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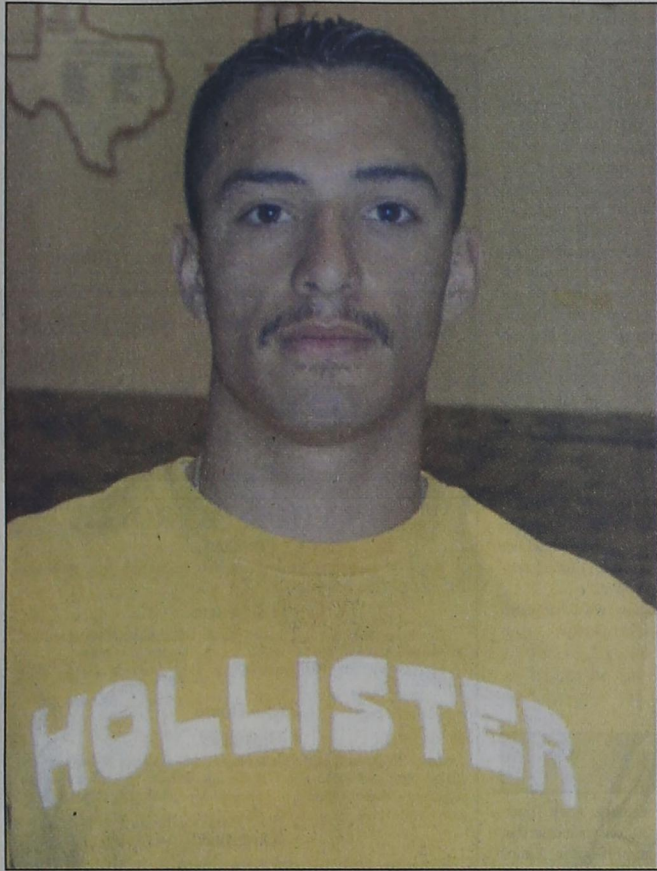
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Juan Reyes sets school record in 100m



ron carr photo

Friona high school junior Juan Reyes is a favorite to win the 100m dash title at the District 6-2A track meet today in Tulia.

BY RON CARR

He runs fast. Chieftain football fans are already familiar with the speed of Juan Reyes, a junior wide receiver and all-district defensive back who thrilled fans with his "out-of-nowhere" pass deflections.

Reyes, the son of Eva Monreal of Friona, has taken his speed to the asphalt. "I've been in track since junior high," Reyes said, "but this is my first year to run the 100." And a good decision it has been.

At the Friona track meet March 3-4, Reyes set a new school record in the 100m dash, posting a blazing 10.52. The previous school record was held by Andy Kendrick who set the record of 10.71 in 1997, according to school sports historian Bill Ellis.

Reyes' time is currently the fastest posted in all classifications in the Panhandle this year in the Amarillo Globe-News and Lubbock Avalanche Journal track rankings. The nearest time to Reyes is Green of

Sweetwater at 10.57 and Glynn of Lubbock Estacado at 10.64.

In addition to the 100m dash, Reyes has clocked a 22.18 in the 200m dash ranking him 4th in the Lubbock Avalanche Journal stats and a 50.83 in the 400m, ranking 5th behind runners from Tahoka, Hart, Cooper and Levelland. He also participates in the mile relay.

During the Friona track meet, Reyes suffered a slight injury to his upper thigh which he says is now fully recuperated. He has also participated in the long jump with a best of 22'2" but will not enter the high jump event at today's district meet in Tulia. Coaches are concerned that he might aggravate the thigh injury in the strain of long jumping.

The District 6-2A track meet at Tulia begins at 9:30 a.m. with the 3200m run. Running prelims start at 10:15 a.m. Field events start at 1 p.m. and the running finals are scheduled for a 5 p.m. start.

Water level declines in 2005

Annual depth to water level measurements made in early 2006 by the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 show an average decrease of 0.54 of a foot in the groundwater levels of the Ogallala aquifer during 2005 within the district's 6.8 million acre service area. As a comparison, the 2005 depth-to-water level measurements had indicated an average increase of 0.74 feet during 2004.

The district 10-year average annual change decreased from -0.99 of a foot for the 2005 report to -0.84 of a foot for the current report. The district five-year average annual change decreased from -0.70 of a foot for the 2005 report to -0.58 of a foot for the current report.

The district portions of Armstrong and Randall Counties as well as Lynn County reported an average increase in water levels of less than a foot for 2005. The district portion of Potter County reported no average change in water levels. The remaining eleven district counties reported average water level declines. Of these, eight counties had declines of less than one foot.

District officials say the previous average increase of 0.74 of a foot during 2004 was a relatively rare phenomenon, which may have continued to affect water levels in observation wells into 2005. Extraordinary filling of cones of depression during 2004 resulting from greater than normal precipitation and the resulting reduced pumpage could have allowed for greater migration of water into deficit areas, which would have filled most residual cones of depression. This may have temporarily delayed drawdown of water

levels. Decreased pumpage of groundwater generally results in a decrease in water-level declines; however, additional groundwater pumpage may be needed if normal or drier than normal climatic conditions prevail during the 2006 growing season.

Depth-to-water level measurements are normally made during January to March each year to allow stabilization of water levels in the aquifer following pumpage during the previous year of groundwater production.

The current issue of the High Plains Water District's newsletter, *The Cross Section*, features the results of the annual 2006 depth-to-water level measurements. It contains individual county

maps, which provide the approximate location of each well in the district's observation well network. Each map is accompanied by available 1996, 2001, and 2006 depth-to-water level measurements for individual wells in that county. Also listed are available total changes in water levels for each observation well for the periods 1996 to 2006, 2001 to 2006, and 2005 to 2006.

Additional information about the annual depth-to-water level measurement program is available by contacting the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 at (806) 762-0181 or by visiting the water district's web site at www.hpwd.com

Commissioners re-issue burn ban

The Parmer County Commissioner Court met in regular session Monday, April 10, 2006 at 10 a.m. in the County Courtroom at the Parmer County Courthouse in Farwell, Texas.

The commissioners had a light schedule this week with only five items on the agenda.

The court considered a request from Monti Vandiver on annual integrated pest management and to relocate his office on the Northeast side of the courthouse third floor.

The commissioners re-issued the burn ban for Parmer County. Residents of the county are reminded to use the three designated dumpsites for their household trash. Those sites are:

Friona-Monday through Friday 12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and located east of the Hwy. 214 bridge, south of Friona.

Lazbuddie-Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and located on Stadium Drive 1/4 mile west of the Lazbuddie school.

Bovina-24 hours a day, 7 days a week and located on the east side of Bovina on East Street.

There is no charge for dumping during the Burn Ban.

Violators of the Burn Ban are responsible for any damages incurred as a result of a fire. There is up to a \$500 fine for throwing trash in bar ditches.

Amendments to the Burn Ban were instituted at the March 27 session. Those amendments include pit burning on days that are foggy, rainy and drizzling.

The Commissioners Court will next meet Monday, April 24, 2006 at 10 a.m. All meetings are open to the public.

Adopt-a-Spot clean up

BY DANA D. JAMESON

Spring is here and thoughts turn to cleaning. April 18-21 has been designated as Clean Up Friona week.

The Friona Chamber of Commerce is looking for individuals, groups or organizations that would like to adopt a spot in Friona to clean and beautify. Contact Chris Alexander or Betty Lamb at the Chamber office at 250-3491.

FCCLA members and the 2006 Senior Class, who are not participating in the TAKS test, will be doing their part to clean up Friona. One of the many projects the students will be doing is cleaning windows in closed businesses on Main Street and displaying old photos of Friona as part of the Main Street beautification program through the

Texas Department of Agriculture.

Students will also be working at Parmer County Community Hospital, Parmer County Historical Museum, Friona Public Library, Friona Primary, Elementary and High Schools and various projects through the city.

"This helps the students work beyond themselves," said Friona High School Principal Denver Crum.

Some suggestions for cleaning up Friona are to clean up the area around your home and neighborhood, cleaning out gutters, hauling away trash and other debris from the recent high winds.

City roll off boxes will be available free of charge during this time for your trash and located at 7th and Jackson.



Star earns awards in press competition

The 96th annual Panhandle Press Association convention was held April 6-8, 2006, at the Fifth Season Inn in Amarillo. The gathering includes seminars, PPA Hall of Fame inductions, and announcement of winners in the PPA Better Newspaper awards competition.

In the weekly newspaper division, the *Friona Star* earned awards in 12 categories, including four 2nd place awards, four 3rd place, and four honorable mentions.

The 2nd place honors were in categories of sports photos, feature photos, serious columns, and advertising initiative. Photographers Dana Jameson, Tyler Jameson, and Ron Carr had photos entered in the various photo competitions. Carr won 2nd place in serious columns and the advertising initiative award was given to special advertising created by *Star* graphics designer Nathan Parson.

The newspaper won 3rd place recognition in the categories of special edition, front page layout, feature story writ-

ing, and headline writing. The special edition was created by Parson in conjunction with the FCCLA/Service Learning projects. Holly Campbell's feature story about Donna Baker's renovation of the old Syndicate Hotel building earned feature writing honors.

Honorable Mention recognition was for sports writing, news writing, spot news photos, and editorials. Publisher Ron Carr said, "I am very proud of our newspaper staff and the people who contribute to the variety of news and photos we print every week. The awards are the results of their efforts. Dana Jameson, Nathan Parson, Marlene Mueller, Holly Campbell, Tyler Jameson, and Jan Hazelwood work hard to publish the best weekly newspaper we can every week."

He added, "A special thanks to our advertisers and readers who also contribute to the success of the Friona Star. Thank you for sharing your news and your lives with us."



ron carr photo

At the senior steak dinner last Sunday, Mykala Ramos, at one-year and three-months-old, couldn't tackle the big steaks but she did real well on the baked potatoes. Her aunt, Sandra Samarron, helps with the feeding.



OUT HERE

by Ron Carr

maria

It was about 1979 or 1980 when Maria came to live with us. This is how I remember it.

My wife Sharon and I had moved from Dallas out to Irving. Our daughter Kirsten was 4 and son Casey was 2. Sharon and I owned a travel agency in downtown Dallas and decided to try and find a live-in nanny to look after the kids.

In those days we had a lot of contacts in the Dallas area because of our high-profile travel agency activities. We knew a lot of high-powered, connected people in the business community that traveled with us to far-away places.

Someone we knew put us in touch with a nice lady that placed illegal Mexican workers, mainly nannies, with legal citizens. It was sort of an undercover employment agency. You had to be referred. The process wasn't simple.

Sharon and I met with the lady one evening at her home in a nice part of Dallas. She was pleasant and polite. We answered her questions, gave her our background, kids ages, what we required, and expressed our concerns about finding the right person.

She said she would be in touch. At our next meeting she gave us several profiles of prospective nannies. She explained her finder's fee which I think was \$200. Remember this was

over 26 years ago. Things were different then.

She said she thought we should consider a woman named Maria. She said she would have Maria there at our next meeting so we could meet her. Sharon and I were nervous. We hoped we were smart enough to pick the right person.

Employing a stranger to feed and bathe and look after the safety of our little ones was not a decision that we took lightly. No caring parent would. Not to mention the guilt that crept in, bringing in a stranger to take the place of mommy and daddy.

The lady explained there was a Mexican community in East Dallas where Maria lived. It was along Gaston Avenue in some old apartment complexes. The men and women and families had come to Dallas for a better life and gathered together there in a low profile neighborhood. As I would soon learn, it was like a trip to Mexico.

We met Maria and it was pretty much instant acceptance. She was mid-30s but like many of her comrades, looked older. Maria had a big smile. A permanent one. Her eyes twinkled too. She was energetic and cooperative but had a certain take-charge authority about her too. We liked Maria and she liked us.

The details were worked out. She would live with us Monday through Friday. We paid her

maybe \$75 a week, in cash. She got room and board from us. She cooked our meals, cleaned the house, and took the kids for walks.

Every Friday night I drove Maria to her East Dallas enclave, down a couple of back streets to her apartment. On Sunday night I drove back to pick her up at 8 p.m. She spoke just enough English to communicate but not enough to carry on a conversation. Over the months she was with us she tried to teach us to speak Spanish and laughed out loud when we butchered the language.

On occasion while she was home on weekends Maria would go to a local Mexican market and buy the ingredients for her recipe for Mexican salsa. She would make the salsa and bring it to us in big quart jars. It was the best Mexican salsa I have ever had.

The kids loved Maria. She made them mind but she was kind about it. She spoiled them in her own way and they weren't always happy when Maria wasn't there on weekends. She often brought them Mexican candy and Mexican sodas. She had them speaking Spanish. They had their own special words and phrases that Sharon and I had no clue what they were saying.

We liked Maria. We were careful about not taking advantage of the situation and overworking her just because we could. We

respected her time even though the kids didn't always. Maria had her own bedroom and bathroom. We furnished a TV and linens and towels and furniture.

She would put the kids to bed at night if we needed her to. But she thought, and told us so, that we should tuck them in. She was right, of course. After all, they were ours.

Maria had a son of her own, just a little older than ours. He stayed in East Dallas with a grandmother during the week. Maria didn't seem to mind. Her room had a phone and she talked to him often. A few times we allowed her to bring him over and play with Kirsten and Casey.

She was part of our family for more than a year. The kids got older. We moved from Irving to near downtown Dallas and enrolled them in a private school so they didn't need a nanny anymore. There were a few tears when she left us for the last time.

I think about Maria when I see the immigration protests on TV. I don't know whose side I'm on. Probably Maria's if I have to choose. I wish I had helped her more to become an official resident. I could have.

I don't know what happened to Maria and her family.

I wish I did.

Editorial

We need the new hospital.

Most people probably do not know that Parmer County has three hospital districts. The map on this page shows boundaries drawn by Curby Brantley in the County Tax Appraisal District Office.

The southern part of the county is divided into the Muleshoe Hospital District and the Farwell Hospital District. A hospital district is basically a geographic taxing district.

PCCH administrator Lance Gatlin said the Parmer County Hospital District is only 16 years old. Prior to becoming an official hospital district, the local hospital relied on patient revenue to pay its bills.

The local hospital was built in 1947. It will be 60-years-old next year. Gatlin said it was formed by selling stock shares and operated as a private membership club. An expansion was completed in 1964.

When collected revenue was not enough to pay the bills, the hospital came close to closing. The formation of the hospital district and employing a management company saved the day.

Now, Medicare, Medicaid, and indigent care, along with stringent government regulations demands that changes be made at the hospital. Inspectors have been here and pointed out a myriad of deficiencies that must be corrected if the hospital is to continue to collect Medicare money.

The hospital employs over 60 people. It is a large contributor to the local economy, not to mention a great convenience for residents that are sick or injured.

Some curmudgeons say "hell, we can go to Hereford or Clovis" which is fine unless it is you that saws off a finger, or has a heart attack or worse.

Indeed, many patients are transferred to the big city hospitals, but their care starts here.

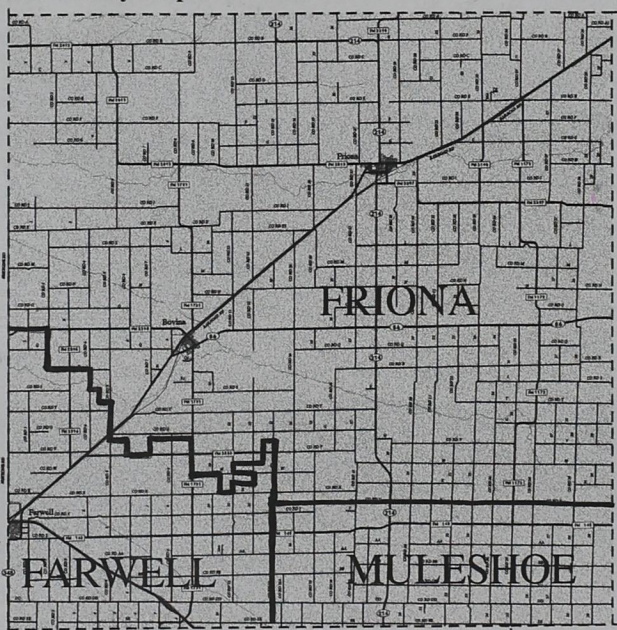
We think the new hospital should be approved and built. Some disagree. That is why it

will be on the ballot in the May 13 elections.

If you agree or disagree with the new hospital, we will be glad to hear from anyone. Send a letter to the editor stating your position and include your name and phone number. We'll print them but still reserve the right to edit all letters for clarity and brevity.

In the meantime, mark Thursday, April 20, on your calendar. Hospital administrator Lance Gatlin will give a presentation on the new hospital proposal and answer questions at a public meeting to be held at the Friona State Bank Community Room. The meeting starts at 7 p.m. Hope to see you there.

Parmer County hospital districts



We apologize for the quality of this reproduction but it will give an idea of the boundaries of the hospital districts that are in Parmer County. Those who live in the Parmer County Hospital District will have an opportunity to vote on a new hospital May 13. See the editorial on this page.

Tumbleweed Smith Springtime in Texas

Life seems to begin in the springtime. The earth feels cleansed, blessed again, purged of winter's darkness. We witness the season of hope and renewal.

Spring is when you want to get a cane-fishing pole and a can of worms and go to the creek, even if you've never done that before. It's when you want to sit and watch a bug for about an hour. Or just stretch out and stare at your shoes.

Spring is when you think about going barefooted and wearing fewer clothes. You might even get out that bicycle and take a spin. Or climb a mountain. It makes you feel frisky, like you're three years old and you've just finished taking a bath.

You pull out the ice cream freezer and begin to imagine how the fruits of summer will taste. You think about swimming and convertibles and warm, sensuous nights.

No season offers more promise than springtime. And no place shows off its spring wardrobe any better than Texas.



When it's springtime in Texas, fields of blue and red and yellow appear and the air is scented with wildflower perfume.

The early leaves on mesquite trees are a shade of light green artists find hard to duplicate. Lawns come back to life. The earth warms. The sky boils. The wind howls.

Seeing Texas in the spring is like seeing New England in the fall. We experience the colors and our lives are enriched. Texas is the birthplace of spring. Flowers are arranged among the cactus and rocks in natural bouquets.

The silence of the prairie is broken by the piercing sound of birds.

Welcome to the spring, they seem to say. And they show off their colors, too. Mocking birds dart about, flashing their white tail feathers from the tops of juniper bushes. Cardinals and

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Letters To The Editor

Dear Ron:
Recently, a bill was introduced in the U.S. Senate that would expedite the access of new drugs that might benefit terminally ill patients-S.1956 titled Access Act.

Suppose that you have a loved one with a life-threatening illness or a degenerative disease and all approved chemotherapy has failed, and the doctor says there is a new drug that has worked well with the type illness of your loved one, but the FDA won't let your doctor use the drug as your loved one is NOT in a clinical trial for that drug.

Or perhaps that loved one is in a clinical trial where 50% of the participants unwittingly receive a sugar pill.

This bill would allow terminally ill patients who are not part of a clinical trial to have access to promising new treatments while they are alive.

The bill would prohibit placebo (sugar pill) or non-treatment in any clinical investigation with respect to any life threatening condition or disease.

Probably we all know or have known someone who perhaps would or could have benefited from access to a new drug.

I urge you to write your senators and ask their support of this bill. The bill is now (as of March 4, 2006) in the Senate Committee on Health and Education.

I would be glad to send a copy of the bill.

Respectfully,
Connie Neelley

cedar waxwings provide a spectacular display. A hawk catches a wind current and glides gracefully over the land.

The miracle of spring is amazing to observe. Even when the winters are mild we still anticipate spring. We want to hear the birds, to feel the sunshine, to experience life outside the house. Spring makes you appreciate the sense of freedom that exists in Texas. The skies open up and seem larger. Texas has more sky than most places, anyway.

The 24-hour celestial parade is an event not to be missed in the spring. We awaken to a dawn dressed up in sunrise pink. Later the golden sun illumines the clouds, which become active in mid afternoon and float around and bump each other. At sundown the sky is streaked with reds and oranges. And darkness brings its own special magic.

It's fun to go outside at night, lie on a pallet and look at the stars. If you're lucky you'll see one fall. You might even see a satellite streaking across the heavens. Spring makes you glad to be alive.

Around Town

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

Foster Parents info Meeting

When abuse and neglect occurs, and children are no longer able to safely remain in their own homes, we are fortunate enough to have individuals willing to provide care and support to them in licensed foster homes. Foster care provides a temporary safe haven for children as Child Protective Services (CPS) caseworkers and foster parents work toward uniting children with their families.

There is an urgent need for more families to open their hearts and homes by becoming foster and adoptive parents. To learn more about fostering and adoption, attend an informational meeting the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Meetings are held at the CPS office located at 6200 1-40 West, in Amarillo.

3-on-3 basketball tourney April 15

Do you enjoy basketball? Do you like to play? Bovina High School will host a 3-on-3 basketball tournament Saturday, April 15, 2006. The tournament divisions are: 5th & 6th grade, 7th & 8th grade, high school, and adult. All divisions are open to both boys and girls. Entry fee is \$40 per team and the deadline for signing up is April 12, 2006. For more information call Coach Shannon Shorter at 806-251-1317, ext. 242.

Citywide Easter egg hunt April 15

The Calvary Baptist Church will host a citywide Easter egg hunt Saturday, April 15, 2006 at the Friona City Park beginning at 9:30 a.m. There will be divisions for toddlers through pre-school; Kindergarten through 3rd grade; and 4th grade through 6th

grade. All children are invited to attend and have a good time.

Bovina Lions host Egg hunt Apr 16

The Bovina Lions Club will host an Easter egg hunt on Sunday, April 16, 2006 in the Bovina City Park at 2 p.m. Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy the Easter festivities.

Breast screening clinic April 17

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 April 17, 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 Texas residents who qualify 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.

Men's Prayer breakfast April 19

The Calvary Baptist Church will host a Men's Prayer breakfast, Wednesday, April 19, 2006 at 6:30 a.m. at 1500 North Cleveland. The breakfast will be over by 7:30 a.m. Men of the community are invited to come and fellowship.

Gospel meeting April 19-23

The Tenth Street Church of Christ will host a gospel meeting Wednesday, April 19 thru

Sunday, April 23 featuring evangelist Pat Mannon from Huntsville, Arkansas. Evangelist Mannon will share the word of God, Wednesday through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. There will be a meal following the Sunday morning service.

Lazbuddie 3-on-3 tourney Apr 21-22

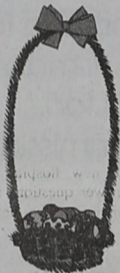
The Lazbuddie Longhorn Pride 3-on-3 shootout will be held Friday, April 21 and Saturday, April 22 at the Lazbuddie High School gymnasiums in Lazbuddie, Texas. Entry fee is \$50 per 4-person team and the deadline is April 15. To enter call LISD at (806) 965-2152, John Jones at (806) 965-2869, Debbie Weir (806) 965-2302 or Sarah Black at (806) 265-3861 or mail your entry to: Lazbuddie Longhorn Pride, Lazbuddie ISD, P.O. Box 9, Lazbuddie, TX 79053.

TDH immunization April schedules

Immunization clinics offering the vaccines that give protection against childhood diseases are scheduled for April 2006 in Friona.

The clinic in Friona will be Friday, April 21, at 616 Euclid from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

All clinic times are subject to change or cancellation due to weather or scheduling conflicts.



Lions Club News

BY RON CARR, PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN

Friona Noon Lions met Thursday, April 6, with 15 members and 3 guests present. The guests were James Phipps, Will Rushing, and Michael Rushing. Our cooks, headed by Lupe Taylor, served a lasagna and garlic bread lunch. Thanks to Lupe and her mother and her helpers for preparing our lunches twice a month. They serve us some delicious homemade food.

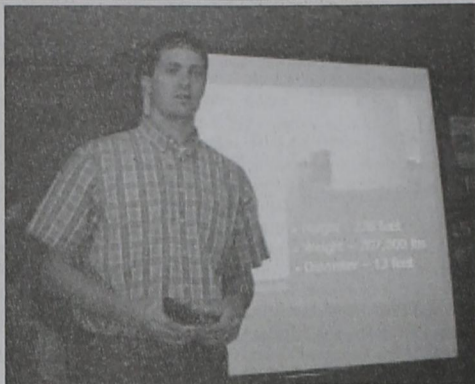
Boss Lion Clint Mears announced that Lion Leon Talley was back in an Amarillo hospital and was having some stress tests done Friday.

Guest James Phipps presented a program on wind turbines. Phipps was a coach here about 10 years ago but has since left coaching and works for the Mitsubishi Corp. He lives in San Jon, New Mexico, and is part of an operations and maintenance crew responsible for 80 wind turbines.

Mr. Phipps presented a slide show and gave some interesting facts about the wind farm. The turbine towers are 226-foot tall and weigh 207,000 pounds. They cost about \$1.3 million each to build and install. The blades are over 90-foot long. The wind turbines are controlled by a huge generator and computer system mounted on top of the towers behind the blades.

Phipps and his co-workers ascend the towers by climbing up inside. They perform routine maintenance for the owners of the towers. He said the ranch owners who furnish the property for the wind turbines receive approximately \$2,000 per tower per year in rental income. One landowner at his location in San Jon has 30 turbines on his property.

It was an interesting and eye-opening program on the subject of wind farms. Thanks to Lion Kevin Wiseman for arranging the program. Have a pleasant and happy Easter.



ron carr photo

Former Friona coach James Phipps, now employed by Mitsubishi Corp. in San Jon, NM, presented the program on wind farms at the Friona Noon Lions meeting last week.

DID YOU KNOW?

Clay's Corner is west of Lazbuddie in southeastern Parmer County. A gin was operating nearby when in October 1953 Herbert and Vera Clay moved from Lamesa and established a grocery and general merchandise store for rural residents at the junction of Farm roads 145 and 214. Handbook of Texas Online

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FlashBacks

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Need for rooms is stressed

A fund drive to finance an addition to Parmer County Community Hospital was begun in Friona this week. It is hoped that funds can be raised in a short time, so that construction on the much-needed additional rooms can begin soon.

Teams of local citizens began canvassing the city and area last weekend, and will have a breakfast meeting Friday morning to report the results of the first week's efforts.

Plans call for the addition of 10 new private rooms to the hospital, at a cost of approximately \$75,000. The rooms, which will measure 13 by 14-6, will be designed to convert into semi-private rooms, and actually give the hospital room for an additional 20 beds.

While there is no particular goal for the current drive, Charles Allen, general chairman, set a goal of at least \$5,000 for each team, which is working, and there are 10 teams.

The hospital also has some lots on Highway 60 that it is interested in selling. Then, too, there is \$13,000 in the building fund at present.

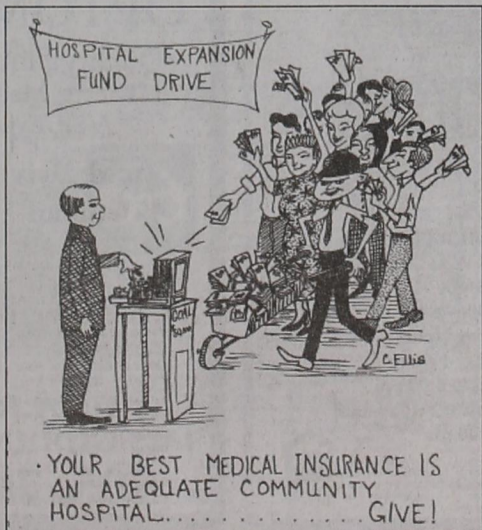
H.E. Barnett, hospital administrator, pointed out that a contract cannot be let until a sufficient amount of money is available. With winter rapidly approaching, it is now doubtful that the addition can be constructed in time for the "rush period," but it is hoped that construction can begin before weather becomes too inclement.

Team captains for the drive include Andy Hurst, Flake Barber, Dick Rockey, C.V. Potts, Mrs. Claude Osborn, Mrs. Marty Martinez, A.L. Black, W.D. Buske, Porter Roberts and J.B. Buske.

At the kickoff breakfast last week, it was explained that the hospital is showing a 10 per cent increase in the use of its facilities this year over last.



GIVING TO DRIVE . . . Among the first contributors to the Parmer County Community Hospital fund drive was the Friona Star. Shown presenting his pledge card to Ralph Roden, one of the fund team members, is Joe Osborn, owner of the Star.



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Notes from a friend...

Friends of the Friona Public Library are hosting a special event, "Friends Fun Festival Fundraiser." The event will be entertaining as well as taking care of business. A brief business meeting will be followed by authors speaking and entertaining the audience with music as well as a Sweet Adeline quartet singing.

The second annual "A Tisket, A Tasket, A Literary Basket" fund raising project will be a special part of the afternoon. Ten very festive baskets, each centered around a book, will be raffled. Each basket contains many items pertaining to the book included, which makes them especially appealing. Tickets will be sold at the Friona Public Library from now until the event at the Friona High School Auditorium on Sunday, April 23, 2006 at 2 p.m. The baskets are on display at the library.

Generous donors have used their imaginations and talents to put together these wonderful baskets for the Centennial Endowment raffles: *L.Spy* by Friona Primary School, *Life...Be A Champion!* by Don and Cindy Carthel & WTAMU Athletics, *All About Quilting* by Malouf's Fabrics, *The Fabulous 50's* by Kip and Misty Frye, your friends at Ivy Cottage: Flowers, Gifts, Greenhouse, *Celebrate Your Family History 100 Photo DVD* by FHS FCCLA, *"Barbecue, Biscuits & Beans: Chuck Wagon Cooking"* by The Hardin Steakhouse, Jeremy and Jeana Hardin, *Scraping for Fun & Family* by M-D Scrappers-Karen Renner and Aimee Houston, *"Red hat Society's Laugh Lines"* by Friona Senior Citizens and Senior Lunch, *"Knight: My Story"* Texas Tech Red Raiders by Lonnie and Terri Ellis, *"Staying on the Right Track"* by Community Heritage Society of Friona (Depot).

The *Friona Centennial Basket* will be auctioned at the conclusion of the event by Cody Hill, Parmer County Extension Agent. Contributors to the Friona Basket this year include: Bodies Kneaded, Bill and Carol Ellis, Donna K. Baker, Chamber of Commerce, Friends Book Shoppe, Friona State Bank, Friona Banking Center, Hi-Pro Feeds, Ingram's Department Store, Joan Grimsley, M-D Scrappers, Pat Carmichael, Parmer County Historical Museum, Parmer County Historical Commission, White's Beef Jerky and Friends of the Library. *Come join the fun!*



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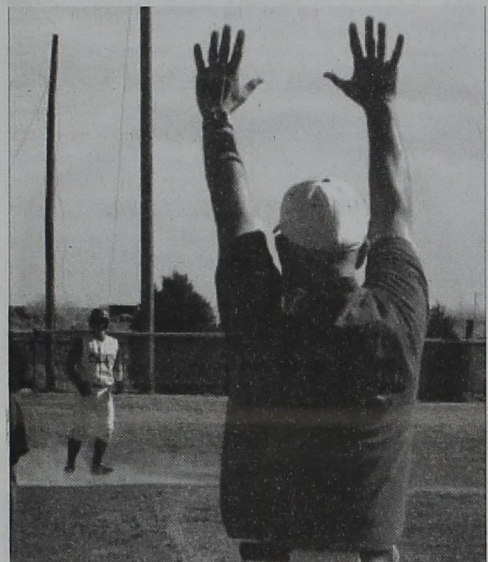
Heidi Eichenauer announced the Parmer County Community Hospital April employee of the month is Monia Ann Wilson. Monia Ann has spent many hours directing staff in painting and decorating the new office for the Director of Nursing when she moved recently. "Monia Ann is a great example of how employees can enrich others lives," said Eichenauer.

Friona Kids, Inc. baseball sign up

Baseball, little kids and spring just seem to go together. Friona Kid's Incorporated announced this week that baseball forms will be handed out at the schools and additional forms can be obtained at First National Bank-Friona Banking Center.

Boys and girls must be 5 years old to play. Deadline for signing up is Friday, April 21. Entry fee is \$20 per individual entry. There is a family rate of \$20 for the first child and each child thereafter is \$15.

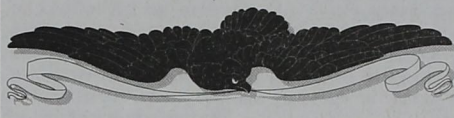
Please make checks payable to Friona Kids, Inc and return along with a completed form to FNB-Friona Banking Center. For further information or questions contact Charlie Pope at 806-346-3000 or 806-250-2303.



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Hold up! Coach Greg Hazelwood gives Kelby Monroe the hold up at second base sign during the Tulia game Tuesday. The Chiefs won 8-3.

Thank You



For all your support and for your vote in the Primary and Run-offs for Parmer County Commissioner Precinct 2

James Clayton



Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from March 29, 2006 to April 5, 2006:

Lawrence (Bob) Thurman Estate-Robert G. Thurman, L7 B2 HILLCREST

Clara Miller, Bill Bandy, and Eugene Bandy-Mario Moreno and Martha Moreno, E46' L16 W29' L17 B1 LAKESIDE

Larry Hodges-Linda Joyce Sofjczuk and Linda Joyce Hodges Frazier, S/2 S22 BLK H KELLY

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Al E. Jennings and Virginia L. Jennings-Shannon Weaver and Susan Weaver, W 220AC S100 BLK H THOMAS KELLY

Richard Shirley, Patricia Shirley, Gary Shirley and Jalaine Shirley-Socorro Corral and Ana Maria Corral, L10 B2 STALEY

Charles J. Smith Revocable Family Trust-Charles J. Smith, Jr. and Marilyn L. Smith, N/2 S8 T15S R2E

Sandra Adam-Sandra Reames, 227'x55' GARDEN L22 S31 T9S R1E

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Jerry Childs-Cristie Friesen and Mary Friemel, DSW/4 S1 BLK X WD & FW JOHNSON

Sheriff's Report

The following is reported weekly by Sheriff Randy Gerjes office:

April 2, 2006, Tricia Bain, 34, of Clovis, New Mexico, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with theft by check, paid cost and restitution.

April 7, 2006, Robert Thurman, 42, of Farwell, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with public intoxication, fine \$250.

April 7, 2006, Mark Autrey, 36, of Farwell, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with public intoxication, fine \$250.

April 7, 2006, Lesley Williams, 33, of Texico, New Mexico, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with driving while intoxicated, pending County Court.

April 7, 2006, Roberto Dominguez, 40, of Friona, Texas, was arrested by Friona Police Department, and charged with violation of a protective order, pending County Court.

April 9, 2006, Melquiades Gonzales, 50, of Bovina, Texas, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with driving while intoxicated and resisting arrest, pending County Court on both charges.

April 9, 2006, John Mendoza, 38, of Muleshoe, Texas, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with driving while intoxicated, 2nd pending County Court.

April 10, 2006, Daniel Ponce, 24, of Bovina, Texas, was arrested by the Bovina Police Department and charged with injury to a child, pending Grand Jury.

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FJHS district track results

Saturday, April 8, was the end culmination of the 2006 Junior High track season with the District 2-A track meet held in Friona.

7th Maidens results:

200m dash, 4th, Maria Calvillo, 31.99; 400m dash, 5th, Karina Trevino, 1:11.70, and 6th, Elizabeth Trevino, 1:11.98; 800m run, 1st, Karina Trevino, 2:48.62; 2400m run, 1st, Elizabeth Trevino, 10:36.70 and 6th, Ojeda Ingrith, 11:59.66.

100m hurdles, 1st, Regan Anthony, 19.19; 300m hurdles, 1st, Regan Anthony, 56.17; 800m relay, 5th, 2:08.99; 1600m relay, 3rd, 4:49.50; long jump, 3rd, Regan Anthony, 11' 11.71"; triple jump, 1st, Regan Anthony, 29' 4", Elizabeth Trevino, 26' 8", 6th, Lacy

Austin, 26' 1"; shot put, 3rd, Britny Herbert, 27' 6"; and discus, 4th, Britny Herbert, 56' 9.75"

8th Maidens results:

200m dash, 1st, Anyuli Lopez, 30.02 and 6th, Stephanie Aguirre, 32.26; 400m dash, 4th, Krystal Rios, 1:16.06, 5th, Alma Robles, 1:16.64 and 6th, Jessie London, 1:19.67; 800m run 4th, Lupita Vazquez, 2:55.83 and 6th, Paige Herbert, 3:06.10; 1600m run, 3rd, Lupita Vazquez, 6:53.62, 4th, Monica Saenz, 7:07.02, and 5th, Paige Herbert, 7:17.18.

2400m run, 3rd, Monica Saenz, 10:55.73, 4th, Alma Robles, 11:10.81, and 5th, Krystal Rios, 11:16.19; 100m hurdles, 3rd, Sasha Estrada, 19.70 and 4th, Lacey Lookingbill, 20.25; 300m hurdles, 5th, Monica Saenz,

1:00.20 and 6th, Sasha Estrada, 1:03.22; 400m relay, 3rd, 56.33; 800m relay, 1st, 1:59.37; 1600m relay, 4th, 4:47.53.

High jump, 2nd Taryn Jamerson, 4' 6"; pole vault, 3rd, Anyuli Lopez, 7' and 4th, Paige Herbert, 6'; long jump, 2nd, Yesenia Rojas, 13' 8.25"; shot put, 4th, Diana Bolivar, 30' 10.25"; discus, 5th, Diana Bolivar 69' 10.5".

7th Braves results:

100m dash, 2nd, Michael Chico, 12.92 and 4th, Devin Brown, 13.75; 200m dash, 2nd, Michael Chico, 27.89 and 4th, Ernesto Monreal, 28.44; 400m dash, 4th, Zack Fair, 1:06.87 and 6th, Nicolas Ortiz, 1:06.95; 800m run, 5th, J. Gurley, 2:51.94; 110m hurdles, 3rd, Dominique Kellum, 21.39, 5th, Kirby Frye, 22.39, and 7th, Aaron Osborn, 23.87; 300m hurdles, 1st, Duncan Welch, 50.50 and 5th, Kirby Frye, 54.45.

400m relay, 1st, 1:53.50; 1600m relay, 1st, 4:15.88; high jump, 1st, Duncan Welch, 5' 2" and 5th, Kirby Frye, 4' 6"; pole vault, 3rd, Chris Garcia, 7', 5th, Devin Brown, 6'6", and 5th, Brenner Barnett, 6'6"; long jump 3rd, Chris Garcia,

14', 5th, Zack Fair, 13'8", and 6th, Ernesto Monreal, 13'7".

Triple jump, 1st, Zack Fair, 30' .75", 4th, Dominique Kellum, 27' 10" and 5th Ernesto Monreal, 27' 7.25"; shot put, 1st, Kirby Frye, 34' 1.5", 2nd, Clayton Smiley, 31' 5" and 6th, Rocky Orozco, 29' 4.75"; discus, 1st, Duncan Welch, 103' 6".

8th Braves result:

100m dash, 7th, Stetson Reed, 13.82; 200m dash, 5th, Oscar Reyes, 27.06; 400m dash, 4th, Leonard Castaneda, 1:02.06 and 7th, Matthew Stanberry, 1:04.99; 800m run, 3rd, Jesus Sarabia, 2:26.11 and 5th, David Ramos, 2:38.13; 1600m run, 5th, Jordan Kelly, 6:39.32.

2400m run, 1st, Jesus Sarabia, 9:21.70 and 2nd, Samuel Gonzalez, 9:34.10; 110m hurdles, 2nd, Jonathan Licerio, 19.95 and 3rd, Alex Ferguson, 20.34; 300m hurdles, 2nd, Alex Ferguson, 52.61; 400m relay, 3rd, 51.33; 800m relay, 3rd, 1:49.70; 1600m relay, 4th, 4:17.50; high jump, 2nd, Matthew Stanberry, 5'4"; pole vault, 2nd, Joey Dickson, 7' and 4th Oscar Reyes, 7'



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Friona 7th grader Ingrith Ojeda trudges around the track in the 2400m run.

Friona red team to golf regionals

The Friona Squaws red golf team took 1st place in Monday's district tournament at Friona country Club. Led by Lauren Hughes (86), the team of Kimberlee Jones (93), Briana Wright (102), Allison Jones (115), and Hannah Stovall (114) carded a 395. Hughes won 1st place medalist with her 86 and Kimberlee Jones was 3rd medalist, and Allison Jones was 6th.

The Friona black team scores were Brooke Herbert 110, Hollis Gurley 123, and Elizabeth Benavides 132. Floydada placed 2nd with a 404. The girls advance to regionals which will be held April 24-25 in Abilene. Golf coaches are Mike Herbert and Jeff Isom.

Girls results at Idalou track meet

Not much to report from the track meet at Idalou last Friday. The girls track team was scheduled to compete but several members of the team were at the state FCCLA competition in Ft. Worth.

Coach Richard North said it was very windy and the temperature was falling as the meet progressed. The only girls scoring were Erica Davila 6th in the 100m hurdles at 16.92 and Briar Barnett placed 1st in the discus with a throw of 99'7".

The District 6-2A meet is today, Thursday, April 13 at Tulia.



Chiefs edged in Dimmitt marathon

BY RON CARR

"The playing conditions were horrible." That's the way Chieftain baseball coach Greg Hazelwood described the 14-inning marathon game at Dimmitt last Friday. Local residents will recall the windy and cold conditions of the day.

The game began at 4:30 p.m. and finally ended after 8 p.m. as the Chiefs and Bobcats, tied 6-6 at the end of regulation, had a scoreless battle until Dimmitt scored one run in the bottom of the 14th inning to beat the Chiefs 7-6.

Fans alternated between sitting in the stands and going to their cars for a while to warm up as the wind chill hovered in the 20s and 30s. "It's a shame because we played our best game, competed, and made play after play," Hazelwood said.

After two innings the score was tied 3-3. The Chiefs took

the lead 5-3 in the top of the 4th, then gave it back in the bottom as Dimmitt went ahead 6-5. In the top of the 6th Friona scored one run to pull into a 6-6 tie and that is where it stayed for the next 8 innings. During the run Friona twice had the bases loaded but were not able to get runners across. The Chiefs left 18 runners on base in the game, Dimmitt left 13.

With the windy conditions, base stealing must have been easier as the Chiefs were a perfect 11 for 11 in stolen bases, led by Matt Martinez with 4 steals. Hayden Patton pitched 9 2/3 innings, helped out by Kelby Monroe and Sean Lookingbill.

At the plate, 1st baseman Stephen Campbell led hitters with a 4 for 7 performance including a double and two RBI's. The Chiefs had 13 hits and only

4 errors, an amazing feat considering the playing conditions.

Other hitters: Patton was 3 for 5, Ramon Salcido 2 for 3, Ryan Schwab 1 for 3, Lookingbill 1 for 5, Monroe 1 for 5, and Trent Hudson 1 for 7. Patton also had an extra base double and 2 RBI's.

The varsity game was supposed to be followed by a JV game. With the conditions and the 14-innings, the JV boys did play but only three innings.

Coach Hazelwood summed it up like this, "I am so proud of our players and their parents who stayed out in the stands, I think we had more fans in the stands than Dimmitt. I can't say enough good things about the players and how they handled the conditions and Dimmitt." The loss leaves Friona at 2-4 in district with home games this week vs. Tulia and Floydada.



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Above, 8th grader Matthew Stanberry gives the discus a mighty heave at the district meet.

Three tennis players advance to regionals

Here is a summary of the results of the District 6-2A tennis tournament held in Plainview Monday, April 3. Team winner was Floydada with 111 points followed by Friona with 37. Sawyer Reed, Krista Graham, and Kaison Graham will advance to regional competition.

In varsity boys singles Rolando Castanon was def. by Ramirez of Floydada. Sawyer Reed, who will advance to regionals in singles, def. Gonzales of Dimmitt, Helms of Floydada, then lost to Rainwater of Floydada in the championship. Reed then defeated McPherson of Lockney in the playback.

In varsity girls singles, Lauren Hughes def. Cmerk of Tulia and Salinas of Tulia.

Lauren lost to Griffin of Floydada and Loyd of Floydada in a playback. Jordan Jamerson lost to Lloyd of Floydada.

Varsity girls doubles saw Courtney Adams and Ashley Ingram def. Jackson/Brock of Tulia. Hollis Gurley /Erica Wyly def. Brock/Foster of Lockney. Adams/Ingram lost to Bradley/Leatherman of Floydada and Gurley/Wyly lost to Covington/Williams of Floydada. For 3rd place Adams/Ingram def. Gurley/Wyly. In the playbackup Covington/Williams def. Adams/Ingram.

In varsity boys doubles, Ryan Geries/Chance Lewellen def. Mercado/McCarter of Lockney, then lost to Smith/Smith of Floydada. Alex Gurley/Caleb Miller lost to Battey/Greer of

Floydada. Geries/Lewellen def. Gurley/Miller for 3rd place then lost the playbackup to Battey/Greer.

In the varsity mixed doubles, the brother/sister team of Kaison and Krista Graham will advance to regionals. They def. Lackey/Reeves of Floydada of Floydada in the semi-finals and lost to Terrell/Terrell of Floydada in the championship.

In JV district play, Nora Castanon won 1st in girls singles and Luisa Held/Mareike Preyer placed 2nd in doubles. In boys doubles, Gerardo Torres/Raul Licerio placed 1st and Joey Mendoza/Gilberto Torres were 3rd. In boys singles, Omar Hernandez was 1st and Gerardo Garza was 2nd.

Prieto homer powers Chieftain win

BY RON CARR

By most standards, Chieftain centerfielder Cesar Prieto is not a real big kid. He bats last in the baseball order. But Tuesday he came up big as the Chiefs put another district win on the board with a solid 8-3 victory over Tulia. Friona is now 3-4 in district, tied with Floydada and Dimmitt for the third place play-off spot with three games to go. Floydada visits Friday. Game time is 5 p.m.

With teammates Ramon Salcido and Antonio Monreal on base, Prieto powered his first home run of the year in the 2nd inning to give Friona a 4-0 lead. They were never behind in the game, adding 3 in the 4th and

one run in the 6th.

Sean Lookingbill was the starting pitcher, relieved by Hayden Patton in the 5th. Lookingbill was the winning pitcher as the duo faced only 29 Tulia batters in the 7 innings.

Prieto was a perfect 3 for 3 at the plate, scored 3 runs and had a team high 5 RBI's. First baseman Stephen Campbell continues to lead the Chiefs in hitting and batting average. He was 2 for 3 including an extra base double, one of 4 doubles for Friona. Lookingbill, Trent Hudson, and Salcido also doubled in the game.

Salcido was 2 for 3 and

scored twice, Monreal was 2 for 3 and scored twice, Kelby Monroe and Hudson were each 1 for 3, and Matt Martinez was 1 for 4 to round out Friona's 13 hits. They left only 3 runners on base.

The Chiefs finally had a great weather day for baseball Tuesday after playing in a mild hurricane at Dimmitt last Friday. Prieto adds his name to the list of Hayden Patton and Trent Hudson as Chiefs who have hit home runs this season.

Come out Friday as hopefully the Chieftain home run derby continues against the Floydada Whirlwinds.

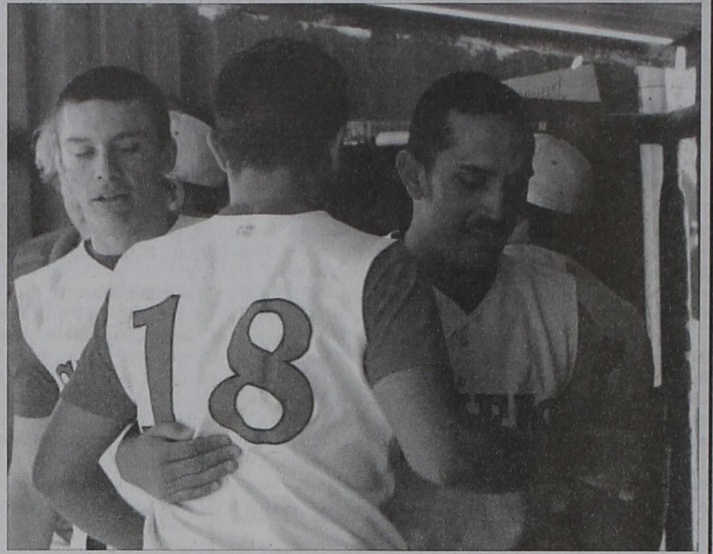
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Sean Lookingbill was the winning pitcher. Stephen Campbell guards first base. dana d jameson photo

Home Run



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The Friona Chieftains handed the Tulia Hornets an 8-3 loss Tuesday thanks to a three-run home run by centerfielder Cesar Prieto. Above, teammates Phillip Saiz, left, and Antonio Monreal (18) congratulate Cesar in the dugout. Right, Cesar rounds third on his way home.



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TAKS tests given at FHS next week

Friona High School counselor Stephanie Barrett has noted that the TAKS tests will be given April 18-21. The testing will involve all 9th, 10, and 11th grades.

"We will also be testing the Exit level," Barrett said. Testing will begin each morning at 8:30 a.m. Barrett urges all parents to make sure their student is in school each of the test days. For information contact the school at 250-3951.

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New Arrivals



Kensli Andrea Perez

Allen Douglas and Kelby Chance Perez have a little sister, Kensli Andrea Perez. She arrived at the Newman Memorial Hospital in Shattuck, Oklahoma, April 1, 2006 at 8:04 a.m.

Kensli weighed 8 lbs., 1 oz., and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Her parents are Arnold and Gina Perez of Friona, Texas.

Kensli's grandparents are Jerry and Kim Thompson of Gage, Oklahoma, Charles and Rita Webber of Campbell, California, and Arnold and Dalia Perez, Dimmitt, Texas. Her great-grandparents are David and Dorothy Freeman of Owasso, Oklahoma, Don and Bonnie Shepherd of Shattuck



Kensli Andrea Perez

and Betty Thompson, Buffalo, Oklahoma. Kensli was born on Grandma Dalia's birthday.

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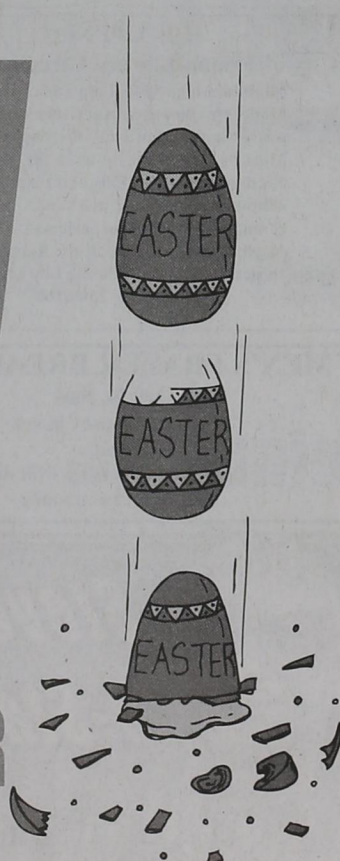
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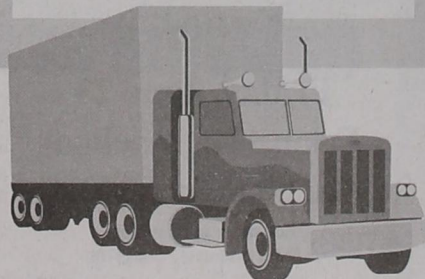
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE
 The undersigned hereby gives notice of renewal to the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, Austin, TX., for a Private Club Registration Permit. Said business is located at 1501 W. 5th, Friona, Parmer County, Texas, operated under the name of Friona Country Club, Friona Country Club owner. The names and titles of the officers of said business are as follows: B. Lance Gatlin, president; Kirk Wright, vice president; and James R. Atwell, secretary-treasurer.
 2tc-4.13-4.20

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APR 14 THRU APR 20

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| The Bench Warmers 1:30 - 4:15 - 7:05 - 9:05 | PG 13 |
| Failure to Launch 1:30 - 4:05 - 7:15 - 9:15 | PG 13 |
| Ice Age 2:00 - 4:00 - 7:00 - 9:00 | PG 13 |
| Take the Lead 1:40 - 4:00 - 7:00 - 9:15 | PG 13 |
| Inside Man 1:30 - 4:00 - 7:00 - 9:30 | R |

WEEKEND & HOLIDAY MATINEES: \$3
 ADULTS \$5 KIDS & SENIORS \$3

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Friday, June 23
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 tfnc-12.7

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 2tpd-4.13-4.20

HELP WANTED

Experienced yard personnel needed at Dimmitt Feed Yard to do repairs. Please come by to talk to Monte Cochran (806) 647-2106.
 tfnc-1.26

Now Hiring!
minsa
 Minsa has several positions available in our production facility. We are looking for hardworking individuals to fill several positions. Apply in person at WorkSource, 201 S. Main St., Muleshoe or at Minsa EOE
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 tfnc-4.25

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minsa
 Minsa is accepting applications for positions in the Maintenance Dept. Some previous maintenance or welding experience preferred. Apply in person at WorkSource 201 S. Main, Muleshoe or at Minsa EOE
 tfnc-2.23

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 tfnc-1.26

Experienced Feed Truck Driver needed at Dimmitt Feed Yard. Please come by to talk to Monte Cochran (806) 647-2106.
 tfnc-1.26

The City of Friona will accept applications for the following positions at the Friona City Pool:
LIFEGUARDS
 Salary: \$5.50-\$6.25/hr.
 Job description and application forms may be picked up at the Friona City Hall, 623 Main Street, Friona. Applications will be accepted until jobs are filled.
 2tc-4.6-4.13

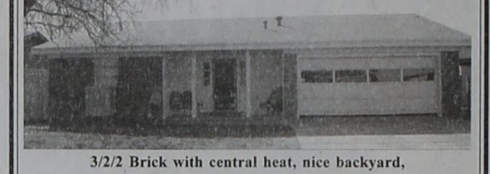
JOB OPENING
City of Friona-Library Circulation Clerk
 Minimum high school diploma
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 Must be able to lift up to 25 lbs. periodically
 Need good people skills and team attitude
 40hpw \$6.21 to \$7.52 per hour, commensurate with experience
 Applications available at the library
 Apply in person at Friona Public Library, 109 W. 7th, 9 to 6 M-F 250-3200
 2tc-4.6-4.13

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST
 April 19, 2006
 Calvary Baptist Church
 6:30 a.m.
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 3/22 Brick w/cent. h&a, large living room, newly painted.....SOLD
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Bovina 3-on-3 Basketball Tourney
 Saturday, April 15, 2006
 Divisions:
 5th & 6th Grade Boys & Girls
 7th & 8th Grade Boys & Girls
 High School Boys and Girls
 Adults
 \$40 Entry Fee
 For more information contact Coach Shannon Shorter at 806-251-1317, ext. 242

BREAST SCREENING CLINIC
 April 17, 2006
 Parmer County Community Hospital
 For more information or to schedule an appointment call 806-356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673

LAZBUDDIE 3-ON-3 TOURNEY
 April 21-22
 Lazbuddie High School gymnasiums
 \$50 per 4 person team
 For more information call LISD 806-965-2152, John-806-965-2869, Debbie-806-965-2303 or Sarah-806-265-3861

Bovina Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt
 Sunday, April 16
 2p.m.
 Bovina City Park

OBITUARIES

Melba Winona Robinett Burluson

Melba Burluson died in Lubbock, Texas on Wednesday morning, April 12, 2006, at the age of 81. She died as a result of the progression of Lewy's Body Dementia. She was born in Spur, Texas on April 23, 1924 to Mabel Exie Morris Robinett and Joseph Daniel Robinett. Melba was a long time resident of Friona, Texas where she shared her life with her husband, T.I. Burluson, who preceded her in death on July 4, 2000. They had been married for 57 years at the time of his death.

Melba and T.I. had one daughter, Kay Burluson Cash. They welcomed to their family, Kay's husband, Don Cash, in 1966, and a grandson, Clay Cash in 1973. Kay and Don live in



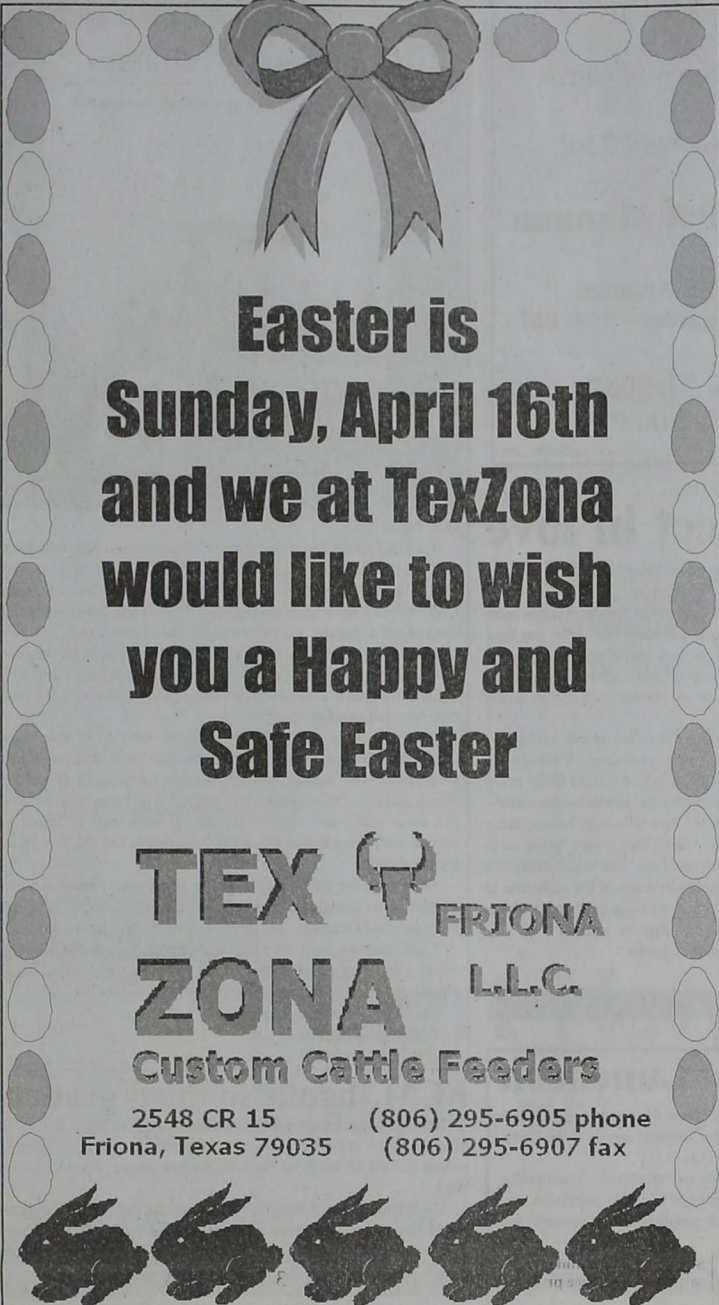
Melba Burluson

Lubbock. Clay and his wife, Ashley Bowes Cash and their son, Collin, live in Midland, Texas. Melba has one sister, Ada Gant, of Clovis, New Mexico. Ada's son, Wes, his wife, Ellen and their two sons, Mark and James, also live in Clovis.

Friends are welcome to join

the family at the altar of the First Baptist Church in Friona for a prayer in Melba's memory, Monday, April 17, 2006 at 2 p.m. Melba and T.I. were both members and taught Sunday School there. Following the prayer at the church, interment will then take place at the Friona Cemetery by Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

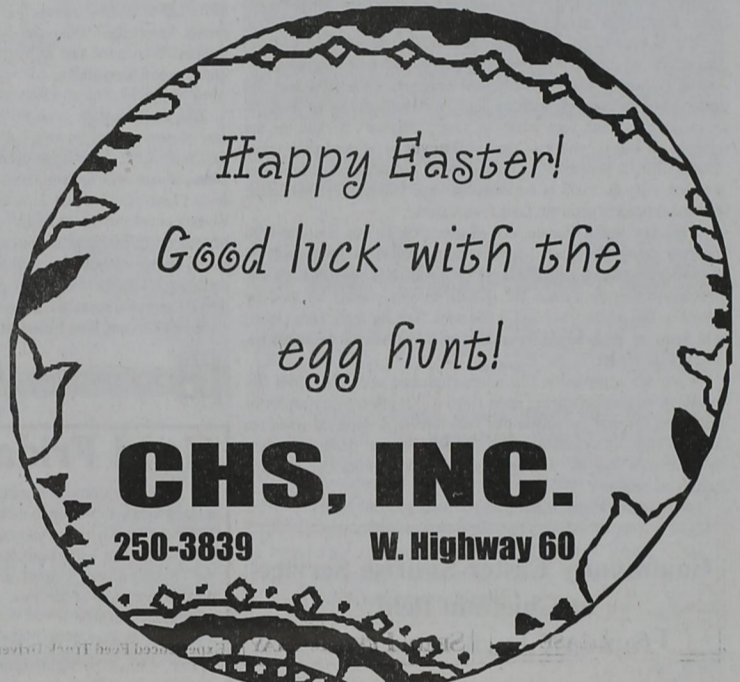
In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials to be made to the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Garrison Institute on Aging, 6630 S. Quaker. Ste. E, Lubbock, Texas 79413 or to the Sears-Methodist Garrison Geriatric Education and Care Center, 3710 4th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79415.



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wish you a Happy
Easter with your
family and friends!*



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Friona, Texas
250-5599

**The 52nd annual
meeting**
of The Friona Texas Federal Credit Union

Tuesday, April 18
at the
junior high cafeteria
Registration & meal
6:30-7:30 p.m.

**door prizes and
business meeting**

Friona Texas Federal Credit Union
6th & Euclid 250-2736

Think about this

Trembling at God's word

BY T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

Someone rightly said, "The Bible was given not just to increase our knowledge, but to guide our conduct."

Paul said it like this: He prayed that God would fill the Colossians with the knowledge of His will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding, in order that they might "live a life worthy of the Lord and may please Him in every way; bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God." (Colossians 1:9-10)

As we search the scripture, we must allow it to search us. We must allow God's word to sit in judgment upon our character and conduct. We must not treat scripture only as a source of knowledge about God but also as the expression of His will for our daily lives.

God, speaking through the prophet Isaiah said, "But to this one I will look, to him who is humble and contrite of spirit, and who trembles at My Word. (66:2)

Think About it!

Personal Devotion: Application

BY MARK STOVALL, Friona First Baptist Church

This time every year I set out to read through the Gospel accounts of the last week of Jesus' ministry. Being attentive to the events leading Jesus to the Cross always stirs my thoughts and moves my heart. Simply, exposure to this message of God's love has an effect upon me.

My assignment with this article is to answer the question: How do we apply the truths of the suffering, death, and resurrection of Christ to our lives? The discipline of Bible study, prayer, and personal worship are worthwhile and needful activities of every person who calls upon Christ as Lord. However, applying these activities by human effort alone will not accomplish what God has purposed for us.

The message of the cross and the resurrection are not about what we can do, but all about what Christ has accomplished for us. Applying the truths concerning Jesus' suffering and death upon the cross and His victory over the grip of death requires only one thing of us. FAITH! Jesus described faith very simply as being "childlike". A child has the capacity to believe and trust those whom he/she is depending upon. That is what He requires of us, nothing more, and nothing less. How can a person apply the truths of the Easter message to their life? This Easter, become dependent upon the Lord Jesus Christ.

The cross was a Roman tool of execution. It was an offense to everyone guilty of a crime. Jesus transformed the cross into the tool by which He transferred to Himself our guilt and sin in exchange for His rightness before the Father. We literally become children of God by adoption. The apostle Paul said it this way: "For He made Him (Jesus) who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him."

When we apply what Christ accomplished upon the cross (by believing/trusting/depending upon Him) it will affect every aspect of our lives. The promise of life that lasts forever is imparted when we look, to Him with childlike faith. Though physical death is certain, the assurance that we will emerge, like Christ, from our grave is equally as certain.

Forsaking All I Trust Him!

Community Easter Sunrise Service
at Chieftain field
Sunday, April 16 at 7am

Gospel Meeting
Tenth Street Church of Christ
April 19th thru April 23rd
Evangelist - Pat Mannon
From Huntsville, Arkansas
Wednesday thru Saturday - 7:30 PM
Sunday April 23, 2006 -
10:30 AM & 2:00 PM
4/6-4/13. 2tc

**Thoughts from the Pastor...
Being perfect in love**

In the middle of the "Sermon on the Mount" Jesus says this: Be perfect, therefore as your heavenly Father is perfect."

If one takes the last verse of the passage out of context, it might seem like a call to endless anxiety. Who can be mistake-free? Who can have perfect knowledge? Who can have perfect social skills or physical abilities? Who could take such a passage seriously without going crazy? The key to understanding this verse about perfection, however, comes when we see the context of the remark.

This whole passage is about loving not only the people whom it is easy or even "natural" to love, but also loving our enemies. If we grow in the Christian life so much that the disposition to love is fixed firmly in our hearts, if our eyes focus so consistently on the object of our faith—Jesus Christ—that we can do nothing but love all whom we encounter, whether or not they are "friendly" or "lovable," then we are "going on to perfection." In his many writings explaining Jesus' call to perfection as a call to perfect love, Wesley tried to deal with many of the objections to perfection. However, for Wesley perfection meant nothing more or less than the scriptural injunction to love all, including our enemies.

Steve Patterson, First United Methodist Church

GOD'S HOUSE IS ALWAYS OPEN

Good Friday Luncheon

The Friona Christian Ministries invites the community to attend a Good Friday Luncheon to include a Tenebrae service at the Friona Methodist Church in the Fellowship Hall.

Tenebrae is a Latin word that means "shadows." Traditionally, the Tenebrae service focused on the night of Jesus' crucifixion, and the different stages of the cross. This promises to be a powerful and very meaningful hour.

The luncheon program begins at noon, and is designed to accommodate those who work and can only take an hour for lunch. So please, do come!



Dear Pastor Steve,

Enclosed please find a check for \$100 and a photo of two children on the Friona church sign. These children are friends of mine who used to live in Anchorage, AK and were active members of St. John UMC where I have been serving since 1987. Their father works for Ford Motor Company and moves every two or three years, but they are one of those families who jump right into a church and become involved. Every summer they spend time in Colorado at a camp with families who have adopted Korean children. They moved to El Paso from here and then to Oklahoma City.

She writes, "We took this picture on our drive to El Paso from Oklahoma. We got lost and found ourselves in a little town that somehow seemed familiar. It only took us a few minutes to find the church and the sermon posting was perfect! It just goes to show how you never really leave anyone behind!" (I often refer to Friona in sermon or teaching illustrations, so St. John people feel like they know my hometown.)

She enclosed a check for me to use at my own discretion and I thought I would send part of it to Friona UMC since that is the place my sisters and I received our Christian nurture. Use it as you see fit.

I just returned from the General Board of Discipleship meeting where I have an opportunity to serve with Bishop Whitfield. He reports that you and the church are doing well.

Blessings on your ministry this Holy Season.
Jimette Rose McLean
(1962 FHS graduate)

FCM thanks to third graders

The Friona Elementary third grade class along with Ricky Barnett and Mitchell Smiley at the Parmer County Farm Bureau collected almost 500 pounds of food for the Food Bank for the first annual "Food Check-Out Week."

The Friona Christian Ministries represents the Food Bank locally and would like to thank everyone who donated and collected. The donated food is collected, weighed and repackaged in nutritionally balanced boxes that are then distributed to the community for folks in need.

Farm Bureau intends to partner with the Friona third graders every year to keep up this service to the community.

Facts About The BIBLE BY JOHN LEHTI
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THE BRIDE CAME WITH THE CONQUERED CITY

THE FIRST MENTION OF OTHNIEL IS ON THE OCCASION OF THE TAKING OF THE CITY OF DEBIR, WHICH WAS IN THE MOUNTAINOUS TERRITORY NEAR HEBRON, THE LAST STRONGHOLD OF THE ANAKIM, A RACE OF GIANTS, AND WAS ASSIGNED TO CALEB THE KENEZITE, WHO HAD TO CONQUER THIS AREA IN THE SETTLING OF THE PROMISED LAND? (JOSH. 14:12-14) IN ORDER TO STIMULATE THE VALOR OF HIS WARRIORS, CALEB PROMISED TO GIVE HIS DAUGHTER AS-SAI TO WHOMEVER SHOULD ASSAULT AND TAKE THE CITY. OTHNIEL WON THE PRIZE!

AND SO THE LAST GIANT STRONGHOLD IS DEVOLVED IN THE LAND OF CANAAN AND OTHNIEL IS FREE TO CLAIM THE REWARD OFFERED BY CALEB!

SAVE THIS FOR YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL SCRAPBOOK.

Church Directory

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Friona Bridal Registry

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Jodie Coker & Evan Friemel

Ty Grimsley & Shaye Sorrells

Savannah Black & Len Cornelius

Christian Hanes & James Lee

MY COTTAGE

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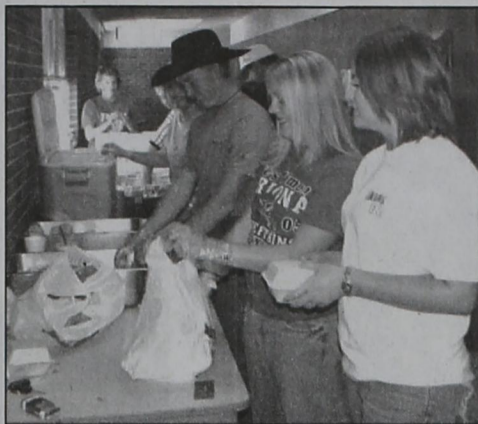
Ty Grimsley & Shaye Sorrells

James Lee & Christian Hanes

BI-WIZE

Phone: 250-3010

Shaye Sorrells & Ty Grimsley



Seniors Dustin Daniel, Adrienne Anthony, and Lindsay Neill worked the takeout line at Sunday's steak dinner.



Lots of tea was served by seniors, l-r, Ben Santiago, Jesus Gonzalez, and Beth Nava.



Senior Morgan Leal is armed with plenty of water and tea for the Reeve family.

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NOTICE OF PARMER COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT ELECTION

To the Registered Voters of Parmer County Hospital District, Texas:

Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., on May 13, 2006, for voting on three (3) expiring seats on the Board of Directors and two (2) hospital district propositions.

LOCATIONS OF POLLING PLACES

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|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Box 1 – City Council Chamber Office | - Friona, Texas |
| Box 2 – EMS Center | - Bovina, Texas |
| Box 3 – Community Center | - Rhea, Texas |
| Box 4 – High School | - Lazbuddie, Texas |

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at:

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between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on May 1, 2006 and ending on May 9, 2006.

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 Friona, Texas 79035

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 5, 2006.

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Ladies lunch & style show



holly campbell photos

There was plenty of time to visit at the Ladies Spring Luncheon last Saturday in the First Baptist Church fellowship hall. The annual luncheon is sponsored by the Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce. At left, Sylvia Ingram introduces the latest fashions during the style show.

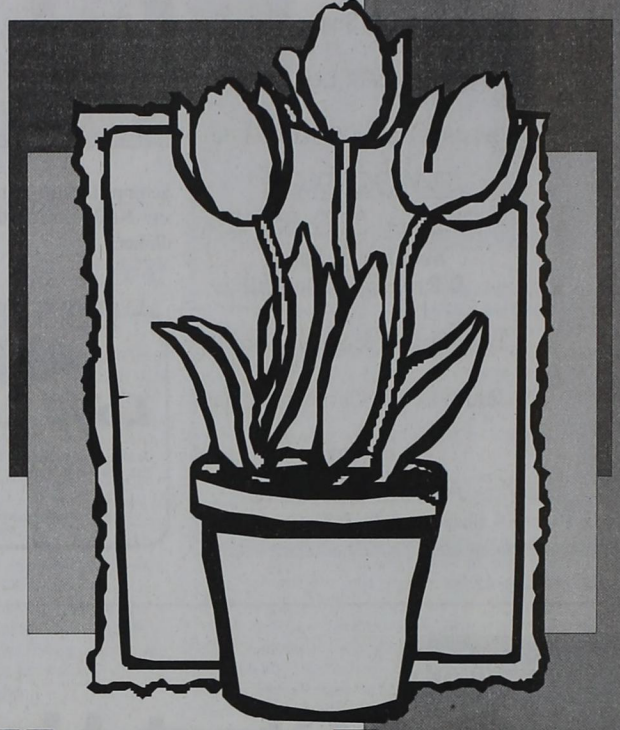
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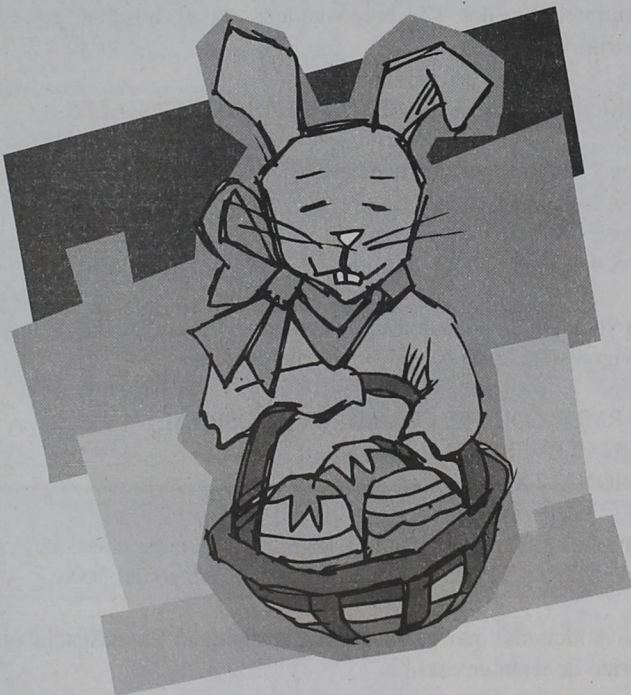


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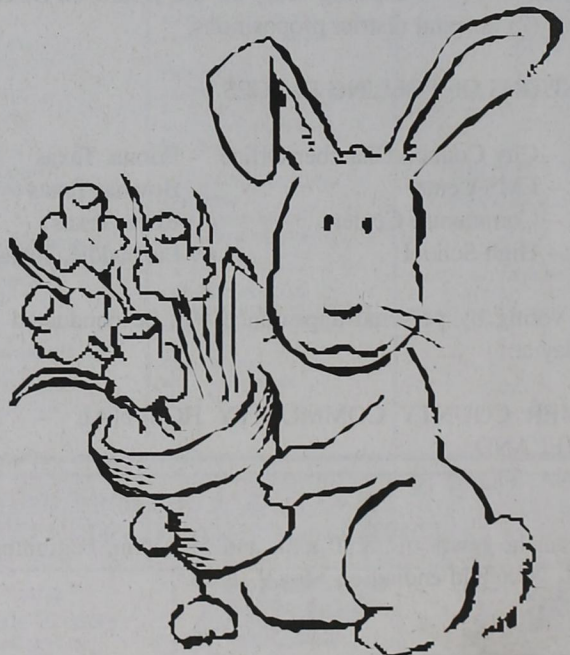
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Students raise money for Africa

BY BEN KIRTON

Last spring, our sixth graders of Friona Junior High saw the need of school children in Mozambique, Africa. Many of the students in Mozambique have been without education, buildings and materials. Some students/teachers were meeting under trees. Our students decided to help them out. They brainstormed and came up with the idea of sending money to them for school supplies through Armando Jo, a native of Mozambique.

With the organizing help of Keeley Dunning and Kelsey White, the sixth graders made a valiant effort. They did a car wash and raffled tickets off for meals and a movie. Through these efforts, they were able to send \$855 to the school children of Mozambique. (The results were sent to me last week.)

With the \$855, Armando Jo was able to use \$420 to purchase: 200 pencils, 200 pens, 200 rulers, 200 colored pencils, 200 erasers, and

500 school exercise books. The children were excited to receive these materials. You can see it in the pictures.

Also, because of the current famine, there is need for food. Therefore, Armando used \$230 to purchase approximately 88 lbs. of salt, 220 lbs. of sugar, 1,100 lbs. of corn flour and a few other basic food items. In his words, "Conse-

quently, kids would not come to school...We all know that a man with an empty stomach can not listen!" So that is why "before beginning classes, first we prepare porridge and some time tea with bread every day. This is the only meal they have during the day, for in their homes there is nothing for them to eat." The remaining funds were being used to provide food

relief. So on behalf of the children of Mozambique, I would like to recognize the present day 7th graders for all the work that they did last year and how much they have accomplished through their efforts. They are changing the lives of children their age. From Friona to Mozambique, our kids are making a difference!



ron carr photo

Friona senior Tamra Aragon organizes the desserts at the senior class steak dinner last Sunday.

From Friona

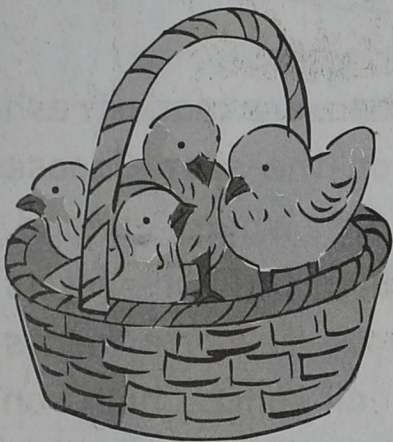


Friona 7th graders

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African Students



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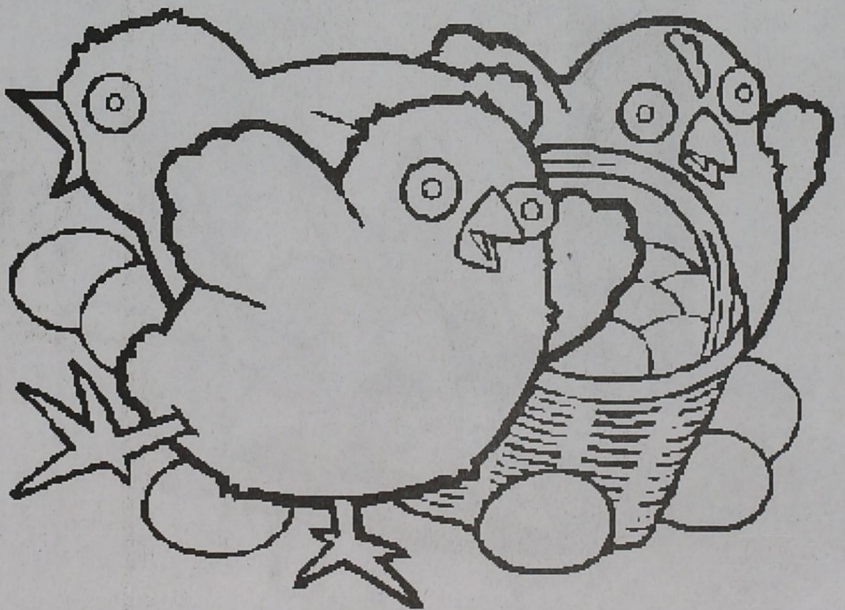
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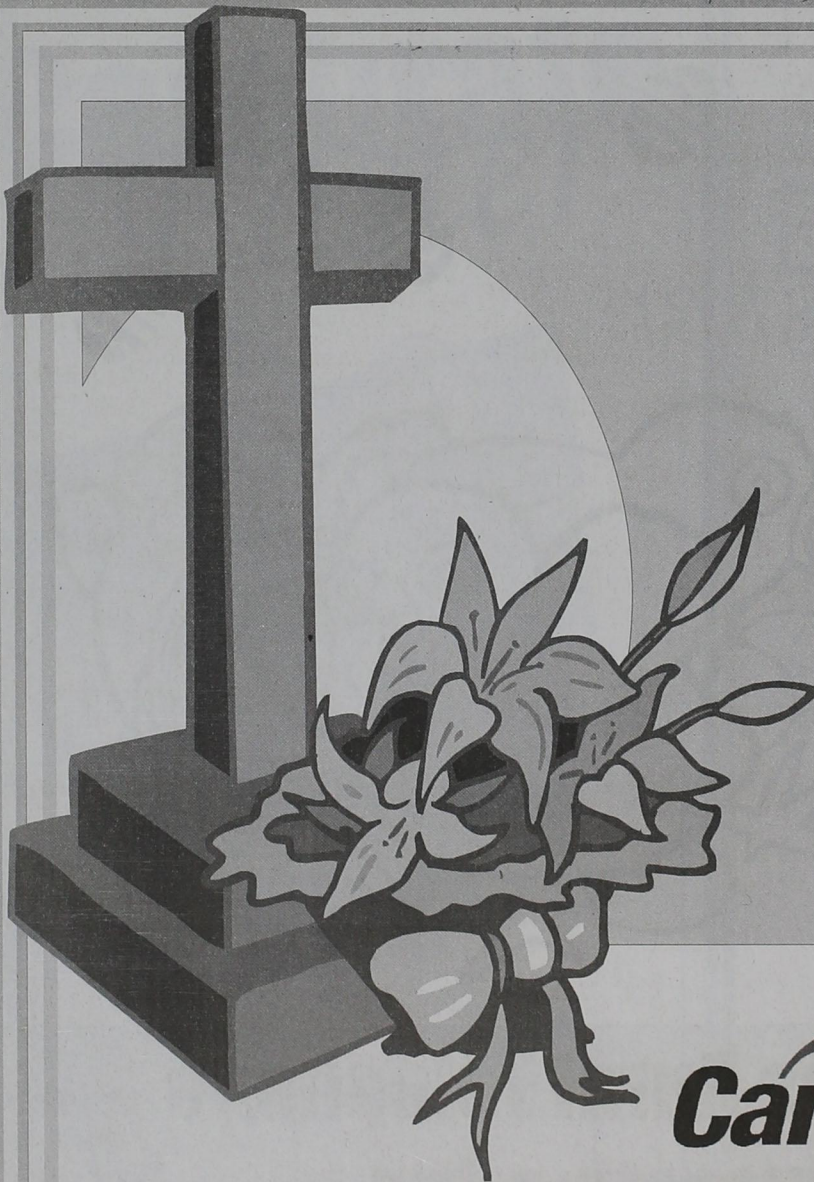
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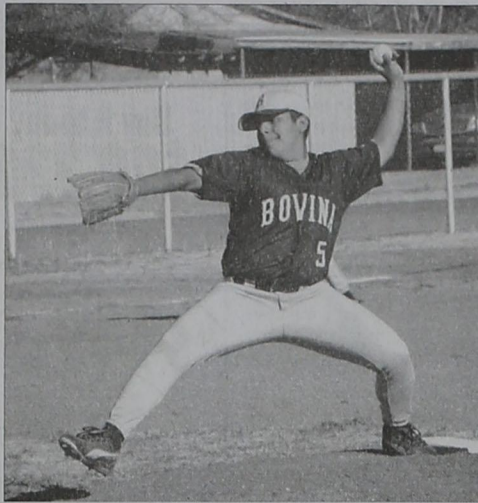


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A Mustang takes a big swing.



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The Bovina Mustangs lost big to the New Deal Lions Tuesday. The final score was 20-1 and was ended after five innings on the 10-run mercy rule.

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Town Talk Two

by ron carr

Hello to all and hope you have a nice, peaceful, reflective observance of the Easter holiday. I would wish you happy Easter but I am not sure exactly what the words "happy Easter" convey in view of the reason for the observance.

Received an email from a Texas Tech survey this week. It said 51.3% of Texans believe that children born to illegal immigrants should automatically receive U.S. citizenship. I don't agree. The survey also said the majority of Texans support legalizing casino gambling, and increasing the sales tax on cigarettes and alcohol to support education. So what happens if everybody stops gambling, smoking, and drinking? The survey didn't say.

The Hereford Lady Whiteface basketball team has a new coach that is familiar to Friona Squaw fans. He is Jason Blankenship, an Adrian native, who has been the girls' coach at district rival Tulia for the last four years.

We received word through the Methodist Church email that Jill Cotoia, daughter of Marca Herring and Glenn Herring, was diagnosed with new tumors in her liver and abdomen and the tumor in her lung is growing. As of last week she was home with plans to start a new IV chemo drug. This is a time for strong prayer in behalf of Jill and her family. The Cotoias live in Pennsylvania.

Others ailing include Rex Williams who had a breathing difficulty last week and took an ambulance ride to the hospital, Kevin Welch who is still recovering from a rotator cuff operation, and George Frye is on crutches but out of the house some after his knee operation from being kicked by a cow. Saw George at the senior class steak dinner Sunday and it didn't look like his bum knee has affected his appetite.

Speaking of the annual senior steak dinner, once again the cooks and the class and the

parents put on a good feed for over 700 people. The steaks were thicker and better than past years if that is possible. The money raised will go to the senior class all-night drug free party held at the school gym after graduation. The graduation ceremonies this year are Friday, May 26. Thanks to all who helped with the steak dinner and a special thanks to all who ate.

A former Friona Star editor was inducted into the Panhandle Press Association Hall of Fame last Friday during the annual convention in Amarillo. Dave McReynolds was a Friona editor from 1958 to 1961, moving on to publish the Stratford Star newspaper for about 25 years. He also worked at the Moore County News in Dumas and wrote a weekly column for the Amarillo Globe News before retiring a few years back.

A TV film crew will be in town Thursday, April 13, to do a short piece on Donna Baker's home. Ms. Baker bought the old Syndicate Hotel/Friona Library building on 7th Street across from the city park and has totally renovated the historic building. She has refurbished the inside and outside of the structure which contains two apartments downstairs and her residence upstairs. We are not sure what channel or when the film will air but will let you know in advance. You will want to be sure and tune in.

Bill and Carol Ellis report that Bill's book, "Friona on Parade" is entering its final stages before printing. Carol said they are now at 356 pages and it will

be printed on good paper, hardbound, 8 1/2 X 11 size. There will be a one-time printing of about 800 copies. The book began as a history of FHS sports but has expanded into a chronicle of school history, class pictures, accomplishments of graduates, etc. You can reserve a copy for a \$10 deposit. They don't know a final cost yet but somewhere around \$40-\$50. Send your deposit check to the Ellises at 1201 Maple, Friona, 79035.

Last weekend I attended the Panhandle Press Association convention in Amarillo. It was held at the Fifth Season Hotel on 1-40 east of Coulter. They are upgrading and remodeling the old property and have done a nice job. There is a nice big atrium lobby but no restaurant. Our convention meals were served by an outside caterer. (The convention is usually held at the Ambassador Hotel. I hope the PPA board moves back there next year.) Rates at the Fifth Season for our group were \$72 per night. They still have some of the old rooms out back for \$39.95.

Saw a big advertisement in the Clovis News Journal about the grand opening of the New China Star restaurant. It is located out in the strip center by the Wal-Mart parking lot, a few steps west of the Rib Crib. Big Chinese and Mongolian food buffet. The old China Star was near downtown and burned over a year ago. Since I am not a Chinese food fan I won't be going but thought you might like to know.

You folks who live out of town and out of state that get the paper, send us a note and let us know how or what you are doing. You might even have some friends here that would like to hear from you. Email frionastar@wrtt.net or fax to 806-250-5127. Anyone with local news or welfare concerns you want to share, feel free to let us know also.

Thanks and "happy Easter".



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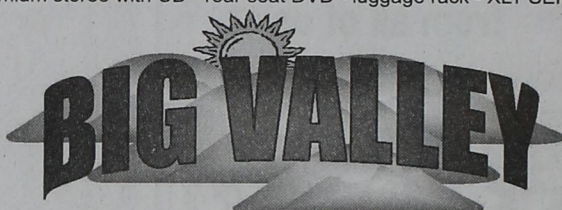
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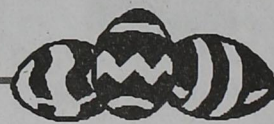
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FRIONA CENTENNIAL MOMENTS

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

The Dust Bowl Days

by C. L. Vestal

Editor's Note: My friend, C. L. Vestal, wrote this story for the second volume of Parmer County history, "Prairie Progress". It is a first-hand account of the "dirty thirties" in Friona and the Texas Panhandle. DB

When we moved to Parmer County [Friona] in the late 1920's, there were few fences and they all had dust blown into them. In some places the dust had shifted across the road and the comment among the people was: "Oh, that [land] should never had been broken out."

In the early 30's, we had dry years and crop failures. The Depression was in full swing and farmers didn't have the money to buy tractors. Many were still farming to buy tractors. Many were still farming with horses and mules, but the farmer didn't grow enough feed for the animals. The year 1934 was a very dry year. The farmers had sled(s) with a knife on the side that would cut the feed off even with the ground, then they would catch it by hand, and pile it on the sled. This would be hauled to the barn to be fed to the cows and horses. This type of operation left the fields bare and powdery, causing soil erosion. This condition prevailed from Canada to Mexico.

The beginning

One Sunday in early March of 1935, my mother and dad and I had Sunday dinner with friends, Mr. and Mrs. Ed New, who had moved west from Lamar County after we had moved here from Grayson County. About mid-afternoon we saw coming out of the west a dark red cloud made up of thousands of little whirlwinds jammed together, each one trying to get in the lead. We went back into the house and Dad sat down looking out of a south window. Mr. New was in the kitchen looking out the door. He had his left hand resting on a broom by the door facing Mother, Mrs. New and I went in the bedroom to watch the storm out of the west window, but the dust hit before we got to the window, and as quick as the snap of your fingers—there was total darkness.

I held my hand out in front of me about six inches and I

couldn't see it! Mother and Mrs. New were uttering a few prayers on our behalf, and wondering what was going to happen next. Mrs. New, looking back into the kitchen, and saw that her stove still had a burner going, and since no self-respecting housewife would let the world come to an end with her cook stove still burning said, "Ed, turn off that burner, please." So Mr. New turned around and walked across that ten-foot room, turned off the burner, and went back to the door to continue watching the storm. He began laughing and Mrs. New said, "Ed, this is no time to laugh."

The total darkness seemed to last for about 20 minutes, but I'm sure it wasn't but about three or four minutes. By then the darkness had changed from black to red. Visibility became a little better after the onslaught of the cloud. After the cloud had moved on, we realized that the world had not ended. Mr. New then apologized and told why he had laughed. As it turned out, when he crossed back from the stove to the door where had been standing with his left hand on the broom, he had his right hand on the broom and had been unable to tell the difference between the wall and the window! That was the darkest of all dustbowl storms! It had come out of the west accompanied by a rain cloud, as there were half a dozen drops of rain on the car.

The next morning when I got on the school bus, the wind was hard out of the west and Dad was forking tumbleweeds over the yard fence. That afternoon when I got off the school bus, the fencerows were piled not only with more weeds, but also with about two feet of dust that had blown into the weeds. The Dust Bowl Days had started—with total darkness and then the fence rows piled high—we had witnessed the first 24 hours.

More wind, more dust

From that start, it only grew worse. The wind would blow out of the west and got the fields to blowing. Then it



The Dust Bowl March 1941

would come back out of the north and scatter the dust back south. Back and forth it would go scouring the land clean. 1935 was a very dry year, with no crops harvested. 1936 was even worse, a little drier and a little duster.

The wind in those days seemed to have a different gusto about it—a different twist and current. The really bad ones seemed always to blow in out of the north on a Sunday afternoon or night. I remember one storm hitting during church one Sunday night. We lived six long miles south of town and drove in the middle of the road and counted each mail box as we passed it so that we would know when we got to our own and where to turn in. Most people had nailed tarpaper over their west and north doors and windows to try to keep out some of the dust. Blow-dust reacted like mercury or quicksand when you were walking or driving through it. It was almost impossible even to shovel it.

To drive across a drift was an experience! One day our local doctor, Dr. Stover, was out in the country on a house call and his car stuck in a dust drift. All he could do was sit there until help came along. In about an hour help did come along and to make conversation the neighbor said, "Hi Doc, what's the matter?" Doc's reply was, "Can't you see that I'm stuck in this dust drift?" Then the neighbor said, "There's no dust under your wheels, just hard road!" The doctor opened his door and stepped out of his car. Sure enough the car had caused a different current around the wheels and the dust

move down there and we could fix up the hen-house to live in; it would be a much better house than we have now! He can't pay us any money, but we could take our pay out in groceries." Then someone would answer, "Say, that sounds good, are you going to take him up on it?" The reply, "Oh we don't want to rush into this; his health is bad." You knew all the time she would be lying; that they would have just hauled all their chickens and anything else they could sell. The old milk cow would bring \$25.00. They filled their car with gasoline and bought some bologna for their lunch and by the time the sun was up the next morning, they would be gone. Most of us who stayed didn't have a brother-in-law with bad health.

Hope returns

I met a fellow down in East Texas in the late 1960's who was telling of the time he drove his Model D John Deere tractor with a three-row planter to town and turned it back to the finance company. With the wind blowing hard, the dust had become so deep that when he got to a certain place in the road, he realized he had driven over a

three-wire fence. I told him that things had changed and had improved considerably and that he should come back for a visit. His reply, "No Siree, I promised the Good Lord that if He would help me get off the Plains, I'd never go back. Well, He kept His promise, and I'm going to keep mine."

In the spring of 1936, we had west wind for 8 days consecutively. We could see our neighbor's house, which was just a block away, only a while after sun-up and again just before sundown. All the pictures made of the Dust Bowl Days are very true and a good reminder that it could happen again, if the land doesn't get the moisture and the proper care. In the fall of 1936, we got some rain and the farmers cultivated their land and sowed wheat.

There was a good wheat crop come 1937 and things began to improve. The community took on new hope and new life. All the home places took on a face lifting and the people's spirits were high. Improved farming methods and knowledge on how to use that which God has given us has made our country a beautiful place to live.



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Cade likes to paint. His favorite food is mashed potatoes with gravy and his favorite color is red.

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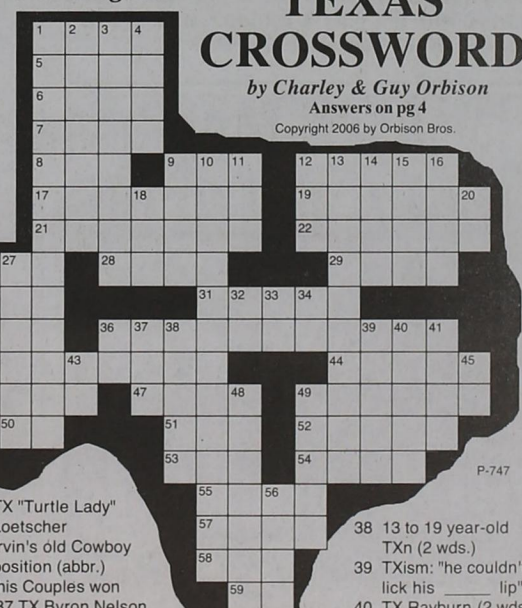
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- 9 TX country (abbr.)
- 12 TXism: "nothing to write home _- _-"
- 17 with 58-across, TX singer
- 19 "takes one _- _-one"
- 21 old Spanish war ship
- 22 European tobacco pipe (2 wds.)
- 23 TXism: "strong enough to _- horseshoe" (strong coffee)
- 28 TXism: "he has to _- his spurs"
- 29 " _- in the belfry?"
- 30 Jo- _- Dennison was 1st Miss America from TX ('42)
- 31 one of the TX "Dixie Chicks"
- 35 _- Arabia
- 36 TXism: " _- _- to death"
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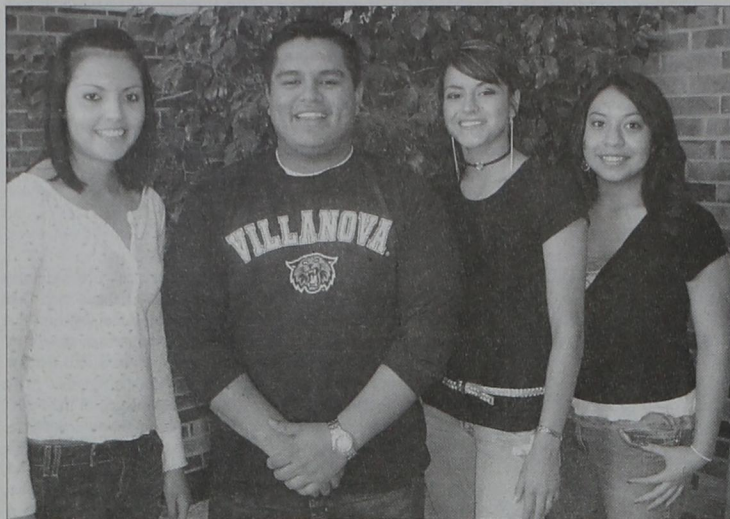
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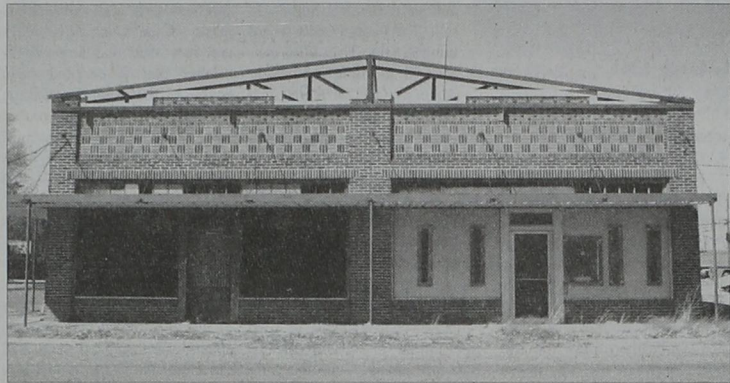
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FCCLA students, l-r, Kayla Estrada, Pedro Ramos, Karla Padilla, and Angelica Arellano qualified for the nationals competition and will be attending the FCCLA nationals in Nashville, Tennessee.



dana d jameson photo

This building at 6th and Euclid was the local movie theater many years ago. It has sat vacant for a long time but is now getting new life as the headquarters and shop for L & L Electric. The company is remodeling the old building, including a new roof. L & L is a primary electrical contractor for Cargill Meat Solutions.

Clayton wins commissioner precinct 2 runoff election

The Republican runoff for County Commissioner Precinct 2 drew over 200 voters Tuesday. The winner, with 58% of the vote, was James Clayton. He defeated Larry Hodnett and will now face Democratic candidate Houston Bartlett in the November election to decide the next Precinct 2 commissioner.



James Clayton

In the precinct voting, 201 was 91 Clayton, 74 Hodnett; 202 was 8 Clayton, 2 Hodnett; 203 was 21 Clayton, 7 Hodnett.



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Prom to be "A Night in Paris"

Friona High School junior class parents met Tuesday, March 28 to discuss the Junior/Senior Banquet and Prom, "A Night in Paris", on Saturday, April 29 at 7 p.m.

Changes were discussed. The major change will be no parents at the prom. An open house will be held from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. on

prom night to allow the parents and public to view the prom decorations. Parents will be allowed to take pictures from 6:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The members of the junior class were asked to bring a six-pack of sodas for drinks during the dance. Parents and sponsors will de-

rate the cafeteria Friday, April 28 and Saturday morning. Clean up will be after 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 30.

If you are a junior class parent and would like to help with the prom contact junior class sponsor Amber Drake at Friona High School, 250-3951.

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