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FHS Student Information

Friona high school freshman orientation will be held tonight, August 12, at 6:30 p.m. An incorrect time was printed last week.

Also, FHS principal Denver Crum advises that on the first day of school, Monday August 16, all FHS students are required to arrive at the high school by 8 a.m. to get their finalized schedules.

Bovina Thrift Store Closing

The New Life Thrift Store, which has been operated by the Bovina United Methodist Church for nine years, will close this week. There will be a bag sale of all remaining items. Everything that can be stuffed in a paper grocery bag can be purchased for \$1 per bag.

The church members and workers of the store thank all the people and the businesses that have aided the effort through the years. A special thanks was given to all the loyal customers that have patronized the New Life Thrift Store.

Most of the remaining budget will be spent for a new slide for the city park. "The City of Bovina has agreed to match our funds and install the slide. Thanks, Bovina, for a wonderful experience," a church spokeswoman said.

Friona PD Seeks Two Officers

With the departure of former police chief Royce Goodson and the resignations of two other officers, the Friona police department is looking to fill two vacant slots.

Police Lt. Tino Salaniz was promoted to fill the chief's position, leaving the second-in-command lieutenant's position vacant. Chief Salaniz said the opening is posted on several law enforcement cyber-networks but applications have been slow in coming. Ads have also been placed in the Amarillo, Abilene, and San Angelo areas.

Officers Chris Keith and Rusty Martin resigned to accept positions elsewhere. Reserve officer Rachel Herrera was hired as a fulltime officer to fill one of the positions, leaving one vacancy in the officer ranks.

The current Friona PD lineup includes Chief Salaniz, Sgt. Joe Lopez, and officers Richard Spears and Herrera.



Chiefs Scrimmage Panthers Saturday

The Friona Chiefs will scrimmage the Panhandle Panthers on Saturday, August 14 at 10 a.m. at Chieftain Field.

The Junior Varsity Chiefs will scrimmage first and the Varsity will follow.

Fans are invited out for a look at the 2004 Chieftain teams.

ACT Registration

The deadline for registering for the September 25th ACT is Friday, August 20.

Registration forms are in the counselor's office at Friona High School. Students are encouraged by ACT to register online at www.act.org.

August Fine Free Month

August is Fine Free Month at the Friona Public Library. The library is offering an amnesty on fines through August 31. Now's your chance to bring back those overdue items without having to pay fines.

School Starts Monday

BY RON CARR

*School days, school days
Dear old golden rule days
Readin' and writin' and 'rithmetic
Taught to the tune of a hickory stick!*

The words to the old time tune do not apply to modern school days. Any teacher trying to teach to the tune of a hickory stick will soon find themselves back in the private sector. There are many new faces in the student and teacher ranks at Friona ISD as the 2004-05 school year begins. School starts Monday.

New Friona high school principal Denver Crum said students at Friona high school are required to report by 8 a.m. this first day to pick up their

schedules. Students will be issued schedules with locker numbers on them at this time.

Principal Kevin Wiseman says junior high students in grades 7-8 needing a schedule change are asked to come by the office Friday, August 13, between 9-10 a.m. Junior high classes begin at 8:10 a.m. and dismiss at 3:40 p.m. each day.

For elementary school, Principal Becky Riethmayer advises that students will need to report Monday as follows: Grade 5-south entrance; grade 4-southeast entrance; grade 3-west entrance-south door; grade 2-west entrance-north door. School personnel will be on hand to welcome students. School begins at 8 a.m. and students are tardy at 8:10 a.m. Students are

dismissed at 3 p.m. unless they are to stay for tutorials.

For the little ones, Primary School principal Tracy Ellis says primary students can meet with their teachers Friday, August 13, anytime from 12-2 p.m. Monday students in grades K-1 report to class at 8 a.m. Kindergarten students are dismissed at 12 p.m. noon from August 16 to August 27. After then K-students will be dismissed at 2:50 p.m. for the rest of the school year. First graders will be dismissed at 2:50 p.m. each day.

School days mean lots of kids running everywhere, especially crossing streets and parking lots. This is a good time to remind all Friona citizens to be alert and drive safely as school begins.

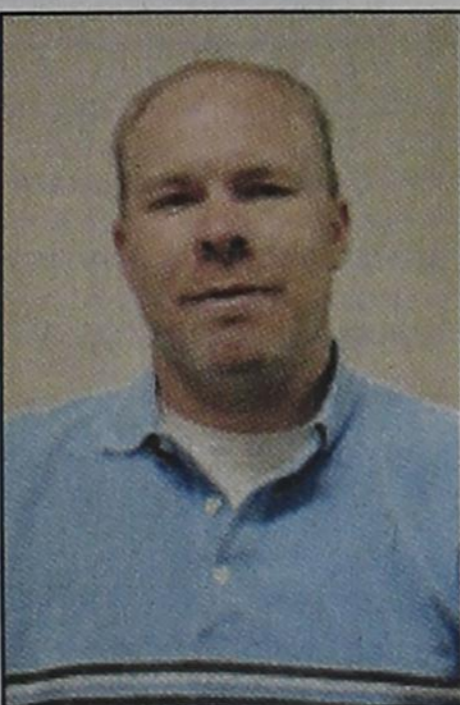
Chieftains Get Ready



FRIONA HEAD COACH Bob Ferguson looks over the Chieftain's Monday practice session. Left, quarterback Derek Fairweather practices handoff coordination with Willy Castillo as quarterback Hayden Patton and Coach Konrad Carroll look on. The Chiefs scrimmage Panhandle here Saturday at 10 a.m. and River Road there next Thursday at 7 p.m. Season opener is August 27 here vs. Muleshoe.

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Tracy Bunker Appointed to Friona School Board



TRACY BUNKER

Tracy Bunker has been appointed to the Friona school board to fill the term of Alan Monroe who resigned from the board last month.

Bunker was appointed and sworn in at a special meeting of the board Monday, August 2. He will serve the balance of Monroe's term, which was to expire in May, 2005, at which time the seat will be open for election.

Bunker is the owner of Bunker Trucking, a local grain and cattle hauling operation. He and his wife Suzanne have three children, Courtney, 7, Bryce 4, and Caden, 9 months.

Chamber Notes

*Farmer's Market every Thursday, 4 p.m.- City Park
*Girls-Call 250-3491 and sign up for the Miss Friona & Little Miss-Contests
*Maize Days Week is Sept. 18-25. Enter a float in the Sept. 25 parade.

New Principal At Friona High

"We are excited and honored to join the Friona community and school system," said new Friona high school principal Denver Crum.

Crum grew up in the mid-cities area of Ft. Worth, graduating from L.D. Bell high school. He received his Bachelor's degree from the University of North Texas in Denton and his Master's of Education degree from Texas Woman's University also in Denton.

He served as assistant principal with the Perryton ISD for three years and last year was principal of Follett Schools. "Just as Friona," Crum said, "both of these school systems and communities are excellent. I greatly look forward to serving as your high school principal. My goal is to honor God, keep



DENVER CRUM

his commands and put him first in all aspects of my life."

The Crum family includes Denver, wife Elisa, and three children, Callie 5, Caleb 4, and Cuyler, 2.

Bovina EMS To Use Training Grant For Basic EMT Class

The Office of Rural Community Affairs (ORCA) has announced it awarded a total of \$85,998 to eight rural Texas first responders through the agency's Rural Emergency Medical Services Enhancement Grant program.

The funds will provide for ongoing certification courses and training, certification course instructor training or the provision of certification courses, and/or the purchase of EMS training and/or communication equipment.

The Bovina EMS was one of the eight grantees. Bovina EMS director Larry Mitchell, a certified paramedic, said he applied for the grant along with over 60 other EMS departments in the state and was grateful to be

included in the eight that received money. Bovina EMS was awarded \$8,987.50. Bailey and Castro counties received similar amounts.

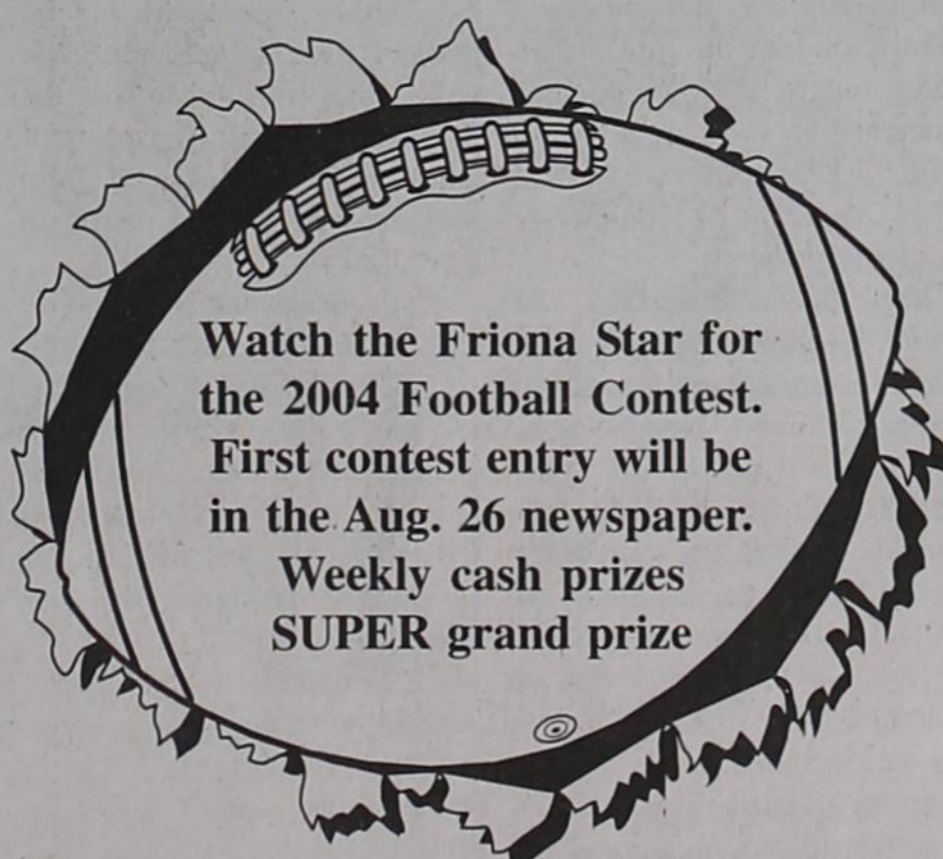
Mitchell said he plans to use the training grant to organize and instruct a class for Basic EMT certification that will be open to anyone in Parmer County that wants to enroll. The certification course is being planned for October and will be held at the Bovina EMS building. Mitchell said the course is about 100 class hours plus hospital and ambulance training to be determined.

Anyone in Parmer County interested should contact Larry Mitchell at 251-1167 for more information.



THE BOVINA MUSTANGS athletic program will have three new young guns as coaches this year. L-r, Jody Morris comes to Bovina from Canyon, Shannon Shorter from Pecos, and Friona native Steve Arias from Corpus Christi. Shorter is also the head boy's basketball coach. The Bovina Mustangs and Friona Chieftains meet at Mustang Field in Bovina September 17.

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OUT HERE

by Ron Carr

Chillin' At The Cujo Chalet

We headed for Ruidoso to the CD sounds of Pink Floyd.

My 15-year-old son Zac spent the first month of the summer as a cast member in his high school's summer drama presentation and the second in a month-long program at his church in Wichita Falls.

Then he came to visit me for a couple of weeks. I did my part. I taught him how to bet on the horses at Ruidoso Downs.

We had a father-son weekend before Zac heads back to school. We planned the trip Thursday and left Friday. As you may know, during racing season in Ruidoso hotel rooms are hard to come by on weekends. Through the Internet and the telephone we snagged a room at the Swiss Chalet. The first three places I called were sold out. When there was a room available at the Chalet I should have known why.

It is 225 miles from Friona to the Swiss Chalet. The last 35-40 miles through the Hondo Valley is under serious construction. That is the most mountainous part of the trip. I don't envy the highway crews.

It was advertised as having scenic views of the Sierra Blanca, indoor pool and hot tub, coffee maker in the room, and free continental breakfast. The indoor pool was covered but not exactly indoors. It was about eight feet wide and fifteen feet long. The cold hot tub sat nearby. Stuff was floating on top. Neglected bacteria were figured.

Coffee pots were available on request but you had to bring your own coffee. The continental breakfast was coffee, orange juice, and a tray of sweet rolls slightly larger than a silver dollar. On the sidewalk entrance outside the lobby sat a huge carving of a dog, one of those tree trunk animal carvings popular in Ruidoso. I think it was supposed to be a St. Bernard. To us it looked like Cujo. We renamed the place the Cujo Chalet.

At the racetrack on Saturday a local lady commented, "At

one time the Swiss Chalet was the nicest place in town but I hear it is pretty run down now." It was. It needs paint, maintenance, new carpet, showers that actually send water out in a spray instead of a corroded stream, and employees that give a crap. Other than that it was fine. We didn't spend much time there anyway.

In Midtown, along Sudderth St. we joined the other tourists to browse the shops. The fudge and ice cream shop we visited several years ago was still there, bright and sweet. We paid \$2.50 for a frozen banana dipped in chocolate and nuts and sat at a table outside people watching. We visited the shops along the street. I am always amazed at how many really ugly, tacky souvenirs there are in the world.

Incense, wind chimes, and dreamcatchers seem to be big in Ruidoso. It is not too mystical though. The mountain paradise is home to McDonald's, Sonic, Denny's, and a Wal Mart Supercenter.

We had a rowdy Friday night dinner at Farley's Pub, replete with loud music, cowboys and cowgirls downing pitchers of golden brew, eating peanuts out of buckets and throwing the shells on the floor. No we didn't imbibe the brew. Our repast was bacon cheeseburger, fajitas, iced tea and Dr. Pepper.

Saturday morning we hit McDonald's for breakfast and arrived at the racetrack over an hour before the first race. We left the Tahoe at valet parking just steps from the entrance, bought a couple of reserved seats, a program and several tip sheets, none of which ever guarantee a winner. The intent was to watch two or three races, so Zac could say he had been to a track then leave. We stayed for all ten races.

It became a fun father-son time deciding which horses to bet on and how much to bet and trying to explain why. We hit a couple of exactas, cashed a few tickets, and ended up losing about the price of a video game or a night at the movies. Now when Zac gets back to

Hirschi High in Wichita Falls he can dazzle his pals with talk of quinellas, exactas, trifectas, daily doubles, and furlongs.

Every time I go to the mountains I realize I'm really not a mountain person. People say they love the mountains. I don't. I was raised in the flat lands of central Texas and live in the even flatter land of the Panhandle. During my travel career I spent time in places like Aspen and Vail. I visited the Swiss Alps and took a bus to the top of Corcovado in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. But I wouldn't want to live in the mountains. I feel closed in and claustrophobic when the terrain is not level.

For fun I checked out real estate in Ruidoso. It is expensive. There are pages and pages of homes and cabins for sale, very few under \$100,000. Most are over \$200,000. I did see a few condos advertised for \$70-80,000. Still a high price for a getaway place.

In the Ruidoso newspaper columnist Keith Green wrote: "I'll tell you what is rare and getting rarer—a south-facing, level-access, residential building lot in Ruidoso." The column said that most of the better buildable land in the village has already been developed. They said that as building sites decrease, existing homes should increase in value. One realtor

said in 13 years he had never sold a home that had not turned a profit.

By the way, a south facing lot is preferable because of the icy conditions in the winter. It is easier to get out of your driveway if your home faces south. That's what the article said.

Next time we go I'm renting a condo, with a kitchen and living room and comfortable chairs and couches and all the comforts of home. No more Cujo Chalet. Life is too short and real estate is too expensive.

If we had only bet on that #5 horse in the last race.



Zac at the track! He took the photo in the upper left corner of the front page.

Precious Cargo Onboard

As school starts, all Texans share the responsibility of making sure students arrive safely. Drivers should remember to slow down in neighborhoods where children are walking and waiting for the bus. They should also follow school zone laws and know when and where to stop for school buses.

School buses are the safest form of transportation for students, but the most dangerous time of the journey is when kids are entering and exiting the bus. When a school bus is loading or unloading students, the law requires that drivers stop on most roadways.

State law requires approaching drivers to stop when a school bus is stopped and operating a visual signal (red flashing lights or a stop sign). Drivers should not proceed until the school bus resumes motion; the driver is signaled by the bus driver to proceed; or the visual signal is no longer activated. A driver does not have to stop for a school bus if it is on a highway with roadways separated by an intervening space or physical barrier. (If a highway is divided only by a left-turning lane, the roadways are not separated, and drivers must stop for school buses.)

Drivers who do not stop for school buses face a fine of up to \$1,000. If a driver is convicted of this offense more than one time, DPS can suspend their license for up to six months.

Injuries among passengers and drivers on school buses increased from 826 in 1991 to 1,058 in 2001, marking a slightly more than 28 percent increase.

"For the safety of our children, drivers need to slow down, obey school zone speed limits and stop for school buses," said Col. Thomas A. Davis Jr., director of the DPS. "We have zero tolerance for vehicles that pass stopped school buses."

(This message is from the Public Information Office of the Texas Department of Public Safety.)

Job Initiative Showing Results

BY GOVERNOR RICK PERRY

Just a few years ago, as other states were implementing new, aggressive strategies to foster economic development, Texas was resting on its laurels. We had the attitude that jobs will come our way because of our business climate, while other states aggressively courted new employers and started attracting projects with the right mixture of incentives. We were

fighting with one hand tied because we had a shortage of effective tools to bring jobs and employers to the state.

And while no one seemed to notice this shortfall during the tech boom of the 1990's, it became readily apparent during the tough economic times that soon followed.

That's why last year I worked with Lt. Governor David Dewhurst and House Speaker Tom Craddick to create the Texas Enterprise Fund, a job creation initiative that is bringing thousands of new jobs to communities across the state.

With the one-year anniversary of this fund approaching, I want Texans to know it has been a stunning success leading to the creation of 15,000 jobs and investments totaling more than \$6 billion by employers relocating to, or expanding in, our state. And all of this was made possible because we were wise enough to invest \$295 million in this job creation fund that has begun distributing nearly \$172 million in grants.

A 3,500 percent return on the state's investment sounds pretty good in my book. And we still have \$123 million available to continue to attract employers and create jobs. The Texas Enterprise Fund is having an impact all across the state, from our largest metropolitan areas to smaller and mid-sized towns as well.

The Texas Enterprise Fund plays a key role in our job creation successes, but there are other factors cited by employers as reasons that contribute to their decision to relocate or

expand. Low taxes, a skilled workforce, good schools, a reasonable regulatory climate and historic lawsuit abuse reform all send a message to the world that Texas is wide open for business and job creation.

Texas has experienced nine straight months of job gains, with 112,000 new net jobs since September. Last year, Texas landed nine of the top 20 business investments and six of the top 15 job creation projects nationwide. And while the number of job creation announcements declined in all other states in 2003, Texas' nearly doubled.

In Texas, we have made economic development a top priority because we recognize that creating jobs means more people have the opportunity to work hard, provide for their families and live the American dream. And we also understand that economic growth is about more than paychecks. An expanding job climate has the additional benefit of providing more resources for education, health care, transportation, clean air initiatives and other important priorities.

As for the detractors who loudly complained about the Fund's creation, we haven't heard too much from them lately. Of course, success has a way of silencing the critics. "Time will tell whether the fund was a wise investment and whether the governor uses it wisely," wrote one opinion columnist in 2003.

Indeed, the past year proves that the Texas Enterprise Fund was a smart investment that will benefit all Texans for years to come.

CAPITOL COMMENT
U.S. SENATOR
KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON

HOMETOWN HEROES

"The most important thing [in the Olympic Games] is not to win but to take part, just as the most important thing in life is not the triumph but the struggle. The essential thing is not to have conquered but to have fought well." - The Olympic Creed

Number Six

We've all been inspired by Texas' athletic stars, hometown heroes to many of us. But there is one star who seems to shine brighter with each summer victory. Lance Armstrong has done it again. He's accomplished what no other cyclist has done before, winning his sixth straight Tour de France.

The Austin native held up six fingers as he raced to the finish line in Paris, pedaling his way out of Montreaux and into history as one of the greatest athletes ever.

Cyclists from all over the world compete along 2,050 miles of road ranging from flat wheat fields to the steep Alps, making the Tour de France known not only for its beautiful terrain, but also as one of the most grueling sporting events of the modern era. Lance Armstrong has been an inspiration through his cycling accomplishments. Yet the headlines and glory fall a distant second behind his victory over cancer.

In October of 1996, while seemingly at the top of his game, the two-time Olympian was stricken with pain and forced off his bike. Armstrong was given less than a 50-50 chance to live after testicular cancer spread to his lungs and brain. As if scripted by Hollywood, the promising athlete fought and persevered to defeat the disease - and then employed that same tenacity to get back on the bike and back on top.

Today, our Texas hometown hero uses his triumphs to serve as a symbol of hope, inspiration and survivorship. He established the non-profit Lance Armstrong Foundation (LAF), which has become one of the nation's preeminent cancer research organizations. This year, the LAF sold yellow bracelets with the words "Live Strong" with a goal of raising \$5 million for cancer patients and their families. So far, LAF has sold seven million bracelets, bringing a total of \$7 million to the cause already and more on back order.

A Look at Athens

The competitive side of Texas will continue to shine this summer as the country and the world heads to Athens, Greece for the 2004 Summer Olympic Games.

Every four years, the world comes together as one in celebration of the globe's most prestigious athletic event. All too often our nations are unified only through tragedy, but, for the past 108 years, the Olympic Games have brought us together for friendly competition.

In the first modern Olympic Games, approximately 300 athletes from 13 countries competed in only nine sports. This month, nearly 10,500 athletes from 202 countries will partake in 37 different events.

So who will be next in joining Lance Armstrong and Michael Johnson in Texas Olympic history? Texas is the home state of 29 athletes on the 2004 U.S. Olympic Team. We are proud to field more athletes than any other state, except California. Fellow Texans will be cheering on their hometown heroes, including returning Olympians Mia Hamm, Sheryl Swoopes, Laura Wilkinson, Amy Acuff, Glenn Fuller, Connie Schiller Smotek, and Stacy Sykora. Texans are accustomed to being among the biggest and the best, but this competition is world class. Each one of these Lone Stars will be doing their utmost, competing for the gold and fighting to be among the great Texas Olympians.

I congratulate our Texas hometown heroes, Lance Armstrong and our Olympic athletes, in all they have achieved and have yet to accomplish. They make us proud.

To learn more on the Lance Armstrong Foundation visit www.laf.org and www.livestrong.com to order a Live Strong bracelet. Keep up to date on the US Olympic team and Olympic events at www.usolympicteam.com and www.athens2004.com



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Neugebauer Discusses WTO With Chief Trade Negotiator

Congressman Randy Neugebauer said last week that while he was pleased that U.S. trade negotiators did not leave American cotton producers "hung out to dry" he remains concerned about how the World Trade Organization (WTO) will fill in the details of the recently adopted framework.

Neugebauer discussed the latest developments with the chief U.S. agriculture negotiator, Allen Johnson, last week. Johnson followed up with Neugebauer to review the framework agreed to by the WTO that will guide the remainder of the Doha round of trade talks.

"Ambassador Johnson worked hard to make sure cotton was included within the agriculture negotiations, rather than considered in a separate

section," Neugebauer said. "While he would have also preferred that cotton not be singled out within agriculture, I am pleased that he and our trade negotiating team made sure the language requires all aspects of cotton trade, not just U.S. farm programs, to be considered in the talks."

Neugebauer had spoken with U.S. Trade Representative Robert Zoellick before Zoellick left for last week's negotiations in Geneva and let him know the importance that fair treatment for cotton and new markets for agriculture products have in West Texas.

"It's important for me to stay in touch with our trade negotiators to keep them informed of our priorities, and I will continue to talk with Ambassadors

Zoellick and Johnson as the WTO negotiations progress based on this new framework," said Neugebauer. "While we didn't get everything as we wanted, this framework puts those countries with higher tariffs and higher levels of subsidies first in line to make the biggest reductions. We have lower tariffs and lower levels of domestic support, and our producers can compete better as the playing field is leveled."

On August 1, WTO member nations agreed to a framework that will guide the Doha round world trade negotiations. The framework is not a binding legal document, but it sets the course for working out the specifics of the trade agreement.

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Around Town

Amarillo Arts & Crafts Aug. 14-15

The 8th annual Amarillo Summer Arts and Crafts Festival will be held August 14-16 in the Amarillo Civic Center. More than 130 artists and crafters from throughout the Southwest will fill the south exhibit hall with original art, limited edition prints and handcrafted items. Hours for the festival are Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. There is no admission charge.

Special Olympics fundraisers planned

Friona Chieftains Special Olympics still have Avon Skin So Soft Bug Guard in aerosol or pump available for \$6.50 each with 50% going toward paying for bowling practice and competitions that will begin in late August. They need to sell 50 bottles. They will be selling Fall flower bulbs in August and will have a booth at Maize Days. If anyone is interested in helping coach basketball it starts in January and track is March. They are also looking for someone to coach a summer event like golf. To order Bug Guard or for information please call Donna Mullins at 250-3285 or 250-2788 or Fabiola Dominguez 250-2464.

Men's Prayer breakfast set

A men's prayer breakfast will be held Wednesday, August 18 at 6:30 a.m. at the Calvary Baptist Church at 1500 North Cleveland. The breakfast will be over by 7:30 a.m. Come and enjoy the fellowship with the men of Friona.

Mexican Pile on Meal August 22

A Mexican pile on meal with strawberry short cake for dessert is planned for August 22 at 12 noon till 1:30 p.m. at the Calvary Baptist Church at 1500 North Cleveland. Donations will be taken. For more information call 250-3000 any morning till noon. All money will go to the J.P. Sims Scholarship Fund.

Blood Center Golf Tourney August 23

Coffee Memorial Blood Center will host its Sixth Annual Golf Tournament Monday, August 23, at La Paloma Golf Club. The cost is \$280 per foursome and includes dinner, catered by La Paloma.

The tournament begins with a 1:30 p.m. shotgun start. Player registration deadline is August 16. Major tournament sponsors include Amarillo National Bank, Saturn of Amarillo, Bell Helicopter Textron and HRH of Amarillo. Numerous area merchants have generously donated door prizes.

Sponsorship levels range from \$75 Driving Range sponsorships to \$200 Green sponsorships. Proceeds will go into a building fund for future CMBC expansion.

Coffee Memorial Blood Center is the sole supplier of blood and blood components for 25 counties in the Texas Panhandle, as well as a portion of the Oklahoma Panhandle. As a non-profit, community blood center, CMBC saves lives and enhances the quality of life for more than 15,000 patients annually.

For more information about the upcoming tournament, contact Judy Neill, CMBC Development Director, at 358-4563.

Friona Chamber schedule of upcoming events

The Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture has a busy month coming up soon with plans for Maize Days.

August 27-Deadline to enter Miss Friona Pageant and Little Miss Contest

September 18-Miss Friona Pageant

September 21-Little Miss Contest

September 22-Gospel Gathering

September 23-Deadline for booths in the park and parade entries

September 25-Maize Days Parade, bar-b-Q, games & booths in the park, Off Road "All Terrain" Poker Run (for all ages), Road Bike Poker Run and Lawn Tractor Race (rules are available at the chamber office).

More details will be provided as the events get closer.

Remember every Thursday the Farmer's Market will be in the park at 4 p.m.

Friona Fire Fighters To Fill Boots

In observance of the 50th anniversary of the inauguration of the partnership between Fire Fighters and the Muscular Dystrophy Association, local fire fighters will conduct a Fill-the-Boot drive on August 28 to benefit MDA.

Proceeds raised during the streetside campaign will help support MDA services and research programs, including MDA's outpatient clinic(s) for people with more than 40 neuromuscular diseases at BSA St. Anthony's.

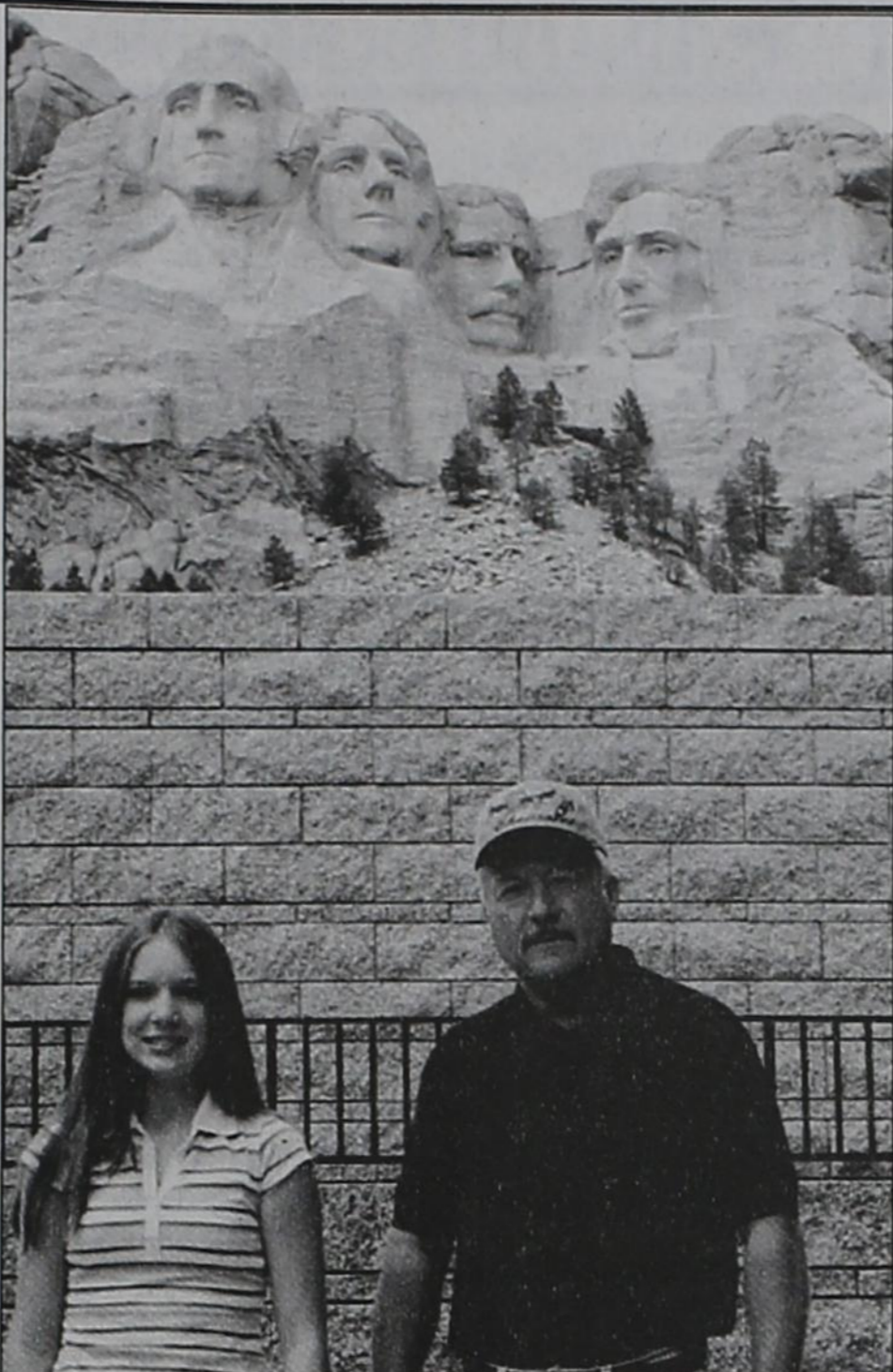
Members of Friona Fire Department will be at various intersections August 28, asking motorists to drop donations into fire fighter boots.

Fill-the-Boot campaigns are among the primary ways in which fire fighters across the country have raised nearly \$200 million nationwide for MDA's fight against neuromuscular diseases since 1954.

Fire Fighters also hold softball tournaments, bowl-a-thons and other special events to benefit MDA.

Friona Fire Department has supported MDA for many years through local activities. In addition, many members spend a week each year assisting at MDA summer camp.

For more information about Fill-the-Boot or about MDA's programs, contact the MDA office in Amarillo at 806-359-3141.



ERICA & GERALL WYLY at Mt. Rushmore.

Wyly Family Has Reunion In S.D.

Bob, Lydia, Gerall, Mary Beth and Erica Wyly, of Friona, and Robin (Wyly) Williams and children, Jathan and Emily, of Silverton, attended the Wyly family reunion July 30 and 31 in Fort Pierce, South Dakota.

Family members met Friday afternoon at the Wyly White River Ranch located about 60 miles southwest of Fort Pierce. Mack Wyly and his son, Kyle, gave tours around the ranch that has rolling hills where wheat, milo, and alfalfa are grown. They also raise Angus cattle.

Friday night everyone met at the country home of Mack and Karen to enjoy a barbecue meal and visiting in the barn.

Mack is the son of Wilson Wyly, deceased. Wilson was the eldest brother of Myrtice Evans, Bob and Elton of Friona, Duane of Hereford, Nova Vaughn of Amarillo, and Porter, deceased, of Arkansas. Their parents were James Allen and Alta (Wilson) Wyly. James was killed in a vehicle accident in October of 1929 at the age of 42. Alta was pregnant with Duane. Wilson, 15, quit school to help with the family. Alta never remarried and when

one of her daughters asked her why, she said, "If a man married a woman with seven children he would have to be crazy and I don't want a crazy man."

Everyone met in Fort Pierce on Saturday for more eating, visiting and picture taking.

Family members from Canyon and Amarillo also attended. Other members were from Colorado, Iowa, North Carolina, and Illinois.

The Friona and Silverton group also went to The Badlands, Wall Drug Store, Mt. Rushmore, Wyoming, and Colorado.

Mendez Named To Dean's List

Colorado State University-Pueblo named 678 students to the 2004 spring semester Dean's List, achieving grade-point averages of at least 3.5.

Olivia Mendez was one of 163 students who earned a 4.0 grade-point average.

She is a 2001 Friona High School graduate and plans to graduate from Colorado State University-Pueblo in spring 2005.

Olivia is the daughter of Jorge and Rosa Mendez of Friona.

Fina-CAF AIRSHO 2004 To Commemorate D-Day

The Commemorative Air Force (CAF) will join the nation in observing the 60th anniversary of the D-Day invasion at the internationally acclaimed Fina-CAF AIRSHO 2004, scheduled to take place October 2-3, 2004, at Midland International Airport in Midland, Texas. The event, which draws over 100 flyable World War II airplanes, will include numerous activities that pay tribute to those who fought in one of World War II's most significant battles.

Touted as a world-class aviation event, AIRSHO 2004 will feature a number of the types of airplanes that took part in the D-day invasion plus other rare World War II vintage airplanes including the world's only flying B-29 Superfortress and SB2C Helldiver. Special invited aircraft to the event will be the P-47 Thunderbolt. Other CAF aircraft scheduled to attend are the C-47 Skytrain, P-39 Airacobra, P-63 King Cobra, A-26 Invader, P-51 Mustang, B-24/LB30 Liberator, B-17 Flying Fortress, TBM Avenger,

SBD Dauntless, F6F Hellcat, F8F Bearcat, C-46 Commando and many more.

Of special interest to warbird enthusiasts will be the return of the CAF's Ha-112 (Spanish version of the German Me 109). After a three-year restoration, the airplane has made a return to the airshow circuit and is expected to fly at AIRSHO 2004.

Both day's flying events will include recreations of some of history's most famous air battles, including the surprise attack on Pearl Harbor, battles of the Pacific and European theaters and the fateful attack on the Japanese mainland. Highlighted among the battle reenactments will be the D-Day invasion, which will include ground reenactors and military vehicles.

Airshow attendees will also be treated to one of the airshow industry's most dynamic, new acts - the "Masters of Disaster". This high-energy performance unites award-winning pilots Jimmy Franklin flying the world's only jet powered biplane and Jim LeRoy flying his modified Pitts S2S with world-class jet truck driver Kent Shockley behind the wheel of the Shockwave jet truck. It is three individual acts combined to be one explosive performance.

The CAF will also welcome back Julie Clark and the Mopar T-34. Clark, is considered a pioneer in women's aviation history and one of North America's most respected and recognized airshow pilots. Described as an aerial ballet, Clark's flying routine is truly

remarkable in beauty and splendor. Other special acts scheduled to appear at AIRSHO 2004 include the ever-popular Jan Collmer and the Fina Extra 300L and the U.S. Army's Golden Knights parachute team.

Saturday and Sunday discount tickets are available for \$14 for adults and \$4 for children ages 6 to 12. Children age 5 and under are free. Tickets can be purchased by calling (432) 563-1000 or online at www.airsho.org. Discount tickets will also be available in Texas at 7-Eleven stores in Midland, Odessa, Andrews, Big Spring and Lubbock by the end of August. For more information about the Fina-CAF AIRSHO 2004, please call (432) 563-1000 or go to www.airsho.org.



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The West Texas Football League, a non-profit organization, 'Dedicated to the youth of the Texas Panhandle', sponsor these teams.

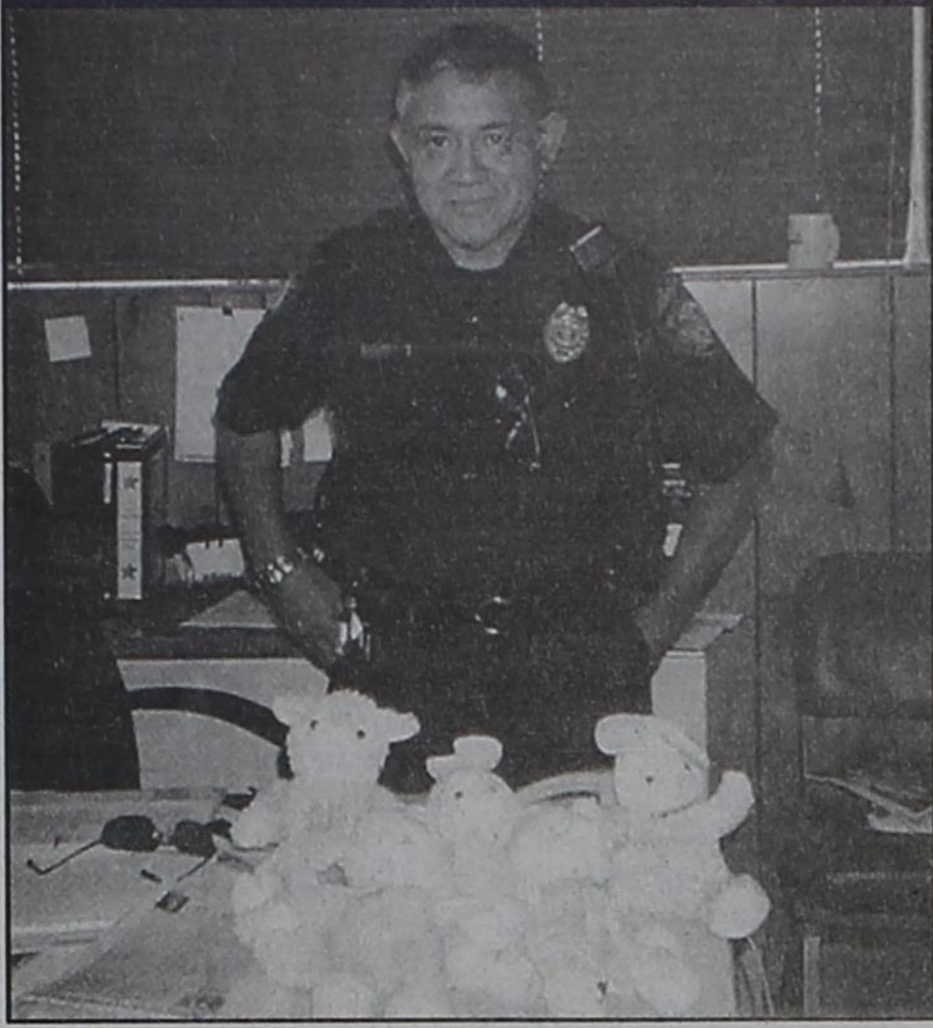
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Friona Police Receive Bears

The State President of Rebekah Assembly, Eleanor Westbrook, held an area meeting in Amarillo on Saturday, July 31. She requested that each area Rebekah bring a Teddy Bear. Following a wonderful dinner and lots of fellowship, she

said, "Now, take the Teddy Bears home with you and give them to your favorite charity."

Wilma Wise presented the bears to the Friona Police Department for the Domestic Violence and Troubled Children Programs.



COURTHOUSE NOTES

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from July 29, 2004 to August 4, 2004.

Gregory Eugene Taylor and Sheryl Lea Taylor - Andres Bermea and Noemi Juana Bermea, L3-6 B14 FARWELL.

Scott Johnson and Patrice Johnson - Sandra Johnson, NW/4 S12 T10S R2E; NE/4 S24 T10S R2E.

Rudolph J. Renner and Betty Renner - Douglas Brian Cox and Amanda D. Cox, 160AC NE/4 S4 T6S R3E; S80 AC E80 AC SE/4 S4 T6S R3E; 100AC SE/4 S4 T6S R3E; NW/4 S3 SW/4 S3 T6S R3E; S/2 E/2 SW/4 S3 T6S R3E; 10AC NW/4 S3 NE/4 S4 T6S R3E.

Billie M. Blain, Gary Earl Blain, Karyn Gail Blain Bryant, Vickie Lynn Blain Davis, Garland Kent Blain, and Shana Kay Blain Parnell - Lorrie B. Elmore, L13-15 B32 FARWELL.

Ted Clayton and Starla Clayton - Lazaro Gabriel Herrera and Blanca Selena Herrera, S/2 L6-7 B2 RIDGELEA.

Marcos Madrid and Maria A. Madrid - Albert Lewis Trevino and Belen Trevino, L1 B6 LAKEVIEW.

Charles Johnson and Michelle Johnson - Sandra Johnson, SW4 S12 T10S R2E.

Charles L. Judy - Charles L. Judy, Trust, E/2 S22 T9S R1E.

FRIONA FLASHBACKS

75 Yrs. Ago
August 2, 1929

The largest wheat harvest the Friona country has ever experienced is now practically over with the exception of perhaps a few scattered fields. An inquiry revealed that 470 cars of wheat had been shipped from Friona on Tuesday, with an average load of 1550 bushels.

70 Yrs. Ago
August 18, 1934

It appears that no one knows for a certainty whether or not Federal Highway 60, which is also State Highway 33, will be hard surfaced across Parmer County or even any part of, and should this be definitely known, no one knows when it will be done. One of the hopeful facts is that the portion of State NO. 7 that crosses Bailey County is receiving considerable attention and state Highway Engineer Guy R. Johnston of Lubbock, has written to Mayor Reeve, sending him a copy of a resolution and asking that it be adopted by the city and incorporated in its records.

50 Yrs. Ago
August 5, 1954

Superintendent Dalton Caffey announce this week that the Friona schools will re-open September 1, which leaves less than four weeks for vacation time.

The Friona School building under construction is considerably ahead of schedule, according to Dalton Caffey, superintendent. The contract was originally let

for 180 days completion period, but if no material or labor shortages occur, it should be completed in 150-160 days. Brick-laying will be finished sometime next week.

45 Yrs. Ago
August 6, 1959

Richard T. Collard, formerly of San Antonio, has recently joined the Bill Sheehan law office in Friona. Collard, who is 30 years of age, and is married, attended high school and college in San Antonio. He received his BBA from ST. Mary's University and his LLB from St. Mary's School of Law.

40 Yrs. Ago
Aug. 4, 1964

Students will enroll Thursday, August 27, for the new school year, it was announced by members of the Friona Independent School District at their regular meeting Monday night. Classes will officially begin Monday, September 6, 1964.

35 Yrs. Ago
July 31, 1969

Doug Dodd, 1965 graduate of Friona High School and holder of several FHS football records, will return to his alma mater as assistant football coach this fall, it was announced this week.

30 Yrs. Ago
August 4, 1974

Amanda Mason, a senior at Friona High School this fall, was recently notified that she is to be

featured in the eighth annual edition of "Who's Who Among American High School Students," 1973-74, the largest student award publication in the nation.

25 Yrs. Ago
August 5, 1979

The Friona area was visited by thunderstorms again during the past week, which dumped from one to three inches of rain on parts of the area. Hail severely damaged crops north and west of Friona. Cotton which had been knee high and fairly well loaded with squares were just twigs sticking up after the hail.

20 Yrs. Ago
August 12, 1984

One of the best August rains ever witnessed in the Friona area was still falling at the Star's press time on Friday. Official measurements in Friona showed the following: .80 inch Wednesday, August 8; 1.18 inches Thursday and 2.05 inches Friday, for a grand total of 4.03 inches for the period.

15 Yrs. Ago
August 5, 1989

The Parmer County Commissioners approved a resolution supporting the implementation of the 911 emergency number system in Parmer County. This is expected to be implemented in a year or two, and throughout Texas by 1992.

10 Yrs. Ago
August 6, 1994

Farmers across the area have received a big boost from a week of rains in the area, to the extent that many have been able to turn off their irrigation engines which had been running non-stop in some cases.

5 Yrs. Ago
August 6, 1999

Justin Grimsley, a Friona High School graduate has been awarded a scholarship by the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation. He received a \$500 TILF Diamond Anniversary Scholarship, payable \$250 each semester of the first year.

Sheriff's Report

August 2, Lorenzo Gomez, 31, of Bovina, was arrested by the Bovina Police and charged with fraudulent use of identifying information, pending Grand Jury.

August 6, Laura Moseley, 38, of Farwell, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with theft by check, paid court costs and restitution.

August 9, Anibel Solis, 21, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with reckless driving, pending County Court and evading arrest using a vehicle, pending Grand Jury.

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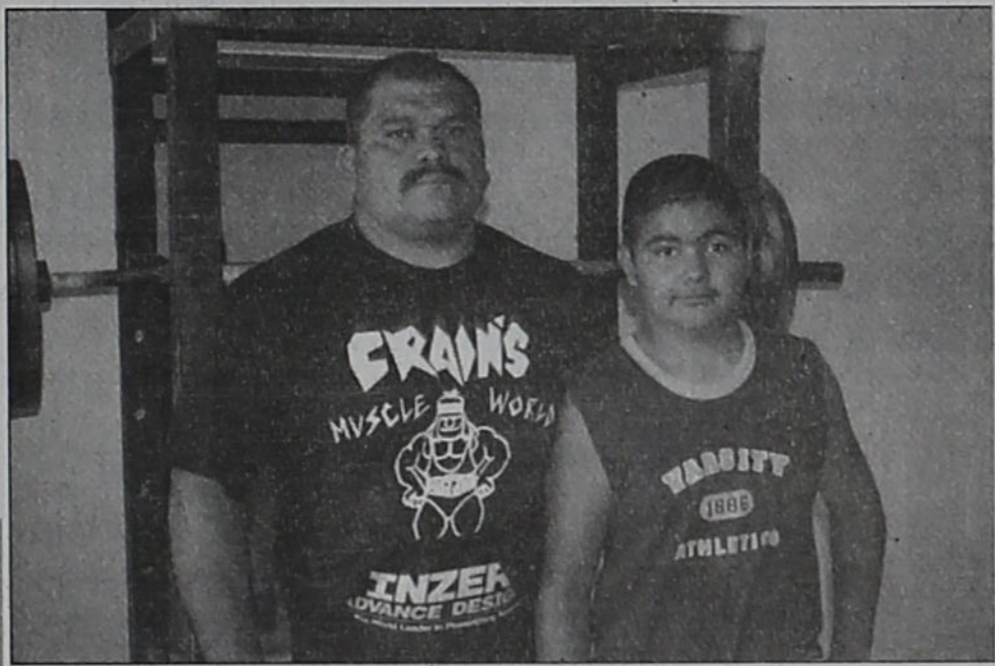
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OBITUARIES

Dr. Roy V. Miller, Jr.

Dr. Roy V. Miller, Jr., 72, of San Marcos, Texas passed away Thursday, August 5, 2004 at his home.

Funeral services were conducted at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, August 9, 2004 at First Baptist Church of San Marcos. Interment followed at 4:00 p.m. at the Cowboy Cemetery, east of Rochelle, near Brady, Texas with arrangement by Pennington Funeral Home of San Marcos.

He was born in Chickasha, Oklahoma on September 13, 1931 to Roy and Eva Miller.

When Roy was 14 his family moved to Friona, Texas where he graduated from Friona High School. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Husbandry from Texas Tech University in 1953. This is where he met the love of his life, Glenda Ruth Williams from Lohn, Texas. They were married at the First Baptist Church of San Angelo, Texas on December 15, 1954. Following graduation, he served in the United States Navy from 1953 to 1957. He was stationed up and down the east coast from Florida to Norfolk, Virginia and then discharged while stationed in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

From 1957 to 1966 he was on the Experiment Station Staff as Range Management Conservationist at Colorado State University in Ft. Collins, Colorado. From C.S.U., he received a Master of Science degree in Range Management in 1960 and a Ph.D. in Botany and Plant Ecology in 1967.

During this time the family was blessed by the births of their children, Dan, Darla, and Ben. The family moved to Chico, California where he taught at Chico State University from 1966 to 1969. During his time there he developed the University's Range Management Program. Then the family moved to Vernon, Texas in 1969, and he became the Area Range and Brush Control Specialist for the Texas Extension Service.

In 1974, he accepted the position of Chairman of the Agriculture Department at Southwest Texas State University in San



ROY V. MILLER, JR.

Marcos, Texas. After fifteen years as chairman he stepped down to a full-time teaching position at the university.

Dr. Miller retired from SWT in August of 1996. He was an active member of the Texas Section of Range Management having been a member in Texas, Colorado, and California.

Roy was a deacon and a steadfast member of the First Baptist Church in San Marcos. For many years he taught and ministered to a co-ed Sunday school class.

Survivors include his parents, Roy and Eva Miller of Friona; his wife of almost 50 years, Glenda Miller; children, Dan and Rhonda Miller of Wheelock, Texas, Darla and Ricky Powell of Wichita Falls, Texas, and Ben and Tracy Miller of Middleburg, Florida; nine grandchildren, Joshua Powell, Jared Miller, Sam Miller, Rachel Miller, Elizabeth Miller, Hannah Miller, Abigail Miller, Jessica Miller, and Jenny Miller; four sisters, Mary Lou and Dale Glass of McLean, Texas, Donna and Sam Mears of Friona, Texas, Linda and Clyde Tims of Sunray, Texas, and Jan Miller of Los Alamos, New Mexico; and many nieces and nephews.

Memorial gifts may be sent to the First Baptist Church of San Marcos Building Fund, P.O. Box 1745, San Marcos, TX 78667 or to CTMC Hospice Care, 1345 Thorpe Lane, San Marcos, TX 78666.

Hanna Malouf

Services for long-time Friona resident and businessman, Hanna Malouf, 79, will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 14, 2004, at St. Teresa's Catholic Church of Friona. The Reverend Ed Sweeney will be the officiating pastor. Burial will be held at Llano Cemetery of Amarillo, at 1:30 p.m., under the direction of Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

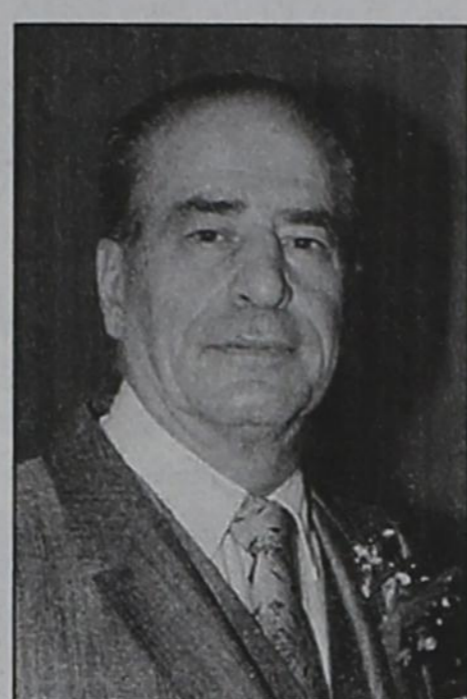
A rosary service will be held Friday, August 13, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Teresa's Catholic Church of Friona.

Mr. Malouf died on Tuesday, August 10, at 11:30 p.m., at Friona's Prairie Acres Nursing Home, after a long illness. He was born on November 13, 1924, in the "Biblical" town of Tyre, Lebanon, to George and Jamileh Malouf. He was married to Linda Masso Malouf of Jerusalem, in 1941, and moved back to his hometown of Tyre, in 1948. In 1959, he set out to move his growing family of eight to the U.S., to seek the opportunities of the "American Dream" in the "New World".

He came with his family to Lubbock, Texas where he operated his retail clothing store, until 1961. In 1962, he moved his business and family to Lockney, Texas. Then, in 1964, he moved to Hereford, Texas, where he continued to operate his dry goods and fabric store, for six years. In 1971, he moved once again, this time to Friona, Texas, where he continued to operate his, now renowned, Malouf's Fabrics for 31 years. He retired in 2002, after having added five more children in Texas.

Mr. Malouf was a member of St. Teresa's Catholic Church of Friona, and a respected citizen of his community.

Survivors include one sister, Labibeh Abboud of Tyre; his wife and soulmate for 60 years, Linda Masso Malouf of Friona; 12 children, Renee Kuper and George Malouf of Hereford, Tony Malouf of Levelland, Carmen Salamy of Amarillo, Souad Bejjani, Georgette Williams and Joseph Malouf of Houston, Amal Parsons and Richard Malouf of Dallas, Sylvia Ingram and Giselle Hand of Friona, and Peter Malouf of Fort Worth; 41 grandchildren, Paul Kuper of Edmond, Oklahoma, Steven and Mark Kuper of Dallas, Christina Kuper of Lubbock,



HANNA MALOUF

Michelle Henke of Dallas, Bobby Swayden of Tampa, Florida, Michael and Chris Swayden of Amarillo, Tracie Swayden of Fort Worth, John Malouf of Corpus Christi, Tino Malouf of Houston, Katerina Vermillion of Lubbock, Mandy Guetersloh and Chip Malouf of Lubbock, Josh Malouf of Dallas, Rory Malouf of Phoenix, Amy Yosten of Hereford, Keri Currie of Canyon, Wade Reeb of Hico, Texas, Joseph and Nicole Bejjani of Houston, Angela and Andrew Kfoury of Houston, Adrian, Adam and Evan Parsons of Dallas, Colby and Candice Ingram of Friona, Jamile, Holly, and Aaron Hand of Friona, Lauren, Morgan, Landon, and Madison Malouf of Houston, Richie, Gavin, and Sunny Malouf of Dallas, and Davis, Chloe and Blake Malouf of Fort Worth; 19 great-grandchildren, Raquel and Francesca Kuper of Edmond, Oklahoma, Michael, Caison, Cameron, and Christian Kuper of Dallas, Sabra and Jaydon Swayden of Dallas, Ella Marie Swayden of Amarillo, George and David Malouf of Corpus Christi, Courtney and Katelynn Guetersloh of Lubbock, Dillon, Preston, and Ferrin Yosten of Hereford, and Keeli, Clayton, and Claire Currie of Canyon.

Mr. Malouf was preceded in death by his parents, George and Jamileh Malouf of Tyre; one sister, Marie of Tyre; three brothers, Mathanios and Rizqalla of Tyre and Youssef of Beirut, Lebanon; and one daughter, Marie Swayden of Amarillo.

Memorials may be made to the Building Fund of St. Teresa's Catholic Church at 407 W. 16th, Friona, Texas 79035.

Crawford Theodore Rutherford

Ted Rutherford, 87, of Canyon, died Wednesday, August 11, 2004.

Graveside services will be held at the Friona Cemetery on Friday, August 13, 2004, at 11:00 a.m., with Reverend Steve Patterson, of the Friona United Methodist Church, officiating. Arrangements are by Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Crawford Theodore "Ted" Rutherford was born on October 16, 1916 on the Rutherford Ranch in Young County near Graham, Texas to Claude Eugene Rutherford and Allie Reid Rutherford.

Ted went to school in Mertens, Texas, Quinlan, Oklahoma, and Boise City, Oklahoma, and later attended Draughon's Business College in 1937, where he met "the love of his life", Martha Slagle from Friona. They were married on December 31, 1939 in the Union Congregational Church in Friona by Reverend Herschel Thurston.

Mr. Rutherford worked for International Harvester in Amarillo and Cox Farm Equipment in Clayton, New Mexico before moving to Richmond, California to work as a Leaderman in the Henry J. Kaiser shipyard from 1942 to 1945. He was the West Coast champion port hole burner, helping build 567 Liberty ships during World War II. He also had the privilege to be the triggerman to launch one of the Liberty ships that he helped build. After the war, he returned to Clayton, New Mexico where he co-owned Tri-State Grain and Seed Elevator, followed by a partnership in Tri-State Motors. He also operated the Hilltop Dairy, which supplied milk to the Hilltop Pasteurization Plant,



"TED" RUTHERFORD

owned by his father and brother-in-law. Together, they supplied Clayton with its first pasteurized milk. In 1959, he returned to Amarillo as an independent truck driver for Elkins Fruit Market. He later drove for Roberts Lumber Company and ICX. In 1972, he began driving for Yellow Freight System. He transferred to Tucumcari, New Mexico in 1977 and retired from Yellow Freight in 1985 as a member of The Teamsters Union.

He moved to Friona in 1992 and to Canyon in 2001. He was a Methodist.

He is survived by his wife, Martha; three sons, Wayne of Aurora, Colorado, Warren and wife, Sue, of Puyallup, Washington; and Keith and wife, Kimberly, of Amarillo; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; one sister, Beverly Williams of Arlington, Texas; and nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials be to the Alzheimer's Association, Friona United Methodist Church, or First United Methodist Church in Canyon.

Bertha A. Shapley

Funeral services for Bertha A. Shapley, 91, a Friona resident for 13 years, were held at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 10, 2004, at Friona United Methodist Church, with Reverend Steve Patterson and Reverend Mark Stovall officiating.

Burial followed in the Friona Cemetery with arrangements by Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Mrs. Shapley died Monday, August 9, 2004 at Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona.

Bertha was born August 11, 1912 in South Dakota.

She married Harvey Shapley on May 27, 1933 in Guymon, Oklahoma. They owned and operated the Savaii Motel in Guymon for 11 years before moving to Friona where Bertha became a member of the Friona United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by a son, Haskell Shapley, in 1996, and her husband, Harvey Shapley, in 1999.



BERTHA A. SHAPLEY

Survivors include one daughter, Betty Lewellen of Friona, Texas; one sister, Helga Frier of Vivorg, South Dakota; three grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and three great-great grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be sent to Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona.

Iva Lee James Littlefield

Church services for Iva Lee James Littlefield, 88, of Muleshoe, were held at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 11, 2004 at the First Baptist Church, with Dr. Stacy Conner officiating. Burial followed in Muleshoe Memorial Park Cemetery with arrangements by Ellis Funeral Home of Muleshoe.

Mrs. Littlefield died Sunday in Parkview Nursing Home where she had been making her home the last few years.

She was born January 17, 1916, in Canyon, Texas and married John W. Littlefield in Canyon on July 27, 1933.

She spent many of her younger years in the Wayside and Happy Communities. She lived in the Sudan Community from 1946 to 1953; then moved to the Lazbuddie Community in 1953 and to Muleshoe in 1979.

She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church of Muleshoe.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Littlefield, on June 18, 2003 and one son, Donald Dean Littlefield on January 8, 1971.

Survivors include one son, Carroll Littlefield of Rodeo, New Mexico; two daughters, Shirley Steinbock and Betty Smith of Lazbuddie; two brothers, Lloyd James of Mesa, Arizona and Wyle James of Canyon, Texas; seven grandchildren; 19 great grandchildren; and one great-great grandson.

The family suggests memorials be made to Meals on Wheels, 300 S. First St., Muleshoe, Texas 79347 or First Baptist Church, 220 W. Ave. E., Muleshoe, Texas 79347.

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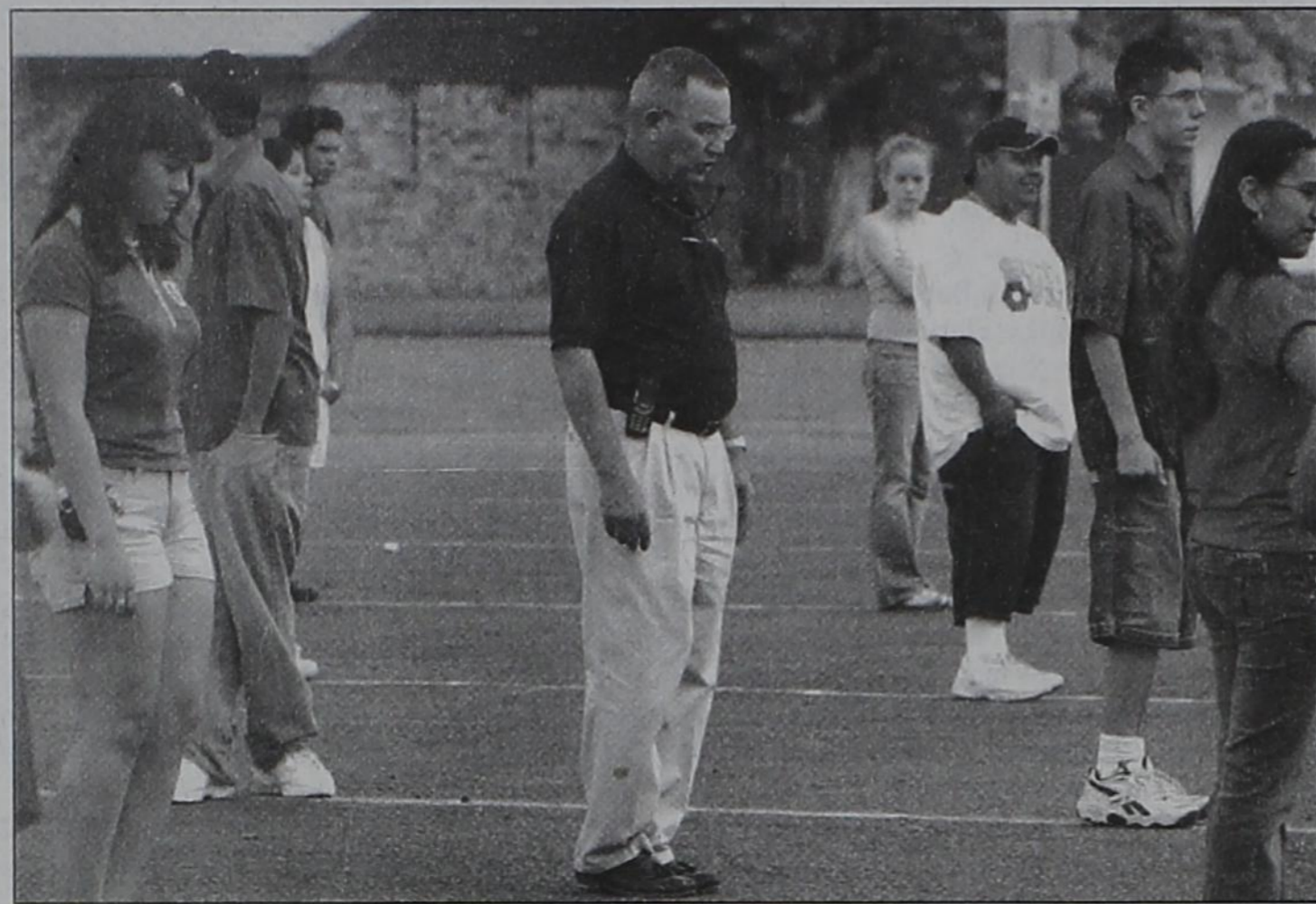
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SUMMER PRACTICE for the Friona Flag Corps & Chieftain Marching Band under direction of Allison Johnston, left above, and Ron McWilliams, center below.
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2004 Property Tax Rates in PARMER COUNTY

This notice concerns 2004 property tax rates for PARMER COUNTY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	GENERAL	FARM TO MARKET
Last year's tax rate:		
Last year's operating taxes	\$1,578,321	\$473,000
Last year's debt taxes	\$155,289	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$1,733,610	\$473,000
Last year's tax base	\$454,062,367	\$447,917,060
Last year's total tax rate	0.381800/\$100	0.105600/\$100
This year's effective tax rate:		
This year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$1,733,912	\$472,725
÷ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$459,842,355	\$453,711,982
= This year's effective operating rate	0.377000/\$100	0.104100/\$100
× 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	0.495500/\$100	
- Sales tax adjustment rate	0.000000/\$100	
= Effective tax rate	0.481100/\$100	
This year's rollback tax rate:		
Last year's adjusted operating taxes(after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function, tax increment financing, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$1,578,672	\$472,725
÷ This year's adjusted tax base	\$459,842,355	\$453,701,982
= This year's effective operating rate	0.343300/\$100	0.104100/\$100
× 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.370700/\$100	0.112400/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.057600/\$100	0.000000/\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	0.428300/\$100	0.112400/\$100
This year's total rollback rate	0.540700/\$100	
- Sales tax adjustment rate	0.000000/\$100	
= Rollback tax rate	0.540700/\$100	
+ Additional rate for pollution control	0.000000/\$100	
= Rollback tax rate	0.428200/\$100	

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If PARMER COUNTY adopts a 2004 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of 0.481100 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2003 taxes by \$ 5,976.

Schedule A: Unencumbered Fund Balances: GENERAL

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
GENERAL	1,565,042

Schedule B: 2004 Debt Service: GENERAL

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Parmer County Law Enforcement Center	105,000	147,868	0	252,868
Total required for 2004 debt service				\$252,868
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2004				\$252,868
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 95.000000% of its taxes in 2004				\$13,308
= Total Debt Levy				\$266,176

Schedule A: Unencumbered Fund Balances: FARM TO MARKET

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
FM ROAD	490,699

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 305 3rd St PO Box 56, Bovina, Tx 79009. Name of person preparing this notice: Curby Brantley Jr. Title: Chief Appraiser Date prepared: August 3, 2004

2004 Property Tax Rates in CITY OF FRIONA

This notice concerns 2004 property tax rates for CITY OF FRIONA. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	\$405,127
Last year's debt taxes	\$196,697
Last year's total taxes	\$601,824
Last year's tax base	\$76,180,280
Last year's total tax rate	0.790000/\$100
This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$602,145
÷ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$77,811,556
= This year's effective operating rate	0.773800/\$100
× 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	0.797000/\$100
This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes(after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function, tax increment financing, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$474,558
÷ This year's adjusted tax base	\$77,811,556
= This year's effective operating rate	0.609800/\$100
× 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.658500/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.201700/\$100
= This year's rollback rate	0.860200/\$100
- Sales tax adjustment rate	0.088300/\$100
= Rollback tax rate	0.741500/\$100
+ Additional rate for pollution control	0.000000/\$100
= Rollback tax rate	0.876700/\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If CITY OF FRIONA adopts a 2004 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of 0.773800 per \$100 of value, taxes would decrease compared to 2003 taxes by \$ 476.

Schedule B: 2004 Debt Service:

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Prairie Acres	100,000	46,200	0	146,200
City of Friona	100,000	129,597	0	229,597
Total required for 2004 debt service				\$375,797
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources			\$0	
- Excess collections last year				\$226,500
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2004				\$226,797
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 95.000000% of its taxes in 2004				\$7,857
= Total Debt Levy				\$157,154

Schedule C - Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax

In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive \$ 68,780 in additional sales and use tax revenues. For County: The county has excluded any amount that is or will be distributed for economic development grants from this amount of expected sales tax revenue.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 305 3rd St PO Box 56, Bovina, Tx 79009. Name of person preparing this notice: Curby Brantley Jr. Title: Chief Appraiser Date prepared: August 2, 2004

2004 Property Tax Rates for PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL

This notice concerns 2004 property tax rates for PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	\$564,090
Last year's debt taxes	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$564,090
Last year's tax base	\$309,599,203
Last year's total tax rate	0.182200/\$100

This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$562,949
÷ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$317,760,743
= This year's effective operating rate	0.177100/\$100
× 1.03 = maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearing	0.182400/\$100
- Sales tax adjustment rate	0.000000/\$100
= Effective tax rate	0.177100/\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes(after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function, tax increment financing, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	\$562,949
÷ This year's adjusted tax base	\$317,760,743
= This year's effective operating rate	0.177100/\$100
× 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	0.191200/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	0.000000/\$100
= This year's rollback rate	0.191200/\$100
- Sales tax adjustment rate	0.000000/\$100
= Rollback tax rate	0.191200/\$100
+ Additional rate for pollution control	0.000000/\$100
= Rollback tax rate	0.191200/\$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL adopts a 2004 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of 0.177100 per \$100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2003 taxes by \$ 769.

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Northwest Plains Pest Management News

BY MONTI VANDIVER, EXTENSION AGENT-IPM, TEXAS COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

Warmer weather returned to the Northwest Plains this week. High temperatures climbed back to the mid 90's and low temperatures ranged from the mid to upper 60's, which has heat units (DD60) accumulating at about 20 per day. Accumulated precipitation amounts for this week as recorded by local weather stations are Farwell 2.47 inches; Friona .70 inches; Muleshoe .70 inches; and Muleshoe Wildlife Refuge 3.61 inches.

Cotton development accelerated in response to the increased temperatures, but is not making up for lost time. Heat is desperately needed to make the most of the available moisture. Current accumulated heat units are running 68 behind 2003 and 128 behind 2002. Every effort to promote earliness should be made, including irrigation, pest management, and PGR decisions. Most cotton has 6 to 8 nodes above white flower (NAWF). NAWF must decline to 5 or less shortly to be able to realistically reach physiological maturity.

Cotton insect pests are very light. A few Lygus bugs are present in numbers well below threshold. There are an increasing number of bollworm eggs and small larvae infesting fields but numbers remain very low. Loppers are present in most fields. These caterpillars are light green and can grow up to 2 inches long. They travel with a looping action similar to that of an inchworm. Larval feeding damage is characterized by leaf ragging or large holes in the leaves. Looper larvae often are killed by natural enemies before economic foliage loss occurs. There are no established economic thresholds for this pest. Insecticide treatments are generally not recommended.

Be careful not to include looper eggs in bollworm egg counts. Cabbage looper eggs are laid singly, mainly on the lower surfaces of leaves and are flatter. Bollworm eggs are usually laid singly on the tops of young, tender terminal leaves in the upper third of the plant. Newly hatched larvae have several rows of dark tubercles along

the back, each bearing one or two bristles. Larvae range from olive green to dark reddish brown in color and can be best distinguished from most other caterpillars by the tiny spines, visible under a hand lens, that cover most of the body surface.

Treatment may be justified when counts average 5,000 or more small worms per acre. However, if two or more key predators are found for each small worm, control measures may not be needed. The actual treatment level will vary according to the ability of the individual scout to locate small larvae, the age structure of the infestation, maturity of the crop and crop value.

Corn insect pressure is also very light. Southwestern Corn borers (SWCB) have not shown

up in numbers that are considered normal for the Northwest Plains. The low numbers could be the beginning of a moth flight or 2004 could be just a light SWCB year. Spider mites have moved up to the middle third of the plant in some fields but actual numbers of mites seem to have declined. Natural enemies present in some fields (lacewing larvae, minute pirate bugs, and six spotted thrips) have contributed to this decline and in some cases destroyed whole colonies.

Once six spotted thrips become established in a field, spider mites rarely become a problem. Six spotted thrips are similar in appearance to western flower thrips, which are common in cotton, but have six spots along their back.

Think Texas

BY AGRICULTURE COMMISSIONER SUSAN COMBS

McDonald's has eliminated its "supersize" options and has added adult meals that include a salad and pedometer. Subway is increasingly touting its low-fat menu items. Pizza Hut offers a lower fat, lower calorie pizza, and Ruby Tuesday is adding healthier options to its children's menu.

With headline after headline stating the sad truth that American kids are suffering higher rates of obesity than ever before, many groups have stepped up to the plate to cut fat and boost good nutrition for children.

While fast food restaurants may seem like unlikely allies in the fight against childhood obesity, their improvements are definitely a step in the right direction. Kids and parents alike have grown accustomed to the convenience of fast food, and schools even partner with restaurants to offer their fare in school "lunch lines." In Texas, these partnerships take nutrition into account, and food items must fall within the state's strict policy guidelines on calories and fat.

Other companies have responded, as well. Borden Dairy has a new "Kid Builder" line of fortified milk in kid-friendly delectables. Frito-Lay has eliminated trans fatty acids from some of its product lines, and Kraft has reformulated its Lunchables with 20 percent fewer calories and

fat. Kraft has also gotten a handle on portion sizes, offering Oreos in single serving packs of four, rather than six.

While these changes may seem small or insignificant—reduced-fat chips and cookies are obviously not as healthy as fresh fruits and vegetables—they are definitely an improvement. Companies are creating awareness among students, parents and foodservice professionals alike and providing new choices for those who want healthier options. While it's clear that much work remains to be done, the food industry is taking steps and responding to our call for healthier alternatives for kids.



USDA Move Helps Playa Lake Conservation

Congressman Randy Neugebauer praised President Bush's move Wednesday that will help West Texas farmers conserve more playa lakes on their farmland. The presidential directive aims to enroll larger wetland areas in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), including playa lakes. President Bush also announced that there will be a new sign-up period for CRP.

Including playas in the new CRP accomplishes the goals Neugebauer set with his Playas Conservation Act, H.R. 3886, which he introduced in March to make playas fully eligible for enrollment in the CRP Farmable Wetlands Program expanded by the 2002 Farm Bill.

"USDA has made a good decision by enabling playas to be enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Program, and I appreciate their work on this issue," Neugebauer said. "Whether we did this through legislation or through this administrative change by USDA doesn't matter to me. What matters is that West Texas farmers will

have an additional tool to conserve playa lakes that help increase our underground water recharge."

Neugebauer had encouraged USDA to make administrative changes to the CRP program if such changes could accomplish the same goal as his playas legislation. The initiative announced by President Bush today will allow enrollment of 250,000 acres of large wetlands and playas that are located outside the 100-year floodplain through a Wetland Restoration Initiative. Sign-up for the initiative will begin October 1, 2004.

"We know that playas are an important source of water for the Ogallala Aquifer, and that many of the playas in our region are located on farmland," Neugebauer said. "By increasing the size of lands that can be enrolled through the initiative, more playas will be eligible for CRP enrollment and more water recharge areas will be protected."

COTTON NEWS

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High Plains Ag Expo Offers Education & Opportunities for Farmers and Ranchers

LUBBOCK

BY SHAWN WADE

Farmers, ranchers and agriculture industry representatives should mark August 24-26 on their calendar and make plans to attend the 2004 High Plains Ag Expo in Dumas, Texas.

The three-day event, sponsored by Premier Events, LLC of Burnsville, Minnesota, will provide an opportunity to view 250 exhibits and demonstrations involving the latest products and technologies available to agricultural producers.

The High Plains Ag Expo is hosted by Moore Farms of Dumas, Texas. The show site is located one mile east of Highway 287-87 on 14th Street. Located on US Highway 287-87, Dumas is 45 miles north of Amarillo, Texas.

Show hours are 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. August 24, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. August 25, and 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. August 26.

Continuing education opportunities will also be available to attendees during the show. CEU and CCA credits for Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and New Mexico will be available to growers and crop consultants each day of the show.

Commodity specific programs help set a theme for each day and include a Cotton Conference (August 24), a Corn Conference (August 25) and a Beef Conference (August 26).

The meetings will be held in the Conference Tent located on the High Plains Ag Expo exhibit field. Texas Cooperative Extension and commodity groups will be coordinating the conferences.

The 2004 Expo marks the first year for cotton to be included as a major part of the show. This year the Expo will begin with the Cotton Conference, which is designed to help orient producers new to cotton about the structure of the cotton industry and provide them with timely production tips from Texas Cooperative Extension and USDA experts.

A total of 3 CEU's will be available to those that attend the Cotton Conference. Space is limited and producers are encouraged to call the Show office and pre-register their attendance.

Hosting the Cotton Conference are Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. and Texas Cooperative Extension. Monsanto Corp. and AFD Seed will sponsor lunch for those attending the Cotton Conference.

Demonstrations will also be a prominent part of the High Plains Ag Expo. Scheduled demonstrations will offer a variety of hands-on experiences designed to meet all farmers' interests. Variety demonstration test plots that will be open to visitors at the show include: Corn, Sorghum, Cotton, Sunflower, and experimental seed plots planted by Texas Cooperative Extension.

If you are interested in attending the Expo and staying in Dumas you are advised to go ahead and make your reservations.

The High Plains Ag Expo's official host hotels are the Comfort Inn/Dumas (Phone: 806-935-6988) and the Days Inn/Dumas (Phone: 806-935-2222). Other Dumas hotels are: Holiday Inn Express (806-935-4000); Dumas Inn (806-935-6441); Super 8 (806-935-6222); Best Western Windsor Inn (806-935-9644 or 800-661-7626); Super Inn (806-935-9281); Econo Lodge (806-935-9098)

STOP, LOOK & LISTEN SCHOOL STARTS MONDAY WATCH FOR CHILDREN



Ag Talk: WTO's Doha Round

BY CONGRESSMAN CHARLES STENHOLM

Last week, U.S. trade negotiators reached an agreement on a framework that will allow the Doha Round of WTO negotiations to move forward. The United States is the world's most open marketplace, and we have too much at stake to risk seeing these negotiations fail at this point.

The U.S. agriculture community realizes that the real work remains to be done regarding specific reform commitments in three areas: domestic support, export competition, and market access. As with all negotiations, the framework allows for a best-case and worst-case scenario; future negotiations will determine just what this will be.

I am pleased that cotton will be addressed within the agriculture negotiations, even though I am still troubled that the text of the agreement treats cotton differently from other agriculture commodities. However, after speaking with our negotiators, I am confident that they will be able to use the process established in the framework to ensure that all issues affecting cotton production and marketing are considered, including factors such as subsidized synthetic fiber production.

In the final analysis, I am cautiously optimistic that the text of the agreement provides a framework from which our negotiators can prevail in future negotiations. In order to be acceptable to America's farmers and ranchers, the agreement must ultimately contain significant reform in each of the three pillars.

This week, the Administration announced that there will be a general CRP sign-up beginning on August 30 and will run through September 24. The White House indicated that only 800,000 acres may be enrolled in the new CRP sign-up, despite the fact that no acreage numbers were named in Farm Service Agency (FSA) notices. This will be a relatively small sign-up compared with the last two general sign-ups of 1.7 million and 2.25 million acres.

I was glad to see that the USDA has finally announced it was going to hold a CRP sign-up this year, after having trained state and local FSA employees to do so last March. Applicants accepted in this sign-up will have the option to

enroll their acreage either on October 1, 2005 or October 1, 2006.

I'm pleased that USDA decided to expand on what Chairman Combest and I did in the 2002 Farm Bill which made playa lakes in Texas eligible to be enrolled in CRP under the Farmable Wetlands Pilot Program. The President's action yesterday should allow the remaining few larger playas located outside 100-year flood plains, that weren't eligible under the Farmable Wetlands Pilot Program, to be eligible under a new CRP Practice CP-23A. This action should allow nearly all of the playa lakes on the High Plains to be eligible to enroll in CRP one way or another.

The 2002 Farm Bill, that former House Agriculture Committee Chairman Larry Combest and I co-authored, provided for a total enrollment of 39.2 million acres in CRP. Currently, 34.8 million acres are enrolled nationwide — almost 4 million acres are enrolled in Texas under 24,131 contracts on 17,582 farms. Also, I am glad to know the Administration is beginning to plan for the 22.2 million acres of CRP land that will be expiring in 2007 and 2008.

Texas has 3.1 million acres of CRP expiring in those years — more than any state in the country—so we should all have a keen interest in what USDA does prior to the writing and implementation of the next Farm Bill in 2007.

In the President's announcement, Agriculture Secretary Veneman is given the authority to use early re-enrollments and extensions of existing contracts in order to deal with these large acreage numbers and the workload impact.

As the Ranking Member on the House Agriculture Committee, I will start working on the next Farm Bill during the next legislative session in Congress, and I fully expect conservation to be at the forefront of any debate.

It will take balanced legislation that includes significant conservation measures to build the coalitions necessary to pass another Farm Bill, and our actions today regarding conservation programs will help to build the foundation of trust and support from non-farm-state lawmakers.

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- TXism: "takes a big ___ to rope him" (large man)
- exam type
- Sam Houston's Indian father-in-law: Ole-___
- ex-Ranger outfielder Incaviglia (init.)
- TXism: "I ___ dance to that tune"
- TXism: "I got a ___ of luxury"
- Edinburg AM 16 college bunkhouse?
- TXism: "he could sell ice cubes to"
- TX wheeler-dealer Billie Sol
- TXism: "___ a judge in court"
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- TX Clyde Barrow's brother Buck was killed in ___ City, MO in '33
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- TX "Kenny Rogers as The Gambler, Part ___"
- 2nd TX female governor, Ann ___
- TXism: "squeaks like a rusty ___"
- TXism: "exciting as a fire at the ___ office"
- plant in mint family
- TXism: "shoots dice ___ phone" (risk taker)
- TXism: "you don't need much ___ sleep fast"
- TX George H. line: "___ my lips..."
- '87 Kentucky Derby winner from TX ranch: "___ sheba"
- Mc ___ TX
- peculiar
- TX George H.'s ag sec., Clayton
- TXism: "there's more of ___ than liars in TX"
- TXism: "pay no never mind" "bidness" abbr.
- TX convenience store: "Stop ___"

DOWN

- TXism: "beaucoup" ___ City, TX
- Houston hotel: "Remington on Post ___"
- Hale Co. seat paper: "___ Herald"
- TXism: "he's an ornery old ___"
- Fender tune: "You'll ___"
- "Cowpokes" artist Ace (init.)
- afternoon abbr.
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- TXism: "out to pasture"
- "Fiesta Diez ___"
- TX Tommy Lee film: "Eyes of Laura ___"
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- Victoria TV
- Greenville in Dallas (abbr.)
- TX actor Torn
- TX Trini's "If ___ A Hammer"
- this TX Cassidy was "Lurch" on "Addams Family"
- "legal eagle" cost
- TX has many ___ trouble" programs
- "T" of former LTV
- TXism: "size '___ up"

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Beef Industry Targets Growing Culinary Education Efforts

The Texas Beef Council showed Texas secondary school culinary instructors how future chefs can profit from merchandising new beef value cuts at recent seminars in Austin. The seminars focused on innovative value cuts developed by beef producers through their \$1 beef

checkoff program. More than 100,000 Texas high school students currently are studying culinary arts in close to 1,000 public high schools. Other sponsors of the seminars included the Texas Restaurant Association Educational Foundation and the Austin Culinary Academy.



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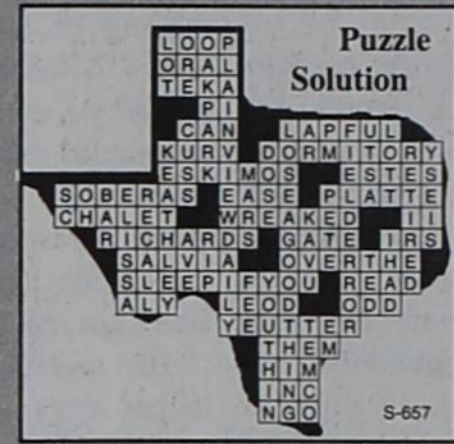


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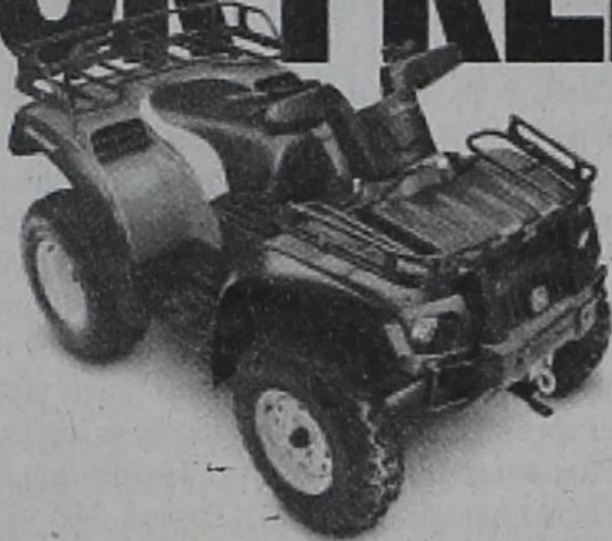
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TO: Tami Adams, GREETING: You are commanded to appear by filing an answer to the Plaintiff's Petition at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after the date of issuance of this citation the same being Monday the 13th day of September, 2004 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 July 7, 2004 in this case numbered 539 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital VS Tami Adams

The nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

Outstanding hospital bills 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.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of the said court, at office in Bovina, Parmer County, Texas, on August 2, 2004.

Vivaliah Hutto Justice of the Peace Precinct 2, Parmer County, Texas PO Box 849 Bovina, Texas 79009

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TO: Michael Garza, 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 13th day of September, 2004 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 July 7, 2004 in this case numbered 545 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital VS Michael Garza

The nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

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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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TO: Alex V. Pacheco, 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 13th day of September, 2004 before the Honorable Judge Vivaliah Hutto, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 2, Parmer County, Texas at Bovina, Texas.

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Parmer County Community Hospital VS Alex V. Pacheco

The nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

Outstanding hospital bills 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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TO: Larry Poole, 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 13th day of September, 2004 before the Honorable Judge Vivaliah Hutto, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 2, Parmer County, Texas at Bovina, Texas.

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Parmer County Community Hospital VS Larry Poole

The nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

Outstanding hospital bills 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.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of the said court, at office in Bovina, Parmer County, Texas, on August 2, 2004.

Vivaliah Hutto Justice of the Peace Precinct 2, Parmer County, Texas PO Box 849 Bovina, Texas 79009

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TO: Eloy D. Trevino, 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 September, 2004 before the Honorable Judge Valton Howard, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas at Friona, 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 July 8, 2004, in this case numbered SC0562 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital VS Eloy D. Trevino

The nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

Outstanding hospital bills 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.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of the said court, at my office in Friona, Parmer County, Texas, on July 8, 2004.

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TO: Jesus Ruiz, 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 September, 2004 before the Honorable Judge Valton Howard, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas at Friona, 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 July 8, 2004, in this case numbered SC0559 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital VS Jesus Ruiz

The nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

Outstanding hospital bills 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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TO: Kathy Saenz, 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 September, 2004 before the Honorable Judge Valton Howard, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas at Friona, 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 July 8, 2004, in this case numbered SC0560 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital VS Kathy Saenz

The nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

Outstanding hospital bills 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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TO: Lupe Casarez, 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 September, 2004 before the Honorable Judge Valton Howard, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas at Friona, 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 July 8, 2004, in this case numbered 540 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital VS Lupe Casarez

The nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

Outstanding hospital bills 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.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of the said court, at my office in Friona, Parmer County, Texas, on July 8, 2004.

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TO: Vidal Contreras, 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 September, 2004 before the Honorable Judge Valton Howard, Justice of the Peace Court, Precinct 1, Parmer County, Texas at Friona, 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 July 12, 2004, in this case numbered 542 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital VS Vidal Contreras

The nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

Outstanding hospital bills 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.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of the said court, at my office in Friona, Parmer County, Texas, on July 12, 2004.

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TO: Luis Sanchez, 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 13th day of September, 2004 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 July 7, 2004 in this case numbered 553 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital VS Luis Sanchez

The nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

Outstanding hospital bills 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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NOTICE OF DRAFT FEDERAL OPERATING PERMIT
 DRAFT PERMIT NO.: 02613

APPLICATION AND DRAFT PERMIT. Excel Corporation, Highway 60 West, P.O. Box 579, Friona, Texas 79035, a Meat Packing and Rendering facility has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an Initial Issuance of Federal Operating Permit (herein referred to as Permit) Application No. 5172 to authorize operation of the Excel Friona Plant. The site addressed by the application is located at Highway 60 West, in Friona, Parmer County, Texas. This application was received by the TCEQ on June 17, 2003.

The purpose of a federal operating permit is to improve overall compliance with the rules governing air pollution control by clearly listing all applicable requirements, as defined in Title 30 Texas Administrative Code § 122.10 (30 TAC § 122.10). The permit will not authorize new construction or authorize the area to increase emissions. The TCEQ Executive Director has completed the technical review of the application and has made a preliminary decision to prepare a draft permit for public comment and review. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the areas must operate. The executive director recommends issuance of this draft permit. The permit application, statement of basis and draft permit is available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ Central Office, 12100 Park 35 Circle, Bldg. E, First Floor, Austin, Texas, the TCEQ Amarillo Regional Office, 3918 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas, and the Friona City Hall, 623 Main Street, Friona, Texas. At the central and regional office, you may also review and copy all relevant supporting materials for the draft permit, as well as the New Source Review permits which have been incorporated by reference. Any person with difficulties obtaining these materials due to travel constraints may contact the TCEQ Central Office file room at (512) 239-1540.

MAILING LIST. In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list for this application by sending a request to the TCEQ Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. Those on the mailing list will receive copies of future public notices (if any) mailed by the Chief Clerk for this application.

PUBLIC COMMENT/NOTICE AND COMMENT HEARING. You may submit written public comments or request a notice and comment hearing on the draft permit. Comments relating to the accuracy, completeness and appropriateness of the permit actions may cause a change to be made to the draft permit.

A person who may be affected by the emission of air pollutants from the area may request a notice and comment hearing. The TCEQ may grant a notice and comment hearing on the application if a written hearing request is filed within 30 days after publication of the newspaper notice. The purpose of a notice and comment hearing is to provide an opportunity to submit comments on the draft permit. If a notice and comment hearing is granted, all individuals that submitted written comments or a hearing request will receive written notice of the hearing. This notice will identify the date, time and location for the hearing.

A notice of proposed final action that includes a response to comments and identification of any changes to the draft permit, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments, a hearing request, or requested to be on the mailing list for this application. This mailing will also provide instructions for public petitions to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to request that EPA object to the issuance of the proposed permit. After receiving a petition, the EPA may only object to the issuance of a permit which is not in compliance with its applicable requirements or the requirements of 30 TAC Chapter 122.

Written public comments and requests for a notice and comment hearing should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087 within 30 days from the date of newspaper publication of this notice.

INFORMATION. If you need more information about his permit application or the permitting process, please call the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TCEQ can be found at our Web site at www.tceq.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from Excel Corporation at the address in the first paragraph or by calling Ms. Patricia Grillo at (806) 295-3201. 1tc-8/12

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 3/2/2 Brick w/sunroom & fp, storage bldg.....\$79,900
 3/2/2 Brick, central h/a, covered patio, nice backyard.....\$68,000
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
 Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Independent Administration, pursuant to Section 145 of the Texas Probate Code, for the Estate of ROBERT GEORGE SCHUELER, Deceased, were issued on August 2, 2004, in Cause No. 2601, pending in the County Court of FARMER County, Texas, to: Floyd Schueler.
 All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
 Floyd Schueler, Independent Administrator,
 Estate of Robert George Schueler
 C/o Easterwood, Boyd & Simmons, LLP
 P.O. Box 398 - 715 Main Street
 Friona, Texas 79035
 DATED the 3rd day of August, 2004.
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PUBLIC NOTICE
 Sixth St. Church of Christ is collecting clothes for Medina Children's Home. If you have clothes that you would like to discard, regardless of size or condition, please bring them to Sixth St. Church of Christ.

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My Life Story

by Mary Lee Cass

Every month, a resident of Prairie Acres Nursing Home or Friona Heritage Estates, writes a story about his/her life's history for the home's newsletter, "The Prairie Times", for printing in this issue. This month we feature Mary Lee Cass.

Who am I? I'm Mary Lee Cass, a resident at Prairie Acres. I had two strokes and needed extra special care, so that is why I came here. I've had a wonderful life and have a wonderful family. I have two children, Gay, who is married to George Price and lives in Midland, and Jerry and his wife, Karene, who live in Clovis. I have five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

I was married to Kenyth Cass 53 years before he died in 1988. Through the years, Kenyth farmed, ranched and did carpentry and contractor work. We had a wonderful Christian life together and had a lot of fun. We were very proud that all of our grandchildren received their college degrees at Texas Tech University.

Our mode of transportation was so different then! We rode horses, and drove them to church hitched to a wagon. We had lived in Wellington, Arizona, and many different places, but we always loved Friona the best and have been blessed with so many lovely friends.

I have one sibling surviving from my nuclear family, my sister, Dorothy Ingram (in Friona), and I thank God for her every day. She has been so wonderful to me through my illness. I am indeed lucky that I have her in Friona with me. We have always had such fun together since we were little girls. I have a host of other relatives and friends in Friona, and I thank God each day for this blessing.

I have also made many friends at Prairie Acres since living here. Everyone is so caring and loving, compassionate and knowledgeable, that I never cease to be thankful.

THINK ABOUT THIS

Are You Building A House Or A Home?

By T. Leon Talley, Sixth St. Church of Christ

Several years ago construction workers were waiting for the sound of the gun that would mark the beginning of construction on a house in Palmer, Alaska. They were going to be timed to see how fast they could build a house. They were encouraged by a crowd of 6,000 spectators and a small band. The record they set was incredible. In just three hours, 53 minutes, and 59.49 seconds, the lucky couple, Rocky and Pat Weldon, stood on the steps of their brand new house. The two bedroom house cost \$80,000. To top things off a furniture company then furnished the house in less than four minutes.

It is possible to build a house in minutes but it's not possible to build a home in like fashion. Homes are not built out of bricks and mortar, but out of love, hope, patience, discipline, and trust.

There will be no band playing, no crowd of spectators to cheer you on as the home is being built. It will take a lot of patience, perseverance and commitment. There is never a time when you can sit down and say: "It is finished". There is always the need for consideration, tenderness, and thoughtfulness.

But there is a real joy that comes from the building. Seeing your children grow up loving the Lord. Watching them mature into something that can be used in God's Kingdom is indeed a wonderful blessing for parents. With love as the foundation and a Christian home as your goal—building a home can be one of life's greatest blessings.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FRIONA

August 15 thru 21, 2004.

Aug. 15-Candi Baca, Ryan Gerles, Patrick Henry, Mary Crump

Aug. 16-Mindi Davis, Gary Harris, Christie Bauer, Joslynn Turley, Christie Kenney

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Aug. 18-Vickie Flores Turner, Becky Weatherly, Rodney Britting, Jason Wright, Clinton Cole, Justin Hatfield, Jim Parker, Martha Mae Pruett Shelton, Amber Castillo

Aug. 19-Dale Houlette, Janice Stowers, Kory Phillips, Roddy Berend, Veca White, Raymond Hamilton, Sammy Houston, Kristen Coffey, Kennra Gail Down.

Aug. 20-Justin Fleming, Willie Brailiff, Jr., Frank Ready, Katherine Gromowsky, Tamra Turley

Aug. 21-Justin Reed, Arthur Stokes, Steve Clark, Lucretia Hayes, Fred Moore

If you or someone in your family has a birthday coming up or see a name that should be removed (name change, death, move, etc.), please call the Friona Star office at 250-2211.



New Arrivals

Luisa Isabel Martinez

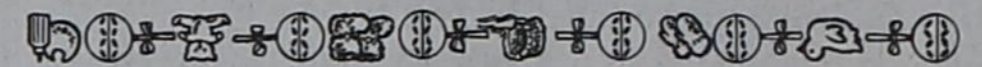
Jana and Luis Martinez announce the birth of their daughter, Luisa Isabel.

Isabel was born on April 9, 2004 in El Paso, Texas and weighed 8 pounds 6 ounces.

She has a brother, Nicolas, who is three years old.

Her grandparents are Gary and Karen Renner of Friona, and Luis and Consuelo Martinez of El Paso.

Great-grandparents are Valoris Osborn and John and Lavon Renner, all of Friona.

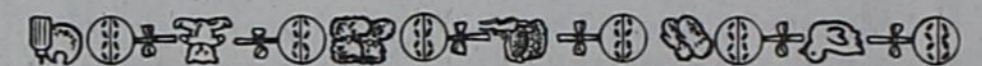


Hero Lenore Thompson

James and Kristina Anthony, of Friona, announce the birth of their newest granddaughter, Hero Lenore Thompson.

She was born on Saturday, July 21, 2004.

Her proud parents are Eric and Emily Thompson of Omaha, Nebraska.



PRAIRIE ACRES Employee of the Month Esther Castro and Resident of the Month Effie Hicks.

Happy Birthday Prairie Acres & Friona Heritage Estates

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George Jones - August 12
Ben Israel - August 14
Eula Parrack - August 22
Juan Marquez - August 28
Ruth Drager - August 31

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New Teacher Lineup At Friona ISD

New school years bring new faces to the Friona Independent School District. The 2004-05 year is no exception.

We have nosed around the campuses and taken a few photos and asked new teachers to share something about themselves with us. We welcome all the new teachers, aides, and staff in the district.

At the junior high the new employees are:

Allison Johnston is not new to Friona but she is new to the junior high band director position and will serve as assistant high school band director and continue to direct the high school choir. Allison also taught special education at Friona high school for two years. Allison is married to Bryan Johnston and they have five children, Katherine, Michael, Deirdre, Holly, and Brooklynne.

Sylvia DeLeon comes to Friona from Bovina via Dimmitt. She is a native of Bovina and worked at the Bovina schools while earning her teaching certificate and has taught English in Dimmitt one year. Her children are Amber, 9, Daniela, 11 months, and niece Angelica, 12.

Christine Cupit also came to Friona from Bovina where she taught life skills for 18 years. Mrs. Cupit has lived in Bovina for 30 years and before that lived in Friona two years. She has four children, two boys and two girls, 7 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Lisa Ballenger will teach TAG & TAKS reading in junior high. She lives in Muleshoe and is married to Steve. They have four children, Nick, Zack, Alexandra and Isaac.

Konrad Carroll is the new P.E. and athletics coach at FJHS. He graduated from Lubbock Christian University in May and is married to Karen (Nelson) Carroll, also a FJHS coach.

Some of the new players in the Friona high school lineup are:

Sandra Cruz was born in Dumas but grew up in Friona, graduating from Friona high school in 1995. She attended West Texas A&M in Canyon for 2 years, got married and moved to Kansas City, Kansas. After 7 years she moved back to Friona and has been employed as a teacher's aide at Friona ISD since February 2004. Salma has two children, Salma, 6, and Omar, 3.

Kathy Graves is a special education teacher who has taught for 19 years in Bovina. She has four sons. Jamie is a software engineer in Dallas for Nokia; Cory works for Dairy Concepts in Portales; Yancy is a Marine corporal headed for Iraq in September; and Zachary

is a FHS student. Kathy is a WT graduate and is certified in special ed, ESL, and elementary education. She has one grandchild, Emily, 2 months.

Veronica Velazquez should be a familiar face to many Frionans. She grew up in Friona and was valedictorian of the Friona Class of 2001. She graduated from Abilene Christian University in May and will be teaching Spanish I and IV. Veronica says, "I feel blessed

to be in a town where I know there are so many wonderful people."

Kelly Santiago is also familiar to us. She graduated from FHS in 1997, is married to Juan Santiago, Jr. also a FHS grad. They have two daughters, Kaitlin, 5, and Syria, 3 months. The couple lived in Amarillo for 3 1/2 years until Juan was called up with the Marines Corps. in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. They moved back to

Friona, bought a house, and settled back into the old hometown. Kelly says "I plan to keep attending West Texas A&M and pursue a degree in education." She will be serving as a teacher's aide at FHS.

Donna Black lives in Littlefield. She has been married to Jim for 34 years. They have two children; Lori is a Texas Tech graduate student and Bryan is a Texas A&M vet school student. They have one

grandchild. She taught 11 years in Littlefield and is a Texas Tech graduate with a degree in elementary education specializing in reading, history and special education. At FHS she will teach special education and language arts.

Norma Mata was born in Raymondville, TX, and moved to Friona in 1989. She is a single parent to Vanessa, Laura, Luci and Luis. She is an ESL teacher's aide.

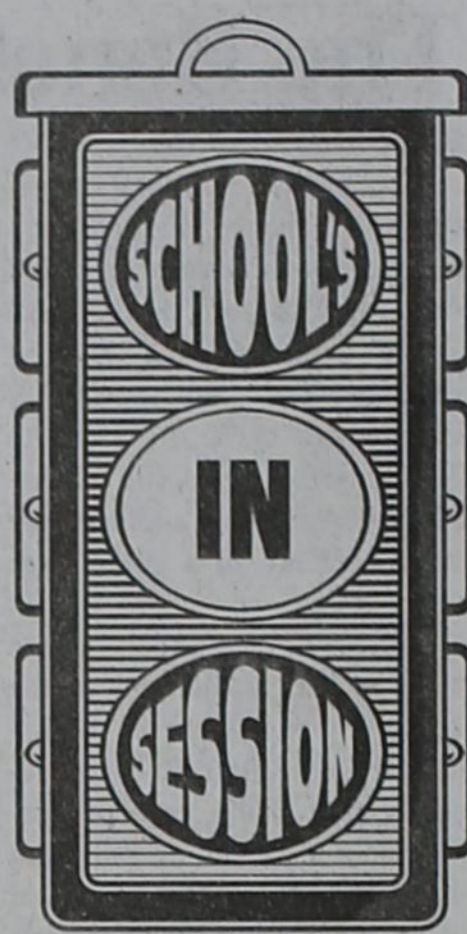
Mike Herbert is another familiar face in Friona. He is starting his 19th year in education, is a graduate of Portales High School and earned a Bachelor of Science degree at Eastern New Mexico University. He is a former Friona coach who returns after stints at Lubbock Monterey and Seagraves. He is married to Christi, a 4th grade teacher. They have two children, Brooke, 14, and Brittany, 11.



WELCOME TO THESE Friona High School teachers & staff, l-r, Donna Black, Kathy Graves, Norma Mata, Sandra Cruz, Veronica Velazquez, Mike Herbert and Kelly Santiago.



NEW ON THE STAFF at Friona Junior High are, l-r, Konrad Carroll, Christine Cupit, Allison Johnston, Sylvia DeLeon, and Lisa Ballenger.



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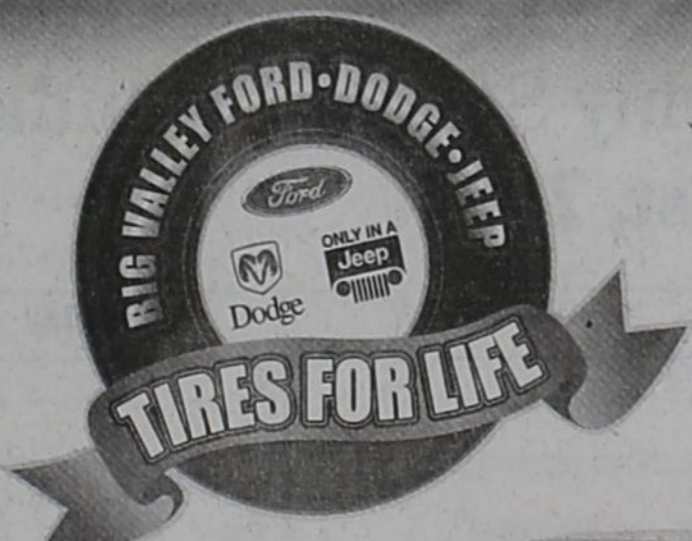
New Counselor At Friona High

Amy Brice is the new counselor at Friona High School replacing veteran counselor Kitty Gallman who retired at the end of last school year.

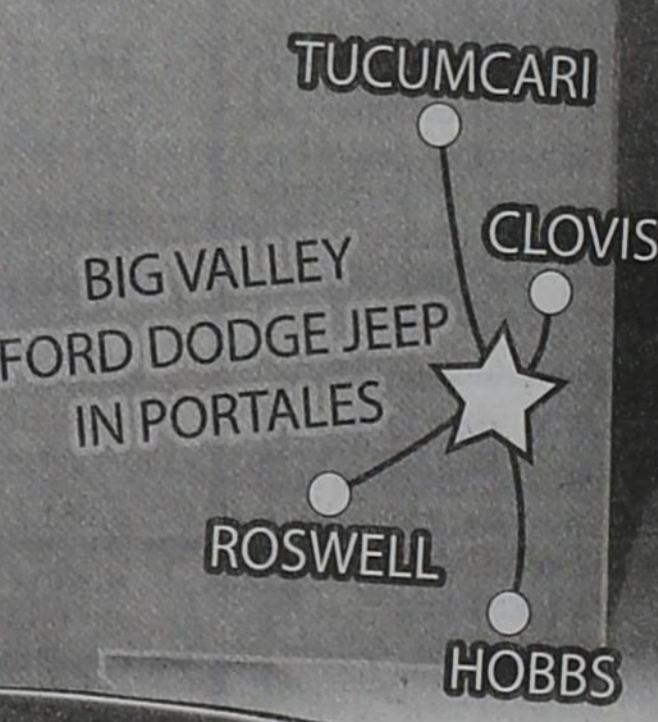
Amy grew up in Amarillo and attended Texas Tech University. She taught middle school history in Lockney for five years, then moved to the Hill Country and taught Texas history at Ingram Middle School for 11 years.

"I moved back to the Panhandle to be closer to my family," Brice said, "and I look forward to living and working in Friona."

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The Benefits Of Medicine and Medicare

BY TOM KOWALSKI

Americans are living longer than ever, thanks in part to remarkable new prescription drugs. An American born in 1920 had a life expectancy of just 54 years. By 1965, life expectancy had jumped to 70; by 1995, to 76. Every five years, life expectancy increases by another year or so. We are in a golden age of longevity.

Increasing life expectancy is in large part attributable to the development and use of sophisticated medication. But until recently, the rising cost of prescription medications put drug therapy beyond the reach of many middle and lower income Americans.

Last fall, however, Congress took a big step toward making medicine more affordable by passing Medicare reform to the benefit of some 40 million Medicare beneficiaries, including about 2.4 million in Texas. The reform measure includes a new prescription drug benefit that will cut prescription drug costs in half when it takes full effect in January 2006. Significantly, 592,000 Texas Medicare beneficiaries who have no prescription drug coverage will have coverage under the new benefit.

Low-income Texans, in particular, will enjoy the new benefit, which will cap drug costs at \$5 for each prescription and \$2 for each generic drug. That's an impressive cost reduction for those who earn less than \$12,123 and married couples who earn less than \$16,862. A number of low-income residents may also qualify for a variety of other cost-cutting measures, including a waiver of the \$35 monthly premium, lower deductibles and reduced co-insurance - all with no gaps in coverage.

The nonpartisan group Citizen Outreach estimates that seniors will spend, on average, \$3,169 on prescription drugs in 2006. Since prescription drugs will be obtained in bulk quantities under the plan, the price of brand-name medications will dive 18 to 27 percent less even before the program discount is triggered, according to a study performed by the United States General Accounting Office.

But Medicare beneficiaries need not wait until 2006. Last month, 19 months before the full benefit takes effect, eligible Medicare beneficiaries started signing up for drug discount

cards that slash their prescription drug bills by 10-25 percent. Low-income beneficiaries who obtain a drug-discount card will also qualify for a \$600 direct credit toward prescription costs in 2004 and again in 2005. In Texas, about 323,000 low-income Medicare beneficiaries are expected to participate in this additional assistance, saving the state some \$388 million in expenditures. Nationally, five million low-income Americans on Medicare will save about \$5 billion.

So by creating the prescription drug benefit and drug discount card, Congress has gone a long way toward eliminating

cost as an issue for purchasing prescription drugs. Now, Medicare participants can use drug therapy to head off more expensive surgery or other invasive measures.

Sadly, however, some eligible beneficiaries haven't gotten the word in spite of publicity campaigns by groups like the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Other anecdotal reports suggest that the new benefit has confused some beneficiaries - in Texas alone, for example, there are 46 Medicare-approved drug discount cards.

That's a shame. Drug therapy is quite simply the most efficient way to stave off finan-

cially ruinous surgery and illness in the long term, with the happy side effect of prolonging life expectancy. In the short term, Congress has recognized the potent benefit of drug therapy and created a compelling financial incentive to take advantage of it. Medicare participants take Congress up on its offer and sign up for the benefit today.

Tom Kowalski is president of the Austin-based Texas Healthcare and Bioscience Institute.

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Aug. 16-Michelle Johnson, Danielle Cockerham

Aug. 17-Bonnie Clayton Heald, Josh James

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Aug. 19-Brooke Charles, Juanita Ramirez

Aug. 20-Nathan Spence, Tracy Wright, Roberta Carlyle, Katherine Gromowsky

Aug. 21-Joy Trimble, Maria Serna, Brandon Black, Johnathan Chisom

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Part 1 of a series

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#6: The only reason to clean carpets is to remove dirt.

No. As you probably know, outdoor air contains pollens, fungus, bacteria, air pollution, cigarette smoke, car exhaust - and come into your home, you carry those pollens, bacteria and chemicals in your hair and on your skin, clothing and shoes. Not surprisingly, all those chemicals and toxins wind up in your carpet.



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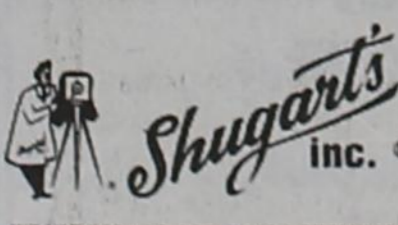
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Friona ISD Monthly School Calendar August, 2004

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3	4	5	6	7
9 First Day of Teacher In-Service	10 Primary/Elementary Parent Meeting - 7:00 J.H. Cafeteria	11	Freshman Orientation 6:00-8:00	13 Primary Meet Your Teacher 12:00-2:00	14 Football Scrimmages Var., JV vs. Panhandle - Here 10:00
16 First Day of School K-8-12	17 K-8-12	18 K-8-12	19 K-8-12 JV vs. River Road - T 5:00/6:00 Var. vs. River Road @ 7:00 - T	20 K-8-12	21
23 K-8-12	24 K-8-12	25 K-8-12	26 K-8-12 JV / Freshman vs. Muleshoe - T 5:00/6:00 pm	27 K-8-12 Chieftains vs. Muleshoe - H - 7:00	28
30 Kindergarten Full Day 8-2:50	31				

Bovina Reflections

45 Yrs. Ago
August 5, 1959

A slow moving east bound freight train, that had switched off the main track to let a faster train through, clipped the front of a 1952 Oldsmobile in Bovina Sunday and out noon.

40 Yrs. Ago
August 5, 1964

Funeral services for W. J. (Will) Parker 81, Bovina's first justice of the peace, were conducted Friday afternoon at the Church of Christ.

35 Yrs. Ago
August 6, 1969

H. J. Charles, who golfs as a hobby, accomplished one of the lifetime goals of linksman Thursday afternoon as he hit a hole-in-one on the Friona Country Club course.

30 Yrs. Ago
August 7, 1974

The moisture picture in Parmer County, although remain-

ing somewhat less than 100 per cent satisfactory, is beginning to take on a brighter aspect for area farmers since Wednesday of last week.

25 Yrs. Ago
August 1, 1979

Approximately 200 people attended the Bovina Wheat Growers 45th Annual Meeting on Friday night.

20 Yrs. Ago
August 8, 1984

Winners in the Herford 4-H trap shoot in Herford, Byron Neal and Sharlet Johnson, walked away with trophies when they placed second in the two man team. They will be going to San Antonio this week for the State 4-H shoot.

15 Yrs. Ago
August 9, 1989

The Federal law that goes into effect August 30 will prohibit any further burning at Bovina's landfill. The will cause

a hardship for the city because of limited space at the landfill site.

10 Yrs. Ago
August 6, 1994

Methodist youth and adults from Bovina, Farwell and Oklahoma Lane recently went on a backpacking trip in the Weminuche Wilderness Area near Creede, Colorado.

5 Yrs. Ago
August 1, 1999

St. Teresa's Catholic Church of Friona is having their annual Jamaica/kermes celebration. There will be lots of Mexican food, kids games, booths, rides and live entertainment.



Bovina Sch. Board Hires Nine, Selects Audit Firm

In its regular meeting on August 5, the Bovina school board spent a large portion of the meeting on personnel matters.

After a 7 p.m. start, the board went into executive session at 7:30 p.m. and came out of the session at 8:24 p.m. For the next almost four hours the board members considered resignations and new contracts. The meeting was finally adjourned after midnight at 12:10 a.m.

In other business the high bid of \$575 from Lance Estes for a white Chevrolet Caprice automobile was accepted. The board took no action on the

budget workshop or the adoption of individual budgets.

The district is still seeking to replace the retired Charlie Teague's transportation and grounds director position but no action was taken after a discussion of the job description and salary schedule was held.

A proposal from the Tulia office of Brown, Graham, & Co. was accepted for the district's annual financial audit. The CPA firm gave a quote of \$12,000 to \$15,000 for the audit. The board voted unanimously to accept the proposal.

Resignations were accepted

from David Combs, Gracie Murillo, Lisa Gallegos, and Stacey Spears. The board then discussed and extended contracts to the following for the 2004-05 year:

John Steinhardt, band director; Kathy Ayers, Dawn Robinson, Helen Kaufman, and Michelle Stinson, elementary teachers; Sandy Casas, custodian; Shannon Shorter, head boys basketball coach; Rosa White, special education; and Alicia West, gifted & talented and elementary music.



Bovina Reunion Held Aug 7

A Bovina school reunion, for classes 1951-1962, was held on Saturday, August 7 at the 5th Season Inn in Amarillo.

A good time was had by all, lots of visiting and plenty of discussing school days, along with a barbecue meal catered by Cattle Call.

Those attending from Texas were: from Bovina - Jon Lin and Brenda Riddle, Leon Ware, Richard and Mary Steelman, E.A. Hawkins, E.G. and Phyllis Steelman, Don and Gladys Spring, Janie Sudderth, Tom and Sandy Ware, and William and Kathryn Gromowsky;

From Friona - Jerry Loflin, John Baca, Judy Cummings, and Jack and Patricia Turner; from Amarillo - Reggie and Sandra Jones, George and Edna Baca, and Ken and Billie Harrison; from Austin - Dick and Joan Kay Horn; from Canyon -

Danny and Deenie Pounds;

From Dallas - Joy Redden; from Dimmitt, Mary Sue Phillips and Doyle Wassom; from Dumas - O.W. and Anna Adams and Darrel and Tish Read; from Earth - Lucy Everett; from Eules - Jerry and Linda Barron; from Fairview - Charles and Ada Williams;

From Farwell - Kay Williams, Billy Johnson and Brookie; from Ft. Stockton - Robert and Dee Jamison; from Fredericksburg - Jerry and Floye Burnett; from Glen Rose - Evelyn Vineyard;

From Grand Prairie - Donald Lloyd; from Halé Center - Julia Lloyd, and Patsy and Larry Webb; from Hereford - Ted Walling, and Leon and Vicki Richards; from Houston - Dale Webb; from Hurst - French and Shirley Crook; from Lubbock - Ed Hobdy; from Midland - Don and Danita Sudderth; from

Mullins - Larry and Irene Ezell;

From New Boston - Mike O'Hair; from Rockport - Norm and Betty Killough; from San Antonio - Neil and Lauretta Smith; from Seminole - Don and Sandy Owens; from Tulia - Donna Malcom;

Those attending from other states were: from Chandler, Arizona - Christine Johnston Wassom; from Tucson, Arizona - Donald and Wannett Barron; from Atlanta, Georgia - Terry Adams; from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma - Hugh and Norma Randall; from Okmulgee, Oklahoma - Allan Wassom;

From Albuquerque, New Mexico - Jerry Wright; from Clovis, New Mexico - Everett and Ruby McCormick; from Texico, New Mexico - J.D. and Bertha Kelly; from Pouslbo, Washington - Don Alverson.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The BOVINA ISD will hold a public meeting at 7:00 PM 08/31/2004 in BOVINA ISD BOARDROOM BOVINA, TX. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$1.200000	\$0.000000*	\$1.200000	\$1.469	\$5.378
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.318000	\$0.000000*	\$1.318000	\$1.668	\$5.180
Proposed Rate	\$1.270000	\$0.000000*	\$1.270000	\$1.636	\$5.059

*The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$29,956	\$30,883
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$14,956	\$15,883
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.200000	\$1.270000
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$179.47	\$201.71
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes	\$0.00	\$22.24

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.443308. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.443308.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$998,542
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$0

Bovina ISD Lunch/Breakfast Program

Bovina ISD is announcing its policy for providing free and reduced-price meals for children served under the National School Lunch/Breakfast Program. The Office of the Superintendent has a copy of the policy which may be reviewed by any interested party.

The household size and income criteria identified below will be used to determine eligibility for free and reduced price benefits. Children from households whose income is at or below the levels shown are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. Foster children who are the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court may also be eligible for benefits regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside. Eligibility for the foster child is based on the child's income.

Federal Income Chart for School Year 2004-05

Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	17,224	1,436	718	663	332
2	23,107	1,926	963	889	445
3	28,990	2,416	1,208	1,115	558
4	34,873	2,907	1,454	1,342	671
5	40,756	3,397	1,699	1,568	784
6	46,639	3,887	1,944	1,794	897
7	52,522	4,377	2,189	2,021	1,011
8	58,405	4,868	2,434	2,247	1,124
For each add'l member add	5,883	491	246	227	114

Application forms are being distributed to all households with a letter informing households of the availability of free and reduced price meals for their children. Applications also are available at the principal's office in each school. To apply for free and reduced price meals, households must fill out the application and return it to the school. Applications may be submitted anytime during the school year. The information households provide on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and verification of data. Applications may be verified by school officials at any time during the school year.

For school officials to determine eligibility for free and reduced price benefits, households receiving food stamps or TANF only have to list their child's name, food stamp or TANF case number. An adult household member must sign the application.

Households who do not list a food stamp number or TANF case number must list the names of all household members, the amount and source of the income received by each household member, and the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. If the adult who signs the application does not have a social security number, the household member must indicate that a social security number is not available by writing the word "none". The application must be signed by an adult household member.

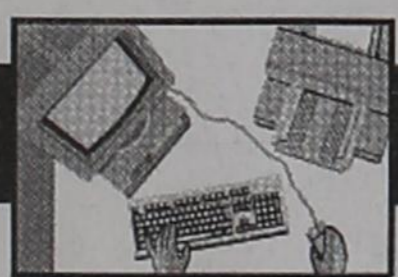
Under the provisions of the free and reduced price meal policy the school secretary will review applications and determine eligibility. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to discuss the decision with the reviewing official on an informal basis. Parents wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request either orally or in writing to Charles Carter, Supt., P.O. Box 70, Bovina, TX, (806) 251-1336.

Households that list a food stamp or TANF case number must report when the household no longer receives these benefits. Other households approved for benefits based on income information must report increases in household income of over \$50 per month or \$600 per year and decreases in household size. Also, if a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below the levels shown above.

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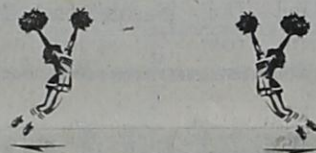
Back row, l-r, Felicia Lafuente, Breanne Barnett, Maegan Ingram, Carla Padilla, Brianna Wright, and Lucretia Field. Front row, l-r, Molly Carthel, mascot Shanel Patterson, and Jordan Jamerson

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THE 2004 varsity cheerleaders conducted the annual cheerleader camp last week. Over 60 little ones attended the camp and performed for a gym full of proud parents and grandparents and friends at the camp commencement Thursday.

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"Ode to My Wife the Quilter"
 (Reprinted from the Hereford Brand)

She learned to quilt on Monday,
 Her stitches all were very fine,
 She forgot to thaw out dinner,
 So we went out to dine.

She quilted miniature on Tuesday,
 She says they are a must,
 They really are quite lovely,
 But she forgot to dust.

On Wednesday it was a sampler,
 She says stipling's fun,
 What highlights! What shadows!
 But the laundry wasn't done.

Her patches were on Thursday-
 Green, yellow, blue and red.
 I guess she was really engrossed;
 She never made the bed.

It was wall hangings on Friday,
 In colors she adores.
 It never bothered her at all,
 The crumbs on the floors.

I found a maid on Saturday,
 My week is now complete.
 My wife can quilt the hours away;
 The house will still be neat.

Well, it's already Sunday,
 I think I'm about to wilt,
 I cursed, I raved, I ranted,
 The MAID has learned to QUILT!

Anonymous



BOVINA MUSTANG coaches, l-r, Tony Epps & Hector Guevara come prepared for the workout heat in sunglasses & floppy hats as they prepare the Mustangs to do battle with the Friona Chieftains on Sept. 17.



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