

Happy Thanksgiving

CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK 2014

Friona City Park

HO HO HO - COME SEE SANTA!!
DECEMBER 1, 2014



▲ 5:30pm - Welcome Remarks & Official Lighting
Immediately after lighting, Santa makes his way

▲ 5:45pm - Christmas Caroling begins

▲ Local Vendors Will Be On Hand

▲ Train Rides For The Kids

▲ Christmas Trees Decorated By Local Businesses

▲ Everyone Is Encouraged To Bring
A Donation Of One Of The Following:
-16 Oz Peanut Butter
-Package Of Pop Tarts

▲ Donations Will Benefit The Local SnackPack4Kids

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Thanksgiving turkey photo by Dr. Gary Cash.

Four tie for football contest grand prize

Winner, winner turkey dinner!
The 12-week Friona Star football contest ended in a four-way tie for the total point grand prize of \$100. The prize will be divided among the four winners: Rusty McFarland of Friendswood, TX, Mack McFarland of Crane, TX, Lester Fennell of Plainview, and Jeremy Dearing of Lubbock all finished with 119 total points. Both Rusty McFarland and Jeremy Dearing are previous grand prize winners.

Tyson Neill finished with 118 points, Mitchell Smiley had 117, William Gromowsky and Clint Mears had 116, and former winner Sandra Berend

finished with 115 total points. The winner of the Week 12 final contest was Brian Simons of Longview, TX. Brian picked 11 of 15 correct and wins the \$25 weekly cash. He was the only contestant with 11 correct. Brian is the boyfriend of Bovina native Christen Stowers. She is a teacher in Longview. Grand prize winner Jeremy Dearing is Dorothy Stowers son-in-law. The Stowers clan has played the football contest for many years.

Other families that enjoy the fun are the Berends, the Diaz/Rios family, the Smiley family, Scott and Claire Brown of Muleshoe, and the Gonzalez family

of Bovina. We appreciate all of you.

There were a total of 96 contestants over the 12-week contest. Most entered all 12 weeks. The winning total of 119 points is an average of 9.91 correct picks per week out of 15 games. We hope everyone that entered had fun and congratulations to the 12 weekly winners and our four grand prize winners. Winner checks are on the way!

A special thanks to our football contest sponsors who make the annual competition possible. We appreciate all of you for your support. See you next year!

Dec. immunization clinic schedule

The Department of State Health Services recently announced the following December 2014 immunization clinic schedule:

In Friona, December 1 and December 15 at the Migrant Center, 618 Main, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3:30 p.m. serving the first 10 clients.

In Bovina, December 8 at the EMS Building, 109 3rd Street, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. serving the first 10 clients.

All clinic times are subject to change or cancellation in case of extenuating circumstances.

Country Christmas Jubilee taking booth registrations

The Country Christmas Jubilee in Farwell is set for December 5-8 at the Farwell Community Center. Booths are open for the annual Christmas Jubilee for folks who are interested in joining. Contact Fran Barclay at 575-799-7518 or Carrie Drager at 575-799-7441 for more information.

Empty Stocking Fund helps needy children

The local Empty Stocking Fund provides clothes, socks, shoes, coats etc. for needy children at Christmas. It is funded through donations and your donations are especially needed this year.

Fund coordinator Peggy Monroe says more than 40 children are on this year's recipient list, compared to about 20 last year. Children's names are provided by teachers from all four campuses, primary through high school.

Mrs. Monroe and her volunteers go shopping in Amarillo and hope to be able to go the first part of December, depending on donations. They separate items by size and wrap the items for the children's Christmas presents.

You can make donations at Friona Interbank or by contacting Peggy Monroe. Government employees at Cargill add to the program by providing toys that are included with the clothing items. Each child gets a toy. Donations can be made in honor or in memory of a loved one. Any amount will be appreciated.



courtesy photo

The Stchin' Post quilters meet the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Friona Methodist Church. They wanted to give back to others this year using their sewing skills. They met November 19 to sew pillowcases for children in the hospital. After working all day there were 40 pillowcases. The ladies are, l-r, Margaret Duggins, Doris Barnett, Kathy Rector, Joan King, Delphine Wied, Peggy Monroe, Betty Reeve. Not pictured is quilter Joy Trimble.

Thankful for those who serve

By U.S. Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas

As Texans gather with our loved ones and friends in the coming days to celebrate Thanksgiving, I am reminded that so many of our blessings would not be possible without the contributions of our men and women in uniform—past and present—and the families who support them from the homefront. From a young age, I was fortunate to learn the value of military service from my father, a career Air Force officer who served as a B-17 pilot in World War II. On his 26th mission over Germany, he was shot down by the Nazis and spent several months in a POW camp before General Patton's troops freed him and his fellow servicemen. He instilled in me a love for our country and a deep respect for those who serve. Like-

wise, I learned these valuable lessons from my father-in-law, who stormed Utah Beach 70 years ago. We sadly lost him earlier this year, and he will be sorely missed by all of us this Thanksgiving.

Indeed, the many freedoms we enjoy have been secured since the birth of our nation by men and women willing to risk everything for this country. Each summer, I have the privilege of meeting our next generation of military leaders, when I host an annual send-off ceremony to recognize the young Texans joining our nation's military academies. They represent some of the brightest and most determined young people in our state, and we're fortunate that they choose to dedicate their talents and make a commitment to serving our country. I'm thankful

for their willingness to serve, and I'm encouraged by their incredible potential.

As these young men and women don their crisp uniforms for the first time, they are linked in spirit to the generations of great American patriots who came before them. Though much has changed—including the enemy, the battlefields, and the weaponry—the values and courage of our service members remain the same.

I see that commitment, that sense of duty, and that bravery in the faces of every warrior I meet—from the nation's oldest living veteran, Richard Overton, who at 108 years young resides in Austin, Texas, to a soldier I met at Fort Hood who was injured by the senseless shooting that rocked that close-knit community earlier this year. Still

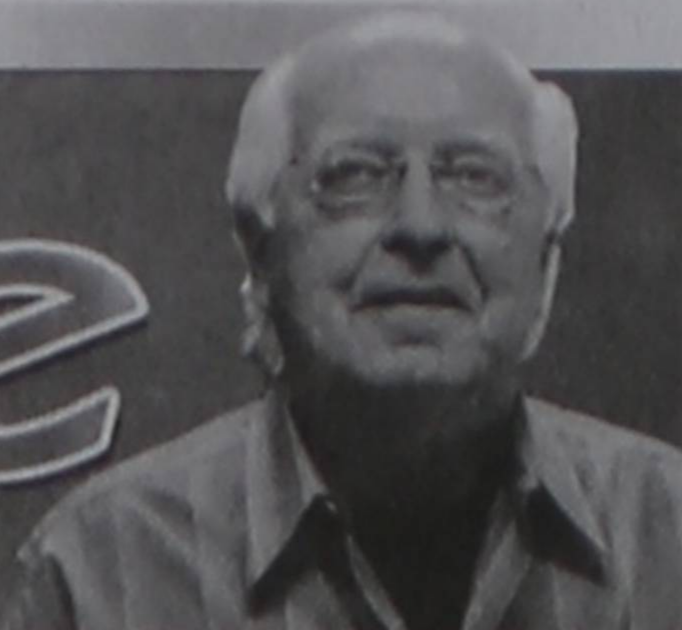
in recovery at the hospital, this young hero wrote a note that to me represents the spirit and dedication of all his fellow service members. He wrote: "Sir how's everyone doing? Let everyone know I'm doing good and we'll all get through this as a family/team."

As Texans give thanks for our blessings, I hope each of us will count among our greatest blessings the men and women who have and continue to place their lives in harm's way to ensure our freedoms, our safety and our way of life. We give thanks for their service and the sacrifices their families have made, and we pray for the safe return of those who are miles from home.

May God bless you and yours abundantly this Thanksgiving.

Out Here

By Ron Carr



Letters to the Editor

Hey Dana,
Enjoyed your Thanksgiving column and Ron's musings on the mysteries of grocery shopping--here is what might be termed a "mostly useful" fact about Thanksgiving.

Although the first Thanksgiving was thought to have occurred in Plymouth Colony (Pilgrims) in the 1621-1623 time period, an argument can be made that the first one actually occurred here on the Llano Estacado long before then.

During the Coronado expedition on the Llano in 1541, the Spaniards camped in a canyon on the eastern Llano (May have been Palo Duro, or Blanco Canyon near Floydada.) While there, they were battered by a hailstorm that bewildered the men, injured and stampeded horses, and destroyed equipment. Dazed, hungry and thirsty, the Spaniards found many of their needs in the canyon country and Coronado ordered the observance of a service of thanksgiving for their deliverance. So, arguably, the first Thanksgiving observed by Europeans on this continent may have been in the spring of 1541--about 80 years before the Pilgrim version--and right here in our home country. No word on how buffalo jerky went down without giblet gravy or cranberry sauce.

Jim Steiert

"I care about one thing and one thing only and that is how to use every minute of the remaining 1,276 days of my term to make the country work for working Americans again. That's all I care about."

President Barack Obama
July 24, 2013 Galesburg, Illinois

poison the well

Pretty bad week for President Obama and Bill Cosby.

You can now go online and find the complete list of women who allege they were sexually assaulted by Fat Albert, aka Bill Cosby. A 90-year-old guy that worked for Cosby has told NBC he sent money orders to various women and took women to Cosby's dressing room and stood guard outside the door. He said he assumed they were having sex.

Cosby's lawyer accused 90-year-old Frank Scotti of seeking 15 minutes of fame and was making stuff up. Folks, I doubt that a 90-year-old is interested in fame and publicity. I figure he is just glad to make it to the table for dinner.

Mr. Cosby is not commenting much and women keep showing up with all sorts of seedy accusations

against Dr. Huxtable. Could that many ladies be lying? It is a sad situation.

Meanwhile, President Obama managed to make 5 million illegal immigrants happy and the other 6+ million angry. Plus the Republicans and some Democrats are pretty mad too.

Did the president violate the constitution with his executive order guaranteeing the 5 million illegal immigrants sanctuary in America. I say he did.

Ten legal scholars (professors) wrote their opinion that he did not. The ten are Democrats and donors to the Obama campaign. Another group declared that he did violate the constitution with his executive order which of course he had to

sign and brag about at a Las Vegas high school, spending a few more million in travel expenses.

House Speaker John Boehner says the president's action has "poisoned the well." Not exactly sure what that means but almost every TV news anchor is using the term. I think it means that the next president(s) can make up their own executive orders and change any law they don't like.

The order discriminates against the immigrants that have permission to be here and have been working for years to gain citizenship. The law bypasses them. The other 6 million illegals are ticked off because they do not have the protection from deportation.

One Hispanic activist said on TV that it is the Republicans' fault that all 11 million were not included. He called Republicans nutty and crazy. Another female student activist told a TV reporter that her mother, who was deported

once but came back, is not included and might be deported again. She was mad at Mr. Obama.

So he has managed to divide another group. His has been a divisive administration, stirring up racism and running roughshod over the laws of the land. Mr. Obama and Mr. Cosby have had a rough week and it is not likely to get better any time soon.

The president will get to enact one more executive action before Thanksgiving. He will pardon a White House Thanksgiving turkey, an annual ritual that no doubt will make the other billion turkeys in America angry. There is racism and discrimination in the turkey world. Sound familiar?

Be thankful and enjoy your turkey. If you are a vegetarian just grab some extra sweet potatoes.

Happy Thanksgiving one and all.

Slow Cooker Turkey

Serves 8

A delicious slow cooker turkey that is moist, full of flavor and no oven is needed.

Prep Time - 20 min
Cook Time - 8 hr.
Total Time - 9 hr.

Ingredients

- 4 lb turkey breast (I used bone-in, but you can use boneless making sure to keep netting on during cooking)
- 2 tbsp. butter, room temperature
- 2 tsp poultry seasoning
- 2 tsp pepper
- 1 tsp garlic powder
- 1 tsp salt
- 3 cups fat free chicken stock
- 1 tbsp. butter, melted

Instructions

1. Remove turkey breast from packaging and rinse with cold water.
2. Pat dry with paper towels and place in a large slow cooker.
3. In a small bowl combine butter, poultry seasoning, pepper, garlic powder and salt.
4. Rub butter mixture all over turkey, inside (if using bone-in) and out.
5. Pour in chicken stock.
6. Cook on low for 6 hours.
7. Carefully turn turkey over and check chicken stock level and add more if necessary, stock should be about 1/4 of the way up the turkey.
8. Continue cooking for an additional 2 hours, or until turkey reaches 165 degrees when an instant read thermometer is inserted into the breast meat.
9. Carefully remove turkey from slow cooker and place on a shallow baking dish.
10. For a more browned skin, brush melted butter over turkey and place turkey under a broiler for 5 minutes to allow it to brown up, this is optional though.




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ACROSS

- 1 TXism: "city slicker"
- 5 track shape at TX Motor Speedway
- 6 cruisers can from Galveston
- 7 in Hidalgo Co. on hwy. 107
- 8 TX Benson '76 film: "___ to Billy Joe"
- 9 TXism: "fast ___ town gossip"
- 16 celebration
- 18 TXism: "best I ever wrapped a ___" (delicious)
- 21 TX semiconductor co.
- 22 TX cowgirl, Evans
- 23 "by way of"
- 24 Latin word for the plague
- 30 an "A" in NAFTA
- 34 company's image control (abbr.)
- 35 first newspaper in TX: "___ de Texas"
- 36 horn sound
- 37 TXism: "worthless as half ___ cut"
- 39 RBIs for a Ranger or Astro
- 43 it's expensive at AT&T Stadium
- 44 TX ___ wage is \$7.25
- 45 Cowboys' training camp state (abbr.)
- 46 "___ and bear it"
- 47 TXism: "2 chances: slim and ___"
- 48 TXism: "bend ___ elbow" (drink)

DOWN

- 1 TXism: "gave him a ___ his own medicine"
- 2 birthplace of actor Matthew McConaughey
- 3 in Liberty Co. on FM 770 and 834
- 4 noted TX athlete: Mildred ___
- 9 Astros & Rangers are in ___ West
- 10 TXism for "friend"
- 11 unwanted e-mail
- 12 TX George Strait has been CMA's "___ vocalist of the year" (1996-98)
- 13 AT&T Stadium and NRG Stadium
- 14 "___ and behold"
- 15 old Houston Oilers slogan: "___ Ya Blue"
- 17 there is some ___ football played in TX
- 19 TXism: "___ the bud" (stop it early)
- 20 this McGavin starred with TX Audie in '64
- 24 "Bullet for a Badman" some material may not be suitable
- 25 TXism: "cute as a bug's ___"
- 26 TXism: "he's lower than pond ___"
- 27 XIT brand did not mean "___ Texas"
- 28 "___ for me to say"
- 29 Hemphill is the seat of this county
- 31 famous TX case: "___ v. Wade"
- 32 "the tail ___"
- 33 Sarah ___ gave LBJ the oath of office on 11/22/63
- 38 broadcasted
- 40 TXism: "camps out in the ___ corner"
- 41 private univer. in San Antonio (abbr.)
- 42 TXism: "hit the ___ head"
- 49 Christmas carol
- 51 it doesn't work flat
- 52 news channel
- 57 Biblical food
- 58 JFK spent his last night in Fort Worth Regency

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Town Talk II

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Let us give thanks. We should do that every day, not just on Thanksgiving turkey day. I'm thankful for the many things I do not have as well as for the things I have. I am distressed to see that as though Black Friday isn't bad enough we have morphed now into Pre-Black Friday sales. It is ridiculous. This Thanksgiving I will be able to see all five of my children. That will be blessing enough for me. Hope you all have a safe, blessed, bountiful Thanksgiving.

Monday is Christmas in the Park. Santa will arrive about 5:30 p.m. Note also that several stores will be open late during the Christmas in the Park. Creative Chaos, just south of city hall, will have open house from 1:00 - 8:00 p.m. with discounts and hot cocoa. Glamour and Décor (formerly Ingram's) is having an open house December 1-2. They will be open until 8:00 p.m. Monday. Milk House Market at Main and Hwy 60 is also having an open house Monday and Tuesday. Davy Howard's store, Interior Im-

pressions, across from the city park, is going to be open 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday also. Ivy Cottage's annual Christmas open house will be Tuesday December 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. All of these stores have ads in this Star. Look them up, check them out, and shop Local. Support our local merchants.

Chamber exec director Chris Alexander told me as of Monday that there will be hot cocoa, popcorn, and tamale vendors in the park along with caroling and train rides for the kids. Bring 16 oz peanut butter and/or Pop Tarts to the park and place them at your favorite decorated tree. It goes to the local SnackPak4Kids program.

The Calvary Tabernacle Temple in Clovis cooks and sells some really tasty peanut brittle. Locally you can get it at Fast Stop. Two big round patties for about \$4.00. It usually sells fast but if you are lucky you will not be disappointed. I buy it all the time.

Parmer County Clerk Colleen Stover is retiring at the end of this year. She did not run for re-election. A retirement reception honoring Colleen will be held Thursday December 4 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. in the County Courtroom at the Parmer County Courthouse. Everyone is invited.

Opportunities for giving: The Empty Stocking Fund benefits needy children at Christmas; Project Christmas Card sponsored by the hospital auxiliary, benefits Parmer Medical Center in the purchase of new equipment; Friona United Way provides money to many local organizations. You can donate to all of these charitable organizations at Friona Interbank. Also the SnackPak4Kids program provides food for the weekends to needy children. They accept money, peanut butter, and Pop Tarts.

The Chiefs/Squaws basketball hosts Boys Ranch here Tuesday December 2. Game times JV 5:00 p.m., Squaws 6:30 p.m., and Chiefs 8:00

p.m. Come out and support the teams, and the concession stand.


The Friona FFA Radio Team won 1st in both district and area and the next stop is state. The team is Brayden Pope, Brandon Berend, Gavin Douglas, and Cole Stowers. Congratulations boys and ag instructor Tracy Blount.

Our thoughts to the Mickey Griffin family. Friends said he had colon surgery at BSA on Tuesday. We extend our best wishes for a successful recovery.

This Town Talk is shorter than usual but it is a short week and not a lot of news being made. EMS has been busy back

and forth to Amarillo hospitals. Several of our local citizens have had falls, broken bones, and other health issues. The Friona Star staff wishes you the best of Thanksgivings this year. Be safe, eat hearty, enjoy a nap, or football, or shopping. Hug your kids. I'm going to see you back here next week. Until then!

Country Thoughts
dana jameson



Dessert season

Let's talk desserts this week. We all know that the perfect Thanksgiving lunch, dinner and late night snack is not complete without your favorite dessert.

When I was growing up, we had the obligatory pumpkin pie with whipped cream. Sometimes those pies were homemade and other times were simply removed from the Sara Lee box and baked. Both were delicious and filled us with yummy goodness. My grandmother spoiled my boys each year. She would bake each of them a pumpkin pie and get them their own tub of Cool Whip.

Occasionally there was a pecan pie. These were better when they were homemade because Granny's was always just a little runny and gooey.

Granny came across a recipe one year that became a staple at both Thanksgiving and Christmas. Caramel nut pie! She would put meringue on the top and bake it to golden goodness. It became my favorite all-time pie. She would make me my very own pie each year. Unfortunately, she took that recipe with her when she passed away.

She took her peanut butter pie recipe as well. This pie was always good with a big glass of milk after all the turkey and dressing was put away for the day.

My mother was no slouch at the pie making. She had a pie she called the "Two ton" pie. It was a pineapple cream pie that, according to her, weighed two tons. She would top it with whipped cream. I think it was named the "Two ton" pie because once you ate it you felt distinctly heavier. Either way, it was something to look forward to during the holidays.

I am more of a baker of cakes, cookies, candies, etc.

I tried my hand at a homemade pumpkin pie once. I followed the recipe to the letter. I think I baked it for four hours and it still didn't get solid in the center. The crust was a shade of black that only ashes could come close to in color. Pumpkin pie soup is not the most ap-

petizing and it didn't get any better in an ash pie shell.

I tried to make a pecan pie as well and gave up when I once again ended up with soup.

Give me a cake, cookie or candy recipe and I can knock it out of the park.

I watch the Food Network almost religiously. I watch as they make their favorite recipes and every time they have a perfect creation. They never burn the crust. They never mix the wrong thing into their batter. They always have the right ingredients on hand. They take ingredients that others would not touch and create mouth-watering, succulent dishes.

I wish just once that I could be like Ree Drummond (The Pioneer Woman) and get everything done at the same time and picture perfect. The magic of television is pretty deceiving.

My baking this year has been curtailed due to not having a stove at this time. (I haven't missed it.)

Anyway, as we ready ourselves for the ultimate feast on Thursday I hope you have a happy and safe Thanksgiving spent with your loved ones.

If you are one of those that will be braving the Gray Thursday and Black Friday sales, I wish you well.

I don't plan to do that again. Once was enough and I haven't found anything that is worth braving the crowds. I am still on crutches and dodging stray children and shoppers is not on my list of things to be thankful for this season.

Wait, maybe it would be good to go on the crutches. People become more helpful when they see the crutches. In addition, if that doesn't work I guess I could use them as a weapon.

Nahhhhh, I will just stay home and take a turkey-induced nap. So there will be one less shopper out there...be careful and happy shopping!

Happy Thanksgiving from Danny & Holly



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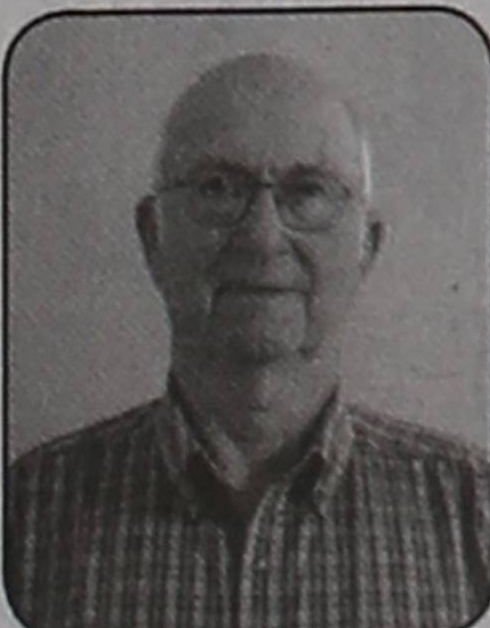
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November 30 - December 6

(To add, delete or change a name on our birthday list, please call us at 250-2211 or e-mail to frionastar@wtrt.net.)

Nov. 30-Shauna Maynard, Robin Rector, Dean Agee, Macey Ni'Kohl Townsend, Brea Brown, Alryna McElreath

Dec. 1-Ryan Sifford, Shannon Burnett, Shayla Lincoln, Scott Nelson, Kyla Wood, Virginia Cleveland, Zane Anderson, Kyla Hurst, Judy Drake

Dec. 2-Ann Nichols, Jessica Norwood, Christene Putman, Bill Pruitt, Bradley Martin, James Warren, Meredith Edelman, Mallory Claire Kemple, Grady Sorley, Jimmy Parson, Minnie Kelso, Nancy Mayfield, Abbey Cramer, Bernie Lennon

Dec. 3-Brittney Martin, Thomas Alexander, Corben Baxter, Thomas Maricle, Ted Tucker, Randie Hamilton, Cheryl Cunningham, Terry Davis

Dec. 4-Brock Field, Deniss Field, Glenda Schueler, Erin Barnett, Billie Mueller, Myrna Barraza

Dec. 5-D'Aun Pratt, Charles Wilkins, Teena Hughs, Allison Johnston, Matthew Locke Ratliff, Larry Hodnett

Dec. 6-Tim Mercer, Mike Taylor, Sherri Wilkerson, Alicia Rando, Allison Jones, Roy Dominguez, Roy Don Smith, Jessie Fuentes, Darin Hofferichter, Marixa Rocha, Kendall Morrow

Xcel Energy offers tips to enjoy the holidays safely

The holiday season is rapidly approaching, and Xcel Energy recommends the following safety tips for decorating and appliance maintenance:

Lighting Safety:

- Remember to look up and all around for electric wires before hanging lights outside on your house.
- Stay at least 10 feet away from electric wires, and keep ladders, tools and holiday lights 10 feet away from electric wires as well.
- Use only outdoor lights outside.
- Check for broken sockets, frayed wires and loose connections. Replace or repair damaged light sets.
- Use no more than three light sets on one extension cord.
- Turn off lights on trees and decorations when you go to bed or leave home.
- If you prefer an artificial tree, choose one that is tested and labeled as fire resistant. Artificial trees with built-in electrical systems should have the Underwriters Laboratory (UL) label.
- Fasten outdoor lights firmly to a secure support with insulated staples or hooks to avoid wind damage. Never nail, tack or stress wiring when hanging lights, and keep plugs off the ground and away from puddles and snow.

Getting your home ready for the holidays is also a good time to check your furnace, oven, water heater and fireplace to ensure their venting systems are clear of debris and able to operate properly.

Carbon monoxide, an odorless, colorless gas, is produced by the incomplete combustion of fuel. When inhaled, a person can become fatigued or disoriented and suffer from headaches, nausea and dizziness. High levels of carbon monoxide can cause death.

To prevent carbon monoxide poisoning, hire a qualified contractor annually to inspect your home's fuel burning appliances and venting systems for proper ventilation. Another important step is to install carbon monoxide detectors in central locations in your home and near each sleeping area.

More information is available at www.xcelenergy.com.

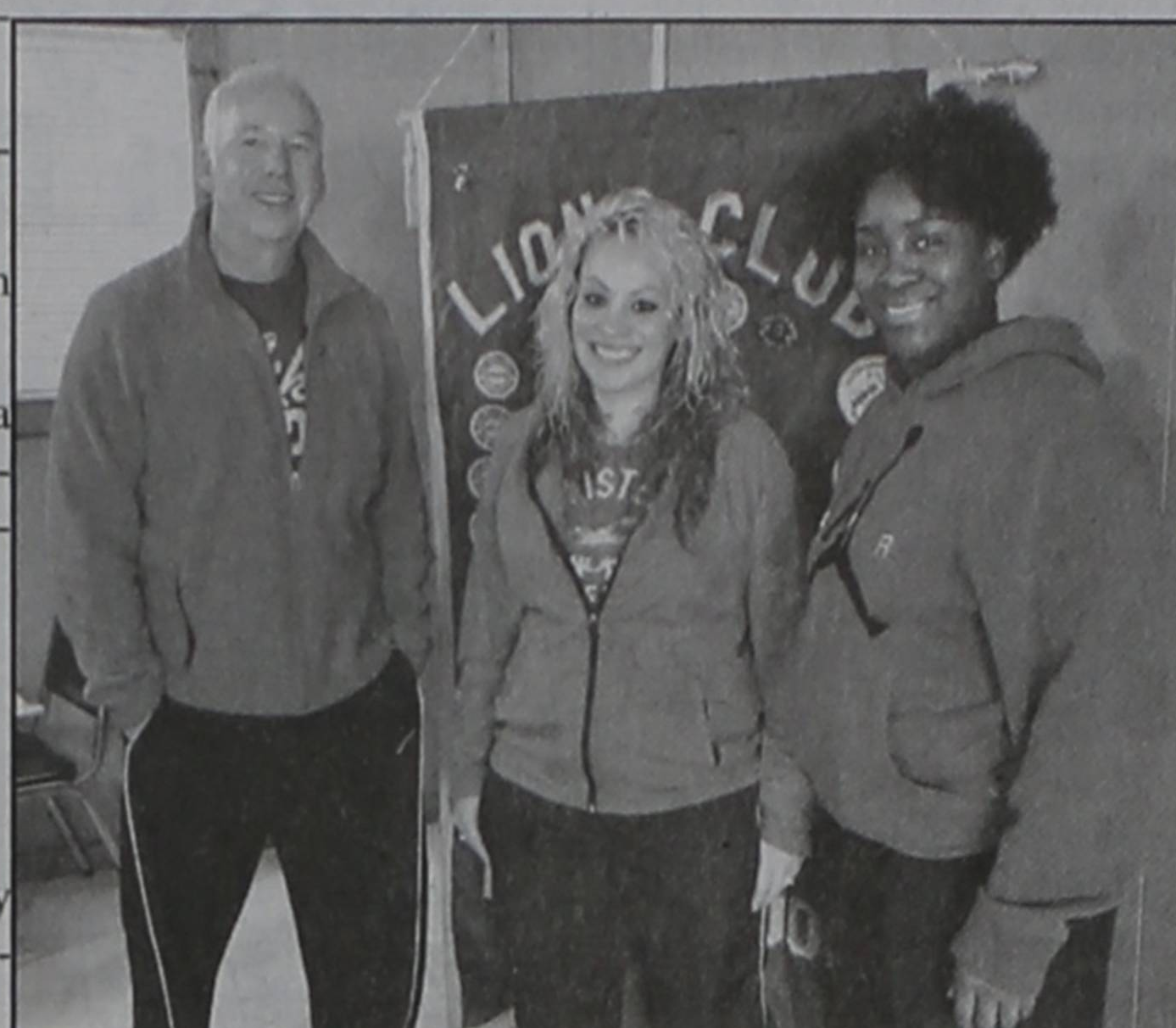
Lions Club News

The Friona Noon Lions met Thursday November 20 with 13 members, club sweetheart Aubrey Williams, and guests Darrell Ray, Vanessa O'Neal, and Cindy Moreno present. Members and guests enjoyed a Thanksgiving turkey, ham, dressing and all the trimmings meal.

The three guests are FHS basketball coaches. Coach Ray is the Squaws head coach, Ms. O'Neal and Mrs. Moreno are assistants and JV coaches. They gave members an update on the 2014-15 basketball season outlook.

Lion Justin Jeter, club treasurer, was applauded and given a Lions pin and certificate for his 10 years as a Lion. Raffle ticket sales are going well according to Boss Lion Andy Montana. The drawing for the shotgun will be held at the December 18 Noon Lions meeting. Thanks to everyone who has purchased tickets so far. They are \$10 each.

The next meeting of the Noon Lions will be Thursday December 4 at Headquarters Restaurant.



ron carr photo

Friona high school basketball coaches Darrell Ray, Cindy Moreno, and Vanessa O'Neal were guests and gave the program for the November 20 Noon Lions meeting. They are Squaw basketball coaches.

Crime of the Week

The Parmer County Crime Stoppers needs your help. On November 19, 2014 in the afternoon hours unknown individual(s) stole a 4-wheeler from the 2700 block of County Road 14. The unknown individual(s) were seen with the 4-wheeler tied to a tan late 90's to early 2000 model car pulling it west and south down Farm to Market roads. The 4-wheeler is a dark green Polaris Sportsman 450.

If you have any information at all about this crime, please call the Parmer County Crime Stoppers at (806)481-9178. You will remain anonymous and, if your tip leads to an arrest, you may earn cash reward up to \$1,000.

Call Crime Stoppers at: 800-774-TIPS (8477), (806) 481-9178 or www.pbcstips.com.

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Courthouse Notes

Warranty deeds as reported by the County Clerk's Office for the week of November 13, 2014 to November 19, 2014:

Jeff Grissom and Denise Grissom-Carolyn Widner, N/2 S30 Blk C.

Dale Berggren-Clint Bryan Holmes, NE/4 S29 Blk A.

Dale Berggren-Clint Bryan Holmes, NE/4 S29 Blk A.

Fannie Mae-Rogelio Palacios L20 B3 Staley.

Deborah Nickels-Guy Wayne Nickels and Kimberly Joy Nickels, S 159.95 AC of E/2 S14 T14S R3E.

DPS collaborating with Toys for Tots

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) in the Texas Panhandle has once again collaborated with Toys for Tots, a national charitable organization that collects toys to give to needy children. DPS will serve as an official Toy for Tots collection center.

DPS ask that toys remain in their original packaging. Toys for children ages 0-2 and 12-13 of either gender are in the most demand. Some examples of appropriate toys for the 0-2 range are teething rings, plush toys, ring towers or anything that would stimulate their senses. For the 12-13 range, appropriate toys include board games, books, jewelry, and anything to prepare them for their teenage years.

For more information on Toys for Tots, please visit their website at <http://www.toysfortots.org>.

Residents are invited to donate toys to any DPS Trooper any time between now and December 12 2014, or at the following locations:

Amarillo Highway Patrol Office, 4200 Canyon Drive, Amarillo

Clarendon Highway Patrol Office, 723 W. 2nd, Clarendon

Dumas Highway Patrol Office, 817 S. Bliss, Dumas

Pampa Highway Patrol Office, 2909 Perryton Pkwy., Pampa

Borger Highway Patrol Office, 3249 Fairlanes Blvd., Borger

Childress Highway Patrol Office, 1700 Ave F, NW, Childress

Hereford Highway Patrol Office, 807 W. 15th, Hereford

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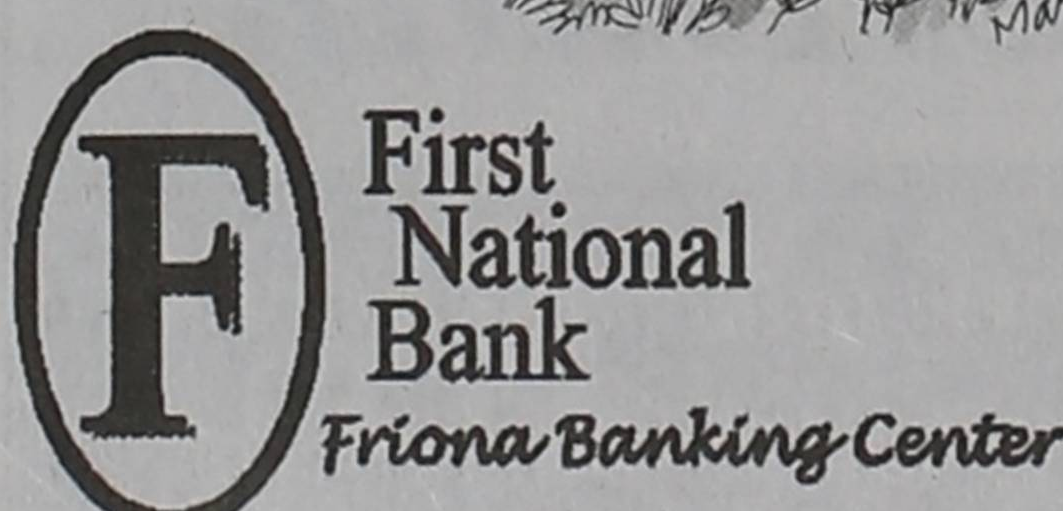
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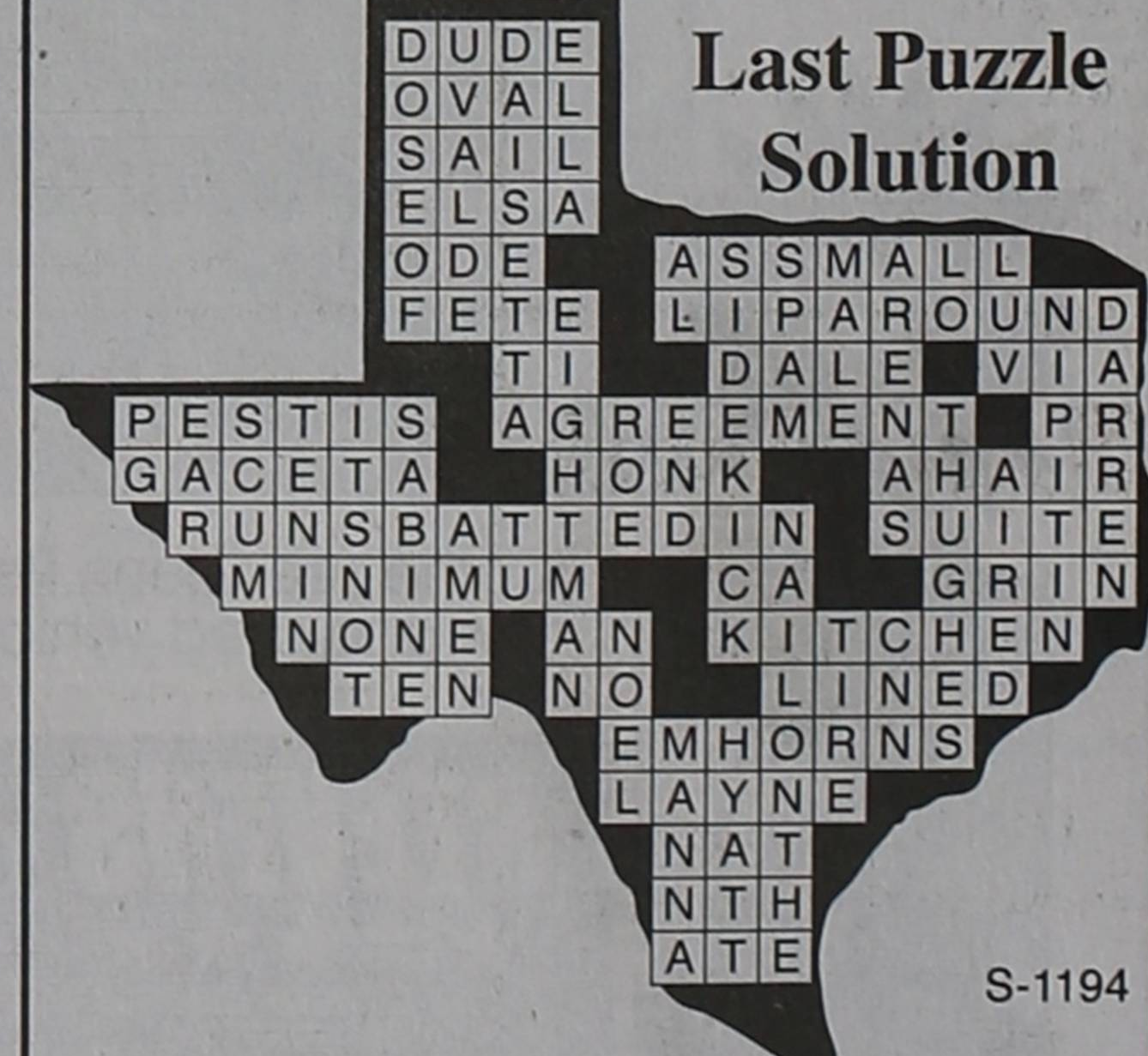
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From fall feast to national holiday Panhandle Parables

(reprinted from <http://www.infoplease.com>) in 1621, to commemorate the harvest reaped by the Plymouth Colony after a harsh winter. In that year, Governor William Bradford proclaimed a day of thanksgiving. The colonists celebrated it as a traditional English harvest feast, to which they invited the local Wampanoag Indians.

By the mid-1800s, many states observed a Thanksgiving holiday. Meanwhile, the poet and editor Sarah J. Hale had begun lobbying for a national Thanksgiving holiday. During the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln, looking for ways to unite the nation, discussed the subject with Hale. In 1863, he gave his Thanksgiving Proclamation, declaring the last Thursday in November a day of thanksgiving.

In 1939, 1940, and 1941 Franklin D. Roosevelt, seeking to lengthen the Christmas shopping season, proclaimed Thanksgiving the third Thursday in November. Controversy followed, and Congress passed a joint resolution in 1941 decreeing that Thanksgiving should fall on the fourth Thursday of November, where it remains.

By JEFF PROCTER,
Minister, 6th Street Church of Christ

Thankfulness begins in the heart and it is the heart that God desires most. I want to say a prayer if I may for thankfulness. It is some of the first kinds of prayers we learn as children as we pray with one eye open looking for things to be thankful for like our spoons, napkins and each individual by name at the table. So here it goes.

Father God to whom all praise is due. We thank you, for this very day. The sun rose this morning in a remarkable display of Your majesty. We thank you, Lord for life, that precious allotted time between our birth and last breath. We thank you for the memories of loved ones now safely at Home in your rest. We thank you that they have marked our lives with good.

Father we are humbled by the bounty of physical blessings that we should count more often. We thank you for homes, food and the abundance that many cannot even imagine. We pray that we will keep perspective that we are mere managers of

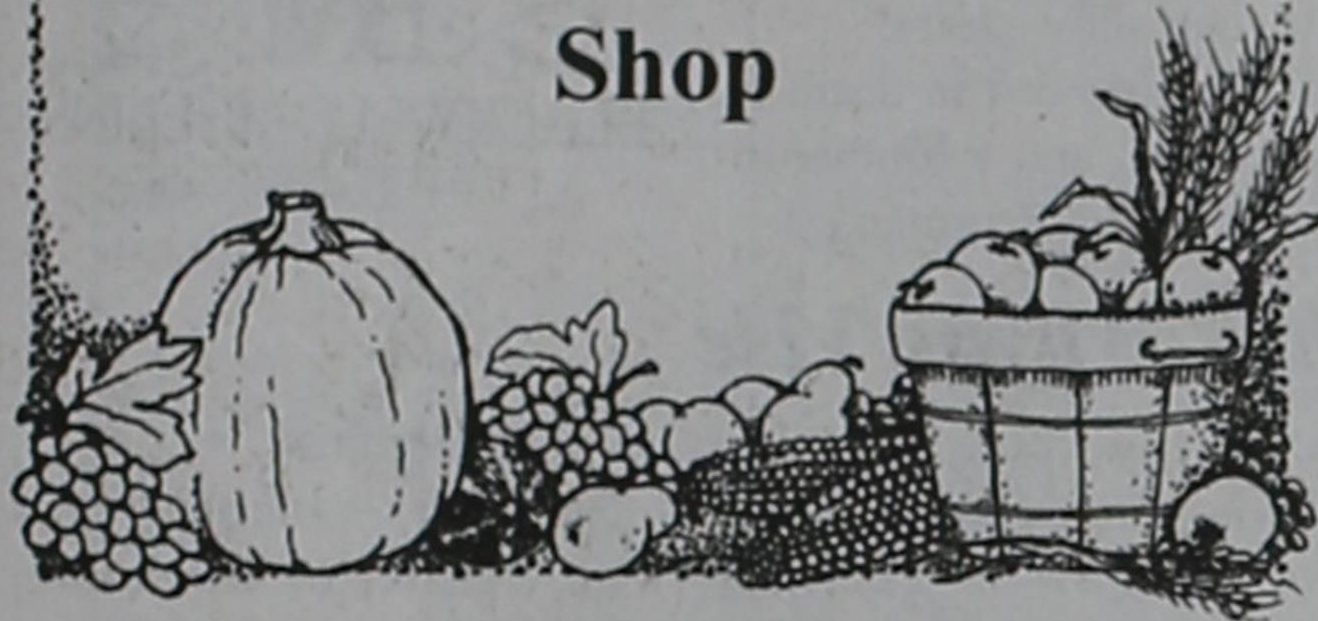
stuff and may our stuff never take Your place.

Lord, we thank you for this community that lives, loves and shares as we serve You with all our hearts. May you bless each family in our community, that we me ever abound in sharing our lives with each other.

God, You know we have lost some good folks here in our area and we ask comfort for the families as they face these first holidays with empty seats. Spread your arms around them, and use our arms, as well.

Lord, our hearts are full of thanks because they are full of hope and that hope has come at great price to You in giving us Your Son, may we ever be grateful and live out our days in gratitude for this great gift. Thank you for loving us enough to create us, be patient with us and redeem us all according to your plan. It is in the name of Jesus we pray. Amen. (There is much more to be thankful for keep your prayer going.)

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Thankful for What I Don't Have

BRETT HOYLE, Pastor, First Baptist Church

I try to take time to count my many blessings from the Lord often, but I rarely thank the Lord for what I don't have. So, I'm thankful for not having ebola, terminal sickness, or major health issues with my family. I am thankful for not having everything I want, which would probably turn my heart from the Lord, and I am thankful for not having just my basic necessities. I am also thankful for not having to visit the emergency room for myself while being in Friona. Although I could go on, I encourage you to be thankful for what you don't have.

Most of all, though, I am thankful that I no longer have my sin, because Jesus took it from me when I gave my life to Him. Can you say that you are thankful that you do not have your sin, because Jesus has taken your sins away from you? This is the message of 1 John 3:5 "You know that He [Jesus] appeared in order to take away sins, and in him there is no sin." Only Jesus can take away your sins because of His perfect life, sacrificial death, victorious resurrection and loving invitation for you to turn from your sin and turn to Him in faith.

Thank God in all things

By TEENA HUGHS

I remember the day I was driving north on Interstate 27, exiting Western, and it occurring to me that I should tell God, "THANK YOU". I admit I was just in the beginning of my relationship with Him, and my prayer life wasn't much to speak of. Over the years, I had asked God to bail me out of some tough situations, and He had, but I don't remember ever thanking Him for doing so, or for thanking Him for anything else for that matter. After that, I started making a conscientious effort to be more aware of Him and what He is doing in my life, and to thank Him.

Jeff Proctor, minister at Sixth Street Church of Christ, spoke at the Community-Wide Thanksgiving Service a couple of years ago, and asked, "When you thank God, do you REALLY thank Him?" Is your thank-you just an obligatory thanks; is it a rushed, quick thank-you; or is it a sincere, heart-felt thank-you?

I believe God appreciates any thank-

you, because we are acknowledging Him, but just like you and me, whenever someone sincerely thanks us, the thank-you is much more appreciated.

This year has been a tough season for the people of Friona. We have lost many people that none of us wanted to lose. How can we thank God when we see people grieving and struggling right now? We can thank Him for those people and the fact we were so blessed that He put them in our lives; we can thank Him for what we learned from them and the impact they made on our lives; we can thank Him that His precious Son died on a cross so that one day we can be re-united with them and Jesus in Heaven.

In all things, good and bad, let us never take God for granted (Thank you Gary Johnson, minister at Grace Baptist, for the reminder Sunday night.), and let us never forget to thank Him for seeing us through and providing for us during those good and bad times.

Please join us for a Retirement Celebration Honoring Colleen Glover Farmer County Clerk Thursday, December 4th, 2014. Come and go from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. County Courtroom in the Farmer County Courthouse.

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OBITUARIES

Kirby D. Williams

Kirby D. Williams, 75, died Tuesday, November 18, 2014. Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, November 21 at Stephenville Funeral Home with Jerry Nance officiating. Burial took place at Resthaven Cemetery in Lubbock, Texas on Saturday, November 22.

Kirby was born September 24, 1939 in Anton, Texas to Owen E. and Neva North Williams. He married Jonnie Hand on December 27, 1960 in Friona, Texas. Kirby held his Ph.D. in Speech Communication and was a teacher for many years. He also spent time working with an oil com-



pany. Kirby was a member of the Church of Christ, living in Stephenville for the last seven years after moving from the Fort Worth area.

Kirby is survived by his wife, Jonnie; daughters, Keli-

jon Nance and husband Jerry, Heidi Hooten and husband Scott; grandchildren, Karson Nance and wife Laura, Barrett, Brynleigh, and Brylen Hooten; and special cousin, T. Jeff Williams.

The Williams family wishes expressions of sympathy be made in the form of donations to Lubbock Christian University, 5601 W. 19th, Lubbock, Texas 79407, James and Jeanette Ling Science Center, Attn: University Advancement, place In Memory of Kirby Williams in memo line.

Online condolences may be made at www.stephenvillefh.com

LeRoy Berend

LeRoy Berend, 77, of Friona, died November 21, 2014 in Friona. Rosary services were held Monday, November 24, 2014 at St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Friona with Mass of Christian Burial services held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, November 25, 2014 at St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Friona with Rev. Ed Sweeney of Amarillo and Rev. Anthony Swamy Aakula, pastor, officiating. Burial followed in the Friona Cemetery under the direction of Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home of Friona.

Mr. Berend was born September 8, 1937 in Gainesville, Texas to Ewald and Dorothy Mages Berend. He married Jo Ann Hess on August 4, 1962 in Muenster, Texas. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, a member of the Knights of Co-



lumbus and St. Teresa's Catholic Church. He was a farmer and in the feed yard trucking industry for 52 years. Before moving to Friona, he and Jo Ann lived in Hereford. He loved his family, especially his grandchildren. A large part of his life was helping them with their show steers.

He is preceded in death by his parents, and a brother-in-law Raymond Broman.

He is survived by his wife of Friona; one daughter, Dana Campbell and husband Bryan of Muenster, Texas; one son, Roddy Berend and wife Sandra of Friona; two sisters, Marrian Yosten and husband Nick of Hereford, and Doris Zinser of Conway, Arkansas; six grandchildren, Brittany, Jason and Brandon Berend and Jake, Emily and Gage Campbell.

Memorial donations can be made to Prairie Acres Nursing Home, 201 East 15th, Friona, Texas 79035.

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Terry Lynn (Widner) Hunt

Terry Lynn (Widner) Hunt went to be with her Lord and Savior on November 19, 2014. Celebration of Life services were held Monday, November 24, 2014 at 10 a.m. at Friona United Methodist Church in Friona, Texas with Rev. John Woody, pastor, officiating. Burial was held at 2:00 p.m. (N. M. time) at the Melrose Cemetery in Melrose, New Mexico. Arrangements were under the direction of Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home of Friona.

Terry was born on May 3, 1956 to Lawrence and Carolyn Farmer Widner in Las Cruces, New Mexico. Terry grew up in Eastern New Mexico where she enjoyed sewing 4-H projects and exhibiting the livestock. She graduated from Elida High School in 1974 and received her Bachelors of Education from New Mexico State University. She married Chris Hunt on October 27, 1979. She served Friona ISD for 20 years where she retired in 2012. She was selected as Friona ISD Teacher of the Year in 2011. Most recently, Terry served Bovina ISD as a Dyslexia Specialist where she met new friends and children



that needed her. Terry had a deep passion for teaching children. She was an encourager. Terry served the Friona community in many capacities. She recently served as President of the Friends of the Friona Library Board. Additionally, she was active in Relay for Life and Friona United Methodist Church Advisory Board. Terry enjoyed following Professional Bull Riding, and owned six bucking bulls, and loved spending time with her grandsons. Terry made a difference in the lives of others by giving of her heart and her time.

Terry was preceded in death, by her father, Lawrence

Widner.

Terry is survived by her husband Chris, of Friona; her daughter Ashlee Hilton and husband Philip of Ft. Worth; her son Keith Hunt, of Amarillo; and two grandsons, Knox Hilton and Nash Hilton; her mother, Carolyn Widner of Bovina; her twin brother Larry Widner and wife Tori; her sisters, Linda Merritt and husband, Butch of DeKalb, Texas and Laura McMillin and husband, Kelly of Shallowater, Texas; along with many nieces and nephews; a large extended family; and loads of former students and friends.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Friends of the Friona Library, 109 W. 7th Street, Friona, TX 79035 or the Friona Methodist Church Endowment Fund, 301 E 8th Street, Friona, TX 79035.

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Dale Wayne Vise

Dear Jesus, open the coffee shop door and put the pot on for our friend and loved one, Dale Vise, who'll be there directly.

Dale Wayne Vise, 70, of Muleshoe, Texas, was sung to his rest Saturday, Nov. 22, 2014, at his home.

He was born Feb. 9, 1944, in Clovis, N.M., to Merriman and Billie Vise. He graduated from Lazbuddie High School. He joined the U.S. Navy and spent four years serving his country during the Vietnam War with his own band of brothers aboard the USS Chipola, an oiler with

the Pacific fleet.

Dale married Janice "Nellie" Faw in February of 1968, and after retiring from the Navy, made his home Parmer County and settled down on the family farm. He also worked for Farm Bureau insurance and was a meat inspector for the USDA.

He was frequent visitor of the Dinner Bell, his favorite coffee shop, in Muleshoe, loved RFD-TV and to travel, and looked forward each year to his reunion with his shipmates on the Chipola.

He was preceded in death

by his parents.

Survivors include his wife, Nellie, of the home; two daughters he loved more than himself, Tammy (Tony) Farkas and Jana Vise; and three granddaughters he doted on, Tori Vise, Ella Farkas and Celi Farkas.

Memorial services will be held at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel in Muleshoe at 11:00 on Tuesday, Dec. 2.

Family wishes in lieu of flowers to send donations to the Wounded Warriors Project — support.woundedwarriorproject.org/.



Friona School Calendar for December 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 EOC Testing Re-Take English I -Christmas in the Park 5:30 p.m. -FFA Community Service Toy Drive -7 th /8 th /C Boys Basketball @ Muleshoe 5:00 -7 th /8 th /C Girls Basketball vs. Muleshoe 5:00	2 -EOC Testing Re-Take English II -FFA Community Service Toy Drive -JH Band All Region Tryouts @ Panhandle -JVB/JVG/VG/VB Basketball vs. Boys Ranch 5/5/6:30/8:00	3 -EOC Testing Re-Take Algebra I -FFA Community Service Toy Drive	4 -EOC Testing Re-Take U.S. History -FFA Community Service Toy Drive -VG Basketball @ Melrose -VB Basketball @ Nazareth -9G/JVG/JVB/9B Basketball Tournament @ Friona -FHS Choir TMEA All State Round 3 (Pre Area) @ Randall	5 -EOC Testing Re-Take Biology -FFA Community Service Toy Drive -VG Basketball @ Melrose -VB Basketball @ Nazareth -9G/JVG/JVB/9B Basketball Tournament @ Friona -FFA State LDE SHSU	6 -FFA Community Service Toy Drive -VG Basketball @ Melrose -VB Basketball @ Nazareth -9G/JVG/JVB/9B Basketball Tournament @ Friona -FFA State LDE SHSU -FHS Speech Tournament @ Amarillo
7 -FFA Community Service Toy Drive	8 -FFA Community Service Toy Drive -7 th /8 th /C Girls Basketball @ Littlefield 5:00 -7 th /8 th /C Boys Basketball vs. Littlefield 5:00 -FHS Band All Region Tryouts @ Panhandle -FFA Fruit Delivery	9 -FFA Community Service Toy Drive -JVB/VG/VB Basketball vs. Melrose 5/6:30/8 -FFA Fruit Delivery	10 -FFA Community Service Toy Drive -FFA Fruit Delivery	11 -FFA Community Service Toy Drive -Elementary District UIL Competition -VG/VB Basketball Tournament @ Farwell -FHS Choir Carol Around Friona -FFA Fruit Delivery -JH Band Concert JH Auditorium 7:00 p.m.	12 -FFA Community Service Toy Drive -VG/VB Basketball Tournament @ Farwell -FFA Fruit Delivery	13 -FFA Community Service Toy Drive -VG/VB Basketball Tournament @ Farwell -FFA Fruit Delivery -FHS Speech Bobsled Classic - Friona
14 -FFA Community Service Toy Drive	15 -FFA Community Service Toy Drive -7 th /8 th /C Girls Basketball vs. Tulia 5:00 -7 th /8 th Boys Basketball @ Tulia 5:00 -FHS Choir Christmas Concert 6:30 p.m. FHS Auditorium	16 -FFA Community Service Toy Drive -4 th Grade Science Benchmark -JVG/JVB/VG/VB Basketball vs. Bovina 4:30/4:30/6/7:30	17 -FFA Community Service Toy Drive	18 -FFA Community Service Toy Drive -3 rd Grade Music Program 10:00 a.m./6:30 p.m.	19 -End of 3 rd Six Weeks -Early Release -FFA Community Service Toy Drive -JVG/JVB/VG/VB Basketball vs. River Road 4:30/4:30/6/7:30 -9G/9B Basketball vs. River Road 7:30/6:00	20 -FFA Community Service Toy Drive
21 -FFA Community Service Toy Drive	22 -Christmas Holiday -FFA Community Service Toy Drive	23 -Christmas Holiday	24 -Christmas Holiday	25 -Christmas Holiday	26 -Christmas Holiday	27 -Christmas Holiday
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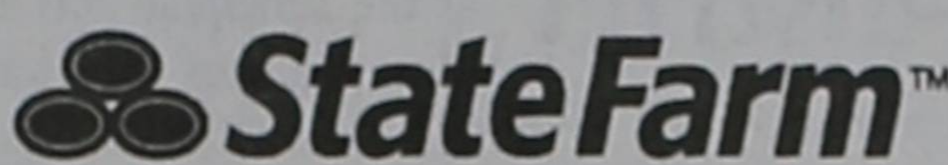
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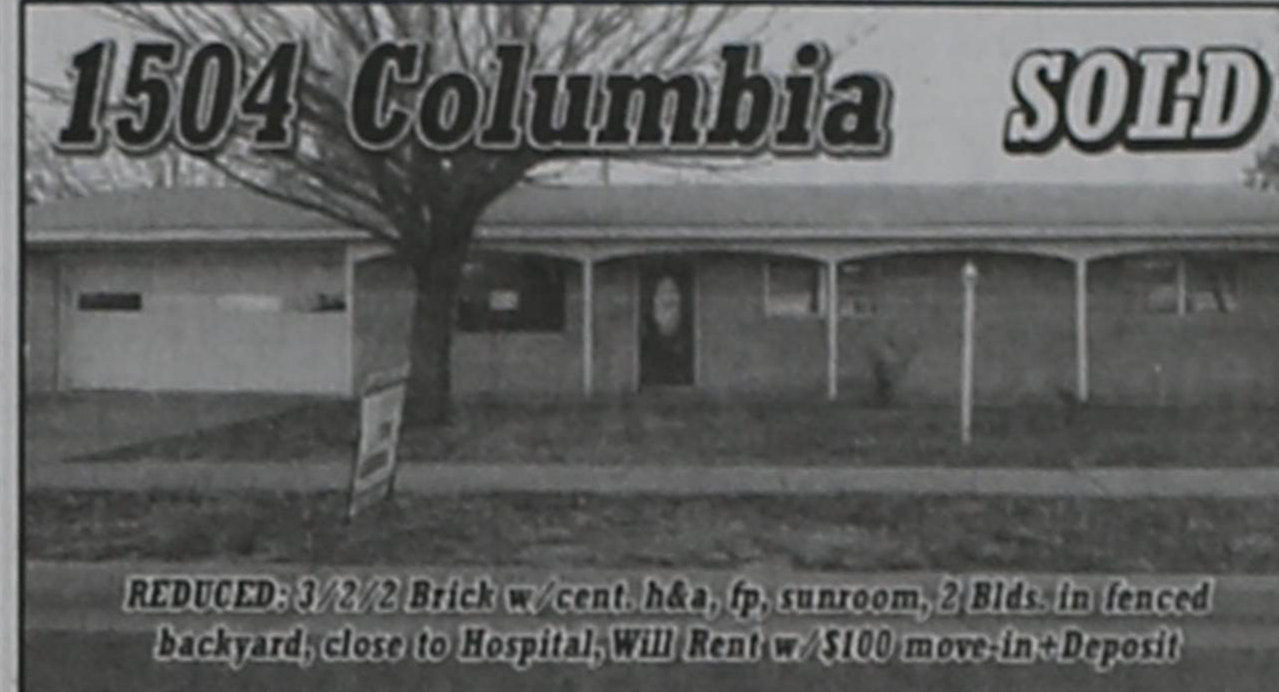
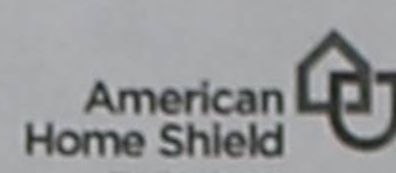
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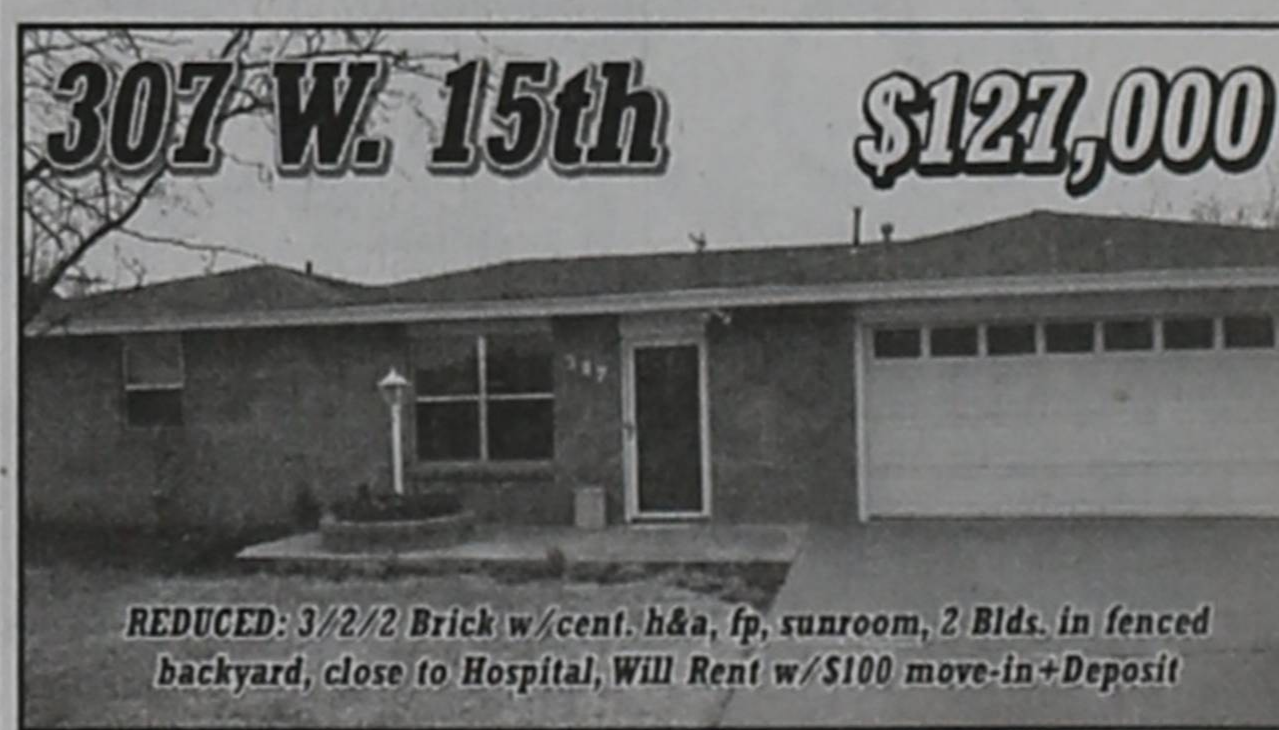
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Xcel Energy cautions customers about scams during the holidays

As part of an ongoing scam awareness effort, Xcel Energy officials are cautioning customers to protect themselves from utility scams during the holiday season.

Scammers impersonating Xcel Energy agents target victims during busy hours, most often over the phone, and tell customers to make a payment or have their service turned off.

"During this busy time of year, scammers are ready to take advantage of our customers, and while we cannot stop the scam calls, we can help stop scams from being successful," said David Hudson, president and CEO of Southwest

ern Public Service Company, an Xcel Energy company. "We want to warn our customers, especially small businesses, to stay alert for suspicious phone calls demanding immediate payment."

"If you think that you are being targeted by a scammer, simply end the conversation and call us directly to verify your account status."

To check the status of their account or report a scam, business customers should contact Xcel Energy's Business Solutions Center at 1-800-481-4700, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Residential customers

can call our residential customer service line at 1-800-895-4999. Businesses may also call that number during evening hours or on weekends.

Scammers have tried various ways to trick Xcel Energy customers into providing payment, usually over the phone. They have been known to:

- Tell intended victims their account is past due and threaten to turn off their power if they do not make a payment right away.

- Require victims to pay using a pre-paid debit card, such as a Green Dot card.

- Manipulate caller ID to dis-

play a fake number, which may actually be Xcel Energy's number. This is called "spoofing."

Scammers have targeted all classes of customers, but particularly small businesses such as restaurants. Business customers account for approximately two-thirds of all scams reported to Xcel Energy. In most cases, a scammer calls during busy hours of operation and threatens to disconnect the customer's power

unless they make a payment over the phone.

Xcel Energy provides scam prevention information at <http://connect.xcelenergy.com/scams>, including a Scam Alert poster for employers. Among the tips offered are:

- Never give out personal information, credit card numbers or wire money as a result of an unexpected or unsolicited call if you cannot validate the caller's

authenticity.

•Xcel Energy provides many options for payment; be suspicious if the caller is insisting on the use of a pre-paid debit card.

•Be aware that Xcel Energy will contact customers first by U.S. mail about past-due bills.

You will be sent a disconnection notice in writing before your power is actually turned off.

More information is available at www.xcelenergy.com.

Three Chiefs on 1st team all-district

The 1-3A football all-district team has been announced. Chieftain senior lineman Edgar Guerrero was named to the 1st team on both offense and defense.

Junior Gabriel Chico was named as a 1st team running back and junior Dallin Woods was named as a 1st team defensive back.

Senior Bandon Berend was named a 2nd team all-district offensive lineman and

junior running back Luis Trejo was also named 2nd team. Senior Antonio Adame was named as a 2nd team linebacker.

Chieftains named as honorable mention all-district were junior Josue Ojeda offensive line; senior John Haile defensive line; junior Adrian Munoz defensive back; junior Juan Macias kicker; junior Juan Samarron offensive line; and junior Mason Mireles defensive back.

Turkey Day Football Quiz

Test your knowledge of Thanksgiving football.

1. The National Football League, then known as the American Pro Football Association, first played games on Thanksgiving on November 25, 1920. Of the six games played that day, four were won by shutout and one game was a scoreless tie. Which former NFL franchise was the only one not to lose by shutout that day?

- Chicago Tigers
- Hammond Pros
- Rochester Jeffersons
- Columbus Panhandlers

2. The first Thanksgiving match-up between modern NFL teams took place on November 30, 1922. Which modern-day team did the Chicago Bears lose to 6-0 in that contest?

- Green Bay Packers
- Washington Redskins
- Arizona Cardinals
- New York Giants

3. The Detroit Lions played their first Thanksgiving game on November 29, 1934, and hosted a game each year until 1938. Which team did they lose to 19-16 on Thanksgiving in 1934?

- Green Bay Packers
- Chicago Bears
- Pittsburgh Steelers
- Washington Redskins

4. The Lions started hosting a Thanksgiving football game on a regular basis in 1945, but they didn't get their first win during that string until 1950. Which team did they defeat to break their Thanksgiving losing streak?

- Cleveland Browns
- San Francisco 49ers
- Baltimore Colts
- New York Yanks

5. The American Football League got into the act of Thanksgiving football during its inaugural season in 1960. Which franchise hosted the AFL's first Thanksgiving game?

- Buffalo Bills
- Boston Patriots
- New York Titans
- Los Angeles Chargers

6. The Dallas Cowboys got involved in the Thanksgiving football tradition on November 26, 1966. Which team did the Cowboys beat 26-14 in their first Thanksgiving game?

- Minnesota Vikings
- New York Giants
- Cleveland Browns
- Green Bay Packers

7. After the AFL/NFL merger, both Dallas and Detroit lost games on Thanksgiving in 1973. What was unusual about this occurrence?

- They each lost in overtime
- They each lost by shutout
- They each lost to a team in the Super Bowl the previous year
- They each lost on a last-second field goal in regulation

8. The Cowboys suffered their first Thanksgiving shutout in 1989. Which NFC East rival did Dallas fall to 27-0 in what has come to be known as the 'Bounty Bowl'?

- Washington Redskins
- Philadelphia Eagles
- New York Giants
- Phoenix Cardinals

9. The 1998 Thanksgiving game between the Pittsburgh Steelers and Detroit Lions was marred by a controversial call on a coin flip to begin overtime. Which former NFL referee, who had a history of controversy in his resume, made the fateful coin toss that led to the Lions' 19-16 win?

- Phil Luckett
- Dick Hantak
- Dale Hamer
- Johnny Grier

10. The 2006 season marked the first time since 1935 that the NFL staged three games on Thanksgiving. Which two AFC rivals mixed it up in a nightcap to the traditional Dallas and Detroit games?

- Buffalo and New England
- Oakland and San Diego
- Cleveland and Pittsburgh
- Denver and Kansas City

Answers: 1 (C), 2 (C), 3 (B), 4 (D), 5 (C), 6 (C), 7 (C), 8 (A), 9 (A), 10 (D)

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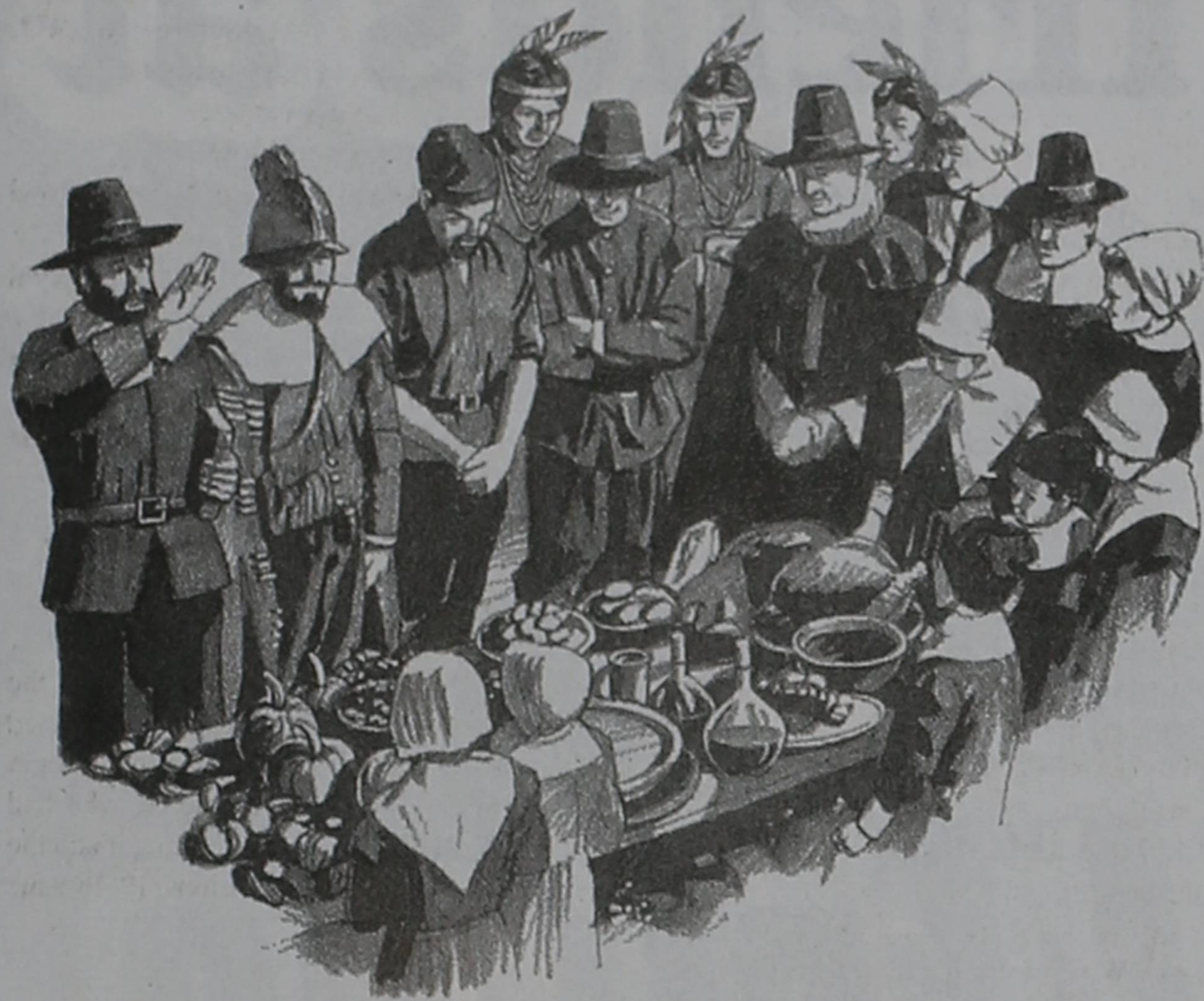
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Safety Tips for Cooking Thanksgiving Turkeys

Thanksgiving is the largest meal many cooks prepare each year. Getting it just right, especially the turkey, brings a fair amount of pressure whether or not a host is experienced with roasting one. The United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is issuing food safety recommendations on how to properly prepare a turkey to make sure yours is both delicious and safe to serve.

"Unsafe handling and undercooking of your turkey can lead to serious foodborne illness, explains Maria Malagon, Director of Food Safety Education with USDA FSIS. "Turkeys may contain Salmonella and Campylobacter, harmful pathogens that are only destroyed by properly preparing and cooking a turkey."

Consumers should follow certain steps to reduce the risk of foodborne illness. According to Ms. Malagon, "those handling and cooking Thanksgiving meals should be aware of the resources available to them and the measures they can take to keep food safe."

Steps to follow before cooking a turkey:

Read labels carefully. Temperature labels show if the bird is fresh or frozen. If you plan to serve a fresh turkey, purchase it no more than two days before Thanksgiving.

Purchase two thermometers: a refrigerator thermometer to ensure the turkey is stored at 40 °F or slightly below and a food thermometer to make sure the cooked turkey reaches a safe 165 °F.

Thaw the turkey by using the microwave, the cold water method, or the refrigerator. The refrigerator method is USDA recommended.

Steps to follow when cooking a turkey:

Wash hands with warm water and soap for 20 seconds before touching any food to prevent the spread of many types of infection and illness.

Do not wash the turkey. This only spreads pathogens onto kitchen surfaces. The only way to kill bacteria that causes foodborne illness is to fully cook the turkey.

Keep raw turkey separated from all other foods at all times.

Use separate cutting boards, plates, and utensils when handling raw turkey to avoid cross-contamination. Wash items that have touched raw meat with warm soap and water, or place them in a dishwasher.

Cook the turkey until it reaches 165 °F, as measured by a food thermometer. Check the turkey's temperature in three places: the thickest part of the breast, the innermost part of the thigh, and the innermost part of the wing.

Steps to follow when consuming leftover Thanksgiving food:

Refrigerate leftovers within two hours to prevent bacteria from growing on the food.

Store leftovers in shallow pans or containers to decrease cooling time. This prevents the food from spending too much time at unsafe temperatures (between 40 °F to 140 °F).

Do not store stuffing inside a leftover turkey. Remove the stuffing from the turkey, and refrigerate the stuffing and the meat separately.

Turkey Day quiz

1. What is the name of the skin that hangs off the turkey's neck?
 - a. Snark
 - b. Wattle
 - c. Gobbler
2. Though wild turkeys can only fly for short distances, they can sometimes reach speeds of:
 - a. 7 mph
 - b. 35 mph
 - c. 55 mph
3. What are male turkeys called?
 - a. Toms
 - b. Bobs
 - c. Harrys
4. How fast can a turkey trot?
 - a. 15 mph
 - b. 25 mph
 - c. 40 mph
5. Which group of American Indians formed an alliance with the arriving pilgrims?
 - a. Wampanoag
 - b. Massachusetts
 - c. Mohegan
6. What is the name of the Na-

Avoid consuming leftovers that have been left in the refrigerator for longer than 3 or 4 days (next Tuesday to be exact). Use the freezer to store leftovers for longer periods of time.

Keep leftovers in a cooler with ice or frozen gel packs if the food is traveling home with a guest who lives more than two hours away.

Consumers with more food safety questions can visit FoodSafety.gov to learn more about how to safely select, thaw and prepare a turkey. They may also call the USDA Food Safety Hotline at 1-888-MPHotline (1-888-674-6854) or chat live with a food safety specialist at AskKaren.gov, available from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, in English or Spanish.

FSIS will provide Thanksgiving food safety information during November on Twitter, @USDA-FoodSafety, and on Facebook, at Facebook.com/FoodSafety.gov.

Consumers needing help on Thanksgiving Day may contact the USDA Food Safety Hotline from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Eastern Time.

five American organization that has protested at Thanksgiving Day celebrations in Plymouth, Massachusetts?

- a. United American Indians of New England (UAIINE)
- b. Association on American Indian Affairs
- c. Federated Eastern Indian League

7. What is the significance of the turkey dinner?

- a. Turkey symbolized good fortune for the Pilgrims.
- b. At the first Thanksgiving feast, four wild turkeys were served.
- c. There is no special significance.

8. According to the Butterball Company, how much turkey is consumed on Thanksgiving day?

- a. 500,000 lbs.
- b. 100 million lbs.
- c. 675 million lbs.

Answers: 1 (B), 2 (C), 3 (A), 4 (B), 5 (A), 6 (A), 7 (B), 8 (C)



We wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving!



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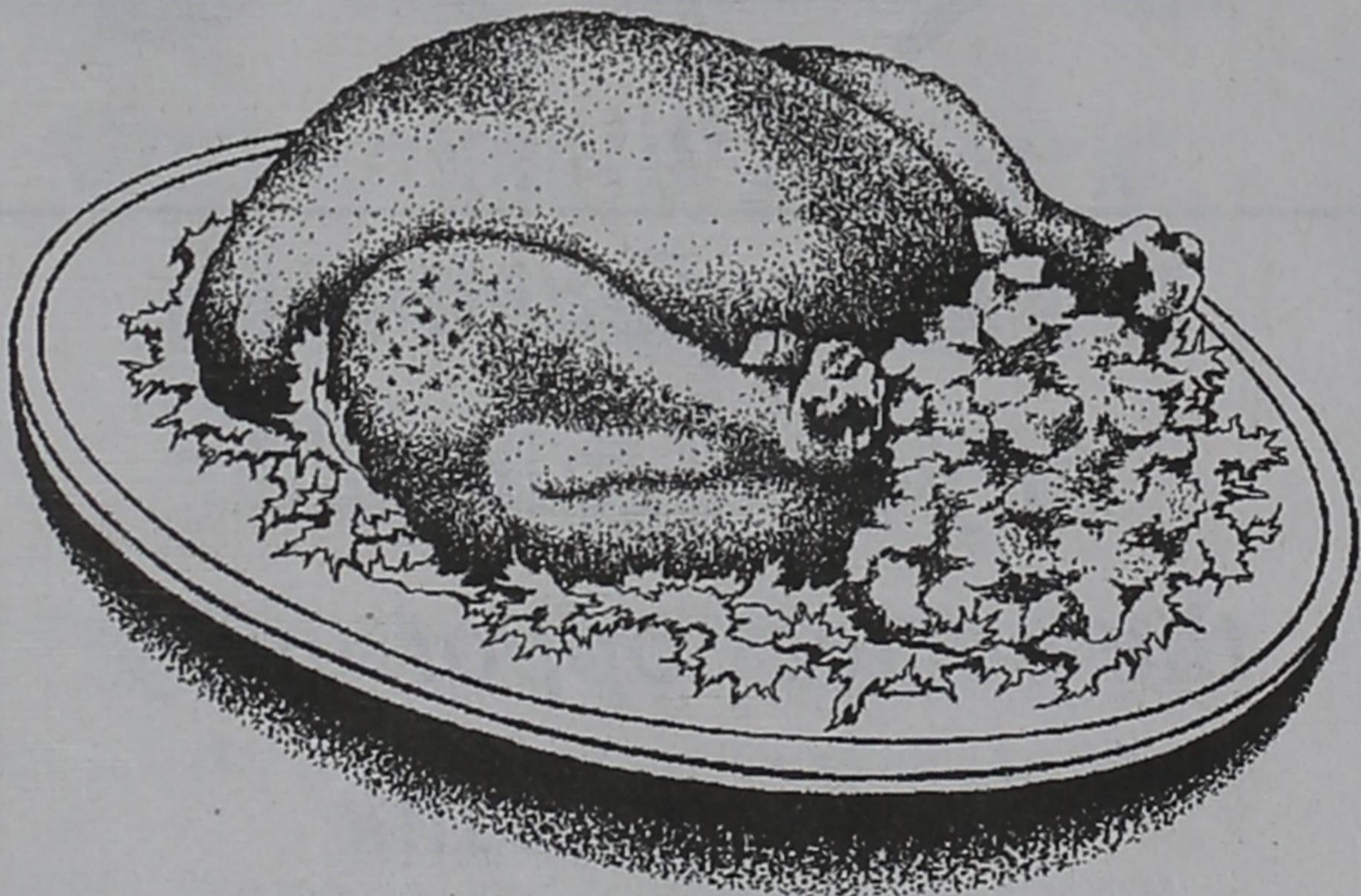


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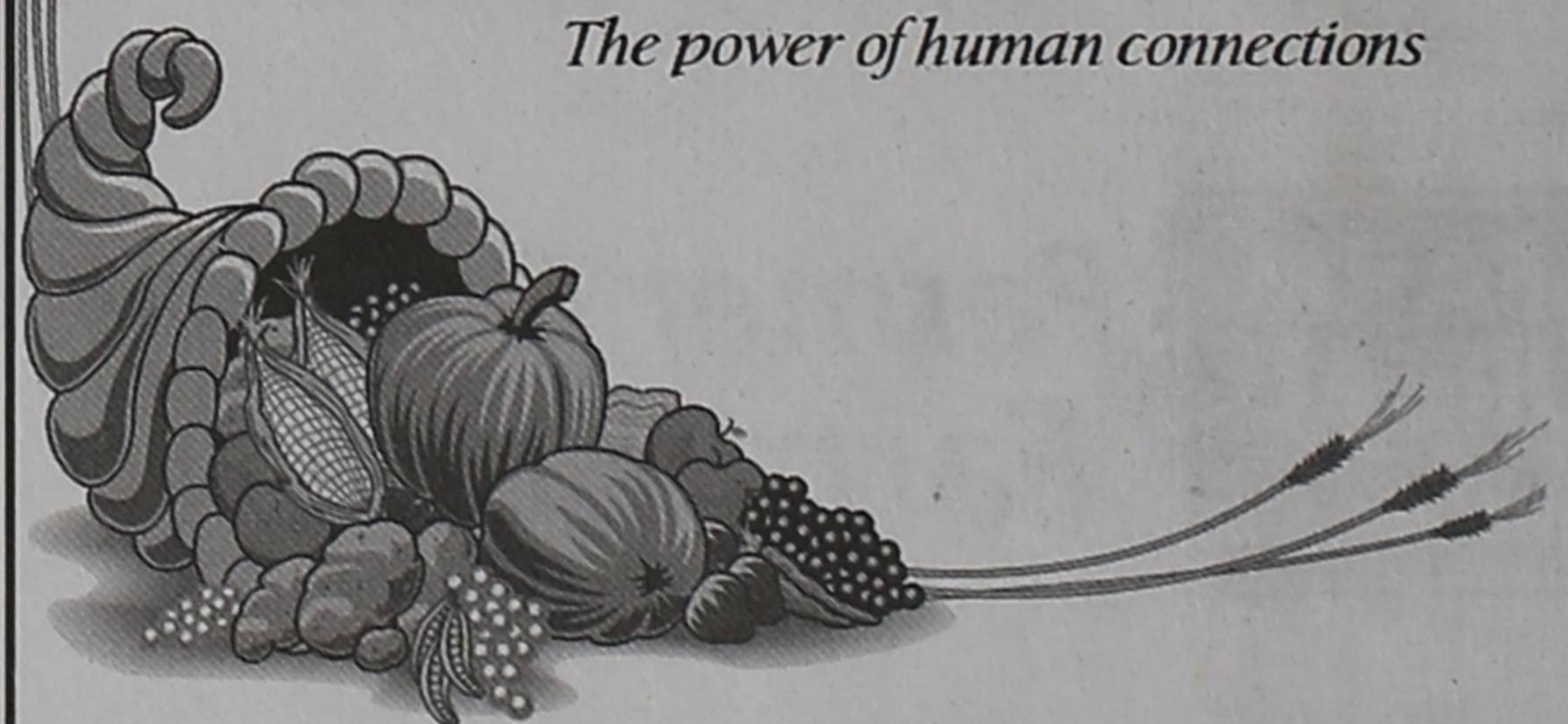
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Farm and Ranch Management Symposium Dec. 3

By Kay Ledbetter

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will host the annual Farm and Ranch Management Symposium during the Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show on Dec. 3 in the Amarillo Civic Center Grand Plaza, 401 S. Buchanan St. in Amarillo.

"A Focus on the Technologies and Advancements of Commodities in the Panhandle" will begin with registration at 1:15 p.m., followed by the program at 1:30 p.m.

Four Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units – two general, one integrated pest management and one drift minimization – and four certified crop advisor credits will be offered.

Registration is \$10 at the door and checks should be made payable to Potter Ag Committee, according to Nathan Carr, AgriLife Extension agriculture and natural resources agent for Potter County.

Topics and speakers will be:
 – The newest information on cotton plant growth regulators, harvest aids, bole openers, other defoliant and desiccants, Dr. Mark Kelley, AgriLife Extension cotton specialist, Lubbock.

– Management strategies for control of herbicide resistant weeds in cotton, Blaine Reed, AgriLife Extension integrated pest management agent for Swisher County, Tulia.

– What is ALS-resistant grain sorghum and how could it affect produc-

tion in the future?, Rick Kochenower, Oklahoma State University Extension agronomist, Goodwell, Oklahoma.

– New technologies in corn production and plant development, Paul Wayland with Wilbur Ellis Co., Dimmitt.

– Latest updates on Goss's wilt in corn and sorghum ergot, Dr. Ron French, AgriLife Extension plant pathologist, Amarillo.

– Panel discussion of Panhandle producers: What makes your operation successful and sustainable? A focus on production practices, technology and advancements. Session moderator: Rick Auckerman, AgriLife Extension agriculture and natural resources agent for Deaf Smith County, Hereford.



DPS urges Texans to drive safe

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) is urging Texans to drive responsibly and take extra precautions to help keep roadways safe during the heavily travelled Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

"Unique challenges – including increased traffic, possible winter weather and impaired driving – can make holiday travel particularly challenging and potentially dangerous," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "DPS troopers will be working around-the-clock to protect travelers on our roadways, and drivers must do their part and always drive sober."

DPS troopers will be patrolling Texas roadways throughout the holiday weekend to promote safety and identify dangerous drivers.

During the Thanksgiving weekend in 2013, DPS troopers arrested 387 individuals for driving while intoxicated, issued 6,848 speeding citations, 804 citations for no insurance and 704 seat belt/child safety seat citations. DPS patrols also resulted in 244 fugitive arrests and 187 felony arrests during the same time period.

DPS offers the following tips for safe travel during the Thanksgiving holiday:

- Don't drink and drive. Designate a driver or take a cab.
- Slow down – especially in bad weather, construction areas and heavy traffic.
- Eliminate distractions, including the use of mobile devices.
- Buckle up everyone in the vehicle – it's the law.
- Slow down or move over for police, fire, EMS and Texas Department of Transportation vehicles and tow trucks that are stopped on the side of the road with emergency lights activated – it's the law.
- Don't drive fatigued – get plenty of rest before trips or take breaks as needed.
- Drive defensively, as holiday travel may present additional challenges.
- Make sure your vehicle is properly maintained before your trip begins.

AQHA Youth Art Show begins Wednesday

The American Quarter Horse Hall of Fame & Museum Youth Art Show begins on December 3. The public is invited to view artwork created by middle and high school students from Region 16. To prepare for the show, students learned about the role the American Quarter Horse played in the history of the United States. Each student then created artwork that depicted those lessons, along with a 300-word essay describing what they learned and how it inspired their artwork.

More than 200 students

participated in the show, but only the top 150 pieces were chosen to be hung in the Hall of Fame, based on the quality of artwork, as well as the essay. The show is also an interactive exhibit with a video lesson from Western artist Edgar Sotelo on how to draw an American Quarter Horse.

The student's artwork could be based around: rodeos and racing; transportation and horse power; ranchers and cattle drives; or U.S. military horses throughout American history. The student who wins "The Best in Show"

will have his or her artwork displayed in the museum for one year. In addition, the teacher of the winning student will win a free field trip to the Hall of Fame for the 2014-15 school year.

The participating students and teachers are encouraged to attend the opening reception, which is the evening of December 9. At the event, the winners will be announced and the cash prizes will be awarded. The reception and exhibit were made possible by the ongoing support of the Josephine

Anderson Charitable Trust.

The show is open December 3, 2014 - January 3, 2015. Admission to the Hall of Fame and the Youth Art Show is free to AQHA members. Find general admission prices and museum hours at www.quarterhorsemuseum.com.

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