# Fiviona Star 

## Burn ban in effect in county <br> BY RON CARR

Parmer County Judge in Deaf Smith County. The dry, windy conditions persist. equipment to assist Here- the fire in Hereford started ties assed the Bonnie Heald signed a burn order was signed into effect ban order Tuesday, January 3, prohibiting any open burnfurther notice. Sheriff Randy Geries said his office will trictly enforce the burn ban which includes any kind of voluntary burning, open fires, camp fires, and trash-burning incinerator holes out in he county
Friona Fire Chief Jim Tay or, in unison with Precinct 1 commissioner Kirk Frye, pat Iter one currently in effet
Brand book being updated nere ind Ascisulurure is is in the process of updating the Parmer County Brand Book. If you at the court house in Farwell, pease do so before February luded in the 2006 edition of the Parmer County Brand Book. Cotton gins are winding down ported a total bale count of 128,465 as of Tuesday morning by gin were: Founts reported Co-Op 35,717; Parmer County Cotton Grow; Parmer County

N| Hub $\quad 7,400$ |
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| Clay's | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Clay's } & \text { Corne } \\ 9,248 ; & \text { North }\end{array}$ Lazbuddie 1,050; Bovina

1,350 ; Lariat 37; and Farwell 11,101. Four of the gins, Clay's Corner, North Lazbuddie, Lariat and Farwell said they had finished ginning. Others said they expected to be finished within

Retired teachers meeting held
The Parmer County Retired Association met January 2 in he community room of Friona State Bank.
The program was presented by Karen Renner who read selected portions and elaborated Another Beautiful Day." It wa written by her daughter Krista and is a compilation of her andmother's diaries. It And Rock the House they did. Friona Squaw Kambree Davila (32) puts the brakes on Muleshoe's Irma Torres (44) as she he story of immigration to blocks out for a rebound. At left is Lady Mule Chelon Hernandez (20). Friona Squaws Deniss Vasquez (20) and Shayli Reed America and the trials and hardhips of living in early day

On Sunday, January 1 cal firefighters welcomed 2006 by battling blazes that 2006 by battling blazes that broke out the Parmer Bovina converged on what County Cotton Growers County Cotton Growers gin a "150-yard long burr fire" east of Farwell and a fire at the Parmer County Cot east of Hereford. Both of ton Growers gin about 4 these fires caused the clo- miles east of Farwell on sure of highways. Highway Highway 70-84. Smoke from $70 / 84$ from Farwell east to the massive fire caused offiMuleshoe was closed as was cials to close the highway. Highway 60 east of Here- Blowing sparks from the ford.

The Friona Fire Depart- cent grass fires.
burrs caused several adja-
Friona's Chief Taylor said
Frass.
the fire in Hereford started ties assisted the troopers at a feedyard and spread Texas Department of Transalongside Highway 60 and portation (TxDOT) highway jumped into the median caus- crews were also out helping ing it's closing.
All available DPS troopays were called to duty Sun day for traffic safety control around the burn sites. Traf fic was routed off of High way $70 / 84$ onto Highway 14. and FM 1731 through Bovina but strong winds and blowing dirt also caused 1731 to be closed for a brief period. Sheriff's department depu-
with highway closings and assuring the roadways were safe to travel.
Sheriff Geries asks tha ll citizens be concerned and especially watchful during the burn ban period. If there are ny questions about the burn ban contact the Sheriff's of ice at 481-3303. Your coop ration will save resource and maybe lives.


## 2005 moisture down by almost 20 inches

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ant .05 inches of moisture rec
in form of snow flurries record. which quickly melted on the $19^{\text {th }}$ and $20^{\text {mi }}$.
The October through December (fall) total came to only .75 inches, compared to 8.94 inches the same ume a year earlier

## Soil \& Water district to sponsor awards

Water Conservation District Water Conservation District is

proud to sponsor the 2006 Conservation Awards Program. This tee Conservation Farmer Rancher, Water Quality Man agernent Plan, and Conserva tion Homemaker Contests for kids include an Contests for kids include a
ssay contest for students 14

18 and one for students 13 and PCSWCD office no later that under, a poster contest for stu- p.m. Tuesday, January 31, 2006. dents 12 years and younger, Winners will receive awards and a coloring contest for kindergartners and 1st and 2nd graders. This year's entries will be publicly displaye This year's conservation after judging. For more informa-
theme is "Water Wise." Entries tion call the Parmer County Soil are welcome from each of the and Water Conservation office armer County school districts at 806-481-3311, extension 3 and must be received in the

A multiple-vehicle pileup re sulted north of Amarillo due to fire and smoke, with one per
through December total was only 1.17 inches, compared to 13.74 inches in 2004

Last year's moisture averaged 3.05 per month, with six months er four inches.

Most local wheat farmers yearly grazing period, are stil waiting for enough moisture to ot their crops up. By compari son, last year's dryland crop compared to heavily irrigated yields.
July was the wettest month for the year 2005, with a 5.74 inch measurement. That brought the year's total to 15.7 inches, just about average for the firs
eight months. But suddenly the eight months. But suddenly the
"faucet" was virtually turned

City council to consider grant at Monday meeting
The Friona city council will Monday's meeting is routine meet in regular session Mon- and will include departmental he council 9 , at 7:30 p.m. at reports, action on last month St.
$\qquad$ invited to dinner at Prairie Acres Nursing Home at 6:30 p.m. Monday prior to the meeting. The council normally meets at 6:30 p.m. each month but will begin at $7: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Monday to allow time to dine at Prairie Acres. Boun Prairie Acres Nurs Estates, an assisted living cen ter, are owned by the City ter, are owned by the City of
Friona and report to the city council and city manager. The tentative agenda for meeti

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## Out Here <br> by Ron Carr

## thoughts about not

 much of nothingI overheard this conversation between two elder citizens as I was leaving the bank this week. One was a banker, the other a retired armer.
"How much you want for
"Oh, quite a bit."
"More than you got for the other one?"
"I don't remember how nuch I got for the other one." dor I didn't get to hear hether they made a deal not but I doubt it Lot of folks out but I like to latk out here like to talk business whether they ever do any or not.
A long time ago my dad worked for Lone Star Gas Co. in Hillsboro. Mother says that is why we moved so often when I was a kid. Daddy's job was to turn people's gas off when they moved so he knew first when houses were coming up to rent. I thought about that when my Atmos Energy bill arrived this week.
For a long time I got Atmos Energy and Xcel Energy confused. They used to be Lone Star Gas and SPS when life changed to Atmos and Xcel
could not remember which luck in your retirement career was gas and which was electric. Now I can. Atmos is the big bill in the winter and Xcel is the big bill in the summer. Atmos payment was $\$ 175$ The one here at the office was over $\$ 200$. I heard some big numbers from family and friends. One business, which operates from a pretty big building, got a gas bill for almost $\$ 600$ And it hasn't even been cold yet Electric heaters, thick rebes, and heaters, thick robes, and flying off the shelves.
Atmos says it is not their fault, all they do is deliver the gas to your house. I would hate to be in a business where I had to defend myself all the time. Folks who need to can contact Atmos and have their monthly bills averaged out over 12 months to get some help with paying.
Speaking of Atmos, our local Atmos guy, Darrell Barlow, is planning to retire in February after more than 40 years with the company through several name changes. That is a lot of gas leaks and pilot lot of gas leaks and pilot
lights. Darrell is a solid citizen lights. Darrell is a solid citizen
of Friona. He serves as a volunteer fireman too. Good

## arrell.

Leon Talley, fellow Lions Club member and pastor of the 6th Street Church of Christ, is in Baptist St. Anthony's hospital in Amarillo. He traveled courtesy of Friona EMS last Sunday morning and friends say he will be there at least until Thursday, January 5. It is that old pesky heart problem that old pesky heart problem
that Leon has battled before. They tell me it is betore. pray for a preacher because pray for a preacher because
they spend a lot of time they spend a lot of time
praying for us. Get well fast praying for us. Get well fast and come on back Leon.
District basketball (for District basketball (for the
girls) and the livestock shows girls) and the livestock shows start this week. We will be covering it all I reckon. Surely someone here at the paper knows the difference between a spot, a hamp, and a duroc, but I wouldn't count on it. I had enough trouble with the difference between a lamb and a goat when I first came out here, We do know the difference between a steer and a pig.
As for taking pictures, it is easier to take an action is easier to take an action
shot of a basketball fast break than taking a pig picture when they are running
around the ring snootin' food. But when you get a good picture of a youngster and their animal it is really cute. Makes for good scrap-
The Friona livestock show is today. Farwell is Saturday, Lazbuddie is next Saturday and the County Show is the week after that, January 18-21.
Congratulations and good luck to all of the $4-\mathrm{H}$ and FFA kids that raise and show their animals. They deserve our community support. Come out and see the show. The sale on Saturday is always a social event in addition to an auction sale. There is a concession stand with a lot of country nutrition for your dining pleasure. If you want to see some cowboys and kids come on out. It is at the Friona Community
$\qquad$
We are rushing head-long into the new year here at the Star. Keep us in mind when there is community news to share. Send us your news, pictures, announcements, and community events. We want to hear from you. Well, most of you.


## Neugebauer asks Bush for emergency funds

Presingressman Randy Neugebauer has sent a letter to President Bush urging him to take the necessary steps that will allow more federal dollars and resources to be available fires.

In the letter, Neugebauer and fourteen other members of the Texas congressional delegation support Governor Rick Perry's request for a federal emergency declaration for the Lone Star State.
A federal emergency declaration would mean additional resources would be available to combat the fires, respond to this disaster, and help families and businesses affected by this emergency," Neugebauer said.
A presidential emergency declaration would automatically qualify small businesses, renters, and homeowners to receive grants and low-interest loans to meet payroll,
replace equipment, and help offset other economic injuries replace equipment, and help offset other economic injuries
caused by the fires. Additionally, earlier this week, the caused by the fires. Additionally, earlier this week, the Federal Emergency Management Agency authorized the Fund to help Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico to fight Fund to help Texas, Oklahoma and New
venteen fires burning in those three states
Other members of the Texas delegation signing onto the letter include Representatives Kevin Brady, Michael Burgess, John Carter, Mike Conaway, Henry Cuellar, Gene
Green, Al Green, Ralph Hall, Jeb Hensarling, Michael Green, Al Green, Ralph Hall, Jeb Hensarling, Michael McCaul, Ron Paul, Silvestre Reyes, Lamar Smith and Mac Thornberry.

Below is the text of the letter:
The Honorable George W. Bush
President of the United States

The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20500
Dear Mr. President:
We are writing in support of Governor Rick Perry's emergency declaration request for the State of Texas in response to the devastating fires occurring across the state. The Texas Forest Service (TFS) has responded to 1,946 fires consuming 112,319 acres in 2005. Since December, wildfires have consumed more than 100,000 acres destroying 241 homes and killing three people. On New Year's Day alone, more than 44,000 acres burned, including more than 70 homes and the entire community of Kokomo in Eastland County. High winds, gusting at times to 50 mph or more, prevented the launch of most air resources and, despite increased numbers, ground forces were unable to respond to all fires.

This severe wildfire threat is a result of one of the state's worst droughts since 1996, when 250 fires raged across North Texas. The National Weather Service has predicted a combination of high winds and unseasonably warm temperatures, which will likely persist and intensify through early 2006, making it likely that the state will face additional devastating wildfires.

Affected citizens have experienced catastrophic losses and the state and local government resources have been and the state and local government resources have been severely challenged as a result of these fires. Therefore, we respectfully request your favorable consideration of this emergency declaration.

Thank you for your attention in this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions.

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Friona Squaw post Staci Murphree usually controls underneath the basket. Here she looks for a teammate to pass to in Tuesday's Muleshoe game.


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Women's division members needed
The Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture's Women division is looking for ladies who would like to help with variou activities throughout the year. If you would like to be a part of dynamic group of ladies contact Chris Alexander at the
Office at $250-3491$ or Dana Jameson at $250-5170$ after 5 .

Chieftain Special Olympics gearing up
It is time for Friona Chieftains Special Olympics to plan for
their State Bowling Competion on February $2-5,2006$ in Houstheir State Bowling Competition on February $2-5,2006$ in Hous ton. Last year they spent $\$ 2,200$ for lodging, travel and meals
The goal for this year is $\$ 2,200$. They are seeking interested The goal for this year is $\$ 2,2000$. They are seekng inations are
individuals to organize a fundraiser. Sponsors and donation also appreciated. If you are interested in helping please cal Donna Mullins 250-3285. Again thanks to everyone for your support

Friona founding families display
The Friona Founding Families display will begin January 5 2006 at the Friona Public Library at 109 W . $7^{\mathrm{m}}$ in Friona. Centennial displays of some of Friona's founding families who still live
in Friona 100 years late will begin with the Otis Edward Massey in Friona 100 years later will begin with the Otis Edward Massey family courtesy of Bessie Ferguson Holt. Displays will change
monthly. monthly
The R.J. Renner, Sr, family display continues at the Parmer County Historical Museum at $6^{4}$ and Euclid Street through Janu-
ary 21, 2006. The museum is open on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 It am.
ary 21,2006 .
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Reception for Wied Jan 8 in Panhandle
The Board of Trustess and the staff of the Square House Museum in Panhandle, Texas cordially invite you to attend a reception for Bobby Wied on Sunday, January 8,2006 , from $2: 30$
p.m. to $4: 30$ p.m. in the Opal Weatherly Purvines Annex of the p.m. to $4: 30$ p.m. in the Opale weatherry Purvines Annex of the
Square House Museum, located at TX Hwy. 207 at 5 . Street in Square House Museum, located at XX Hwy . 207 at Sor $^{\mathrm{m}}$ Street in
Panhandle. Refreshments will be served. "Palo Duro Canyon Panintings by Bobby Wied" may be viewed from January 3 through
Pain February 26, 2006.

TDH immunization January schedules Immunization clinics offering the vaccines that give protection against childhood diseases are scheduled for January 2006 in The and Bovina.
Thinic in Bo
MS Building, 109 S . $3^{\mathrm{c}}$, from 10:00 a.m. to $11 \cdot 30$ a m. and $1: 00$ p.m. to $3: 00$ p.m.

The clinic in Friona will be Friday, January 20, at 616 Euclid from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
All clinic times are subject to change or cancellation due to
Cowboy poetry breakfast Jan 14
Hody Porterfield, long lean, and lanky frontiersman in fringed
buckskins who is well known in the Texas Panhandle through buckskins who is well known in the Texas Panhandle through
appearances at many area school programs and years at the Big appearances at many area school programs and years at the Big
Texan, headlines the monthly Cowboy Poetry Breakfast Saturday, January 14, 2006 at the Big Texan at 8 a.m. He is also known as a movie star and radio personality, he is now a regular performer at
the Elkins Ranch near Palo Duro. Members of the Southwest Cowboy Poets Association will also entertain in round robin sessions of cowboy/girl poetry, musical arrangements, and perhaps even some tall taletelers.
Cowboys working in this area who would like to participate in the Cowboys working in this area who would like to participate in the
program can contact President Ivan Cates at $353-5617$ or Coordiprogram can contact President Ivan
nator Marianne Logan at 374-4354.
The hearty cowboy breakfast includes eggs, fried potatoes bacon, sausage, waffles, fresh fruit and Danish rolls for $\$ 6.50$,
which includes the entertainment. To make reservations for over 10 contact Marianne Logan.

Chamber needs old photos for banquet
The Friona Chamber of Commerce is looking for old photos of Friona. The Chamber is in the process of compiling a video
history of Friona to be used at the Annual Awards Banquet and big birthday party celebration on March 2, 2006. They are asking anyone that wants to participate in the history to please take
anem to the Friona Star office or bring them to the Chamber office. The photos will be returned as soon as possible. This is Friona's $100^{\infty}$ birthday year and we want to make it a fun one.

DPS trooper killed in line of duty


Billy J. Zachary
bar ditch separating the inter-
state from the frontage road.
Trooper Zachary, 32, had been with the DPS since Februar 2004. He is the 79th DPS officer killed in the line of duty.
Trooper Zachary is survived by his wife and an infant.

## Happy Birthday

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\text { January 15, 2006-January 21, } 2006
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15-Dora Geneva Bentley, Aaron Kyle Hand, Abigail Jones,
Carl Robinson, Tim Smith, Julia Leake, Freeman Melton,
Andrew Champenois, Charles Champenois Andrew Champenois, Charles Champenois Wiseman Spring, Joger Peace, Darran Procter, Christie Wiseman Spring, James Warren III, Breann Barnett, Trell
Taylor, Christy Barksdale, Tawnya Wales 17-Amy Trevino, Jordan Nichols, Kitty Gallman, Mike Fair, Irma Hernandez, Billy Lynn Marshall, Mike McCallum, Terri Ellis
18-Nola Fay Vestal, Curtis Drager, Jenifer Lynn Buchanan, Joshua Kent Rivera, Bret Whitten, Claire Bingham
19-Gene Schueler, Iona Renner, Krista Renner Kemple, Kristi Neill, Susie Preston Perkins, Libbye Turner, Cotton Fleming, Heather Sandoval
20-Brandon del Rosario, David Van Valkenburg, Darla Sue Procter, Arianna Pena, Fabian Flores, Devan Huddleston, Haden Walling, Irma Jo Englant, Sandra Ware, Peggy
Alexander Alexander
n. 21 -Karen Cart


## Meet the Class of 2018

 Trushar is a kindergarten student atFriona Schools. His parents are Jay and Julie Patel. He has two sisters, ajai and Rhea.
Trushar likes riding bikes. His favorite food is pizza and his favorite
color is blue. Trushar Patcl

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ron carr photo Squaw junior guard Krista Graham is all concentration as she brings the ball downcourt.

## Squaws 1-2 in Caprock Tourney

 BY RON CARR The Squaws led off the Caprock Tournament with a 41-22 victory over Lubbock High. Then the competition stiffened as isusually the case in the annual Lubbock tournament where teams of all classifications, from 1A to 5 A , compete.
Staci Murphree pounded the net for a game high 19 points. Next in line was Briar Barnett with 6 , Tiffany Vasquez 4, Shayli Reed 4, Kambree Davila, Krista Graham, Deniss Vasquez, and Erica Davila, all with 2 each.
Game 2 saw the Squaws lose a close match to Stratford 42-37. The game was tied at halftime 16-16. But foul trouble took over the Squaws. Three of the Squaws, Tiffany Vasquez, Staci Murphree, and Briar Barnett fouled out of the game and two others ended with four fouls. The Stratford Lady Elks scored more than hal their points at the free throw line, converting 24 of 34 attempts.
Shayli Reed led the Squaws with 13 points, including two pointers. Staci Murphree had 9 points, Deniiss Vasquez 6, Krista Graham 3, Kambree Davila, Miranda Frye, and Erica Davila 2 each In their final Caprock game, the Squaws were again edged by Claude $50-43$. Stats show that Claude won the free throw battle also, netting 17 of 21 throws to a 7 of 18 effort by Friona Murphree was again high-point with 15, Deniss Vasquez followed up with 10, Shayli Reed 5, Tiffany Vasquez 5, Erica Davila 4 Graham 2, and Frye and K. Davila one each.

Squaws Beat Lady Mules 46-27
BY RON CARR
 Murphree. Not to worry. The girls remembered they were play


Come on back. Tiffany Vasquez (22) stretches for a loose ball in front a herd of Lady Mules.


Friona's Erica Davila (10) looks for help as Muleshoe's Kate Lepard closes in.


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## TOUR EYES

## Low Vision

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million people are considered legally blind? There is hope, however milion people are considered legally blind? There is hope, however.
Many optometrists today participate in an area of expertise called low vision. The aim of the low vision doctor is to improve the partially
sighted person's vision. This is done through the use of special sighted person's vision. This is done through the use of special
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the eye assoclated with aging. Whatever resu eye associated with aging. Whatever
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Thursday, January 5, 2005

## JV Mules $\quad 59$

BY DANA D. JAMESON In their first outing after Winter Break the Friona JV Chiefs faced the JV Mules Tuesday, January 3. Even with Alex Gurley and
Chris Haile leading the scoring Chris Haile leading the scoring
with 11 points each the Chiefs with 11 points each the Chiefs
couldn't keep up with the Mules. Gures. goais, 1 three-pointer and two free throws with three rebounds, one blocked shot and one steal. Haile dropped in 4 field goals, and three free throws with eleven rebounds, three blocked shots and three steals.
Trent Hudson scored 7 points including three field goals and one free throw and ten rebounds; and Jared Boyd,
5 including one field 5 , imclee-pointer two assists and 1 three-poi
Garrett Clark dropped in 2 points with one rebound; Dillon Welch added in one free throw, one rebound, one assist and one steal; and Phillip Saiz scored one with a free throw and had two rebounds and two steals. The JV Chiefs travel to Plains, Friday, January 6, and will kick off district play against the Floydada Whirlwinds on
Friday, January 13 in Floydada.



## 1-2 at littlefield

Mules roll over Chiefs 69-44
by RON CARR
The firepower of Caleb Miller ment. Both are expected to re- Kelby Monroe 2 each, and AnThe firepower of Cale Milier ment. Boin are expected te. Kelby Monroe 2 cach, And An
and Sawyer Reed was not tum in time for distric play, drew Aguire one point.
enowub Tuesday night as the which for the boys begins Fri- In their third and final game
 3A Muleshoe Mules brought a day, January 13, at Friona gym at Littlefield the Chiefs slost a fast and physical game to Friona vs. Floydada.
The Chiefs lost their opener
too close match to Farvell 46 . gym.
Miller, a junior, bombed the in Lhe Chieffe lost their opener . 43 . basket with four 3 -point goals Reed led scoring with 12 points, points, Geries had 10 , Miller 6 , and a team leading 15 points. Sanchez had 8, Geries 6, and Sanchez and Jamerson 5 each,
Reed, asonhomore, put his two- Ryan Schwab 5. Reed, a sophomore, put his two- Ryan Schwab 5 .
cents worth in with 13 points, In their second toumey game Monroe 3, and Schwab 2 .
Again this year all home dis-
 including three 3-point goals. the Chiels took care of busi- trict games for the Chiefs and
Hector Sanchez had 7, Ryan ness, whacking Springlake-Earth Squaws, and any subsequent Hector Sancher had 7, Ryan ness, whacking springlake-Earth Squaws, and any subsequent
Geries 6 , and Sean Lookingbill $60-24$. Miller came to life in this playoff games, will be videoGeries 6 , and Sean Look inghint game scoring 17 points, includ- taped by Clint Mears and Mike Hayden Patton and Chance ing three 3 -point goals and 2 Hutson for FHS-TV and rebroadLewellen. Patton has been out for 2 on free throws. Schwab cast on Saturdays on WT Serfor several weeks with a broken contributed 9 points, Cody vices channel 76.. The first bone in his leg and Lewellen Jamerson and Reed 8 each, video will be scheduled for Satsuffered a shoulder separation Geries 7 , Lookingbill and Tolby urday, January 21. Watch for in last week's Littlefield tourna- Wilcox 3 each, Sanchez and details.

Friona Chieftain Cody Jamerson does a nice job of outjumping a Muleshoe Mule Tuesday night. Sawyer Reed (30) looks on.

Looks like somebody is holding up the stagecoach. Hector Sanchez (23) and Tolby Wilcox (34) get their arms up on defense. Muleshoe's Brady Black (32) is at right.

## TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Cargill Meat Solutions Corporation has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an amendment to Air Quality Permit No. 40299 which would authorize modifications to three Steam Boilers at the Beef Processing Facility located 3 miles west of Friona on U.S. Highway 60 West in Parmer County, Texas. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper.


JV boys Dillon Welch (34) and Trent Hudson (43) try to get out of a Mule trap.

Friona ISD School Calendar January, 2006


Sawyer Reed muscles a Mule on the way to the basket.


## New Arrivals

## Carter Alexander Tharp

Lori and Jeremy Tharp, of Shawnee Oklahoma, are proud to announce the birth of their second child, Carter Alexander Tharp,
born December 20, 2005 at $8: 02$ a.m. at Norman Regional Hospital in Norman, Oklahoma.

Carter weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces and was 20 inches long.
He has an older brother Kolsen, $21 / 2$ years old.
He has an older brother, Kolsen, $21 / 2$ years old.
Carter's grandparents are Mike and Debra Beauchamp of Bovina, Texas and James and Kay Tharp of Enid, Oklahoma.
Great-grandparents Grady and Dorothy Sorley of Bovina and Gladys Tharp of Hardesty, Oklahoma.

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THINK ABOUT THIS
What if you only had one year to live? \#1
By T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ
Another year has passed. Twelve more months have passed through the hourglass and they can never be brought back. It
would do no good to try to turn back the hands of the clock of the past year. The year of 2005 is gone forever. (Except for a few
days.) It cannot be changed. However, God, if it is His will, is days.) It cannot be changed. However, God, if it is His will, is and 525,600 golden minutes. The question is, "What will we do with 2006?"
Think about it! If you knew you would only live for one more
year, or if you knew you were going to die in 2006. What do you think you would need to do? It could happen you know. Solomon said, "do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a
day may bring forth" (Proverbs 27:1) James said, that our "life is day may bring forth" (Proverbs 27:1) James said, that our "life is
like a vapor that appears for a little while and then vanishes
away" (James 4:14) Is it not possible that away" (James $4: 14$ ) Is it not possible that knowing we had only
had a short time to live would make a difference in our lives? had a short time to live would make a difference in our lives?
Facing the reality of death would surely cause most of us to think Facing the reality of death would surely cause most of us to think
seriously about our lives and some of us would make some wheed changes.
When Hezekiah was mortally ill, Isaiah the prophet said to him,
"thus says the Lord, set your house in and not live." (II Kings 20:1) This is good advice for everyone! In the next few articles, I want to suggest some things we need to be doing to prepare for our ultimate death.
GODS HOLSE IS ALWAYS OPEN


Red and yellow, black and white-God's best rainbow
期 Bar Become a Salad and Jeremiah and gave everyone an influx shot immune. If people from a direren ited with sinners. His church is to
Once the spread of influx was part of town and wearing a differ- be like a rainbow, filled with all Our country has always been stopped, people began arriving in ent style of clothing visit our kinds of people with all types of open to receiving people from other droves. But the droves were flimsy church, how do we respond? What hurts and varying levels of needs. lands, which is a good thing. Had and would crash on the rocks, so if they sit in our pew? If we do not leam to love all our immigrant forefathers not been the people began using ships again. When Christ came into our people-red and yellow, black and kicked out of other countries, they The Quakers settled in Pennsylva-
couldn't have come herea and sto- nia and invented oats and motor couldn't have come heres and sto- nia and invented oats and motor len this place from the Indians. As oil. The Germans also settled in soon as Europe found out there Pennsylvania and began raising fewere only Indians in the New World, male weightlifters. In the nineteenth
and no lawyers or preachers, they century, there was a great potato and no lawyers or preachers, they century, there was a great potato
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dise. The Puritans landed at Mas- were everywhere, so the Irish came sise. The Purtans landed at Mas- were everywhere, so the Irish came
sachusetts Bay and discovered to America. sachusetts Bay and discovered ${ }^{10}$ America roasting chickens over an open for religious freedom, were intolerfire, they began frying them. Preach- ant of the Irish Catholics. Prejudice, ers soon followed. which had been limited to the Indians, was now rearing its ugly head The Dutch landed on Manhat- ans, was now rearing its ugly head
tan Island, bought it for twenty- everywhere. By the end of the cen-
four dollars, and discovered swin- tury, people were free to hate Italfour dollars, and discovered swin- tury, people were free to hate tal-
dling. Lawyers soon followed. The ians, who brought really good pizza: lace was named New Amsterdam, Greeks, who came bearing gifts (we and the people were led by a were told to beware of them); and
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was actually from Switzerland but male anvil throwers. was actually from Swizerland but male anvil hrowers.
ed from there when he grew weary . People of all nationalities have of watching the Swiss just sitting found a home in our country. We holes in their cheese. The influx of show preiudice not only to Indians he Europeans was spreading. For- but to all races and all classes of

## II LIKED THE SCREENS IN CHURCH MORE WHEN THEY DIDN'T CARRY



## Thank You

On behalf of the family of Dub Ingram
We would like to thank all who have expressed their love and care for us in so many ways. The cards, flowers, memorials, food, phone calls, visits and prayers are deeply appreciated. Our heartfelt thanks to the wonderful staff of Prairie Acres Nursing Home who cared for Dub so lovingly.

We love you all Sincerely,
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APPLICATION Cargill Meat Solutions Corporation has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
(TCEQ) for an amendment to Air Quality Permit No. 40299 which would authorize modifications to three Steam Boilers TCEQ for an amendment to Air Quadity Permit No. 4029 which would authorize modifications to tree Steam Boilers
at the Beef Processing Faciity 1 coated thre miles west of Friona on U.S Highway 60 West Friona, Parmer County,
Texas at
TTxas. .the amenenment will authonize an incresse in emisisions of the following air contaminants. organic compounds,
nitrogen oxides, sulfur dioxide, carton monoxide and particulate matter less than 10 microns in diameter.

This application was submited to the TCEQ on December 09, 2005. The application is avialable for viewing and copying
at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Amarilo regional office, and the Friona City Hall, 623 Main Strect. Finona, Pamer County, Texas. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Amarillo regional office of
the TCEQ. he TCEQ.

The TCEQ executive directar
review of the application.
PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING You may submit public comments, a request for a public meeting, or request a contested case hearing to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider
all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. The deadline to submit public comments is 30
days after newppaper notice is published.

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or ask questions about the applicaion
A public mecting about the application may be held if the executive director detemmines that there is a significant degree o public interest in the molikation or if revested by a cal lesistor A puli dis

If only comments are received on the application, the response to comments, along with notice of the executive director
action on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this
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If hearing request is imely filed, the executive director will complete the technical review, issue a preliminanary decision
the application,
Affer the final deadline for public comments following any required Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevanat and material, or significant, public
comments. If comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING You may request a contested case hearing. A contested
case hearing is a legal proceding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a witten request for a contested case case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a writen request for a contested case
hearing is filed within 30 days from this notice, the excecutive director may approve the application. If no hearing request is received within this 30 -day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided. A contested
case hearing will only be granted based on dipputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commision's comment period and not withrawn

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a
hearing. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following (1) group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax (or number, if
any; (2) applicant's name and permit number; (3) the (4) a specific description of how you would be badversely anfected by the aqpplication and air emisions from
the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the
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You may also submit your proposed adjustments to the aplication/perrmit which would satisy your
concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 30 days following this concerns. Requests for a contested case hearing must be sub.
notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address below.

If a hearing request is timely filed, additional notice may be provided. Following the close of all applicable comment and
request periods, the executive diricctor will forvard the application and any request for contested case hearing to the TCEQ
 period. Issues such as property
address in this proceeding.

MALLING LIST In addition to subniting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future
public notices for this specific application mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk by sending a writen request to th

INFORMATION Wiriten public comments or requests for a public meeting or contested case hearing should be submited to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC-105, TCEQ. P.O. Box 13087, Austin. Texas 78711-3087. For more information
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6874040 . Si desea informacion en Espanol, puede llamar al $1-800-687-4040$. General information regarding the TCEQ. can be found at www.ceeqsatace. $x$ us.
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Hall is located at 619 Main Street. Written comments and suggesHail is located at
tions may be sent to Terri Johnson, City Manager, 623 Main Street, Friona, Texas 79035. Handicapped individual wishing to attend this meeting should contact the City at least 72 hours prior

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## By Johnnie Hardy Boothe

Every month, a resident of Prairie Acres Nursing Home or Friona Heritage Estates, writes a story about hishher life's
history for the home's newsletter, "The Prairie Times", for printing in this issue. This month we feature Johnnie Hardy Boothe.

- I was born December 19, 1914 in Lubbock County to Milton and Isia Hardy. We moved to the Jumbo Community in Castro County and I went to school at Easter. I had two sisters and a brother.
Nathan Truitt Boothe and I married in August 15, 1933. We had three children, Aundrea, Sue and Mike. We lived in Flagg Community then moved to Dimmitt.

All three of the children are married. Aundrea and George Frye have three children, Kim, Kirk and Kip. Sue and Fred Montis have two children, Jennifer and Freddie. Mike and Patsy have three
children, Mandy, Amy and Nathan. We have eight grandchildren children, Mandy, Amy and Nath
and fifteen great-grandchildren. and fifteen great-grandchildren.
Truitt and I liked to travel and square dance. I belonged to a
Bridge Club. Bridge Club.
We bought
We bought ten acres on the Littlefield Highway and it had to be named to keep the records straight. At that time we had two grandchildren, Kim and Kirk, so it was named KirKim Heights.
Truitt and I liked to grow a big garden and raise chickens butcher for the freezer.
One year we were traveling in Europe and Truitt got sick and was in the I.C.U. Unit of a hospital. The fifty chickens were ready to be butchered.
Our granddaughter Kim Frye went to Sunday School and when the teacher, Mary Joyce Barnett asked for prayer requests, she said pray for Mother (Aundrea) because her grandparents fifty chickens were ready to pluck and Mother didn't know how! So
Mary Joyce told her, "later, we'll take care of that problem." Mary Joyce told her, "later, we'll take care of that problem."
Mary Joyce, Betty Louise Rector, Mrs. McLellan and Sandra Mary Joyce, Betty Louise Rector, Mrs. McLellan and Sandra
Nichols got together and butchered the chickens for Aundrea and Nichols got together and butchered the chickens for Aundrea and
the Boothes.
Truitt died in 1983. I moved to Dimmitt and lived there
Truitt died in 1983. I moved to Dimmitt and lived there
seventeen years. In 2002 I came to Friona and with much seventeen years. In 2002 I came to Friona and with much
apprehension. I came to Prairie Acres in 2005 and soon discovapprehension. I came to Prairie Acres in ind ind here I've had a good life and have been blessed.
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Mr. \& Mrs. John Allen
1956


Mr. \& Mrs. John Allen 2006 Allens to celebrate $50^{\text {th }}$ anniversary
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { John and Elsie Allen of Friona days on January } 5 \text {. } & \text { Vermejo Park, New Mexico for } 6 & \text { spouses are the late Louis Par- } \\ \text { will celebrate their } 50^{\text {th }} \text { wedding } & \text { John married Elsie Mingus on } & 1 / 2 \text { years before moving to Friona } & \text { son and wife Ronda of Wichita }\end{array}$ will celebrate their $50^{\mathrm{h}}$ wedding John married Elsie Mingus on $1 / 2$ years before moving to Friona son and wife Ronda of Wichita
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They will also celebrate their birth- Mexico. The couple lived in operated A\&A Electric until John wife Val of Carlsbad, New Mexico; operated A\&A Electric until John wife Val of Carlsbad, New Mexico;
retired in 1984. Elsie was a book- David Parson and wife Glenda of $\begin{array}{ll}\text { retired in 1984. Elsie was a book- } \\ \text { keeper and a homemaker. } & \text { David Parson and wife Glenda of } \\ \text { Houston, Texas; the late Jimmy }\end{array}$ keeper and a homemaker. Houston, Texas; the late Jimmy John was a volunteer fire Allen and wife Karen of Shreve-
fighter for $61 / 2$ years in Vermejo $\begin{array}{ll}\text { fighter for } 61 / 2 \text { years in Vermejo } & \begin{array}{l}\text { port, Louisiana; and Tommy Allen } \\ \text { Park and } 20 \text { years in Friona. } \\ \text { and wife Violet of San Antonio, }\end{array}\end{array}$ Park and 20 years in Friona. and wife Violet of San Antonio,
The couple belong to the Cal- Texas. John and Flsie have ten The couple belong to the Cal- Texas. John and Elsie have ten
vary Baptist Church. vary Baptist Church.
The Allen's children and their grandchildren and fifteen great-
grandchildren.

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PARMER COUNTY
Proclamation
January 3, 2006

DECLARATION OF DISASTER FOR PARMER COUNTY
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WHEREAS THE COUNTY JUDGE of Parmer County has determined that
extraordinary measures must be taken to alleviate the suffering of people and to
protect or rehabilitate property,
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF PARMER COUNTY:

1. That a local state of disaster is hereby proclaimed for Parmer County pursuant to 418.108 (a) of the Texas Government Code.
2. Pursuant to 418.108 (b) of the Government Code, this Declaration of a local state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the Commissioners Court of Parmer County.
3. Pursuant to 418.108 (c) of the Government Code, this Declaration of a local state of disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk of Parmer County.
4. Pursuant to 418.108 (d) of Government Code this Declaration of a local state of disaster activates the Parmer County Emergency Management Plan.

This Proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance,
ORDERED THIS THE $3^{\text {RD }}$ DAY OF JANUARY, 2006
BONNIE J. HEALD COUNTY JUDGE


PARMER COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDER CJ06-01

## January 3, 2006

EXECUTIVE ORDER OF PARMER COUNTY JUDGE
WHEREAS, by proclamation issued January 3, 2006 the County Judge of Parmer
County declared a state of disaster for Parmer County, resulting from:
THE POTENTIAL THREAT OF WILDFIRES DUE TO DROUGHT AND ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS

WHEREAS, said state of disaster requires that certain emergency measures be
taken Pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of 1975 relating to Emergency
Management;
NOW, THEREFORE, the following regulations shall take effect immediately upon
issuance of this order and shall remain in effect until the state of disaster is
terminated:

1. The sale of "restricted fireworks" is prohibited. Restricted fireworks include "skyrockets with sticks" and missiles with "fins" as provided in 352.051, Texas Local Government Code.
a. A person selling any type of fireworks including restricted fireworks, shall at every location at which the person sells fireworks in the county, provide reasonable notice of the order.
2. THE USE OF COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS IN AN OUTDOOR ENVIRONMENT BY ANY PERSON IS PROHIBITED.
a. COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO THE USE OF ALL FIREWORKS, MATERIALS USED IN ACTIVITIES SUCH AS WELDING AND ANY OTHER ACTIVITY THAT COULD RESULT IN A FIRE.
3. THIS ORDER SHALL NOT APPLY TO AN OFFICLALLY AUTHORIZED PUBLIC DISPLAY.

In accordance with Local Government Code, a person who knowingly or intentionally violates this order commits a Class C Misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of up to $\$ 500.00$.

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## FRIONA CENTENNIAL MOMENTS

Friona's 100th anniversary, which will be observed throughout 2006)

## The Great Prairie Fire of 1906

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Forward: George Francis were worried about prairie fires;
McLean, a sheepman, farmer and several of the rancial and rancher came to Eastern and several of the ranchers had
New Mexico about 1899, runNew Mexico about 1899, run- our places and had burned the
ning sheep over the eastern half grass between that and the of what is now Curry County., fireguards. We then connected
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Draw-18 miles north of Texico fireguards, with the Capitol Freeand 1 mile west of the Texas/ hold Land and Investment Com-
New Mexico state line. George pany, New Mexico state line. George pany, commonly known as
McLean died at Friona, Texas "The Syndicate" (the famous Mclean died at Friona, Texas "The Syndicate" (the famous
in the late 1940s. He was a XIT Ranch), on the east and in the late 1940s. He waral character remembered by many of our old-timers. The We had just got these guards following piece of hisiory was burned and connected, and all
furnished by Mrs. Val Baumgart, of mine furnished by Mrs. Val Baumgart,
a niece of George.McLean, and The Great Plains were just being settled and a young married couple decided to move
out upon them and establish a home for themselves. They
started from their Eastern home in a covered wagon, camping overnight wherever night over-
took them. Before they started look them. Before they started,
someone had told the young lady that if they slept on a
cormhusk bed on the ground, then the rattlesnakes would not bother her, as rattlesnakes would not go near a cornhusk bed. The lady complied with the rules as to rattlesnakes, but as there were fleas on the prairies, she
got fleas in her mattress at every place they camped.
A fire starts
They finally arrived a point
north of Fort Sumner, NM and camped for the night still using their husk mattress for a bed, but by this time it was so filled
with fleas that they were kept winh fleas that they were kept awake most of the night fight-
ing them. The next moming her ing them. The next morming her a little joke on her by asking her a riddle-"What is the difference between a snake and a
flea?" he asked her. She could not answer it, so he told her, A snake crawls on its own belly,
but a fleas crawls on some but a fleas crawls on some
person's belly." That made the woman mad,
and she said she would surely and she said she would surely get rid of those fleas, so she
set fire to the husk mattress, and from that the fire spread for more than 100 miles! ( his
sion of how the fire started is just one of the many explana tions offered these ensuing years.)
on the wis in 1906, and I lived north from Texico. It had been an unusually wet season, and the prairie grass had grown so thick and high that hay co the plains. There paces all over farming done there in much days, but I cut and baled fifty tons of this wild hay.
grass, we the unusually

Ranch is prepared I immediately began prepar-
ing for safety from the rapidly approaching fire by getting everybody in shape to fight it. I
had sheep, and as sheep and fires do not mix profitably, I brought them in from the open range and placed them on a
field of wheat, which was up and growing nicely. I knew that the fire would not sweep over that green wheat field. (If
you were looking for an early wheat field in Curry' County, I had one in 1906.)
With everything being in good shape at the ranch, my
crew and several neighbors, started out to help fight the found that the burning front
was 80 or 90 miles long, so we had to hunt for an end. We started west, and at a point
about where Ruth, NM [Ruth was located between Broadview
and the Frio Draw] is and the Frio Draw] is located, we found the John DeOliveira and Joe Rhea outfits working along the south wing of the
fire, putting it out as they went. Joe Rhea had a complete prairie fire fighting outtit, con-
sisting of a large solid tin drag with chains dragging behind it, which was being dragged over
the fire by means of two sadd the fire by means of two saddle
horses, one on each side of the fire line, by a rope, one end of
which was tied to the drag, and the other end to the saddle horns. The idea of the large the fire, and the chains to loosen up the cow chips that
were burning, and right behind the chains men were walking with sacks or brooms, with
which they put out the which they put out the small


The Great Prairie Fire of 1906

## Steer used as drag By the time I got to the

 there were 10 men in the crew,ning before the fire.
be a backfire at the State has been burned around them. Line where the Syndicate had Then the wind will blow the burned a wide fireguard. We caps off these chips while still burned a wide fireguard. We caps off these chips while still
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dred men in the fighting crew, side of Curry County, and as was about twenty miles to the where they will fall into the
headed bhea. John we had fought the side fire to a State Line fireguards, and we grass and start fresh fires in
DeOliveira drove the water point several miles north of had to ride hard to keep ahead widely scattered sport. ThouDeOliveira drove the water wagon, which contained barrels fiter. The men took turns at fighting the fire, and the horses that were drawing the drag, were changed often. South of Hollene the drag broke down, and to get another drag,
we killed a larger we killed a larger steer and
skinned him, using the hide skinned him, using the hide,
head and legs for another draa About sundown we were joined by the Capitol Syndicate Cattle Ranch crew, headed by John Armstrong, the district people. Armstrong had a good ouffit, and as Mr. DeOliveira was worried about his ranch on the Frio [Draw], he turned back; but I went on east with the fighting all night.
As we were fighting a side fire and not the lead fire, we
saw many wild animals, just saw many wild animals, just
keeping ahead of the fire. There keeping ahead of the fire. There
were coyotes, rabbits, swifts, were coyotes, rabbits, swifts,
antelope, cattle, horses and a few deer. They did not seem to know that they could make a
dash across the fire line, and thus escape without being burned. Coyotes, that had run until they were exhausted, would lie down just ahead of the fire
and lie there until and lie there until most of their
hair was singed off them, behair was singed off them, be-
fore they would move abainore they would move again; hey being almost completely
worn out. We knocked several worn out. We knocked several
coyotes in the head that were completely exhausted from run

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The new year arrived with a howl. Wind velocity in Friona on Sunday, January 1, 2006, reached 69 miles-per-hour as strong winds buffeted the area all day. This weather vane on Elm St. was bent skyward, an old tree was uprooted on Summit, Highway 60 road work signs were bent over, and a fence bit the dust on Elm St. A few shingles were reported blown off but overall damage was slight.



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