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Family sues Parmer County for \$8 million in 2004 jail death

BY RON CARR

On February 22, 2004, Phillip Morris "P.J." Griggs, Jr., 22, of Bovina, hung himself from the bars of his Parmer County jail cell. The death, which occurred in the old jail facility, was ruled a suicide. Griggs had been incarcerated since February 1, 2004, on a misdemeanor charge and along with other inmates had been helping with the completion of the new Parmer County Detention Center, which opened in March 2004.

According to county officials Griggs showed no signs

of suicidal behavior during his jail stay. A lawsuit filed in U.S. District Court in Amarillo now disputes that notion. The action was filed February 17, 2006, five days before the statute of limitations expired. The filing asks for a total of \$8 million plus interest, costs, and attorney fees. Defendants are Parmer County, Sheriff Randy Geries, and Wayne Gruben, Chief Deputy at the time and now chief jailer at the new jail.

The plaintiffs are shown as Rosemary Monzon, next friend

of Zachary Monzon and administrator of the estate of Phillip Morris Griggs, Jr. and Phillip M. Griggs, Sr. and Brenda Griggs, parents of the decedent. Rosemary Monzon is Griggs' grandmother and Zachary Monzon is his son.

The plaintiff's attorney, Chuck Hester of Hester, McGlasson & Cox in Canyon, seeks money damages to redress and remedy the deprivation of the constitutional rights of Mr. Griggs under the 4th, 8th, and 14th amendments.

The filing alleges that at the time of Griggs' booking in February, 2004, his responses reflected on a diagnostic form warranted a mental health evaluation and follow-up but that no further evaluation or follow-up was done.

Chief Deputy Gruben found Griggs hanging from his cell bars at 2:30 p.m. February 22, 2004. Determining that Mr. Griggs was deceased, he called Sheriff Geries, Precinct 3 Justice of the Peace Pam Haseloff, and a Texas Ranger out of Here-

ford. Haseloff pronounced Griggs dead at 2:45 p.m.

According to court documents, Mr. Griggs was not cut down from the bars until 4:25 p.m. and that emergency medical aid was never summoned.

The plaintiffs are seeking \$5 million against the defendants, jointly and severally, as compensatory damages for the deprivation of one or more of the constitutional rights of the decedent and the loss of his life. An additional \$3 million is being sought as punitive dam-

ages to be awarded to the estate of decedent and plaintiffs.

Also the estate is asking for interest from the date of injury and death, plus other relief as law and equity allows including costs and reasonable attorney's fees.

The county and defendants have 20 days from the date of filing to respond. Attorney Charlotte Bingham of Lubbock will represent the county in the action. She is an attorney for the county's insurance carrier.

Voting machines in place for March 7 primary

The Parmer County Clerk's office is busy preparing for the March 7 primary election and coordinating the early voting

process. Part of the energy is being used to make sure the new Auto Mark voting machines are running and that elec-

tion officials are trained in their use.

Each polling place in Tuesday's primary election will

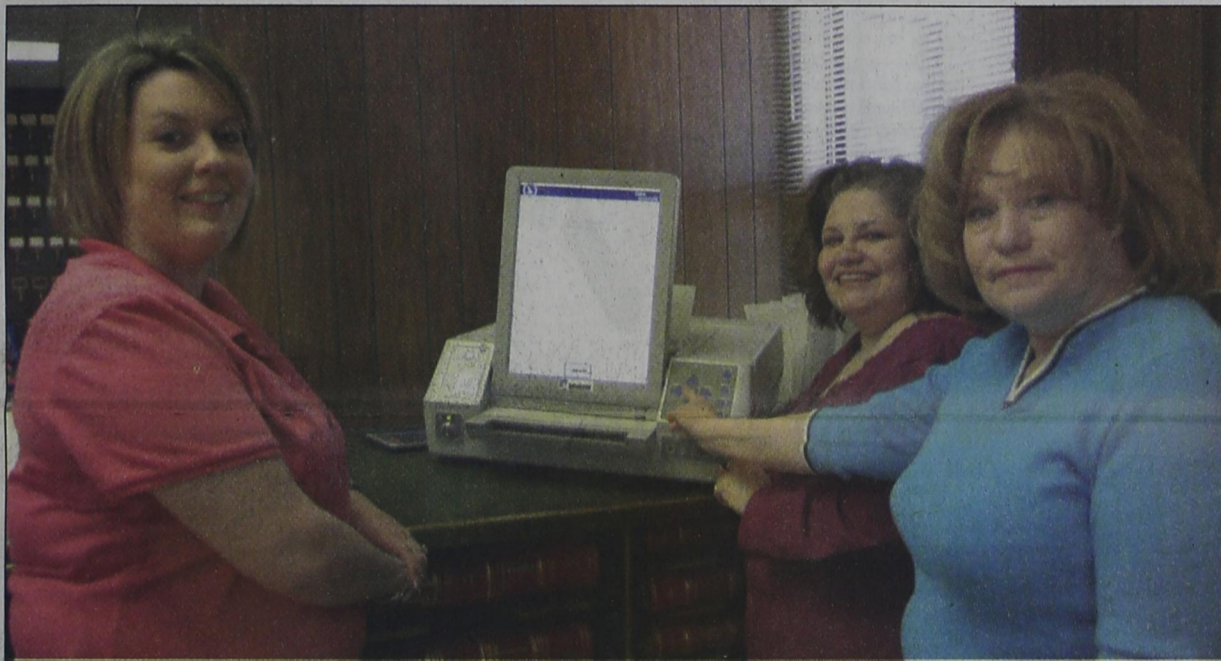
have one of the machines as a result of a state-mandated law that requires electronic voting to be available. The purpose

was originally to make voting easier for the handicapped. But County Clerk Colleen Stover says that all voters can use the

machines if they prefer.

The paper ballot (samples on pages 6 & 7) can be marked by pencil as usual or slid into the Auto Mark machine where the ballot will appear on a screen and the vote is then done on a touch screen. When the voter is finished, the ballot is released from the machine and placed in the ballot box.

On Friday, March 3, 2006, at 3 p.m., the Parmer County Clerk's office will conduct a Public Logic and Accuracy Test on the Central Counting Optical Scanner. This is the machine that will actually count the ballots and total the results for the March 7, 2006, primary. The location of the test will be in the County Clerk's office in the Parmer County Courthouse.



ron carr photo

Employees in the County Clerk's office, l-r, Stacey Lamb, Gerri Bowers, and County Clerk Colleen Stover, show one of the new Auto Mark voting machines which will be available at each polling place in Tuesday's primary election.

Friona ISD to host Public School Week

Parents and friends are encouraged to attend open house activities scheduled throughout the week of March 6-10. Campuses will open their doors for visitors on Tuesday and Thursday night. Classrooms will be open with student work on display both in

the hallway and classrooms. An extensive technology project is near completion and most classrooms now have a video projector mounted from the ceiling for use with computers or DVD players. Staff members will be available for visits. Primary School is hav-

ing a Math Science demonstration in the cafeteria on Thursday. Public School Week is also an excellent time to come and enjoy lunch with your children.

A school calendar of events and school lunch menus are in the *Friona Star* this week.

Midnight stop results in car chase

BY DANA D. JAMESON

What should have been a routine traffic stop Saturday, February 25, 2006 turned into an adventure.

Sometime around midnight Parmer County Sheriff's Deputy Billy Williams stopped Juan Flores, 20, of Texico, New Mexico in Farwell for driving while intoxicated. Williams followed normal procedure and handcuffed Flores and secured him in the county vehicle.

While Williams inventoried the suspect's vehicle, Flores managed to slide his handcuffed hands under his behind and down his legs at which time he slid his legs through his arms and unbuckled the seatbelt. He then slid over the console and proceeded to steal the Deputy's vehicle.

Flores sped away from Farwell toward Lariat on Hwy. 70/84. After multiple U-turns the tires on the right side of the vehicle blew out and the suspect drove into a culvert.

Officers from Texico, Curry County, Texas Highway Patrol, Muleshoe Police Department, Parmer County Sheriff's Office

and Bovina Police Department took part in the chase.

Flores was charged with unauthorized use of a vehicle, evading arrest with a vehicle, escape, deadly conduct, driving while intoxicated, reckless driving and aggravated assault with a vehicle.

Sheriff Randy Geries said "Thankfully no one was injured. Unfortunately the damage to the police vehicle will cause a loss to the county."

When tested, Flores' blood alcohol level was twice the legal limit.

"Flores showed total and complete disregard for human life," said Geries. No action was taken against Deputy Williams. Williams has been with the Sheriff's Office for two years.

"Billy was not at fault in the incident," said Geries. "He performed his duties to the letter of the law."

As of Tuesday, February 28, Flores had pled guilty to two of the seven charges against him in County Court. He also faces charges with the Grand Jury and in District Court. The

most serious of the charges is the aggravated assault with a vehicle. According to reports, Flores swerved the vehicle he was driving into the pursuing officers.

Global warming? Temp hits 84 in Feb

BY BILL ELLIS

The official high temperature in Friona on Tuesday, February 28, hit 84 degrees. Record high temperatures for the date were set from Amarillo to Lubbock.

Weather bureau officials said it was the highest temperature for February since 1932—74 years ago.

February ended with just .08 inch of moisture on February 2 and a total of only .13 inch of moisture for the year. It also marks the fourth straight month with less than .10 inch of moisture, as things are getting very serious in the dryness department.



tyler jameson photo

The 2006 Friona Chamber of Commerce banquet is tonight at 6:30 p.m. at the community center. Volunteers have been decorating, setting up, and cooking in preparation for the banquet and birthday party honoring the 100-year anniversary for Friona. A birthday cake and bubbly will be served at the banquet. Here, Jamie Slagle and Greg Lewellen get busy helping with decorations as volunteers worked throughout the week.

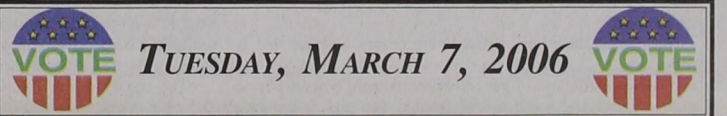
Date announced for 2006 Relay for Life

According to information received from the American Cancer Society, the 2005 Parmer County Relay for Life ranked 27th in the State of Texas for per capita amount raised. The

Parmer County Relay for Life netted \$35,231, which was \$3.61 per capita. The Relay for Life raised \$17.5 million in Texas last year.

According to local chair-

woman Jyl Grimsley the official date for the 2006 Relay for Life in Friona has been set for June 23. Additional information will be published in the week's ahead.





OUT HERE

by Ron Carr

My cell phone is smarter than you

GSM. I don't know what it is but I have it.

My generation can still remember the excitement of getting a brand new Big Chief tablet and our very own #2 lead pencil. Fast forward a few decades and kids are excited about their own new laptop computer, plus an assortment of other electronic gadgets.

For a couple of years Plateau Wireless, our regional cell phone provider, has attempted to keep up with the big boys like Sprint and Verizon. For a long time they pretty well had this area of the nation to themselves. Then cell towers started popping up along the pavement and the competition heated up.

So Plateau moved into the modern age too. Everywhere except in the Friona area. Imagine people all around us taking pictures with cell phones and we were stuck with just talking on them. They said that they were developing a new technology called GSM. As far as I can tell it is a "telephone language" that is digital and better than the old analog language. I don't know what that is either.

They told me my cell phone and the permanent one mounted in my Chevy Tahoe would probably work okay around here but I may have

trouble getting tower service in other places. Maybe you didn't notice that Plateau has not advertised in our newspaper for a year or so. Everywhere else, Clovis, Muleshoe, Farwell, they have nice big ads that say "You will look pretty in pictures" and some other fun, fluffy stuff.

The reason was that their fun service was not available to Friona customers. Once they said it was a software problem. Then they didn't have an answer. Me and others kept going over to the Plateau office in Clovis and the answer was the same. You don't have GSM in Friona yet so it won't do you any good to upgrade your phone.

Plateau still has not told the public that GSM is now available in Friona. I found out accidentally from a friend. Guess they are too busy to care about us. I know of several businesses and individuals that switched to Cellular or Sprint while Plateau was diddling around.

In any event I switched my cells to Plateau's GSM upgrade last week. They have a new permanent mount unit for my Tahoe that is pretty spiffy. I signed up for the \$39.95 plan that let's me call from anywhere in five states. I only go to two of them but that's okay.

No roaming charges as long as I am in Texas, which is where I plan to stay, with occasional jaunts over into New Mexico.

My new Motorola V555 phone will take pictures, I can text message, use voice mail, and a whole host of other functions that only someone 50-years younger than me would appreciate. It does have a nice big color screen that I can actually see without holding the phone one-inch from my face.

Like everyone I have a bunch of phone numbers programmed in my cell phone. If you upgrade with Plateau ask them to transfer your numbers to your new phone. They probably won't volunteer to do it but it only takes about 30-seconds. Larry back in the technician department will do it for you.

I spent a big part of the weekend reading the V555 book and trying to figure out what all my new phone will do. I did snap a couple of pictures but I have \$5,000 worth of digital camera equipment. I don't really need to take phone pictures.

This is one of those phones that you can set a different ring tone for different people that call you. That's a neat feature but I'm pretty sure I wouldn't remember what ring tone I assigned to who.

My new phone has a big choice of ring tones. I picked one called International. It rings like the phone's do in Europe. If you have been there you know what I mean. I picked that ring just to annoy people in public. There is also a tone that sounds like a London police siren. I'm going to switch back and forth between those two.

I think I know what GSM means but I have it now. I don't know a bit from a byte or a RAM from a goose and furthermore I don't want to know much. What I do like is trying out the new electronic gadgets and getting a young person to help me out. They are usually very nice and helpful to us old coots that are lost in cyberspace.

I think the next time a youngster is helpful to me I'll give them a brand new Big Chief tablet and a #2 lead pencil and see if they know what to do with it.



Texas Pride has Deep Roots

By Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison

People learn quickly when someone is from Texas, usually right after they learn that person's name. We're proud to introduce ourselves as Texans. It is a badge of honor we wear with pride, and it is as much a part of our identity as any other element of our background.

I meet a lot of non-Texans who just do not fully appreciate what it means to be a Texan. I explain to them that Texas Pride is more than just a phrase. We are proud of our heritage because it reveals a lot about our character and vision. Our early fight for independence says something important about who we are today.

Texas's march toward freedom became an all-out stampede on March 2, 1836, with a declaration of independence from Mexico. Texas residents were no longer willing to live under Mexican rule, and they were determined to do whatever it took to establish self-governance.

A 54-member delegation signed the original declaration, including my great-great-grandfather - Charles S. Taylor. The signers of the Texas declaration, like those who signed the American Declaration of Independence in 1776, risked their lives and families when they took that bold step. Since Texas was Mexican territory, they were considered traitors, but the threat of death did not stop them because they were willing to pay any price for the freedom of Texas.

In the battle for independence, General Sam Houston and the Texas Revolutionary Army defeated Santa Anna and his Mexican forces in less than two months. While victory was achieved at the battle of San Jacinto, the siege of the Alamo was a defining moment for the spirit of Texas. Though the Texas army suffered a defeat in San Antonio, their courageous stand gave General Houston valuable time to marshal his forces at San Jacinto.

Colonel William Barrett Travis commanded the badly outnumbered Texas forces, who fought valiantly until the bitter end against a Mexican army that outnumbered them at least 10-to-1. Despite overwhelming odds, Colonel Travis swore in a letter to the "People of Texas and All Americans in the World" that "I shall never surrender or retreat." He closed the letter with the promise, "I am determined to sustain myself as long as possible and die like a soldier who never forgets what is due to his own honor and that of

his country - victory or death." In the end, this heroic group of 189 Texans inflicted nearly 600 casualties on Santa Anna's Mexican forces. To this day, their valiant stand is a model for schoolchildren of how to remain brave in the face of adversity.

Word of the Alamo spread quickly throughout the state, rallying Texans behind the fight for independence. Just over six weeks later, the war was over, with Texas standing tall and victorious at the battle of San Jacinto - but not before another group of brave Texans gave their lives for the cause.

At the battle of Coleto, a group of Texas soldiers led by James W. Fannin were overwhelmed, and he surrendered his command to Mexican forces according to the customs of war. After his troops were disarmed and had peacefully entered Mexican custody, Santa Anna gave an order to execute them, and all 342 men were lost at Goliad.

This massacre only cemented the determination of Texans to not rest until victory was achieved. Anything less would dishonor the memory of the men who had already paid the ultimate price fighting for Texas. When General Houston's 900-member force overpowered Santa Anna and his 1,300-man army to end the war at San Jacinto, the soldiers cried "Remember the Alamo! Remember Goliad!" in the name of those who had fallen.

Today, Texans are still aware of the debt we owe to those who died in the fight for independence. Because of our gratitude for their sacrifice, we guard our freedoms fiercely.

Santa Anna's capture was met with calls for his execution in retribution for his heinous actions during the war. However, General Houston did not extract vengeance on his Mexican counterpart; instead he showed generosity after his great victory. Such magnanimity is also a trait that defines the Texan character.

For his leadership during the revolution, Sam Houston was elected as the first president of the Republic of Texas, and he established March 2 as Texas Independence Day in 1842 during his second term as president. As we celebrate our past, the legacies of revolutionaries such as Sam Houston and William Barrett Travis continue to inspire Texans today, just as they did many years ago in the fight for Texas' independence.

Tumbleweed Smith

Bonnie Parker's last hairdo

I was in Mineola the other day and someone told me I ought to go interview Odelle Strickland, who lives in the small community of Alba. The person who recommended her to me said she is 95 years old and lives alone in a house that she maintains by mowing the lawn and doing roof repairs.

So I went to Alba and interviewed Odelle about her life. She grew up on a farm and milked cows and plowed fields. She was a beauty operator for 75 years and still has a beauty shop in Alba. Occasionally she'll fix somebody's hair. She also has a collection of old clocks and some antique beauty shop equipment that she keeps in good working order. She bowled a lot and owns 3 bowling balls. A couple of pictures she painted hang in her living room.

She thinks she is the oldest living beauty operator that is still working. "I could fix hair every day if I wanted to," she said. In the early days of her career she charged a quarter for a shampoo and set. Some people thought that was too expen-

sive.

I recorded our conversation for about 30 minutes and was satisfied I had enough material for a column or program and was putting away my recorder and microphone when she said, "I gave Bonnie Parker her last hairdo two weeks before she and Clyde Barrow were shot." I got out my microphone and sat down to hear all about that.

"We were not busy one day and this lady came in and said 'lock the door and don't let nobody in and don't answer the phone.'" She said she wanted her hair done. The other girl in the shop washed her hair, but she was so nervous she could hardly do anything.

Bonnie didn't bother me. I rolled her hair up then put her under the dryer. She kept a towel over her face. She had a half-opened umbrella and kept her hand in it all the time she was in the shop. I tried every way to see in it, but she always moved it. She knew what I was doing. I'm sure she had a gun in there.

"The county doctor had an office next to our shop and we had a big double door that joined our place to his. When he was

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To Whom It May Concern:

The Graduation Committee of Friona, consisting of parents, school personnel, concerned citizens and graduating seniors, is planning an all-night DRUG/ALCOHOL FREE PARTY for the current graduating class. The party will be held following the graduation exercises on May 26, 2006. This party is a community effort and helps give our seniors a place to go for good food, fun and games after graduation.

In an effort to make this party successful, the committee is contacting individuals and businesses in order to give them an opportunity to be a part of this effort. Certainly, the drug and alcohol problem is real in every community and unless all citizens in an area become involved, we cannot help solve the problem.

If you are interested in contributing to this cause, please make your check payable to Friona High School and mail to 909 E. 11th, Friona, Texas 79035. Make a notation on your check that is for the "Class of 2006 All Night Party". If you cannot make a cash donation and would rather give a gift certificate or prize(s), that will also be appreciated.

We will have a poster recognizing all contributors at the All Night Party. If you have any questions, any person on this committee may be contacted.

We appreciate, in advance, any help you can give us in this endeavor.

Sincerely,
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Around Town

To get your area events published, call 250-2211 or email frionastar@wtrt.net

Clovis traffic circle now open

The roundabout traffic circle at the intersection of Norris St. and Llano Estacado Blvd. in Clovis has been completed and is now open, according to the Clovis News Journal. The speed limit on the circle is 15 mph.

St. Teresa's Mexican Dinner Mar 5

St. Teresa's Catholic Church of Friona will host their annual Mexican Dinner Sunday March 5, 2006 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Parish Hall. This delicious meal will consist of homemade meat enchiladas, tacos, beans, rice, hot sauce and chips with coffee, tea and dessert for the low cost of a donation of \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under 10. Takeouts will be available at no extra cost.

Parmer Co. retired teachers will meet Mar 7

Parmer County Retired Teachers and Personnel will meet Tuesday, March 7, 2006 at 2 p.m. in the meeting room of the Friona State Bank. Jim Swafford, Bovina artist, will present a power point presentation on art.

FHS open house Mar 7

Friona High School principal Denver Crum announced they have scheduled an open house for Tuesday, March 7, 2006 from 6:45 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. Parents are encouraged to attend and enjoy the opportunity to visit with their child's teachers. The parents will follow a mini-bell schedule for the evening.

Reception for Bobby Wied Mar 7

You are invited to a reception for Bobby Wied at the Eula Mae Edwards Museum on the Clovis Community College campus in Clovis, New Mexico on Tuesday, March 7, 2006 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. MST. On exhibit will be his most recent Palo Duro Canyon paintings. The exhibition will be on dis-

play Wednesday, March 1 through Thursday, April 27.

CCC to offer ESL classes

The Center for Student Success at Clovis Community College will sponsor English as a Second Language (ESL) classes in St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina, Texas. The classes will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The Church is located at 401 3rd Street. The classes are FREE and will start on Tuesday, March 7, 2006. For more information you can contact Annette Maldonado at 505-769-4084.

El "Center for Student Success" en "Clovis Community College" estara auspicando clases de Ingles en la Iglesia Catolica de St. Ann en Bovina, Texas. Las clases seran los Martes y Jueves do 7 p.m. a 9 p.m. La Iglesia está localizada en el 401 de la calle 3. Las clases son GRATIS y comienzan el Martes, 7 de marzo de 2006. Para mas información se pueda comunicar con Annette Maldonado al 505-769-4084.

Chief yearbooks on sale March 8

The 2006 Chieftain Yearbook and CD will go on sale March 8. The cost is \$30.

All orders must be paid in full at the time of the order. Orders may be placed with the yearbook staff in Room 4 of the high school. Checks should be payable to FHS Yearbook.

Books will be delivered in August 2006. No extra books will be ordered this year so if you want a yearbook you will need to order one.

If there are any questions contain teacher Kara Hardin at the high school, 250-3951.

Librarian needs Post Office info

Can you identify a photo or does anyone have a picture of Friona's first Post Office? If so, please contact Darla Bracken at the Friona Public Library, 109 W. 7th, or call 806-250-3200 by March 10.

CASA volunteer training dates set

Great Plains CASA for Kids, the local Court Appointed Special Advocates organization, will hold volunteer training in March and April. CASA volunteers advocate on behalf of kids who have been removed from their home and placed in the care of the state due to alleged abuse or neglect. Often CASAs are referred to as the eyes and ears of the court.

The volunteer training will consist of 20 hours of in-class training and 10 hours of independent study. There will be four training sessions that begin Friday, March 24 at 5:30 p.m., continuing on March 25 and April 21-22. For more information contact Elizabeth Holguin or Jackie Francis at 363-1211.

Breast cancer screening Mar 20

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Parmer County Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Ave., in Friona on March 20, 2006.

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

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only.

Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

Chieftain band boosters to meet

The Chieftain band boosters will meet Tuesday, March 21, 2006 at 7 p.m. in the Friona High School band hall to discuss the upcoming band trip and the state qualifier trip. All Chieftain band parents are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Do well, be well with diabetes

Diabetes is a serious illness. The good news is, it doesn't have to be a life-threatening one. Good management practices are the keys to a long and healthy life for persons with diabetes.

Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes is an educational program for people with type 2 diabetes. The primary goal is to help par-

ticipants learn how to manage their meal plan and self-care to maintain their blood glucose in the ranges recommended by the American Diabetes Association.

Texas Cooperative Extension - Bailey County and the Bailey County Diabetes Coalition will sponsor the Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes educational ses-

series beginning March 14. The series is a 6-week program that will meet on March 14, 21, 28, April 4, 10, 17, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Bailey County Coliseum. This program is open to the residents of Parmer County, as well. The curriculum was developed by health and nutrition education professionals and is consistent with the American Diabetes Association national standards.

Local health professionals will participate in providing instruction. Asking questions, sharing information, and peer support are encouraged during the sessions. The topics include:

- * What is Diabetes?
- * Nutrition: First Step to Diabetes Management
- * Managing Your Blood Sugar
- * Dietary Treatment of Diabetes
- * Diabetes and Exercise
- * One Diabetes Diet - No Longer the Sole Option
- * Foot Care
- * Nutritional Labels
- * Health Checkups
- * For Good Measure
- * Diabetes Medicines
- * Eating Out

Participants will receive key reference handouts to take home. The series is provided at no cost to participants. Diabetes patients, as well as the diabetes caregiver are encouraged to attend. Educational programs of Texas Cooperative Extension are open to all people without regard to race, color, sex, disability, religion, age, or national origin.

For more information and/or to sign up for the Do Well, Be Well with Diabetes program, contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County Extension Agent - Family and Consumer Sciences, 306 West Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583 or Suzanne Reese, Parmer County Extension Agent - Family & Consumer Sciences, 401 Third St., Farwell, TX 79325, 806-481-3619.

Curves food drive through March

Curves of Hereford will participate in the Curves Food Drive to benefit local food banks. Last year Curves Food Drive collected 10.6 million pounds of food for local communities.

To celebrate the generosity of the community, Curves is waiving its normal service fee for any new member who brings in a bag of non-perishable groceries and joins between now and March 31. Others wishing to donate may drop off non-perishable food items at Curves Monday through Saturday during business hours through the month of March.

"The Curves food drive promotion is always exciting," says Kristina Anthony, owner of the Hereford Curves. "We have a chance to help so many people at a time when the food banks are lowest, while we assist women in reaching their fitness and weight loss goals. We are proud to participate."

The Hereford Curves Club is located at 327 North Main St.

Teen pregnancy prevention meeting

The Parmer County Extension office says if you are interested in helping the community prevent teen pregnancies and strengthen families through abstinence education, please participate in the Teen Pregnancy Coalition for Parmer, Castro, Hockley, Bailey, and Lamb counties.

A meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 9, 10 a.m. to

12 p.m. at the Friona City Council Room at 619 Main St. (next door to the Chamber of Commerce). Special guest will be Gaynell Colburn, an abstinence educator and motivational speaker.

For more information contact Suzanne Reese, Parmer County Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences at 806-481-3619 or email s-gibbs@tamu.edu.

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70 Years Ago February 28, 1936

Friona-The Friona Chiefs returned from the district basketball tournament with the district title safely in their possession. The boys defeated Dalhart 33-21, which was the closest flight of the entire tournament. In the semi-finals they won over Stratford 38-11, and in the finals they turned back Amarillo by a 29-12 score. Two players were selected to the all tournament team. They were Harry Gowers and Price Brookfield.

60 Years Ago March 1, 1946

Friona-The Friona girl's basketball team sometimes known as the "Squaws" won the District 3-B championship at the district tournament over at Hedley last Saturday night by defeating the Briscoe girls by a score of 25-22. They are now entitled to enter the state tournament to be held at Hillsboro this week. Named to the all-tournament team were Mildred Taylor and Wanda Robason.

50 Years Ago March 2, 1956

Friona-The worst sand storm in four years rolled over the Golden Spread last weekend, bringing wind gusts up to 90 miles per hour on Friday and accounting for a toll of accidents and property damage. Cars along Highway 60 were stopped during the height of

the storm, but cars were still involved in accidents. Worst injury was to Mrs. Joe Hromas of Bovina, who suffered lacerations on her face from striking her car windshield.

45 Years Ago March 2, 1961

Friona-Ground was broken Monday for Friona Country Club's golf course. Work on the bases for greens of the nine-hole course has been progressing since then. The club will continue to work for more members. One director said 115 members would be needed to maintain the club. The number currently in the organization is thought to be near 100.

30 Years Ago February 1976

Friona-The auction sale at the 29th annual Parmer County Junior Livestock Show zoomed to a new all-time record last Saturday, when premiums total-

ing \$68,568.38 were paid to the boys and girls exhibiting animals. This year's auction total was more than \$8,000 more than the previous record of \$60,387, which was set here in 1974.

20 Years Ago March 2, 1986

Friona-Texas Independence Day observance is scheduled for Sunday next, with a cookout from noon to 2 p.m. at the Community Center. EXCEL will provide the beef. All churches in town are asked to ring out their bells, sirens will be sounded and car horns will be honked in recognition at noon on this day of significance to the history of our state.

10 Years Ago March 2, 1996

Friona-Michael Stanberry, local Boy Scout from pack 56, won a new bicycle and boom box for selling the most popcorn during their recent annual sale.

DID YOU KNOW?

Summerfield, Texas (Castro County) is at the junction of three counties, Castro, Parmer, and Deaf Smith. The first teacher in the school held in the dugout home of E.C. Millet until 1902 was Miss Lenna Green. She taught in Castro County, boarded in Parmer County and drew her salary from Deaf Smith County. Texas had another town named Summerfield so the town was known as Boom until 1907.

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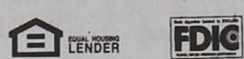
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Chieftain Special Olympics team compete in state competitions

The Friona Chieftain Special Olympic team recently participated in the state bowling competition in Houston.

More than 2,100 athletes from across the state competed in powerlifting, table tennis, volleyball, figure skating and bowling at the 2006 Special Olympics

Texas Winter Games. The three-day competition took place February 2-5 at various sites in north-west Houston.

The games kicked off with special guest Yao Ming in attendance for the opening ceremonies.

All of the Friona athletes

bowed extremely well. Placing were Omar Ramirez, 4th; Corina Ortiz, 4th; Zachary Graves, 8th; Felissa Dominguez, earned a Silver Medal with a 2nd place finish; Trinidad Gonzales, 5th; Jessica Ripley and Sherelle Pruitt both earned Bronze medals with third place finishes.

While in Houston, the Friona athletes were able to attend a Houston Rockets basketball game.

The Chieftains would like to thank their sponsors for the trip. Cargill Meat Solutions donated \$2,200 and Friona High School students collected \$593 for the event.

"Without these sponsors, they could not have been able to attend this event," said Donna Mullins. "We are blessed to live in such a caring and giving community."

The athletes currently are active in basketball and attended a basketball competition Saturday, February 18 in Hereford. They won a Silver medal with a second place finish.

The team will next compete Saturday, March 4 at Amarillo High School. Games will begin at 9:30 a.m. and continue throughout the day and into Sunday morning.

Opening ceremonies will be held Friday, March 3 at 6 p.m. at Randall High School. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy watching these athletes compete.



courtesy photo

The Friona Chieftain Special Olympic team in Houston, back row, L- R, Coach Cheryl Pruitt, Asst. Coach Tommy Kohlbrecher, Athletes: Frank Carranza, Omar Ramirez, Corina Ortiz, Sherelle Pruitt, Zachary Graves, Head BB Coach, Ross Paiz; front row: Trini Gonzales, Felissa Dominguez.

Bovina Community Network reopens

The Bovina Community Network (BCN) has reopened with extended hours. Jim Bob Swafford, BCN board vice-president, expressed his thanks to area residents for their patience while the BCN upgraded and repaired the main lab's computers.

During the down time, the BCN completed the installation of the Valor Payment Center setup and training. The BCN board also hired Carol Ortiz as the associate manager. She will be overseeing the everyday op-

eration for the BCN and the Valor Payment Center.

New BCN hours are 4-6:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. All city and area residents are welcome to use the Bovina Community Network lab located at 804 Boyce for free internet access. "We also provide a fax service and copy printing service for a small fee," Swafford said.

During BCN hours residents are invited to stop by for a free demonstration of the Valor phone and DSL services that

are offered. A comfortable and newly remodeled Dish TV demonstration room is available for customers to view the different options packages that are available.

At the BCN location customers can purchase Valor telephone service, high speed DSL internet, Dish TV, and pay their monthly Valor bill. For questions or more information call Carol Ortiz during BCN business hours at 251-1333.

Amarillo Area Women's Forum seeks nominations

The Women's Forum, Amarillo Area seeks nominations for the 2005 Distinguished Service Awards. Nominations are due by March 15, 2006 and should be sent to: Mary McWatters, 3915 San Jacinto, Amarillo, Texas 79106-6917. Nomination packets may be obtained by calling Rita Bryant at 806-352-7425.

The Organization seeks to recognize contribution of women and encourage the development of the potential of women. Nomi-

nees should be women who have had a significant impact on their community in the areas of the arts, education, public service, healthcare & medicine, and community volunteerism and should extend beyond professional accomplishments. The nominee must be a resident of one of the 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle and must not have received the award before. Current Officers, Board Members and members of the Distin-

guished Service Awards Planning Committee of the Women's Forum are not eligible for nomination.

The Women's Forum is the local branch of the Governor's Commission on Women. The group works to coordinate local and state efforts to identify and respond to women's needs, including encouragement of qualified women to serve on appointed or elected local and state boards and commissions.

Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from February 15, 2006 to February 21, 2006:

Ben Weatherly-Jose Rios Arenas and David Salinas, Jr., L6 B1 STALEY

Roman Gonzalez-Javier Silguero and Flor Idalia Silguero, L4 B44 FRIONA

James M. Koehn and Donna J. Koehn-Arthur Fred Schaap and Sandra Renee Schaap, S/2 S36 T9S R1E

Wayne H. Hudnall and Callalya A. Hudnall-Mattison L Adams and Monica Monet Adams, N/2 S57 BLK H THOMAS KELLY

Billy K. Howard and Barbara J. Howard-Greg L. Ray and Jennifer K. Ray, L17-19 S20' L20 B30

Sheriff's Report

The following is reported weekly by Parmer County Sheriff Randy Geris office:

February 22, 2006, Alfonso Baiza, 29, of Clovis, New Mexico, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with theft by check, pending County Court.

February 22, 2006, Fidel Lira, 23, of Muleshoe, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with possession of marijuana less than two ounces, pending County Court.

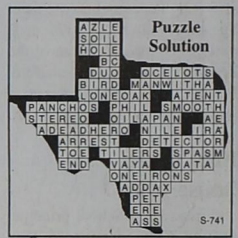
February 24, 2006, Aureliano Gonzalez, 24, of Friona, Texas, was arrested by the Friona Police Department, and charged with driving while license suspended, pending County Court.


February 24, 2006, Eugene Gutierrez, 35, of Clovis, New Mexico, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with a Potter County warrant (theft), posted bond and released.

February 26, 2006, Juan Flores, 20, of Texico, New Mexico was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with unauthorized use of a vehicle and evading arrest with a vehicle, pending Grand Jury. He was also charged with escape, deadly conduct, driving while intoxicated and reckless driving, pending County Court. Additional charges of aggravated assault with a vehicle, pending District Court.

February 27, 2006, Jose Ibanez, 57, of Bovina, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with driving while intoxicated 3rd or more, pending Grand Jury.

February 28, 2006, Jose Ibanez, 57, of Bovina, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with driving while intoxicated 3rd or more, pending Grand Jury.






Friona School Menu

March 6-March 10
(All meals are served with Ice cold Milk)
Monday, March 6
Lunch - Ham and cheese sandwich, chips, pickle slices, fresh fruit.
Tuesday, March 7
Lunch - Spaghetti w/meat sauce, crackers, green beans, garden salad, assorted gelatin.
Wednesday, March 8
Lunch - Chicken pattie, rolls, mashed potatoes, corn, yogurt.
Thursday, March 9
Lunch - Hamburger, french fries, fruit cocktail.
Friday, March 10
Lunch - Cheese nachos, ranch style beans, garden salad, peach cobbler.

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Johnny is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. His parents are Johnny and LaCretia Carranza. He has a brother, Angel.
Johnny likes riding bikes. His favorite food is pizza and his favorite color is red.

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Chemical Burns

What would you do if you accidentally spilled a chemical into your eyes? Stop and think about it. Keep in mind that a chemical burn to the eye is one of the most urgent and potentially dangerous eye injuries.

As a rule, burns caused by alkaline matter, such as ammonia and plaster of Paris, are more serious because they tend to soften and dissolve corneal tissue. On the other hand, burns caused by acidic chemicals, like battery acid and strong cleaning agents, cause most of their damage within the first few minutes to hours. They are, therefore, usually less severe.

It is critical that, as soon as possible after the chemical has gotten into the eye, the affected eye be irrigated quickly with large amounts of water. Therefore, any source of water will do. The quicker one starts irrigating the better. The burn can then best be treated appropriately at the eye doctor's office. Follow this advice and you'll stand a good chance of keeping your good vision.

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Erica Davila
Newcomer of Year
District 6-2A



Shayli Reed
6-2A All-District



Courtney Adams
6-2A All-District



Staci Murphree
6-2A All-District

Four Squaws earn 6-2A all-district

Friona Squaw point guard Erica Davila was selected by coaches as Newcomer of the Year in District 6-2A when all-

district selections were released this week. Davila, a junior, was also chosen on the district's all-defensive team.

Three Squaws were named 1st team 6-2A all-district selections. They are juniors Staci Murphree, Courtney Adams,

and Shayli Reed. Others on the all-district squad were Rebekah Thornton and Amber Dorman of Lockney; Til-Lois Fifer and Kelsey Kiker of Tulia; and Erika Aguilar, Cassie Guerrero, and Daniela Sandoval of Olton.

Named to the all-defensive team with Davila were Kirsti Edwards of Dimmitt, Tori Terrell of Floydada, Trinity Ford of Lockney, Addison LeMaster of Tulia, and Elaina Trevino of Olton.

The MVP of District 6-2A is Lindsey Leatherman of Floydada.

Squaws Tiffany Vasquez and Krista Graham were named as all-district honorable mention. Both are Juniors.

The Squaws finished as District Champions in 6-2A after beating Floydada in a first-seed playoff game to finish district at 8-3. All five starters will return next season as Coach Richard North's 2005-06 squad will graduate only one senior from this year's team.

Chiefs edged by WT High 10-7

BY RON CARR

The 2006 Friona Chieftain baseball season got underway for real Tuesday. The varsity and JV boys traveled to Stinnett to face the West Texas High Comanches. Coach Greg Hazelwood has 32 boys out for baseball to start the season.

The Chiefs varsity lost 10-7 in a game shortened to 5 innings because the lights did not work. The JV boys got to play only 1 1/3

innings because of the problem.

Hazelwood said, "We apologize to the JV parents who made the trip to Stinnett for only 1 1/3 innings." The JV game was tied 1-1 with two Friona runners on base when the game was called. Hazelwood also expressed appreciation to the great crowd that attended the intersquad JV vs. varsity scrimmage last Friday. "It was

a great crowd and we really appreciate it," he said.

Sean Lookingbill, Hayden Patton, and Kelby Monroe all took a turn on the mound at Stinnett. The trio gave up only six hits in the five innings. But six unearned runs in the first two innings gave WT High the advantage.

One good sign for the season ahead: the Chiefs were 8 for 8 in stolen bases as Matt Martinez, Patton, Monroe, Lookingbill, and Stephen Campbell were all safe with steals.

Campbell, playing at 1st base, went 3 for 3 at the plate and scored two runs to lead Chieftain hitters. Lookingbill was 2 for 3. Ryan Schwab, Ramon Salcido, and Monroe each had one hit.

The Chieftains will participate in the Littlefield tournament Thursday, Friday, and Saturday this week. Next week on Tuesday they travel to Sanford Fritch and then host return games with WT High here on Friday, March 10. Both varsity and JV will play WT High.



holly campbell photo

The Friona JV and varsity baseball teams played each other in an intersquad scrimmage last Friday. A good crowd turned out in perfect weather to support the teams. They were supposed to play Muleshoe but the Mules are still in the basketball playoffs. Above, Stephen Campbell chases a throw as Alex Dunnam hangs on at first.

FHS powerlifters qualify for regional

The FHS boys powerlifters, under the tutelage of Coach Jimmy Arias, won another first place at a powerlifting meet. This time they won at the Lockney meet. The boys and their placing in their weight classes were:

1st place finishes; A. J. Cordova, Fabian Dominguez, Ben Santiago, Lupe Gonzalez, and Dillon Welch. 2nd place, Octavio Moreno; 3rd place, Javier Sanchez, Daniel Aguilar, Ricardo Monreal; 4th place, Victor Guerrero; 5th place, Valente Casas and Alex Vega.

The following lifters qualified for the regional meet on March 24 in Brownfield: Daniel Aguilar, A.J. Cordova, Fabian Dominguez, Ben Santiago, Javier Sanchez, Lupe Gonzalez, Octavio Moreno, and Dillon Welch.



Meet the Class of 2018

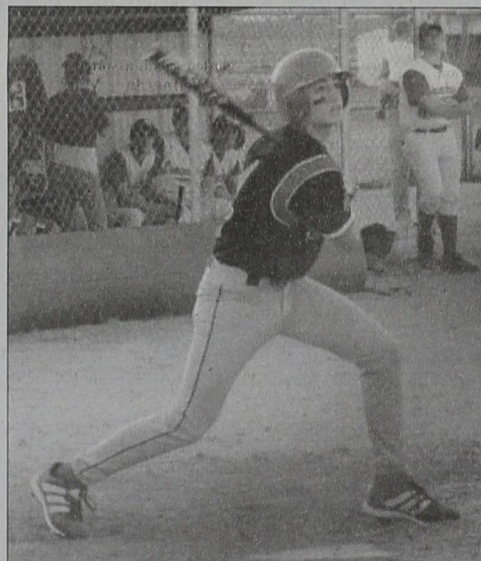
Rolando is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. His parents are Rolando and Janette Avilez. He has a sister, Yari.

Rolando likes jugar afuera. His favorite food is macaroni.

Rolando Avilez

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Chieftain Sean Lookingbill watches a foul ball in the WT High game Tuesday. The Chiefs lost 10-7 in a game shortened because the WT High field lights were not working.



volunteers needed Friona track meet this weekend

A total of 18 schools are scheduled to participate in the annual Chieftain Relays track meet Friday and Saturday, March 3-4. Track coach Lanny Crow says, "If anyone would like to help with the meet please show up Friday or Saturday. We certainly could use the help." The coaching staff needs timers, spotters, statistics help, and other duties necessary to operate a track meet of this size. If you can help please check-in with Coach Crow or any of the other Friona coaches.

Counting athletes, coaches, staff, and volunteers, there will likely be more than 1,000 people at Chieftain Field at any given time over the weekend. The meet is for 7th grade through varsity, boys and girls.

Friday, March 3, the schedule for varsity and JV boys and girls field events will begin at 3:45 p.m. and include triple jump, high jump, long jump, discus, shot put, and pole vault. Also at 3:45 p.m. 7th and 8th grade boys and girls running events begin with the 1600m run then the relays, dashes, and hurdles. Events will proceed on a rolling time schedule.

Saturday morning at 9 a.m. field events begin for 7th and 8th grade boys and girls. Also at 9 a.m. JV and varsity boys and girls running events begin with the 3200 meter run with relays, hurdles, and dashes to follow on a rolling schedule.

The finals will start at 2 p.m. Saturday afternoon (or one and one-half hours after the last morning event). The order of running in the finals events will be 7th girls, 7th boys, 8th girls, 8th boys, varsity girls, JV boys, and varsity boys. The finals will begin with the National Anthem and the 400m weight man relay.

Schools participating in the Chieftain Relays are Vega, Highland Park, Boys Ranch, Dimmitt, Bovina, Dalhart, Lazbuddie, San Jacinto Christian Academy, Farwell, Denver City, Yucca of Clovis, Tulia, Clovis JV, Gattis of Clovis, Bushland, Marshall of Clovis, Hart, Adrian and Friona.

The local populace is invited to come out for all or part of the weekend's events. Concessions will be open and there is no admission charge.

Names of 4-H alumni now in military needed

Suzanne Reese, Parmer County extension agent for family and consumer sciences, is spearheading an effort to honor servicemen and women that are former 4-H members. The ceremony will be held during 4-H Roundup.

Dr. Toby Lepley and agricultural communications have issued the following invitation: "between now and

May 15 we encourage current and former 4-H members, leaders, parents, and volunteers to identify former 4-H members now serving in the military."

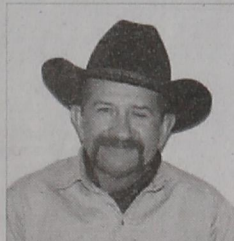
Each submission should include the name of the serviceman or woman, branch of service, where currently stationed (base, state, and/or country), county of service as 4-H member and years of membership in 4-H. They also ask for a medium to high quality digital photo of each former member now serving in the military be submitted with each name. Email photos and names to 4events@ag.tamu.edu.

The Texas 4-H technology team (sponsoring group) will organize the information and photos into a video presentation. Each evening during Roundup in June, a group of service personnel will be recognized. Their information will also be posted on the Texas 4-H website (<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu>) so those not attending Roundup will also be able to see the presentations.

For more information contact Parmer County Extension Agent for Family & Consumer Sciences, Suzanne Reese, at 806-481-3619 or email s-gibbs@tamu.edu.



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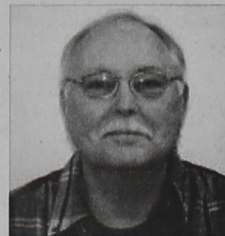
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Larry Hodnett farmed in Parmer County for 25 years. He knows the importance of construction, maintenance and improvement of county roads and ditches. He also knows how important the commissioners court is to the residences of Parmer County.

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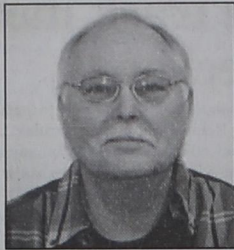
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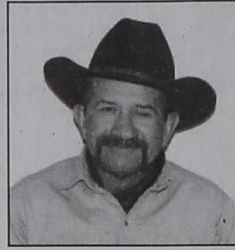
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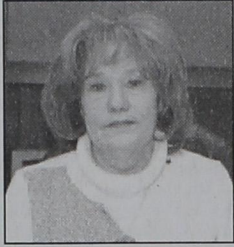
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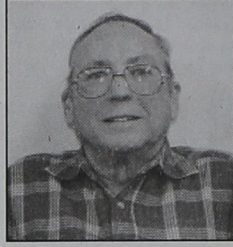
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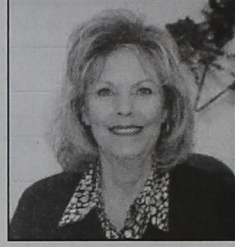
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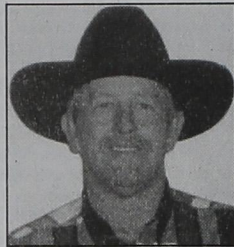
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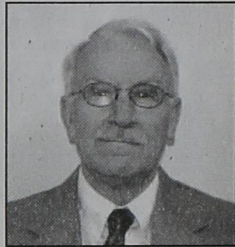
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Pictured are each of the local primary candidates and their party affiliation. The *Frona Star* appreciates each of them for taking the time to come by the office for pictures or for providing us with a picture. Win or lose, all candidates are to be commended for their service to our community. Good luck to everyone.

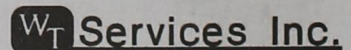
Sample Ballot - Republican

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March 7, 2006		7 de marzo, 2006		
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<p>United States Senator (Senador de los Estados Unidos)</p> <p>Kay Bailey Hutchison</p>	<p>Comptroller of Public Accounts (Comisionado de Cuentas Publicas)</p> <p>Susan Combs</p>	<p>Justice, Supreme Court, Place 8, Unexpired Term (Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Num. 8, Duracion Residua del Cargo)</p> <p>Phil Johnson</p>	<p>INSTRUCTION NOTE: Darken in the oval provided to the left of the statement indicating the way you desire to vote. (NOTA DE INSTRUCCION) Llene completamente el espacio ovalado a la izquierda de la frase que indica la manera en que quiere votar.</p> <p>2006 REPUBLICAN PRIMARY BALLOT INITIATIVES In December 2005, the State Republican Executive Committee agreed to change the following language on the March 2006 Republican Primary ballot: INICIATIVAS PARA LA NOTICION PRIMARIA REPUBLICANA DEL 2006 En diciembre de 2005, el Comité Ejecutivo Republicano Estatal acordó cambiar los siguientes términos de las frases electorales para las elecciones Primarias Republicanas de Marzo del 2006. Should the Texas Legislature should enact legislation requiring that voters provide valid photo identification in order to cast a ballot in any and all elections conducted in the State of Texas. ¿Debería el Poder Legislativo del Estado de Texas hacer recabar fotos de votantes para poder votar en todas y cada una de las elecciones que se efectúan en el Estado de Texas?</p> <p>YES (SI) NO (NO)</p> <p>Spending Cap: Every governmental body in Texas should be required to limit any general purpose or special purpose property tax increases to the amount authorized by a vote of the people or for official state or emergency declared by the federal or state government. ¿Debe cada organismo gubernamental en Texas estar obligado a limitar cualquier incremento anual de los impuestos de propiedad al monto de la poblacion a inflacion, o porcentaje de los impuestos autorizados por el voto de las personas o por acciones de emergencia declaradas por el gobierno federal o estatal?</p> <p>YES (SI) NO (NO)</p> <p>Spending Cap: Every governmental body in Texas should be required to limit any general purpose or special purpose property tax increases to the amount authorized by a vote of the people or for official state or emergency declared by the federal or state government. ¿Debe cada organismo gubernamental en Texas estar obligado a limitar cualquier incremento anual de los impuestos de propiedad al monto de la poblacion a inflacion, o porcentaje de los impuestos autorizados por el voto de las personas o por acciones de emergencia declaradas por el gobierno federal o estatal?</p> <p>YES (SI) NO (NO)</p> <p>Spending Cap: Every governmental body in Texas should be required to limit any general purpose or special purpose property tax increases to the amount authorized by a vote of the people or for official state or emergency declared by the federal or state government. ¿Debe cada organismo gubernamental en Texas estar obligado a limitar cualquier incremento anual de los impuestos de propiedad al monto de la poblacion a inflacion, o porcentaje de los impuestos autorizados por el voto de las personas o por acciones de emergencia declaradas por el gobierno federal o estatal?</p> <p>YES (SI) NO (NO)</p> <p>Spending Cap: Every governmental body in Texas should be required to limit any general purpose or special purpose property tax increases to the amount authorized by a vote of the people or for official state or emergency declared by the federal or state government. ¿Debe cada organismo gubernamental en Texas estar obligado a limitar cualquier incremento anual de los impuestos de propiedad al monto de la poblacion a inflacion, o porcentaje de los impuestos autorizados por el voto de las personas o por acciones de emergencia declaradas por el gobierno federal o estatal?</p> <p>YES (SI) NO (NO)</p> <p>Spending Cap: Every governmental body in Texas should be required to limit any general purpose or special purpose property tax increases to the amount authorized by a vote of the people or for official state or emergency declared by the federal or state government. ¿Debe cada organismo gubernamental en Texas estar obligado a limitar cualquier incremento anual de los impuestos de propiedad al monto de la poblacion a inflacion, o porcentaje de los impuestos autorizados por el voto de las personas o por acciones de emergencia declaradas por el gobierno federal o estatal?</p> <p>YES (SI) NO (NO)</p>	
<p>United States Representative, District 19 (Representante de los Estados Unidos, Distrito Num. 19)</p> <p>Randy Neugebauer</p>	<p>Commissioner of the General Land Office (Comisionado de la Oficina General de Tierras)</p> <p>Jerry Patterson</p>	<p>Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals (Jefe Presidente, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales)</p> <p>Sharon Kuebler Tom Pritts</p>		
<p>Governor (Gobernador)</p> <p>Larry King Rhett R. Smith Rick Perry Stev Locke</p>	<p>Commissioner of Agriculture (Comisionado de Agricultura)</p> <p>Todd Staples</p>	<p>Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 7 (Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Num. 7)</p> <p>Barbara Parker Horvey</p>		
<p>Lieutenant Governor (Gobernador Adjunto)</p> <p>Tom Kelly David Dewhurst</p>	<p>Railroad Commissioner (Comisionado de Ferrocarriles)</p> <p>Elizabeth Ames Jones Buck Werner</p>	<p>Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 6 (Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Num. 6)</p> <p>Terry Keels Charles Holcomb Robert W. Francis</p>		
<p>Attorney General (Procurador General)</p> <p>Greg Abbott</p>	<p>Chief Justice, Supreme Court, Unexpired Term (Jefe Presidente, Corte Suprema, Duracion Residua del Cargo)</p> <p>Wallace Jefferson</p>	<p>Member, State Board of Education, District 15 (Miembro de la Junta Estatal de Educacion Publica, Distrito Num. 15)</p> <p>Bob Craig</p>		
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***VOTE BOTH SIDES (Vote Ambos Lados)				

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Cassandra Ganska



Benjamin Anthony

Friona Students place in TaekwonDo Championships

On Saturday, February 4 Loopy Crox's TaeKwonDo class in Hereford participated in the 20th annual West Texas TaeKwonDo Championships in Snyder, Texas.

Cassandra Ganska from Friona placed 3rd in sparring (fighting). Cassandra holds a yellow belt in TaeKwonDo and her parents are Walter and Josefina Ganska.

Benjamin Anthony of Friona placed 2nd in forms (techniques) and 1st for the Red Belt Junior Champion in sparring (fighting). Benjamin holds a red belt in TaeKwonDo and his parents are Mark and Belinda Anthony.



Boll weevil assessments for 2006 crops

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation in Abilene, approval was given to the 2006 assessments proposed by the grower committees from the various eradication zones across the state.

Assessments for the 2006 crop year for High Plains zones will be as follows:

Zone	Assessment per Acre	
	Dryland	Irrigated
Northern High Plains	\$6.00	\$12.00
Northwestern High Plains	\$3.50	\$ 7.00
Panhandle	\$4.00	\$ 4.00
Permian Basin	\$6.00	\$12.00
Southern High Plains	\$6.00	\$12.00
Western High Plains	\$6.00	\$12.00

There are "failed acres" policy in place for each of these zones that were confirmed by the TBWEF board.

In the Northern High Plains and the Northwestern High Plains, acres failed at any time in the 2006 crop year will be credited for 100% of the assessment.

In the Panhandle, Permian Basin, Southern High Plains, and Western High Plains, acres failed prior

to the final USDA Farm Service Agency certification date will be credited for 100% of the assessment. Cotton failed after that date will not receive any credit.

The final FSA certification date for all these zones is July 17, 2006. The TBWEF expects to receive files from FSA by July 31, enabling them to mail out assessment notices on or around August 18.

Cotton growers paying their assessment by September 14 will qualify for a 2% discount. The due date on 2006 assessments for all these zones will be September 29, 2006.

Parmer Co. 4-H win in San Antonio

The Parmer County Extension office reported the Parmer County 4-H Club was well represented at the San Antonio Junior Livestock Show and Sale.

In the barrow show, only the top four animals in each class make the sale. In each class there are between forty to sixty animals being shown.

Results in the barrow show:

Jill Johnson, Champion Light weight division York; Russell Schilling, 1st class 13 Cross; Cassidy Devault, 2nd class 4 Spot; Lincoln Devault, 2nd class 9 Duroc; Drew Johnson, 2nd class 15 Duroc; Levi McCormick, 2nd class 13 Cross; Dan Patterson, 2nd class 1 Chester; Camby Devault, 3rd class 2 Chester; Abby Johnson, 3rd class 2 Poland; and Chase Mitchell, 3rd class 7 Duroc.

Also, Jennifer DeLeon, 5th class 16 Cross; Ryan DeLeon, 7th class 22 Cross; Tyler Schilling, 7th class 6 York; Caitlyn Stancell, 8th class 13 York; and Colton Christian, 10th class 21 York.

Dan Patterson placed 4th York in the Junior Breeding Gilt show.

Also exhibiting were Caleb Christian, Bretton Stancell, Emily Stancell, Taylor Stancell and Zacarey Stancell.

Friona Country Club Golf Special

Through April 15, all Friona residents can play golf at Friona Country Club!

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Sample Ballot - Democrat

SAMPLE DEMOCRATIC BALLOT (BOLETA DEMOCRATICA DE MUESTRA)		PRIMARY ELECTION (ELECCION PRIMARIA)	
		March 7, 2006	7 de marzo, 2006
(Condado de) PARMER COUNTY, TX			
INSTRUCTION NOTE: Vote for the candidate of your choice by darkening in the oval (●) provided to the left of the name of that candidate. (NOTA DE INSTRUCCION) Vote por el candidato de su preferencia para haciendo empastamientos al espacio ovalado (●) a la izquierda del nombre de ese candidato. I am a Democrat and understand that I am ineligible to vote or participate in another political party's primary election or convention during this voting year. (I'm soy Demócrata y comprendo que no estoy elegible para votar o participar en la asamblea primaria o la convención de algún otro partido político durante este año electoral.)		Comptroller of Public Accounts (Comisario de Cuentas Públicas) <input type="radio"/> Fred Haad	Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 2 (Jefe de Paz, 2) <input type="radio"/> Gaylen Rhoads
<input type="radio"/> Gene Kelly <input type="radio"/> Daniel Reese Hunter <input type="radio"/> Barbara Ann Radcholsky	Commissioner of the General Land Office (Comisionado de los Tierras) <input type="radio"/> Valinda Hathcox Commissioner of Agriculture (Comisionado de Agricultura) <input type="radio"/> Kocadee Melton, Jr. <input type="radio"/> Hank Gilbert	Party Referendum (Referendum del Partido) INSTRUCTION NOTE: Darken in the oval provided to the left of the statement indicating the way you desire to vote. (NOTA DE INSTRUCCION) Llene empastamientos al espacio ovalado a la izquierda de la frase que indica la manera en que quiere votar. 1. Do you support lifting millions of farmers above the national poverty line by increasing the federal poverty line above its current level of \$ 6.15 per hour? (¿Apoya usted que millones de familias estadounidenses se eleven nacional de pobreza un sueldo mínimo de salario mínimo actual de \$5.15 por hora?) <input type="radio"/> FOR (A FAVOR DE) <input type="radio"/> AGAINST (EN CONTRA DE)	
United States Senator (Senador de los Estados Unidos) <input type="radio"/> Robert Ricketts	Railroad Commissioner (Comisario de Ferrocarriles) <input type="radio"/> Dale Henry	2. Do you support the restoration of Tarrant's full rights to a trial by jury in civil cases? (¿Apoya usted la restauración total de los derechos de los Tarrant a un juicio civil con un jurado?) <input type="radio"/> FOR (A FAVOR DE) <input type="radio"/> AGAINST (EN CONTRA DE)	
United States Representative, District 19 (Representante de los Estados Unidos, Distrito Num. 19) <input type="radio"/> Robert Ricketts	Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2 (Jefe, Corte Suprema, Lugar Num. 2) <input type="radio"/> William E. "Bill" Moody		
Governor (Gobernador) <input type="radio"/> Bob Gammage <input type="radio"/> Rashad Jafer <input type="radio"/> Chris Bell	Presiding Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals (Jefe Presidente de Corte de Apelaciones Criminales) <input type="radio"/> J. R. Morris		
Lieutenant Governor (Comisionador Adjunto) <input type="radio"/> Adrian De Leon <input type="radio"/> Maria Luisa Abalado <input type="radio"/> Benjamin Z. Grant	District Judge, 207th Judicial District (Jefe del Distrito Judicial, Distrito Num. 207th) <input type="radio"/> Gordon Houston "Corky" Green		
Attorney General (Procurador General) <input type="radio"/> David Van Os	County Judge (Jefe del Condado) <input type="radio"/> Bonnie Heald		
	County Commissioner, Precinct No. 2 (Comisionado del Condado, 2) <input type="radio"/> Houston Bartlett		

These local businesses have sponsored the sample ballots and election page and urge you to exercise your rights and vote Tuesday, March 7. All candidates may not be listed on the ballot samples shown here. There are different ballots for each precinct.

In Tuesday's primary election, voters must bring their voter registration card or an official picture ID. In the primary, voters must vote either the Democrat or Republican ballot. You are not allowed to vote on both ballots. In the November general election voters can vote for the candidate of their choice regardless of party affiliation.

Polling place locations

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| Precinct #'s 101 | Calvary Baptist Church-Friona |
| 201 | Bovina EMS Bldg. |
| 202 | Friona Community Center |
| 203 | Rhea Community Center |
| 301 | Farwell Community Center |
| 302 | Okla Lane Methodist Church |
| 303 | Ridgelea School-Bovina |
| 401 | Lazbuddie School |
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THINK ABOUT THIS

Lessons from rivers #4

By T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

The Bible is filled with beautiful stories of those who kept their eyes on God and were faithful to follow Him.

There was Joseph who resisted Potiphar's wife who was, no doubt, a very beautiful, seductive woman. Joseph resisted her because he knew that it was a sin against God. You can read this account in Genesis 39:6-23.

There's the account of Daniel who made up his mind that he would not defile himself with the King's delicacies. (Daniel 1:8). That's a clue to what it takes to follow the narrow, difficult path. A determined mind.

There was Moses, who according to Hebrews 11:25 chose to endure ill treatment with the people of God rather than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin.

Also, Paul who buffeted his body daily, making it his slave, so that he could preach the gospel of Christ (I Corinthians 9:27)

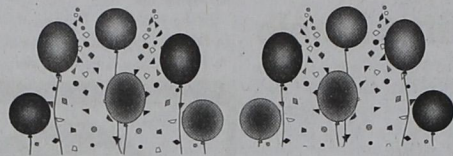
It was not beyond the power of the people to walk in the way that Jesus leads. If you think it's impossible, read I Corinthians 10:13.

Of course, the greatest blessing in life is to realize that we have Jesus who will help us walk in life as we should walk. Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light" (Matthew 11:28-30)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March 5, 2006-March 11, 2006

- Mar. 5-Katie Jo Osborn, Louella Drake, Janet Baxter Labrue, Michael Mann, Linda Chesher, Chuck Sutter, Tony Duran, Jr., Daylen Gallman, Nathan Nunley, Campbell McFarland, Cassie Gonzales, Zachary Graves
- Mar. 6-Pat Fleming, Reba Buske, Rainey Jo' Beth Williams
- Mar. 7-Teresa Wilcox, Steve Stephens, Rick Jennings, Frieda Dickson, Thomas Villalobos, Jeremy Roth, John Stephens, Sybil Hewitt, Betty Renner, Tina Sides, Charles Gilbreath
- Mar. 8-David Sifford, Mary Schueler, Rob McDaniel, Ruby Neathland, Bianca Burkett, Sarah Gerries, Gail Hand, Kay Venable, Bonnie Scaff, Rob McDaniel
- Mar. 9-Linda White, Billie Tongate, Cindy Cleveland, Will Romero, Sean Campbell, Kay Hinton
- Mar. 10-Jerry Poarch, Jo Blackwell, Park Weatherly, Patsy Gresham Riggins, Beth Bridges, Victor Favela, Ona Patterson, Tony Chisom
- Mar. 11-Bryan Walker, Corbin Riethmayer, Koby Rogers, Jeffery Rogers, Rhonda Fields, Jeanette Thurman, Nelline Spicer



"HEY HARRY!"

by Thomas Ebert



"That's the second person today complaining their chicken burger wasn't cooked enough!"

It's a dog-eat-dog world, and cats are waiting tables

Rewritten from "When Did Caesar Become a Salad and Jeremiah a Bullfrog" by Martin Babb

I am glad my Chihuahuas cannot read, because they would have seen a Time magazine article about the amenities available to today's dog—ranging from daycare centers to pet motels equipped with Barka Loungers. My Chihuahuas, Molly and Tiny, are offered the no-frills, economy plan of food, water, rest-room facilities, and television.

One of today's pet luxuries is a country club where you must first bring in your dog for an interview. My dogs, who are basically field rats on a caffeine high, do poorly in interviews. I'm not saying they bounce off the baseboards (they can't reach the walls), but they could be the poster dogs for Ritalin. All they do during interviews is sniff, growl, bark, and boof (sounds like a law firm). A boof is what happens when a small

intelligence-delayed dog, barks with its mouth closed, mostly just blowing out its jowls (also sounds like a law firm). As Will Roger's dog said, "I never met a lawn I didn't like"—and when it comes to lawn decorations, my Chihuahuas can rumble with the big dogs.

Other advances include experimental medical treatments for dog problems. One dog's biting problem was treated with acupuncture—eight needles inserted between his neck and hips. It cured him from biting, but now he leaks. Several drugs, including herbal medicines, are being tested for dog ailments. Even Prozac has been used to help treat obsessive or destructive behavior, constant barking, tail chasing, and aggression. Well, that's fine for Congress, but will it work on dogs?

Some dogs suffer from separation anxiety, which cause biting and clawing through walls—but then again, so does watching ice dancing on television.

Knowing my dogs, they would get uppity after staying at a dog spa for two weeks and begin using police crime-scene tape to mark their territory.

When you get right down to it, most dogs have a pretty good life—mainly because they have someone to take care of them. Dogs don't have anything on us. We have the Great Shepherd, and the nonbelieving world watches to see what, if anything, is different about us because we have been with God. Life is such a treat, and anytime we fail to live it according to

the grace God has given us, we ought to be scolded.

Proverbs 17:22 says, "A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones." A dog wags its tail when it is happy, but in Christianity we see much more tail dragging than we do tail wagging. I wonder sometimes if we don't live in a Christian-eat-Christian world, and Satan is waiting tables. If we are, then we, like man's best friend, are guilty of biting the Hand that feeds us.

Prayer requests

Ronnie McLellan was seriously injured in a semi-truck accident in Amarillo last Thursday night. He is in Northwest Texas Hospital with multiple injuries. Ronnie is the son of Kenneth and Elizabeth McLellan. Rev. Steve Patterson of the First United Methodist Church requests that Ronnie be put on your prayer list.

Also, Chance Field, nephew of Jon and Laura Field, was injured in an auto accident in California when a car he was in went off a cliff. It is not known for sure but there is a possibility he could be paralyzed. Laura Field is the church secretary at Friona United Methodist Church.

GOD'S HOUSE IS ALWAYS OPEN

Breast Cancer. Two words that have changed my life...forever. But, there are good changes as well as bad ones. I won't dwell on the bad ones because the good ones overshadow them. The biggest change is that I am humbled by this community's love. This is not an easy road, but everyone's love, prayers, kind words, reassuring hugs and smiles, the list goes on, gives me strength through this. Friona is a great community with wonderful caring people! I'll never be able to personally thank everyone. Just know that I truly appreciate everyone's support. Friona deserves one great big hug! Thank you.

Love,
Martha Rodriguez

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THE UNSUNG HERO

JACOB'S FIRST BORN CHILD REUBEN, THE SON OF LEAH, GREW UP WITH A KIND DISPOSITION. TO HIM, AND HIM ALONE, THE PRESERVATION OF JOSEPH'S LIFE APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN DUE! WHEN HIS BROTHERS PLOTTED TO KILL JOSEPH, BECAUSE OF THEIR JEALOUSY OVER THE FACT THAT HE WAS JACOB'S FAVORITE SON, REUBEN CAME FORTH AS THE ELDEST BROTHER, WITH THE PROPOSAL TO CAST HIM INTO A PIT, INTENDING TO BRING HIM BACK TO HIS FATHER LATER WHEN TEMPERERS COOLED. HIS KIND DISPOSITION WAS AGAIN EVIDENT WHEN HE VISITED THE PIT TO FIND JOSEPH GONE, SOLD INTO SLAVERY BY HIS BROTHERS WHEN HE WAS ABSENT FROM THE SCENE. THE ACCOUNT IN GENESIS 38 RECALLS HOW REUBEN "...RENT HIS CLOTHES" AND SAID, "...THE CHILD IS NOT, AND I, WHETHER SHALL I GO?" THE TRAITS THAT ARE REUBEN'S ARE THOSE OF ARDENT AND IMPETUOUS GENEROSITY, NOT CRAFTY AND CRUEL AS THE OTHER BROTHERS SEEMED TO BE! THIS THEN IS THE PROGENITOR OF THE FUTURE TRIBE OF REUBEN.

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NOTICE OF GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION, DEMOCRATIC PARTY
(AVISO DE ELECCION PRIMARIA GENERAL, PARTIDO)

To the Registered Voters of the County of Parmer, Texas
(A los votantes registrados del Condado de Parmer, Texas.)

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., March 7, 2006, for voting in a general primary election for the _____ Party to nominate Members of Congress, Members of the Legislature, and state, district, county and precinct officers; and for the purpose of electing county and precinct chairs.

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Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at: **Parmer County Clerk's Office**
(La votación adelantada en persona se llevará a cabo de lunes a viernes en:) **Farwell, Texas**

(location) (ubicación)

Recommended but not required

Between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on February 21, 2006
(entre las _____ de la mañana y las _____ de la tarde empezando el _____ (date))

and ending on March 3, 2006 (y terminando el _____ (date))

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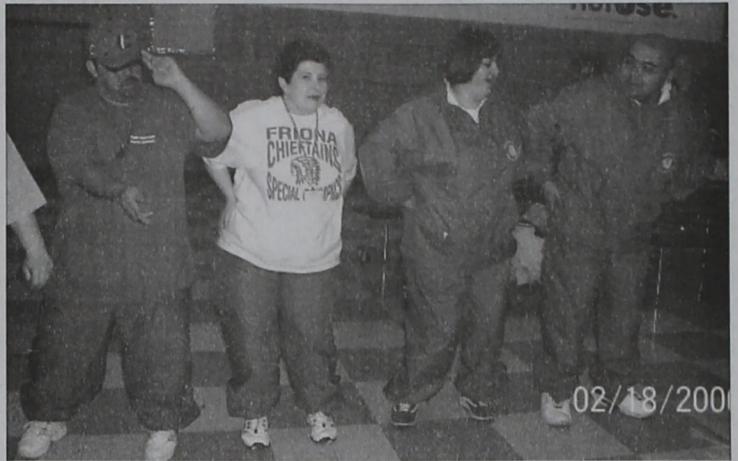
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February 28, 2006
(date) (fecha)

Issued this the 14th day of February, 2006
Emitióse este día _____ de _____

[Signature]
Signature of County Chair (Firma del Presidente del Condado)



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Frank Carranza is shown teaching his coaches, l-r, Cherly Pruitt, Fabiola Dominguez, Ross Paiz, how to do the Macarena dance during the Special Olympic basketball game in Hereford.

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NOTICE OF GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION, REPUBLICAN PARTY
(AVISO DE ELECCION PRIMARIA GENERAL, PARTIDO)

To the Registered Voters of the County of Parmer, Texas
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OBITUARIES

Virginia Vinson Morris Steele

Virginia Vinson Morris Steele, 88, of Bovina, Texas, passed away Wednesday, February 22, 2006 at the Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona. Funeral services were held Saturday, February 25, 2006 at 10:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Bovina with Leon Talley, minister of the 6th Street Church of Christ in Friona, officiating. Burial followed in the Bovina Cemetery under the direction of Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Mrs. Steele was born October 9, 1917 on the Swinson Ranch in Motley, County to Hugh L and Mae Emma (Sinclair) Vinson. She is preceded in death by her first husband Jack Morris on October 15, 1965. She married Charlie Steele on December 6, 1969 in Bovina.

Mrs. Steele was a Bovina resident since moving from Lockney, Texas in 1952. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church of Bovina. She was also a member of the fraternal order of the Eagles in Clovis, New Mexico.

Mrs. Steele is survived by her husband; three daughters, Charlotte Middleton of Vega, Texas, Bonnie Scaff of Bovina, and Krita Potts of Friona; two sons, Delbert Morris of Tulia, Texas and Jerry Morris of Bovina; and two stepsons, Dale Steele of Florida and Ronald Gene Steele of Sachse, Texas.

She is also survived by two sisters, Mildred Key of Guthrie, Texas and Pauline Hollar of Amarillo, Texas; two brothers, Marshall Vinson of Clovis and Garner Vinson of Ocala, Florida; nineteen grandchildren and thirty great-grandchildren.



Virginia Steele

Martha Ann McFarland Clements

Martha Ann McFarland Clements, 94, of Friona, Texas, passed away Tuesday, February 28, 2006 at Prairie Acres Nursing Home. Graveside services were held Thursday, March 2, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. at the Friona Cemetery. The Reverend Steve Patterson of the Friona United Methodist Church officiated. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Mrs. Clements was born September 25, 1911 in Bertram, Texas to John Barton and Sallie (Rountree) McFarland. She married Roy Clements on August 15, 1936. He preceded her in death on November 27, 2001.

Mrs. Clements moved with her family to Friona in 1925. She worked for the U.S. Postal Service for 22 years including an appointment as acting postmistress. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Friona and the Parmer County Community Hospital Auxiliary.

Mrs. Clements is preceded in death by an infant son, Jerry Lee Clements, in 1939.

Mrs. Clements is survived by two sons, James Roy Clements and wife Mary Jane of Amarillo, and Don-Clements and wife Adelle of Hereford; two sisters, Charlene Jones of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Geraldine Taylor of Friona; one brother, Robert Hines McFarland of Tucumcari, New Mexico; six grandchildren, Joan Lindeman, Wade Clements, David Clements, Brett Clements, Chad Clements, and Robin Reed, and twelve great-grandchildren, Tyson Lindeman, Ashley Clements, Brandon Clements, Erin Clements, Dallyn Clements, Kyndall Clements, Griffen Clements, Alex Clements, Cade Clements, Lauren Reed, Luke Reed and Landry Reed.

Family suggests memorials be made to Friona Heritage Estates, 201 East 15th, Friona, Texas, 79035 or Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona or to a favorite Church or Charity.



Martha Clements

Virginia Weis Renner

Virginia Weis Renner, 88, of Pampa, Texas, passed away Sunday, February 26, 2006 in Pampa. Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 1, 2006 at the Friona Cemetery with Rev. Jim Powell, pastor of the Hobart Baptist Church officiating. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Renner was born July 27, 1917 in Shattuck Oklahoma. She married John G Renner on May 25, 1933 in Clovis, New Mexico. He preceded her in death on December 27, 1978.

Mrs. Renner was a resident of Pampa since 1991 having moved from Canyon, Texas. She was a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church. Mrs. Renner is preceded in death by her son, Fabian Renner, in 1973.

Mrs. Renner is survived by three sons, Clyde Renner and wife Ruth of Friona, Donnie Renner and wife Betty of Pampa, and Jerry Renner and wife Harriet of Canyon; four brothers, Vilo Weis of Keene, Vernon Weis of College Place, Washington, Harry C. Weis of Bakersfield, California and Viddian Weis of Perryton, Texas; three sisters, Vivian Cozart of Cisco, Texas, Denise Werner of College Place, and Viola Stevens of Amarillo, Texas; seven grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to a favorite charity.



Virginia Weis Renner

Bruce Parr

Bruce Edward Parr, 86, of Amarillo, Texas and former long-time Friona resident, passed away Friday, February 24, 2006 at Country Club Manor Nursing Home in Amarillo. Funeral services were held Monday, February 27, 2006 in the First Baptist Church in Friona with Rev. Mark Stovall, pastor, officiating. Burial followed at the Friona Cemetery under the direction of Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Mr. Parr was born July 23, 1919 to Jesse William and Florence Josephine (Trice) Parr in Castro County, Texas. He married Grace Miller September 9, 1939 in Hereford, Texas. Grace passed away January 30, 2005.

Mr. Parr was a 1938 graduate of Friona High School. While at FHS he performed in the one act play, played football, ran track and placed second in State in the mile race in Austin. He was recently recognized by West Texas A&M University in Canyon as an outstanding athlete under the coaching of Buff Morris.

Mr. Parr farmed most of his life in the Black community. He ran a 3000 acre irrigated operation. Shipping potatoes and onions by the carload. He operated his own vegetable processing plant.

At one time he owned a registered herd of Angus cattle. In the 1970's he operated a 13,000-cow herd ranch in Venezuela.

In his earlier years he was active in the civic organizations and several farm related organizations such as the Soil Conservation and served as president of the Farm Bureau on multiple occasions. In addition, he participated in the Black Community's activities in the 1950's, when it ranked in the top three rural communities in the state, for several years running.

In his later years, he enjoyed the entertainment business. Many Frionians and other Texans have ridden in one of his rigs pulled by mules. His palomino mule team pulled a gold trimmed Butterfield style stagecoach in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, the Cotton Bowl Parade and the Fort Worth Stock Show Parade, among several others.

He named the stagecoach "The Tejas Kiid" after his children Kim, Ira, Iva, and Donna.

Sometimes after driving through the parade, he would double back and walk his eight yoke oxen team through with a Conestoga wagon.

He entered his custom built chuck wagon in cook-offs. Many a time Christmas caroler's road in one of his wagons.

Bruce and wife Grace celebrated their Fiftieth wedding anniversary in the Friona Maize Day's parade by transporting Grace's classmates upon their Fiftieth anniversary of their graduation.

Mr. Parr is survived by two sons, Ira Bruce Parr and wife Winette of Albuquerque, New Mexico and Kim Parr and wife Jinee of Friona; two daughters, Iva Ben Foster and husband John of Burleson, Texas and Donna Joe Nye-Sparks and husband Trevlin Sparks of McAllen, Texas; two sisters Nellie Gatlin of Canadian, Texas and Pauline Higgins of Huntsville, Texas; thirteen grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.



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Friona ISD School Calendar March, 2006

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Elem. Spring Pictures HS One Act Play Festival HS Baseball @ Littlefield Tournament	3 HS One Act Play Festival HS Baseball @ Littlefield Tournament Friona Track Meet	4 Littlefield Baseball Tournament Friona Track Meet One Act Play Festival Regional Girls Power Lifting @ Abilene
6 JH Progress Reports State FCCLA Life Smarts @ Austin	7 Headstart & Migrant Paren Meeting @ JH Cafeteria-5:30 JH Open House 6:30pm State FCCLA Life Smarts @ Austin HS Spring Open House @ 6:45 Baseball @ Sanford Fritch @ 4:30	8	9 Primary Opn House-Math & Science Night @ JH Caf. 6:00-7:00 Elem. Open House 6:30-7:30 HS Cheerleader Tryouts	10 JH Track @ Tulia Baseball vs. WT High - H Var. @ 4:30 JV @ 6:00	11 Tulia Track Meet Regional Boys Power Lifting @ Brownfield
13 State CX Debate	14 State CX Debate	15 SPRING MARCH	16 BREAK 13-17	17 Baseball @ Bovina Double Header @ 4:30 State Girls Power Lifting @ Kerrville	18
20 JH Cheerleader Parent Meeting JH Aud. @ 5:15 St. Teresa's Senior Banquet	21 Baseball vs. Dimmitt - H 4:30 Var. 6:00 JV One Act Play Dress Rehearsal @ 7:00 Public Invited	22 RPTE - 8th	23 JH Lifetouch Spring Pictures	24 RPTE 6th & 7th JH Track @ Dimmitt HS District One Act Play @ Tulia Baseball vs. Tulia @ 4:30 H State Boys Power Lifting @ Houston	25 JH Regional Spelling Bee @ WTAMU
27 HS UIL Writing @ Friona 10:00	28 Baseball vs. Floydada T 5:00	29	30 Primary Spring Pictures JH Track @ Abernathy UIL Academic Meet @ Friona High School	31 JH Cheerleader Auditions West Texas A&M Judging Contest HS @ Plains Track Meet HS Baseball vs. Olton - H Var. @ 5:00 JV @ 6:30	





WEDDINGS

Geris~Rigler



Miss Amanda Michele Geris and Mr. Nathan Kyle Rigler were united in marriage on December 17, 2005 at 2 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Plainview, Texas with pastor Dr. Travis Hart officiating.

Jennie Lynn Hodges of Plainview provided the piano musical selections for the wedding and the reception. Alyssa Hill, cousin of the bride, of Sunray, Texas and Jamar Jordan of Plainview provided the vocal music. The First Baptist Church Handbell Choir played Christmas selections before and after the ceremony.

Amanda is the daughter of Randy and Sarah Geris of Friona, Texas. Her grandparents are Sam and Donna Mears of Friona and the late Don and Linda Geris. Her great-grandparents are Eva Miller and the late Roy Miller of Friona, Perlie Geris and the late Dick Geris of Farwell, Duffy Sasser and the late Pauline Sasser of Clovis, New Mexico and the late J.H. and Opal Mears.

Nathan is the son of Kirk and Anna Rigler of Plainview. His grandparents are Robert and Minnie Ruth Rigler of Plainview and Vernell Childress and the late Ray Childress of Abernathy, Texas.

Amanda was escorted down the aisle by her father.

She wore a diamond white strapless satin ballgown with a dropped waist featuring box pleats and a satin band with a jeweled bow and diamond white sequined slippers. A white soft fur wrap with satin bow was added for the reception. To complete the ensemble she wore a two layer, fingertip and cathedral, diamond white veil with cascading sides and ribbon trim.

To accent the ensemble the bride wore a five strand pearl necklace with a crystal and pearl brooch, and a crystal and pearl

strand watch. The bride wore pennies in her shoes in the birth year of the bride and groom. She wore an opal ring belonging to her grandmother, pearl earrings from the groom's grandmother and a blue garter.

The bride carried a bouquet filled with white Eskimo roses, red classy roses and stephanotis adorned with pearl centers. The bouquet cascaded with calla lilies and white dendrobium orchids. Christmas berries and red eucalyptus were used to accent.

Amy Geris, sister of the bride, of Friona served as the maid of honor. The bridesmaids were Andrea Geris, sister of the bride, of Friona, and Amanda Marley, friend and roommate of the bride, of Vernon, Texas.

The attendants wore shiny satin flared emerald green dresses with criss-cross low back and a fishtail hem. The satin banding around the v-neck and hips had a scattering of jeweled rhinestones. Each attendant wore elbow length white satin gloves, clear high heels, pearl drop necklaces and earrings. White fur wraps were added for the reception. The jewelry and fur wraps were gifts from the bride.

The attendants carried bouquets of hand tied white calla lilies and white Eskimo roses and adorned with white pearl studs.

Adam Naron, friend of the groom, of Plainview, served as the best man. The groomsmen were Zach Morris, friend of the groom, of Plainview and Ryan Geris, brother of the bride, of Friona.

The groom wore a black Ralph Lauren Hudson tuxedo with white Accents II vest with a matching Windsor tie, white wing tip collared tuxedo shirt, and black tie shoes. He wore a boutonniere of a white Eskimo



Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Rigler nee' Amanda Michele Geris

rose with a single stephanotis stem.

The groomsmen wore black tuxedos with platinum Accents II vest and matching Windsor ties.

Andrew Crain, friend of the groom, of Houston, Jared Gower, friend of the groom, of Plainview, Trevor Pockurs, friend of the groom, of Lewisville, Texas, Adam Bandy, friend of the bride, of Friona, Braden Vaughan, friend of the bride, of Texico, New Mexico and Travis Lehman, friend of the bride, of Vernon, Texas served as ushers.

Allison Rigler, cousin of the groom, of Los Angeles, California served as flower girl. She

dropped white snowflakes down the center aisle.

Madeline Rigler, of Los Angeles and Mack Bator, of Missouri, both cousins of the groom handed out programs.

The entryway, foyer and church were decorated with a variety of Christmas trees, wreaths, Christmas balls, garland draped on banisters, greenery and candles in the windows, and arched greenery on the walls were wrapped in silver and gold twinkle lights. Poinsettias lined the stage and steps leading to the altar. Three lighted arches served as the backdrop on the stage. Large poinsettia baskets were placed under each

arch. The pews were decorated with large red bows, small poinsettias, kissing balls and gold and silver beads. A red runner was placed down the center aisle. A unity candle arrangement of five candles, greenery, miniature lights, and silver and gold accents stood at the front of the church. A large poinsettia was placed in front of the unity candle.

Jacy Grimsley, Amy Murphree and Lindsay North, of Friona, and all friends of the bride, served at the registry table.

The reception was held in the basement of the Wayland Baptist University Library.

The tables at the reception were decorated with a mixture of solid red, white and green tablecloths accented by poinsettias, candles, silver and gold beads with twinkle lights. The piano was decorated with two miniature evergreen trees, candelabra, silver and gold beads and a bridal portrait. A matted photo of the couple was on display for guests to sign well wishes. A gold basket filled with chocolate bars labeled with the couple's name and wedding date was passed around.

The reception hall was decorated with garland draping down and around the staircase. A variety of Christmas trees decorated the room along with three large wreaths and twinkle lights hung on the walls and columns.

Serving at the grooms table were Taryn Criswell and Heather McMahn, friends of the groom, of Plainview. Jacy Grimsley, Amy Murphree, Rhonda Murphree, Lindsay North and Rhonda North, all friends of the bride, all of Friona, assisted at the bride's table.

The five layer white wedding cake featured smooth cream cheese icing decorated with holly leaves, berries, and Christmas balls and topped with a

large red sparkling cascading bow. Kenda Dunnam of Friona designed the cake.

The groom's cake was a chocolate cake topped with a marzipan Della Robbia wreath made by the groom's grandmother, Minnie Ruth Rigler.

As the couple prepared to leave for their honeymoon in New York City, New York they tossed the bouquet and garter.

The bride wore a fur lined caramel sweater with khaki pants along with a wristlet of white Eskimo roses and the groom wore an argyle cashmere sweater with khaki pants. Gold and silver confetti plus artificial snow were thrown as the couple left.

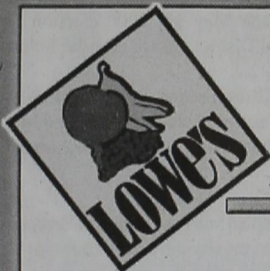
Amanda is a 2003 Friona High School graduate. She attends Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Nursing and will graduate Spring 2007.

Nathan is a 2002 Plainview High School graduate and will graduate Spring 2006 from Texas Tech University with a B.S. in Civil Engineering. He is currently employed by Hugo Reid.

Kirk and Anna Rigler hosted the rehearsal dinner at the First Presbyterian Church in Plainview. A lovely meal of prime rib, tenderloin, baked potatoes, green beans, salad, bread and cheesecake was served.

The bride and groom were celebrated with various showers. Dona Hendrickson, of Friona, hosted a shower on September 24, 2005. Rhonda Buckner, of Plainview, hosted a shower on October 8. Lingerie showers were also held and hosted by the bride's friends and bridesmaids in Canyon and Lubbock.

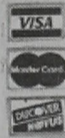
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In order to clarify potential questions with regard to who is eligible to vote in the May 13, 2006 election for Parmer County Hospital District, please note the following:

- Pursuant to the Texas Election Code, Chapter 11, Section 11.001, except as otherwise provided by law, to be eligible to vote in an election in this state, a person must:
- be a qualified voter as defined as Section 11.002 on the day the person offers to vote;
 - be a resident of the territory covered by the election for the office or measure on which the person desires to vote; and
 - satisfy all other requirements for voting prescribed by law for the particular election.

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 Located: Seminole, TX 12 miles Northeast on US Hwy 385, then 1/4 mile West on Gaines County 222; or from Seagraves, TX 5 miles Southwest on US Hwy 385, then 1/4 mile West on Gaines County 222.
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Saturday, March 4, 2006 -- Sale Time 9:30 a.m.
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Slaton Lumber Co. -- Owner

Wednesday, March 8, 2006 -- Sale Time 9:30 a.m.
 Located: From Lamesa, TX 18 miles South on Texas Hwy 137, then 4 miles West on Texas FR 2202, then 1 mile North; or from Stanton, TX 30 miles North on Texas Hwy 137, then 4 miles West on Texas FR 2202, then 1 mile North.
E. E. Richards & Neighbors -- Owners

Friday, March 17, 2006 -- Sale Time 9:30 a.m.
 Located: From Lamesa, TX 2 blocks East of US Hwy 87 on Texas Road 827 (Watch for Signs)
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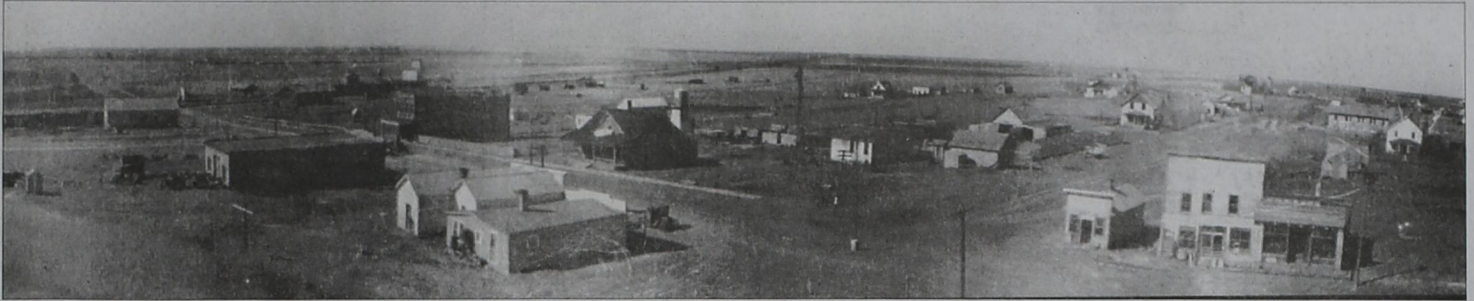
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FRIONA CENTENNIAL MOMENTS

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

Friona—the Biggest Small Town in Texas—Still Seeking Newcomers 100 years later

by Darla Bracken



1923 view of town

Ever since the very beginning, promoters have sought to adequately describe our fair city. In a 1907-08 brochure, Friona was described as "a beautiful little town on the main line of the Sante Fe Railroad...located on gently rolling prairie, with an abundance of the purest water...with a fine hotel, livery stable, two general stores, mail, telegraph and express facilities...and a new bank...and a climate absolutely unsurpassed for healthfulness."

In a map and prospectus of the George G. Wright Land Company, the main attraction was **Land For Sale**. Land that had been bought by the Syndicate for \$1.50 per acre was now being sold for \$22.50 per acre. Wright, a Kansas City Missouri real estate developer and agent, sponsored Home Seekers Excursion Trains twice monthly to the area.

Prospective settlers were greeted at the Depot and whisked off in touring cars to see the land. The Depot, at first just a box car, served until the building as we know it was built in 1908. The "Merry Widow", a two-coach train, ran twice daily between Amarillo and Clovis, New Mexico.

In fact, Friona has never been without this public relations promotion. In 1914 the 'publicity department', a forerunner of the chamber of commerce although it was not called that, still was actively seeking more settlers to add to its 150 residents.

One of our early settlers, Floyd White Reeve, recalled be-

ing met in 1908 by "Daddy" Foster, who operated a coal shed and unofficially met and welcomed newcomers to the town. He gave them directions and assistance as they made their way to their new homes.

By 1909 Friona had two grocery stores—Crawford's and one run by R. Overfelt, Mrs. Karr's Boarding House, "Doc" Seamonds Livery Stable [& blacksmith?], a bank—First State Bank (& later Friona State Bank), a post office and a lumberyard—Rockwell Bros. A Pharmacy, owned by Friona's first doctor E.E. Rohrabough, occupied the building which had been Parmer County's first courthouse at, Parmerton. The Union Congregational Church, a two-room wooden frame school house, a newspaper office—the Sentinel, the Flanders Photograph Gallery and the Friona Hotel with 21 rooms and modern, completed the town along with 10 to 12 residences. Andy Wentworth's home was the highest structure in Friona at the time and had a privately owned water supply tower.

"Wonderful feed crops in the shock and golden wheat waving with the breeze on wide expanses of lush prairie in the future heart of America..." were terms used to help 'settle up' the sparsely populated Texas Panhandle. As land seekers arrived the first sight they would have seen was the home of John Saxine who operated the land company's fleet of buggies, and later cars, to take the potential buyers to see the



John Saxine Home at end of Main

land for themselves. This was indeed a showplace with gardens and trees there at the end of Main, being perhaps the oldest structure left in Friona today.

Once the decision and purchase was made, the settlers set about moving to Friona. One of our early settlers and founding families was the Floyd White Reeve family who moved to Friona in 1909. With them they brought a train car load consisting of: "a registered Percheron stallion, a blue bull, 'Topsy—a high bred racing trotter, 8 other horses, a dog, white Wyndotte chickens, household items including a leather davenport, both canned and dried fruits, a buggy and a complete set of farm tools suitable for Indiana, but [totally] unsuitable for farming in Texas." Their piano, a prized possession of Ethel's, was left behind in Indiana—but later replaced.

Friona voted to incorporate in 1928 in a 65 to 34 vote. John W. White, another early settler who said he had no use for the automobile and had never driven one, was elected Friona's first mayor along with two city commissioners: J. A. Blackwell and Jesse M. Osborn.

White also served as secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and as the first editor of the Friona Star in July 1925. Soon after the governing body was established, city economic development flourished with public water works, electricity, fire department, telephone and gas services soon following. At the

time they even campaigned to move the county seat from Farwell to Friona, because they could envision the growth potential.

Indeed, we owe a debt of gratitude to these early settlers and merchants for their persistence and determination to succeed as do we also to our local

businesses today, who are called upon so often to continue to support the local growth and development of our fair city. We still need our Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Committee, as vital components of a successful community. They have earned and deserve our support.



Box Car Depot



Matt Myrick was one of our very dear friends. I am so honored to know his wife Christy and their 4 beautiful kids. SoIn their honor, starting Friday we will be donating \$1.00 from every "4-napkin" hamburger that we sell. Please come by & enjoy a hamburger & help us help her and the kids.

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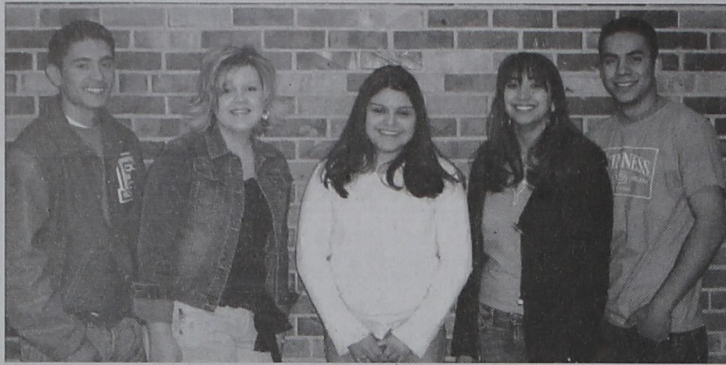
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- football snap
- actress Adams in '78 TV movie "Superdome"
- TXism: "roosters crow, deliver"
- the "I" of "IQ"
- sticky substance
- TXism for "silverware"
- Astro or Ranger four-bagger (abbr.)
- you can catch some ___ on So. Padre Island
- adjective for a nerve-cell process
- human or horse
- start of a Cowboy game: coin ___
- Vince Young at UT? (abbr.)
- TX electronics co. (abbr.)
- TX Scott Joplin musical composition: ___ Crush"
- type of hammer
- TXism: "about as clear as Red River ___"
- state of equilibrium
- Dallas Stars objective
- TX Brown who won Pulitzer for reporting in 1955
- TX JoBeth Williams film: "Scrubber" (82)
- TX Orbison's "Oh Pretty ___"
- TXism: "old as dirt"
- TXism: "fast as ___ up a rafter"
- a seasoning
- neither's sidekick
- singer Davis from Lubbock
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- infinite time
- lifting apparatus
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- Hobby or Love guess (abbr.)
- it ain't country music

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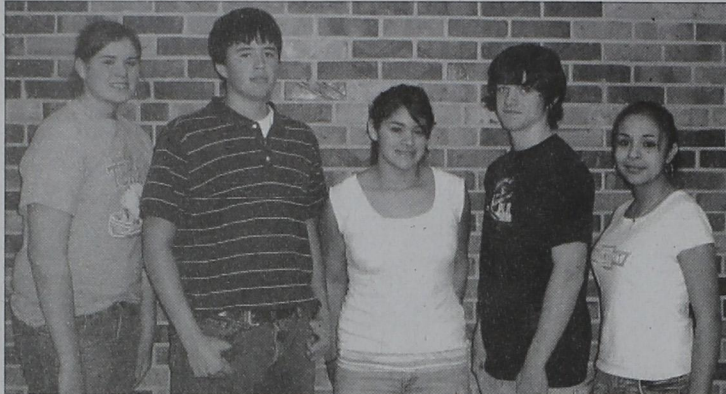
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- TXism: "not the ___ bit interested"
- deposits eggs
- TXism: "___ Katy"
- USA soldier (abbr.)
- TXism: "scrubber" (toothbrush)
- in Gonzales Co. on Hwy. 87
- shortened name of east TX reptile
- very long time
- TX Joe Don Baker baseball film: "The ___"
- Chad Hedrick ___ ice to win gold in Torino playing in San Antonio for the Mavericks (2 wds.)
- abbr. for an elevation
- init. for giant TX media co. Belo
- TXism: "sold ___ bill of goods"
- in Gray Co. on I-40
- real name of border bandit "Pancho Villa"
- Davy's advice: "Be sure you're right, ___ go ahead"
- TXism: "drawing a ___ on it"
- a large number
- Grace Noll Crowell was a TX ___
- actress Van Doren
- TXism: "got more on his plate than he can say ___"
- TX Rashad was on "The ___ Show"
- Dublin's county
- TX Tierney was in "Heaven Can ___"
- UK resident
- open the jeans
- lariat

The Original TEXAS CROSSWORD
by Charley & Guy Orbison
Answers on page 4
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The Friona upperclassmen LifeSmarts team are off to state competition in Austin Monday. They are, l-r, Valente Casas, Kandace Frye, Magdalena Ortega, Morgan Leal, and Harvey Chico.



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The Friona Freshmen LifeSmarts team are off to state competition in Austin Monday. They are, l-r, Brittany Berend, John O'Brian, Lucy Mendez, Andy Bentley, and Ana DeLaPaz.

FHS LifeSmarts teams to compete in Austin

On Monday, March 6, 2006, Competition in Austin. The two Friona LifeSmarts teams will teams competed with over 45 compete at the State LifeSmarts teams registered in the state of

Texas. Over 75 students from Friona High School competed.

The Friona Upperclassmen placed third to qualify for the state competition. Students competing on this team include team Captain Magdalena Ortega, Harvey Chico, Morgan Leal, Kandace Frye and Valente Casas.

The Friona Freshmen team placed sixth to qualify. The freshman team consists of Captain Lucy Mendez, John O'Brian, Ana DeLaPaz, Andy Bentley, and Brittany Berend.

The LifeSmarts coach is Gayle Murdock.

LifeSmarts is described as the ultimate consumer challenge. It is an educational opportunity that develops the consumer and marketplace knowledge and skills of teenagers in a fun way and rewards them for this knowledge. The program complements the curriculum already in place in high schools and can be used as an activity for classes, groups, clubs, and community organizations.

LifeSmarts, run as a game-show style competition, is open to all teens in the U.S. in the 9th through 12th grades.

Teams compete in district and state matches with the state winners going to the national competition to vie for the national LifeSmarts title. LifeSmarts is a program of the National Consumers League.

The first level of competition is done online. Each student answers three rounds of 20 questions. The top four individual scores are averaged to achieve a team score. The top six teams advanced to Austin to compete in the state competition.

The state competition will be held tournament style and consists of individual questions, team questions followed by the final round using buzzers.

Good luck to the Friona LifeSmarts teams.

Museum Concert



courtesy photos

The Parmer County Historical Museum hosted a concert last Saturday. The Friona High School Girls Choir combined with the Palo Duro Metro Chorus of Sweet Adelines, International presented songs they will perform for upcoming competitions. The two groups joined together to end the concert with "Scarlet Ribbons" they learned that day during a coaching session by Sweet Adeline director Julie Bender. FHS choir director Allison Johnston chose the building because of the acoustics. Singing often took place in the building when it was the old Congregational Church. All donations given went to the museum.



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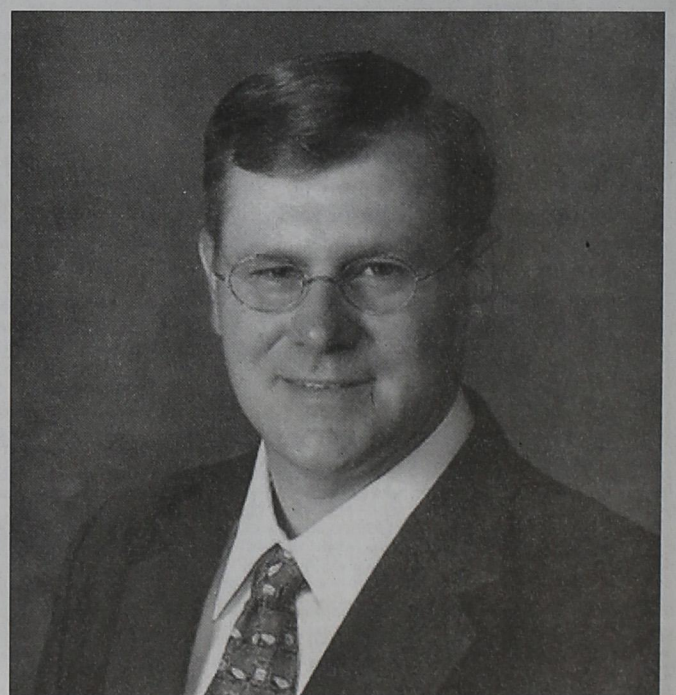
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