

Turn down the heat and bundle up to stay warm!

LOCALS SPEAK OUT ON BILLS

Think Your Gas Bill Was High? Join The Group!!

You don't have to ask many folks in Parmer County about their Energas bills to get an accurate survey.

Predictions of a further increase when the January bills arrived were apparently accurate as we polled businesses and individuals on the effects of the sudden natural gas increases.

In many cases gas bills tripled during the November-January period. Three different snow storms, two of them major, since Thanksgiving have affected rates also. But the rates Energas have to pay for gas are being passed on, making conservation practices like turning the thermostat down and boosting insulation almost negligible.

Around the county, folks reported some bills more than double in one month. Judy Cummings of Friona said her bill went from \$68 in October to a bank draft for \$614 for December and January.

Other examples are Tommy and Bonnie Scaff of Bovina, \$145. Les McCain of Bovina reports a \$255 bill while Billy Smith's was \$186 which he reduced to \$119 by using electric heaters.

Francisco and Guadalupe Garcia of Friona's last bill was \$77 before receiving January's of \$174. Betty and R. J. Renner's doubled: \$160 in December and \$380 for January.

Several businesses reported a monthly bill over \$3,000. One gave us this monthly breakdown: October, \$686; November \$1,125; December, \$2,021; and January, \$3,076. Although this business used 100 fewer "ccs" in January, their bill increased \$1,000.

Bill Neely at Parmer County Community Hospital said the January bill for PCCH was \$3,578. The same month last year was \$850, a 420% increase. The hospital's bill in December was \$2,013.

At Prairie Acres, Jo Blackwell reports a January bill of \$2,600, up from \$1,170

in December. The only use of natural gas at Prairie Acres is for cooking and hot water heaters.

Friona Independent School District had not received their January bill at press time but they are not looking forward to receiving it. The school district's budget this year for gas heating is \$66,000.

The two previous month bills at FISD were November, \$12,952 and December, \$20,523. The total spent so far this year is \$37,659. The January bill could use up the remainder of the budget.

Friona City Manager Paula Wilson related that the city pays heating bills for city hall, the police and fire station, the community center and the Depot in city park.

Heat has to be kept on at the fire department to keep the water in the tankers from freezing. Heating can be expensive also at the large Community Center when it is in use as it was during the recent livestock shows.

Wilson said that last month's billing to the city was \$2,871. The most recent bill, received this week was for \$5,315. Even the bill for the Old Depot skyrocketed from \$20 last month to \$77 this month.

Michael Downes, superintendent at Bovina ISD says some roof work this summer has helped conserve heating in the school buildings. December's bill at BISD was \$9,933 compared to \$7,699 a year ago.

So far this school year, BISD has spent \$12,555 of a \$30,000 budget. They had not received the January billing at press time.

Local industries like Excel and Hi-Pro are also affected

processing. Steve Thompson, general manager at Excel, said the plant uses six boilers full time.

Thompson said the plant is spending about \$120,000 a week in gas usage out of a \$185,000 weekly utility by the sharp spike in gas prices.

The processing at Excel requires extensive use of heat for heating buildings, heating of water, and heat used for drying in the meat expenditure. The budget for natural gas at Excel Friona this year is \$6 million.

Higher heating costs coupled with high gasoline cost of transportation will eventually be passed through to consumers, Thompson said.

Jack Hamil, general manager of Hi-Pro in Friona, stated that natural gas costs at Hi-Pro's four plants (three in Texas and one in New Mexico) are about 2 1/2 times higher than a year ago. From (Continued on Page 6)



PETE'S BAD NEWS...Parmer County Pete, the prairie dog, who is a close cousin to the famous ground hog, Punxsutawney Phil, ventured out of his burrow Friday morning for a look around. Since Pete saw his shadow, the oldtime weather specialists maintain that our area will be blessed (?) with six more weeks of winter weather. This news may come as no surprise to most of us, what with the high natural gas bills and all.



HOW ABOUT THAT SNOW?... Caitlin Bronniman is spreading some Aggie cheer. She and her ex-Aggie Uncle David, built this "tall" snowman signaling "Gig'em" during one of our recent snow storms. She is the daughter of Bart and Leslie Bronniman of Friona.

IN RESEARCHING other winters that have had record-breaking snowfalls, Ye Editor found the stories in our files about the winters of 1955-56 and 1956-57. Those are the winters that many of us not-so-old timers recall.

I was a freshman at Texas Tech in the 1956 snow, and can remember that Lubbock got an even two feet of snow (which appears to be the amount received in these parts). I can also remember that Plainview had reported THREE FEET Oof snow in that storm.

So, we're not yet approaching record numbers in our snow total, but we need to be forewarned: we may be barely half-way through our "snow season."

This will test our mettle, if we do have six more weeks of winter, in relation to the thermostat on our heating systems! MANY AMERICANS were simply appalled by the actions and acts by Bill and Hilary Clinton on his last day(s) of presidency.

Surely by now you have heard the stories about Clinton's last-minute pardons of hundreds of felons—many of whom had not even sought a pardon or parole.

Members of the conservative-type media have discovered that one of the pardons was to "Hasidic Jews" (a term which means they fraudulently used money) in New York. It "just happened" that this was the precinct which voted overwhelmingly for Hilary Clinton in the U.S. Senate race?

Several other similar cases are under investigation at this time.

On the completion of their last trip to New York on Air Force One, the Clintons and staff members virtually stripped the plane of whatever they wanted, including dishware with the presidential seal, and several other items.

Rather than fly into the small airport nearer the Clintons' new home, they chose J.F. K. Airport so they could get one last (meaningful) ride on the big jet plane. It was said that when the plane returned to Andrews Air Force Base, it looked as though it had been stripped by a skilled band of thieves.

Same thing for the White House, where it was estimated that the Clintons left the presidential home with over \$200,000 worth of furnishings, a dubious record.

Conservative columnist Tony Snow pointed out that the Clintons even put together a bridal-registry type list which was e-mailed to supporters across the country, who have been forthcoming with another huge pile of "loot."

It was said this week that the Clintons have no conscience, no shame nor remorse. They're in a league by themselves (well, not really).

Asked to comment about Pres. Bush's nominee for Attorney General, Sen. Ashcroft, Hillary said she would vote against Ashcroft, because "you couldn't have someone in that post who would bend the law." Bend the law??? Come on, Hillary, you and your scum of a spouse have done nothing better in the past eight years than bending the law to the breaking point. As John Stossel would say "Give me a break!"

What a breath of fresh air when I turned on our TV set Thursday morning, to find Pres. Bush addressing the National Prayer Breakfast. Our new president asked for the prayers of those attending the breakfast. I don't recall Clinton ever doing this. If he did it was just about as funny as his getting counseling from Jesse Jackson about extra-marital goings-on while Jesse, himself, was busy with an affair of his own.

We are certainly looking forward to an administration that can show the country what real moral leadership looks like.

Star Lites by Bill Ellis



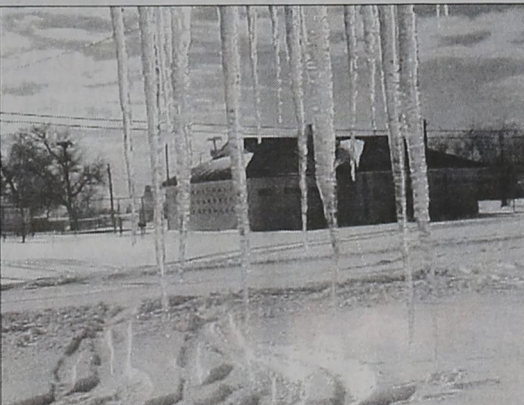
Final Notice!
Valentine Baby Photos Due Monday
Grandparents are reminded that next week is time for Friona Star's annual Valentine Baby Brag Page. Bring photos to the Star office on Monday for the Feb. 9th Valentine issue. For further info see page 6.

Hamilton Sister Is Match For Surgery

Charles Hamilton was notified Thursday afternoon that his sister Diane Hamilton of Atlanta, Ga., is a definite match for the bone marrow transplant operation which Hamilton's doctor has recommended for a hoped-for cure of his cancer diagnosis.

Earlier, the Hamiltons were informed on Monday that neither of Charles' brothers, Raymond or Alan was a match, so his sister, whose blood sample was the last one checked, was his final hope, at least from a sibling standpoint (possibilities of a match beyond the sibling stage were much less).

Hamilton's doctor in Dallas had told him earlier that if a match was found, they would try to do the surgery as soon as possible.



A COLD OUTLOOK..Long Icicles, Enough Already!

54 INCHES IS MARK Snowfall Not Yet Threat For Record

This winter's snowfall in the area, which totalled 26.5 inches as of January 31, is not yet a threat to our all-time record, which is 54 inches—but of course, there is still February to come, and in the past, February has been the month for some of the local area's worst—and biggest—snowstorms.

The current year's total is the most since 31.75 inches were received during the winter of 1996-97. In that winter's total, 7.75 inches of the total came in April—and past the 15th at that. (The figures listed here are from records of Parmer County's official weather recording station at Friona. Bill Ellis has served as the official recorder for the past 14 years.)

One of the biggest snowstorms recorded locally

produced 26 inches of snow on the first week in February, 1956. The snow fell on a Friday and Saturday, and travelers were stranded in Friona for several days.

Although estimated at 26 inches, many snowdrifts were recorded of at least six feet.

The following year, in March of 1957, the local area had virtually a repeat performance—coming six weeks later than the previous year.

The 1956-57 winter is the record-holder for snow, with 54 inches, according to the National Weather Service. The previous winter, '55-'56, produced 51 inches of snow in the local area.

Many longtime residents can also remember the "Easter Storm" of March 27-28, 1970.

That storm, which paralyzed the entire Panhandle, only measured eight inches, but came as a blinding blizzard.

Two small children of Luis Rodrigues froze to death as they left their stranded car, attempting to find help, in southern Parmer County.

Motorists were stranded all across the area. Thirty motorists spent the night at the Hub Store, another 30 at Black Mercantile, 27 at the Fleming Gin office and another dozen at the Hub Community Center. Clay's Corner store also harbored travelers.

Hundreds of cattle died as a result of the storm.

In the 1956 snowstorm, Friona's two motels, and the old Friona Hotel were filled up Friday through Sunday with travellers who had to just "stay put." Those stranded were from places such as Ohio, Nebraska, Michigan, Arizona, Illinois, Minnesota, New York, Kansas and Missouri.

One family from North Dakota, complained bitterly about the weather, saying "This is just too far south for you to have this kind of snow!"

In the '56 storm, the temperature dropped below freezing, and stayed there for several days. With the windy

conditions, the powdery snow reduced visibility to as low as 20 feet, another deterrent to traveling.

The county and the Texas Highway Department were not nearly as well equipped to handle large snowfalls as they are today, and as a result the resumption of highway travel took longer.

School was dismissed in Friona for a week in the 1956 storm.

The 1957 storm apparently was accompanied by more wind than the large snow of the previous year. Drifts as high as 12 feet were reported by the Friona Star in its issue of March 28, 1957.

Two groups of Friona students had gone to Amarillo on the previous Saturday. One group was the "Trebelaires," directed by Eva Miller, who went to Amarillo Air Force Base to perform. Also, the late J.T. Gee, who was Vocational Agriculture teacher at Friona, had his group of "Farm Skills Demonstration team" making a television appearance on KGNC-TV that afternoon.

Mr. Gee and his vo-agg boys tried to return home, getting as far as Hereford. Gee then was able to call a member of the Trebelaires' group and advised them to stay in Amarillo. They were not able to return to Friona until Monday.

Also in the '57 storm, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Skinner, who lived a few miles east of Friona, tried to return home Saturday evening, but became stuck in their automobile after dark. They ran their car heater off and on, and finally, a younger man, Charles Beaton, came by in a pickup.

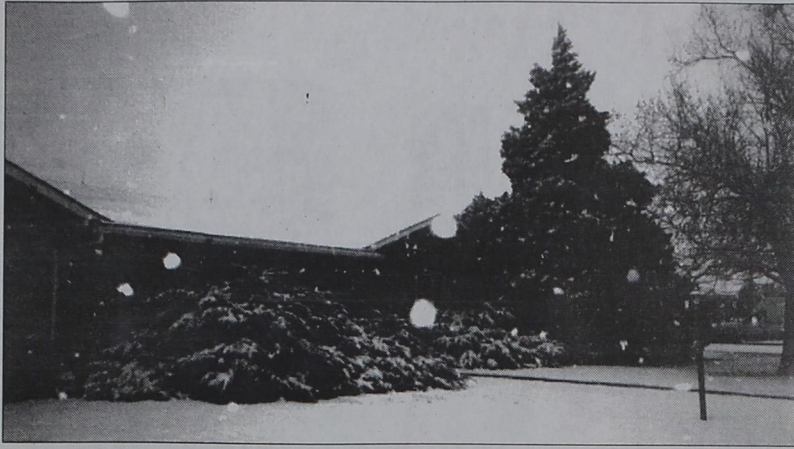
Beaton loaded the stranded couple in his truck, but after making only about a mile, the pickup-truck became stuck, and the threesome spent the rest of the night there, without any heat and only a quilt between them. It was 1:30 p.m. on Sunday before the couple was reached. The woman was hospitalized overnight for shock and exposure.

Another Friona couple, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Miller, became stranded in their car about 10 miles southeast of Friona. They had plenty of gas, and ran their motor and

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LARGEST SNOW TOTALS GIVEN

1955-56	54"
1956-57	51"
1996-97	31.75"
1969-1970	31"
1992-93	27.00"
2000-01	26.50"



CATCHING A SNOWFLAKE in mid-air was not difficult for our Star digital camera during last Sunday's third snow storm of the winter. Temperatures are expected to rise to the 50s and 60s the next few days, accompanied by some needed sunshine.
photo by carol ellis

Around Town

Trees still available for sale

The Parmer County Soil and Water Conservation Office is still taking tree orders. Some trees have already sold out, so if you are interested please call Misti at 250-2220 or stop by the office at 1306 West 9th in Friona. Business hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Seniors board meeting

The Friona Senior Citizens will have a board of directors meeting on Tuesday, Feb 6 at 4 p.m. The meeting will be at Friendship House and all seniors are welcome to attend.

St. Teresa's Mexican dinner Mar 4

The ladies organization at St. Teresa's Catholic Church will host their annual Mexican dinner on Sunday, Mar 4, at the church's parish hall. Donations are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 10.

Basketball video replays

Saturday mornings at 10 a.m. you can watch Friona Chieftain-Squaw basketball games on Classic Cable channel 6 or WT Services channel 76. The video replays are provided by Mike Hutson and Clint Mears.

Oklahoma Lane Methodist anniversary

The Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church will celebrate its 75th anniversary on Sun, Mar 4, 2001. There will be a 10 a.m. worship service. The noon meal will be catered, donations accepted. Guest speakers and special music 1:30-4 p.m. RSVP the number attending by Feb 15 to Alma Pierson, Rt 1 Box 26A, Farwell 79325, 806-225-6822, or Doris Sides, Rt 1 Box 96, Farwell, 79325, 806-825-3500.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Bill,
In an era during which agencies argue about who is responsible for what, it is refreshing to see an instance of community spirit and cooperation.

When we got to school Monday morning, parking lots, streets and sidewalks were cleared of the weekend snow. I'm not very smart, but to me that says that someone had to be working on his/her day off. How refreshing!

I learned that it was largely due to the efforts of some FISD and Parmer County employees that this happened. To them I say a big "THANK YOU." It may have been decided by the powers-that-be that it is the responsibility of the county guys to clean off the hospital parking lot because it is a county facility, but I think they have gone out of their way to clean the school parking lots and city streets around the schools.

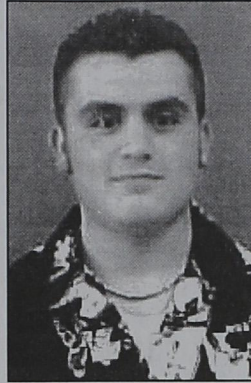
Again, thanks to Kirk Frye and the "county boys" and Friona ISD employees, Kenny Austin and Mary Stone.

Sincerely,
Cheryl Weatherly
P.S., Bill, since Dad has been relatively quiet for awhile, I thought I needed to stir things up a little!

Local Baby Boy Was Buried Here Tuesday

Funeral mass for Luis Alfredo Barraza-Lopez, an infant, was held Tuesday, January 30, 2001 at St. Teresa's Catholic Church with Father Ed Sweeney officiating. Burial followed at Friona Cemetery under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

A rosary was also held at 7 p.m. Monday, January 29, at St. Teresa's. Luis was born January



ADRIAN SILVA A. Silva Is Employed At Hi-Pro

By ADRIAN SILVA
I am the eighteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Moises and Edelmira Silva. I am a senior at Friona High School.

This is also my second year of being enrolled in the Marketing Education Program.

As a student in the Marketing Education Program, I have learned many valuable skills. I have learned responsibility in keeping a job and also maintaining good grades. I feel that being involved in this program is one step closer to prepare me for the future.

In conclusion, I would like to thank my supervisor, Mark Osborn, for allowing me to work at Hi-Pro Feeds.

12, 2001 in Amarillo to Maria Lopez and Jose Barraza. He passed away Sunday, January 28, 2001 at Northwest Texas Hospital.

Survivors include his parents of Friona; two brothers, Lorenzo and Jose Barraza of Friona; and grandparents, Guillermo and Refugio Barraza and Ramon and Virginia Lopez, all of Mexico.

FRIONA FLASHBACKS

...from the files of The Friona Star

55 Yrs Ago--Feb. 1, 1946

During the latter part of last week, F.L. Bandy of Clarendon purchased the "Helpy-Selfy Laundry" and took immediate charge of it. The laundry was purchased from a Mr. Lee, who several months earlier, purchased the business from Rev. E.E. Houlette, who originated the business several years ago.

50 Yrs Ago--Feb. 1, 1951

Evidently records were shattered in the Friona vicinity last night, with temperatures of from 12-22 degrees below zero. From three to four inches of snow fell on Tuesday, but it was very dry, only adding to the treacherous conditions of the roads. Reports were given of water pipes freezing--many for the first time in history.

40 Yrs Ago--Feb. 2, 1961

Friona Country Club's membership drive was kicked off Tuesday morning with several teams of men contacting prospective members in hopes of construction on the proposed club house and nine hole golf course. Land has been purchased and engineering completed on the project.

35 Yrs Ago--Feb. 3, 1966

A contested race developed for the Democratic Primary May 8 in the local justice of the peace office. Filing for the position was Mrs. Ben McDonald. Office holder and incumbent is Walter Loveless, who was previously announced for reelection.

30 Yrs Ago--Feb. 4, 1971

Roy Beardain, 68, was found shot to death at his home at 1205 Washington in Friona Wednesday morning. Peace officers were holding Beardain's son, Rex, in connection with the shooting, and funeral arrangements were pending Wednesday afternoon. Officers said the elder Beardain had been shot with a 22-caliber pistol. He was pronounced dead at the

scene by Frances Euler, justice of the peace.

25 Yrs Ago--Feb. 1, 1976

The Friona Nursing Home continued to take shape this week as framing continued at a good pace and walls went up on the first wing. Good weather also assisted, after the week had a cold start, with temperatures in the 60's for the past three days.

A new business is coming to Friona, it was announced this week by Henry Bishop and Max Jones, and will open on Monday, February 2. The business will be known as Robertson Electric, and will be located on West Highway 60 in the building formerly occupied by Friona Feed Co.

20 Yrs Ago--Feb. 1, 1981

A reception to honor former Parmer County Sheriff, Charles Lovelace, has been scheduled for February 1, at the Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church in Farwell, with the entire population of Parmer County invited to attend.

Modern Study Club presented a check to Parmer County Community Hospital in the amount of \$4,100 which was the proceeds from the club's annual "Project Christmas Card".

15 Yrs Ago--Feb. 2, 1986

A Friona teenager, Lisa DeWeese, 13, has been hospitalized in Amarillo this week following an early morning fire which trapped her in her bedroom for several minutes Monday. She suffered second degree burns over 20 percent of her body. She also suffered smoke inhalation, which gave her 25 per cent carbon monoxide poisoning. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glendel Jones of Friona.

The Friona Area United Way campaign went over its 1985 goal, having collected \$13,297.23, which amounted to 105 per cent of its goal.

10 Yrs Ago--Feb. 2, 1991

The temperature varied by 47 degrees from a high

point to low point in Friona during the past week, although that was almost accomplished in a 24-hour period from Monday to Tuesday morning. Monday's high was 59, but by 8 a.m. Tuesday morning, the mercury had dropped to a frigid 13 degrees, and the wind chill was registering minus 14 thanks to a stiff breeze.

5 Yrs Ago--Feb. 3, 1996

A pickup stolen in Sudan and occupied by four juveniles was finally stopped east of Friona on Thursday, January 25, after a lengthy chase by Parmer County law officials. The youths sped through Bovina doing 60mph in a 40mph zone. Using the Friona center turn lane, the pickup sped through town at speeds of 90mph.

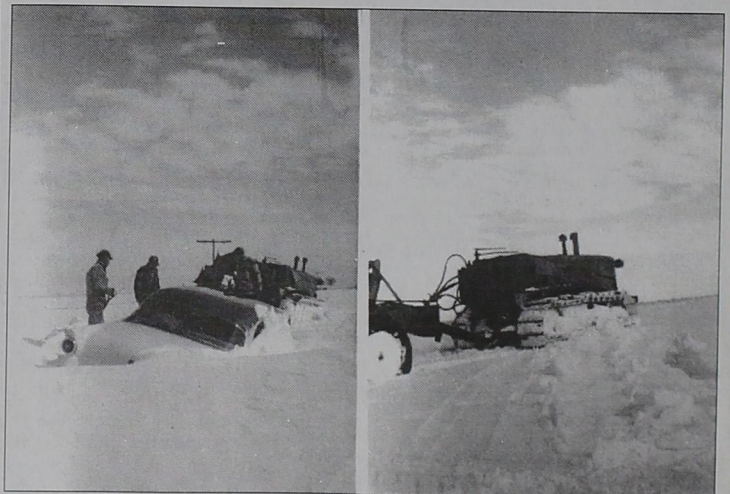


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Remember When??

Snowstorms From The Past Are Remembered

(See Page 1 Story for More Details)



THE 1956 BLIZZARD is remembered by many residents as one of the worst to ever hit the area. Two feet of snow fell, and six-foot drifts were common. Travelers were stranded in Friona for a number of days. The photos shown here were taken by a younger Bill Ellis, showing a Caterpillar-type tractor trying to get a vehicle, then a tractor, dislodged from a barrow ditch. As you can tell, the drifting snow had almost covered the stuck automobile.

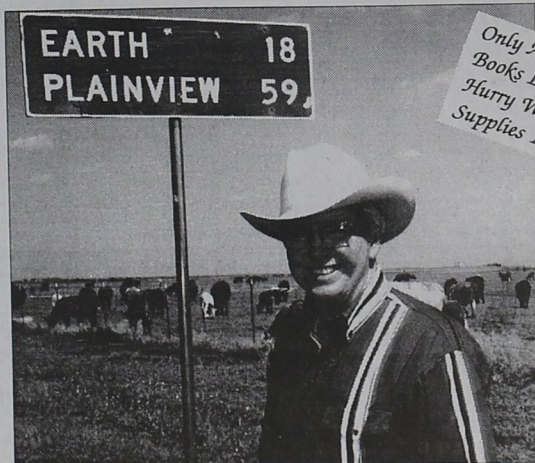


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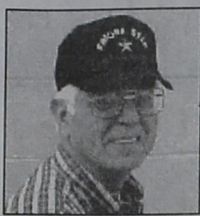
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Out Here

By RON CARR

"Old Fogey and Whippersnappers"

Put me down as a fogey. I am not ready to be called an "old fogey" yet because I am not ready to be old. Just a fogey.

I realized that I had moved to fogey status last Sunday. Maybe you remember. We were snowed in again. It was Super Bowl Sunday. (It is a good thing my TV doesn't run on natural gas.)

Somewhere in the middle of the afternoon I was screaming at the TV (cabin fever, you know). "JUST GET ON WITH THE GAME," I shouted. "I don't want to see anymore of the pre-game stuff. JUST PLAY THE GAME."

One more interview with Ray Lewis, or one more condescending lecture from Ravens coach Brian Billick and I figured I would run screaming barefoot through the snowdrifts.

I realized I was a fogey right about half-time of the game. For the 10th consecutive year, I was not able to understand one word they sang during a Super Bowl halftime show.

That is pretty depressing. The only song I understood was Ray Charles and "America The Beautiful" before the game. Of course Ray is a fogey too.

I also realized that it ain't all bad to become a fogey. Let the young whippersnappers have some fun too. We'll try to stay out of the way.

I can remember when I was young and didn't want to do something in particular, that sometimes an adult would say to us, "don't be an old fogey." It was as if an old

fogey was a bad thing. Often a person who I thought was an old fogey would refer to us as a "young whippersnapper." That didn't have a nice ring to it either.

My Webster's Ninth New Collegiate defines fogey as: "a person with old-fashioned ideas, usually used with 'old' as in old fogey." It was first used around 1780. The origin is unknown.

The Webster's says that whippersnapper means: "a diminutive, insignificant, or presumptuous person." It was first used in 1700.

So I guess a diminutive, insignificant, presumptuous person with old-fashioned ideas is an old fogey whippersnapper. That's pretty much me.

I like old-fashioned ideas. I attended Super Bowl VI at the Orange Bowl in Miami in 1971. I was in a 50-yard-line seat when Jim O'Brien kicked the winning field goal to beat the Cowboys.

I watched as Bob Lilly threw his helmet in disgust. It sailed as high as the stadium and landed around midfield. I can't remember exactly but I think a couple of college bands marched at halftime.

No Michael Jackson, Butt-Head Surfers, or Third Eye Blind howling through the fake smoke in indistinguishable tones they pass off as music.

In those days, the Super Bowl started around 1 p.m. That was before television and corporate America took over the game and made it a billion dollar event, beyond the wallet of most average football fans.

Tickets to the 1971 game cost \$25. In 2001 they cost \$350-\$450 face value. Corporations buy up most tickets today and scalpers seem to have the rest.

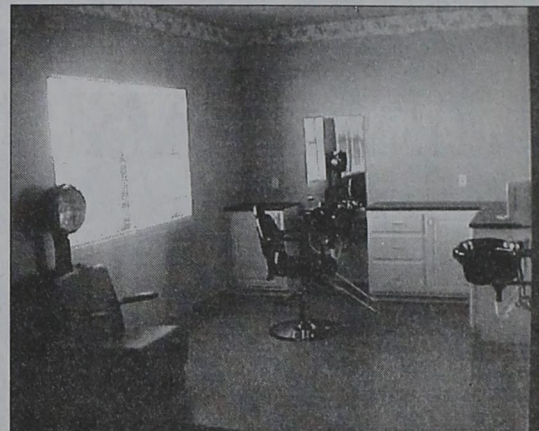
I don't need pre-, during and post-game festivities. I can't get interested in two teams whose players will all be playing for somebody else next year.

I don't need post game

interviews with players who make millions a year and have a vocabulary of about 10 words.

Millions of those young whippersnappers had a ball though. This is America in the year 2001. Most things have already passed us fogeys by.

Maybe being an old fogey won't be so bad. I'll let you know if I don't forget. rc



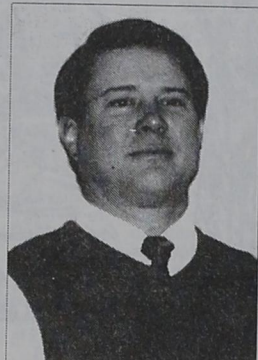
J. Koenig Is Promoted At DSEC

Jerry Koenig was recently promoted to the position of manager of engineering services for Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative. He previously served as technical operations foreman.

In his new position, Koenig will direct and supervise the DSEC engineering department. The position also includes monitoring substation loads and forecasting future load developments.

Koenig joined DSEC in 1977 and began his career as a groundman. Subsequently, he has held several positions including journeyman line-man, construction foreman and basket truck foreman.

A Deaf Smith County native, Koenig is a 1977 graduate of Hereford High School. He received an associate of science degree in electrical utilities technology from Amarillo College.



JERRY KOENIG

Koenig's community activities include having served as Whiteface Kiwanis' Club president. He is also serving as a member of the City of Hereford's electrical examiners board.

He and his wife, Brenda, are the parents of three children, Tiffany, Christopher and Michael. The Koenigs are members of St. Anthony's Church of Hereford.

HERITAGE ESTATES, the assisted living center at Prairie Acres, will be opening in a few weeks. Workers and inspectors are busy putting the finishing touches on the facility. Top is a view of the attractive entry lobby complete with fireplace. Below is the beauty shop for residents. Administrator Jo Blackwell says room selections are available now and the waiting list is open again. Rhonda Bentley has been hired as housing manager. Construction on the 16-unit facility was begun in October, 1999. Two of the units are designed for couples. Anyone interested in donating artwork would be welcome. For information call Jo Blackwell or Deb Hendley at 250-3922.

2001 Tahoes, Pickups & Suburbans Arriving Daily!

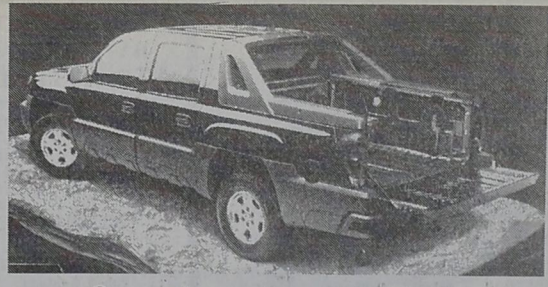
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Facts About The **BIBLE** BY JOHN LEHTI

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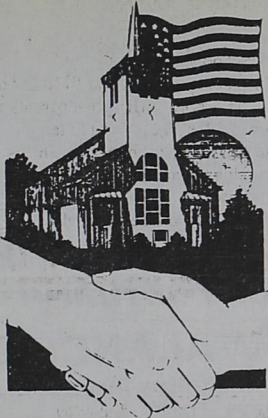
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Girls' District B.B. Standings

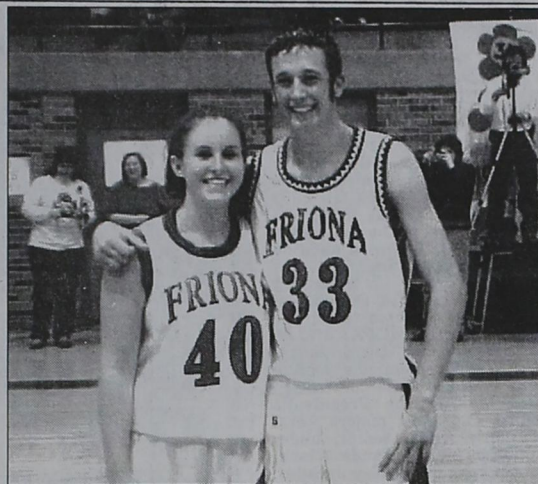
(Through Games of 1-30-01)

Team	All	Dist
Friona	21-7	9-2
H. Center	16-10	7-3
Floydada	18-8	6-4
Abernathy	14-12	6-4
Olton	10-13	4-6
Lockney	17-12	4-7
Morton	5-17	0-10

Boys' District B.B. Standings

(Through Games of 1-16-01)

Team	All	Dist
Hale Centr	21-5	7-1
Lockney	15-11	7-2
Abernathy	14-9	6-3
Floydada	14-11	4-4
Friona	8-15	3-6
Morton	8-15	2-6
Olton	4-16	1-8



BASKETBALL ROYALTY...Honored as Basketball Queen and King at Tuesday's game were Kristie Jack and Zach Barrett. Both are seniors on their team. (ron carr photo)

CLINCH PLAYOFFS

Squaws Take Vital Win Over Floydada

by BILL ELLIS

The Friona High School Squaws scored a vital win over visiting Floydada Tuesday night, 51-45, clinching a playoff berth, and staying in the lead for the district championship.

The Squaws used excellent starts in both halves of the game, to take and keep control of the contest.

The Lady 'Winds, who came into the game at 6-3 and 18-7 for the season, enjoyed only two leads, at 4-2 and 5-4. But they were a physical and talented team, with fans sensing they had the "stuff" to win, had not the Squaws stayed in control of their game.

Coach Richard North praised the good defensive job that his team turned in. Friona's outstanding defensive play sparked the offense at times.

"We needed to play hard defense, because we missed some shots down the stretch, including several free throws. The Squaws came into the fourth quarter having hit seven of eight at the line, but fell off to five of 12 in the final two minutes.

Kayla Smiley started the seniors' last home game with a pair of shots from each corner. Floydada took their only leads after just 2:05 of play.

But V'Laura Wilcox and Kristie Jack were two of two at the line to put Friona back on top at 8-5. Miss Jack added a jump shot at the 58-second mark for a 10-5 lead, and Amy Murphree swished the net from the free throw line with five seconds left to give the Squaws a 12-5 lead.

The tenacious FHS defense had held the visitors scoreless over the last 4:13 of clock time.

But Floydada showed that they could also put points up, as they scored the first five points of quarter #2, pulling within 12-10. Mandy Daniel ended Friona's scoring drought with a basket at the 4:31 mark, and a minute later, Audra King swished a three-pointer for a 17-12 Friona lead.

Miss King hit a second "trey" 2:16 before halftime for an 18-13 lead, and after the 'Winds cut the lead to 21-20, Holley Hand and Miss Wilcox each scored, allowing Friona to enjoy a 25-21 halftime lead.

Miss Smiley, who had received her third foul just two minutes into the second quarter, came out with a



LOGJAM AT THE BASKET...Kayla Smiley (in white at the right) knocked the ball loose as most of her teammates get involved. Also visible are V'Laura Wilcox (23), Jacy Grimsley (10) and Holley Hand (32). The Squaws beat Floydada, 51-45. (ron carr photo)

mission in the third quarter. She hit a turning jump shot, and another from the side, for a 29-26 Friona lead.

Kayla then was two for two at the line, and then got a follow-up for a 33-28 edge. For the quarter, she had scored all of Friona's points.

Tara Williams converted a three-point play to start the fourth quarter, and remind the Squaws it was still a game at 33-32.

That may have been the reminder Friona needed. Miss Daniel added a three-point (basket+free shot) and two trips later added a short jump shot, for a 38-32 Friona edge.

Miss Jack was two-for-two at the line, and when Miss

Smiley scored off the feed from Miss King, Friona had taken a 42-32 lead. The defense had held the visitors scoreless for 3:07 of clock time.

Floydada scored five quick points for a 44-39 score, but Miss Wilcox went two for four at the line for a 46-39 lead with only 1:29 left to play.

Jessica Castaneda made a long three-pointer to give Floydada hope at 47-43 with 55.7 seconds left, but Misses King and Smiley were perfect at the line as the Lady 'Winds were forced to foul in the final seconds.

Miss Smiley led with 18 points, all coming from (Continued on Page 6)

Garcia Makes Amends; Chieftains Win, 40-39

A month ago when the teams first met at Floydada, Chieftain senior Jerry Garcia went to the line with seven seconds left to play and FHS nursing a three-point lead.

Garcia missed both shots in that game, and Floydada's Tyler Helms made a half-court three-pointer, and the Whirlwinds stole the win in overtime.

The memory of that earlier faux-pas must have made the Chieftain forward concentrate all the harder Tuesday night.

With Friona trailing for practically the first time all night, 39-38 and three seconds left on the clock, Garcia was again fouled as he attempted a shot.

Garcia avenged his earlier misses by cleanly sinking both shots Tuesday, but then had to watch as once again Helms launched a "Hail Mary" shot at the buzzer. But this time, the Whirlwind star's shot bounced harmlessly away, allowing Friona to take the 40-39 win.

Aside for just a few early instances, Friona had held the lead throughout Tuesday's game, though admittedly they never held more than a five-point edge. Mostly, it was a back-and-forth game between two teams hoping to salvage some pride from disappointing seasons.

- OHS 52, CHIEFS 41**
Cason White 2-2-6; Nathan Haile 4-2*-0-14; Matthew Mata 1-2*-0-5; Andy Carthel 0-0-0; Adam Bandy 0-0-0; Jerry Garcia 2-1-5; Trevor Fields 0-0-0; Zack Barrett 4-0-8; John Fitzgerald 0-0-0; Charlie Saiz 1-1-3.

- CHIEFS 40, FLYD 39**
White 1-0-2; Haile 4-1*-2-13; Mata 4-1*-2-13; Bandy 2-0-4; Fields 0-0-; Garcia 1-2-4; Barrett 2-0-4; Saiz 0-0-0.

J.V. Chiefs Win Pair Of Games

The Chieftains' junior varsity won both of their starts in the past week, polishing off Olton, 47-19 last Friday, and then beating Floydada, 62-46 Tuesday at home.

Michael Johnston hit a pair of three-point baskets and Heath Gammon sank seven of eight free throws to pace Friona's win at Olton. Johnston took game scoring honors with 10, Gammon had nine, and Chris Wiseman added eight.

On Tuesday, the JV Chiefs were off to a 16-8 start, and added a 16-6 fourth quarter edge to take the win. Johnston again sizzled, with four three-pointers at 16 points. Gammon took scoring honors with 17, Wiseman had 12 and Andy Carthel 10.

- CHIEFS JV 47, OHS 19**
Michael Johnston 2-2*-0-10; Marc Haile 1-0-2; Micah White 1-0-2; Chris Wiseman 2-4-8; Heath Gammon 1-7-9; Andy Carthel 0-3-3; Brian Wiseman 3-1-7; Chris Ureste 0-1-1; Chance Hutson 0-1-1; Lorenzo Villa 2-0-4.

- CHIEFS JV 62, FLYD 46**
Johnston 2-4*-0-16; C. Wiseman 4-4-12; Villa 1-0-2; Gammon 6-5-17; Carthel 5-0-10; Ureste 0-2-2; Hutson 1-1-3. *3-point baskets.

Trailing 9-6, the Chieftains went on an 8-0 tear when Nathan Haile sank a put-back, Adam Bandy stole the ball and drove for a basket, and Matthew Mata zapped a three-pointer, giving Friona a 14-9 lead.

Floydada's Porter (24) nailed a three-point basket for the Whirlwinds with the clock running down, for a 14-12 first quarter score. The teams missed more shots than they hit in the second quarter. Friona had some frustrating misses, and could hit only two of eight from the line. Haile contributed a long three-pointer, as the Chiefs went to intermission with a slim 23-22 edge.

Haile's pair of baskets, sandwiched around a steal by Mata which he turned into a basket let Friona maintain its slim lead, which was 32-30 after three.

Mata added a jump shot, then a layup off a nice move, giving Friona a little breathing room at 38-33 with just 3:36 left in the game.

Floydada responded, scoring six unanswered points, and the error-prone Chieftains found themselves trailing 39-38—the first time in the second half. Only 1:14 remained.

The 'Winds made a couple of bad mistakes in the last 26 seconds, resulting in Garcia being at the line with his chance for redemption. Two weeks earlier, Garcia (Continued on Page 6)

J.V. Girls Split Pair; Have 10-10 Record

Friona's JV Squaws whacked Olton, 33-28 at Olton last Friday, but fell to Floydada 44-36 here Tuesday. The team takes a 10-10 season record into their season finale at Abernathy next Tuesday.

Mandy Geris was a consistent scorer at Olton, getting ten points in the first half and eight in the second, to take game scoring honors with 18 points.

The Squaws JV led Floydada, 11-6 at the end of the first quarter, as V'Lesha Wilcox scored eight first-period points. But the scoring fell off in the second quarter, and the Friona team trailed 20-15 at the half.

Miss Wilcox scored 14 and Miss Geris nine for Friona.

- Floydada 44, SQUAWS JV 36**
Mandy Geris 1-1*-4-9; Lindsey North 1*-0-4; Veronica Torres 1-1-3; V'Lesha Wilcox 6-2-14; R.J. Barrett 1-0-2; Ashley Smiley 1-2-4.

- SQUAWS JV 33, OHS 28**
Betsy Clark 1-0-2; Geris 8-1-18; Amber Widner 2-1-5; Wilcox 3-0-6; Smiley 2-0-4.

Friona I.S.D. February, 2001 Calendar of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Project R.E.D 3:15 & 7:00 - Kindergarten 4:00 & 6:30 - First Ag. Day - K-4 - Community Center District BB Tournament G @ Lockney B @ Floydada	2 Last day of Scholastic Book Fair El Paso Stock Show Speech at Tascosa	3 Friona Youth BB Tryouts - HS Gym 3 rd & 4 th graders 9:00 -10:00 5 th & 6 th 10:00-11:00 JH District BB Tournament G @ Lockney B @ Floydada El Paso Stock Show Speech at Tascosa
4	5 El Paso Stock Show DECA @ Wichita Falls	6 Special Ed TAAS Field Test El Paso Stock Show DECA @ Wichita Falls BB G&B @ Abernathy	7 Special Ed. TAAS Field Test El Paso Stock Show CX Debate - Friona United Methodist Church	8 Special Ed. TAAS Field Test El Paso Stock Show BB Boys @ Hale Center Speech @ Canyon Baseball - Muleshoe - Here Elem. Jump for Heart 4:00-6:00 Elem. Gym	9 Early Dismissal Grades EE-1st - 1:30 Grades 2 nd - 12 th - 2:00 End of 4 th Sbx Wks. El Paso Stock Show San Antonio Stock Show ACT HS - Cafeteria	10 ACT-HS Cafeteria San Antonio Stock Show
11	12 Holiday San Antonio Stock Show	13 Begin 5 th Sbx Weeks Boys Basketball vs Morton @ Friona San Antonio Stock Show	14 San Antonio Stock Show	15 REPORT CARDS San Antonio Stock Show Var. Baseball @ Hereford 2:30	16 Junior Roc Ragueous Rally Assembly - Grades 1-2-3 Junior High Dance San Antonio Stock Show Festival Romanico @ ENMU	17 Baseball @ Sanford Fritch
18	19	20 8 th Grade TAAS Writing TAAS Exit Level Writing Test	21 Primary and Elem. Parent Conferences Grades EE thru 5th will not attend school today. TAAS Exit Level Math Test	22 TAAS Exit Level Reading Test	23 Roc Ragueous Rally Assembly Grades 2 nd thru 5 th grade AM Grades 6 th - 7 th & 8 th -1:30 Region I FCCLA Competition Baseball @ Littlefield	24 Region I FCCLA Competition Baseball @ Dalhart Track @ Randall Band Solo & Ensemble @ WTAMU
25	26 Headstart and Kindergarten - Amarillo Stephen Fite Concert All-day UIL Directors Meeting @ Plainview JV Baseball vs Dimmitt - H	27 Baseball vs Dimmitt @ Friona	28	March 1 Primary - Spring Individual and group pictures. 8:30		

Meet Friona's Class of 2013

Sawyer Lyn Osborn is a kindergartner at Friona Schools. His parents are Matt and Jo Jo Osborn. His brother is Sterling. His grandparents are Joy Osborn and Joel and Martha Lytal. He likes playing outside with his friends and watching cartoons. His favorite foods are steak fingers and pizza and his favorite color is black.

Friona Texas Federal Credit Union



PILES & PILES & PILES of snow are everywhere in Friona. For this snowfall, more Good Samaritans came out with graders and frontloaders to clear parking lots. Melting has already begun. *ron carr photo*

Locals Complain About Bills

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December 1999 to December 2000, gas bills at the Friona plant have doubled.

Hamil said that they have not received their January billing but anticipated the same percentage of increase that others report. With large

grain customers, such as dairies, Hi-Pro has contracts that extend to September, prohibiting the company from passing on increases at this time.

Help is available to qualified families with high Energas bills through Panhandle Community

Services. Local PCS representative Stella Devers operates the PCS office in Dimmitt.

Devers says she is in Friona on the first three Mondays of each month from 1-3 p.m. at the MHRM office on 7th Street across from city hall. Or she can be reached by phone at 806-647-3244.

Panhandle Community Services pays one-half of an eligible family's gas bill. Also, Energas has donated \$1,500 to PCS to be used in Parmer County for people whose income is too high to qualify for other assistance. The Energas grant allows PCS to pay \$100 toward a bill.

Devers said that individuals interested in assistance can make an appointment with her at the Dimmitt office. PCS also has programs for HUD rental assistance and to weatherize homes with replacement heaters or for people who do not have a heater.

As an example, a family of four with income less than \$21,313 can qualify for assistance with half of their gas bill.

Those in the know say that natural gas prices will come down but the consensus is that the era of cheap gas prices is over.

Area Students Make WIAM Honors Lists

More than 1,200 West Texas A&M University students were named to the honors lists for the fall 2000 semester. Of that total, 317 were named to the President's List and 910 earned mention on the Dean's List.

Students earning President's List recognition achieved a semester grade point average (GPA) of 3.85 (of a possible 4.0) or better with a minimum class load of 12 undergraduate hours.

Making the President's List and their majors were: Jimmy Arias, senior, undeclared major; Tonda Clark, senior, reading; Kay Jackson, senior, mathematics; Jose Vega, sports/exercise sciences; and Kayla Wyly, sophomore, computer info systems.

Dean's List honorees achieved GPAs between 3.25 and 3.85 with a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

Those listed on the Dean's List included: Adrian Cruz, freshman, engineering technology; Wesley Drake, senior, engineering technology; Angela Fitzgerald, freshman, mass communications/public relations; Melissa Lewis, senior, general business/marketing; Tyson Neill, freshman, pre-physical therapy; and Lacy Venhaus, junior, mathematics.

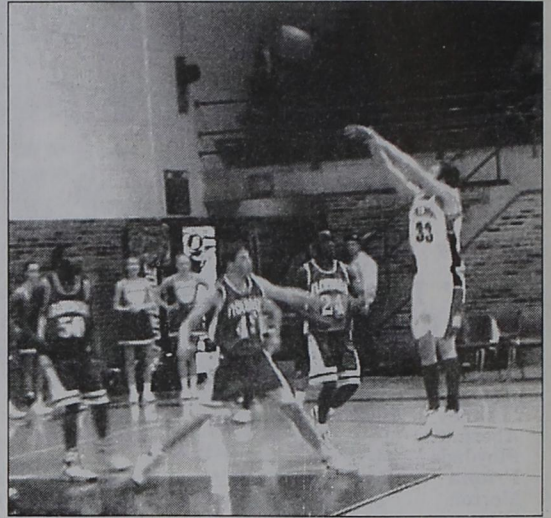
Chiefs Win...

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had grabbed Haile's last-second "air ball" and flipped it in the basket allowing Friona to beat Abernathy, 42-41. So, in fairness to the Chieftain senior, he was 2-1 in "game saving situations."

"Way to go, Jerry! The Chieftains couldn't get control last Friday at Olton, and suffered a 52-41 loss. Friona had beaten the Mustangs by about that margin in their earlier game at Friona.

Haile had a good offensive game for the Chiefs. He had ten points at the half, including a pair of three-point goals, but was Friona's only player in double-figures with 14 points. Barrett scoring eight.



ZACH ATTACK....Chieftain senior Zack Barrett takes a shot against Floydada Tuesday. The Chieftains won the game on two free throws by Jerry Garcia with three seconds left. *(ron carr)*

Immunization Clinics Set Here In February

Immunization clinics offering vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases are scheduled for February throughout several Panhandle communities.

Protection will be against polio, diphtheria, lock-jaw

Squaws Win...

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outside or at the line except for one follow-up shot.

At Olton last Friday, the Squaws' bench got to see a lot of action, and the team still posted a 57-17 win, their biggest margin of the season.

Kristie Jack led the scoring with 17; Miss Smiley had 14, and Amy Murphree ten.

SQUAWS 57, OHS 17

Jacy Grimsley 0-0-0; Audra King 1*-0-3; Kahlie Ingram 0-0-0; V!Laura Wilcox 2-3-7; Amy Murphree 5-0-10; Kayla Smiley 6-2-14; Holley Hand 0-0-0; Mandy Daniel 3-0-6; Kristie Jack 5-7-17.

SQUAWS 51, Flyd. 45

Grimsley 0-0-0; King 2*-2-8; Wilcox 1-5-7; Murphree 1-0-2; Smiley 7-4-18; Hand 1-0-2; Daniel 3-1-7; Jack 1-5-7.

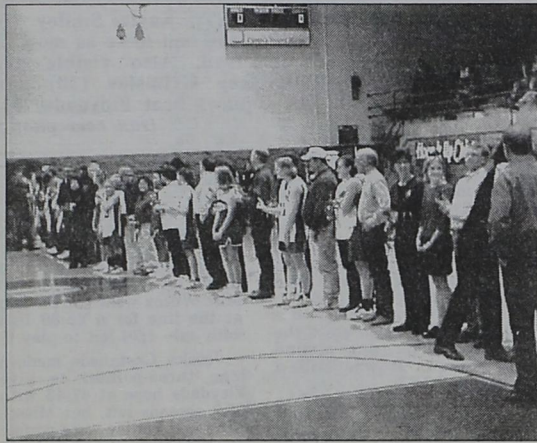
(tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (Haemophilus Influenzae Type B) and varicella (chicken pox).

The Texas Department of Health is charging fees to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount of money charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability of the individual or family to pay, however, no one will be turned away if not able to pay.

Additionally, flu shots will also be available at the clinics to be given to the general public. Those considered to be in a high-risk category should seek to be immunized as soon as possible. This would include anyone over the age of 65 and anyone with a chronic medical condition.

The vaccinations will be available at the WIC Office, 607 Main Street, Friona, Friday, February 16 from 9-11:30 a.m. and 1-3:45 p.m.

Vaccinations will also be administered at the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Office, 109 East Third Street in Bovina, Monday, February 12 from 10 a.m.-12 noon and 1-3 p.m.




PARENTS' NIGHT....FHS basketball players lined up with their parents during ceremonies Tuesday between games. Cheerleaders and their parents were also honored.

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Four Graduate From WIAMU

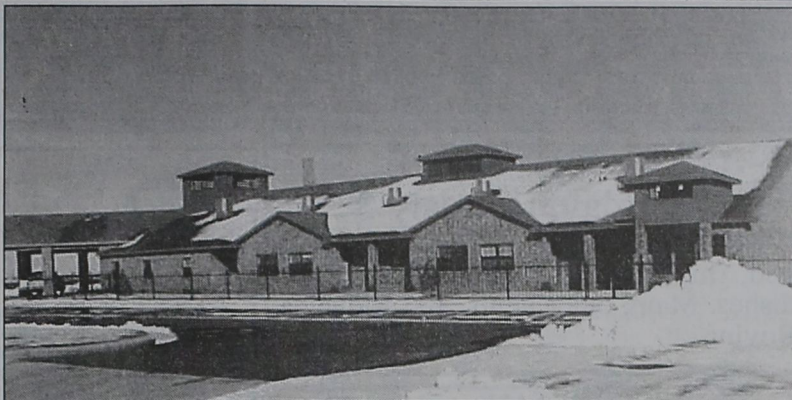
Degrees were officially conferred on 380 West Texas A&M University graduates at December 15 commencement ceremonies at Cal Farley Coliseum in Amarillo.

The university awarded 325 baccalaureate and 55 master's degrees.

Graduates with an overall grade point average of 3.50 or higher were recognized as honor graduates and were eligible to wear gold honor cords. The three levels of recognition are Summa Cum Laude (3.90-4.00), Magna Cum Laude (3.75-3.89) and Cum Laude (3.50-3.74).

The graduating class represented three countries, ten states and 53 Texas cities and towns.

Area students and their majors include: Rebecca Fant, master of science in nursing; Melissa Lewis, bachelor of science, criminal justice; Charlotte Procter, bachelor of general studies; and Katy Weatherly (cum laude), bachelor of science, interdisciplinary.



Snowfall....

(Continued from Page 1) heater the rest of the night. Fortunately, Miller thought to get out of the car every so often to make sure snow or ice had not covered the exhaust pipe.

Friona Star writer June Floyd wrote a lengthy article that filled almost an entire newspaper page about the adventures dealing with the '57 storm.

FRIONA'S assisted living center, Heritage Estates, is nearing completion. Grand opening is expected in about a month. Reservations are being taken now for residents. For info call Jo or Deb at 250-3922.



HOWDY, HEIDI....A troupe from the Dallas Children's Theater Center presented Heidi on Tuesday. Their next stop was Dumas. ron carr photo

Mexican Dinner Slated

The ladies organization of St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Friona is making plans for their annual Mexican dinner.

The dinner will be on Sunday, March 4, at the Parish Hall of St. Teresa's.

The menu will consist of enchiladas, tacos, beans, rice, hot sauce, chips, coffee, tea and dessert.

Hours of service will be 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.. Donations are \$5 adults and children under 10 are \$3.

Speech Team Competes In Hereford Tournament

The Friona High School speech team competed in the Hereford Tournament on January 27 winning second place Sweepstakes honors. Nineteen schools competed in the meet.

Results are as follows: CX debate--second, Justin Boyd/Matthew White; poetry--third, Roy Loya; solo acting--third, Sara Widner; duet acting--third, Katherine Thompson/Roy Loya.

Snow/Sleet Add Moisture

A mixture of freezing rain, sleet and snow came together to add 1.2 inches of moisture last Saturday and Sunday. The snow amounted to eight inches.

Moisture for January came to 1.66, with 11.5 inches of snow. Temps:

Friday, Jan. 26: 54-27; Saturday, Jan. 27: 28-20; Sunday, Jan. 28: 29-20; Monday, Jan. 29: 40-25; Tuesday, Jan. 30: 40-21; Wednesday, Jan. 31: 39-22; Thursday, Jan. 23: 35-20.

Duet acting--finalists, Keylin Merritt/Calvin Shields; prose--finalists, Sara Widner/Lynette Jubay/Sarah Morgan; impromptu--finalist, Blane Winebrinner; informative speaking--finalists, Blane Winebrinner/Aaron Hendrickson.

The next tournament for the speech team will be February 2-3 at Tascosa in Amarillo.

The Friona Star
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Meet Friona's Class of 2013

Jacob Olivarez is a kindergartner at Friona Schools.

His mom is Tomi Olivarez. His sister and brother are Caden and Justin. His grandma is Sherry Walker and great-grandma is Ethel Walker.

He likes playing with Legos, drawing and coloring.

His favorite food are macaroni and cheese and his favorite colors are blue and red.

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Meet Friona's Class of 2013

Anthony Dominique Tapia is a kindergartner at Friona Schools.

His parents are Elaine Tapia and Robert Tapia. His sister is Promise Nicole Tapia. His grandparents are Lupe Garcia and Carmen Porras.

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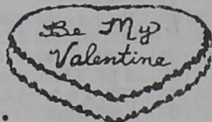
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TO: **Mario Antonio Diaz** Defendant, Greeting:
 You are commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's Original Petition at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation of the same being Monday the 12th day of March, A.D. 2001 before the Honorable 287th Judicial Court of Parmer County, Texas at the Courthouse of said County in Farwell, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Noe Valles, whose address is 1115 Broadway Lubbock, Texas 79401 on September 12, 2000, in this case, numbered 8507 on the docket of said court, and styled.

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The nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: **Negligence, Personal Injury and Damages, and Compensatory Damages** and is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.

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- NEW LISTING....3 BR, 2 bath, brick, basement, w/metal shop.....\$85,000
- NEW LISTING....2 BR, 2 bath, 2 car, lg. lot, stg., w/basement...\$76,800
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- 3-BR, 2-bath, 2-car, 2-carport, 2-storage.....SOLD.....\$67,000
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- 3-BR, 2-bath, 2-car, fenced, covered patio, storage.....SOLD.....\$75,000
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- 3-BR, 2-bath, 2-car, storage with cellar.....SOLD.....\$65,000
- 9.5 acres w/country home, 1.5 miles to Bovina, on highway.....\$65,000
- Small office/studio with 1/2 bath to be moved.....\$5,000
- 4 BR, 2-3/4 baths, 2 storages with garage, corner lot.....\$85,000
- 2 BR, 1 bath, newly re-done and nice.....\$27,000
- 3-BR, 1-3/4 baths, 1-car, basement, 2-car carport.....SOLD.....\$67,000
- 3 BR, 1-3/4 baths, brick, large lot, 2 family areas, fence.....\$54,900
- 3 BR, 2-3/4 baths, 2 car, 2 living, corner lot + eff. apt. NICE.....\$92,500
- 3-BR, 2-baths, 2-car, corner lot, close to High School...SOLD.....\$38,000
- 3-BR, 1-bath, 2-car, corner lot, fenced rear yard.....SOLD.....\$33,900
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Friona News

By BECKY LONDON

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Larry and Linda Knowles' daughter and her family were in Friona for the weekend visiting. They are Rachael and Kevin Schulle of Lubbock and their daughter, Ashlyn, 2. They attended church Sunday morning and enjoyed the visit.

Jack Patterson is a patient at Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital this week. He saw doctors in Friona Monday and was then flown to Amarillo for treatment. He underwent surgery

Tuesday morning for a blood clot on his brain. Wednesday a family member said Jack was doing better and were pleased with his improvement in the Intensive Care Unit.

Friends say Jack's daughter, Carrie, said while he was preparing to be airlifted to Amarillo, Jack talked about never being on a helicopter before. That sounds just like Jack—being the positive person that we all know him to be.

Jack and Ona Patterson, of the Rhea Community, are

very dear to lots of folks in Friona and Bovina and we wish them the best as they go through this ordeal.

Roy and Eva Miller have enjoyed company this week. Their son and daughter-in-law, Dr. Roy V. and Glenda Miller of San Marcos came to Friona Monday for a few days.

Eva said Roy V. brought his turkey fryer and she had her first fried turkey meal Tuesday night. Believe it or not, she said it was really good.

Nancy and Von Edelman went to Austin a couple of weeks ago to see their sons and their families. They are Mark and Lisa Ann and children, Sierra and Mariah and Brian and Gretchen and children, Graham and Merideth.

The two sons and their families were unable to be with their parents for Christmas so they exchanged gifts through the mail. This was the first time they were able to visit in person since before Christmas.

Kevin and Ashlee (Gee) Roberts' twin daughters were born Monday, January 22, three weeks early, at University Methodist Hospital.

Natalee Kay weighed 4

FFA Members To Compete At Houston

Forty FFA members from Friona will be joining other FFA and 4-H members from all over Texas for intense competition in the show ring at the 2001 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, February 13-March 4, at Reliant Park in Houston.

The junior show, which showcases the animal projects of these FFA and 4-H

pounds and seven ounces and Emalee Shae weighed three pounds and twelve ounces.

The girls' big sister is Ailee, 8, and local grandparents are Wessie Hand and Everett and Mamie Gee.

Great-grandparents are Johnny and Elthie Hand.

Ray Gonzales had cancer surgery January 3 at Baptist/St. Anthony's and was a patient there for four days.

His wife Frances said he has been seeing his doctor in Amarillo every two weeks for checkups and will start radiation or chemotherapy soon.

The couple's children are Leola Summerlin of Friona; Jesse Gonzales of Miami, Florida; Minda Doyle of Jacksonville, Florida; Carolyn Gorte of Arkansas; and Rachel Gonzales of De Leon, Texas.

The out-of-town children tried to be with their parents for the surgery but bad weather held up most of them in Dallas at the airport.

Carolyn rented a car in Dallas was able to drive to Amarillo.

Minda came later and just left this week. Rachel and her daughter, Cierra, were also here for a few days recently. Jesse, a chef on a cruise ship, is in the Bahamas and will come when he can.

exhibitors, begins livestock competition on February 23. Professional breeders and ranchers will compete for top prize money and global recognition in the livestock industry during the first ten days of the show, which kicks off February 13.

Entries from both the open and junior shows, along with the horse show, combine to make the Houston Livestock Show the largest event of its kind in the world.

Friona FFA showmen include:

Lambs—Zach Barrett, Ashlee Hunt, Keith Hunt, Steven Hunt, Trent Hunt, J'Lond Jarecki, Jordan Monroe, Kelby Monroe, J'Mae Randolph and T.J. Randolph.

Barrows—Zach Barrett, Jeremy Campbell, Andy Carthel, Hannah Carthel, Molly Carthel, Ashlee Hunt, Keith Hunt, Steven Hunt, Trent Hunt, J'Lond Jarecki, Jordan Monroe, Kelby Monroe and Christy Widner.

Goats—Alice Allen, Ashlee Hunt, Jordan Monroe, Kelby Monroe and Christy Widner.

More than 16,000 entries, representing 1,100 Texas 4-H clubs and FFA chapters, will compete in this year's junior show. A wide variety of animals will be shown in both the junior and open divisions of the livestock competition, including market steers, market barrows, market lambs, market poultry, beef and dairy heifers, breeding gilts, breeding sheep, goats, llamas, commercial steers and breeding rabbits.

The four market animal categories (steer, lamb, barrow and poultry) represent animals raised by exhibitors for food sources. The finest animals in each of these categories are eligible for their individual market auctions. In 2001, the Houston Livestock Show's junior market auction sales totaled \$6,147,398, including a record \$560,000 paid for the Grand Champion Market Steer.

"We appreciate the patience and understanding of visitors and exhibitors during the construction of the new facilities at Reliant Park," said John Sykes, assistant general manager, agricultural exhibits and competition department. "Once completed, the new facilities will be the finest in the world. In the meantime, we will continue to offer world-class competitions for the youth of Texas."

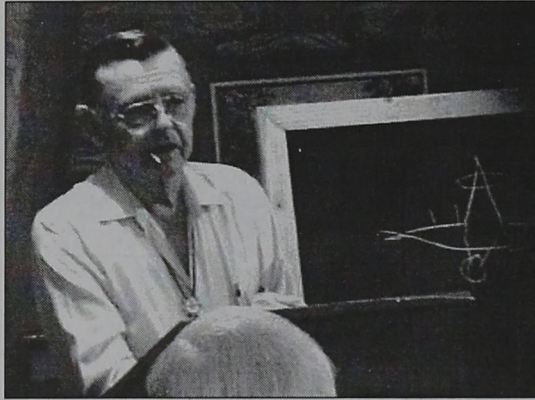
The ticket prices for the 2001 RodeoHouston are \$13 and include admission to the horse show (excluding the National Cutting Horse Association events), livestock show, carnival, all exhibits, special attractions and the rodeo.



REBEKAH LOWERY and WADE HINKLE...Mr. and Mrs. Arden Lowery of Crane, Texas announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Rebekah, to Wade Hinkle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hinkle of Friona. The couple plans to exchange wedding vows on April 7 at First Baptist Church in Crane. The bride-elect graduated from Crane High School in 1995 and is a Spanish teacher employed by Crane High School. Hinkle is a 1995 graduate of Friona High School and is employed by Western National Bank in Odessa as a credit analyst. Both graduated from Texas A&M University, College Station, in 1999.



WORK EXPLAINED...Sam Mears, left, and R.J. Renner, center, are shown a scrapbook by Lew Longmire at last week's meeting of the Friona Evening Lions.



PRESENTS PROGRAM...Lew Longmire presented a program on his hobby, airplane building to the Friona Evening Lions last Thursday.

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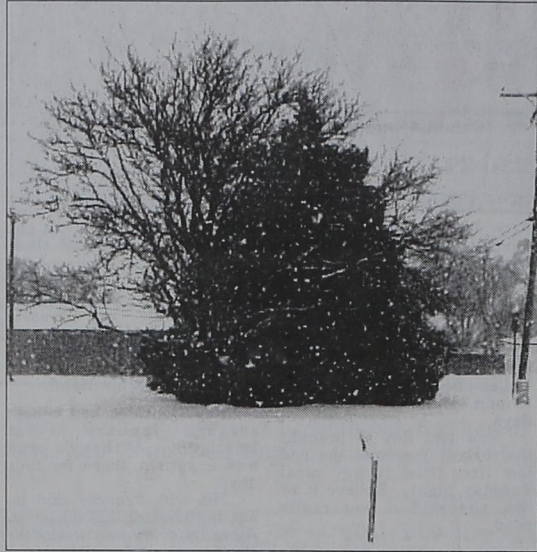
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Broyles, Christa Marie Vega.
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Heath Procter, Kevin Sifford,
Kathy Beard, Daniel Echols,
Arthur Douglas Alexander,
Jena Grimsley, Christi Smith.
February 6--Pam Perez,
Sindy Preston Scaff, Sandra
Gonzalez, Sandra Gomez,
Chris Richardson, Josephs
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February 7--Jeff Stowers,
Wade Hinkle, Shirley Harris,
Nikki Osborn Ralston, Cindy
Lopez, Larry Summers,
Nathan Haile.

February 8--Nancy Roden,
Kathy McLean-Davis, Rhonda
Romero, Micah London,
Kathryn Smith, Erica Brockman.

February 9--Joel Osborn,
Renaee Barnett, Randa Allen
Copley, Deke Kendrick,
Marlene Drake, Mona Campbell,
Perla Chico, Diane
White, Vanette White, Joe
Gonzales, Ashley Cheatham.

February 10--Jana Floyd,
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Luther Shelton, Lucy Hernandez.

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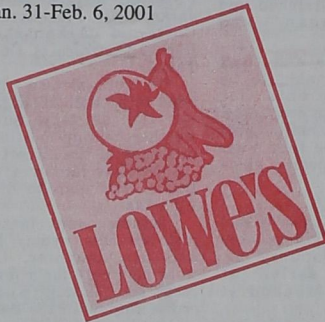
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