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Friona bands to present 2006 Spring Concert

The Friona Junior High and High School band departments will present their annual Spring Concert on Thursday, May 18, at 7 p.m. in the Friona Junior High auditorium.

The bands will present a variety of music from the traditional idiom as well as pop.

"We always look forward to this particular concert not only because of the music we perform, but also for the opportunity it gives us to honor our graduating seniors one last time," stated band director, Ron McWilliams.

The concert is free to the public and everyone is encouraged to come out and support the young musicians of Friona in their last performance of the year.

No fishing 'till Sunday

Friona city employees have been busy preparing Reeve Lake for Sunday's Kid Fish Day. They pumped water into the lake and installed an aerator to keep water circulating and fresh.

Officials from Texas Parks and Wildlife will stock the lake with catfish Friday. Fishing at the lake is prohibited Friday night and Saturday. Game wardens and Friona police will be keeping an eye on the lake and can issue citations for fishing violators.

The Kid Fish activities begin Sunday from 1-4 p.m. Friona EMS will operate a concession stand. Kids will be divided into age categories and prizes will be awarded. Fishing equipment and bait will be provided. There is no fee to fish but kids must register. Only kids under 16-years-old are allowed to participate.

Bovina voters at EMS building

The May 13 elections in Bovina for the hospital, school board, and city council will be consolidated at the EMS Building on 3rd Street. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

For the Bovina school board there are five candidates for two positions. The candidates are Vince Terrones, Tony Neal, Bea Prather, Matt Hromas, and Brian Cox.

In the city council race, four candidates are vying for two openings. The candidates are incumbent Jesse Stone, Danny Pollard, David Curtis, and Honey Sue Gist.

Bovina has cumulative voting. Each voter will have two votes to cast and may use their two votes for one candidate. Bovina voters will also consider the two propositions on the hospital district ballot.

All-sports banquet moved to jr. high

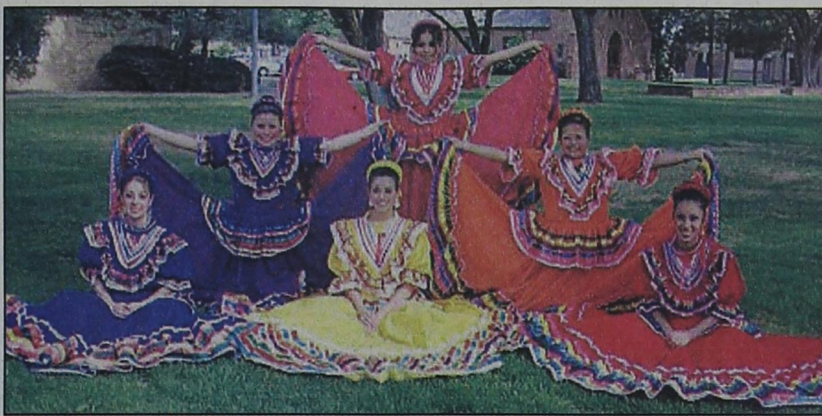
The 2006 Friona High School all-sports banquet Tuesday, May 16, has been moved from the community center to the junior high cafeteria. The time is still 6:30 p.m.

Tickets for the banquet are \$10 and can be purchased at the administration building or at the high school office. The meal will consist of steak, Lions Club french fries, salad, homemade dessert.

The Friona Chieftain football, basketball, and baseball teams and the Friona Squaws basketball team all made it to the playoffs during the 2005-06 school year, as well as fifteen students that advanced to regionals in track, and two boys who advanced to the state track meet. The public is invited to the all-sports banquet to applaud the success of 2005-06 FHS athletics.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Colorful dancers



courtesy photo

Friona high school folkloric dancers, members of Erin Barnett's Spanish classes, performed at the Latino Festival at West Texas A&M University on Saturday, April 22. The ladies are, l-r, front, Brenda Acosta, Magaly Leyva, Mari Mendez, top, Erika Godoy, Teresa Garcia, and Nora Castanon.

School's free summer food program expands

The Friona Independent School District will sponsor a summer food service program. Meals will be provided at the elementary school cafeteria Monday-Friday June 5 to July 21 (closed July 4). Breakfast will be served from 8:30-9:30 a.m. and lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

In addition to the above schedule, lunch only will be served at four additional sites: Cottonwood Apartments 11:30-11:50 a.m.; Community Center parking lot at 15th and James St. 11:55 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.; the walking park at Highway 60 and 5th Street 12:20-12:40 p.m.; and the baseball park at Prospect and 3rd St. 12:45-1:05 p.m.

These meals are provided at no charge to those persons at least one-year-old but not over 18-years-old. The meals are provided in accordance with federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy. If you have further questions call 806-250-3353.

Voting locations for Saturday's local elections



Five candidates are on the ballot for the May 13 Friona school board election and two yes or no propositions will be contested for approval to build a new Parmer County hospital. The polls will be open Saturday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Friona city council chambers next to city hall,

the EMS building in Bovina, the Rhea community center, and the high school in Lazbuddie.

Three Friona school board positions are on the ballot. The five candidates are Lisa Alaniz, Brent Loflin, Andy Montana, Mitch Smiley, and Loraine Anthony. A sample

ballot and sketches of the five candidates are printed elsewhere in the newspaper.

Voters have three votes. Under Friona's cumulative voting, the three votes can be cast for one person so each candidate's name will appear on the ballot three times. Voters can cast one vote each for

three candidates, three votes for the same candidate, or any combination of the three votes for one, two, or three candidates.

Bovina voters will vote for the hospital propositions, the city council, and the school board at the EMS building,

Friona students in Waco during tornado

BY DANA D. JAMESON

(Note: Friona Star production manager Dana D. Jameson chaperoned the Friona TSA students to the state meet in Waco May 4-7. A F-2 tornado struck during their stay. This is her account of the events.)

It had been a long, fun day at Six Flags in Arlington and we made it back to the motel in Waco around 10 p.m. We had watched the lightning all the way from just outside Arlington.

The weather report earlier in the day had said we had an 80% chance of rain that evening. It was cloudy and overcast all day but the kids and sponsors had a great time.

When we arrived at the motel Jimmy Centeno tripped and twisted his ankle while getting off the bus. Jimmy was whisked off to the hospital in downtown Waco by Vice Principal David Newhouse and Kara Hardin. That left me and Randy Hardin to tend to the 27 students left in the motel.

The clouds were building and the wind was starting to blow and whip things around. But pizza was being delivered and students were securely in their assigned rooms. Mr. Hardin and I had just sat down to eat our pizza and prepare for the next day when the television flashed a tornado warning on the screen. Hardin called the front desk and was told to get the kids downstairs to the main laundry room.

We rushed down the walkway, banging on doors and making sure the kids headed out. Of course there were questions. "Can we take our food with us?" "Can we stay here?" My all time favorite was, "Do we need to pack our bags?" Of course, the answer to all the above questions was a resounding "NO!"

We got the kids downstairs and did a head count and found we were missing two kids. They were found and counted again. Unfortunately, we forgot about the bus

driver, Terry Carthel. So we ran through the rain and made sure she made it to the front office.

The kids were led into the laundry room with other kids from Klein High School.

Of course being kids they wanted to see what was happening. But I made sure they stayed in the laundry room while Mr. Hardin kept tabs on the progress of the tornado. When the lights went out the kids quieted down but there were still questions. "How long are we going to be here?" "If we are going to stay here, can I go get my pizza and my pillow?" "No" was the answer again.

We had foreign exchange student Luisa Held with us and she had never experienced a tornado or the effects of one. Her eyes were huge and she was extremely quiet.

I kept going out to check the television and look out the window. When the trees started blowing

horizontal I decided to step back into the laundry room. It felt like it lasted for hours with the wind blowing and the sirens sounding but I am sure it only lasted a few minutes.

As the first round of the storm went over and things calmed down the kids were getting restless. But they managed to occupy themselves by calling their parents and telling them what was happening. Sorry parents. They were safe and out of harms way.

As the second round of rain hit the adults stayed close to the television but even closer to the laundry room door. As everyone here knows, waiting is the hardest and longest part while waiting for a tornado to pass.

When the storm finally let up we released the kids to go directly to their rooms and stay there until we did a room check.

Meanwhile across town Mr.

Newhouse and Mrs. Hardin were in the direct path of the storm. They are sitting in the emergency room with Jimmy.

When the winds started to pick up everyone was led to an inner room at the hospital. Doors had to be held shut because of the suction from the F2 tornado passing outside. After some harrowing moments, the storm passed leaving damage along Waco Drive.

The doctor released Jimmy around 4 a.m. and they arrived at the motel around 4:30 after having to deal with rubberneckers and sightseers driving through the destruction. Everyone was safe and no one was hurt except Jimmy but his injury was before the tornado.

I have to commend Mr. and Mrs. Hardin, Mr. Newhouse and all the students for how well they handled the situation. You never expect these things to happen when you are out of town and in strange surroundings, but it does.

Chieftain send-off



ron carr photos

The Friona Chieftains got a fan sendoff and a police escort Thursday on the way to Littlefield to meet Abernathy in the baseball playoffs. Above, Hector Sanchez, Trent Hudson, and Sean Lookingbill wave from the bus. Left, the sign brigade, l-r, Brooke Herbert, Miranda Frye, Kandace Frye, Jeanne Stone, Jordan Jamerson, Briana Wright, and Hannah Stovall line the highway.



OUT HERE

by Ron Carr

1937: the untimely death of Maurice McFarland

When I look back at the old issues of the Friona Star I usually get stuck in the pages of local history and the flowery verbiage used in the early days of journalism. It is habit forming. Every page contains a snippet of life in an earlier time.

This week I was looking for an early article when I came across a September 3, 1937 issue of the Friona Star. It had a note on it that said, "This is the only copy we have of any 1937 issue."

The front page headline said "Paving Assured For Main Street." A total of \$4,000 had been set aside by the Highway Commission for the purpose of "paving as many blocks on Main Street here as that amount of money would cover."

An adjacent article urged citizens to assume the arduous task of "securing better sanitary conditions for certain sections of our city, especially the business section." According to the report there were a number of open cesspools in the city which were "daily producing swarms of flies and mosquitoes to endanger the public health by carrying many disease germs and to disturb the rest and comfort of our people in the vicinity where these nuisances exist." Dan Ethridge, president of the chamber of commerce, was spearheading the sanitary movement.

Apparently church revivals in those days lasted as long as the spirit moved them. This example from the 1937 paper: "A series of revival meetings was begun at the local Baptist Church Sunday night and will continue throughout the week and perhaps longer."

Under the headline Recovering From Burns, "Mrs. Ralph New, who was painfully burned last Saturday afternoon when two jars of okra she was canning exploded, is reported as rapidly recovering. Mrs. New had taken the two jars from the pressure cooker and placed them on the floor and was in the act of placing two more jars beside them when the first two removed exploded.

She was brought to town immediately where she received

medical attention and after the first severe pain from the burning had ceased it was found that the burns were not serious and only two places on her neck and shoulder were blistered. She is reported as rapidly recovering." (A good reason to vote "Yes" for the hospital. Never can tell when your okra might explode.)

Miss Marjorie Bracken visited Miss Alice Wiley Tuesday evening.

The City Water Superintendent, L. G. Simpson, had a crew of men at work early Monday laying an additional water line from the main in the street into

Mary Edna Davis, Juanita Lewis, and Virginia Guyer, and the honoree Miss Reeve.

The boys were Messrs. Ralph Taylor, Noel and Ira Bengler, Price Brookfield, Bruce Parr, C.L. Kelly and J. T. Green. The evening was most joyously spent and most of the girls remained with Mrs. Reeve for the night. (Note: Price Brookfield and Bruce Parr both passed away just recently. Brookfield's obituary was in last week's Star.)

And then there was this example of an obituary in a more flowery and less politically correct period, 1937:

a favorite with all who knew him, and was always held in high esteem by the other members of his classes at school.

He was born on June 10th, 1919, at Killeen, Texas, and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McFarland. He professed faith in Jesus as his savior at a revival meeting in August, 1934, and joined the Baptist Church of this city. He passed to his heavenly home at the age of 18 years, 2 months, and 19 days.

He leaves to mourn his untimely departure, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McFarland; three brothers, Lonnie, Granville, and



the rooms of the Helpy-Selfy Laundry. This was done to facilitate the work in the laundry, which frequently had the use of two or more faucets at the same time, and the small line already installed could not supply enough volume, which frequently delayed the work in the laundry. Mr. Houlette, proprietor of the laundry, expressed himself as deeply grateful to the city officials, for their courtesy in giving him this added service.

On last Saturday night, Mrs. Glenn Reeve was hostess to a "slumber" party at her home given in honor of her sister-in-law, Miss Ruth Reeve, who is to leave soon for Canyon where she will enter the W.T.S.T. College for her freshman year. Those attending the party were Misses Pearl Houlette, Margaret Houlette, Lydia Marie Spring, Charlene McFarland, Edith Mae Frost, Margot and Maxine McLean, Grace Miller,

This community was again visited by the Grim Reaper, Death, which snatched from among us at 11:15 o'clock P.M. Sunday August 29 the bright young life of Maurice McFarland, at the hospital at Amarillo whither he had been taken on the previous day, Saturday.

While a hemorrhage of the stomach seems to have been the immediate cause, his death came as a result of a wound in his head, which was caused by the accidental discharge of a small rifle, held in his own hand, on the evening of June 21st, last.

Since that time his condition has been sometime hopeful and at other times discouraging, but recently it became more and more apparent that he could not recover, and on Saturday morning a relapse came, which he could not withstand.

Maurice was of a pleasant and lovable disposition and was

Hines McFarland; and six sisters, Mrs. Claude Osborn, Mrs. Sloan Osborn, Mrs. Roy Clements, Misses Lora Mae, Geraldine, and Charline McFarland; besides a large number of other near relatives and dear friends, who will ever miss his very happy and cheerful disposition that made him so loved by all his friends.

Funeral services were conducted at the Baptist Church at Friona, Tuesday afternoon, August 31, by Rev. D. E. Moore, and attended by a host of sorrowing neighbors and friends.

The bounty and beauty of the floral offerings were another testimonial of the esteem in which the deceased and his relatives are held by their neighbors. Following the services at the church, interment was made at the Friona Cemetery.

Maurice McFarland would have been 87-years-old next month. His sister, Geraldine (Geri) Taylor still lives in Friona.

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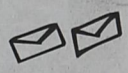
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Ron:
 I have read some wonderful letters in your editorial in regards to support for a new hospital. I want to voice my support also.

I have been the school nurse for Friona Primary and Elementary Schools for 14 years and accidents occur in all shapes and sizes and all times of the day. When medical assistance outside of my office is necessary, we have a staff of doctors and medical personnel who have never failed to see emergency cases or work unscheduled illnesses and accidents into their already extremely busy schedules. It troubles me a great deal to think, "Where would we send our school kids in an emergency situation if we did not have our doctors and hospital right here in Friona"? We are so fortunate to have them so close! I hope we never have to address that question.

I urge all parents and grandparents to vote YES on the issue for a new hospital to be built. We have a lot of kids depending on our positive vote.

Sincerely,
 Kathy Terry
 School Nurse
 Friona I.S.D.



The results of Saturday's hospital election could well determine the future of Parmer County Community Hospital.

I don't know about you, but I would much rather be able to continue driving 10 blocks to see a doctor, rather than 75 miles (150 round trip), especially if my life depended on it.

To me, Saturday's vote is a "no brainer." But it will take everyone's vote to assure that what our local "hospital pioneers" built through the years isn't lost forever.

Bill Ellis
 Publisher Emeritus
 Friona Star



Dear Editor,

As an employee of the hospital and having actively campaigned for the new hospital facility, I have heard numerous questions from area residents regarding the issue of remodeling the existing facility versus replacing the facility. An obvious area of concern is the increase in taxes to a level sufficient to replace the facility, an increase which is estimated to be approximately 10 cents. How does that cost compare to the cost of remodeling the facility?

If the two proposals on the May 13th ballot do not pass, as I see it, there are three options:

1. Do nothing. We could just "put our heads in the sand" and hope Medicare ignores our situation. Since we know that Medicare is becoming more and more restrictive in their guide-

lines, I don't see this as a viable option.

2. Wait until next year and try again to pass the propositions necessary to build a new facility. Why wait? Each year we put off the building process, we are increasing the construction costs.

3. Remodel the existing facility. With a current tax cap of 25 cents and a current tax rate of 18 cents, the hospital district has 7 cents remaining under the cap. If the hospital were to remodel the existing facility, they would most likely need all of the 7 cents remaining under the current cap.

If the hospital district were to use 7 cents to remodel the existing facility and they are estimating the need for 10 cents to completely replace the facility, we are only talking about a 3 cent difference between remodeling versus replacing the facility. How does this relate to the actual tax dollars we will pay? For every \$100,000 in property value, a 7 cent tax increase would amount to \$70 and a 10 cent tax increase would amount to \$100 - a \$30 difference annually. For such a small difference, I would rather have a new, modern facility.

To me, it just doesn't make sense to put \$7-8 million dollars into remodeling a facility that would still be 50+ years old! For a few dollars more each month we can have a new, state of the art facility that will serve Parmer County and the surrounding area for decades to come.

To me, the math is simple!
 Respectfully,
 Heidi Eichenauer

Tumbleweed Smith

Multi-tasking takes a lot of time

Starbucks exploded onto the scene along with the Internet, cell phone and dot com booms. Then came eBay and blogs and everybody went to Starbucks (with their computers and cell phones) to try to stave off the mad onslaught of non-stop information. All the caffeine does is make us more hyper and we get less sleep.

Mark Morford, a columnist for the San Francisco Chronicle, says nobody is getting enough sleep because everybody is so stressed. "Everybody is stressed because they have way, way too much to do and far too little time in which to do it."

We have less time because of modern technology. Did somebody say computers were time savers? How about the telephone since it became digitized and dehumanized?

I think people go to Starbucks because they think they will be considered above average, connected to the multi-tasking generation.

They think the more stuff whirling around your brain at any given moment makes you more brilliant. The opposite is true,



according to ancient gurus and yogis. It is when you calm the mind, breathe deeply and sleep well, cleaning out the toxins and caffeine that real wisdom and intuition come your way.

On their way to Starbucks, people shave, put on lipstick, check their email, fix their hair, clip fingernails, and tune the radio, all while driving their vehicles.

When I lived in Europe I used to drive through the Alps smoking my pipe, drinking coffee and reading the map. Had there been cell phones and computers then, I probably would have been using those, too.

I sometimes drive while playing my nose flute (it just requires one hand). I was proud of my ability to do that until I saw a guy pass me playing a trombone. When I'm hungry I get a meat cup, which requires two hands. I've learned to drive with my knees.

Are you multi-tasking right now? Working on your to-do list, answering your cell, text messaging your friend, reading this column, burning a CD, programming your Bluetooth? If not, you're behind times.

We are media drenched. We have numerous ways to communicate instantly. How many letters have you written lately? How many email messages have you sent? Many more of the latter, I would imagine. The internet is a deliciously addictive distraction, annoying its users with instant messaging, iTunes, movie trailers (does Tom Cruise just run and jump all the time?), new car announcements and Amazon.

We drink coffee thinking it is a stimulant. It must be, because it destroys some people's ability to calm down and get some sleep. If coffee was a real stimulant, I could learn about podcasting in Garageband, start my novel, learn Chinese and read that 400 page book on digital photography, all while driving to see my grand children.

Around Town

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

Library displays

F.L. Spring family

The Friona Public Library's display for May will feature the F.L. Spring family. The library is open Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Driver's license office new hours

The Motor Vehicle division of the Texas Department of Transportation will be open Tuesdays only for the next 6-8 weeks. They will be open from 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

4-H bucket calf cookout

According to the Parmer County Extension office, there will be a 4-H bucket calf project meeting on Monday, May 15, from 6-7 p.m. at the Farwell City Park. A hamburger meal will be served. Plans will be made for this year's bucket calf project. Youngsters from 5-9 years of age can participate in the bucket calf program. Extension agent Cody Hill says, "Bring the family and come join this fun project." For more information contact Cody at 806-481-3619.

Living History Day May 18

National Museum Day will be observed by the Parmer County Historical Museum Thursday, May 18, 2006. Area 7th grade student tours will begin at 10 a.m. at 221 W. 6th St. in Friona. Many historical activities will be demonstrated. Donations will be accepted for a Chuckwagon lunch which will begin serving at 12 noon. All county residents are invited. Public tours will begin at 1:30 p.m. Don't miss the chance to visit the museum.

Tea reception for retiring teachers

A retirement tea in honor of Randy Dickson and Pat Turner will

be held Saturday, May 20, from 10-11 a.m. at the Friona State Bank community room. It is a come and go, casual dress event, congratulating them on their retirement from Friona ISD.

Friona Shootout May 19-20

Coaches Richard North and Ky Graham will host the Friona Shootout May 19 & 20. Entry fee is \$100 per team. Payments may be mailed or paid before the first game is played. Divisions are boys and girls, 3rd/4th grade, 5th/6th grade, 7th/8th grade and high school. Entry deadline is May 12 with brackets being emailed May 15. Three games are guaranteed and limited to the first 8 teams per division. Individual medals for division winners. Warm-up balls will be provided. All divisions except high school will have 20-minute running clock halves. High school will have 16-minute halves. For more information contact Richard North at 806-250-8800 or 806-250-3619 or Ky Graham at 806-250-3452.

Senior Citizens Social May 23

Friona Senior Citizens will host a social Tuesday, May 23 at 6 p.m. at the Friendship House at 1410 Washington St.

Everyone over 50 is invited to attend and enjoy barbecue and homemade ice cream and then stay for the annual meeting, election of officers and membership drive.

Musical entertainment and bingo games will be played with nice prizes awarded.

The evening is free so come and bring your friends or come and meet new friends.

Brand book needs brands by May 26

The Friona Chamber of Commerce is gathering registered brands for the updated Parmer County

Brand Book. All farmers and ranchers in the county are encouraged to register their brands. The deadline for getting your brand in the book will be May 26. Call the Chamber at 806-250-3491 for more information.

Squaw Basketball Camp May 30-June 2

Improve your basketball skills and have fun for free at the Squaw Basketball Camp May 30 through June 2 for 7th through 9th grade girls and May 30 through June 1 for 3rd through 6th grade girls. Camp for 7th through 9th graders will be from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. for 3rd through 6th graders. Contact any of the girls coaches for forms or bring the form with you the first day. No t-shirt, ball or insurance will be provided.

Chieftain Basketball Camp June 12-15

Friona High School Coach Ky Graham would like to invite everyone in grades 3-9 to participate in the 2006 Chieftain Basketball Camp, June 12-15. Grades 3-6 will meet from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and the cost is \$25 per child. Grades 7-9 will meet from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and the cost is \$35 per child. Free t-shirts and prizes for contests will be given. Contact Coach Ky Graham to register. Forms need to be returned by June 9 to Friona High School or 1603 W. 7th. For more information call 250-3862 or 250-3452.

Methodist Vacation Bible School May 30

The Friona United Methodist Church Vacation Bible School theme this year is "Gospel Express Celebration." The Bible School is open to 3-year-olds (as of June 1) through 6th grade. The dates are May 30-June 2, from 9-11:45 a.m. For more information contact the church at 250-3045.



Lions Club News

BY RON CARR, PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN

The Friona Noon Lions met Thursday, May 4, with 20 members and club sweetheart Breann Barnett present. Club secretary Larry Knowles reported that we had 20 out of our 23 total members present.

Club members traveled to Canyon Friday evening, May 5, for the District convention. Several club members played in the golf tournament in the rain Friday, then had to set up a tarp over the grill Friday night to cook the burgers and fries for the attendees at family night at the WT A&M campus.

Breann Barnett represented us well during the District Lions Queen contest. She won the Miss Congeniality title. The golf team won 2nd place in the tournament. Our next outing is to cook fries for the Friona all-sports banquet Tuesday May 16.

At the meeting, Boss Lion Clint Mears announced that our club is donating \$300 to the local Relay for Life and \$250 for the Friona high school all-night drug free party held after graduation. Also, we will be sponsoring a local 5th grade boy to attend the Lions diabetes camp this summer in Kerrville. Thanks to Friona school nurse Kathy Terry for alerting the club to this opportunity. The camp is free but our club will provide transportation to and from Amarillo for the camp bus.

We also bid farewell to long-time Lions member Leon Talley. He is retiring from Lions Club membership due to health rea-

sons. Leon has been a loyal, active Lion for many years and we wish him good health and thank him for his years of service.

The money we raise and are able to donate is made possible through the public's support of our projects. One such project is next Thursday at city park for the annual mop and broom sale. A pre-order flyer is included in the local editions of the newspaper today. You can pre-order mops, brooms, dust

mops, cleaning cloths, push brooms, flyswatters and dish rags. Drop your order blank off and we will deliver the day of the sale. Or bring your order blank to the park May 18. All products will be on display. We'll fill your order there.

Thanks for the participation and we appreciate your continuing support. The next regular meeting of the Friona Noon Lions will be Thursday, June 1. Visitors and prospective new members are welcome.



courtesy photo

Lions drawing winners, the Mason family of Hereford won the jeep drawing held at the district convention in Canyon. From Left are Chase, Dick, Lynn and Randy. Lynn actually won the jeep. Dick is a Hereford Lions member.

DID YOU KNOW?

Ralph Lee McDonald was the first listed birth certificate in Parmer County, born 1 February 1917 in Bovina, Texas. There were many earlier births in Parmer County which are considered as delayed birth certificates and are issued by the state or county as applied for. Missouri Martin is the first listed death in Parmer County and she died in 1925. She is buried in the Bovina Cemetery. Deaths prior to that time are not listed.

Parmer County Courthouse Records

FlashBacks

Reprinted from the Thursday, June 10, 1965 Friona Star

"Old Red" school house comes A' Tumblin' Down

"They just don't build buildings like that anymore," stated Myer Spector, of Spector Demolition and Salvage Company, which is tearing down Friona's "Old Red" school building to make way for construction of new classrooms.

Spector's company has made a lot of progress toward tearing down the old building, which was completed in 1923. "Old Red," as it has been known for the past several years, has served Friona School District for 41 years.

For the first eight years or so of its "life" the building housed all 12 grades for the Friona school system. Then when a high school building was built in 1931, the "Old Red" building became the grade school facility.

It has served to house various parts of grade school in the intervening 34 years, being used for the fourth, fifth and sixth grades in recent years, since completion of facilities to the south of the building and across the street.

The Building was completed in 1923. It was built just behind the place where the original Friona school building had stood. That building was destroyed by fire in 1922.

Two men who were members of the school board when the building was built are still living in Friona. They are J. W. (Uncle John) White and T. J. Crawford. The architect for the job, E. R. Rittenberry, still lives in Amarillo, and the firm he established is still doing business through his two sons.

The building was remodeled around 1940, and then when the present gymnasium and auditorium were completed in 1951, it was again remodeled, with

additional classrooms added where the old auditorium had been in the upstairs area.

Six classrooms were added, so that for the last 14 years the building has had 13 classrooms and a large basement which has been used for music and art classes. The basement originally was the school's gymnasium.

Also during the latter remodeling periods, restrooms were added to the upstairs for the

first time.

Spector, while supervising the demolishing of the building which has been "school" for so many Friona residents, pointed out that the lumber used in the building is virgin long-leaf yellow pine.

"It's of a fabulous quality. You can't even find lumber like that anymore," the contractor said.



BOTH USED BUILDING ... Glenn Reeve, who was a student in the "Old Red" building for practically his entire time in public school at Friona, points to the room where he started school to Carol Morgan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Morgan. Reeve was among the first students to attend school in the building when it was completed in 1923. Carol was among the last group of students who attended school there this spring. She was a fourth-grade student in Mrs. Tom Bandy's room.

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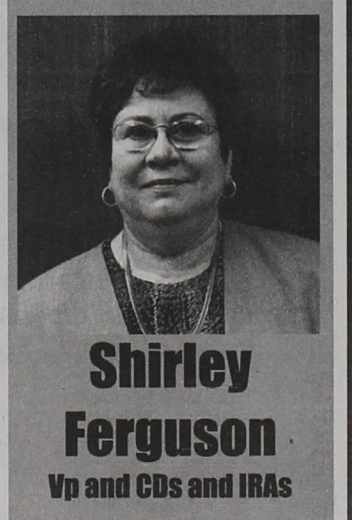
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Cowboy poets breakfast tribute to Mary Crump

A Cowboy Poetry breakfast Saturday, May 13, at the Big Texan in Amarillo has been declared as a tribute to Mary Crump of Friona.

Charlie Bell, headliner for the breakfast, said, "At 4 foot, 10 and 98 pounds, Mary was our 'tiny stick of dynamite' poet from Friona. With a new poem for nearly every breakfast, either hilarious or with an unexpected twist, she was always one of our favorites." Due to ill health, Mary will be unable to attend but many of her much-loved poems will be given.

Bell, former president of the Southwest Cowboy Poets Association, is a retired Gerber Food executive. His poetry reflects his Oklahoma upbringing and his western heritage. Following his program, the cowboy and cowgirl poets, singers, and tall-tale tellers will entertain at the open mike. Area cowboys and girls wishing to participate are welcome. The public is invited.

The chuckwagon breakfast of scrambled eggs, fried potatoes, biscuits, and gravy begins at 8 a.m. It also includes omelets to order, waffles, and assortments of fruit and breakfast rolls. The \$6.50 charge includes the entertainment.

For more information call Ivan Cates at 353-5617 or Marianne Logan at 374-4354.



XIT Trail of Sales June 3

Yard sales, flea markets and food will attract 100's of shoppers to the annual "XIT Trail of Sales" on June 3. But good deals are not all they'll find, said one Texas Cooperative Extension agent.

A little tourism and history will be mixed in for bargain hunters who make their way along the 75-mile stretch of highway that follows the XIT Trail through Channing, Hartley, Dalhart and Texline, said Susie Breitting, Extension family and consumer sciences agent for Dallam and Hartley counties.

The annual "XIT Trail of Sales" is sponsored by Extension and Dalhart Area Chamber of Commerce. The outdoor shopping trip is designed to be fun, Breitting said.

"We designed activities to foster rural tourism and commerce with a tip of the hat to bygone days once filled with a trail full of cowboys and cattle herds," Breitting said.

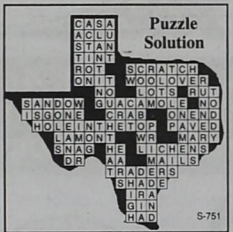
The string of sales from Channing via state Highway 385 to Hartley then via Highway 87 to Dalhart will bring visitors into the heart of XIT country. Texline will be the fourth and final stop, via state Highway 87 from Dalhart.

For visitors from New Mexico, Colorado and Oklahoma, the trail will be reversed.

Selling begins at 8 a.m. and runs through 5 p.m. Shoppers may start at any community involved. Locator maps, with sales sorted by address for each of the participating communities, will be available at the Channing Mercantile in Channing; at 918 7th Street in Hartley; Prairie Dog Junction in Dalhart; and the Oasis Convenience Store in Texline.

Residents interested in joining up as a seller will pay a \$10 fee to ensure a spot on the map and need to contact their community chairman to register.

Contact Dean Rhodes at the Mercantile in Channing at (806) 235-3800; Jennifer Been in Hartley at (806) 365-0042; Kristine Olsen at the Chamber office in Dalhart at (806) 244-5646; and Alicia Riley in Texline at (806) 362-4571 (after 7 p.m.) to participate with a sale site.



Happy Birthday

May 14, 2006-May 20, 2006

May 14-Cecelia Schueler, Robin Houlette, Danny Pena, Owen Drake, Amy Blankenship, Sylvia Roth, C. Daniel Padilla, Kristie Jack, Mary Lee Cass, Renee Hough, Billy Johnson, Robert Read

May 15-Ron Reed, Isidra Villalobos, Billy Stover, Brittany Berend, Kinsey Reeve, Denny Young

May 16-Ruthie Hardin, Ron Procter, Lisa Lane, Deirdre Johnston, Barbarette Sikes, Savanna Barksdale, Gloria Reyes

May 17-Carl Mohr, Jill McFarland, Glen Herring, Christie Guerra, Kristen Bailey, Sally Howard, Franklin Ratliff, Homer Lindeman, Dario Hernandez

May 18-Danny Carthel, Jim Johnston, John Crozier, Jacob Landrum

May 19-Ramey Beene, Lynn Nelson, Carol Ellis, Naruby Schlenker, Mary Lou Taylor, Ruby Hassenpflug, Tyler Hough, Blair Burney

May 20-Gay Welch, Kim Barnett, Sherrie Stanberry, Larry Manuel, Graham Douglas Edelman

M. McLellan to graduate May 20

Michael Joseph McLellan, son of Lisa McLellan of Red River, New Mexico and Ronnie McLellan of Friona, Texas, will graduate from Moreno Valley High School in Angel Fire, New Mexico on Saturday, May 20, 2006.

Commencement exercises will be held at the Angel Fire Community Center at 3 p.m.

Michael is the grandson of Max and Yvonne Jones and Kenneth and Elizabeth McLellan all of Friona.

Michael attended Friona schools through the 4th grade, Jr. High in Red River and has attended Moreno Valley High School for four years.

All friends and relatives are welcome to attend.



Michael Joseph McLellan

Congratulations National Honor Society to induct new members

The Miller-Wilson Chapter of the National Honor Society will be holding its annual induction of new members on Monday, May 15, 2006 at 6:30 pm in the High School auditorium. The ceremony will be followed by a reception in the High School cafeteria.

To be eligible for membership consideration, students must have a cumulative grade point average of 4.25. Additionally, potential members must meet high standards of leadership, service, and character.

Friona High School is proud to announce the following 33 students as new members: Emily Allen, Connie Amezcua, Erin Austin, Briar Barnett, Burkleigh Briones, Stephen Campbell, Jordan Carr, Miranda Frye, Ryan Geries, Krista Graham, Alex Gurley, Hollis Gurley, Christian Haile, Brooke Herbert, Lauren Hughes, Deirdre Johnston, and JoAnn Mendoza.

Also Jordan Monroe, Staci Murphree, Eric North, Dulce Ortigoza, Sawyer Reed, Alonzo Rojas, Edlyn Romero, Monica Sanchez, Ryan Schwab, Blair Smiley, Wendy Tafoya, Stefanie Tirado, Maria Vega, Dillon Welch, Tolby Wilcox, and Erica Wyly.

Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from April 25, 2006 to May 03, 2006:

Charles Slaton and Margaret Slaton-Samuel Rodriguez Torrez, L9 B39 FRIONA

Leon Langford and Suzanne Langford-Joseph A. Spicola, Jr., S/2 S9 SW/4 S10 BLK A

Floyd R. Schueler and Glenda Schueler-Leon Meeks, SW/4 S26 T2N R1E

Margarita Espinoza-Samuel Espinoza, N/2 L4 B81 BOVINA Emilio Tarango and Martha Tarango-Roberto Ayala and Lorena Ayala, L3 B24 FRIONA

Robert Koehn and Laverna Koehn-James M. Koehn and Donna J. Koehn, L15 B4 MIMO

Lowell Dean Sasser and Keeley Susan Sasser-Aaron Stone and Jeanne Stone, N35' L8-9 B1 FRIONA

Gary Patterson, Cindy Patterson, Carl Hahn and Carolyn Diann Hahn-Mattison Adams and Monica M. Adams, SE/4 S65 BLK H THOMAS KELLY,

Western Mortgage, LP-L.V. Pearson, Jr. and Myrtle McDonald, N60' L3 B1 RIDGECREST

Silvia Cenicerros and Alberto Cenicerros-Jesse Aragon and Elvia G Aragon, L1-2 B2 JONES

Bybee Exchange, LLC, -Lynn Tate and Alan Rhodes, 656.2 AC S3 BLK H THOMAS KELLY

Sheriff's Report

The following is reported weekly by Sheriff Randy Geries office:

May 3, 2006, Manuel Estrada, 31, of Texico, New Mexico, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with theft by check, pending County Court.

May 4, 2006, Robert Rios, 29, of Hereford, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with driving while license invalid, pending County Court.

May 4, 2006, Victor Puga, 29, of Friona, Texas, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with evading arrest with a vehicle, pending Grand Jury. He was also charged with driving while intoxicated, pending County Court.

May 4, 2006, Daren Rubio, 25, of Farwell, Texas, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces, pending County Court. He was also charged with driving while license invalid, pending County Court.

May 4, 2006, Jaime Garcia, 18, of Portales, New Mexico, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces, pending County Court.

May 5, 2006, Eric Cantu, 26, of Hereford, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with forgery, pending County Court.

May 5, 2006, Carlos Arzabala, 28, of New Braunfels, Texas, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with driving while intoxicated with a child, pending Grand Jury.

May 6, 2006, Lee Whitaker, 26, of Clovis, New Mexico, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with a Curry County warrant for larceny, pending transport.

May 6, 2006, Joann Linares, 22, of Muleshoe, Texas, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with driving while intoxicated with a child, pending Grand Jury.

May 7, 2006, Lindsay Mullinax, 21, of Clovis, New Mexico, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with driving while intoxicated, pending County Court.

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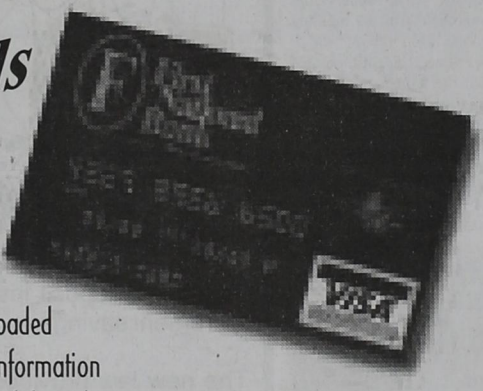


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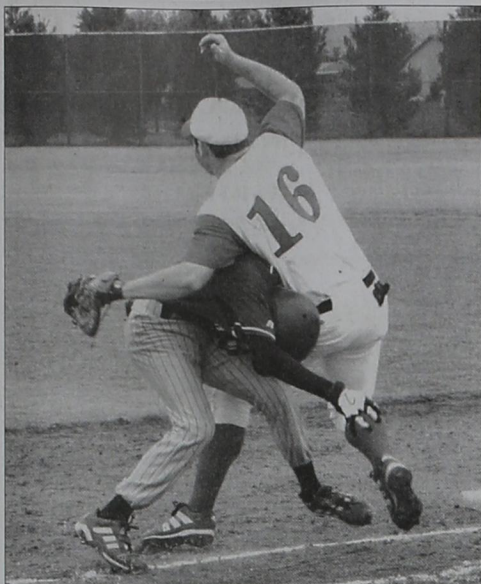
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Chieftain first baseman Stephen Campbell (16) collides with an Abernathy Antelope during game two of the series.

Chiefs out in two to Abernathy

BY RON CARR

Coach Greg Hazelwood summed it up: "We made 14 errors in two games. We hadn't made that many errors in the last five games." Whether it was the playoff jitters or just bad luck, the Chieftains dropped two games to the Abernathy Antelopes in the first round of the 2A baseball playoffs.

The first game in the series was Thursday May 4 in Littlefield's new baseball park, replete with artificial infield turf. Abernathy took a 3-0 lead in the first inning but thanks to home runs by Stephen Campbell and Trent Hudson the Chiefs stayed close, even taking the lead 8-7 after 5 1/2 innings. Abernathy tied 8-8 in the bottom of the 5th and held Friona scoreless in the 6th and 7th. An Antelope triple in the bottom of the 7th and a passed ball from Hayden Patton gave the last

run to Abernathy and a 9-8 loss for the Chiefs. They committed 8 errors in the game. Campbell was 2 for 4 and Hudson 3 for 3 to lead Friona batters.

Game two was set for 10 a.m. Saturday but Friday night rains delayed a game between Dimmitt and Slaton until Saturday. The Chiefs and Antelopes game finally started about 1 p.m. The Littlefield officials did an excellent job keeping the field playable.

Abernathy came out swinging, taking a 4-0 lead after two. Friona scored two in the 3rd but the Antelopes answered with three more to increase their lead to 7-2 after four innings. Friona managed two runs in the 5th but the Antelopes kept on swinging, including a three-run homer, to beat the Chiefs 13-4 and end their playoff run.

Senior Hayden Patton started

the game on the mound for his final outing as a Chieftain. He led at the plate, going 4 for 4, snaring half of Friona's 8 hits and scoring 2 runs. Sean Lookingbill, Stephen Campbell, Ryan Schwab, and Kelby Monroe each had one hit. The Chiefs added 6 more errors in

the game for a two-game total of 14 and left 8 runners on base.

Coach Hazelwood said, "I appreciate the large crowds. It was fun being in the playoffs. We will miss the seniors. What a great group of young men."



Third base action. Ramon Salcido returns to third while Chiefs third baseman Antonio Monreal, right, waits for a throw.



Coach Greg Hazelwood, center, tries to rally the boys as they take the field. Right, senior pitcher Hayden Patton sets to deliver.



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- 11- Hector Sanchez
- 12- Phillip Saiz
- 16- Stephen Campbell
- 17- Matt Martinez
- 18- Antonio Monreal
- 19- Luis Hernandez
- 20- Trent Hudson

Head Coach: Greg Hazelwood
Asst. Coaches: David Towner
Daniel Rosales
Aaron Stone
Manager: Burkleigh Briones



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The 2006 Friona Chieftains. Back row, l-r, Aaron Stone, volunteer assistant coach, Ritchie Casas, Garrett Clark, Stephen Campbell, manager Burkleigh Briones, Trent Hudson, Ryan Schwab, Sean Lookingbill, Coach David Towner; middle, l-r, Head Coach Greg Hazelwood, Hector Sanchez, Hayden Patton, Luis Hernandez, Matthew Martinez, volunteer assistant coach Daniel Rosales; front, l-r, Phillip Saiz, Cesar Prieto, Antonio Monreal, Kelby Monroe, Ramon Salcido.

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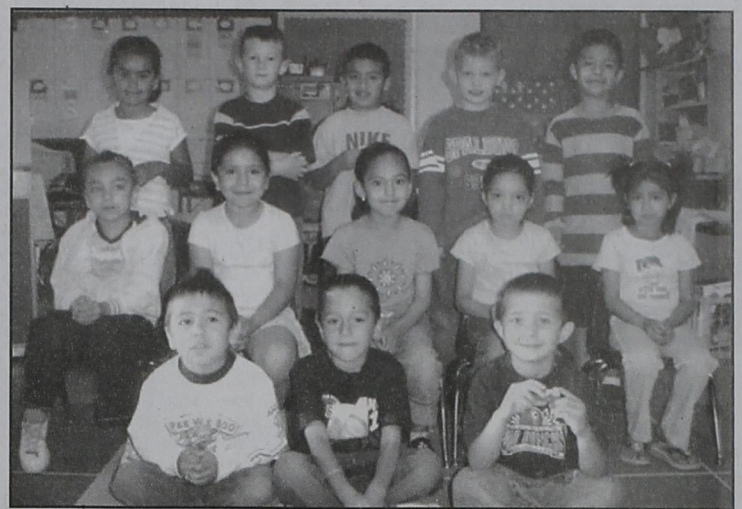
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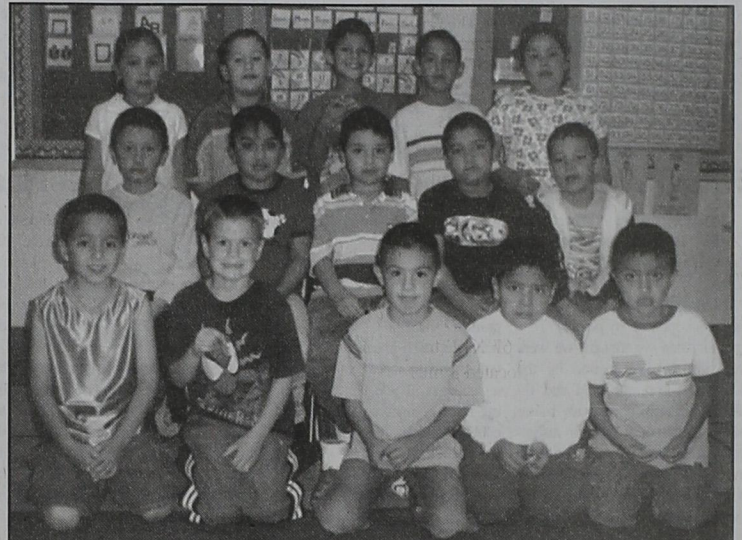
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Kindergarten, l-r, front, Jesse Navajar, Kevin Salinas, Axel Puga; middle, Desiree Aragon, Naomi Ganska, Aimee Gonzalez, Jazmin Gonzalez, Priscilla Alvidrez; back, Nuria Garcia, Jade Collier, Anthony Marrufo, Sterling Osborn, Isaac Gallardo.



First grade, l-r, front, Ashton Ferguson, Brianna Alvarado, Karina Santiago, Sydney Frye, Jessie Delgadillo; middle, Paige Upton, Jazmine Uribe, Luis Rodriguez, Daniel Pena, Jaqueline Juarez; back, Morgan Wade, Nishna Soto, Nastassia Luna, Destini Aragon, Aliyah Salinas, Mason Stanberry.



First grade, l-r, front, Fernando Ledezma, Cason Drake, Edwin Garcia, Luis Gracia, A.J. Mendoza; middle, Mario Gomez, Lupita Hernandez, Joel Cigarroa, Matti Duran, Andres Perez; back, Sabrina Barraza, Triston Castillo, Alex Cigarroa, Luis Trejo, Noelia Gonzalez.



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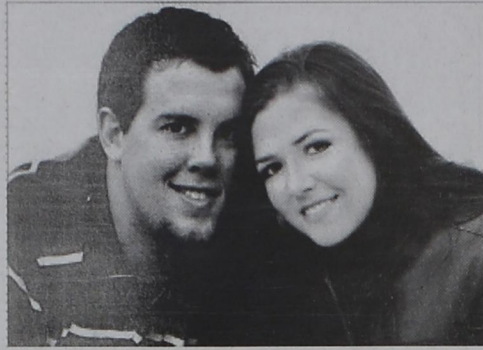


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Terry and Varla Wilcox of Friona, Texas, proudly announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, V'Laura Lynn to Justin Lee Sundlie of Ozark, Missouri. Justin is the son of Randy and Judy Sundlie also of Ozark, Missouri.

V'Laura is a 2001 graduate of Friona High School. She graduated from Lubbock Christian University with a Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science in 2005 and is currently attending Texas Tech University in pursuit of a Masters degree in Nutrition. She is employed by Bodyworks as a personal trainer.

Justin is a 2002 graduate of Ozark High School and is currently attending Lubbock Christian University majoring in Kinesiology. Justin has received many honors while playing baseball for LCU, including All-American Catcher.

Vows will be exchanged August 4, 2006 at the Historic Baker Building in Lubbock, Texas at 7:30 p.m. Family and friends of the couple are invited to attend.

I'm crying in the chapel because I've got Georgia on my mind

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

(written December 2000, after the resignation of my pastor)

Just when we thought we were over the sickness caused by the political season, the cold and flu season arrived, along with minor irritants such as the pastor resigning and six weeks of bad Christmas movies. The remedy for sickening political campaigns is to turn off the radio or television. Getting rid of other irritants, like long-distance service telemarketers, is not as easy. However, there are some interesting remedies. There is an old Russian cold remedy that says to wedge a clove of garlic between your teeth and cheek. Colds have been known

to vanish within hours. So have old Russians.

The holiday season is fast approaching, and the last thing you want to mess with is unwanted gramps. Take two teaspoons of honey at each meal, and gramps will usually disappear within a week to ten days. If you are still suffering from gramps, cover them with cabbage leaves until they go away. Cabbage leaves are especially effective if gas accompanies gramps.

Although there are a few angry and self-serving Herbs out there, there are many gentle and healing herbs used for medicinal purposes. Alfalfa is rich in vitamins and minerals. One side effect is that it makes your cowlick stand up. Thyme can be used as a medicinal treatment for cough. At one time

this was very popular with airline pilots. They wanted to see thyme fly.

Ginkgo biloba is an herb that increases blood flow. In 1513 it discovered the Pacific Ocean. Lobelia is a relaxant that relieves muscle spasms. She was also either one of the Pointer Sisters or Fred Sanford's aunt. The leaves of the gotu kola plant are used to promote the healing of tissue. One side effect is that some good tissue may also fall off. In this case, the plant is referred to as the "un-kola."

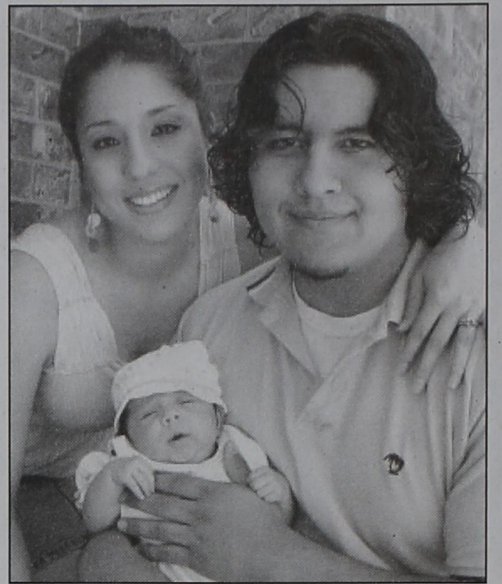
I enjoy being in the ministry and serving on this church staff, what's left of it. I did not change my personality when I accepted God's call to the ministry. I felt God could use me in all of my strangeness. As a staff member, it is impor-

tant to have a pastor who is also a friend. No staff member is ever promised a rose garden in any church, but it helps to have someone to walk with you through the thorns.

Please allow me to grieve a little, to shed a few tears. My friend is moving to Georgia. In time I will feel excited for him, but right now I don't feel so good. I do not believe any of the above remedies would be good for what ails me. There is no remedy for the heartache of saying good-bye to someone who has been a friend, a supporter, and an encourager. From experience I understand the concept of time healing all wounds ... and in this case, I sure would love to see time fly.

... and in this case, I sure would love to see time fly.

New Arrivals



Joey, Claudia and Adynaih Dominguez
Adynaih Jolie Dominguez

Joey and Claudia Dominguez of Friona, Texas, are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, Adynaih Jolie, April 5, 2006 at 2:30 p.m. at Plains Regional Medical Hospital in Clovis, New Mexico.

Adynaih weighed 6 lbs. 3 oz. and was 18 1/2 inches long.

Her grandparents are Javier and Delia Arpero and Joe and Clarice Dominguez all of Friona. Her great-grandparents are Joe and Lucy Everett of Earth, Texas, Raul and Eva Silva of Friona, Francisco and Martina Dominguez of Friona, and Feliberto and Cecilia Arpero of Amarillo, Texas.



First Baptist pastor Mark Stovall, left, welcomes new Calvary Baptist pastor Rick Burton to Friona. The two coordinated the National Day of Prayer participation in the city park.

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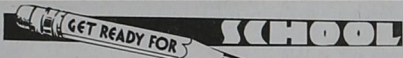


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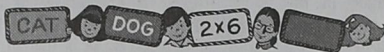
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Sixth grade punch and cookie reception



courtesy photos
 Friona State Bank executives Gary Brown and Jerry Hinkle welcomed sixth grade honor roll students for a punch and cookie reception. Teachers Melissa Randolph and Dale Mann chaperoned. Bank employee Susan Teague served punch to her 6th grader son Matthew.



Sixth grade honor roll students reception at Friona State Bank

In keeping with an annual tradition, Friona State Bank held Thursday for sixth graders on a punch and cookie reception the A and A/B honor rolls. The

students walked over to the bank from the junior high accompanied by teachers Melissa Randolph and Dale Mann.

Bank president Gary Brown and senior vice-president Jerry Hinkle welcomed the students and commended them for achieving the honor roll. Students attending were:

Taran Abeyta, Gabriel Avalos, Meagan Balli, Karina Chihuahua, Jared Collier, Alysa Cooper, Ryan DeWit, Rachel Dickson, Mirella Galaviz, Lorenzo Garcia, Alan Gomez, Jessica Jamerson, Also, Donovan Johnson, Abby Jones, Dillon Kelley, Edward Leon, Berenice Lopez, Caleb Monroe, Tenna Montana, Jenna Morazan, D'Na'e Ortiz, Donovan Ortiz, Michael Ortiz. Also, Katie Osborn, Karina Ovidio, Jacob Pena, Saory Pina, Luis Puga, Gaby Reveles, Victor Reveles, Amber Roberson, Ismael Rocha, Yareli Rocha, Leslie Rubio. Also, Valerie Saenz, Yurban Salinas, Adriana Soltero, Tamra Stormes, Alan Tafoya, Matthew Teague, Collin Thompson, Alex Torres, Michael Villanueva, Vanessa Vital, and Weston Wyly.



Daniel Pineda

Meet the Class of 2018

Daniel is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. His parents are Nicolas & Rosa Pineda. Daniel likes to pelievias de caricaturas. His favorite food is pizza and his favorite color is red.

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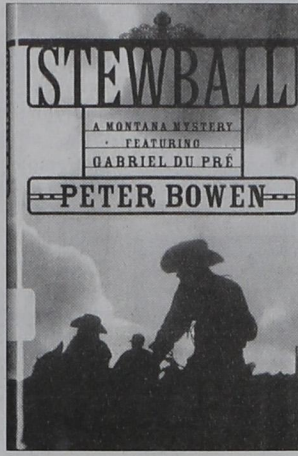
**Montana mysteries featuring Gabriel Du Pre
Peter Bowen**

By Bob Alexander

Do you know who the Metis are? Well, I didn't until I started reading the series of mysteries penned by Peter Bowen. It features a Metis fiddler by the name of Gabriel Du Pre. He is a brand inspector in eastern Montana, and he speaks in a dialect reminiscent of the Cajuns of south Louisiana. There's a relationship

there, for the Metis are the descendants of the French voyageurs, intermarried with the Canadian plains Indians. They lived in the Red River area of Canada and northern plains states. That's something they don't teach in Texas History.

The ranch country of the eastern plains of Montana is an isolated part of this nation, and is the backdrop against which Peter Bowen weaves the tales in the Gabriel Du Pre mysteries. There is a cast of family and friends that stays with Du Pre, including some really different sorts of folks. Some Indians, some cowboys, some transplanted outsiders, and lots of Metis-makes for interesting plots and a load of fun. It takes awhile to understand the dialogue in the books, but once one gets accustomed to speech where prepositions aren't



Stewball

used, you can imagine the difference in the speech patterns of the Metis.

Du Pre is a middle-aged semi-lawman, deputized often by the sheriff of the county, which is a huge isolated chunk of desert and grassland and mountains. His sense of humor is great, as is that of his girlfriend, Madelaine

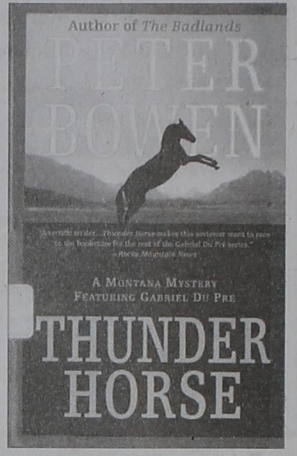
Placquemines. He is a famous fiddler in those parts, a Metis tradition. His songs are old voyageur ballads, taped and filed in the Smithsonian for posterity. His reputation as a tracker and his ability to solve crimes take him into some unique situations, involving both state and federal crimes. The area is considered Lewis and Clark country, full of archeological treasures, threatened by outsiders who want to remove the cattle and ranchers and replace them with buffalo, fundamentalist sects and white supremacists looking for isolation, dinosaur bones, and a lot of diversions

that draw some of the worst characters in print. As elsewhere, the ranchers are up against the ever-present cost/

price squeeze, and are selling out in many places, replaced by big money outsiders, many of who got the big money the easy way.

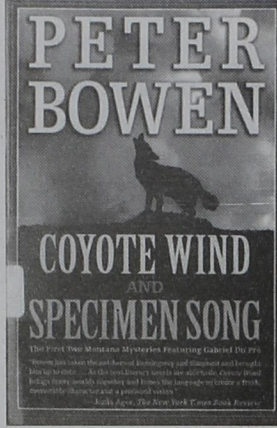
Throw in a mystic Indian shaman, Benetsee, with his visions and magic, and a good-guy billionaire ex-alcoholic rancher friend, and a Blackfoot FBI agent, along with the characters who haunt the Toussaint bar where they all hang out, and you've got some good drama mixed with comedy and suspense.

Bowen has published about a dozen of the Du Pre books, with a new one coming out in mid-February. Why, reading that many books with the same characters is just like a long-running soap opera, to be taken



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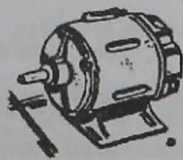
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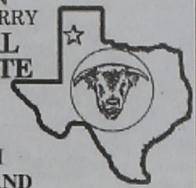
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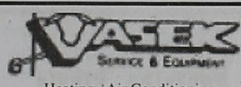
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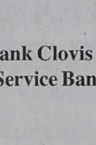
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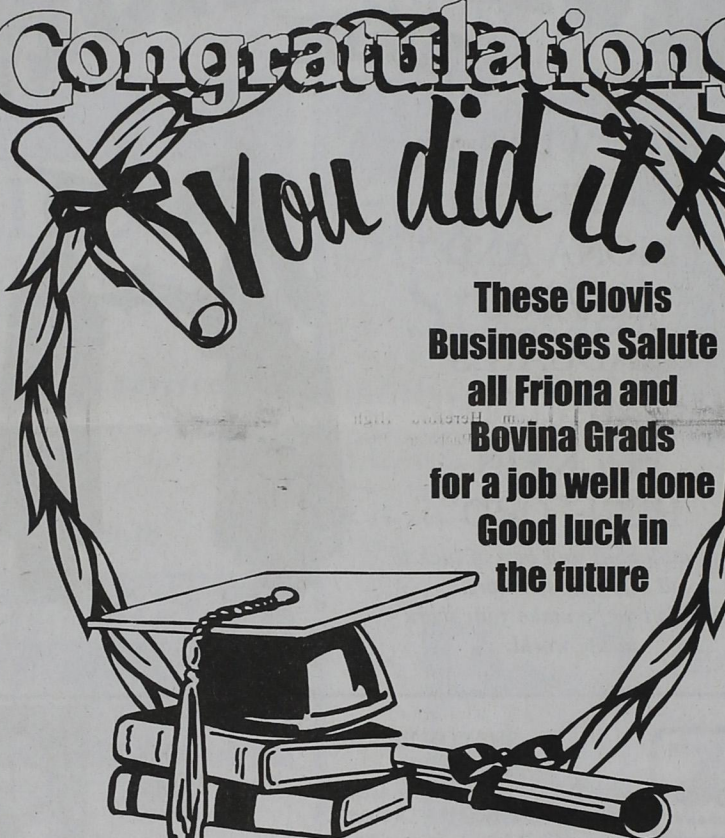
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Friona TSA students qualify for state competition in Waco

The Friona High School TSA Chapter #537 recently competed at the regional level in Canyon, Texas April 27-29 and state level in Waco, Texas May 4-5. They entered 102 projects in wood-working, engineering, drafting and photography.

The ribbon winning projects advancing to state competition were sent by the following students:

Deniss Vazquez, two Best in State and two Blue ribbons; Magaly Leyva, five Blue ribbons; Stephen Campbell, one Best in State; Dillon Welch, one Best in State; Dustin Daniel, one Blue ribbon; Jimmy Centeno, one Best in State; Jesse DeLaCruz, one Best in State; and Gilberto Torres, one Best in State.

Gerardo Torres, one Best in State; Emmanuel Salinas, one Blue ribbon; Chance Lewellen, one Blue Ribbon and two Red ribbons; Angela Carrasco, three Blue ribbons; Lindsey Neill, two Best in State, five Blue ribbons, and three Red ribbons; Dollie

Lookingbill, two Best in State, five Blue ribbons and three Red ribbons; Adrienne Anthony, two Best in State, five Blue ribbons, and three Red ribbons; and Tyler Shields, one White ribbon.

Garrett Clark, one Red Ribbon; Andrew Stowers, one Red ribbon; Beth Nava, four Red ribbons; Isaac Bryan, one Best in State; Josh Jameson, one Blue ribbon; Antonio Monreal, one Blue ribbon; Luisa Held, one Blue ribbon; Daniel Aguilar, one Blue ribbon and two Red ribbons; Jesus Gonzalez, one Best in State; April Cantu, six Blue ribbons and three Red ribbons; and Cindy Trevino, three Red ribbons.

Trent Hudson, one Red ribbon; Rolando Castanon, one Red ribbon; Victor Guerrero, one Red ribbon; Rodrigo Vazquez, one Red ribbon; Lindsey Echevarria, one Red ribbon; Ritchie Casas, one White ribbon; and Eric Hansard, one White ribbon.

Congratulations to all these students.



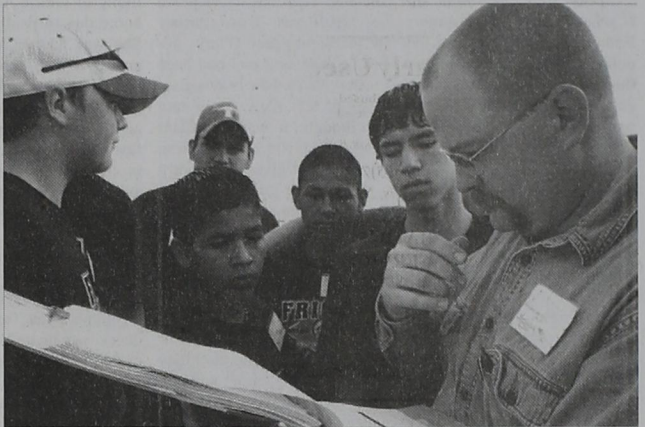
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Friona Technical Students Association attended state competition in Waco May 4-6. Those attending were, back, l-r, Josh Jameson, Jesse DeLaCruz, Chance Lewellen, Jimmy Centeno, Ritchie Casas, Dustin Daniel, Eric Hansard, Dillon Welch, Isaac Bryan, Bobby Silva, Justin Echevarria, Ruben Chico, Andrew Stowers, Victor Guerrero, Rodrigo Vazquez, Tyler Shields and Gilberto Torres. Middle row, l-r, Adrienne Anthony, Lindsey Neill, Dollie Lookingbill, Luisa Held, Magaly Leyva, April Cantu, Angela Carrasco, Daniel Vazquez, Deniss Vazquez. Front row, l-r, Gerardo Torres and Rolando Castanon.

Congratulations

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Friona Industrial Arts instructor Randy Hardin, right, hands out loading assignments after the competition in Waco. TSA students, l-r, are: Andrew Stowers, Rolando Castanon, Victor Guerrero, Rodrigo Vazquez, and Justin Echevarria.



Meet the Class of 2018

Clarissa is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. Her parent is Gabriel Rojas.

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Clarissa Rojas

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Lisa Alaniz

I graduated from Friona High School in 1981. My husband, Ramiro, works at Cargill Meat Solutions. We have 2 sons. I am proud to say our oldest, Ramey, graduated from Friona High school last year and is attending West Texas A&M University in Canyon. Jeremy, our youngest, is in the 8th grade. He will also be a future graduate of Friona. I



work as a medical assistant at the Friona Medical Clinic. I enjoy working in the medical field and working with the public. I am currently pursuing a college education in the nursing field at Clovis Community College.

Running for school board will open new doors for me. It will give me the opportunity to learn how the school system works. I am interested in knowing where education is being focused for the students. I am looking forward to working with the other board members as a team in making decisions that will benefit our school district; also in serving the needs of the public and students regardless of their background.

Friona's education strategy and accomplishments come from the strength of all the faculty staff in the schools. They believe in a public education. They run our school system in a professional manner and meet the challenges of the students. Friona is blessed to have a good staff.

When I decided to go back to school my family backed me up 100 percent. I also went back for my boys. I want to show and encourage them that education is important and a must. This is also another reason why I am running for school board; to show my boys you have to step forward and state what you believe in and give it 100 percent. I am willing to commit myself as a member of the Friona School Board.

Lorraine Anthony

Married to Dennis for 22 years.

Four children, Adrienne, 18, Erin, 16, Morgan, 16, and Regan 13.

Education: Graduated from Hereford High School. Bachelors from West Texas State University with a degree in accounting.



With my husband, we are involved in farming and cattle business.

Active member of the Friona United Methodist Church.

I choose to run for the school board, because I care about our schools and the impact it has on our community. I am interested in a school that we can be proud of, that can serve the needs of all children, that will prepare them for whatever the future holds for them. As a member of the school board we can do this through the programs offered, people hired, and the spending approved. I am interested in the wise use of the districts funding.

I believe we have an outstanding school system. Even though Friona is a relatively small town, we offer our students a superior education and a wide range of opportunities to find their talents. Our school district exceeds the state average in almost every TAKS score. Our schools staff works very hard in creative and innovative ways to improve every aspect of our district, not just the test scores.

What I hope to accomplish, as a part of the board, is to work with fellow board members and administration to make our schools the best that they can be, through providing the teachers the resources they need, and in improving the physical facilities.

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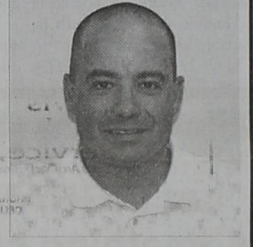
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Brent Loflin

My name is Brent Loflin and I was born, raised and educated in Friona, having graduated from FHS in 1984. After I received my Bachelor's degree from Texas Tech University, I moved back to Friona. In 1993, I began working for Friona Motors Body Shop. Now known as Friona Body Shop, this business has been a successful venture for my family and me since we purchased it in 1998. I have been married to my wife, Annette, since 1993, and we have two sons, Mason, a third grader, and Logan, who will start kindergarten in the fall.



I feel my experience as a local business owner, my service on other volunteer boards, and my concerns as a father of students enrolled in Friona schools will benefit me in a trustee position should I be elected. I chose to run for school board because I am genuinely interested in learning more about the operations of our school system in Friona. I am also eager to work with other trustees who share a common goal of wanting to see our community and our schools' prosper in every way possible.

I have always felt that the Friona school system has been successful as a result of hiring quality teachers and establishing exceptional programs. As a trustee, I feel it is necessary to find ways to build on those strengths. In addition, FISD must have a competitive pay scale that will attract and maintain dedicated, top-notch educators, and our educational programs must be evaluated regularly to ensure our students' needs are served.

In closing, I ask for your vote as a trustee because I want to be a part of establishing a future vision for the Friona Independent School District. As a graduate of Friona High School, a life-long resident of Friona, and a business owner who wants success for our community and its school, I am adequately qualified to serve in this capacity and I am looking forward to the opportunity to serve as FISD trustee.

Andy Montana

My name is Andy Montana and I'm seeking election for Friona ISD Board of Trustees. I have a strong determination to represent the citizens of Friona as a member of the Board of Trustees. I feel Friona has one of the best school districts that one can find in the state of Texas. This school district is one of the



reasons I decided to stay in Friona and raise my family. There are not many promises a member of the Board can make, but I can say that I will research the issues, listen to those who speak and vote for the best interest of the students and citizens of Friona.

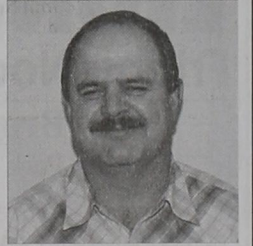
I was raised in Hereford and attended WTAMU, where I met my wife, Erika. We have three beautiful children, Tenna, 11, Andres, 3 and Amy, 7 months. I served in the United States Navy and could have decided to live anywhere, but we decided Friona would be the best place for us. The high quality of education in the schools of Friona made this decision easier.

My family and I are vested in Friona and care about it's future. I have assisted with Friona Youth Basketball and YMCA. I have supported the students of Friona by attending various football, basketball, One Act Play, speech, band and UIL Academic meets.

There are many great things about living in Friona and I hope to be a part of making the future just as great by being able to serve the citizens of this community. I respectfully request your vote on May 13th.

Mitchell Smiley

My name is Mitchell Smiley. I am 46-years-old, married to Kim; we have 5 children, Kayla, 22, Ashley, 19, Blair, 16, Clayton, 13, and Haden, 9. I am the manager of Parmer County Farm Bureau, and have worked there since November of 1997. I have lived in Friona all my life other than the 5 years I was at Texas Tech furthering my education. My mom, my sisters, my wife and her 2 brothers, 2 of our kids and myself are all Friona School products.



I believe we have an excellent school system, from the administration to the professional staff to maintenance personnel. I have been a trustee for 3 years and would like to continue doing my part in maintaining our excellent school system that has been in place long before I began as trustee.

As trustee I believe it is our duty to put the kids first in getting their education. We have the responsibility of educating our children, spending your tax dollars wisely, all while working with a state and federal political structure that makes this very difficult at times. As trustees we make decisions that aren't always easy. I would like to see us keeping our kids education first and continuing to excel and maintain our high standard in our schools in all that we do.

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TOWN TALK TWO

by ron carr

Went to the senior citizen's lunch Monday. It was spaghetti and meatball day. I hadn't been to the twice-weekly lunch in a long time. I'll probably go Thursday too. Seniors president Glenn Reeve said they were serving fried chicken. Besides it was time to pay my \$30 yearly dues.

Joann Mills and Henry Gauna were still there taking money at the door and Donita Martin was manning the dues table. The \$30 annual dues takes care of maintenance and expense of the Friendship House. The Monday and Thursday lunches are only \$3. It's all home cooked and pretty nutritious. All area seniors are invited to participate. Be there a couple of minutes before noon for the blessing of the food.

Speaking of Joann Mills she is scheduled for some surgery Friday. Glenn Reeve also announced that Clarence Martin (hip) and Pat Martin (shoulder) are having surgery this week. We wish them an easy time and a speedy recovery.

Glad to see Rex Williams out and about. He is hauling around a portable oxygen tank but is feeling good enough to get out and eat lunch and tell a funny joke about worms. Ask him to tell you.

The Frona swimming pool will open May 29. Dalinda Black, daughter of Linda and Danny, will be the pool manager. City manager Terri Johnson said the pool will be open 7-days a week this year. Dalinda has some exciting events in mind for pool activities. The hours of operation and activities schedule will be available later.

May 29 is Memorial Day

and is an important day for the Carr family. My mother, Hannah Lookingbill, will celebrate her 87th birthday. Me, my brother Rick and his wife Sherry and our sister Gena Rogers and her husband Don who will be visiting from Burleson, will gather to observe the Memorial Day holiday and mom's birthday. What do you get a mom for her 87th birthday? We have it figured out but I can't tell you because she reads the paper.

Lilah Gaye Gee stopped by this week. Always a pleasure to see Mrs. Gee. She will be 95 her next birthday. She said that Mary Tom Isaac, daughter of Frank and Ethel Spring, was in town from Colorado Springs and came by to visit her. Then Saturday afternoon, Mary Tom's brother Frank L. Spring and his wife Martha came to see her. Frank is an attorney in Albuquerque. They are Frona graduates and had been to Amarillo to their Frona class reunion. Mrs. Gee wasn't sure but thought it was the Class of 1961. Maybe someone who attended will give us a report.

Frona Star production manager Dana Jameson accompanied the Frona industrial arts students to the state meet in Waco last weekend. Her son Josh is an FHS junior and participates in industrial arts. They were all asleep at their motel about 1 a.m. Saturday morning when an F2 tornado blew through Waco. The students and grownups all took cover in the basement. There was a lot of damage around town but the Frona group was not harmed.

Local artists Bobby Wied and Carol Ellis are preparing to paint scenes on the fiber-

glass longhorn that was purchased for the city park. The longhorn was purchased from a company in California thanks to donations by several area feedyards. Carol and Bobby, and maybe Judy Cummings, will paint the longhorn and it will be unveiled at a date near the annual Maize Days celebration.

There will be a naming contest for the longhorn by Frona's 6th and 7th graders, sponsored by the Depot Society. The longhorn will "reside" in the city park when completed and dedicated. Right now it is all top secret so keep watching these pages for details as they become available.

I spoke with Mary Crump this week. She has moved over from Heritage Estates assisted living to Prairie Acres nursing home due to declining health. She was 85 her last birthday and is a well-known cowboy poet with a couple of books published. Her works will be read at a cowboy poets breakfast at the Big Texan Saturday in tribute. Our best to Mary and a hope that her move to Prairie Acres will be a positive one.

Columnist and radio personality Tumbleweed Smith was in Frona this week. He writes a column about Texas and produces syndicated one-minute radio features called "The Sounds of Texas" which airs every morning on KNNK in Hereford. He interviewed Donna Baker about the old hotel she calls home, Mary Crump about her cowboy poetry career, and Eva Nichols about her basement full of year-round Christmas decorations. He also conducted an interview with

Dana Jameson, Chamber Women's Division president, about the 1st annual Frona Cheeseburger Festival coming up July 15 and also visited with Lilah Gaye Gee and Bill Ellis. Tumbleweed's real name is Bob Lewis. He lives in Big Spring. His column is in the star every week on page two.

Mother's Day is Sunday. We salute all mothers on their special day but realize that every day should be Mother's Day. God bless.

Bovina coaching staff complete

Superintendent Bill Bizzell advised that the school board has hired three coaches to complete the coaching staff for next year.

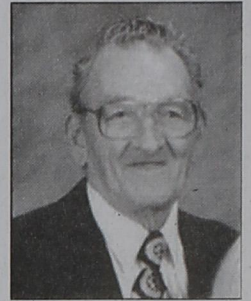
The new coaches are Aaron Stone, Joe Rackley, and Daniel Mejia. Stone is a Frona resident. His wife Jeanne is a junior high and JV volleyball and basketball coach. Rackley was an elementary and junior high student at Bovina while his dad was the Bovina high school principal in the early 1990s. He is moving from Chillicothe and will coach girls' basketball. Mejia is moving from Hartley and will serve as football offensive coordinator.

Rounding out the coaching staff are head coach Hector Guevara and returning coaches Tony Epps and Shannon Shorter.

OBITUARIES

Eldon Ray Strickland

Eldon Ray Strickland, 73, of Clovis, New Mexico, passed away Monday, May 8, 2006 at the VA Nursing Home in Amarillo, Texas. Services were held at The Chapel in Clovis at 1 p.m. on Thursday, May 11, 2006 with Pastor Rick Burke and Brother Jake Armstrong officiating. Burial was held in the Frona Cemetery in Frona, Texas at 4 p.m.



Eldon Ray Strickland

Mr. Strickland was born July 30, 1932 to Paul and Opal Bradley Strickland in Black, Texas. He married Lois Deaton on June 6, 1954 in Frona. He was the owner/operator of the Ceramic Factory in Clovis. He was a CPL in the United States Marines Corps and received the Purple Heart in the Korean War and was a disabled vet. He was a member of the Faith Christian Family Church.

Mr. Strickland is preceded in death by his father. Mr. Strickland is survived by his wife; three sons, Gene Strickland and his wife Teri of Casselberry, Florida, Alonzo Strickland of Polk City, Florida, and T.J. Strickland and his wife Hope of Texico, New Mexico; and one daughter Misty Teichmann and her husband Brian of Clovis. He is also survived by his mother Opal Strickland of Frona; two sisters, Ollie Taylor and Elwanda Campbell and her husband Lee, all of Frona; twelve grandchildren, Ashley, Kelley and his wife Heather, Shelby, Cassidy, DeLaney, Matthew, Kalvin, Kristina and Tyler Strickland, Amanda and Justin Graham; and one great grandchild on the way Keithan Teichmann.

Pallbearers were Odis Roach, Mark Thompson, Hank Boyer, Danny Garrett, Rube Renter, and Alan Collier. Honorary pallbearers were Woody Bunting and Bob Smith.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Light House Mission in Clovis.



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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)

Grannie Strickland, Age 96, an Inspiration

Note: Several months ago Mrs. Strickland (Opal), shared a story with me about a quilt she had made. Broken Dishes was the name of the pattern and I was intrigued when she told me the history behind the name and how pioneers 100 years ago who traveled in covered wagons suffered many a broken treasure. When she said that she had ridden in a covered wagon herself—I knew that I had to get her to write her story for me for this column. I hope you enjoy it as much as I did. DB

GRACE OPAL BRADLEY was born April 26, 1910 in the young state of Oklahoma to John M. and Maggie Bradley. She was one of four children; she has one brother and two sisters. Her sister in Oklahoma is 94 years young. Her sister who lives in Friona is Lucy Mae Stokes whom many of you may also know.

She traveled by wagon from Oklahoma to Arkansas when her father bought some land there in 1920, but she was mostly raised up in Oklahoma at Roosevelt, OK. She later met her husband, Paul Strickland, in Orenville, Indiana and they married April 28, 1928.

After her marriage, she and her husband and baby moved with her family when they moved to Parmer County February 17, 1930. In fact, they spent their first night in Texas at the Capitol Inn Hotel. I asked her what she remembered of that experience and when I asked if the hotel had beds or cots for all the people, she said, "Beds! They had good beds." She remembered that the women stayed upstairs while the men stayed downstairs, which surprised them a little. She also said that the dining room was downstairs in the lobby, but she didn't remember what kind of food they had—only that it was good.

Her story:

"As I travel back to the 'covered wagon' days (even though it was 1920 few had automobiles): when I was 10 years old, my dad went to Arkansas (from Oklahoma) and bought a farm. Dad fixed a covered wagon, loaded bedding and cooking things, and we started to Arkansas. I don't remember when we started or how long we were on the road there. This goes back to the days when pioneer women had a hard life. The women helped drive during the day and (still) did all their work around camp at night. That was when all the supper dishes were washed and put away. Then they got out their scraps (of material) and worked on a quilt. When you traveled in a covered wagon—there is always broken dishes—and that is where this quilt got its name.

As I travel back through the years (in my memory), we left Arkansas in the spring of 1924, when I was 14 years old. Then we were on the road two weeks

when we moved back to Oklahoma. Dad always stopped and we 'staid put' until Monday morning. He always said that 'his mules need a rest'.

In Oklahoma, we farmed with my uncle and we had 40 acres of cotton. Dad told us kids (that) if we made 40 bales, he would buy us a car. When we picked 40 bales, he wanted to go up, but we said, 'No!' and we made 42 bales of cotton so we got our first new car! It costs less than \$300.

I married Paul Strickland in the spring of 1928 and we have 3 children, 8 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren. We are a big bunch of folks! I lost my husband in March of 1969. I live by myself and try to stay busy, but I am getting lazy (she 'only' completed one quilt and 3 baby quilts this season; she estimates that she has given away over 500 quilts.) signed "Grannie" Opal Strickland

Opal and her husband Paul already had one child, Ollie Pearl, born Jan. 29, 1929, when they moved to Parmer County in 1930. Her other 2 children are: Elwanda born Nov. 14, 1930 and Ray born July 30, 1932. Ollie married Ruben Taylor and Elwanda married Lee Campbell and both also still reside in Friona. Ray lives nearby in Clovis, NM.

The Stricklands farmed until 1931 when Paul went to work for the railroad in 1932. Later in 1936, they moved back to the farm and put in a dairy. After they sold their farm in 1951, they put in a Shamrock Gasoline Station on the corner of Prospect and Highway 60 and operated it until 1963 when Paul had a stroke. Paul Strickland died Mar. 25, 1969. Their son Ray operated the station until 1971.

She remembers well when the draw flooded in 1940 and she and the children went "up the hill" to their chicken house. 600 of their frying-size chickens, "fryers", drowned in front of them. She turned their pigs out to try to save them. The last time (in her memories in 1980) the draw flooded, water was waist deep in their house...

Opal's cheerful, sunny disposition and positive attitude have helped keep her going these many years and along the way, she has been an inspiration to many—including me. Thanks, Opal Strickland for sharing your story with us.

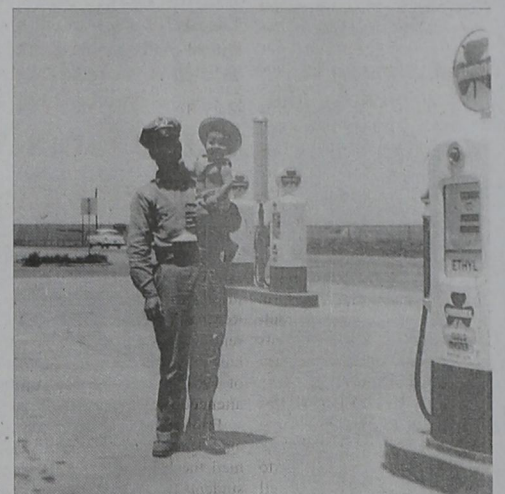
ing your story with us.

Note: Before this week's paper went to press, Opal's son Ray passed away Monday, May 8th. Our sympathy to the family.

If any of you are interested in the pattern for "Broken Dishes" Quilt, Opal has graciously shared it -- just come by the library. DB



"Grannie" Opal Strickland, 96, with her "Broken Dishes" quilt.



Paul Strickland with his grandson Randy Lee Campbell in front of their Shamrock Station on Highway 60 in Friona 1950's.



Opal Strickland & her baby Ollie Pearl in front of their home in Roosevelt, Ok.

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ACROSS

- "house" south of the border
- civil rights group
- "the Man"
- shade of color
- "gut whiskey"
- TXism: "wouldn't _____ fleas" (harmless dog)
- TXism: "you can bet the farm _____"
- TXism: "pulled the _____ his eyes"
- TX chili: _____ beans
- TXism: "_____ of breathing room"
- wagon wheel track
- old TX RR: Rockdale, _____ & Southern
- Tex-Mex green dip
- TXism: "all hat and _____ cattle"
- TX Henley co-wrote "After the Thrill _____"
- Bridge City's Salt-water _____ Festival
- TXism: "it'll make your hair stand _____" (scary)
- unique feature of TX Stadium (4 wds.)
- Loving Co. has only one _____ road
- "The TX Wheelers" was set in this town
- this TX Wilma won 3 gold medals in '60 Olympics (init.)
- Staubach could hurl the "Hail _____" pass
- TXism: "hit a _____" (ran into obstacle)

DOWN

- Dimmitt's county
- Ameriquet Field has fans close to the _____
- leaning; sloping
- uncle's "better half"
- to Austin from Waco
- Houston played in '90 Coca-_____
- the Jersey Lily was Judge Roy Bean's saloon & court _____
- TX town or low female voice
- TXism: "attracted like a pig _____"
- to Texans, it's 105
- LBJ's female beagle

The Original

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48 TXism: "write slow 'cause _____ can't read fast"

50 plants found in Enchanted Rock State Natural Area

53 Waco born: _____ Pepper

54 Buna h.s. class

55 posts letters

56 swappers

59 TX actress Gehringer: series "Evening _____"

60 TX Ginger starred in this Gershwin's "Girl Crazy"

17 TXism: "wouldn't _____ with a ten-foot pole"

19 mascot for UT-San Antonio: Road _____

23 TX cold remedy: hot _____

24 south of border "yes"

25 Dallas cosmetician Mary Kay _____

26 Houston-based Stop '_____ stores

27 exhibits at Texas Dollhouse Museum

28 "_____ Texas, _____ indivisible"

29 in Colorado Co. just off I-10

40 X-mas egg drink

41 Davy's state (abbr.)

42 TXism: "_____ ready" (prepared)

49 TXism: "plumb weak north of the _____" (stupid)

51 TXism: "I couldn't _____ less" (unconcerned)

52 book: "LBJ and _____ Times"

57 TXism: "riding _____ horse" (arrogant)

58 daughter of TX Gene Tierney

No Child Left Behind meetings May 17, 2006

Be involved in your child's education. Two Title I No Child Left Behind meetings are scheduled for Wednesday, May 17, 2006. The first meeting is at 9 a.m. and an additional meeting is at 8 p.m. Both meetings will be in the board room at the school administration building, 909 E. 11th.

The agenda will include 1) discussion of Federal programs and funding, 2) plans for increased parental involvement in school, 3) evaluation of the Parental Involvement Policy, and 4) discussion of changes for the school year 2006-07.

If you have any questions please call Kenny Austin at 250-5900.

Involucrese en la educacion de su hijo

Titulo I, Habra una junta que se llama "Para que los niños no se retrasen" el Martes, 17 de Mayo del 2006.

Los Tiempos de las juntas: 9 a.m. (manana) en el salon de juntas (board room) en el edificio de administracion (administration building). 8 p.m. (tarde) en el salon de juntas (board room) en el edificio de administracion (administration building). El edificio de administracion esta localizado en 909 East 11th.

Agenda: 1) Discutir programas federales y la financiacion, 2) planear para aumentar la participacion de los padres en la escuela, 3) evaluar La Poliza de La Participacion de Padres, 4) discutir cambios para el ano escolar 2006-07.

Si Tiene usted preguntas, llame al Senor Austin a 250-5900.

Bovina students receive books

The Children's Book project is a service activity carried out by the Parmer County Retired Teachers and Personnel, the local unit of the Texas Retired Teachers Association. It is the process of presenting books to Primary School students. The books belong to the individual students, are theirs to take home and cherish as they read them.

Thirty-one Bovina kindergarten students received the book, Wild Animals of Texas by Bruce Larkin. In first grade, thirty-eight students received the book, All Around Texas by Bruce Larkin.



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The West Texas A&M contingent that attended the Texas Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine annual conference included, l-r, Dr. Michael Meyers, Nicole deJongh of Amarillo, Derek Manasco of Stinnett, Gabe Goodwin of Friona, and Matt Laurent of Canadian.

Gabe Goodwin receives master's degree at WT

Dr. Michael Meyers, professor and head of the Department of Sports and Exercise Sciences (SES) at West Texas A&M was voted president of the Texas Chapter of the American College of Sports Medicine at the chapter's annual conference February 24-25 in Denton.

Meyers accompanied five WT students to the event at Texas Women's University, where Gabe Goodwin, a graduate student in SES from Friona, placed third overall in the master's category of the poster competition. Goodwin's third-place entry is titled "The Validity of the 20-versus 30-second Wingate Anaerobic Test."

Gabe will be receiving his Master's Degree on Saturday, May 13. He is a Friona high graduate and the son of Debi Goodwin of Friona.



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Retired Teachers Association members, l-r, Carolyn George, Anne Corn, Carolyn Widner, and Sandra Randall presented books to kindergarten and first grade students at the Bovina primary school.

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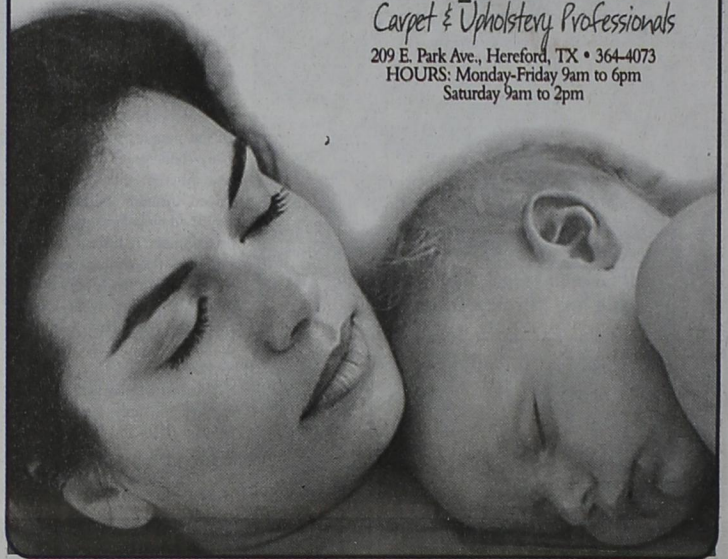
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