl and Jim McLean, formerly of Friona, is a pastor at a church in Anchorage and invited the group to stop and see her Easter Totem. A local layman of her church carved the totem. The group learned that totems are not worshiped, but are built to tell a story that is known only by the carver.

The group was surprised by the abundance of beautiful flow-



ANN OSBORN stops for directions at the Trans Alaska Pipeline.

They shopped. There were so many things to do while aboard the cruise ship and always food to eat. The group enjoyed being in the "Crow's Nest" as they cruised through the passage. The evening shows put on by the ship's staff were a real treat. They were treated royally.

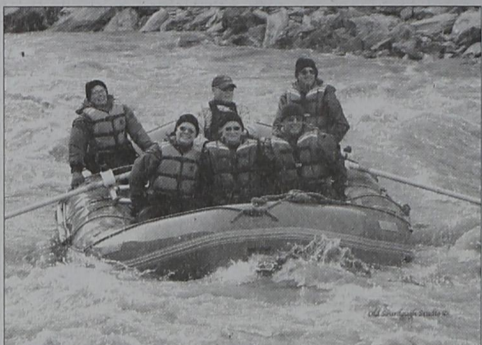
At the end of the cruise they disembarked at Vancouver, British Columbia. After boarding a bus they toured Stanley Park, Vancouver, China Town and had lunch in Gas Town. They got to see the famous steam powered clock that sounded on the quarter hour. They realized that they could have spent more time exploring Vancouver but had to board a bus to Seattle to spend the night.

While in Seattle they got to enjoy the view from the Space Needle and rode the Monorail. They also got to walk the steep sidewalks to the harbor.

On the last day they boarded their planes for their trips home after spending thirteen days on one of the most exciting and fun trips. Alaska has always been special to the group.

Those that have traveled with the bank before know that bonds are formed with fellow travelers that last a lifetime.

"We are so grateful for the chance to take this trip with our hometown friends and meet our neighbors far and near," said Marca Lynn Herring. "Thank you Friona State Bank for letting us do this."



WHITE WATER RAFTING down the Nenana River.

were divided into groups from two to as many as six and taken to the homes of the members of the Fairbanks Arts Association. They learned firsthand about the late sunset and sunrises. At 11 p.m. the sun was still up and it was still light at 1 a.m.

The next day, they boarded a domed train and headed for the six million acre Denali National Park about four hours from Fairbanks. On the train ride they learned about the tundra and permafrost and saw more of the forests, mountains and rivers of Alaska's interior.

They boarded a bus to travel through the park. They saw a mama grizzly and her three cubs, a moose, caribou, Dall sheep, snowshoe rabbits and ptarmigan along the roadside. They learned that all rivers in the Alaska Range run north.

The next day was spent doing various activities. Some of the group went to see more of the dog sled teams and how they are raised. Some went on a flight over Mt. McKinley, the tallest mountain in North America, at over 20,300 ft. And

ers. Not just common petunias, delphiniums, cosmos and Black-eyed Susans but huge petunias, delphiniums, cosmos and Black-eyed Susans with rich, deep colors. Fireweed, a beautiful, pink flower, lined the roadsides and gardens.

After all the sights in Fairbanks and Anchorage, the group boarded their cruise ship, Veendam, at Seward for a seven day cruise through the inside passage that stretches from Skagway, Alaska to Seattle, Washington. They stopped at ports in Sitka, Juneau and Ketchikan. They explored Glacier Bay, the College Fjords, Mendenhall Glacier and all the seaside towns.

They learned the history of each town and the natives that live and work there, the Athabascans and the Tlingits, native Indians.

The group went whale watching, sight seeing to the Misty Fjords, visited a logging camp, a salmon hatchery, saw Russian dancers, went deep sea fishing, visited Totem Bight and the rain forest, and visited with an Indian clan and best of all

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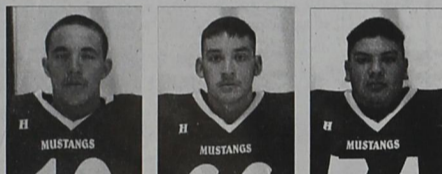
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Varsity Schedule

(Home games in boldface)

- Aug 13 - Boys Ranch (scrimmage), 10:00 a.m.
- Aug 20 - Shamrock (scrimmage), 1:00 p.m.
- Aug 26 - Morton, 7:30 p.m.
- Sept 2 - Texico, NM, 7:30 p.m.
- Sept 9 - OPEN
- Sept 16 - Friona, 7:30 p.m.
- Sept 23 - Petersburg, 7:30 p.m.
- Sept 30 - Amarillo High JV, 7:30 p.m.
- Oct 7 - Springlake Earth, 7:30 p.m.
- Oct 14 - Sudan, 7:30 p.m.
- Oct 21 - Hart, 7:30 p.m.
- Oct 28 - Farwell, 7:30 p.m.
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2005 High Plains Water District tax rate remains unchanged

During an Aug. 19 special meeting, the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 Board of Directors voted to adopt a 2005 ad valorem tax rate of .0083 cents per \$100 property valuation. This is the same tax rate adopted in 2004.

"The district's board of directors kept the tax rate the same as last year," said High Plains Water District Manager Jim Conkwright of Lubbock. "While the tax rate remains the same, some taxpayers may see a slight increase in their water district taxes if property valuations increased."

For example, a person with \$100,000 in property value pays \$8.30 in taxes per year to the High Plains Water District. If the 2005 property value increased to \$110,000, then the individual's water district tax would increase to \$9.13 a year, or an extra 83

cents.

Conkwright said most property valuations increased across the district, especially those in new construction areas in Lubbock and Randall Counties. Also, areas of oil production in Hockley County likely had property value increases.

"It's great to be able to keep the tax rate the same while expanding our programs to meet the needs of area residents," said Board President James P. Mitchell of Wolfforth.

Created in 1951, the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 provides for the conservation, preservation, protection, recharging, and prevention of waste of ground water stored in the Ogallala aquifer within its 15-county service area. Additional information about the district's programs and activities is available on-line at www.hpwd.com.

Third Thursdays at Amarillo Art Museum to feature Pants Mandolin

Pants Mandolin will be performing at the Amarillo Museum of Art from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on September 15, 2005. The Museum is excited to have them play for the monthly event, Third Thursday at Amarillo Museum of Art, presented by Starbucks Coffee Co. The sound of the band is a self-described blend of American in fl u - enced al - ternative

folk rock. Pants Mandolin is made up of five West Texas A&M University students and a Canyon High School senior formed about two years ago. Evan Crowell and his sister, Lauren, already had been playing together. They recruited their friends, Gray and Caleb Pool, both from their hometown of Groom, to join the band.

The events at the September Third Thursday will involve the exhibition, JASPER JOHNS: PRINTS, which opens September 10 and continues through October 23. A film

about Jasper Johns will be provided for anyone interested in learning more about one of America's most influential artists.

Films, live music, art activities, gallery tours, Starbucks Coffee and Tea tasting, and complimentary Starbucks Coffee take place the Third Thursday of every month at Amarillo Museum of Art. Don't miss out on this exciting monthly event! There will be many activities to choose from taking place from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Museum. You won't want to miss the upcoming Third

Thursday!

The Amarillo Museum of Art is open Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. with extended evening hours until 9 p.m. on Thursdays. Saturday and Sunday the Museum is open from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. except for exhibition installation weeks. It is located at 2200 S. Van Buren on the northeast side of Amarillo College's Washington Street Campus. There is no admission fee. Call the Museum at 371-5050 for more information.

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Q & A - Is it a sprain or strain?

Q. What is the difference between a sprain and a strain?

A. A sprain is an injury to one or more ligaments - a stretching or a tearing. The severity of the injury will depend on the extent of injury to a single ligament (whether the tear is partial or complete) and the number of ligaments involved.

A strain is an injury to either a muscle or a tendon. Depending on the severity of the injury, a strain may be a simple overstretch of the muscle or tendon, or it can result in a partial or complete tear.

Q. What are the signs and symptoms of a sprain?

A. The usual signs and symptoms include pain, swelling, bruising and loss of the ability to move and use the joint. However, these signs and symptoms can vary in intensity, depending on the severity of the sprain. Sometimes people feel a pop or tear when the injury happens.

Doctors use many criteria to diagnose the severity of a sprain. In general, grade I or mild sprains cause overstretching or slight tearing of the ligaments with no joint instability. A person with a mild sprain usually experiences minimal pain, swelling and little or no loss of functional ability. Bruising is absent or slight, and the person is usually able to put weight on the affected joint. If you become injured, see a doctor immediately.

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Great Plains Ag Credit sets cash return record

The Board of Directors of Great Plains Ag Credit has declared a \$1.376 million cash patronage payment to its stockholder owners and borrowers. The distribution is the highest of record for the lending cooperative and is more than double last year's distribution, according to Dennis Anthony, the Board Vice-Chairman from Friona.

Since the 200 year, \$8.3 million of GPAC earnings have been allocated to members and \$3.6 million in cash distributions have been paid. Anthony added that the patronage allocation program, which defrays interest costs, is a strong cooperative benefit to producers.

GPAC provides short-term loans through its Production Credit Association and real estate loans through its Federal Land Bank Association throughout the region, and is headquartered in Amarillo. GPAC has loan assets of approximately \$250 million. Loan offices are in Plainview, Dimmitt, Dalhart, Dumas, Friona, Olton and Muleshoe, in addition to Amarillo.

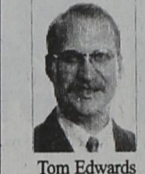
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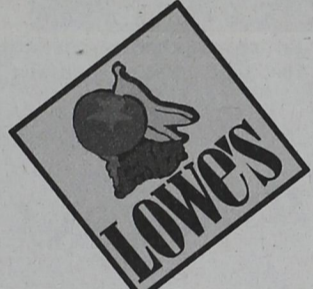


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THINK ABOUT THIS

You are responsible for your life #2

By T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

Please know and don't forget that you must give an account for your life to God (Romans 14:12) If you don't make it to heaven, you can't point your finger at anyone else.

Jesus made it very clear that each person will be judged by their response to His words. (John 12:48) The Bible teaches that you are responsible for your thoughts and actions. Others may provide entrapment or suggestion to sin, but you control what you accept or reject.

Why does one blame someone else for their problems? Maybe it's because that's what they've been exposed to all their life. Children develop the

habit of imitating the consequences of accepting responsibility. Maybe it's because we're weak spiritually, a result of lack of spiritual nourishment. (Galatians 5:16-26) Maybe we're trying to escape discovery. There are countless reasons.

You are responsible for things that daily challenge your life. That doesn't mean that you cause everything that happens, but you are responsible for how you handle them.

You are responsible for your feelings. If you don't like yourself, you are responsible. If you don't have friends, you are the cause. If you're not making good grades, you are responsible. If you're not

happy, you are responsible. If you don't get along with people, look in the mirror. If you lack peace in your life, accept responsibility and choose to make decisions that lead to peace.

You will never be happy until you take responsibility for your life.

Now, as I said earlier, all this is not to say that we are not also responsible for others. The Bible also speaks a lot to that. Our responsibility to our fellow man, to our parents, to children, to authority, etc.

The point? What you are today is basically because of the choices that you have made. You are responsible!

GOD'S HOUSE IS ALWAYS OPEN

It's hard to swim in a sea of depression but a sense of humor helps you tread water

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

Humor is a funny thing. It's kind of like a taco—everyone enjoys it, but experts disagree on what makes it good. People laugh at different things. I laugh just thinking about words like *bratwurst* and *lizard*. A baby burping always gets a laugh. But if an adult rips one off he is ridiculed, unless he is in college and then he is elected fraternity president. Teenagers, when mixed with parents, closets, telephones, and emotions, become hilariously funny creatures...so much so that living with them sometimes borders on hysteria.

Humor, like Baptists and cockroaches, can be found almost anywhere. For example, there is nothing funny about the phrase *Oligocene fossil beds* (a rich archaeological deposit in South Dakota), unless you use it to describe the sleeping arrangements on our church's senior-adult trips. If I told you the story about making an obscene clone fall, some of you would laugh just thinking about the possibilities. Others would just say, "Huh?"

The old cliché "death by a thousand cuts" (about a company gradually going bankrupt) is not funny. But change one letter and it becomes "death by a thousand cats," a phrase littered

with potential for humor in a hairy situation. People always want to "clear the air," a phrase that means to remove any confusion about a situation. However, if you use that phrase in the same sentence with the phrase "truckers and tacos," it takes on a whole new meaning.

The dictionary defines *laughter* as explosive sounds of the voice that express mirth or amusement. I like that. It reminds me of going to the circus. Because of Jesus I believe Christianity should be the greatest show on mirth. Some of the saddest-looking people I know are Christians. Their words are more amusing than amusing. They tell people how happy Jesus has made them, but their face apparently never got the memo.

The writer of the book of Ecclesiastes tells us that there is a time to weep and a time to laugh. Some people never change their cloaks. Laughter won't cure cancer, it cannot bring back a loved one, and it will not heal a broken relationship. But God gave us laughter to help us deal with sorrow.

In this life, pain may arrive wearing baseball cleats...but laughter makes it leave wearing bunny slippers.

Happy Birthday!



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Celebrating 100 years of life are, l-r, B. Parrack, 100-year-old Eula Parrack, Rick Parrack, and Sybil Parrack. The family members and friends joined to celebrate Mrs. Parrack's birthday with a party at Prairie Acres.

Eula Parrack is 100 years-old

Prairie Acres nursing home resident Eula Parrack celebrated her 100th birthday Monday, August 22, 2005. Mrs. Parrack has been a resident at Prairie Acres for 10 years, moving here from San Angelo. She is the step-grandmother of Jo Blackwell, Prairie Acres executive director. Mrs. Parrack was joined by a huge birthday cake, punch cookies, son and daughter-in-law B. and Sybil Parrack of Lubbock and grandson Rick Parrack, also of Lubbock.



"I'll have him back up and making your life miserable in no time."

Facts About The BIBLE BY JOHN LEHTI

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Northwest Plains Pest Management News
By Monty Vandiver

Extension Agent-Integrated Pest Management

Much needed precipitation was received generally across the Northwest Plains this week and last week-end. Reported amounts have ranged from .7 to over 4 inches. Local weather stations recorded the following accumulated rainfall amounts August 12-18:

- Farwell 3.22
- Friona 2.84
- Muleshoe 2.28
- Muleshoe WR 2.20

Most of the precipitation fell slow with very little runoff. This general soaking rain will have a major impact on area crops and will allow producers to save irrigation costs, which have been astronomical due to high fuel costs.

Cotton bollworm activity has picked up this week but infestations have been highly variable. Populations have ranged from 0 to around 5,000 per acre with reports of over 10,000 per acre. The economic threshold for bollworm is 8-

10 thousand small worms per acre. As worm size increases the threshold should be reduced to 5,000 in order to adjust for less natural mortality and the inability of many natural enemies to kill larger bollworms.

It generally takes about 3-4 days for a bollworm to reach ¼ inch and only 2-3 more days to go from ¼ to ½ inch. Bollworm growth and development is influenced by temperature, the lower the average temperature the slower the growth and to a point the higher the average temperature the faster the growth.

Aphids continue to be found in most cotton fields in low numbers. Natural enemies thus far have kept them in check. For instance, in a local cotton field this year aphid numbers began to climb and eventually exceeded 50 aphids per leaf before being destroyed by natural enemies (primarily lady beetle adults and larvae).

Boll weevil assessment notices to arrive soon

Boll weevil eradication assessment notices were recently mailed to cotton producers in the Northern High Plains eradication zone.

The assessments are based on information cotton producers provide the Farm Service Agency when they certify their crops. If growers find an error in the information on their billing, they will need to correct the information at their local FSA office and forward the corrected information to the Foundation.

Payment is due September 30, but a 2 percent discount is available to growers who pay the full assessment by September 15.

Growers with failed acres are eligible to receive a credit on those acres destroyed and not harvested. Producers must certify failed acres with FSA and provide documentation to the foundation.

To NHP growers who have been affected by adverse weather conditions, the TBWEF is offering payment

extension agreements for producers whose accounts are current.

"For those having difficulty paying their assessment, help is available by contacting the assessments department and arranging an extension agreement," said Chief Financial Officer Tina Ballard.

Producers entering into an extension agreement must make a 10 percent down payment, and they will be charged a late fee of 1 percent per month until their accounts are paid. This late fee begins on the date the signed agreement and down payment are received by the Assessments Department. Producers who are delinquent in payment and who do not have an extension agreement are subject to a late fee of 1.5 percent per month.

Producers with extension agreements have 150 days to pay their accounts. For more information contact the Assessments Department in Abilene at (866) 672-2800.



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August 12 Estimate Spotlights Excellent Potential Of 2005 High Plains Cotton Crop

BY SHAWN WADE

Since the beginning of the 2005 growing season, the idea that the High Plains of Texas would be able to produce back-to-back crops in excess of 4 million bales was one that most people hardly entertained.

Most people probably thought it would be next to impossible to receive a similar confluence of events to what occurred in 2004 and produced a record-breaking 4.87 million-bale crop.

Early in the 2005 season those thoughts seemed to be right on target. The crop did not get off to what most observers felt was a very good start due to cool temperatures in early May, dry conditions in many non-irrigated production areas, and the need for quite a few acres to be replanted after various weather events destroyed or damaged young stands.

Fast forward to the first week of August 2005. Despite it's early challenges, the High Plains crop has rallied and those same observers, who were less than optimistic two months ago, started wondering if the crop they were seeing in the field could really be as good as it looked.

According to the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service the crop may indeed be that good and could get even better with a little help. Based on TASS field survey results the 2005 crop has the potential to easily take the number two spot in the High Plains record books.

According to TASS, Texas Crop Reporting Districts 1-N and 1-S, which encompass virtually 100 percent of the Plains Cotton Growers service area, are on pace to produce 4.07 million bales of cotton in 2005. Contributing to that figure is a high harvested acreage estimate that reflects how few acres have been lost through the first half of the growing season and a solid level of fruit retention in the field.

Depending on what the weather does during the next 8-10 weeks, the 2005 crop appears to have a good chance to be better than many observers had ever dreamed early on



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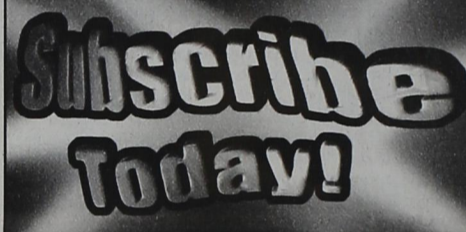
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A first for Friona this year will be junior varsity cheerleaders. Members of the 2005 JV cheerleader squad are, l-r, back, Heather Sandoval, Brooke Herbert, Hannah Carthel, and Ashley Ingram. Front, l-r, Emily Allen and Joann Mendoza.

Fire Damage



The intense heat from the Sunday night Burnett house fire melted the flower pot housing tomato plants, left, and the basketball backboard below.

tyler jameson photos



2005 Friona Cross Country Schedule

Date	Event	Place
Aug. 27	Tascosa Rebel CC Meet	Thompson Park
Sept 10	Plainview Invitational	Plainview-Old Settler's Park
Sept 17	Maize Days - 2 or 6 miler (optional)	Friona - Fast Stop/ FM214
Sept 24	Lubbock Invitational	Lubbock - Mae Simmons Park
Oct 1	Tribal Trails Run	Friona - Community Center
Oct 8	WTAMU Invitational	Canyon - WT Horse Center
Oct 15	Canyon Invitational	Canyon - South Side of H.S.
Oct 25	6-AA District Meet	Lubbock - Mae Simmons Park
Nov 5	1-AA Regional Meet	Lubbock - Mae Simmons Park
Nov 12	State Meet	Austin / Round Rock



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- Plano hosts a _____ balloon festival
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- TX singer Kris (init.)
- TXism: "_____ like a sore thumb"
- TXism: "fast as _____ up a rattler"
- ornery insect from Mexico: killer
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- TXism for add it up
- this Heard was '93 Mavericks coach

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- his father was SMU All-American & N.Y. Giants star in '50s
- Martin of film "Four for Texas"
- San Antonio author of "The House on Mango Street"
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- "hasta _____ vista"
- TX Fenders' "You'll Lose _____"
- TXism for clothes
- TXism: "nip _____ the bud"
- this Levi invented blue jeans (init.)
- George Washingtons
- TXism: "two-bit _____"
- TX Roy Orbison tune: "_____ Scared"
- type of saddle leather
- TXism: "shootin' _____"
- TX government buildings are _____smoking
- this Pete wrote "North Dallas Forty"
- TXism: "como _____ (how are you?)"
- TXism: "popular as _____ daughter"
- "dog paddle"
- "easy as _____ the woods"
- X-mas tree place in Panola Co.:
- Tree Farm
- TXism: "never laid eyes _____"
- TX Ginger Rogers' dance partner (init.)
- money makers for the Azle News
- TXism: "_____ gut"
- TXism: "getting long in the tooth"
- TXism: "could wear his shirt to a church _____ (bad worker)"
- TXism: "in a _____ of trouble"
- once a pen name of TX Sandra Brown
- MacLaine of TX-filmed "Terms of Endearment" (init.)
- TXism: "he's only got one _____ in the water" (slow witted)
- ship's jail
- DFW arrival guess
- African antelopes
- TXism: "the real McCoy"
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Squaw volleyball action continues



BY RON CARR

Volleyball coaches Arnold Peralez, Jeannie Stone, and Carrie Davis have their hands full these days. In addition to a varsity and junior varsity squad, there are enough girls to form a freshman team plus over 50 girls have turned out for 7th and 8th grade volleyball.

The freshman girls will play Gattis junior high of Clovis at the Friona gym Monday August 29. Game time is 5 p.m. The varsity and JV girls will host Dimmitt at 5 p.m. Tuesday August 30.

Last weekend the junior varsity played in the bushland tournament and got their first win. They lost to the Bushland JV 25-9 and 25-7 in the opening game. But in the consolation semis- Friona JV handled Dimmitt JV 25-18 and 25-9 to notch a victory. In the consolation championship they were matched with the Highland Park varsity and lost 25-9 and



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Miranda Frye scores a dig as she returns a Tulia serve. Erica Wily (17), Dierdre Johnston, left, and Dennis Vasquez (13) are teammates.

25-7. The JV record is now 1-3.

The varsity Squaws traveled

to Levelland Saturday to play the Levelland JV. Friona lost the match 25-11, 28-26, and 25-

13. Their record is 0-2. The girls are entered in the San Jacinto Christian Academy tournament Friday and Saturday in Amarillo. Coach Peralez said their first game is at 8 a.m. Friday vs. San Jacinto followed by a game with Tulia about 9 a.m. Saturday game times will be determined by Friday's results.

Coach Peralez said the girls are improving but still need work in critical areas. "We only had three points (out of 11) scored on serves in the first Levelland game," he said. "Then in the second game, we improved to 15 out of 26 points off the serve." Miranda Frye, Erin Austin, and Erica Wily each scored four service points in that game. Burkleigh Briones, Dierdre Johnston, and Courtney Adams also scored on the serve in the game.

Setter Erin Austin was good on 8 of 8 set attempts. Teammate Johnston was good on 6 of 7 sets, and Frye was 3 of 3. "We will keep working on our consistency and increasing our energy and skill level," Peralez said.



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A study in concentration. Squaw volleyballers, l-r, Courtney Adams, Dennis Vasquez, Dierdre Johnston, and Miranda Frye wait for a Tulia serve. The Squaws host Dimmitt here Tuesday August 30. JV action begins at 5 p.m.

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11. Four Hits	12. Double Hit	13. Ball Landed on Receiver	14. Out of Bounds (Antenna Violation)	15. Begin Serve
16. Authorization to Enter	17. Penet	18. Preparing for serve	19. Substitution	20. Illegal Substitution
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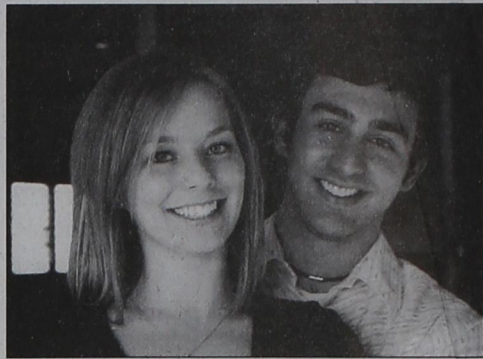
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Jonathan is the son of Dale and Carolyn Rollins, of Amarillo. Sara graduated from Clovis High School and West Texas A&M University School of Nursing with a Bachelor of Science degree. She is employed as a Registered Nurse at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Jonathan graduated from Amarillo High School and West Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Graphic Design. He is employed as a Graphic Designer at the American Quarter Horse Association in Amarillo.

Sara's grandparents are Bobbie Melton, of Levelland, Texas, Gary Melton of Truth or Consequences, New Mexico, and Gene and Lorene Collins, of Portales, New Mexico. Her great-grandparents are Hazel Melton, of Lubbock, and Eunice Tull, of Levelland.

Jonathan's grandparents are Charles and Mary Abercrombie, of Amarillo, Lindy Rollins, of Amarillo, and the late Joyce Rollins. Sara and Jonathan will be married September 30 at the First Presbyterian Church in Amarillo.

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Friona head coach Bob Ferguson and coach Jimmy Arias at the River Road scrimmage last Thursday. Coach Ferguson and the Chiefs will open the season at Muleshoe tomorrow night.



Chieftain senior Javier Sanchez (33) tries to shed a River Road tackler during last Thursday's scrimmage.

2005 Maize Days Calendar of Events

It is time to think

Maize Days

Here is the schedule provided by the Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture.

Saturday, September 10th

MISS FRIONA PAGEANT

FHS Auditorium

2 pm - Talent Competition: \$2.00 General Admission

7 pm - Final Competition - Reserved Seating

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Sunday, September 11th

CITY OF FRIONA'S FISHING EVENT

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WOMEN'S FEDERATED CLUB HOUSE

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Tuesday, September 13th

LITTLE MISS CONTEST

FHS Auditorium - 7 pm

Reserved Seating: \$6.50 Adults - \$4.50 Students

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Wednesday, September 14th

GOSPEL GATHERING

FHS Auditorium - 6:30 pm - Free to the public

Thursday, September 15th

FRIONA AMATEUR ART EXHIBITION

Artists may take paintings to the depot between 4:00 & 6:00 p.m.

Info Judy Cummings (250-3801)

Friday, September 16th

FRIONA CHIEFTAIN FOOTBALL HOMECOMING

Friona Chieftains vs Bovina Mustangs

Saturday, September 17th

DIXON SIX MILE RUN & TWO MILE RUN/WALK

Info Jim Dixon (295-6392)

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Info Larry Rector (265-3498)

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August 2005 teacher and student of the month. A new program at Friona High School will select a teacher and student of the month. The first recipients are teacher Sandra Berend and student Pedro Ramos.

FHS will honor teacher and student of the month

Friona High School principal Denver Crum has started a new program at the school to honor a teacher and student of the month. "Our desire is to recognize both staff members and students who exhibit strong personal character, integrity, and attitudes and through their actions inspire and lead others," Crum said.

The first student chosen for student of the month honors is Pedro Ramos. "Pedro epitomizes the character and attitude we were seeking in a student of the month candidate and he was an obvious choice to our committee members," Crum said. At the National FCCLA convention in San Diego this July, Pedro earned two gold medals for speaking abilities. Principal Crum said, "We are proud of

Pedro Ramos and the contributions he has made to Friona High School."

Sandra Berend is the choice for teacher of the month. Mrs. Berend is well liked and respected among both the staff and students at the high school. Crum said, "Her outstanding attitude, infectious laugh, and dedication to our students made her an obvious candidate for our teacher of the month honors."

Berend's selection was based on her outstanding work with students this summer. She taught summer school and TAKS tutorials for the students and she was instrumental in one student's graduation. The committee said she consistently exceeds expectations and will go the extra mile for the students.

First day enrollment up at FISD

Friona ISD superintendent Jim Parker reports that Friona schools got off to a great start this week. "There were cars everywhere and lines of kids with excited faces in the hallways," Parker said.

As happens every year, parents were in the buildings dropping off their first time students, then hurrying away to hide their own emotions. Tracy Ellis, primary school principal, reported a great day on the first day of school. "The students were involved and busy," she said.

Parker reported the first day enrollment for the district was 1,235 students. "This is an increase even when you consider the addition of pre-kindergarten classes," he said. By comparison, recent first day enrollments were 1,186 in 2003-04 and 1,108 in 2004-05.

"Enrollment gains are always good news for our school district and community," Parker said.

Friona Squaws
2005
9th Grade
Volleyball Schedule

Aug. 29	5 p.m.	Clovis Gattis	Here
Sept. 24	10 a.m.	Shallowater	Here
Sept. 26	7 p.m.	Clovis Gattis	There
Oct. 8	10 a.m.	Shallowater	There

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