

FIDNA, TEXAS THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2005

Local United Way campaign kicks off

The local United Way campaign was kicked off November , 2005, with a breakfast held at the senior citizen's Friendship House. Attending were the United Way board of directors and the Pace Setters.

Pace Setters are the volunteers that contact businesses for contributions. "This is a vital part of the local campaign as local businesses are essential to the community and are always willing to help our community in various ways," said Marca Herring, local United

ber. "The members of the board ask you to please be prepared to contribute to our local United Way campaign when called on by our Pace Setters," Herring said. "They are a wonderful group of people."

The annual phone-a-thon will be held Monday, November 7 from 6-8 p.m. The organizations that receive funds from the United Way will have representatives manning the phones. Once again Hi-Pro Feeds has volunteered their

use for the phone-a-thon. Volunteers will be calling residents for contributions. "We will have interpreters on hand to help out with our non-English speak-ing residents," Herring said.

The United Way of Friona

and the area is a non-profit organization whose goal is to help local young people, senior citizens, and others with needs. Marca Herring says, "We try to keep the door-to-door solicitations to a minimum by our organizations and we think this is

Don't you agree?'

All citizens of Friona and the area are urged to partici-pate generously in the 2005 United Way campaign. If you are not contacted to donate. you can still contribute by contacting any United Way board member, including Cecil Maddox, Rick White, Marca Herring, or Larry Knowles. For more information Miss Herring can be contacted at Friona State Bank, 250-5000.

UNITED WAY OF FRIONA BUDGET 2005

Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts	\$6,500.00
Girl Scouts/Brownie Scouts	\$6,500.00
Boy/Girl State	\$1,400.00
Kid's Inc. of Friona	\$1,000,00
Great Plains CASA for Kids	\$1,000.00
Friona Meals on Wheels	\$2,000.00
Friona Senior Citizens	\$0.00
Friona Pioneer Heritage Society	\$1,600.00
Parmer County Child Welfare Board	\$1,000.00
Salvation Army	\$2,500.00
Panhandle Community Services	\$3,750.00
The Empty Stocking Fund	\$1,500.00
Friona Emergency Fund	\$750.00
United Way of Texas	\$150.00
Red Cross	\$0.00
Parmer County 4-H	\$500.00
Meals for Seniors	\$5,000.00
TOTAL	\$35,150.00

Veterans to be honored at FHS

On Friday, November 11, 2005, Friona High School will host a Veteran's Day program at the high school gym.

All veterans need to sign in as they enter the hallway outside the gym. Sign-in will be at 8:30 a.m. and the program will follow at 9 a.m. A reception will be held in the school cafeteria immediately

The Veteran's Day program is being hosted by the Friona Chieftain Band, the Friona High School Choir, and Friona Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA). This is the 5th year for this annual salute to area veterans. All veterans, families of veterans, family members of military personnel, and the entire community are invited to attend.

FCCLA is collecting names of all Friona high school graduates currently serving in the military. Turn in names to Friona High School at 250-3951 or Gayle Murdock. Names are also being collected for any veterans who passed away in the last 12

Poll locations for Tuesday election

Here is a recap of the poll- Lazbuddie School; box 402, ing places for the November 8 Friona Public Library. constitutional amendment election. Voters need to bring voter registration or valid identifica-

Pct 1, box 101, Calvary Bap tist church; Pct 2, box 201, Bovina EMS; box 202, Friona Community Center; box 203, Rhea Community Center; Pct 3, box 301, Farwell Community Center, box 302, Okla. Lane Methodist, box 303, Bovina Ridglea School; pct 4, box 401,

A sample ballot is printed on page 7 of this newspaper





Chieftain leading rusher Eddie Ortiz (22), shown here scoring against Olton, will lead the Chiefs in their bid for the outright district championship at Lockney Friday night. The 4-0 Chieftains take on the 3-1 Longhorns for bragging rights and the district title. Game time in Lockney is 7:30 p.m. Go Big Red!

Elsie shows 'em up in Week 7 contest

BY RON CARR

Three players picked 14 of 15 correct in our Week 7 football contest so we had to use the Giants 36, Redskins 0 tie-breaker to decide who gets what money.

There were a couple of familiar names in the top three. Previous winners Jimmy Walker of Canyon and Clayton Smiley of Friona submitted entries with 14 correct.

But the winner was octogenarian grandma Elsie Allen of Friona, with a 14-correct and 28 points off the tie-breaker entry. Congratulations Elsie

for showing these "jocks" how to play. You win \$25.

Smiley won 2nd place and \$15 with his tie-breaker of 34 points off and Walker, last week's 1st place winner, gets the \$10 3rd prize. He was 39 points off the tie-breaker.

The most missed games in Week 7, according to our official score keeper Dana Jameson, were the pro wins by Chicago, Oakland, and Miami. The only game Mrs. Allen missed was Kansas City-San Diego. Smiley missed the same one and Walker's only miss was Clemson-Georgia Tech.

Eight contestants managed 13 of 15 correct. They are Nathan Brockman, Frank Dominguez, Jr., Antonio S. Duran, Jr., Laura Field, Trent

Weather Watch

BY BILL ELLIS

The calendar hit November without a first killing freeze locally. Lowest reading was 35 degrees on October 24, when the predicted freeze failed to

October ended with just .67. inches of moisture, on seven different dates. Through October, the official Friona gauge had measured 16.79 inches of moisture.

Hudson, Mal Manchee, Rusty McFarland, and Mark Walker. And another 26 entries had 12 correct.

All alone in 1st place in the run for the \$100 grand prize is Jimmy Walker with 85 points. Brockman and Manchee are just back at 84. Football contest standings are published elsewhere in today's issue

If you are 5-back all you need to do is pick up one game a week during the five weeks left in the contest. Sounds easy so go for it. Thanks for participating in our football contest fun.

Guys & Dolls to perform Sunday and Monday

Friona High School Thespian rector Erika Montana, and cho-Troupe 1379 will present this year's musical, Guys & Dolls, in two performances: Sunday November 6, 2 p.m. and Monday, November 7, 7 p.m. Tickets are \$2 for students and \$3 for adults.

Guys & Dolls is a musical fable of Broadway based on a story and characters by Damon Runyon. Technical director is Joy Morton, musical director Bryan Johnston, di-

reographers are Allison and Bryan Johnston.

Cast members include Aaron Hand, Tolby Wilcox, Alex Gurley, Deirdre Johnston, Hannah Stovall, Christy Widner, Isaac Bryan, Sean Lookingbill, John Torres, Pedro Ramos, Caleb Hidalgo, Meghan Hendrickson, Chris Haile, Jared Boyd, Jordan Jamerson, Courtney Adams, Kimberlee Jones, Blair Smiley. Also, Hollis Gurley, Kathleen

Wyly, Crystal Garcia, Erin Austin, Alex Vega, Victor Parra, Alan Huckins, Justin Echevarria, Luis Hernandez, Perla Guerrero, Antonio Monreal, Andrew Chico, and Crystal Garcia.

The musical is in two acts with a ten-minute intermission. Musicians are Allison Johnston, Claudia Hanes, and Kelby Monroe. Crew members Allison Jones, Chance Lewellen, Julie Echevarria, Tamra Aragon, Dollie

Lookingbill, Erin Barnett, Dianna Wright, Jordan Carr, Dianna Wright, Jordan Carr, Jordan Monroe, Tommy Carranza, Gay Taylor, Patsy Allen, Emily Allen, Briar Barnett, Miranda Frye, Ashley Ingram, and Ryan Schwab.

Director Erika Montana says.

"A special thank you to all parents and all those who helped and encouraged all of us." The public is encouraged to attend one of the performances and support the FHS Thespians.



tyler jameson photo

Some of the "guys" in the Guys & Dolls thespian musical presentation looking good in this week's dress rehearsal. You can attend a performance at 2 p.m. Sunday or 7 p.m. Monday at the high school auditorium.



OUT HERE by Ron Carr

god hates faggots (not really)

I've got a proposition for

In fact I've got 9 of them. Back in my younger days the word proposition had a different meaning and it didn't have anything to do with the Texas. Constitution

Tuesday, November 8, you n vote for the next 9 proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution. Other than Proposition 2, I doubt whether most of us really know or care much about the other 8 propositions.

According to our extensive research on the internet, the present constitution is the fifth adopted since statehood, Since 1876 the legislature has proposed 609 constitutional amendments and 606 have gone before Texas voters. Of those proposed amendments, 432 have been approved by voters and 174 have been defeated. Three amendments never made it to the ballot for reasons that are historically obscure

The Texas Constitution in 1876 had 289 sections organized into 17 articles. Over the years 193 new sections have been added while 66 of the original sections and 49 of the added sections have been removed.

Today the Texas Constitu tion has 367 sections. Pretty ridiculous, huh?

Tumbleweed Smith

According to all the recorded phone messages left at my house from worried people, I had better get out and vote Tuesday to save the institution of marriage. That would be Proposition 2, which says a marriage in Texas is only between one man and one woman.

The idea of same-sex marriage and gays and lesbians brings out the absolute worst in otherwise normal, church-going, law-abiding citizens.

In other words, the church folks and others say we had better vote yes on Prop 2 or really bad things can happen to all of us. Since my marriage record is not so hot, I may skip Proposition 2 and vote for the other 8. Just kidding. Don't call my home phone anymore. (Here is a hint for you same sex folks that want to get married: marriage is a great institution but who wants to spend their life in an institution.)

If it is any help when you go vote, the Amarillo Globe News editorial staff recommends voting yes for all nine proposi-Might as well. With 432 amendments now what difference does another 9 make?

Now I want to talk about something really scary and ugly. And it is under the guise of religion. Here is a sample:

"God hates faggots" and "Thank God for dead soldiers" There were other equally obnoxious messages.

These were just two of the messages on signs carried by protesters in Dimmitt over the weekend. Here is the sick part: the signs were carried by a group of Baptists from Kansas at a funeral for a Dimmitt soldier killed in Iraq. They were supposedly protesting the war in Iraq, hence the sign about dead soldiers. Allegedly they believe that when enough soldiers die we will bring the

troops home. Now before all my Baptist friends start calling me at home, I make no opinion whether these sickos were really Baptists. The news reports referred to them as a group of Baptists from Kansas. If they are Baptists, then you real Baptists should condemn the bunch and kick them out of the church.

Sgt. J. J. Dones of Dimmitt was killed in action in Iraq. His funeral was held Saturday in Dimmitt. Instead of burying him in peace and with dignity, the grieving family had to put up with a group of sub-intellectual, venom spewing, idiotic white morons, waving nasty signs outside their son's funeral, claiming that God was

glad he died.

Luckily there were a group of bikers and some area law enforcement officers present to maintain order and keep some of the Christians from being killed by the lions. I have no idea what the "God hates faggots" had to do with Sgt. Dones funeral. I don't know who God hates and doesn't hate, do you?

The idea that a normal look ing, supposedly religious adult could promote such hateful, obscene messages is beyond my comprehension. Another bad part is there were young children carrying the hate signs and echoing the words of the grownups as they walked up and down in their shabby protest. Hateful children equal hateful adults and the cycle continues

One woman protester told the TV crew, "We do not care what man thinks, we serve the Lord God." Out here in the Panhandle that brand of vitriolic thinking has the potential to get your nose busted, and various parts of your anatomy kicked.

Vote for Proposition 2 Tuesday. Keep Texas safe.

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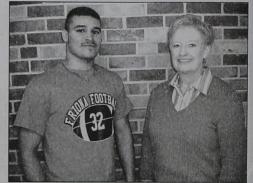
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FHS October Student of the Month Andrew Chico and Teacher of the Month Claudia Hanes

FHS teacher/student of the month

Friona High School principal Denver Crum is proud to announce the teacher and student of the month for October.

Claudia Hanes is a dedicated teacher that works with students in the area of mathematics. "She took a different job assignment this year for the benefit of our students," Crum said, "even though it involved more work for her." She supports the school by supplying her technical expertise on a software application program called Winschool and spends many hard hours in that support. "Mrs. Hanes is always extremely friendly, helpful and well respected among her peers and her students," Crum said.

Andrew Chico, along with several other students, performed life saving measures on a choking student in the high school cafeteria at the end of September. "Andrew's quick thinking and immediate response to this critical situation probably saved the young man's life," Crum stated. He was also lauded by the director of the Friona Museum, Wendy Carthel. She said Andrew spent many days and weekends at the museum doing a considerable amount of volunteer work there last summer.

Principal Crum said, "We are proud of both of these individuals and Friona High School is very fortunate to have them as part of the school community.

FHS juniors selling School Pride watches

Friona High School Junior class members are taking orders for School Pride watches as a junior/senior banquet fundraiser. These beautiful watches are of uncompromising quality: 18k gold plated or silver-tone, water resistant, precision quartz movement, leather band, one year warranty, a \$60 value, and in an attractive gift The watches are only \$29.95 each.

To place your orders call 250-3452 after 4 p.m. Order today to receive these beautiful watches just in time for Christmas.

old icehouse in Waco and sketching it. I designed sets. I created music. I wrote poems and short stories and plays. I made a clay sculpture. I developed a character based on human characteris tics found in a soap dish and presented that character in a scene on stage. I was in several plays. I did a watercolor painting. I was in an

ART ISN'T WHAT IT USED TO BE

I grew up thinking art was just paintings. I'm not sure I even gave sculpture a thought.

Baker that opened my mind to all sorts of artistic activities and

challenges. It wasn't long before I was sitting across from an

At Baylor University I took a course in drama from Paul

opera. I met Frank Lloyd Wright and developed an interest in architecture. For a short while I majored Twice in the last month I've had the opportunity

to visit with two young people involved in artistic activities. I asked both of them in what medium they

working. The first one said everything. "I write music, I draw pictures, I play guitar, I do photography, and I do hair and p. I do it all." The second one said basically the same "I'm interested in all fields of art." He indicated that no artist should just work in just one discipline.

I have been to some of the world's finest museums in the US and Europe. I have seen some of the greatest art ever produced. I guess what I really like most is the offbeat stuff, the real creative efforts in which everyday objects become

works of art. When I was in Washington, DC I came across a sculpture by Claes Oldenburg. It was a giant typewriter eraser. It was in a park near the Smithsonian.

This past weekend I went to the Chinati Foundation Art Museum in Marfa. What a surprise. The 340 acres of art and

architecture comprise the largest contemporary art museum in the world. One of Oldenburg's sculp-tures, Monument to the Last Horse, is on the grounds. Contemporary artist Donald Judd discovered Marfa in the 1970's and transformed buildings into art workshops and display spaces. In doing so he attracted Worldwide attention and made art the biggest industry in Marfa. Chinati's influence is beyond measure. Donald Judd created a sculpture that is one kilometer long. It is a series of large concrete boxes. He spent years arranging them in a field. One of his installations is in two former gun sheds on an old military base. It is called "100 untitled works in mill aluminum." Fifty-

two aluminum cubes are in one building, 48 are in another. The building has been altered architecturally to show the pieces in a striking manner. Huge windows bring in the surrounding landscape. Between buildings you walk among cottonwood and mesquite trees, yucca and greasewood. Cottontail rabbits scamper by and hawks and meadowlarks race overhead. The breeze whistles through the tall grass

Visitors to the Chinati museum are serious. The \$10 tour takes all day

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Chieftain Special Olympics team, back, 1-r, Zachary Graves, Sherelle Pruitt, Corina Ortiz, Omar Ramirez, Trinidad Gonzales and Assistant Coach Amy Cumpton. Front row, I-r, Jessica Ripley and Felissa Dominguez. Not pictured, Coaches Fabiola Dominguez, Donna Mullins and Daniel Mullins.

Friona Chieftains Special Olympics would like to thank everyone for their support. We raised \$400 with our camera raffle and the winner was Rick Jamerson.

Also we would like to express our many thanks for all the donations that we have received since August. Because of these donations we were able to concentrate on our team. We also purchased new Bowling Balls, Bags, Shoes, and Shirts, paid for practice and upcoming competitions. All of our Athletes are very proud of the new equipment. I believe has made a difference in the self-esteem and confidence each one has demonstrated in practice

Our Bowling competitions will be November 5, 2005 at Pampa, November 19, 2005 at Amarillo, and State Bowling competition is February 2-5, 2006 in

Our next sport will be Basketball, and will begin practice at the end of November

We are still in need of an interested person or persons to organize a booster club for Friona Special Olympics. This will allow me and the other coaches to dedicate and concentrate on coaching.

As always, anyone interested in becoming inolved in anyway, please call Donna Mullins at 250-3285 or 250-2788.

Donna Mullins Head of Delegation Friona Chieftains Special Olympics

Thank you for allowing the Elementary students to participate in the Red Ribbon Drug/Alcohol Awareness advertisements. The students had a great time, and their drawings were very thought provoking.

Thank you for the many copies of the newspapers that you shared with our students so they could see their work "in print". It was a fun project. Thanks for including our children.

Becky Riethmayer, Principal



Dear Ron.

I wanted to take a minute to "Thank Friona" for being such

Thanks go to the Prairie Acres group that is at all the Pep Rallies and wearing red. I know it takes an extra effort to get everyone loaded and unloaded but it's very comforting to see the sweet spirit on all their faces

I'd also like to thank Ms. Wright, the Cheerleaders and the

It's really a treat when you see the player's faces light up when the Junior High, Elementary or Primary show up at the Pep Rally. A special "Thank you" goes to Mr.Wiseman, Mrs. Rally. A special "Thank you" goes to Mr.Wiseman, Mrs. Riethmayer and Mrs. Ellis for allowing their students to participate in the Pep Rallies. All three of these principals have had sons that wore a Friona Chieftain jersey and know how important it is to help spread "Town Spirit"

I would love to see all the Friona students and faculty at the remainder of the Pep Rallies and see if we cheer this year's team to victory. I believe it is a great opportunity for the smaller children to be a BIG Part of a winning tradition and dream about: When I play football....When I march in the band....When I'm a Thank you, Friona and remember: Come Early, Wear Red and

Yell Loud. Good Luck-Chieftains

Varla Wilcox







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Lions Club News

BY RON CARR, PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN

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Gary Brown, Evening Lions president, Debbie Williams and Mike Hanes of Bi-Wize, and Clint Mears, Noon Lions president, gathered up 600 pairs of eyeglasses donated by area residents to the Lions collection drive. The glasses will be sent to Midland, cleaned and sorted by prescription, then shipped to developing countries around the world. The local Lions would like to thank everyone for their participation in the World Sight Day eyeglass drive.



Revival service Saturday Nov 5

Everyone is invited to attend a one-night Revival meeting at the First Pentecostal Church located at the corner of $5^{\rm th}$ and Ashland. This meeting is on November 5 at 7 p.m. The speaking evangelist is Rev. Randy, Russell of South, Texas. He and his family are musically talented and singers. We encourage you to come and enjoy a great evening. First Pentecostal Church is affiliated with the United Pentecostal Church and is presently a daughter work of the Calvary Tabernacle Church in Clovis, New Mexico.

St. Ann's Turkey Dinner Nov 6

St. Ann's Catholic Church of Bovina will be sponsoring a Turkey Dinner Sunday, November 6, 2005 from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Parish Hall on 3d Streat

They will be serving delicious turkey and dressing, creamed potatoes and gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce, a relish plate, homemade bread, desserts, tea and coffee. Donations will be \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under 6. Take out plates will be available at no additional charge.

AARP Driver Safety Nov 7 & 8

The AARP Driver Safety Program Class (formerly 55 alive) is scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, November 7 and 8, 2005 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. each day. The class will be held in the Friona State Bank Community Room at a cost of \$10 for the course. The instructor will be Joann Mills.

This is an 8-hour course. Completion of the course can qualify you for a reduction in your insurance premium for 3 years. To enroll call 247-3536

Holiday's grief workshop

BSA Hospice presents Grief: What to Expect During the Holidays, an information and resource workshop designed to help people prepare and celebrate for the Holidays. The workshop will be held Thursday, November 10, 2005 in the BSA Hospice facility in Amarillo located at 600 North Tyler from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. or 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Attendees should enter on the West Side of the building. The program is offered free of charge and is open to all members of the community as well as families served by BSA Hospice. There is no fee to attend and advance registration is recommended. For more information call (806) 212-8028 or toll free (800) 315-6209.

Signup for Squaws newsletter

Basketball is just around the corner. Anyone interested in the Friona Squaws may want to sign up to receive a weekly email from Coach Richard North. The email will be comments, announcements and tidbits that may be of interest to Squaws and their fans. Get your email address to Coach North at rinorth@hotmail.com. He will need your name, address (if other than Friona) and email address.

TDH Schedules for Nov

Immunization clinics offering the vaccines that give protection against childhood diseases are

scheduled for November 2005 in Friona and Bovina.
The clinic in Bovina will be Monday, November
14, in the Bovina EMS Building, 109 S. 3rd, from

10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The clinic in Friona will be Friday, November 18, at 616 Euclid from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

All clinic times are subject to change or cancellation due to weather or scheduling conflicts.

FISD cafeteria will sell rolls

The Friona ISD cafeteria would like to help you with your holiday baking. What would be better than fresh, hot homemade rolls right out of your oven? The cafeteria will be offering frozen, ready to bake rolls for \$4 per dozen. Just thaw, let rise, bake and serve. Place your order by calling Linda at 250-3350 or Roxanne at 250-3353 or email your order to roxhurst@frionaisd.com. Place orders by Friday, November 18. The rolls will be ready for pickup at the junior high cafeteria between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday, November 21 or Tuesday,

Band enchilada dinner Nov 20

The annual Friona Chieftain Band Enchilada Dinner will be held on Sunday, November 20, 2005 in the Friona Junior High School Cafeteria. The meal will consist of two cheese and one meat enchiladas, beans, rice, chips and salsa, dessert, tea and/or coffee. The price of the tickets for the meal will be \$6 for adults and \$3 for students 10

and under. Take-outs will be available on order.

Tickets can be purchased from any Chieftain Band member. The band is currently earning money for their Spring trip scheduled for May 11-14, 2006 to Buckaroo Band Festival in Houston, Texas. Please come out and support our very own Chieftain Band.

Hunter Safety classes Nov 19-20

Hunter Safety classes will be held in Friona on November 19-20, 2005. Every hunter born after 1970, twelve years old or older, must be certified in Hunter Safety. The class will be Saturday, November 19 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, November 20, from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. There is a registration fee of \$10 for the classes to be held at the Friona Fire Department. The classes are sponsored by the Friona 4-H Club. Please call Jon Douglas at 250-5637 to pre-register and reserve a spot in the program.

Booths still available at Jubilee

It was reported this week that booths are still available at the Country Christmas Jubilee December 2 and 3 at the Friona Community Center. If you are interested in a booth call the Friona Chamber of Commerce at 250-3491 for entry forms.

Pre-order Friona on Parade

Bill Ellis is asking those interested in a copy of his book, "Friona on Parade" a history of the FISD, to send him a \$10 deposit for each book wanted to 1201 Maple St., Friona, TX 79035.

Due to printing, costs, this will help him know how many books to print. Total cost is expected to be between \$30 and \$45. If you are a valedictorian or salutatorian and have not sent Bill a photo, please do so.

The book will contain academic and sports records from the early days to the present, with some never-before printed photos and sports records.



ron carr phot

Lion Robert Jones, his daughter Allison, and Lions Danny Black and Fred Cook gave candy to the goblins at the Trunk or Treat program at Calvary

Friona School Menu

November 7- November 11
(All meals are served with Ice cold Milk)
Monday, October 7

Breakfast - Choice of cereal, gogurt; Lunch - Ham and cheese sandwich, chips, pickle slices, fresh fruit

Tuesday, November 8

Breakfast – Pancake & sausage on a stick, assorted juice; Lunch – Spaghetti w/meat sause, crackers, green beans, garden salad, assorted gelatin.

Wednesday, November 9 Breakfast – Breakfast toasters, assorted juice;

Lunch – Chicken pattie, rolls, mashed potatoes, corn, yogurt.

Thursday, November 10

Breakfast – Breakfast pizza, assorted juice; Lunch – Cheese nachos, ranch style beans, garden salad, peach cobbler.

Friday, November 11

Breakfast – Mini Muffins, applesauce; Lunch – Hamburger, french fries, fruit cocktail.

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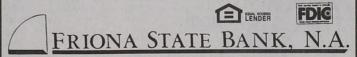
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United Way helps local 4-H club

The Friona 4-H Club has been busy carrying out the motto of using their abilities for "their club, their community, their country, and their world" with several activities throughout the year.

They collected items for gift boxes to soldiers at Christmas and worked with other youth organizations, FCCLA and FFA, to sponsor a concession stand at the Friona Stock Show to raise over \$200 for Heifer International, an organization that provides animals to families all around the world to combat world hunger.

4-H members also participated in projects to learn about shooting sports, food and nutrition, sheep, pigs, goats, beef cattle, horses, photography, clothing and textiles, family living, leadership, health, safety, and community service.

Friona 4-H officers for next year are: Emily Allen, president; Mykelti Rhodes, vice-president; Katie Osborn, secretary; Caitlyn Bronniman, treasurer; Rowdee Rhodes and Amber Roberson, reporters; Kendall Kimbrough and Courtney Bunker, recreation leaders; Jacob Osborn, safety leader; and Kendall Kimbrough and Rowdee Rhodes, communication leaders.

Projects being planned include sponsoring hunter safety classes November 19-20 and horticulture projects in the spring. The 4-H club meets once a month on Sunday afternoons, New members can begin at any meeting or project activity.

For more information call Patsy Allen at 250-3117 or the Parmer County Extension Office at 481-3619. The United Way budget for the 4-H program this year is \$500. Your contribution to United Way assists 4-H and many other worthwhile local organizations.



Sheriff's Report

October 25, 2005, Dusty Stowers, 18, of Friona, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with driving while license invalid, pending County Court.

October 26, 2005, Jonathan May, 23, of Clovis, New Mexico, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with possession of marijuana more than 2 ounces and less than 4 ounces, pending County Court. He was also charged with resisting arrest, pending County Court.

October 26, 2005, Abdon Hemandez, 38, of Friona, was arrested by the Bovina Police Department and charged with aggravated kidnapping, pending Grand Jury.

October 26, 2005, Audelia Estraca, 56, of Clovis, New Mexico, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with theft by check, pending County Court.

October 26, 2005, Celestino Lopez, 19, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with possession of marijuana, pending County Court.

October 27, 2005, Alexandra Flores, 23, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with driving while intoxicated, pending County Court.



Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from October 18, 2005 to October 25, 2005.

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A scary group of nurses at Parmer County Communty Hospital on Halloween. L-r, Terry Braillif, Nikkie Love, Rhonda Wilkins, Joan Grimsley, Lynn Nelson, Mary Lou Venhaus, Glendora Jordan, Monia Ann Wilson, Stephanie Williams, Delia Jackson.

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hiefs rule over Olton! look out Lockney

decided when the Chieftains Lockney tomorrow night, November 4 The game will decide the ing for District 6-2A.

A win by Friona will give the Chieftains a 5-0 district record and out right title to the

and an interception. district, championship. A loss would give Friona and Lockney didentical 4-1 records and co-didentical 4-1 records and co-diden district championship.

Alonzo Rojas

Soph had 6 tackles

the playoffs with a perfect 4-0 Abernathy or Idalou are potential opponents in the bi-district record. Which direction they go from here will be playoff round for the Chieftains.

In last intercepted an Friday's ac- Olton pass the and returned Chieftains had it for a touchlittle trouble down but a disposing of holding pen-the Olton alty nullified Mustangs in the play. a 26-0 win. Sanchez
The two punted again,
played to a 0- this time to 0 tie in the 1st Olton's 7-yard quarter. After line as the 1st

off picture, Tulia will represent Deberry of Olton skirted right the Mustang punter. Defensive District 6-2A in the big school end and ran up the sideline for end Tolby Wilcox was racing

Alonzo Rojas
h had 6 tackles
an interception.

Daniel Aguilar
Returned 20-yard fumble
moved from their own 20 pass to loss to Olton's 38 but were forced to Valente Casas was intercepted to the corner of the end zone and goal at the 2-yard line, yards on 16 carries. O. Moreno of the end zone and goal at the 2-yard line, yards on 16 carries. O. Moreno of the end zone and goal at the 2-yard line, yards on 16 carries. O. Moreno of the end zone and goal at the 2-yard line, yards on 16 carries. O. Moreno of the end zone and goal at the 2-yard line, yards on 16 carries. O. Moreno of the end zone and goal at the 2-yard line, yards on 16 carries. O. Moreno of the end zone and goal at the 2-yard line, yards on 16 carries. Daniel Aguilar

tain defensive back in action touchdown, at Lockney Monreal's coaches said. and Friona led ping Olton on

The Friona defense again second half, forced Olton the Chiefs got to punt. On the ball at the the ensuing

Olton fumbled on their first could not score as the first half ended.

An injury to Monreal's ankle brought Cesar Prieto in to kick. He was speared on his extra point conversion and suffered a thigh Chieftain TD. A two point con-

yards for an- Monreal other Chief-should be

the first possession of the 40. A big run

On their final scoring posplay after the TD and Friona session, Friona took over on an on the ground. Olton managed recovered at the Olton 20 but interception by Juan Reyes at only 127 total yards against the 24-yard line of Olton. A handoff to Ortiz and the speedy back zigged to the 2-yard line

The Friona Chieftains are in Division I playoff bracket. a 45-yard gain. It turned out to full speed and mugged the bruise. The third kicker of the version failed and Friona had a

The defense, in spite of missing four starters with injuries,

handled Olton all night. Octavio Moreno was credited with tackles, Chance Lewellen had Ben Santiago had 11, and Tolby Wilcox had 7

The lead-**Tolby Wilcox**

> amassed 375 total yards, 338 the stubborn Friona defense.

Reed completed only 2 of 11 passes for 37 yards to again. This time it was Ortiz on Valente Casas and Reyes and the 2-yard plunge for the 4th Friona had 10 penalties for 60 Valente Casas and Reyes and



The Chief defense, Stephen Campbell (77), Fabian Dominguez (65), and Ben Santiago (50) chase down an Olton Mustang.



rests on the sideline after he returned a fumble recovery for a 20-yard defensive

touchdown.



Senior Daniel Aguilar Eddie Ortiz (22) Friona's leading rusher, blocks for teammate Ruben Chico (24).



Receiver Juan Reyes (10) at right, has made some spectacular catches this year. This was another one but he was out of bounds.

7th & 8th Braves whip Colts

BY DANA D. JAMESON

Olton Colts Thursday, October Barnett, Ernesto Monreal and defensive group.

27 at Chieftain Field. 7th Braves 32

7th Colts 8

Chris Garcia began the game with a 24-yard touchdown run. Ernesto Monreal ran in a 6-yard against the Colts with an 85 12-yard TD pass

Zach, Fair had the big play Oscar Reyes added a TD to for the evening with an 85-yard the scoreboard with a 6-yard kickoff return for a TD. Domin- TD run. ique Kellum finished off the Colts with a 7-yard TD run and ers against the Colts were Mat-

Outstanding defensive play- sive players were a host of

The Friona Junior High 7th ers were Clayton Smiley with a Braves and the outstanding play d 8th Braves welcomed the blocked punt and Brenner of the night was by the entire Duncan Welch with fumble recoveries.

8th Braves 24

8th Colts 8

Marquese Saenz shined TD to add six. Brenner Barnett yard kickoff return TD, a 57connected with Kirby Frye for a yard TD run and a 50-yard punt

Outstanding offensive playa two-point conversion by thew Stanberry and Steven Duncan Welch.

Mendoza. Outstanding defen-

The Braves travel to Lockney for the closing game of the 2005





See the Lockney gam eplay Saturday morni at 10 am on

Chieftain Football Chiefs vs. Lockney

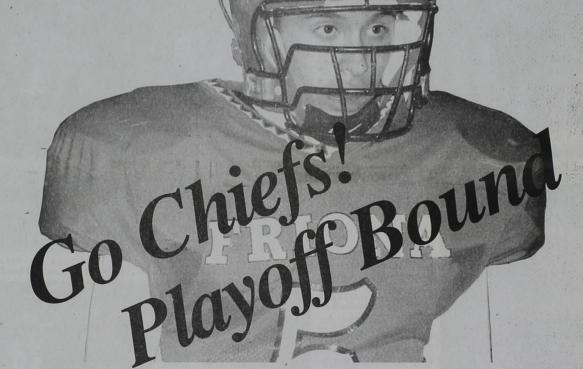
Friday November 4, 7:30 p.m. at Lockney Longhorn Stadium



Team	Dist.	Pts.	Opp.	All	Pts.	Opp.
x -Friona	4-0	127	33	7-2	204	113
x-Lockney	3-1	114	63	5-4	199	214
x-Tulia	3-1	132	63	6-3	214	137
Floydada	1-3	49	87	1-8	117	224
Olton	1-3	77	87	3-6	197	189
Dimmitt	0-4	19	186	1-8	33	325
Last Week's Games: Lockney 42, Dimmitt O;						
Tulia 32, Floydada 7; Friona 26, Olton 0.						
This Week's Games: Dimmitt at Floydada; Friona						

x-clinched playoff spot

at Lockney; Tulia at Olton.



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The Friona Primary was presented a 'Recognized' campus award at a recent school board meeting. Shown, I-r, are Terry Hunt, Loy McLellan, Connie Procter, and school nurse Kathy Terry.

FISD receives Texas gold performance recognition

Friona High School has been recognized for exceptional attendance, the number of advanced courses offered, comparable improvement in math and reading scores, well as the percentage of students graduating with the recommended high school diploma.

The awards are intended to recognize campuses for commended performance and comparable improvement under the Texas Accountability Program and are given by the Texas Education Agency as Gold Performance designa-

Friona Junior High was recognized for exceptional attendance, commended performance on writing tests, and comparable improvement in math scores. Friona Elementary and Friona Primary were recognized for exceptional attendance and comparable improvement in math scores.

"Our school district is designated as a 'Recognized' district," said Superintendent Jim Parker, and students and Johnson, Vickie Field, principal Tracy Ellis, Cheryl staff are hard at work preparing for another successful



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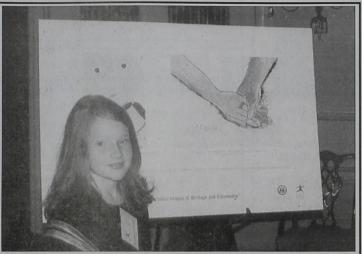
Accepting their 'Recognized' campus award for Friona Elementary were, l-r, Loy McLellan, Becky Jones, principal Becky Riethmayer, Lisa Reed, Martha Rodriguez, Joyce Dickson, Sandy Houston, and Kathy

Young artist goes to D. C.

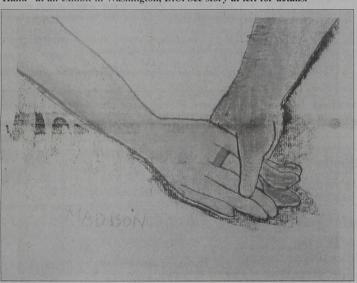
Madison Massey, daughter of Doug and Margay Massey of San Angelo, was recognized at an October 18 ceremony at the U.S. State Department in Washington, D.C. for a pastel piece she painted in the first grade. Madison is now a fifth grader at Lamar Elementary in San Angelo. The piece, titled "Take My Hand", will be part of the "Images of Heritage and Citizenship" art series in Washington, D. C.

She was presented the award by Dina Powell, Assistant Secretary of the U.S. Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs. The posters are being sent to embassies and consulates worldwide.

Madison is the granddaughter of J. B. and Johnny Douglas of Friona and Nelson and Mary Erwin of San Angelo.



San Angelo 5th grader Madison Massey with her art piece titled "Take My Hand" at an exhibit in Washington, D.C. See story at left for details.







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No. 0000 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION (ELECCIÓN SOBRE ENMIENDAS A LA CONSTITUCIÓN) (Condado de) SAMPLE COUNTY, TEXAS NOVEMBER 8, 2005 (8 de noviembre de 2005) SAMPLE BALLOT (BOLETA DE MUESTRA) "The constitutional amendment providing that marriage in this state consists only of the union of one man and one woman and prohibiting this state or a political subdivision of this state from creating or recognizing any legal status identical or similar to marriage."
"Enmienda constitucional que dispone que en este estado el matrimonio consiste exclusivamente en la unión de un hombre y una mujer y que desautoriza, en este estado o en alguna subdivisión política del mismo, la creación o el reconocimiento de cualquier estatus juridico idéntico o semejante al □ Against (En Contra) matrimonio.
"The constitutional amendment clarifying that certain economic development programs do not constitute a debt."
"Enmienda constitucional que hace la aclaración de que ciertos programas de desarrollo económico no constituyen una deuda. D For (A Favor) Against (En Contra) 'The constitutional amendment authorizing the denial of bail to a criminal defendant who violates a condition of the defendant's release pending D For (A Favor) Enmienda constitucional que autoriza la denegación de fianza a un acusado de un delito penal que viola alguna condición de su liberación pendiente de □ Against (En Contra) 'The constitutional amendment allowing the legislature to define rates of interest for commercial loans." No. 5 D For (A Favor) "Enmienda constitucional que permita a la legislatura definir las tasas de interés para préstamos comerciales." Against (En Contra) "The constitutional amendment to include one additional public member and a constitutional county court judge in the membership of the State Commission on Judicial Conduct." D For (A Favor) D Against (En Contra) "Enmienda constitucional a e incluye entre los integrantes de la Comisión Esta del tribunal constitucional del condado." "The constitutional amendment authorizing line-of-credit advances under a reverse mortgage." No. 7 D For (A Favor) nienda constitucional que autoriza cobrar anticipos sobre la linea de crédito de una hipoteca inversa. □ Against (En Contra)
□ For (A Favor) "The constitutional amendment providing for the clearing of land titles by relinquishing and releasing any state claim to sovereign ownership or title to interest in certain land in Upshur County and in Smith County."

"Enmienda constitucional que disponga el saneamiento de títulos de dominio de terrenos, mediante renuncia y liberación de cualquier pretensión de posesión o títularidad derivada de soberanía, a intereses en ciertas tierras de los condados de Upshur y Smith." □ Against (En Contra "The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for a six-year term for a board member of a regional mobility authority."
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THINK ABOUT THIS The Parable of the haunted house #2

By T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ A second important lesson we learn from the story Jesus told about the haunted house in Matthew 12:43-45 is this. Negative

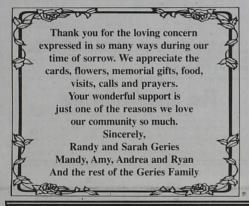
goodness is not enough. After getting rid of thoughts, habits and ways of living, which are wrong, we must realize, the process is only half completed. Evils, which have been driven out, must be replaced immediately with what is self-controlled, upright and godly. (Tit. 2:11-12)

Uprooting sin is to be commended provided one sets out at once to grow virtues. Righteousness is not merely the absence of evil, it involves doing what God commands. The farmer doesn't merely clean the weeds out of the field and prepares the ground. He then plants good seed and prays as he continues to work the ground.

If religion is to be a power for good in our lives then it must be something implanted in the center of our minds and hearts, which persuades our reasoning and understanding. It must be something which we can give full consent to with our intellect. Something that we believe in with a mature faith. Remember, "Without faith impossible to please God, for he that cometh to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek



Cheryl Procter, proud Army mom of Darran Procter, writes a supportive note from the group.



When was the last time you toad someone you loved them?

Rewritten from "When Did Cae-

Did you know that Tennessee has an amphibian-monitoring program? (It is similar to a deaconmonitoring program but with one Except for a few areas in rural Mississippi, you seldom see fine restaurants with deacon legs on the menu.) The volunteers involved in this program lis-ten to audiotapes of amphibian

sounds to familiarize themselves woman and her dog. They were sar Become a Salad and Jeremiah with numerous frog and toad vo-a Bullfrog" by Martin Babb calizations, particularly in how they calizations, particularly in how they

Some use AT&T, but most of the amphibians squeeze their lungs with their nostrils and mouths shut. Air flows over their vocal cords. making a shrill or a croak, and their vocal sacs blow up like balloonsa process very similar to angry librarians. One article I read on the subject also included a picture of a



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sitting in a chair watching for toads which is what college upperclassmen do during freshman orienta-

Part of the problems in studying amphibians is distinguishing between frogs and toads. Both have Jongues that are attached at the front of their mouths and covered with a sticky substance used to catch insects, sort of like attorneys in New Jersey. They absorb water through their skin and do not drink (the frogs, not the attorneys). Like teenagers, they swallow their food

Some species of amphibians after eating something poisonous can actually make their stomachs protrude through their mouths and extract the bad food with their right front legs. I saw a football player do that in my college cafeteria. It was not a pretty sight. Contrary to popular belief, frogs cannot cause warts, but they can stir up a nasty case of toad jam. Frogs tend to be moist and slimy, like people at the while toads warty, like people in West Texas.

one that seems to be necessary The frog population has decreased during the last couple of years, and the cause could be something potentially harmful to humans. Scientists study frogs to find environmental answers. I continue to be amazed as I realize the complicated nature of God's creation and how everything in our world relates to and affect something else. In God's great scheme of things, even frogs and toads matter.

God's amazing handiwork is even more evident with humans because we are created in His image. Each one of us is loved by God. It does not matter whether we or toad. We all know people who may be down on themselves with little self-worth. Like Terry "the Toad" in American Graffiti, they need to hear that God loves them and cares for them-warts and all. They need to know that we love them. They won't know unless we tell them.

The love of God is one story that must not remain untoad.

Thank You

We at the Calvary Baptist Church would like to express our thanks to everyone who came to our 5th Annual Trunk or Treat. It was a great success. Next year we would like to invite anyone who would like to come and line your car up and join us as we give candy to our children in a safe and protected way. Thanks again for your support, **Calvary Baptist Church** Wayne Proffitt, Children's Director



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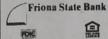
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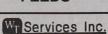
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FlashBacks

65 Years Ago November 1, 1940

Friona-The contractor, who has the job of building the new clubhouse now being erected by the members of the Friona Woman's Club, with his force of workmen, have been making rapid progress with their work, and the building will soon be ready for use. It is a frame building with a veneer of red and gray stone, which when completed will make it one of the most picturesque buildings in

> 50 Years Ago November 4, 1955

Friona—The newly built Sixth Street Church of Christ structure is one of the latest contributions to the Friona building scene, providing another modern church in a town of outstanding churches. Completed this month, the building is beauinside and out.

40 Years Ago November 4, 1965

Friona-Friona's District Alignment for 1966 and 1967 has been announced. Hale Center and Memphis, both of which are moving up to class AA from A, will be in Friona's district, competing with the six teams which were already in the district. Bovina and Morton, neither met during the last two seasons, will be played as non-conference games. Muleshoe, Dalhart, and Plains, played this year, will not appear on the 1966 slate.

> 35 Years Ago November 4, 1970

near Ving Long, Vietnam. He a wingspan of 32 feet.

tifully designed and constructed, earned the award for the meritorious service while practicing in aerial flight in support of ground operations in Vietnam.

30 Years Ago November 2, 1975

official Friona-An groundbreaking ceremony was held at the Friona Nursing Home site Tuesday morning. Lewellen Construction has estimated the job to take nine months to complete, and says he might beat the estimate if the weather is favor-

> 25 Years Ago November 5, 1980

Bovina-Jim Zehner and Jim Guest built a motorized hang glider from a kit containing parts Bovina-Army Warrant Officer and instructions of one para-Harrol D. Redwine of Bovina, re-cently received the Air Medal to construct the hang glider, with



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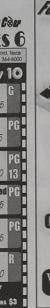
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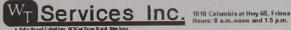
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Neugebauer supports ag reconciliation

Neugebauer voted for legislation Friday in the House Agriculture Committee that helps reduce the deficit reduction. federal deficit while maintaining core policies of the current Farm

April, Congress required committees to find savings in their mandatory, or entitlement, spending programs. The Agriculture Committee's contribution to the reconciliation savings process totals \$662 million in the 2006 fiscal year and \$3.7 billion over five years, about a 1 percent reduction in agriculture spending.

The House Agriculture Committee took a balanced approach in this bill, by finding savings from all areas of agriculture spending," said Neugebauer. "Good fiscal policy is good agriculture policy, and I believe the legislation the Ag Committee put to-

gram recipients and for federal

The House legislation reduces farm program direct payments by 1 percent for 2006-2009, a reduction of \$238 million. In contrast, the Senate Ag Committee legisla-tion approved last week trimmed all farm program payments by 2.5 percent, a reduction of \$1.3 billion. Also on the commodity side, the House bill delays elimination of the Step 2 cotton competitiveness program until August, 2006. Neugebauer requested retaining the program through this marketing year because immediate elimination would be too disruptive for cotton mar-

Neugebauer also worked with Agriculture Committee Chairman Bob Goodlatte to ensure that con-

rather than the Environmental Qual-EQIP is a higher priority for area crop and livestock producers.

statement to the committee, the House bill reduces farm programs by less than the Senate approach because the House bill does not include \$1 billion in new spending that the Senate did and the House legislation also makes important food stamp reforms, which the Senate failed to do.

The food stamp reforms in the bill ensure that benefits are going to those who meet eligibility requirements and who are U.S. citi-The bill increases the waiting period for food stamp eligibility for non-citizens from five to seven years because those who come to the United States to attain permanent

Randy gether is a responsible approach servation savings came from the residence status sign an agreement gislation for our producers, nutrition prothe state. The bill also ends autoity Incentive Program (EQIP) since matic eligibility for those receiving non-cash welfare benefits. Instead of automatically enrolling these in-As Neugebauer noted in his dividuals in the program, they will need to go through the regular eligibility determination process like all other applicants.

"It is not fair to those who are eligible for food stamp assistance that we allow certain categories of individuals to automatically be given benefits regardless of whether or not they are eligible," Neugebauer said. "No U.S. citizen who is in need and qualifies for the program will be denied benefits. These re forms do nothing other than improve the integrity of the program.'

The House Budget Committee will combine the Agriculture als from other committees next week

The program reform and savings packages are expected to total \$50 Committee's action can be found billion and be considered by the on his website: full House the following week.

Congressman Neugebauer's full

Neugebauer statement.

Women in Denim conference set in Hereford November 15

Women who live in rural areas or are involved in agriculture will have the opportunity to hone their business skills at the first annual High Plains Women in Denim Conference, slated for Tuesday, November 15, 2005 in Hereford. The event will be held at the Hereford Community Center, 100 Ave. C, from 8:45 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. The conference is designed for women who are involved in agriculture or other rural interests. Cost is \$30 before November 8, \$40 after.

In addition to keynote addresses provided by leaders in agriculture, a "True Colors" presentation will be given by Dawn Watson, Deaf Smith county extension agent, which will focus on personality types and team dynamics.

Participants will attend breakout sessions of their choice that will include presentations and discussion of continuing education, business incubation, community service, entrepreneurship, health and safety. Spanish translators will be available.

In addition to formal conference sessions, West Texas A&M

University nursing students will be offering screenings for blood pressure, blood sugar, cholesterol and hearing at no charge. Educational booths will be available for viewing and vendors will be offering Christmas shopping opportunities. Door prizes will be awarded throughout the conference

The conference is organized under the Texas Partnership for Farm Family Health and Safety partnering with High Plains Resource Conservation & Development Council, Texas Department of Agriculture, Texas Cooperative Extension, West Texas A&M School of Nursing, Ogallala Commons, High Plains Dairywomen, Texas Farm Bureau, CASA del Llano and Heifer International.

For more information or to register contact Jaime Brorman at 806-258-7212 (residence) or Dawn Watson at 806-364-3573 (office).

Amarillo Farm & Ranch show Nov. 29-Dec. 1

& Ranch Show will be held November 29 thru December 1, 2005 at the Civic Center in Amarillo. an annual attendance of over 30,000 producers from Texas and the surrounding states, the is the largest annual indoor farm show in Texas. The show will feature over 800 exhibits from over 400 leading manufacturers displaying the latest agricultural products and services, as well as a comprehensive edu-

cational program.

The 21st Annual Farm & Ranch Management Symposium, which is sponsored and developed by the Texas Cooperative Extension, will offer valuable crop management information attendees will be eligible for pesticide license and certified crop advisors continuing education units. The event will be moderated by Leon Church. TCE, Potter County Agricultural

The 5th Annual Texas Commodity Symposium will provide

The 21st Annual Amarillo Farm producers and businessmen Cuba," will discuss the Cuban mation pertaining to more than one commodity. The event is organized by the Corn Producers Association of Texas, Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Texas Texas Wheat Producers Asso-ciation, and the Texas Peanut Producers Board.

A special trade seminar, en-

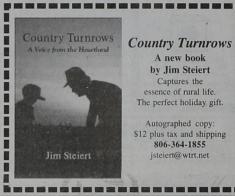
with essential agricultural infor- market for food and agricultural products, the process of exporting products, and the necessary licenses for doing so. The seminar is sponsored by WTAMU Small Business Devel-Sorghum Association, opment Center, Texas-Cuba Trade Alliance, Texas Corn Growers, Texas Wheat Growers, and Texas Sorghum Producers

The show will also host the "Doing Business with 3rd Annual Panhandle Beef Con-

Luncheon, and a series of health screenings, offered by West Texas A&M University, Division Nursing, that includes flu shots, hearing screenings, and cholesterol and glucose screen-

Attendees will also have the opportunity to register to win a 50-hour lease of an 8400 Massey Ferguson Tractor, courtesy of

Admission to the Amarillo Farm & Ranch Show is free. The show is open Tuesday and Wednesday, November 29 and 30, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Thursday, December 1, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The show is presented by High Country Chevy Dealers, and is sponsored by KGNC Radio, KFDA TV, the High Plains Journal, and the Holiday Inn Amarillo. For more information on attending or exhibiting at the 2005 event, visit www.Farmshows.com, or call 800-827-8007.



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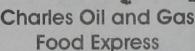
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2005 Mustang coaching staff, I-r, back, Art Ontiveros, Tony Epps, Shannon Shorter; front, Daniel Reagan, Kent Torbert, Hector

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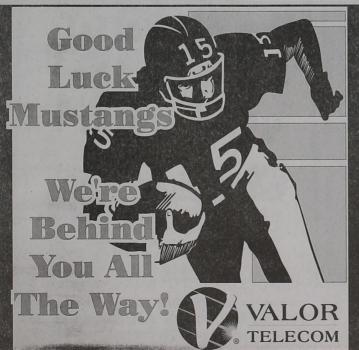


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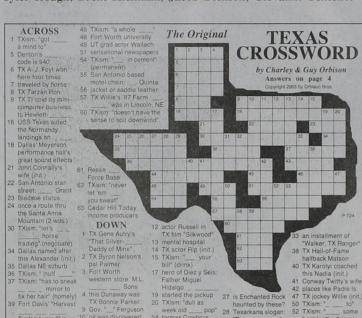






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The Friona Jr. Trojans (3rd & 4th grade) will play in the semifinals of Clovis' Play Inc. football league Saturday, November 5, 7:30 p.m. at Jim Hill Field in Clovis. Back row, I-r, Brayden Pope, Brandon Berend, Dan O'Brian, Todd Padilla, Mason Loflin, Trent Hickman, Blake Stowers: middle, I-r, Juanito Samarron, Hayden Smiley, Brandon Garcia, Gavin Douglas, Mark Schwab, Brad Stowers: front, I-r, Oran London, Cole Stowers, Josh Barnett, Tyler Hough, Brent Hickman, Jacob Dickson, Giovanni Centeno.



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x- clinched playoff spot

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Springlake-Earth; Hart at Sudan.

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Bovina 6, Farwell 3

lustangs in playoffs for first time since '96

Farwell Steers Friday night in

role for either side in this game. Bovina managed only 4 first downs

their record to 7-2, 4-0, with a wild the two teams there were 15 punts. 6-3 last second win over the rival The Mustangs lost 2 fumbles and were penalized 5 times for 50 yards.

As Head Coach Kent Torbert Statistics did not play a vital says, "None of that information is included when they put the 'W' beside your name." Indeed the Indeed the to Farwell's 7. Bovina managed 60 Mustangs have swept through disyards rushing and 78 yards pass- trict with an undefeated 4-0 record.

time win over Springlake-Earth. Another non-district win was an over time two-point gamble to beat

'We're doing pretty much the same things we did last year, we're just doing them a lot better," Torbert

The Farwell contest saw all points scored on field goals, a thought that gives any 1A level coach pause. High school teams are rarely known for their field-goal strength. Nevertheless, sophomore James Lara kicked two through Friday night, the second with about three seconds left on the game clock, to give Bovina the victory and a guaranteed trip to the 1A

Lara kicked a 35-yard FG in the 2nd quarter to give Bovina a 3-0 halftime lead. Farwell countered in yard effort by Logan McFarland. Near the end of the 4th quarter it

James Lara Soph kicked two field goals to beat Farwell

looked like overtime was in sight again for the Mustangs. Bovina got the ball with 1:30 left on their own 25-yard line. A Trent Quintana pass to Michael Ortiz, good for 42 yards, put the ball within field goal

With no timeouts left, Bovina spiked the ball after the catch to stop the clock. With nine seconds left, the snap was bobbled but holder Ortiz scooped up the ball

three seconds left this time, the ball was again snapped low and on the ground. Ortiz was able to get it upright in time for Lara to launch his game-winning kick. "When I saw that second snap roll on the ground I thought we were headed for overtime again," Torbert said. "Then people started slapping me on the back and grabbing me and that is when I knew we had a good

The game tomorrow night, November 4, against the Nazareth Swifts will be for the outright district championship. It will be Bovina's toughest challenge of the year. The Swifts are undefeated this season and have not allowed a district opponent to score. Win or lose. Bovina has made its way to the playoffs for the first time since the 1996 season.

Here is the playoff scenario: The Bovina-Nazareth winner claims the district championship and the other

their first playoff game November 18 (games that week have to be completed by November 19)

The winner in Bovina's District, 4-1A, will play the winner of a game between the winner in District 1-1A (Stratford, Gruver, Sunray) and the runnerup in District 2-2A (Quanah, Wellington, Memphis). That game will be played next weekend November 11.

The runnerup in District 4-1A (Bovina or Nazareth) will play the winner of a game between the runnerup in District 1-1A and the winner of District 2-1A. This game will also be played by next week-end. In any event it will all be

sorted out after tomorrow night.

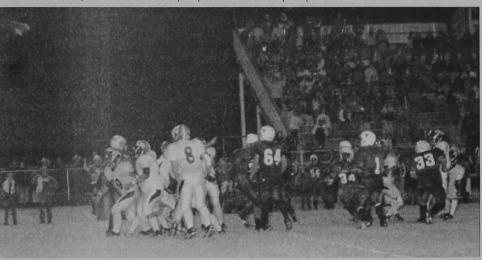
Congratulations and good luck in the playoffs to the 2005 Mustangs, Coach Torbert, Coach Guevara, Coach Epps, and to all



Mustang Jacob Torbert, center, picks up a few tough yards.



(8) and Trent Quintana (11) look on.



Chris Heinzman (4) carries as Jacob Torbert Photographer Coy Jameson captured the winning Mustang field goal in this panoramic view as time ran out. Note the ball in the upper left. Kicker James Lara and holder Michael Ortiz are at far right.





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Insurance coverage for a portion of your prescription drug expenses. The coverage is being partially subsidized by the federal government. This allows private insurance companies across the country to sell you reduced-cost insurance coverage for your prescription drug expenditures. These are called Prescription Drug Plans.

Who Is Eligible?

All Medicare beneficiaries. People who are also enrolled in Medicaid (the government's program for low-income people) will be automatically eligible and enrolled in a drug insurance plan.

What's the Coverage Exactly?

The government has designed a standard plan, but private insurers may offer plans with more generous coverage. They can charge higher premiums for such doverage. In 2006, for a monthly premium that will vary by plan, the standard coverage includes a \$250 deductible; that's the amount you pay up front before any coverage kicks in. Then you will pay 25 percent, or \$500, of the next \$2,000 in drug expenses. After that, there is a gap in coverage (the so-called "donut hole") for expenditures between \$2,251 and \$5,100. In this hole, you pay for all

prescription drugs yourself. Then, once you reach \$5,100 in total costs in a year and you have paid \$3,600 out of your own pocket for prescription drugs, insurers will pay about 95 percent of all remaining costs. Several private plans have already announced they will "fill in" part of the

How Much Will the Premiums Be?

Premiums for the standard plans are expected to range from \$2 to about \$40 a month. More generous coverage may cost \$50 to \$80 or more a month.

When Does it Start?

You can enroll starting on November 15 if you are currently in Medicare, or turn 65 in January or February 2006. Actual coverage begins January 1, 2006. You have until May 15, 2006, to sign up before a penalty is imposed for late enrollment. The penalty is a 1 percent higher premium for every month you delay. The penalty does not apply to people who remain in approved existing health plans (for example, through a retiree health plan) that offer drug coverage. You can stay in such plans and then quickly switch to one of the new plans later-without penalty-if you want or your circumstances change. Keep in mind that if you have to pay a penalty, you will continue

paying the higher rate for as long as you have the Prescription Drug Plan.

How and Where Do I Enroll If I Decide to Do So?

You must fill out an enrollment form. These are available from the insurers and health plans themselves or from your local Social Security office. You can also go online at www.ssa.gov or www.medicare.gov to find out more about enrolling. Your employer may also help. You can also call the Social Security Administration at 1-800-772-1213. Or you can call Medicare at 1-877-486-2048 or 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) to ask guestions and have the enrollment form sent to you. Keep in mind that if you are already enrolled in other senior care coverage, you are not automatically enrolled in the Prescription Drug Plan. You must enroll in the Prescription Drug Plan even if it is with your current insurance carrier.

What Does the Term "Part D" Refer to?

In Medicare, Part A refers to hospital coverage, Part B refers to coverage for doctor's services, and Part C refers to coverage and enrollment in Medicare HMOs. Part D is the new prescription drug coverage, and specifi cally it is drug-only or so-called drug "stand alone"

SHOULD I ENROLL? WHAT FACTORS SHOULD I CONSIDER?

That is going to depend on your individual circumstances. your expenses are already greater than the annual Our advice is an emphatic "yes" if you are living on a low income and have few assets or savings.

Specifi cally, if your income in 2006 will be below about even lower deductibles. \$14,600 for an individual and about \$19,600 for a couple, (and you have assets of less than \$10,000 for a single per-son and \$20,000 for a couple, not counting your house and car and some other exceptions), the government is offering extra help to lower or eliminate your premiums, co-payments, and deductibles. In fact, you may pay a very small amount out-of-pocket for the coverage and for your drugs. This makes the new benefit highly attractive and we urge you to sign up as soon as possible. You can find out about qualify-ing for this extra help by calling 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778) or by going to http://www.socialsecurity.gov/prescriptionhelp/

For everyone else, the decision to sign up or not will depend primarily on these factors:

- Your income, assets, and financial situation
- · Your health status
- Your current drug expenses and needs
- Whether you have drug coverage now from another source (such as retiree health or VA benefits)
- · Your tolerance of risk-namely, your comfort level that you will be able to pay for medicines if you delay or forgo buying this insurance
- An assessment of whether the coverage meets your needs and whether you are willing to pay for it given your other insurance and living expenses

If You Have No Drug Coverage Now

If you have no drug coverage now, but do not qualify for low-income assistance, you should start by calculating your current drug expenses. If they exceed about \$630 per year, you may stand to gain by enrolling because

premiums (average \$384) plus the annual deductible (\$250). And that's under the "standard" coverage. Some insurers will be offering lower premiums and perhaps

For example, if you have no drug coverage now and your drug expenses are anticipated at \$1,200 in 2006, you would come out ahead by around \$328 under the standard plan (if your premium is \$32 a month).

If you have no drug coverage and your current drug expenses are less than \$600 or so per year, your decision may be based primarily on your ability or willingness to pay the premium and your sense of risk about your potential future drug needs and expenses. You may be willing to take the gamble. Indeed, statistics show that millions of Medicare beneficiaries have drug expenses below this level, and for years. That's especially true for 65 to 70 year olds. But consider the following before you make this decision:

- · If you do begin to need a prescription medicine or medicines, the expense can rise very quickly, easily exceeding \$600 a year. Some commonly-used drugs cost \$100, \$150 or \$200 a month. And for many common ailments (heart disease, diabetes, high blood pressure), taking multiple drugs has become the norm.
- Your premium will be at least 1 percent higher for every ling after you are eligible you put enrollment off for three years, your premium will be at least 36 percent higher. So instead of a premium of, say, \$32 a month, it will be \$43.50 (an extra \$138 a year). Again, you may decide you can wait since you won't be paying premiums at all for the first three years. On the other hand, if you lived for 20 years after you fi nally bought the coverage, your additional premium expense would mount up. (The premium may increase over time so we can't really make a calculation.)

If You Have Drug Coverage Now

If you currently have prescription drug insurance through needs.

military or the VA - you will want to determine which coverage is best: what you have now or this new coverage. Your current insurer is required to send you a letter telling you whether your coverage is considered more or less valuable than the standard new Medicare coverage. If the letter says your current coverage is worth more than what Medicare has to offer (called creditable coverage), you may want to stick with what you've got. You can switch later without any penalty. If the letter says your coverage is worth less, you should strongly consider switching to one of the new plans given other factors.

Your decision may also be based on an assessment and comparison of the more generous plans that insurers will offer-not just the standard one. Several of these may indeed be more comprehensive coverage than you have now. Whether you switch or not will depend in part on what the premium difference would be.

Be sure to check with your current plan's sponsor (employer, union, etc.) to make sure you won't lose other health benefi ts if you join a new Medicare drug plan

.If You Have Medigap Now

Finally, if you have a Medigap policy now that covers drugs, you will want to weigh your options. Insurers will no longer be allowed to sell Medigap policies that include drug coverage. But you will be allowed to keep an insurer is required to evaluate your present drug coverage and compare it to the new Medicare coverage. If you get a letter saving it is less valuable than what's being offered under the new benefit, you should drop the drug portion of your Medigap policy. Most experts believe that the vast majority (if not all) Medigap policyholders with drug coverage will be much better off with the new coverage, since it is subsidized by the government and Medigap policies are not. You can keep the other benefits in your Medigap policy, and your premium should be reduced. You may want to take this opportunity to make sure you have the best Medigap policy for the money and your

SHOULD I ENROLL IN A STAND-ALONE DRUG PLAN OR A MEDICARE HMO OR PPO?

offering a drug benefit, you must use that plan's drug benefit or drop out of the HMO. You will learn about your HMO's offerings in the weeks ahead.

If you are not currently in a Medicare HMO, you have a choice. You can remain in traditional Medicare and enroll in a stand-alone drug plan or you can choose among a range of new Medicare HMOs and PPOs (Preferred Provider Organizations), now also being called "Medicare Advantage" plans. Almost all cities and heavily populated areas will have such plans. Rural areas may not. All of them will include drug coverage and integrate it with their coverage of other medical services, such as hospital care and doctor's visits. For example, you'll pay one premium.

in joining such a plan, if one is available in your area. Weigh the pros and cons. As is now well known, such plans restrict your choice of hospitals and doctors, and you will have to pay extra (sometimes a lot more) to see a doctor not in the plan's network. In contrast, under traditional Medicare you can see any doctor you want. However, on the plus side, some Medicare managed care plans are trying much harder these days to coordinate your care better, especially for other features and compare the various plans in your people with chronic diseases. Such coordination is area carefully. You will especially want to assess notably lacking when you see multiple doctors on your

The new Medicare Advantage plans will be seeking to increase enrollment of Medicare benefi ciaries using

If you are already in a Medicare HMO that will be Your choice is totally dependent on your comfort level the drug benefit as inducement. They may advertise widely. We advise caution and careful consideration. Many of these managed care plans will be able to offer very attractive benefit packages, and lower premiums and co-pays, in part because of generous subsidies from the federal government. But future Medicare budget cuts could cause these plans to cut their benefi ts, as happened in the late 1990s. You should not join such a plan just for the drug benefit, but consider its area carefully. You will especially want to assess whether your doctor or doctors are in the plan's network, and which hospitals are as well. The plans themselves and your doctor's office should be able to tell you this information. If they cannot, be cautious.

HOW DO I EVALUATE IF A PLAN WILL COVER THE DRUGS I TAKE?

All the insurers who offer the new drug coverage - preferred drug list. Thus, you may have to pay more all plans have to have an appeals process that will whether a Medicare Advantage plan or a stand-alone out-of-pocket for that drug, or switch to the preferred allow you and your doctor to request that a nonare taking are covered by any individual plan. You can also contact the plans to ask whether your drug or drugs are on the list and what level of co-pay will be

plan will have a list of covered and preferred drugs, drug after consulting your doctor. If you take multiple called a formulary. You can use the plan fi nder at drugs for a chronic condition, the task of comparing www.medicare.gov to see if the prescription drugs you the new drug plans based on their formularies could be complex. But since the government is essentially requiring that a great many drugs be covered, many formularies and preferred drug lists will be pretty much information about lower cost, safe, effective drug required for them. For example, you may be taking a the same. But they can differ, and they change over choices that can save you money. cholesterol-lowering drug that is not on a plan's time. Under the law that set up the new drug benefit,

formulary or non-preferred drug be covered or have a lower co-pay. There is no good way to predict how receptive a plan will be to adding a drug upon your doctor's or your request. See the Consumer Reports free Web site www.CRBestBuyDrugs.org for more

WILL MY PRESCRIPTIONS BE "MANAGED" IN OTHER WAYS? IS THIS A GOOD THING?

methods to control drug use and cost. These include permission to prescribe certain drugs. Some of these including you. putting limits on the length of some prescriptions, ideas make sense; for example, substituting a low-cost

Besides setting co-pays based on a drug's status on a requiring you to try the least expensive drug in a generic drug for an expensive brand drug that doesn't formulary, insurers will be able to use an array of other category first, and requiring your doctor to get provide any extra benefit can save money for everyone,

WILL MY LOCAL PHARMACIES BE PARTICIPATING?

necessarily with all plans. Insurers will be selectively contracting with different pharmacies in your area. That means that you should also consider which pharmacies will be participating in the plans that you are interested in. Be sure to select a plan that allows you to use the pharmacy of your choice.

chain pharmacies, will be participating, but not money but may also yield savings for you because of enrolled in Medication Therapy Management programs negotiated discounts on drugs. For example, if you fall to help make sure their medications are working well. in the coverage "donut hole" (after around \$2,250 in If you may qualify for this, select a pharmacy that you expenses) where you have to pay all your drug costs, would want to provide these clinical services for you you will still be able to buy medicines at the discounted prices. (Those discounts may range from minor to You will be able to go to "non-participating" pharmacies, pretty significant.) A few patients with very high but the co-pays for drugs will be higher at those.

Virtually all pharmacies, including independent and Such selective contracting will be saving the insurers prescription expenditures and certain conditions will be

TO AVOID TELEMARKETING, SIGN UP FOR THE GOVERNMENT'S DO NOT CALL REGISTRY

The choice of drug plan is too important and too complicated to be decided over the phone. You can avoid these calls by signing up for the Do Not Call Registry by going to www.DoNotCall.gov or call toll-free, 1-888-382-1222 (TTY 1-866-290-4236), from the phone number you wish to register. Consider also registering any cell phone number because it is possible that in the future telemarketers may be able to get cell phone numbers, however it is still against the law to telemarket to cell phone numbers. Registration is free.

Fraud alert:

• Remember not to give any telemarketer—or anyone who comes to your door-any financial information, your Medicare or Social Security number, or a check or cash.

WHO CAN I TRUST TO HELP SORT OUT MY DRUG PLAN CHOICES?

(1-800-633-4227) or at this Web site: www.medicare.gov/contacts/static/allStateContacts.asp

Assistance Program (SHIP). Trained local volunteers publication, has just been mailed and contains listed plans are actually free. In addition, the can help you determine which plan will leave you with information on the new benefit. Be aware that there is government's Medicare Web site, www.medicare.gov, the lowest out-of-pocket costs. You can find your an error in this book. If you are eligible for no cost and another site, www.carxe.org, will soon have online state's SHIP by calling Medicare at 1-800-MEDICARE prescription drug coverage, the booklet provides a list tools that will let you compare drugs plans and of plans. The book erroneously says that all of those estimate your out-of-pocket costs under each.

One place to start is with your State's Health Insurance The 2006 edition of Medicare and You, a government plans are free, when in fact only about 40% of the

OTHER HELPFUL SITES

www.medicarerights.org/101.html

Overview of the new benefit and other guidance from the Medicare Rights Center. www.ssa.gov/prescriptionhelp

The Social Security Administration's site to learn about the new benefit and enroll. www.medicareadvocacy.org

Guidance and online tutorials on the new benefit from the Center for Medicare Advocacy

www.kff.org/medicare/rxdrugbenefit.cfm

Guidance and useful information from The Kaiser Family Foundation, a health

www.medicare.gov/contacts/static/allStateContacts.asp

The Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services' link to state health insurance assistance programs.

BEST BUY DRUGS

HOW CAN CONSUMER REPORTS BEST BUY DRUGS HELP MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES?

Consumer Reports Best Buy Drugs provides free information about the comparative effectiveness, safety, and price of drugs in various therapeutic categories such as statins (for cholesterol) and NSAIDs (for arthritis pain). Medicare beneficiaries can make use of the free information available at www.CRBestBuyDrugs.org in order to:

• Determine whether Medicare prescription drug plans provide coverage for the most effective, safe and affordable drugs.

· Identify "best buy drugs" alternatives that will be equally effective to medicines currently taken in case the latter are not covered by their Medicare drug plan.

Switch to "best buy drugs" in order to reduce their out-of-pocket costs, since many drug plans will have deductibles, co-payments, and gaps in coverage.

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Seniors are asking how to choose a Medicare Costlier plans often cover the donut hole or waive Pass along important points. 1) Seniors with Prescription Drug Plan.

Tell them to consider several criteria.

Premiums. Plans cost \$2 to over \$85/month...plus a copay on Rxs. Many cheaper plans have higher copays, deductibles, etc. Suggest the cheaper plans for patients with low Rx drug costs.

Warn seniors they'll pay higher premiums if they enroll after the deadline...the premium goes up 1% for every month they're late.

Benefits. Standard plans have a \$250 annual deductible...then pay 75% of the next \$2000 in Rx costs. From \$2250 to \$5100 there is no coverage...the infamous "donut hole." But after \$5100 in total Rx only 30 days. costs, these plans pay 95% of Rx costs.

deductibles

class. But formularies vary... and can change with enrolled in a drug plan. They must still sign up... only a 60-day notice.

3) There's an error in Medicare's own handbook

Point people to an excellent tool at www.medicare.gov that compares Medicare Drug Plans. Seniors enter their Medicare number and get PERSONALIZED info about available plans...covered drugs...premiums... copays ...deductibles etc. It'll even allow online sign-

plan allows them to use their preferred pharmacy. plan...you can't fill out forms for enrollees...but Also some plans offer a 90-day supply...instead of you can point out pros and cons.

employment-based drug coverage are often better off NOT trading it for a Medicare policy... 2) Most Formularies. All plans will cover some drugs in each seniors with Medicare are NOT automatically that says ALL the plans listed for low-income seniors have zero premiums. Not true. Only 40% of them are free.

Tell patients they will be able to change plans if needed...but only from Nov 15th to Dec 31st each

Convenience. Advise patients to consider whether a Keep in mind you cannot PROMOTE any particular

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Dickson completes Army training

PFC Richard Dickson graduated Thursday, October 20 from One Station Unit Training at Fort Knox, KY as a Cavalry Scout in the United States Army. Ricky earned the Excellence in Cavalry award at graduation for ability and drive to excel in leadership, fitness, technical and tactical proficiency, and Cavalry skills beyond that of his peers. Ricky is currently in Airborne training at Fort Benning, GA, and will be stationed at Fort Bragg, NC with the 82nd Air-



PFC Richard Dickson

He is the son of Jeff and Becky Dickson of Friona, grandson of Randy and Joyce Dickson of Friona and Richard and Janet West of Hickory, NC.

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Meet the Class of 2018

Briana is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. Her parents are Anthony and Sandra Padilla. She has brother, Anthony and a sister,

Briana likes playing video games. Her favorite food is corn and her favorite color is pink.

Briana Padilla

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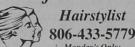
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By John LeCarre

Review by Mary Johnston

John LeCarre is a master storyteller of spy stories over the years. If you are old enough to remember "The Spy Who Came in

FRIONA CENTENNIAL MOMENTS

(This is one of a series of weekly articles pertaining to Friona's 100th anniversary, which will be observed throughout 2006)

Shocking feed in the 40s

By Cassey Wade Perkins, age 81

In July 1940, my aunt who rettes for him. After I moved remember what I made at this and Mr. Sudderth brought her in Bovina, Texas came to to Texas, I drove a truck for Mr. job, but it also was better wages to Parmer County Community lived in Bovina, Texas came to Oklahoma to visit our family. She talked my older sister Melba and me into coming back home with her to Bovina for a visit. I had heard a lot about the Plains of Texas-that the land was as see it; and I found it to be that way mostly

I visited a few days but, at 16 years of age, I wanted to work to buy my first car. Jobs were scarce in Oklahoma then and you would do well to get cents a day if work was available. I worked a few days for their near neighbor, Mr. Richards, for \$1 per day [day a gunnysack up there to keep the oil out of your eyes. That

was not good.

Mr. Richards was sick or something at that time and he had me to hand-roll lots of ciga-

Richard's son Cash and hauled vina from Progress, Texas a very small town near Muleshoe.

My next job was for A. G. level as a floor and that there White driving a Moline Tractor birthday.] were very few trees except for pulling a broadcast binder to The no cut Hi-Gear feed. We would bind some and then stack it into shocks. When laying off an area to cut a load, the binder would dump bundles of feed onto areas that weren't cut, lived with them Later we would have to stop and move bundles out of the way at each dump row.

Then they would shock the feed to dry. The tractor driver had to do all the moving of the one-way plow on an old John driver once waited for me to Deere Model D on steel wheels move bundles and belt with a kerosene beautiful and the bundles and belt with a kerosene beautiful and beautifu move bundles and hollered, "Rattlesnake!" That scared me with a kerosene burner. The "Rattlesnake!" That scared me flywheel slung oil so they had to no end and I told him if he ever did that again, he could have both jobs! We both (me and the binder man) were living with the Whites and did morning and nighttime chores as well as binding the feed. I don't

than in Oklahoma. • [Mr. White shocked feed bundles to Bob lived to be over 100 years old but she may have already been Pringle's Feed Yard east of Bo- and Mother and Daddy visited dead. The Sudderths were good him at Prairie Acres. Mother people. [Mrs. Sudderth passed baked him

cake for his 100th

The next job I got was work ing for Billie Sudderth who southwest of Bovina. and they treated me really well. I got \$15 per week for 6 long days plowing with a one-way plow

on an Oliver 70 tractor on steel. The Sudderths were nearly always gone somewhere on a Saturday evening and when I got in from work, there was a note on the table which said, "Cass, if there is not enough to eat on this table, get into the ice box; and if you want to, take the old truck and go to town." My \$15 check was also on the table.

His wife, Oberetta, brought me lots of good lunches in the field to eat and never rushed me to eat it. Glenden was their only child then and he was a dandy little boy. I later worked for J. D. Stevens also cutting feed with a broadcast binder, but I really enjoyed working for the Sudderths in 1940. In 1953, my niece LaRita was hit by a car in Boyina on Highway 60 it his home ever since

Hospital. I don't know for sure,

From The Cold" and a series of other intriguing tales you must read his latest. "Absolute Friends" sums up a life of spying in a different way. The bottom line is, "what is truth?" "Sasha has away recently Daddy also visited absolute friend? with her before she died.]

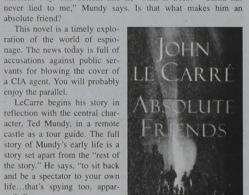
Well, in six ration of the world of espio-weeks or so, I nage. The news today is full of got a few dollars made and vants for blowing the cover of already a CIA agent. You will probably decided to go enjoy the parallel. back to Oklahoma on the reflection with the central whoma on the bus. The ticket acter, Ted Mundy, in a remote acter, September 1 acter, Ted Mundy, in a remote acter as a tour guide. The full of Mundy's early life is a

tax. I went to story of Mundy's early life is a Shawnee, Oklahoma and found story set apart from the "rest of a good 1930 Model A Ford Coupe for \$40—back then you could get a new title where and when you bought the car. When I got that done with the taxes and all, I didn't have any money to run it on! I hadn't thought about that enough at the time, nor did I have a job-just a few friends to help me buy gas at 9 cents a gallon—the cheapest I unfinished business.

NOTE

The High Plains of Texas the generous people and the abundance of the land all must have made a good impression on Daddy. He brought his new bride here on the day they got in Oklahoma on August 24, 1950 and has made





Absolute Friends

friend from the past, brings the story of Mundy forward. Sasha offers a new way to change the world, to make it a better place. Their failure to accomplish this in the Germany of the cold war and the Berlin Wall, which was finally brought down, has left them both with feelings of

The reappearance of Sasha,

Mundy and Sasha become voices of protest again as Dimitri recruits them to try a new way to accomplish their mission of changing the world. Dimitri says, "that war on Iraq was illegitimate, as criminal and immoral conspiracy...no provocation, no link with Al Qaeda, no weapons of Armageddon...launched by a clique of war hungry Judeo-Christian geopolitical fantasists who hijacked the media and exploited America's post 911 psychop-

If you have read LeCarre's article published in January of 2003 by Time/UK, you may understand better the source of this novel. The title of the article is "The United States Has Gone Mad."

The biography of LeCarre is also enlightening. His name is David John Moore Cornwell and he writes so well about spying because he spent a few years in British Intelligence. He is the father of four sons by two wives and has ten grandchildren. He lives on a Cornish Cliff and hates cities.

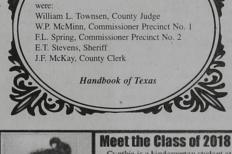
The surprise ending of the book leaves me with the question, "what is truth?" Also the question, "what and who do you believe?" LeCarre (David Cornwell) says, "I despise myself in the fake role of guru...artists have very little center...they fake...they

are not the real thing. They are spies...I am no exception."

And so, I recommend the book, which is thought provoking



Cassey Wade Perkins, age 16, with his first registered bull "Irish Domino". Circa 1940



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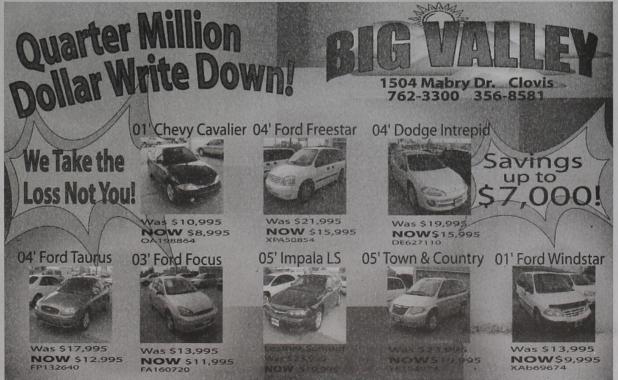
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Mt. Olivet Cleanup





courtesy photos Conney Menix and David Kube lent some labor to begin the clean-up Olivet Cemetery.

Mt. Olivet Cemetery cleanup begun

Submitted by Don Spring Parmer County Historical Commission

somewhat ridiculous to say, more life revolves around the local cemetery than almost any other place in the community. throughout the years, the memories of the life of our loved one and the history of resting places of our families. to me and even though I realize that they are not actually in their graves, when I visit their graves I can relive the many good times I shared with them.

Also, I can relive many experiences I had with friends and friend's families when I visit the local cemetery. I can get a smile at remembering the antics of various "characters' about. The remains of our ancestors as well as our family histories reside in these sites so these places of interment serve a special need for me and I like to see them well

When I was growing up my Dad told many a tale of early Parmer County and the story of the Hassell murders never failed to send shivers up and down my spine. Arguably, the first psychotic killer in the area, George Hassell, murdered his wife and eight step-children/ nieces and nephews, and buried them in the basement. Several people visited the farm home and one even spent the night without the slightest

below the flooring.

The wife and eight children are buried in a common grave at Mt. Olivet Cemetery south of The stories that we've all heard Farwell. George Hassell was executed in Huntsville and the burial site is Mt. Olivet Cemetery whereabouts of his remains are unknown to me. I can't look at our families all are tied into the the headstone with all the names on it without shivering a little in Olivet Cemetery, but the reason My grandparents meant a lot remembrance of the chilling stories of the murders.

Judge James D Hamlin, aka The Flamboyant Judge is probably the most colorful character in our county's short history. He was employed by-The Capital Syndicate to establish the town of Farwell and was instrumental in the establishment and growth of Texico, NM as well. He was convinced that the railroad cen-I knew and some I just heard ter of the ATSF railroad would be located in the twin cities of Farwell and Texico, and set about acquiring vast land holdings ready for the local real estate

> Alas, the ATSF railroad chose Clovis, NM to the west as the location of the rail center, but the good judge managed to live over



Even though it may seem knowledge of the ghastly scene it. His many wheelings and dealings attracted the attention of historian J, Evetts Haley in Canyon who wrote a book called "The Flamboyant Judge" based on the life of Judge Hamlin. His south of Farwell.

> These are only two of the stories that are alive in Mt. we plan to clean up and fix up number of people who have friends and family buried there. We hope to establish a cemetery site that the whole population of our county can take pride in. That's the way it's supposed to be.

The Mt. Olivet Cemetery is shaping up. Friday, October 28, volunteers, Mr. Conney Menix from Lamesa and Mr. David Kube from Farwell began the process of finding the grave sites and headstones and doing the mowing as a first step in cleaning up the cemetery. Menix walked the cemetery and hoed the weeds from around the gravesites and stones. Mr. Kube followed with the mower and cleaned the large areas. They worked all day Friday and made much progress but there is much left to do. They were unable to finish the mowing in one day.

Plans are to mow again in a couple of weeks. Volunteers with hoes and weed eaters invited to help. Call Gladys Spring at 251-1552 for the next workday plans

2005 Football **Contest Standings**

85-Jimmy Walker

84-Nathan Brockman, Mal Manchee

83-Jo Field, Rusty McFarland 82-Bobby Wied

81-Claire Brown, Mack McFarland, Clayton Smiley, Dor-othy Stowers, Mark Walker

80-Raul Braillif, Scott Brown, Jessica Dearing, Clint Mears, Enrique Rodriguez, Roy Lee Stowers, Don Max Vars

79-Mike Field, Jack Glover, Darin Hofferichter, Aprile Hudson, Mike Hutson, Johnston, Ernest Mills, Caleb Monroe, Mitchell Smiley, Debbie Weir

78-Frank Chavez, Tim Elmore, Myrtle Melton, Dean Sasser, Jamie Slagle, Jan Smith, Bobby Thompson

77-Jeremy Dearing, Gonzalez, Jr., Andy Montana, Tyson Neill

76-Frank Dominguez, Jr., Pedro Ramos, Jr., Ron Smiley,

Andy Stormes

75-Lance Field, Peggy Hargrove, 69-Daniel Hernandez, Trent Joy Morton, Clyde Renner, Jeremy White

74-Justin Echevarria, Jon Field, Laura Field

73-Brenda Brito, Martin Brito, 67-Raymond Diaz, Marilyn Seve Chavez, Alex Dunnam, Garry L. Gonzalez, Bobby Gonzalez, Carmella Sansom, Virginia Steele, Blake Hernandez, Derek Sudderth Glenden Sudderth, 66-Sandra Berend, Larry Michael Villa

72-Lester C. Fennell, Lilly Michel, Sudderth

71-Brett Field, Christen Stowers, 63-Antonio S. Duran, Jr. Del Ray Sudderth, Alesia 62-Jacob Pena Tucker

70-Elsie Allen, Jason Berend, 56-Sally Putman JoAnne Chavez, Mickey 55-Jennifer Gon: Pena, Linda Sudderth,

Weston Wyly

Hudson

-Mona Contreras, Ronald Diaz, Louis Dunnam, Michael Gonzalez, Quentin Shelby

Engelking, Katy Field, David

Johnston, Tenna Montana, Isabel Rios

Sudderth, Scott 65-Rodney Shelby, Christi Villa

64-Martha Rodriguez

59-Silvino Silva, Jr., Veca White

55-Jennifer Gonzales

SUPER FOOTBALL



Heritage Estates employees and their kids dressed up for Halloween.

Big & Rich Surprise



John and M'Lynda Jarecki, center, with John Rich, left, and "Big" Kenny Alphin, right. In back is Cowboy Troy and right is Two-Foot Fred

Hi! I grew up in Friona and still have family there. On October 5 my brother John Jarecki and his wife M'Lynda went backstage after the concert to meet Big & Rich. I am sending this photo in hopes you have room to put it in the Friona Star.

The Big & Rich concert was October 5 at West Texas A&M in Canyon. John and M'Lynda were special guests of Warner Brothers Nashville and were treated to a back stage meet and greet with the

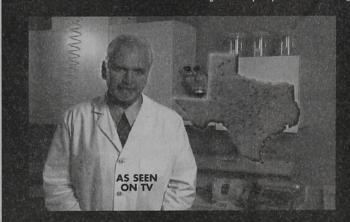
I hope you have space to put this in the paper. John and M'Lynda don't even know I am sending this you. If it gets in the paper it will be a huge surprise. Thanks for your consideration

Susie Jarecki Burton

(Editor's note: So there you go Susie. We appreciate you sending the picture and email. I especially appreciate the opportunity to surprise your brother John. Thanks again, ron carr)

PRODUCT TESTERS NEEDED TO COMPLETE STATEWIDE STUDY

GOOD NEWS: First test results show that new hearing device helps improve natural hearing.



"As part of this statewide product study, five leading manufacturers of hearing aids e looking for people that will qualify as product testers to try a new innovative hear-g solution," said Richard Davila of Livingston Hearing Aid Centers, "We are proud to rticipate in this study and each qualified participant will be paid \$50 to complete the participate in this study and each qualitied participant will be paid 550 to complete the study (a nominal security deposit is required)."

If you are having hearing problems and have considered trying hearing aids, this product study is an excellent opportunity to try the latest in digital hearing technology.

These new hearing devices allow you to experience increased sound quality without the "plugged up" sensation of traditional hearing aids.

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To see if you qualify to participate in this study, call the location nearest you for an appointment.



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