

Only 12 days 'till Christmas



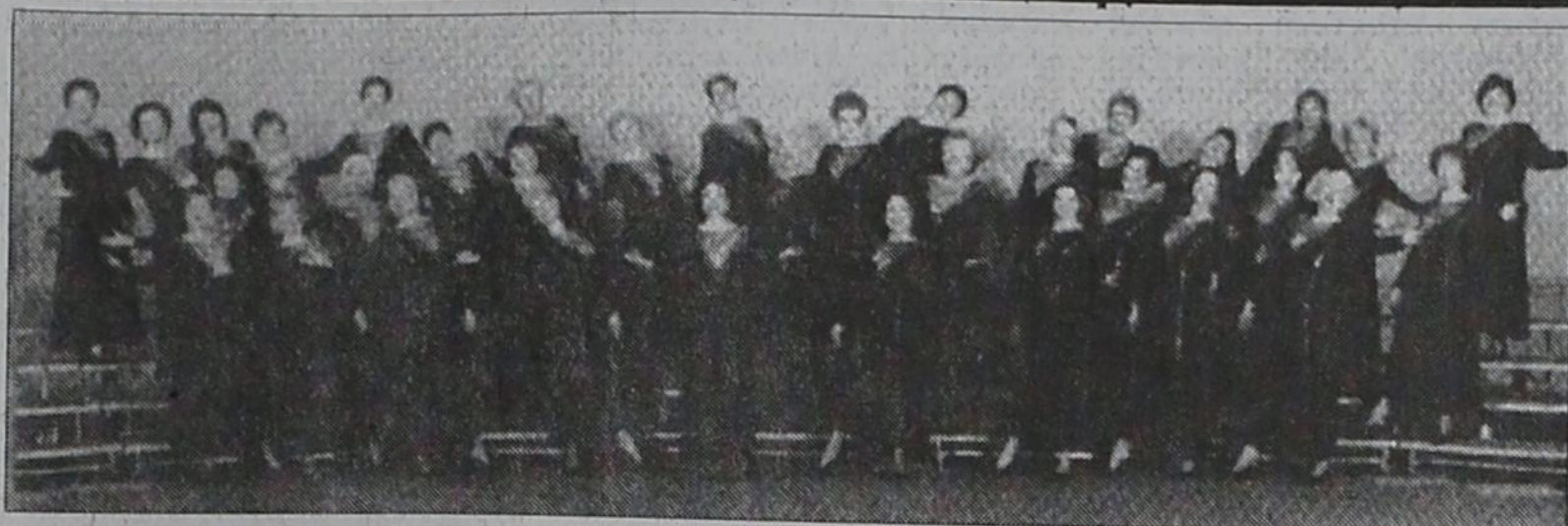
Don't Call PD For School Closing Info

During the recent snow and ice conditions in Friona, several parents and/or students called the Friona Police Department to find out about school delays or closing.

Dispatcher Donice Jones said several calls were made to 911 just to ask if school was going to begin later than normal. That type of call should never be made to the 911 emergency number.

Parents should be advised that the police department does not have school closing or delay information and they are asked not to call the Friona PD for school information.

Police phone lines need to be kept open in bad weather conditions in the event of accidents or other weather-related emergencies.



Palo Duro Metro Chorus, Sweet Adelines

HAS LOCAL MEMBERS

Sweet Adelines To Perform Here 19th

Friona is privileged to be hosting the Palo Duro Metro Chapter of Sweet Adelines International from the Amarillo/Canyon area.

The Friona concert is scheduled for Thursday, December 19, at the Friona High School Auditorium, 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5 each at the door. Children 5 and under are free.

Local talent who are members of this chorus since May 2002 include: Brenda Patterson, Libby Procter, Cheryl Procter and Patsy Wyly.

Julie Owen Bender, formerly of Friona and daughter of the late Robert and Maxine Owen, is the director.

The Friona performance "Fun at Christmas" is a joint benefit for the Pioneer Heritage Museum and the Chorus, which is also a non-profit organization. Y'all come! Don't miss this opportunity to hear a professional chorus which really enjoys performing.

In the summer of 1945, the Great War was over in Europe and would soon end abruptly in the Pacific. In the United States it was a time of Harry James, the Andrews Sisters, gasoline shortages, victory gardens, the USO and Rosie the Riveter. Walter Winchell read everyone the news and a young war correspondent named Walter

Cronkite was predicting victory...

The summer of 1945 was a time to appreciate being alive. Many longed for the older, gentler days; and one of the things held dearest was music; it crossed miles and memories and was about to make another impact on history in war-busy Tulsa, Oklahoma.

The date was Friday, July 13, 1945, when Edna Mae Anderson of Tulsa

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Monitoring Equipment Is "Project Xmas" Goal

Parmer Co. Community Hospital plans to use funds from Project Christmas Card to purchase new cardiac monitoring equipment, says Bill Neely, administrator.

The new equipment will cost about \$52,000. It will replace equipment which is at least 20 years old. Due to its age, it is almost impossible to repair.

Please join Project Christmas Card by December 13 and help our hospital!!!

Christmas In The Park Set Here December 16

Everyone is invited to join a Santa Claus and the Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce for Christmas in the Park on Monday, December 16.

Santa will be at the Depot in the Park to take orders from children young and old from 6:30-7:30 that evening.

All Children are especially invited to come, talk to Santa, have a picture made with Santa, and enjoy a short Christmas program; Santa's sleigh is scheduled to arrive at 6:30 and with his busy schedule he will be leaving at 7:30 to get the Christmas lists back to the elves in his workshop so everything will be ready for Christmas.

So, get your list ready and come to the park on Monday, December 16.



IT JUST WON'T BE Christmas...unless Aunt Rhoda brings her plum pudding. Or, unless Grandma bakes her customary coconut cake (or in the case of our extended family, unless someone TRIES to make the coconut cake the way Grandma used to make hers.)

Christmas is undoubtedly the one American holiday where family tradition comes into play—and thank goodness for that!

When you're newly married, you may not have your traditions, although most young married folks still go to their parents' home for Christmas, and in this way these family customs eventually get passed down to another generation.

When do you open the gifts at your family's Christmas gathering? It is said that about 75 per cent of families open their gifts on Christmas Day, while the other twenty-five percent couldn't wait, and open theirs on Christmas Eve.

When Ye Editor was younger, everyone congregated at Grandma and Grandpa's on Christmas Eve. It was a short trip for yours truly, since I was raised by the grandparents.

As each individual family arrived and added their gifts under the tree, the pile just grew and grew, and the youngest members of the family were just chomping at the bit to get started opening those packages.

But alas, we couldn't start until brother Darrell and his family got there, and they were always late. I suspect almost everyone has a family member in this category.

After Carol and I had our family, up to the present, we sort of split the difference on when presents are opened. Most years we allow at least the youngest (which now are our grand-kids) to open at least one present on Christmas Eve, and save the others 'till the next morning.

Experts say that about half of Americans on the average put up an artificial Christmas tree, of the households who put up one at all, while the other half still opts for the real thing.

Seems to me that in our area the artificial trees might earn a slightly larger percentage than the real ones. I think it was about the time that our oldest son Stanley was a toddler and pulled our "real" Christmas tree over two or three times that season that Carol opted for an artificial tree. Seems she was still getting pine needles out of that shag carpet the following July.

Does your family watch a movie during the holiday season? If so, it's probably "It's a Wonderful Life," or "Miracle on 34th Street."

Do you hang Christmas stockings in your home? Around 60 percent of Americans hold to this custom, in hopes of getting something—except perhaps a lump of coal.

What is the traditional meat dish at your family gathering? Most people serve turkey (unless they had one for Thanksgiving). Ham usually comes in a strong second, and a beef dish, especially roast, is a favorite for many—and our local industries applaud this group!

Hope your Christmas is merry, and that you get to have your children and grandchildren home for the holidays. In our family, it gets harder all the time to have everyone home at the same time, due to job obligations, etc. But it looks like we might make it one more time with every chair filled at the Christmas table. That, after all, is the greatest Christmas tradition of all.

Star Lites by Bill Ellis



United Way Ready To Disburse Funds

The board of directors United Way of Friona and Area met on December 12 in the Friona State Bank's Community Room, to hear a report on the 2002 campaign.

Board treasurer Larry Knowles stated that the 2002 drive has not reached its campaign goal, but is hopeful that contributions will continue to come in.

In the meantime, a small amount of money from the

reserve fund will be used so that funds may be disbursed in order to meet the needs of the local organizations.

The board was contacted by a representative of the Friona Heritage Museum, requesting funds. After discussing the request, it was approved by the board.

New officers for the United Way of Friona were elected for 2003.

Cecil Maddox will be president; Ricky White is vice president; Knowles is treasurer; and Marca Herring is secretary. A reporter is to be elected at the next board meeting.

Board member Kitty Gallman suggested that the board decide on a campaign chairman at its next meeting, so the chairman will have time to review past campaigns in order to see if there are other ways to conduct a successful campaign.

Disbursements will be made as follows:

Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts: \$6,500; Girl Scouts/Brownie Scouts: \$6500; Boys State/Girls State: \$1400; Kids, Inc. of Friona: \$3200; Friona 4-H: \$350; Friona Meals on Wheels: \$2000; Meals for Seniors: \$3500.

Also, Friona Senior Citizens: \$5,000; Red Cross: \$2,500; Salvation Army: \$2,500; Panhandle Community Services: \$2,000; Empty Stocking Fund: \$1,200; Friona Emergency Fund: \$750; and United Way of Texas: \$150, for a grand total of \$37,550.00.

The United Way of Friona appreciates your continued support!

Temperatures

Date	Hi-Low
Friday, December 6	48-29
Saturday, December 7	49-28
Sunday, December 8	42-28
Monday, December 9	50-27
Tuesday, December 10	58-27
Wednesday, Dec. 11	53-29
Thursday, Dec. 12	50-30

No precipitation.

Pheasant Season: Only The Patient Need Apply!

For over a quarter of a century, Parmer County has played host for an annual pheasant hunt in December, which has in the past drawn a lot of folks from downstate to the area.

But, based on what the experts tell us, even the serious hunters may find it difficult to even get off a shot during the 2002 season.

The season runs from one-half hour before sunup on Saturday, December 14, to a half hour after sundown on Sunday, December 29.

Jack Patterson, spokesman for the Parmer County Game Management Association, tells us that this may be the bleakest hunting season in recent years, if not since the hunt began.

"We put out some feed

for a pair of pheasants and their young brood early in the summer, and they came by for several days, then just seemed to disappear. I haven't seen them since," Patterson said.

The local hunting guru said that some folks think that coyotes, one of the birds' natural enemies, may have beat the hunters to their prey.

"...We have had some coyotes, that's for sure. But some of the farmers in the Rhea community do a good job of keeping this predator down, as evidenced by the number of hides you see on the fences in the area," Patterson concluded.

As of December 4, 2002

94,748

Bales of cotton had been ginned in Parmer County. Friona Star Survey



A FULL HOUSE turned out to tour Friona Banking Center's grand opening Thursday. In addition to the steady crowd of visitors and guests, volunteers from the Friona Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting to officially welcome the bank to Friona. ron carr photos



NEW OWNERS Tiffany and Chad Rhodes, center, with children Mykelti and Rowdee, at the official ribbon cutting last Saturday for Friona Hardware and Supply, located at 904 W. Highway 60. They recently purchased the store and invite everyone to stop by soon.



REPAIR AT HERITAGE ESTATES...Workers removed concrete from the back patio at Friona Heritage Estates and poured a new patio to provide better drainage.

Be Thankful For Your Parents

By ALVIN PETTY

Now again we are in the holiday season where we especially celebrate our families. It is a good time to be thankful for our parents and their influence upon us. Our job in honoring our parents is two fold. First we must honestly appreciate them. I say honestly because all parents are flawed at least a little bit and some are just plain bad parents. Eternal Authority gives us permission to evaluate our parents honestly and wherein they may have hurt or have failed us it is all right to say so. But if we say so we must do it with a merciful heart for most do the best they know how. The problem is that sometime our best that we know is a very pitiful one. So first we must appreciate whatever good we receive from our parents whether it be a great good or almost no good at all. Then we evaluate them and give thanks for any good gifts

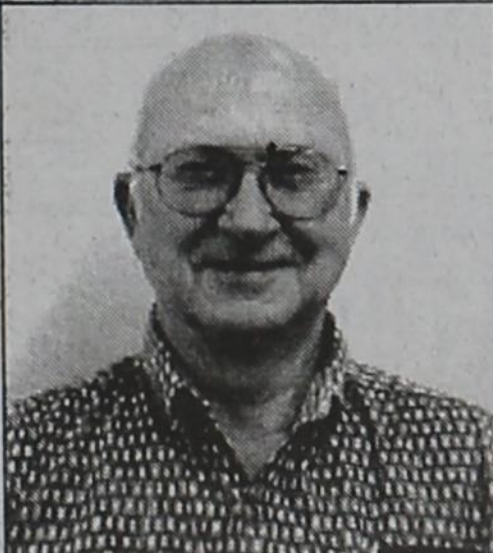
they may have given us and we name the bad baggage they also left us. That is our first job. Secondly, we must go beyond our parents psychologically, spiritually, intellectually in developing wholeness of self. This is where honesty about ourselves and our parents is all important in healing ourselves and becoming more whole. Doing our two fold job is necessary to our well being and the well being of our society. Unless we mercifully give thanks for the good our parents gave us while going beyond the bad baggage they may have left us, we and our society are doomed. That is the meaning and promise of one of the Ten Commandments which says, "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be prolonged in the land which the Lord your God gives you." Honoring means blessing them all we can in spite of their sin. It does not mean overlooking their sin. Exodus 20:5 says that God visits "the iniquity of the fathers on the children, on the third and fourth generations of those who hate me, but showing loving kindness to thousands to those who love me and keep My commandments." This means that those who do not yield to the way of love and evaluate and deal with the negative baggage their parents may have imparted to them are doomed to carry that baggage with them, and to repeat some of the negative behavior patterns and the negative patterns may be passed on even to the third and fourth generations. But those who break the pattern of destructive behavior and turn to the way of love will experience God's loving kindness. That is they will learn to bless themselves and carry that blessing with them wherever they go. Our past may have hurt us and filled us with pain but we do not have to continue that way. We can be healed by accepting God's acceptance of us. Why not give yourself this great Christmas present this year?

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Friona Flashbacks

...from the files of The Friona Star

75 Yrs Ago-Dec. 9, 1927
On December 2, after the literary program of the Montezuma, the parents, teachers and well-wishers of the Friona School organized a Parent-Teachers Association with officers as follows: F.W. Reeve, president; Mrs. J.D. Hamlin, vice president; Mrs. E.R. Furlong, first vice president; Mrs. F.S. Truitt, second vice president; Mrs. Elmer Euler, third vice president; Miss Ruby Haynes, treasurer; Miss Ella Mae Tannery, secretary; and Mrs. D.H. Meade, corresponding secretary. *****

70 Yrs Ago-Dec. 10, 1932
There still seems to be considerable doing on the part of the contractors for the paving of Highway 33-60 from Friona east to the Deaf Smith County line, in way of making surveys and the assembling of materials. Several of those who will be employed in the work have secured rooms or apartments and have moved their families to Friona. It has been rumored that there will be a WPA officer located here to look after this part of the work, but nothing definite along that line has yet been disclosed. *****

60 Yrs Ago-Dec. 10, 1937
The writer had the pleasure of visiting the farm home of Ed Boggess a few miles southeast of town Sunday afternoon, and of viewing some of Ed's fine whitefaced cattle. Ed had a bountiful crop of sorghum grains this season, and he is selling it by way of the feed lot, with a good prospect of receiving a fair price for it. He has a herd of 99 of the prettiest whiteface yearling steers that it's been our pleasure to look at in a long time, having had them on feed for the past several weeks. *****

55 Yrs Ago-Dec. 11, 1942
Honor roll for the second six weeks for Friona High School, all A's, included seniors Fern Cunningham, Howard Loveless, June Maurer and Elsie Messenger; junior, Dale Treider; sophomores, Cleola Hurst, Truel Wayne Hyde, Betty Mae Massey, Shirley Maurer, Patsy Ruth Robason and Nola Faye Smith and freshmen Doris Ann Lange, Dorothy Scott, Ethel Mae Taylor and Louis Welch. *****

50 Yrs Ago-Dec. 11, 1952
The Santa Fe Railway has declined to act favorably on a recent petition submitted by area residents asking for seven-day service at the depot in Friona. The petition carried 115 signatures. *****

45 Yrs Ago-Dec. 12, 1957
BULLETIN--The area's oldest citizen, Mrs. Nancy Adeline Thornton, 107, died at the home of Mrs. Roy Williams, Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock. Funeral arrangements are pending at Claborn Funeral Home. Mrs. Thornton has been in poor health in recent years. *****

Two Friona businesses this week added black top paving to their parking lots, further adding to the attractiveness of the city's front yard. The businesses were Gib's Cleaners and Claborn Floral and Funeral Home. *****

40 Yrs Ago-Dec. 13, 1962
Friona High School's FFA Chapter has added another state championship banner to its growing collection of blue and gold streamers. The senior farm skills team kept the state title in Friona by

beating out nine other area champions in the 32nd annual state leadership contests in Huntsville last Saturday. Members of the team are Jerry Cass, George Rushing, Ronnie Brookfield, Dwain Phipps and Dale Milner. *****

35 Yrs Ago-Dec. 14, 1967
A driver's license office for Parmer County has been located in Friona, and will be open on January 1, it has been announced by the Texas Department of Public Safety. The office for Parmer County will be located at 715-A Main Street, and will remain open five days each week with the initiation of the licensing changes. *****

30 Yrs Ago-Dec. 14, 1972
The Friona Volunteer Fire Department will be host on Sunday at open house for the city's new station house. The new facility has recently been completed. It is located adjacent to the Law Enforcement Center (old City Hall). Delton Wellen of Lewellen Construction Company was the general contractor on the building, which is of steel construction with brick trim. *****

25 Yrs Ago-Dec. 11, 1977
The community choir, made up of voices from the various local churches, will perform Sunday at 3 p.m. at the High School Auditorium. The choir will perform "This Is Christmas," along with other traditional Christmas music. A collection will be taken to go to the Municipal Library building fund. *****

20 Yrs Ago-Dec. 12, 1982
Former longtime businessman, Arthur Drake, died Friday morning in Amarillo, after a month's illness and hospitalization. Services for Drake, who served as manager of Friona Wheat Growers for 30 years, are pending. *****

One of Friona's grand old ladies, who keeps busy in spite of her age, Anna Anthony, who observed her 85th birthday, Tuesday, December 7, was honored by her children and their spouses with a surprise party Sunday. *****

15 Yrs Ago-Dec. 12, 1987
A Friona man was killed early Saturday northwest of Dimmitt when the truck he was driving ran off the road, according to Department of Public Safety Officers at the scene, Ron Morgan and John Piper. Trent Shelton, 20, was pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of Peace Marshall Young. *****

The Friona Chamber of Commerce announces the names of the six new directors to be seated during the December meeting of the Chamber Board of Directors. The new board members are Dave Buske, Allan Haile, Randy Lewis, Cecil Maddox, Ted Procter, and Larry Rogers. Board members returning to complete their term of office are Ab Hendley, 1988 president; John Baxter, Barbara Maynard, Joe Mejia, Ron Smiley and Jayson Grimsley, serving as ex-officio president. *****

10 Yrs Ago-Dec. 12, 1992
Roddy Berend was grand-prize winner in the Friona Star's football contest. He received \$100 for having 153

total points. Mal Manchee tied with Berend but after a review of their tie-breaker scores, Berend beat Manchee with 216-250. *****

5 Yrs Ago-Dec. 12, 1997
During a formal awards banquet on the final night, the Friona EMS was awarded the 1997 Texas EMS volunteer provider Award. The Plaque was given by the Texas Department of Health to the City of Friona ambulance Service in recognition of outstanding achievement. *****

Cafeteria To Make Rolls

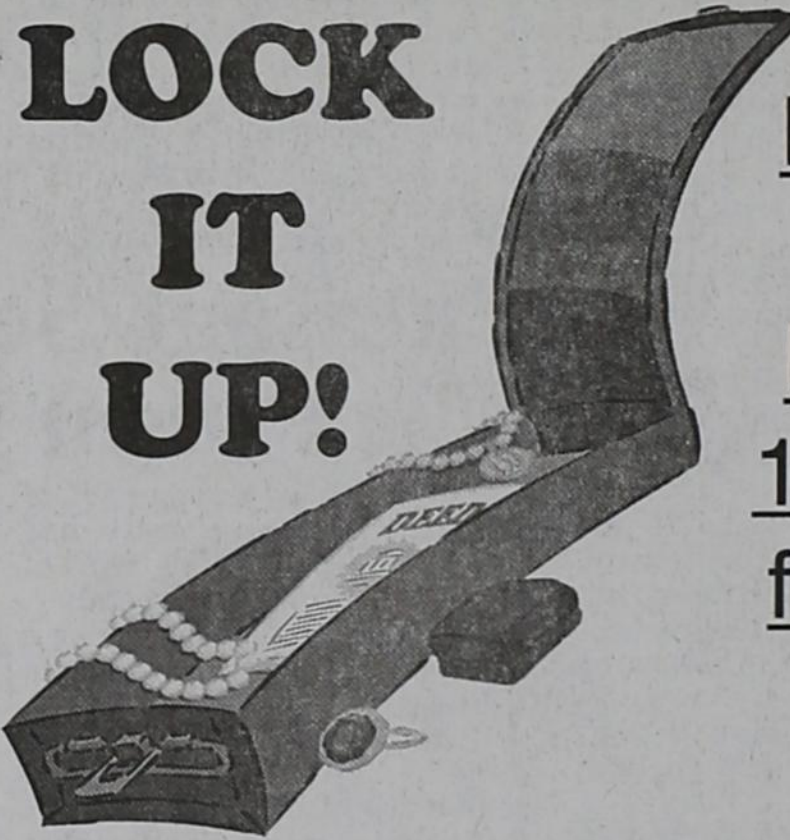
The Friona ISD Cafeteria would like to help Friona residents with their holiday baking needs, by making hot rolls. The rolls will be frozen, ready for baking and will cost \$3.00 per dozen. All you have to do is thaw the rolls out, let them rise, bake and serve. You may place your order by calling Linda or Roxanne at 250-3353. Your order can also be faxed at 250-5070. The rolls will be ready for pick-up at the Junior High Cafeteria between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on Tuesday, December 17 or Wednesday, December 18. All orders must be placed by Friday, December 13. *****

YOU'RE INVITED

Come and help us celebrate the graduation of Amber Martin Drake from WTAMU. We will have a reception Sunday, December 15, 2002 at the Calvary Baptist Church, 1500 Cleveland, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. In conjunction with this happy occasion, we will celebrate Wes's 30th birthday.

No gifts please. Just come, have some refreshments. Maybe bring a card, wish them well and offer congratulations for a job well done.

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Around Town

Santa in the Park Monday

Bring the kids to see Santa at Friona City Park Monday, Dec 16, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. sponsored by the Women's Division of the Friona Chamber of Commerce.

Muleshoe tour of homes Dec 15

The Muleshoe Christmas Tour of Homes is Sunday, Dec 15, from 1-5 p.m. The tour will benefit Park view Health Care Center. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at Carolyn's Christmas Creations. The tour includes six homes plus the new Park View Center and refreshments. Call 806-272-5911 for information.

Bovina bank open house Dec 17-19

First Bank in Bovina will hold their Christmas open house during business hours Dec 17, 18, & 19. All customers and friends are invited to stop by.

First Baptist Bovina musical Dec 15

Bovina's First Baptist Church will present a Christmas musical program Sunday, Dec 15 at 7 p.m. The children's and adult choirs have prepared a program of various holiday songs. Everyone from the community is invited to attend and join in the holiday celebration. A fellowship with refreshments will follow the presentation.

Muleshoe bazaar Dec 14

The Moonlight Extension Education Club and Texas Cooperative Extension will hold their annual arts and crafts bazaar on Saturday, Dec 14, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Bailey county Civic Center in Muleshoe. Admission is free. Come enjoy the Christmas parade at 10 a.m. and do your Christmas shopping.

Sweet Adeline chorus performs Dec 19

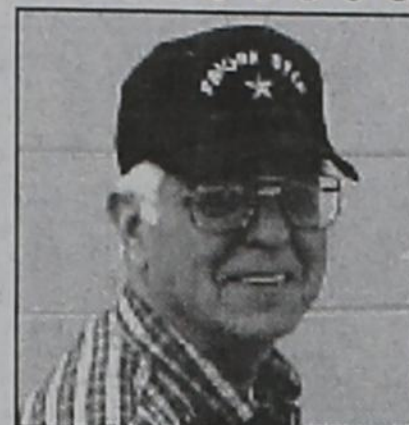
Come hear the Palo Duro Metro Chorus (part of Sweet Adelines) on Thursday, Dec 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Friona High School auditorium. Tickets are \$5 at the door. Proceeds will benefit the Chorus & the Pioneer Heritage Museum in Friona. Some local women are members of this chorus so be sure to come hear them.

Prairie Acres Christmas party Dec 19

Friends and family of the Prairie Acres and Heritage Estates staff and residents are invited to come by for a Christmas party Thursday, December 19 at 6:30 p.m. in the Prairie Acres dining room. Also you can sponsor a resident this Christmas season. Call Prairie Acres at 250-3922 for information. And thanks for your support.

GED orientation in Bovina Jan 6-9

The Bovina ISD will hold a GED orientation from 6:30-9:30 p.m. each night from Jan 6-9, 2003. Beginning on Jan 14 the free class will meet every Tuesday from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Instruction is provided via the videoconference system at Bovina ISD. Call 251-1336 for more information and to sign up.



Out Here

by Ron Carr

Stressed For Success

A group of professors at Texas Woman's University in Denton have some helpful suggestions to get you through the holiday season.

Professors, because they are professors, are smarter than we are so they feel obligated to impart their knowledge to sooth and calm us so we can enjoy the season without being arrested for domestic violence or Santa abuse.

I received a packet of press releases from TWU this week with not one, not two, but seven separate topics, each neatly stapled in the upper left hand corner.

I'll condense them for you, and pass along the surefire ways to make your holiday bright and peaceful. I never realized that the Christmas season held such hidden dark emotions.

The first doesn't need much discussion. It discusses when children will discover the truth about Santa. The first sentence says parents worry when is the right time to tell the kids that there really isn't a Santa. Is this an efficient use of a professor's time?

Most of the time parents don't tell the kids anyway. Other kids tell them. And kids often know there isn't a Santa but keep parents thinking they believe. You get more presents that way. Ever told one of your kids there isn't a Santa and they say "yeah, I've known that since kindergarten."

Dr. Karen Petty, assistant professor of child development at TWU says, "If you don't believe, then he doesn't exist. But if you choose to believe, he becomes a part of your family's holiday traditions."

That's nice Dr. Petty. You can go back to your class now.

Beating stress during the holidays was discussed by Dr. Roberta Nutt (appropriate name huh?). She suggests working mothers shouldn't try to do all the Christmas shopping and planning. Hire someone to put up your lights, clean house and do odd jobs, she says.

Keep up your exercising during the holidays too. Walk from store to store when you are shopping. Go for a walk after you eat a big holiday meal. How about parking at the back of the shopping center and walking to the store's customer service counter to return those really dumb presents. Stay fit or throw a fit. Both are good ways to handle stress.

Another prof, Dr. Joyce Armstrong, offers advice on avoiding conflicts. You gotta' communicate to avoid stress and starting a family brawl. Decide in advance how much to spend and stick to it can prevent a source of conflict.

Have family meetings she said. Establishing family goals for the holidays are a powerful way to communicate. All well and good, but a family meeting also has potential to make for some unrealistic goals that end with mom and the kids crying and dad throwing in the towel.

Dr. Nutt also says being alone on the holidays doesn't mean being lonely. "You can celebrate the holidays by yourself," the Nutt(y) prof says. "Buy yourself a gift and take yourself out to dinner." (I'm not making this stuff up.)

Be with people by volunteering to serve Christmas meals at a homeless shelter, take goodies to people who have to work on

Christmas, or buy gifts for an underprivileged child. Since the holidays are stressful (see above) your alone quiet time can be a gift to yourself.

And then of course there are the obligatory tips for healthy holiday habits, provided by Dr. Sally Stabb, associate professor of psychology. "A severe diet makes people resentful, hungry and often just plain miserable." The conclusion is that it is alright to eat more than normal. If you get stressed about all the food during the holidays, please reread the stress and exercise suggestions above.

Finally, Dr. Jo Ann Engelbrecht, tells how to buy toys for your tots that they will actually play with. Of course, Dr. Jo Ann doesn't know squat about the quirks of your kid, but professors have to write stuff in order to keep their professor rating intact when contract time rolls around.

I won't take up space with all of her toy suggestions. Suffice to say she suggests you buy toys that your kids can't eat and get choked on. She doesn't say how a kid might eat a DVD player or Tonka truck. Don't buy your nieces and nephews a drum set unless you hate their parents.

After your kids have opened all three dozen of their toys Christmas morning, Dr. Engelbrecht says hide most of them and bring a few out every few weeks. Hide the ones they have been playing with. In professor terminology, this is called "rotating the toys." By doing this, its like discovering new toys every rotation. Of course you might get stressed trying to remember when to bring the toys out, especially if you don't remember where you

put them. Better still, tell them there isn't a Santa and take them shopping at the After Christmas sales. It'll be cheaper which means less stress.

You know what I think? I think I am getting stressed just trying to remember all these things I'm supposed to do to make the holidays nicer. To heck with it. Do whatever you want. I don't care.

Merry Christmas.

Clinic Set Jan. 8, 22 In Friona

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic at Parme County Community Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Avenue in Friona on January 8 and 22.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing breast self-exam each month.

A minimum of fifteen women need to register in order for mobile mammography clinics to come to area towns.

Participants will receive a low-cost screening mammogram. Each woman will receive a breast health risk appraisal and individual instruction by an RN in breast self-examination.

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7-8 Maidens Beat Gattis

The Friona 7th grade "A" team remained undefeated at 4-0 with a decisive 37-11 victory over Gattis junior high of Clovis.

Scoring leaders were Miranda Frye 14, Briar Barnett 8 and Blair Smiley 7. Coach Ben Kirton said "We had a great game. They worked well together and we had fun."

The 8th grade Maidens, coached by Kelli Wight, increased their record to 3-1 with a strong 51-19 victory over Gattis.

Shayli Reed led scoring with 19. Tiffany Vasquez had 11, Courtney Adams 8, Staci Murphree 5, Krista Graham 3, Lucretia Field 3 and Kambree Davila 2.



SQUAWS HONORED...Ashley Smiley, left, and Amy Murphree were named to the all-tournament team at Vega last week.

TWO WIN HONORS

Squaws Second In Vega Tournament

The Varsity Squaws battled to the finals of the Vega Tournament last weekend, before losing to Happy in the title game. That left the team standing 5-4 prior to Tuesday night.

Two members of the Squaws' team were named to the all-tournament team, Amy Murphree and Ashley Smiley.

The Squaws downed Boys Ranch, 64-21 in the opening round game.

Miss Smiley made three baskets, Miss Murphree two, and Mandy Gerles connected on a three-pointer in the first quarter, which ended with Friona leading, 15-4.

Miss Murphree hit a three-point basket and a pair from the line, and Trisha Winebrinner made a pair of baskets, as the Squaws coasted to a 29-10 lead at the intermission.

Holley Hand hit a basket, and was two of three from the line, while Miss Smiley added four points to her total, and the Squaws had stretched their lead to 30 points, 46-16, after three stanzas.

Miss Murphree came in to tally seven points in the fourth quarter, and Miss Smiley came up with six, for the final margin.

Murphree led with 18, Smiley had 16, Hand nine and Winebrinner eight to pace the scoring. Every player on Friona's roster got in on the scoring.

In the semi-final match, the Squaws scored an 11-point win over Highland Park of Amarillo, 57-46.

Trisha Winebrinner sank three baskets, and Holley Hand had seven points on four free throws and a three-pointer, to pace Friona to a 19-14 first quarter lead.

Ashley Smiley warmed up with a nine-point second quarter, and Amy Murphree scored Friona's other six points, to stake the Squaws to a 12-point lead at the half, 34-22.

Miss Smiley continued her hot hand with seven points in the third, and Friona had a 46-33 lead at the buzzer.

Smiley paced the game scoring with 22 points, her

season high, Murphree had 15, and Hand nine.

The Squaws ran into a buzz-saw in the tournament finals, when the Happy Cowgirls led from start to finish.

Miss Murphree hit a two-pointer, one "trey," and was four for four from the line in the first quarter, for nine points, but that was all but two of Friona's points, and Happy led, 21-11.

Miss Smiley came up with eight points in the second quarter, but no one else had more than two, so the Squaws went to halftime trailing, 31-25.

The second half was no better for Friona, as they were outscored 12-11 in the third quarter and 26-13 in the fourth, and had to settle for second place after the 68-50 loss.

FIVE CHIEFTAINS FOUL OUT

Teams Split Pair At Highland Park

Friona High School's varsity teams split their games at Amarillo Highland Park on Tuesday.

The Squaws won their game, 48-40, pushing their season record to 6-4, but the Chieftains lost an overtime game, 71-62.

The girls' game started off with scoring almost non-existent. Holley Hand sank a three-point basket, Trisha Winebrinner a two-pointer, and V'Lesha Wilcox made one of two free throws for all of Friona's first quarter points, but the Squaws led 6-4.

The pace picked up a bit in the second quarter. Amy Murphree and Andrea Gerles each scored a pair of baskets, and Friona had a one-point lead at the half, 19-18.

Ashley Smiley and Miss Murphree each scored three baskets, and Miss Hand added another three-pointer, as Friona stretched its lead to 37-29 after three.

Misses Winebrinner scored

Miss Murphree scored 16, Miss Smiley 12 and Miss Winebrinner 10.

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SQUAWS 64, B.R. 21

Andrea Gerles 1*-0-3; Mandy Gerles 1*-0-3; Haleigh Herbert 1-0-2; Lindsay North 0-2-2; Ashley Smiley 7-2-14; Amy Murphree 6-3-18; Holley Hand 3-3-9; Trisha Winebrinner 4-0-8; V'Lesha Wilcox 2-0-4.

SQUAWS 67, H.P. 46

A. Gerles 0-2-2; M. Gerles 0-2-2; Lindsay North 0-1-1; Smiley 10-2-22; Murphree 4-2*-1-15; Hand 1-1*-4-9; Winebrinner 3-0-6.

SQUAWS 50, Happy 68

A. Gerles 0-1-1; Smiley 5-2-12; Murphree 2-2*-6-16; Hand 1-1*-4-9; Winebrinner 5-0-10; Wilcox 0-2-2.

*3-point baskets

SQUAWS 48, H.P. 40

Andrea Gerles 2-1-5; Haleigh Herbert 1-0-2; Ashley Smiley, 5-1-11; Amy Murphree, 5-1*-0-13; Holley Hand 1-2*-0-8; Trisha Winebrinner 3-0-6; V'Lesha Wilcox, 1*-1-3.

H.P. 71, CHIEFS 62

Nathan Haile 9-1*-3-24; Chris Wiseman 2-1-5; Brock Field 0-2-2; Ricky Dickson 4*-5-17; Andy Carthel 2-0-4; Gabe Rivas 1-1-3; Chance Hutson 1-0-2; Marc Haile 2-1-5.

*3-point baskets.

FOR 5-1 RECORD

Chieftains Win First Tourney Since 1997

The Friona Chieftains sailed through three opponents last weekend at the Vega Invitational Tournament to win the championship.

It was the first tournament title for the basketball Chieftains since the 1996-97 team, which tied Dimmitt for the District 1-AAA championship.

Friona scored wins over Boys Ranch, Hartley and Happy, to hike their record to 5-1.

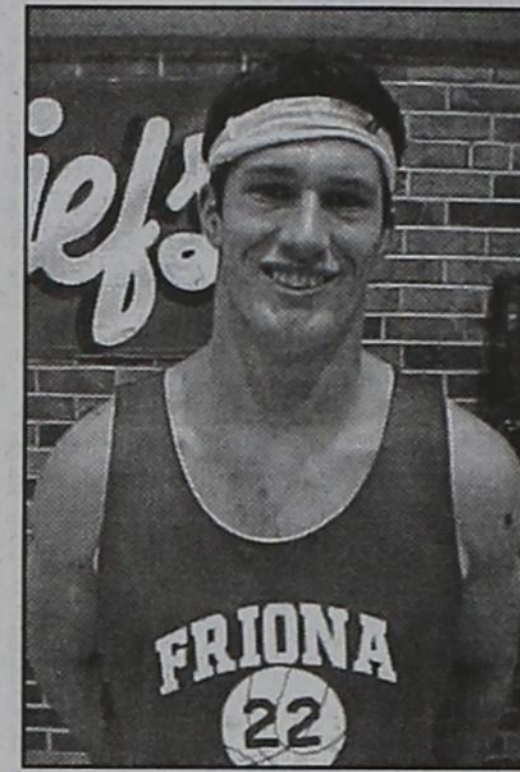
Nathan Haile was chosen as the tournament's "Most Valuable Player," scoring 64 points in the three games, in spite of having considerable "bench time," especially in the Friday and Saturday Friona "romps." Adam Bandy and Andy Carthel were chosen to the All-Tournament Team.

The Chieftains disposed of Boys Ranch in the tourney opener, 66-57. That game turned out to be the team's toughest of the three.

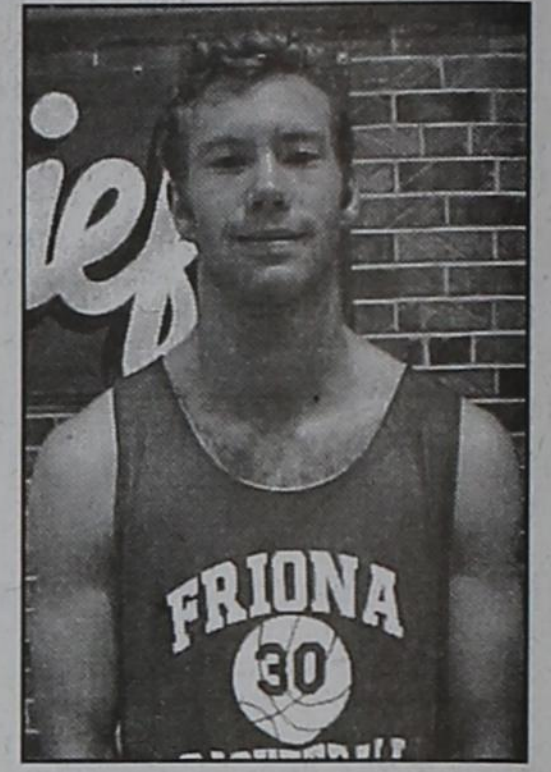
Haile started bombing the net early, with four baskets (one a three-pointer), and Carthel also came up with a "foursome," for eight points, as Friona led, 19-17, at the end of the first quarter.

Haile continued his hot hand with another nine points, exactly like his first quarter, except that he started with a three-point shot.

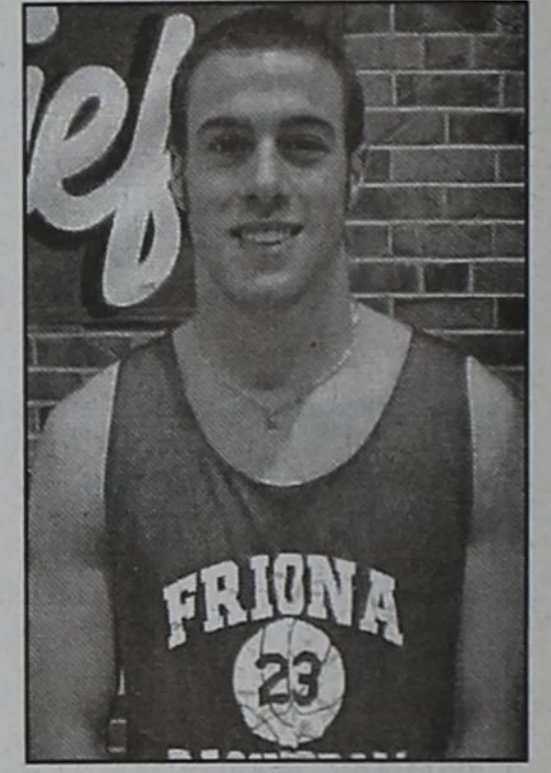
Adam Bandy came up a pair of baskets in the second period, one from three-point



NATHAN HAILE ...Tournament MVP



ANDY CARTHEL ...All-Tournament



ADAM BANDY ...All-Tournament

range, and the team went to intermission with a 35-30 lead.

Friona's scoring in the second half was spread among seven players. Dustin Thompson had a pair of baskets in the third quarter. Haile, Bandy, Ricky Dickson and Carthel all scored a basket, while the Chieftains inched farther ahead, 48-38.

In the fourth quarter, Bandy and Marc Haile, a reserve, each scored two baskets and a free throw as Friona scored its third win of the season. Nathan Haile, scored 24 points, Bandy 14 and Carthel 12.

In Friday's semi-final game, Haile again had a good start against Hartley, with an eight-point first quarter.

Teammate Thompson added two baskets and a free throw as Friona led, 17-6, at the end of the quarter.

With different players on the court in the second quarter, Gabe Rivas scored five points, with Thompson, Micah White, Bandy, Dickson and Chris Wiseman hitting from the field. Wiseman's basket was a three-pointer, helping the Chiefs to a 33-14 halftime lead.

Haile scored six points and Bandy four, as Friona increased its lead to 47-19

7-8 Maidens Split Two At Lockney

Friona's 7th grade "A" Maidens lost their first game of the year 35-30 at Lockney Monday. They are now 4-1 on the year.

Leading scorers were Blair Smiley and Miranda Frye with 7 points each and Briar Barnett had 6 points.

The Friona 8th grade "A" Maidens demolished their Lockney opponents 65-35, led by Shayli Reed's 16 points. Courtney Adams had 13, Staci Murphree 9, Tiffany Vasquez 8, and Lucretia Field 6 points.

The 8th grade "B" Maidens played only two quarters but won 15-3. Morgan Anthony and Jordan Monroe had 6 points each.

The 8th grade "A" girls are now 4-1 and the 7-8 graders play Tulia there Monday, December 16.

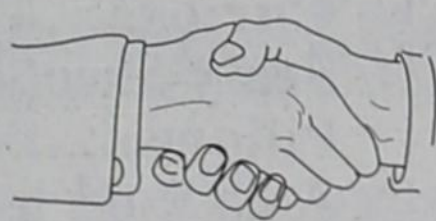
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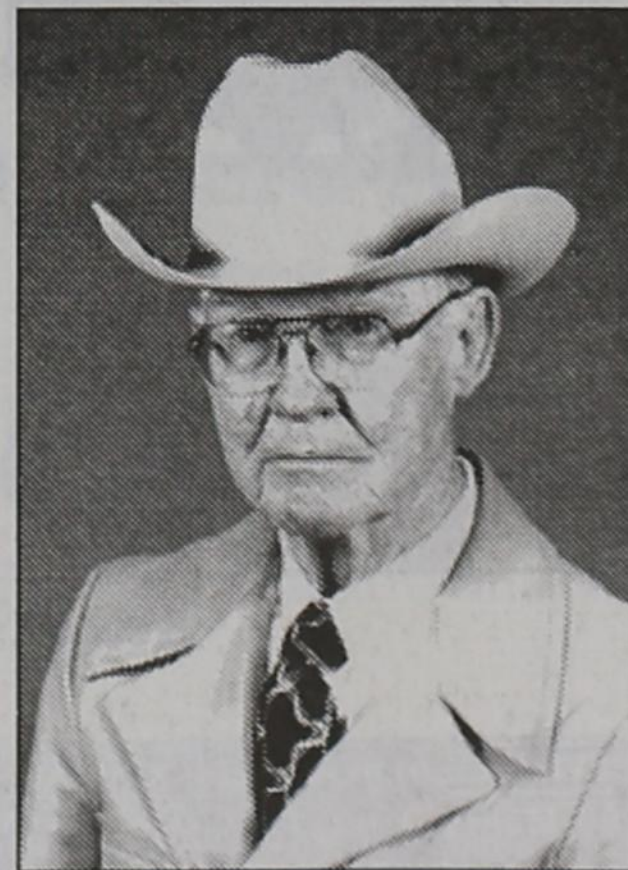
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Rosa Flores Is ENMU Graduate

Rosa Flores, a student from the Friona area, is among the 228 graduation candidates at Eastern New Mexico University this fall. Twenty-seven students have applied for associate's degrees, 176 for bachelor's degrees and 25 for master's degrees.

Students with a cumulative grade point average of 3.8 to 4.0 will graduate summa cum laude, while 3.7 to 3.79 will graduate magna cum laude. Cum laude graduates must have a 3.6 to 3.69 GPA. Students with a 3.5 to 3.59 GPA graduate with distinction.

Graduation will be held at the ENMU Greyhound Arena on Saturday, December 14 at 10 a.m.

Ms. Flores is a candidate for a bachelor of arts in education in elementary education.



LADIES AT LUNCH--Friona First Baptist Church hosted their annual ladies Christmas luncheon on Tuesday, December 10, complete with elegant table decorations and a tasty menu. The Baptist ladies served over eighty guests at the event held in the church Fellowship Hall.

Challenging Courses Are Stressed In Series

Are your children taking the most challenging courses that they should be taking? Parents can find out the answer to this question December 16 through December 20, twice daily at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Channel 76.

That's when a new Texas Education Agency video, "The Value of Taking Challenging Courses," will be shown as part of a presentation specially designed for parents of middle school and high school students.

All students need to understand that if they don't take challenging coursework, they'll never know what they are capable of accomplishing. In this video, students, parents, counselors and Texas Secretary of State Henry Cuellar talk about the need for students to take the most challenging courses possible in order to prepare for a post-secondary education and for career opportunities in the emerging global economy. The video explains the benefits of the Recommended High School Program, Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and dual/concurrent enrollment programs.

"The Value of Taking Challenging Courses" is one in a five-part series of videos called "Pathways to Success,"

which is available for viewing in every school district in Texas to help parents help their children get the most out of their education.

Other videos in the series, which were specially created for parents of middle school and high school students include: "Financial Aid Opportunities," "How To Encourage Strong Academics At Home," and "The Importance of Standardized Tests."

The series flagship video, "Education Opportunities in Texas," explains new statewide programs that are raising educational standards, preparing students for post-secondary education and expanding opportunities for financial aid. All the videos in the series were produced in both English and Spanish and are approximately 15 minutes long. They will run on the cable twice daily at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The viewing schedule for the videos is as follows:

- "The Value of Taking Challenging Courses" on cable December 16-20.
- "Educational Financial Aid Opportunities" on cable December 30-January 3.

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SS Classes Join For Xmas Party

The Faith and Dorcas Sunday School classes of Calvary Baptist Church had a joint Christmas party on December 9. The gathering was in the Fellowship Hall at the church.

Attending were Evelyn Hartley, Betty Talley, Opal Strickland, Ella Wilkerson, Joyce Veazey, Louise Bynum, Kathy Petty and Mutt Dutton.

Also, Elsie Allen, Theda Bloxom, Pat Turner, Annie Mae Thomas, Mary Bass, Pat Martin, Kay Huckabee, Eva Marie Nichols and Trel Taylor.

Also, Arline Elliott, Dora Parson, Eddie Mays, Martha Hamilton, Hannah Lookingbill, Donita Martin, Tiny Taylor, Ruby Hassenpflug, and Ruth Miller.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED INCREASE IN SERVICE CHARGES

On December 6, 2002 Atmos Energy filed a Statement of Intent to change its service charges with the Railroad Commission of Texas and each incorporated city listed below. The proposed changes will take effect no sooner than 35 days after filing.

The proposed increase will not effect the Company's other gas rate schedules. The change will apply to Residential, Commercial, Small Industrial, and Public Authority customers. The Company proposes the following increased service charges:

	During Business Hours	After Hours
Turn on new service with meter set	\$32.00	\$48.00
Turn on service (shut-in test required)	\$23.50	\$35.25
Turn on service (meter read only required)	\$15.00	\$22.50
Reconnect delinquent service or service temporarily off at customer's request	\$37.50	\$56.25
Miscellaneous service calls	\$11.25	\$16.88

The proposed service charge changes are expected to increase the Company's annual revenues by approximately 4% and therefore do not constitute a "major change" The proposed changes could affect approximately 215,000 gas customers in the following communities and surrounding rural areas:

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Copies of the filing are available at the Atmos Energy Office at 5110 80th, Lubbock, TX 79408-1121 or at an Atmos Energy Office nearest to you. Affected persons whose gas rates are subject to the original jurisdiction of the Railroad Commission may file in writing comments or a protest concerning the proposed changes with the Docket Services Section of the Legal Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2967, at any time within 30 days following the date on which the change would or has become effective.

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County Updates 911 Mapping Software

All emergency 911 calls in Parmer County are routed first to the Friona Police Department, then dispatched to the Sheriff's Office or the appropriate EMS or fire department.

The Panhandle Regional Planning Commission (PRPC) maintains the 911 systems of the 26 counties in the Panhandle except for Potter and Randall counties. The PRPC recently upgraded Parmer County's 911 system with new mapping software.

With our extensive county road system it is not always easy for dispatchers to pinpoint the exact location of an emergency. The new software is a step toward minimizing the location problem.

The Friona Police Department received the new software, new computer keyboards and two new flat-screen monitors. Senior dispatcher Donice Jones attended a one-day seminar in Dumas to train on the new software and will in turn train the local dispatchers on its use.

8th Braves Lose One At Lockney

The 8th grade boys traveled to Lockney Monday. They lost by a score of 42-21.

The Braves scoring was led by Tolby Wilcox with 4 points. Brett Field and Caleb Miller each had 3, and Eddie Ortiz, Emilio Tarango, Sean Lookingbill, and Juan Reyes scored 2 each.

In addition to viewing the Parmer County map, dispatchers have access to the road systems in all 26 PRPC counties.

Dispatchers can enlarge map areas on the computer screens. Use of an arrow in the program can pinpoint block or mile markers, compute distances between points of reference, and provide longitude and latitude position coordinates for use by Lifestar helicopters.

When a 911 call is received, a red telephone icon on the computer screen shows at the exact call location, in addition to displaying the phone number and address of the caller.

One problem that technology has not yet solved is pinpointing locations of cell phone calls. Mrs. Jones says



NEW 911 SYSTEM OPERATOR, Donice Jones, is senior dispatcher for the Friona Police Department, and will monitor the 911 calls to dispatch emergency responders to where they are needed.

that in today's society, more and more 911 calls are being made from cell phones.

"This software program

will definitely help dispatchers assist law officers and first-responders faster and more efficiently," Jones said.

Sweet Adelines To Sing Here...

(Continued from Page 1) brought a few women together in her home. From that meeting grew the nucleus of what was to become Sweet Adelines International. It is still headquartered in Oklahoma today.

Within four years, the organization had grown to 1,500 members singing in 35 chapters, and 60 quartets in 14 different states; adopted bylaws, elected national officers, and created a system for judging annual national competitions to select the best women's quartet.

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educational: to teach and train its members in musical harmony and appreciation.

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Barbershop harmony's four voice parts are still called by their traditional names: tenor, lead, baritone, and bass—whether referring to men's or women's vocal groups. *Lead* is the melody, *tenor* is a harmony part sung consistently above the lead.

Baritone covers approximately the same range as lead, but baritones must constantly adjust their balance to accommodate their position in the cord. *Bass* singers add the rich, mellow tones. Auditions are held annually for new members. Choruses range in size

from 15 to 150 members which practice weekly year round.

JV Girls Win Three Games Out Of Four

The Squaws' JV won three of their four outings during the past week.

In the Muleshoe JV tourney, the Frionans downed Tulia, 30-26 in the first round, behind Misty Adams' 13 points.

On Friday, the team downed Muleshoe "B" 35-32. Melissa Vasquez, Adams and Heather Clark each scored nine points.

The Squaws fell to Muleshoe "A," 40-31 in the finals, despite 14 points by Clark and nine by Brenda Murphree.

Tuesday night, the Squaws' JV bombed Highland Park, 81-39 with five players in double figures. Yvonne Vega scored 16; Clark 14, Vasquez and Adams each 13, and Murphree 12.

JV Boys Win One In Four Outings

It was a tough week for the Chieftain Junior Varsity. The team took part in the Muleshoe JV tournament last Thursday through Saturday.

The team fell to Tulia in the opening round, 71-29. Jesus Nava scored eight points to lead Friona.

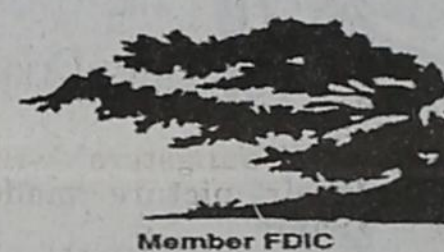
The young Chieftains outscored the Muleshoe freshmen in the second round, 49-40. Willy Castillo scored 12 points to pace Friona. Rudy Gonzalez scored nine, Keith Hunt eight and David Mendez seven.

On Saturday, the team faced River Road and came away licking their wounds after the 40-24 loss. Matt Gammon and Jesus Nava each scored six for Friona.

Tuesday at Amarillo, the team fell to Highland Park, 63-50. Nava scored ten; Castillo and Rivas seven each.

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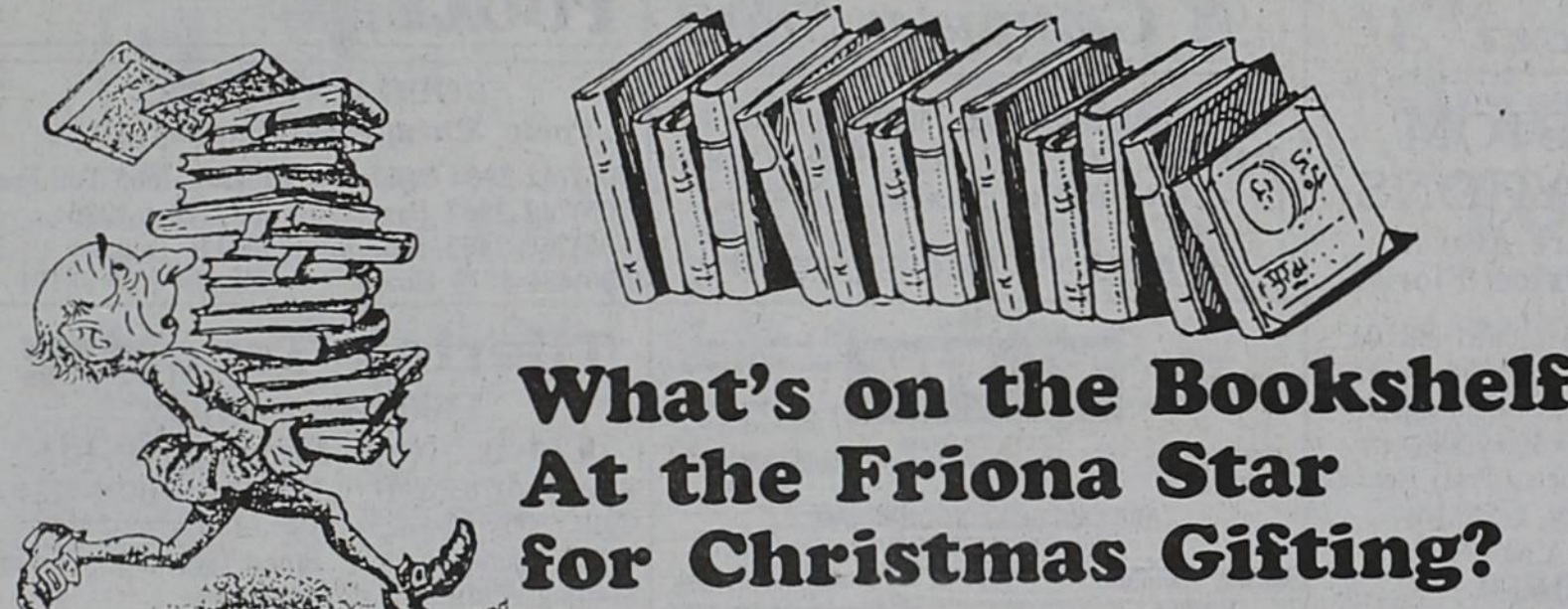
Tyler Hough

Tyler is a kindergartner at Friona Schools.

His Parents are David and Rene Hough. His Brother is Truman. His grandparents are Charles and Luann Hough, and Jim and Rosemary Eakin

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Joe and Audrey Murpree had their three children home for the Thanksgiving holiday. Derick, who is in the Navy, came home from his base in Norfolk, Virginia, but had to leave before his sister and brother arrived in

Friona. He left on the USS Harry S Truman this week for the Middle East. The Murpree's daughter, D'Nae, who is in the Army, came home from Gieblestadt, Germany and will leave for Isreal this month.

Their son, Zack, and his girlfriend, Cristi of Albuquerque, New Mexico, who are both students at the University of Texas in Austin, also came home.

Hollis and Lunell Horton joined their daughter and her family for an interesting Thanksgiving at Disney World in Florida. They are Tracy and Barry Bowden of Dallas and their children Weston, Emma, Sunny and Casey.

Lunell said it was Christmas time at Disney World during their six day stay. They enjoyed Christmas music, fake snow, lights and decorations. She said it really got them all in the Christmas spirit.

Chris Alexander had a full house for Thanksgiving. Her mother, Rita Mast of Bovina, is recuperating at Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona. She had knee surgery at Northwest Texas Hospital In Amarillo on October 14 and had a spell with pneumonia but is improving daily. All the Mast children and their families came home for the holiday.

They are Cathy and Rick Bowers of Carlsbad, California; Buz and Robin Mast of Eibert, Colorado and

Christmas In Park Set Here

All youngsters are invited to attend Friona's Christmas in the Park Monday night, December 16 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Depot in City Park.

The event is sponsored by the Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce.

Youngsters will have their picture made with Santa.

their children Collin, Corey and Shannon; Honey Sue and Bill Gist of Bovina and their son Bryan; and Chris' son and his children, Christopher, Christian and Chase Alexander of Friona; and family friend Stewart Bailey of Boise, Idaho.

Rita's son and daughter-in-law, Broox and Anita Mast of San Marcos, California and their children Art and Jana went to Amarillo in October for the surgery and were unable to come back for Thanksgiving.

Study Club Met Here December 3

GFWC Modern Study Club met December 3 in the Friona Women's Club House.

Sandra Randall called the meeting to order with pledges to the United States and Texas flags.

The members answered roll call with a folk remedy remembered from their childhood. Donna Mears led the club in singing Christmas carols.

Elizabeth Gore served as the program director. She presented an overview of some of the common forms and methods used in alternative medicine. She reviewed the book, "Guide To Alternative Medicine," by Dr. Rosenfeld, M.D.

Various forms of alternative medicine included acupunctue, chelation therapy, homeopathy and reflexology. Members gave examples of alternative medicines used by some of the members of their own families.

Katherine Woodard, hostess, served delicious refreshments to six club members.

Businesses Urged To Take Part In Job Shadow Day

Groundhog Job Shadow Day and the Groundhog Job Shadow initiative are dedicated to engaging students in the world of work in order to:

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- Encourage an ongoing relationship between young people and caring adults.
- Encourage that students in need of additional services or programs are linked to other appropriate services/organizations/agencies.

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Friona High School and the Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture have joined to make Job Shadowing Day possible for students in Friona. Private, non-profit and government businesses are encouraged to participate in the activities of the day.

To participate or ask questions about the program, contact Kathryn Goddard at the Chamber office, 250-3491, or Kitty Gallman at Friona High School, 250-3951 by December 20, 2002. Complete information about the program is available on the Internet at www.jobshadow.org.

Meet Friona's Class of 2015

Christian is a kindergartner at Friona Schools.

His Parents are Freddie and Christi Merino. He has a sister, Mikaela, and a brother, Adrian. His Grandparents are Steve and Sylvia Raymond, and Bernardo and Blanca Merino.



Christian Merino

His favorite activities include drawing, riding bikes and camping.

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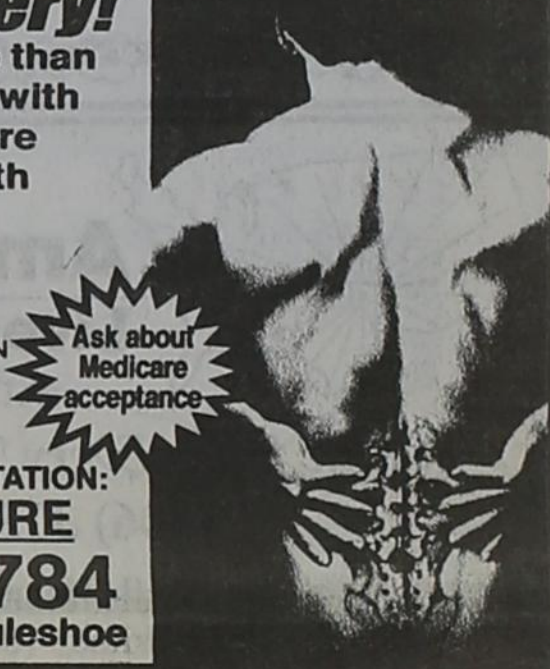
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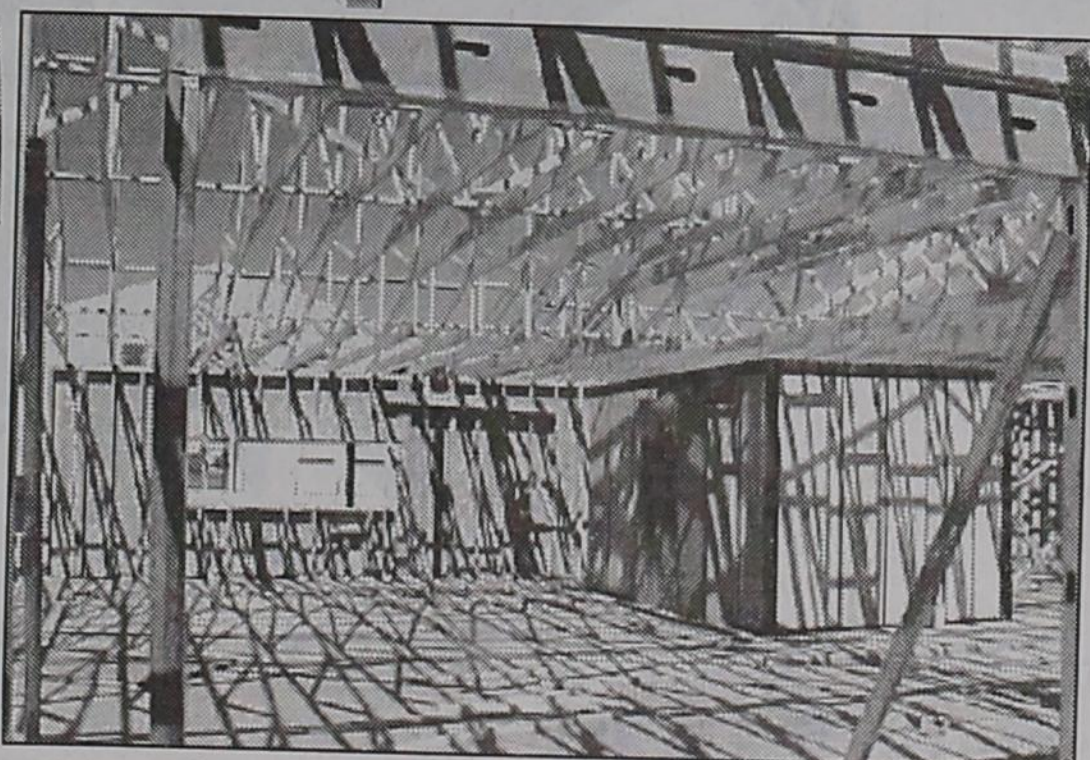
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 Graham is an unmanned aerial vehicle operator normally assigned to the 21st Military Intelligence Company at Fort Polk, Leesville, La. He has one year of military service.
 He is the son of C. Richmond and Carolyn G. Graham of Cottontail Court, Garden City, Kan.
 His wife, Heather, is the daughter of Mickey and Linda L. Griffin of W. Sixth St., Friona, Texas.
 The specialist is a 1992 graduate of Dighton High School, Kan., and a 1997 Graduate of Wayland Baptist University, Plainview, Texas.

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Week of December 15-21 Friona residents observing birthdays next week include:
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December 16--Michael Stanberry, Gerald Floyd, Lisa Guerra, Megan Carr, Kyle Jamerson, Travis Stewart, Rhett Houston.
December 17--Joe Tagle, Elthie Hand, Robert Garza, Lance Goen, Jim Schlenker, Mary Joyce Barnett, Gloria Drake, Jason Hankins, Esther Alexander.
December 18--Debbie Stevens, Wade Procter, Brittany Anthony, Michael Craig Scott, Antonio Martinez, Hal Ratcliff, Bud Rainey, Pam Rector, Trey Widner, Morgan Leal, Billy Dean Baxter, Crystal Morton.
December 19--Wes Drake, Jason Rector, Paige Osborn, Mindi Wilson, Lonnie Busch, Cliff Daniel.
December 20--Harletta Carthel, Mika Schneider, Rocky Nichols, Deloris McNeely, Alec Gordon.
December 21--Robert Sandoval.
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REAL ESTATE * RESTAURANT EQUIPMENT

Tuesday, December 17, 2002 ----- Sale Time 10:00 a.m.

Located: 328 South Main Street, Muleshoe, Texas

T J's Donut Shop

The following will be sold at Public Auction. Call Fletcher & Company Auctioneers (806) 866-4201.

REAL ESTATE Sells at 10:00 a.m.

Located on the corner of Main and Avenue D, Muleshoe, Texas.
 20 ft x 137 ft. Red Brick Front, Cinder Block Building, Flat Roof, 1-Front Door, Glass Display Window, 3-Side Doors, 2-Glass Windows on Rear Offices, 2-Bathrooms, Fluorescent Lighting, 2-Ref-Air Units, Nearly New, Sidewalk on Two Sides.
 This building could be divided into two rental properties.

RESTAURANT EQUIPMENT

- 1-Hoshizaki Ice Machine, Model KM800MAE
- 1-Booth Drink Dispenser, 5 Spickets
- 1-Beverage-Air Display / Storage Commercial Ref-Freezer, Glass Sliding Doors, 2 Sides, Mdl MT17-54
- 1-Lucks Gas Donut Fryer, (Model G-2424) SS with Belshaw Bros Cake Donut Machine and Hood, SN 100357
- 1-Hobart Mixer, Model S-601, SN 1079203
- 1-Spudnut Convection Oven, SN PP1178
- 1-Frigidare Custom Imperial Elec Stove
- 1-Spudnut Glazing Container on Caster, 20" x 38" Storage Compartment
- 1-Glaze Drain Table on Casters
- 1-Toastmaster Deep Fryer, Electric
- 1-Frymaster Deep Fryer, Gas
- 1-Cambridge Engineering Hood
- 1-APW-Wyott 24" x 48" Grill, Gas
- 1-Aero SS Table for Above Grill, 48" x 30"
- 2-Bunn-O-Matic Coffee Makers
- 1-Brewmatic Coffee Ground Machine
- 1-Bunn Warmer, Model WX-2
- 1-Cecil Ware Corp Mini Whipper Cappuccino Machine, Model 4914-0
- 1-Bunn Stainless Steel Tea Dispenser
- 2-Brewmatic Plastic Tea Dispenser
- 1-Hamilton Beach Milk Shake Machine, Stainless Steel, 3 Mixers
- 1-Maytag Jet Clean Dishwasher
- 1-Traulsen Double Door Com-Freezer, Model GHT 2-32, SN 100760
- 2-Roper Upright Freezers

RESTAURANT EQUIPMENT

- 1-Magic Chef Refrigerator Freezer
- 1-Gibson 200 lbs Chest Freezer
- 1-Schaefer Top Door Ice Cream Freezer
- 1-Ross Temp Drink Dispenser Ice Machine, Model RF-600-DD
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- 1-Gideco Ice Type BWC-No 4995 Freshcone Machine
- 1-Anetsberger Bros Model BFG 18 x 26 Gas Fryer, Damaged
- 1-Acme 12-1023 Crust Roller
- 1-Custom Made Gas Grill, Not Complete, 21" x 41"
- 1-Lot Frying Cradles
- 1-Lot Frying Racks
- 1-Lot Bun Pans
- 1-Lot SS Pans, Square, Round
- 1-Cutting Board
- 1-Wash Tub Type Round Pan, SS
- 1-Wash Tub Type Round Pan, Metal with Stands

TABLES & CHAIRS

- 8-Double Restaurant Booths
- 2-Corner Round Restaurant Booths
- 4-Single Restaurant Booths, Ends
- 10-42" x 30" Tables, Metal Legs
- 1-48" x 30" Table, Metal Legs
- 1-36" x 36" Table, Metal Legs
- 2-48" Round Tables, Metal Legs
- 2-High Chairs on Casters
- 2-Booster Chairs
- 24-Chairs
- 1-Metal Roll About Table, 2 Shelves, 24" x 36"
- 1-Wood Table, Metal Top, 24" x 50"
- 1-Wood Table, Metal Top, 22" x 27"
- 1-6 ft Folding Table
- 1-22" x 32" x 34" SS Top, 2 Shelf Table
- 1-30" x 120" x 36" SS Bordered Table, Pipe Frame, Legs with Under Shelf
- 1-24" x 48" x 13" SS Double Sink
- 1-27" x 48" x 3" SS Bordered Sink Drain
- 1-30" x 74" Glass Display Case
- 2-60" x 84" Display Cases
- 1-23" x 96" Bar

OFFICE EQUIPMENT

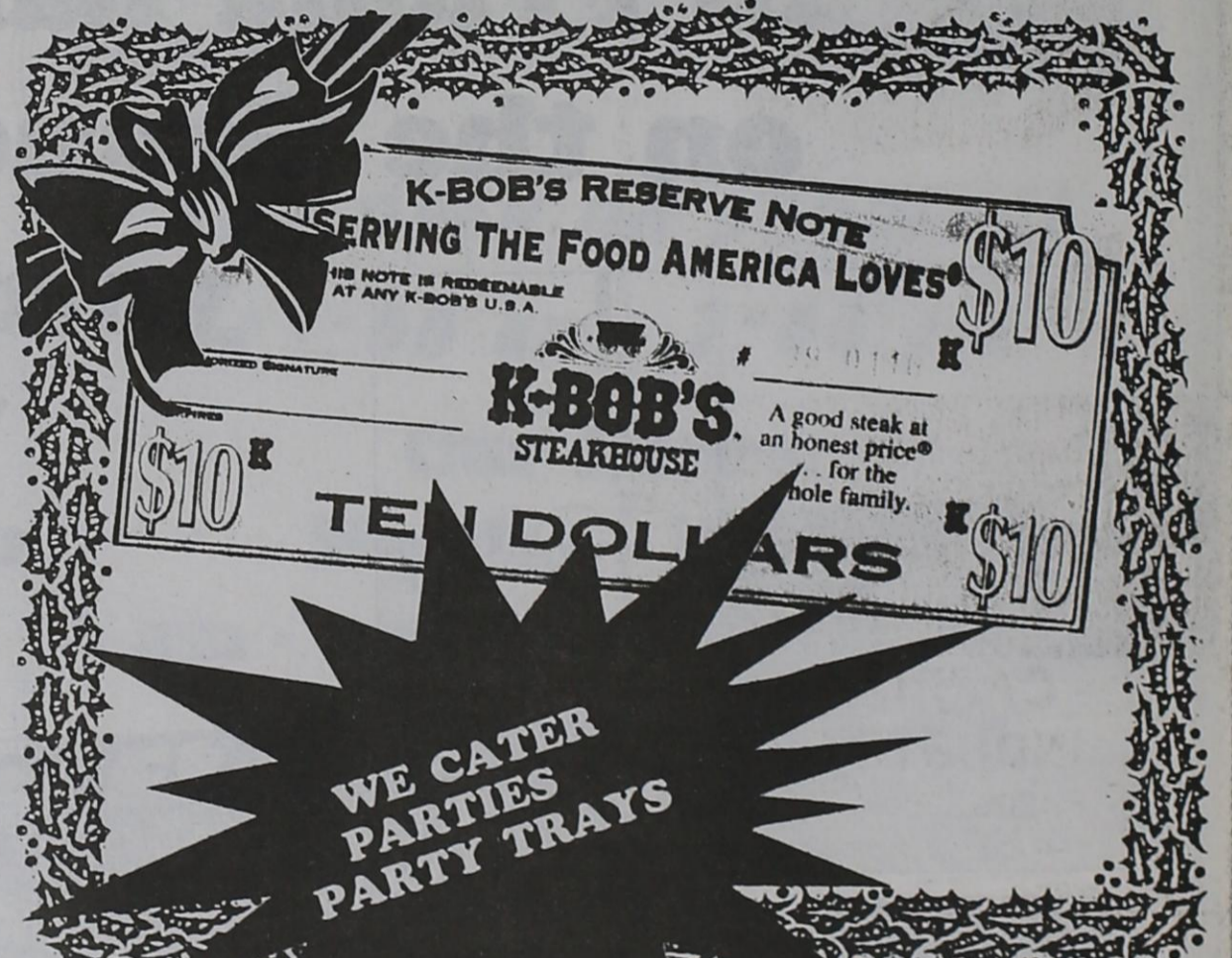
- 1-2 Drawer with Safe Metal Filing Cabinet
- 1-Victor 511 Cash Register, SN 5554-305
- 1-Victor 120 Adding Machine
- 1-20 x 26 x 34 S/S Farmer Bros 2 Shelf Table
- 1-Office Chair
- 2-Office Desks, Metal
- 2-Wall Clocks
- 2-Telephones

RESTAURANT SUPPLIES

- 1-Bun Rack on Casters
- 2-Menu Signs (Coke)
- 1-SS Top, 26" x 23"
- 2-Filter Holders
- 2-Roll A Round Dolly Pads
- 1-Air Compressor
- 3-Step Ladders
- 3-Custom Made Metal Racks
- 1-Lot Water Glasses
- 1-Lot Shake Glasses
- 1-Lot Frostie Glasses
- 1-Lot Coffee Cups
- 1-Lot Plates
- 1-Lot Spoons, Knives, Forks
- 1-Lot Salt Shakers
- 1-Lot Napkin Holders and Dispensers
- 1-Lot Baskets (Burger)
- 1-Lot Ash Trays
- 1-Lot Traps
- 1-Lot Plastic Bowls, Lids
- 1-Lot Pots & Pans
- 1-Lot Metal Scoops (Ice, Flour)
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- 1-Can Opener
- 1-SS Rolling Pin
- 1-Miller Bun Divider
- 1-Hexagonal Donut Rolling Pin Cutter
- 1-Katzinger Cake Filler
- 1-Lot Storage Containers
- 2-Electric Fans
- 1-Master Mechanic Wet-Dry Vacuum Cleaner
- 1-Lot Mops, Brooms
- 2-Mop Buckets, Roll A Round
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THERE WERE GIANTS IN THE LAND

THROUGHOUT THE OLD TESTAMENT THERE ARE SEVERAL REFERENCES TO GIANTS AS INDIVIDUALS AND AS A RACE. ONE RACE WERE THE ANAKIMS WHO HAD CITIES IN CANAAN. WHEN HEBRON WAS CAPTURED BY THE HEBREWS THE ANAKIMS ESCAPED DESTRUCTION BY FLEEING TO THE CITIES OF THE PHILISTINES. BUT UNTIL THAT TIME THEY RULED THE LAND, TAXING THE OTHER INHABITANTS AND, IN GENERAL, CONTROLLING THEIR LIVES. THE NOTORIOUS GOLIATH OF GATH, WHO WAS KILLED BY DAVID, WAS ONE OF THE ANAKIMS. AFTER THIS INCIDENT WE HAVE NO FURTHER RECORD OF THE GIANTS.



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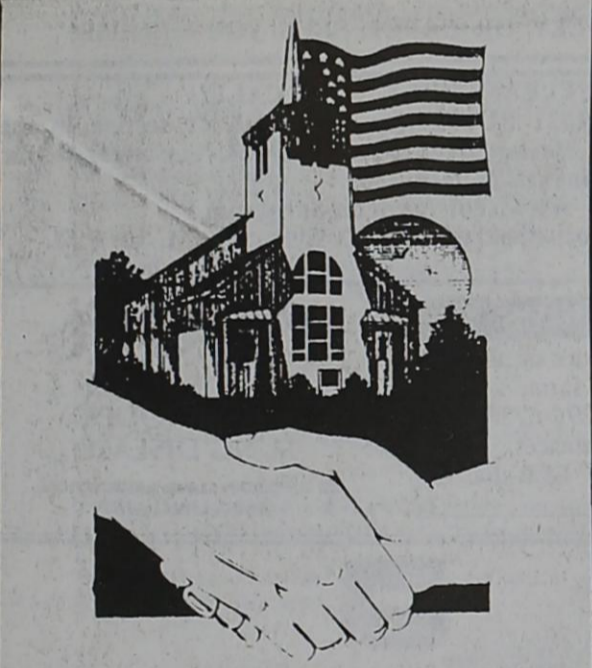
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F&B-tfnc-12/6

The Clovis News-Journal is looking for an independent contract carrier for home delivery and single copy sales in Bovina. Must have reliable transportation and proof of insurance. For more information, call Lynn Berry at 505 763-7350 or 1-800 819-9925, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday.
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NEW LISTING...3 BR, 2 Bath, 2 LR, shop.....\$68,900
2 BR, 1 bath, brick, corner lot.....\$43,000
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Silverhawk Security has positions open for security guards. Applicants must be at least 18 years old, have a high school diploma or GED and have no criminal record. Call 295-8357 or come by the security office at Excel.
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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice To The Public

The City of Friona is currently seeking bids on a 1-1/2 ton cab and chassis which will be used for a Fire Department Vehicle. Specifications may be obtained by contacting the City of Friona, 623 Main, Friona, Texas 79035, 806-250-2761. Sealed bids will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 2, 2003 at the Office of the City Manager, City of Friona, 623 Main, Friona, Texas. Bid will be awarded at the regular meeting of the City Council at 6:30 p.m. on January 14, 2003. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
F-2tc-12/13/12/20

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE

This is a notice to all interested persons that at the time, date, and location described below, the following piece of farm equipment will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder tendering the necessary funds in the form of cash or a cashiers check: John Deere 4640; Serial Number: 4640POT8059.
Date and Time of Sale: December 14, 2002, 9:00 A.M.
Place of Sale: The Gallman Equipment, Inc. shop
1425 FM 1731, Bovina, Texas 79009, (806)238-1228 or (806) 265-7370

1. The proceeds of the sale shall be applied to the charges owing to Gallman Equipment, Inc., with any balance to be paid over to the former owner or the lien holder (as applicable).

2. The equipment may be viewed at the above location.

3. Authorizing statute: TEX.PROP.CODE ANN §§70.001-70.008. F&B-2tc-12/6-12/13

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REAL ESTATE

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F-tfnc-5/25

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F-tfnc-10/18

LEGAL NOTICE

The Board of Trustees of Friona Independent School District will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, December 18, 7:00 p.m. in the Central Administration Office at 909 E. 11th St., Friona, Texas. The purpose of this hearing is to provide information on, and hear comments on the Friona I.S.D. Academic Excellence Indicator System 2001-2002 annual report. Copies of this report may be obtained at FISD Central Offices, 909 East 11th Street, Friona, Texas. F-1tc-12/13

LEGAL NOTICE

Friona I.S.D. Board of Trustees will meet in regular session on Wednesday, December 18, 2002, 7:00 p.m. in the Central Offices located at 909 E. 11th St., Friona, Texas. F-1tc-12/13

LEGAL NOTICE

INITIAL NOTICE OF POLICY OF NONDISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF HANDICAPPED STATUS
The City of Friona does not discriminate on the basis of handicapped status in the admission of, access to, or treatment of employment in its federally assisted programs or activities.
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City of Friona
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has been designated to coordinate compliance with the nondiscrimination requirements contained in the Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) regulations implementing Section 504 (24 CFR Part 8 dated June 2, 1988).

PROCLAMATION

By Executive Order of the Honorable John Taylor, Mayor of the City of Friona, it is hereby proclaimed:
WHEREAS, April 1997 marks the twenty-ninth anniversary of the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, which included Title VIII, the Fair Housing Law, for guaranteed equal housing opportunity for all citizens; and
WHEREAS, Fair housing is consistent with the principle of equality and justice for all, providing the challenge to combat discrimination, and to broaden the protection of the beliefs upon which our nation was founded; and
WHEREAS, This month provides an opportunity for all Americans to rededicate themselves to the principles of free choice and to reacquire themselves with the rights and responsibilities that are theirs under the Fair Housing Law.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Taylor, Mayor of the City of Friona, do hereby proclaim June 1997 as:
FAIR HOUSING MONTH IN THE CITY OF FRIONA
and urge my fellow citizens to join me in reaffirming the obligation and commitment to fair housing opportunities for all people.

Let all within the reach of this proclamation heed its directive.

By his Honor the Mayor of the City of Friona, Texas
John Taylor



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NEW LISTINGS

COME SEE-2/1/2 w/basement & shop-corner lot.....Contract Pending
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NICE NEIGHBORHOOD-3/2/2 brick-east part of town.....\$55,000
MUST SEE-VERY NICE 3/1 fireplace corner lot.....SOLD
SELLER HELP W/CLOSING..3/2/1 basement.....SOLD
BEAUTIFUL Modern 3/2/2 cellar-storage bldg.....SOLD

RESIDENTIAL

PRICE REDUCED \$5,000-3br/2 1/2bath fireplace-corner...\$75,000
REDUCED-Family Home in Western AdditionSOLD
NEAR high school-very nice 3/2/2--over 2100 sq ft inc garage...\$78,500
VERY NICE-3/2/1 central heat & air, lots of storage.....\$70,000
PERFECT CONDITION-2/2/1-1g living area-tile-new carpet \$69,900
GREAT LOCATION-nice, 2 living areas-family home.....\$69,500
JUST REDUCED near high school 3/2/2 nice home.....\$67,500
REDUCED-MUST SEE 3/2/1 pretty yards fireplace storage...\$69,000
CLOSE TO HIGH SCHOOL 3/2/1 storm cellar corner lot...\$65,000
STORAGE GALORE-close to high school-3BR 2bath.....\$63,900
NICE STARTER HOME-3/2/2 beautiful yard.....\$56,500
GREAT PRICE --3Br 2bath fireplace double garage.....\$50,000
2-STORY HOME with lots of room-fireplace.....\$44,900
MUST SELL-1BR/1living area/1bath.....\$30,000
GREAT BUY-3/1/2 on large corner lot w/5 lots.....SOLD

BOVINA LISTINGS

REDUCED \$12,000-Priced to sell-3/2/1-2-story lg corner lot...\$47,000
GREATLY REDUCED-3/2/2 fireplace/sprinkler system.....\$58,500
REDUCED from \$42,500-2br-1bath has been remodeled.....\$35,000
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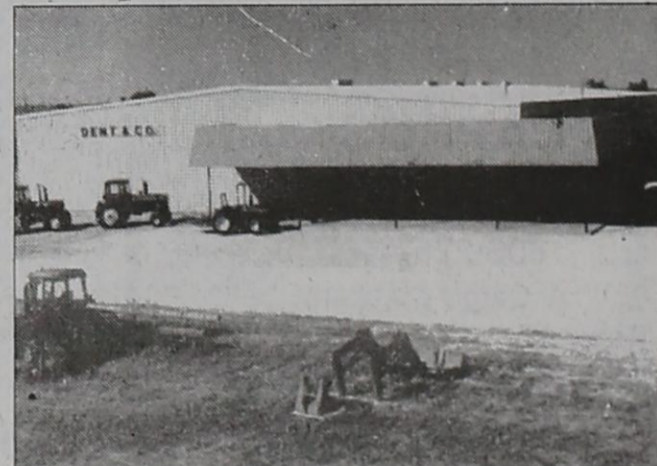
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5 BR, 2 BA, sunroom, basement, carport, large lot.....\$58,000
Mobile home, .974 acres, barn, SE Cor. Sec. 25.....\$34,500
3 BR, 1-3/4 baths, 1 car detached garage.....SOLD.....\$34,900
3-4 BR, 1-1/2 bath, metal roof, 4637 acres.....\$58,000
3 BR, 2 bath, 2 car garage, newly repainted.....\$72,000
2 BR, 1-3/4 baths, 2 car garage, refrigerated A/C.....\$60,000
2 BR, 1 bath, fireplace, fenced, good st.....SOLD.....\$25,000
3 BR, 2 bath, brick, basement, metal shop.....\$85,000
residence only.....\$65,000
3 BR, 1 bath, utility room, basement.....\$25,500
3 BR, 1-3/4+1/2 BA, corner lot, new AC.....\$68,500
3 BR, 1 bath, ready to sell, partially re-done.....\$33,000
2 BR, 1 bath home plus mobile home lot.....\$25,000
3 BR, 3 BA, 2 LR, DR, lg. garage, re-done.....SOLD.....\$123,900
3 BR, 1-3/4 bath, 2 car garage, basement.....\$85,000
3 BR, 2 bath, basement, 2 car.....\$80,000
Small office/studio with 1/2 bath to be moved.....\$5,000
3 BR, 1 bath, NEEDS HELP.....\$18,000
Upstairs & downstairs apartment complex.....\$23,900...\$21,900

Lorenzo Villa Completes Basic Combat Training

Lorenzo Jerit Villa, the eighteen year old son of Tommy and Kathy Villa, graduated from Basic Combat Training on November 8. The graduation ceremony of Alpha Company, 2nd Battalion, 54th Infantry took place at Fort Benning, Georgia, also known as "The Home of the Infantry."

He completed fourteen weeks of training, earning a badge in physical training, the achievement of Honor Platoon, medals for marksmanship in weapons and expert in grenade.

The day before graduation, the soldiers and their families attend a ceremony for "Turning Blue." This is a special ceremony for soldiers training to be infantrymen. The blue rope located on the right shoulder of a soldier indicates that he met the qualifications needed to become an infantryman. Only infantrymen are given the privilege to wear the symbolic blue rope on his Class A uniform.

He is now stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas. Attending his graduation were his mom Kathy Villa, his sister Alyssa Villa, his grandmother Lucy Everett and his aunt Carrie Melton.

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TO: Jorge L. Calderon, GREETING:

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Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on July 24, 2002, in this case numbered 260 on the docket of said court, and styled,



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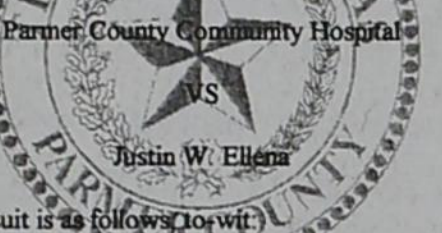
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TO: Justin W. Ellena, GREETING:

You are commanded to appear by filing an answer to the Plaintiff's 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 the same being Monday the 20th day of January, 2003 before the Honorable Judge Vivaliah Hutto, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 2, Parmer County, Texas at Bovina, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on October 17, 2002, in this case numbered 349 on the docket of said court, and styled,



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TO: Chad E. Jackson, GREETING:

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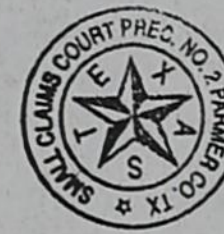
Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on October 17, 2002, in this case numbered 361 on the docket of said court, and styled,



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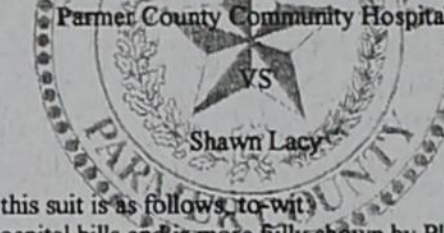
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TO: Shawn Lacy, GREETING:

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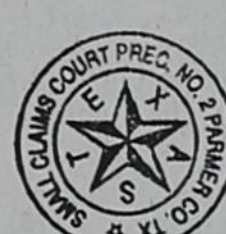
Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on October 17, 2002, in this case numbered 350 on the docket of said court, and styled,



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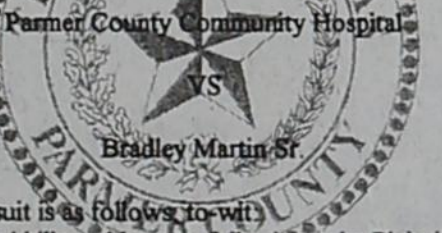
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TO: Bradley Martin Sr., GREETING:

You are commanded to appear by filing an answer to the Plaintiff's 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 the same being Monday the 20th day of January, 2003 before the Honorable Judge Vivaliah Hutto, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 2, Parmer County, Texas at Bovina, Texas.

Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on November 4, 2002, in this case numbered 366 on the docket of said court, and styled,



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TO: Guadalupe Mendez, GREETING:

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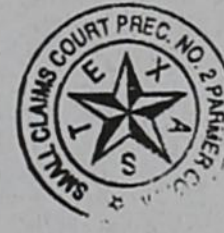
Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on November 14, 2002, in this case numbered 417 on the docket of said court, and styled,



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TO: Larry Myers, GREETING:

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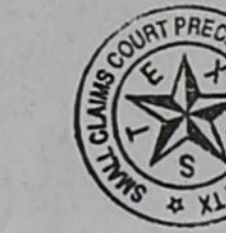
Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on November 4, 2002, in this case numbered 381 on the docket of said court, and styled,



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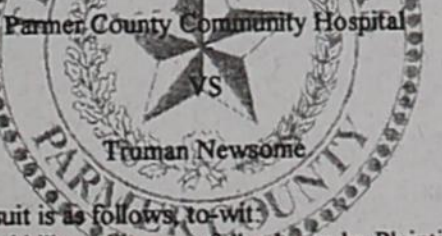
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TO: Truman Newsome, GREETING:

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Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on November 4, 2002, in this case numbered 382 on the docket of said court, and styled,



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TO: Manuel Ortega, GREETING:

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Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on November 14, 2002, in this case numbered 445 on the docket of said court, and styled,



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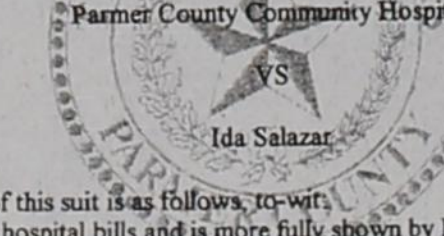
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TO: Ida Salazar, GREETING:

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Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on November 5, 2002, in this case numbered 399 on the docket of said court, and styled,



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AMARILLO ISD Athletic Director Tex Nolan was the speaker at the Noon Lions Club meeting Thursday, December 5. Nolan received a life-saving liver transplant on January 16, 2001, and spoke to club members on the importance of organ donors. Nolan, 59, contracted Hepatitis B and in one month became so ill he was given priority for transplant. Up until then, he said, he had only missed one day of work in 38 years. ron carr photo

Amber Wyly Is Inducted

Amber G. Wyly of Friona has accepted membership in Golden Key International Honour Society and was individually honored during a campus ceremony.

She is a 2001 graduate of Friona High School. Her parents are Gerall and Mary Beth Wyly.

"It is only fitting that a high academic achiever like Amber be recognized by Golden Key," said Alexander D. Perwich II, Golden Key executive director. "Our members are inspired and motivated by the challenge not only to be recognized for their outstanding accomplishments but also to make a positive impact on our world through the Society's commitment to service."

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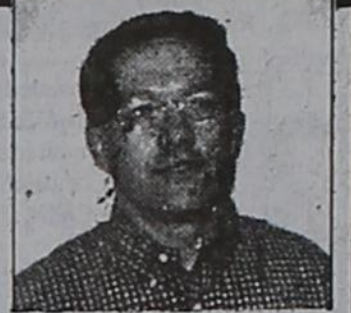


AMBER WYLY
networking and scholarships. The Society has more than 300 chapters in the United States, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Australia, Canada, Malaysia, South Africa and New Zealand. Membership into the Society is by invitation only to the top fifteen per cent of juniors and seniors in all fields of study.

YOUR EYES

The Wondrous Eye

The eye swivels easily in a cone-shaped orbit like a ball, hence its nickname. It is protected by layers of fat and lubricated by special body fluids. Eye movements are limited by the short, thick optic nerve that is fixed to the back of the eyeball and passes through a hole in the bone of the socket on the way to the brain.



Six muscles, attached to the orbit on one end and the sclera or outermost layer of the eyeball on the other, move the eye with considerable agility. The brain controls these muscles, letting the eyes move together in the same direction. When watching a tennis game the brain sends messages to the eye to refocus and keep the moving image clear.

Like all muscles in the body, those in the eye can only pull, not push. Eye muscles are therefore arranged in pairs, so when one pulls the other relaxes. Eye muscles are always moving, sometimes so slowly they appear still. If the eye remained completely static, light would continually enter the eye at the same point and burn the retina. At times, however, even the eye cannot handle the bright surroundings. People often have difficulty seeing when glare becomes too extreme from sun reflecting off snow or water.

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Financial Focus

Help Aging Parents Cope With Health Insurance

If your parents are getting on in years, you may want to have some serious discussions with them on financial issues. Of course, you'll want to make sure their estate plans are in order--they've worked hard all their lives, and, if they're like most people, they are very concerned about leaving a legacy to their family. But you may not realize the importance of another key issue: health insurance. If you're not familiar with your parents' health insurance situation, you could eventually run into serious--and expensive--problems.

Your first step is to make sure you know your parents' medical histories. You also need to acquaint yourself with any prescriptions and over-the-counter medications they're taking. In a medical emergency, you would need this information--but you'll also need it to correctly complete medical claim forms. Also, ask your parents for names and phone numbers of their medical care providers.

Once you've got all this information, keep it in one place that's readily accessible. If you need to act quickly, you don't want to scramble around, looking for a dozen scraps of paper.

Getting your parent's medical histories and names of health care providers is obviously important. But it's just as important for you to know who's insuring your parents. You need to know where your parents keep their health insurance cards and bills. You also should have a basic understanding of Medicare, the national health insurance program for Americans age 65 and older. Keep in mind that Medicare pays for most doctors' bills and related services, but it doesn't cover prescription drugs. Consequently, your parents may need supplemental insurance policies.

In reviewing your parents' health insurance situation, you'll want to pay special attention to long-term care coverage. Why? Because long-term care costs may be the single largest threat to your parents' financial independence during their retirement years. Right now, the average cost of a year's stay in a nursing home is \$50,000--and it's twice that amount in some cities. So, if your parents don't already have a long-term care policy, you may want to discuss it with them. If they do have a policy, ask to see it, so that you'll know exactly what types of services and facilities are covered. If your parents become incapacitated and are unable to choose a long-term care facility for themselves, you may have to do it. And if you don't choose the right type of place, their long-term care provider could decline coverage.

In fact, if you'd like to make sure you can step in at any time to deal with your parents' health-care issues, you may want to establish a "durable power of attorney." This document gives you the authority to make financial and legal decisions and transactions on your parents' behalf. You may also want to obtain a durable power of attorney for health care, otherwise known as a "health care proxy." A health care proxy, which only becomes effective when your parents are not competent to make their own health care decisions, gives you the power to access medical records and refuse or consent to medical treatment.

As you can see, many of these issues are quite sensitive--so you'll want to discuss them with your parents when they're physically healthy and emotionally stable. By acting early, you can head off health-care related financial problems at the best possible time--before they occur.

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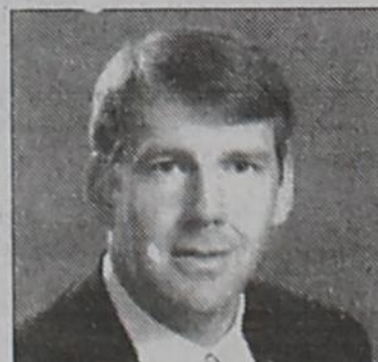
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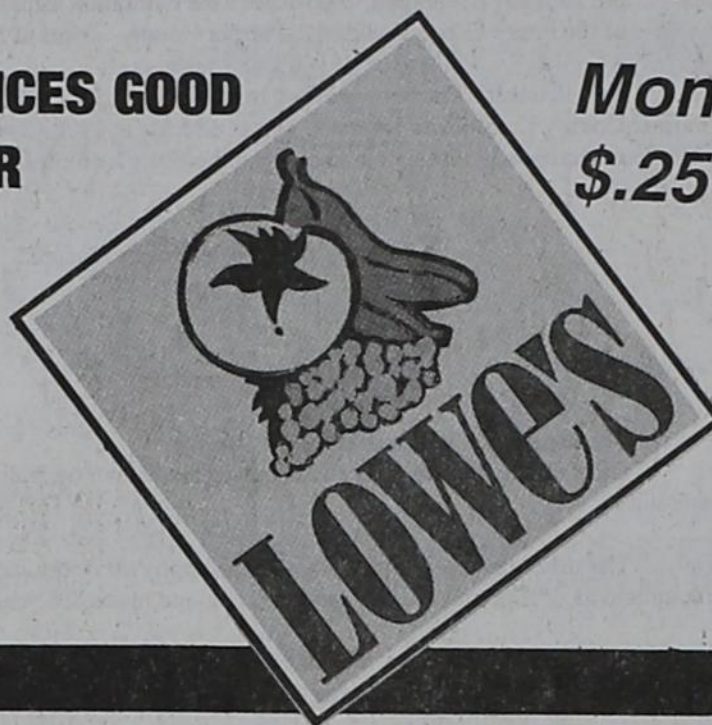


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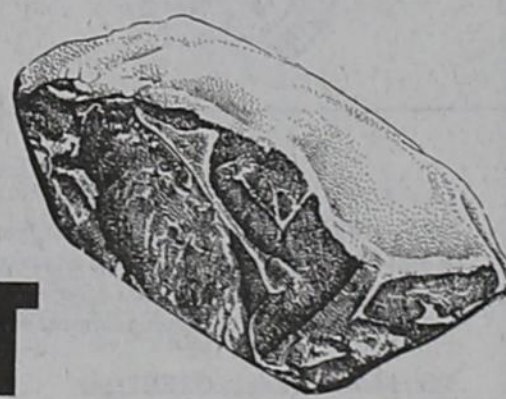
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