



Sophie Partin, Cancer Survivor

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TEN PAGES

Are you ready for some relay?

BY RON CARR

Rest up, take an extra nap, put on some clean socks and your favorite tennis shoes. It is time to walk for cancer at the 2007 Parmer County Relay for Life Friday June 22 at Chieftain Field.

An added bonus will be the very first time the new stadium lights will be turned on, a preview of things to come

for football fans. Activities will start around 6 p.m. and continue until midnight, with the lighting of the luminarias and the luminaria ceremony about 9:30 p.m. In between there will be plenty of walking, games, musical entertainment, food, and visiting with friends. Bring a chair, bring a blanket, bring a cam-

era. Might want to bring some insect repellent also. The luminaria ceremony honors cancer victims and survivors. Each luminaria has a name on it, many decorated with personal memories. At the 9:30 p.m. ceremony the lights are turned off and the luminaria candles are lit to ring the field. The name of each per-

son on a luminaria will be read over the PA system as they are remembered. It is perhaps the highlight of the evening. Luminarias will be available for purchase at the field up until the ceremony. They are \$5 each. As of Tuesday 17 teams had registered for the walk. Food items scheduled include

burgers, fries, ice cream, fresh fruit, fried rice, egg rolls, and the concession stand will also be open.

The food, entertainment, and Parmer County Idol competition will be from 7-9:30 p.m. Any groups or individuals interested in entering the Parmer County Idol competition can register until 8 p.m. the night of the Relay. A complete schedule of events and list of teams and captains is in an adver-

tisement elsewhere in this issue.

Plan to come out and enjoy the fun and activities. The public is invited to attend whether or not you are on a team. Volunteer to help out with the very important challenge of curing cancer.

Next week we will post our Relay for Life photos on our frionaonline.com website. Hope to see you there.



kellye moore photo

Helping out at the First National Bank sausage wrap fundraiser last Thursday were, clockwise from left, Myron Grantham, Tommy Tatum, Ab Hendley, Marilyn Stovell, and Dianne Tatum. The bank raised \$856 for the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. Thanks to all who stopped by for a wrap and donated to the cause. The 2007 Relay for Life is Friday, June 22, at Chieftain Field.

Parmer among cotton leaders

A report from Plains Cotton Growers in Lubbock, said Parmer County produced 191,200 bales of cotton in the 2006 season and ranked 3rd in yield per acre with 1,211 pounds.

Parmer County's 191,200 bales were good for 9th place in the High Plains' top ten producing counties. The top producer was Hale County with 483,000 bales, an 885-pound average yield and a low 9-percent acreage abandonment rate.

Rounding out the top ten counties are Gaines 346,000; Lamb 339,000; Hockley 279,700; Floyd 254,400; Lubbock 247,800; Crosby 214,700; Terry 214,200; Parmer 191,200; and Castro 166,800.

On a straight yield per acre basis the top performer in 2006 was Sherman County, a relative newcomer to the cotton business. Sherman County

produced just over 23,000 acres of cotton and produced 61,400 bales for an average yield of 1,265 pounds per acre. Hutchinson, Parmer, Castro, and Hartley rounded out the top five High Plains counties, each averaging more than 1,000 pounds per acre in 2006.

The PCG report said Parmer County planted 77,900 acres of cotton in 2006 and harvested 75,800 acres. Overall the 1.15 million High Plains acres lost in 2006 amounted to a 29.5 percent acreage abandonment rate. The region's long-term average abandonment rate is approximately 18 percent. A whopping 57-percent of dryland acres planted were abandoned on the High Plains in 2006.

A complete listing of the 2006 Upland cotton production totals for Texas and other states is available at www.usda.gov/nass/.

Cheers to Texans during national dairy month

BY JOHN COWAN

National Dairy Month is celebrated every June to recognize the hardworking men and women who feed America with delicious, wholesome milk, cheese, ice cream and other dairy products. In Texas, there certainly is much to celebrate — in addition to the products produced on Texas farms, the dairy industry is a significant economic contributor, creating direct and indirect jobs and depositing plenty of tax revenue into local coffers.

But this year, I'd like to turn the tables. On behalf of the dairy industry, the Texas Association of Dairymen would like to pay tribute to YOU — Texans who every day support the dairy industry.

Dairymen say "thank you" for the support you give us both professionally and personally. Not only do you help when you buy a gallon of milk at the grocery store or order cheese on your hamburger at the drive thru, you also support us in

other ways, by teaching our children at local schools, servicing our farm trucks, approving a bank loan, or doing the countless number of things that assist our families and our livelihood.

It's all appreciated; life on the farm isn't easy or glamorous. It's hard work, day in and day out, every day of the year. Our cows don't take vacations from giving milk. And they have to be fed and cared for every day.

Every year there are even

more challenges to the family farm. New technology might make the job easier, but it can be expensive. Also contributing to growing business costs are elevated gasoline prices and higher feed costs as grain is diverted for the development of ethanol. There also are more environmental regulations to learn about and follow every year.

But as anyone who is or knows a dairyman recognizes, no one gets into the farming

business expecting to get rich. Their eyes are open wide from the start, usually because they've grown up in a dairy family. Instead, they dairy because they love what they do. Texans are fortunate that our farm families wouldn't choose any other life.

Although we're taking the opportunity of National Dairy Month to say "thank you" through this column for all you do to support us, once the month ends we'll continue to

say "thank you" on a daily basis by producing safe, wholesome food for you and your family to enjoy.

In appreciation, the Texas Association of Dairymen and it's dairy members raise a glass of cold milk and hoist an ice cream cone. Cheers to you, and may our industry continue to thrive and serve you.

(John Cowan is the executive director of the Texas Association of Dairymen, Inc., www.milk4texas.org.)

Wheat harvest draws custom cutters, whirlwind of activity

BY RON CARR

Kenneth McLellan brought the first load of wheat to Friona Wheat Growers on June 8. Wheat Growers manager Ron Smiley said it totaled 144 bushels and was a test load. More wheat trickled in June 12 and 13 but the harvest began in earnest Thursday June 14 and continued through the weekend as custom harvesters converged on the county fields.

Smiley named seven or eight harvester crews from as far as Canada that are busy cutting seven days a week. He said if the weather holds the harvest should be completed around the middle of July. He expects 2 1/2 to 3 million bushels of wheat to be delivered to the Wheat Grower elevators.

J. D. Heiskell & Co., a newcomer to the market operating

the former West Friona Grain/CHS elevators, received a first load of wheat Thursday from Tim Herring. Heiskell manager Rick Watson said they had received steady loads since Thursday and hope for more as the harvest gains momentum.

Yields have been as good as 52 bushels on some dryland crops, Smiley said, and irrigated acres should average 60-70 bushels or more. So far the harvest has been only on dryland acres, he said as of last Monday. A good year for dryland wheat is about 15-25 bushels per acre but the timely rains this season should improve dryland yield.

The Monday price was \$5.47 per bushel. In 1976 Wheat Growers records showed wheat at \$3.50 a bushel. In April 1996

it was at \$6.86 and in 2000 it had sunk to \$2.24. Overall farmers are pleased with the price and yield of this year's crop, the best in several years.

The harvest activities bring related benefits to the area economy. The available RV spaces around town seem to be taken. All ten spaces at the city RV Park at Reeve Lake are occupied. Several others are parked on Houlette Petroleum's lot.

Headquarters Restaurant, normally closed on Mondays, opened Monday morning for breakfast and served over 40 harvesters between 6-8 a.m.

Considering the food, gasoline and fuel, sales taxes, lodging, and other personal expenditures, the wheat harvesters benefit many local businesses in addition to farmers.

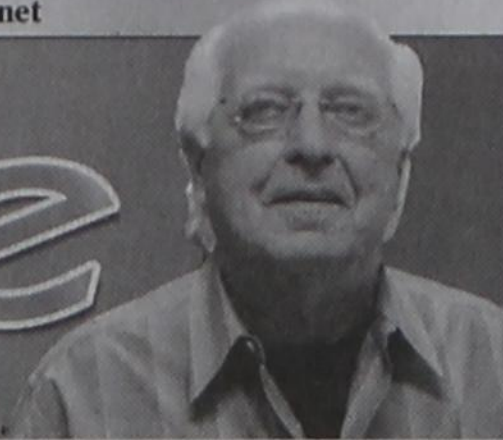


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Quintin DeLange, a native of South Africa, delivers a load of seed wheat to Friona Wheat Growers Monday. He is employed by Popwell, custom harvesters from Wellington, Texas. The crew was cutting wheat on Dennis Anthony's land in the north part of the county. This is DeLange's return trip to the Panhandle. He worked here last year also and joins other custom harvester employees who have converged on Parmer County wheat fields.

Out Here

By Ron Carr



the raisin and monkfish war

"The products failed to meet the sanitary standards of China."

Do they have sanitary standards in China? Sounds like an oxymoron to me.

Iraq and Afghanistan have pretty much knocked China off the front pages recently but that doesn't mean they have gone away. A recent headline said, "China calls some U. S. products unsanitary." That, my friends, comes from a country that eats dogs and cats for supper.

I won't bad mouth the Chinese too much. They buy a lot of our cotton and if by chance some Chinese emperor happens to read the Friona Star I don't want them to take it out on

local farmers.

The concern is this: U. S. inspectors recently have banned or turned away a growing number of Chinese imports according to the AP story. Among the items turned away were monkfish, frozen eel, and juice made with unsafe color additives. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) also stopped all imports of Chinese toothpaste until they test for a deadly chemical.

Chinese toothpaste? Do you or anybody you know intimately use Chinese toothpaste? If so, why? I don't believe I've ever seen Chinese toothpaste unless they are disguising it in a Crest box. Let's put it this way. I'll buy a few "made in China"

items but I am not going to buy any imported Chinese food items that require me to chew and swallow them. Especially monkfish or frozen eel. Who uses those?

So in retaliation to the monkfish/toothpaste ban, China rejected a load of U.S. exported health supplements and raisins. They destroyed a load of U.S. raisins because they failed to meet China's safety standards. That is a hoot.

There is nothing unsafe about a raisin unless you stick it up your nose. There is nothing you can do to a raisin that hasn't already been done to it. It is smashed, dried, and shriveled until there is nothing left but a lump of hard prune skin. You can't hurt a raisin unless you spray insecticide in the box. Yet the Chinese determined a

load of raisins was unsafe. They were Sun Maid Golden Raisins for heaven sake.

They also threw out health capsules containing bee pollen and bacteria fighting supplements. Did I mention the Chinese enjoy eating dogs and cats?

Oh well. You might know politicians would screw up my next monkfish and eel casserole.

China is a big country. They have a billion people. They like to push the world around because of their size. They are the international bully big kid on the block. If they go to war and lose a million people so what they still have a bunch left.

It's okay though. Arguing with China about raisins and monkfish is a lot more civil and a lot less stressful than dying for oil in Iraq.

Mark Your Calendar

June 22

Relay for Life cancer walk. For information contact Jyl Grimsley at 250-5700 or Jamie & Greg Lewellen at 250-3545.

June 24

Temple of Adoration enchilada dinner, junior high cafeteria, 11-2 p.m.

June 28

Coffee Memorial blood drive 3-7 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church. Call 877-574-8800 for appointment.

July 4

Celebration in city park begins at 5 p.m. Booths in park are free. Vendor forms available at the chamber office. Will advise later about fireworks.

July 9-21

Summer drama workshop. Forms are at the high school office or contact Allison Johnston.

July 21

2nd annual Friona Cheeseburger Festival. Call chamber for info-250-3491.

September

51st annual maize days celebration

commentary

Dumpster etiquette 101.....!

It does not take a college degree or even a high school education to understand dumpster etiquette. If you took a class in dumpster etiquette the entire lesson would go like this: "The trash goes in it, not beside it. Here's your diploma."

Walk out to the big blue container, raise the lid, insert your trash, close the lid. Some people have trouble with that last part. If the lid is closed it keeps many small rodents and felines out of the dumpster, not to mention filling up with rainwater, or keeping trash from blowing across the neighborhood.

Here is the absolute law of dumpster etiquette: items that you put on the ground beside the dumpster will never get picked up.

If you have big trash such as old refrigerators, shabby couches, used PVC pipe, or small aircraft engines, the city has a place called "the roll off box" for those. Call city hall. The roll off box dumping costs a little but it is a nice convenience. If you put big trash beside the dumpster it will just get uglier and never go away.

The trash truck drivers who come down your alley to empty your dumpster will not get out of the truck even if their pants are on fire. Stuff you put beside the dumpster, instead of in the dumpster, will remain there for eternity.

If you haven't gotten the message so far, flip over to the Chief's Corner in this issue and let Police Chief Tino Salinas explain the ordinances and fines related to dumpster etiquette. That old refrigerator you drug out beside the dumpster could cost you.

If you are wading through waist high weeds on the way to the dumpster, better cut them down pretty quick too. The city will be issuing citations for property owners who let weeds and junk pile up on their land. Read the Chief's Corner. If you still don't understand don't worry. Somebody from the city will be by soon to explain it to you.

Meet the Intern



Kellye Moore

big town vs small town

Going from a city in which your school has the same amount of people as the town you are transferring to is, needless to say, a definite change. Some things here are so incredibly different from what I've grown accustomed to.

Driving sure is the number one difference. Traffic? I hope I remember how to handle that once I get back home. It takes me fifteen minutes to get to my school, and it's absolutely bewildering that most students here could walk to theirs. Also, here a tank of gas could last me a lifetime, compared to San Antonio, where I put \$20 of gas in my tank every week.

Everyone knows who lives where. Most people that I've met can point to a house and

say, "Oh so-and-so lives there," and give a small synopsis of the character behind the building. I only know two of my neighbors, and that is because I have done favors for them in the past.

As for my friends, I just found out where a friend since childhood lived two weeks ago. I could count on one hand how many friends' houses I actually know how to get to.

Here, you see someone you know everywhere, even if they're the ones serving you at a restaurant or movie store. I could go around my city for weeks without seeing someone I recognize.

Another change is the social activities. The world of Friona revolves around sports, but anyone who's anyone

could tell you that. Every child has played a sport sometime in their life, and the parents are at every game without fail, as is the majority of the rest of the town.

In San Antonio, I could point out approximately five to ten people in each of my classes that have never done anything more than stand against the wall in gym. Perhaps they've thrown an occasional dodge ball, but if they had done more than that, I would honestly eat my shoe in surprise.

Sure, I can tell you which high school football team is the best in our district, and I can tell you the schools that would crush from beginning to end (only because the upperclassmen drilled me in those facts when I was a fresh-

man), but ask me who number 14 is, and you'll get nothing but a blank stare.

In our community, it's just not that big of a concern. I probably wouldn't even go to more than one game if it weren't required.

Overall if I had to choose my personal pick, it would be here in Friona. I love the idea of seeing friends all the time, making an adventure out of going to the movies, never feeling awkward from not knowing anyone, reading a newspaper and laughing at what the odd-ball out of town kid is saying, and being in a community where there are few strangers.

Then again I've become quite spoiled with a movie theatre five minutes away and a variety of places to relax with friends.

Informed consumers can lower health care costs

By Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison

Rapidly rising health care costs are an enormous burden on families, individuals and businesses. Nationwide health spending rose almost 80 percent between 1997 and 2005, and is projected to reach \$4 trillion by 2015. As chairman of the Senate Republican Policy Committee, I recently invited academics, business leaders and my fellow senators to a roundtable discussion to examine the challenges facing our health care system. We all agreed that to address our health care crisis and reduce costs, consumers must have the freedom and ability to make informed choices.

Americans are smart shoppers—we make dozens of economic choices every day, on everything from cars to cereal. We appreciate the value of quality service and competitive pricing, and we take these factors into account as we decide which products to buy. Unfortunately, the same information is not always available when shopping for health care, and often consumers are not afforded a real choice.

For too long, breaking the code to insurance pricing has been a near mystery to most people. Consumers need this information as they compare and choose between available health plans. As a result of an executive order, health insurance providers are now making detailed pricing information available to their customers. Such transparency helps Americans make informed decisions and select options that lower their health care costs.

Many Americans are forced to visit only doctors covered by their health plans or are barred from important treatments not approved by their insurance company. I championed the creation of Health Savings Accounts (HSAs) to give Americans more freedom in managing their health care expenses. Instead of simply paying a traditional insurance premium, HSA participants contribute to a tax deductible savings account reserved for health-related expenses. Consumers spend only what they need from these accounts, and do not waste money on insurance benefits they may never require. They can decide for themselves how to spend their money, on the doctors and treatments they choose. HSAs are coupled with high-deductible insurance policies that provide a safety net in case of catastrophic injury or illness. These and other consumer-driven options give consumers ownership of their health budgets, and follow the person, not the job.

I also strongly support the Medicare Part D prescription drug benefit, which uses a market-driven approach to deliver great savings for seniors and the federal government. The program gives seniors many more options because it allows providers to design a wide array of benefit plans. Participants can then compare plans and make their choices based on price and the type of medicine covered. As a result, over 80 percent of Medicare Part D enrollees report that they are satisfied with the program, and par-

ticipants are saving an average of \$1,200 per year on their drug expenses.

These programs have been successful because they give Americans the power and information to choose the health care options that are right for their families and right for their pocketbooks. However, more can be done to increase consumer choice. For example, Americans

who choose to purchase their own health insurance should enjoy the same tax benefits that are available to businesses that purchase insurance for their employees. Increased transparency and more consumer choice will further reduce health care costs, and I will continue to support health care options and the savings that they represent for your family and business.

Letters to the editor

Thank you to all the generous people and businesses of Friona who either bought something from the bake sale or donated money. Due to your kindness, the varsity girl's basketball team raised almost enough money to pay for team camp in Portales. Once again Friona has shown what a loving and supportive community we live in!

The Varsity Squaws



I'm Ethan Wales, a Life Scout from Troop 56. I just finished my Eagle Scout project. I built a community fire pit at the RV park by Reeve's Lake. The fire pit is made out of the top of an old water tank, which was donated to me by Dimmitt Welding. I used a grinder on the top of the water tank lid to make a smooth edge, then my father, Kurt Wales, taught me how to use the cutting torch so I could cut the bottom out to let the water drain out of the pit when it rains.



I painted the outside with heat-proof paint. I used the money that was in my account, from selling meat raffle tickets, to buy some stones to go around the outside. Then my father, my mother Tara, my brother Sam, and I hauled the whole thing to the RV park and installed it.

Thank you very much to everyone who helped me with this project, Terri Johnson, J.D. Parker, owner of Dimmitt Welding, and my family.

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Town Talk II

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By Ron Carr

Wow! Lots of activity around town this week. Wheat harvest has brought an influx of custom harvest workers. Plans are underway for the Relay for Life Friday. The cancer survivor dinner in conjunction with the Relay was held Tuesday night at the 6th St. Church of Christ. It is always a moving but uplifting experience for me to attend the survivor dinner. People who have battled cancer and survived know more about life than the rest of us. Bless them all.

Lauren Hughes, daughter of Feller and Teena, and Hollis Gurley, daughter of John and Kathryn, have returned from a week at Girl's State in Austin. The two young ladies were selected by the American Legion as Parmer County delegates. Girl's State teaches our young people about government and politics. What a great experience. No doubt the girls will be a Lions Club program soon and we'll report more.

Kim Thompson will be moving from the Friena elementary library over to the school admin building where she will replace Betty Chaney who retired this year. Kim will be exec assistant to Superintendent Jim

Parker. Kim's husband Bobby is the school district transportation manager. Claudia Hanes will also be moving from the high school to the admin office.

Another new hire at the high school is Elliott Releoux who will teach economics and government and history. He was here during basketball season as a graduate assistant coach. He attended the University of Nebraska. High school physics and calculus teacher Mr. Carter has resigned to look after his wife who was seriously injured in an auto accident. They live in Amarillo.

Have you ever had a bad sunburn? Hurts doesn't it. Temperatures are above 90 now that summer is officially here and it is going to be hot for a while. Parents are reminded to see that their children are protected from sunburn with plenty of sunscreen as they head off to the pool or summer camp. Don't even think about leaving a small child in a hot car, not even for a few minutes. Think a little and save a lot of pain.

Old timers here might know the name Buddy Holmberg. He

owned Holmberg Jewelry in Clovis. Buddy died last week as reported in the Clovis News Journal.

We were also saddened to note the passing of Ada Gant in Clovis. She was a former Friena resident and worked at the Friena Library before moving to Clovis several years ago. She is the sister of Melba Burleson. Burial was in Friena Tuesday.

The new restaurant next door to our office is Apple Bottoms, operated by Cruz and Adela Marrufo. The hours are 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday-Friday. Biscuits and gravy for breakfast, hamburgers, cheeseburgers, burritos, corn dogs and hot dogs among the menu items. Nachos for \$1 too. Stop in and give them a try.

Beware of people selling advertising for the high school cheerleaders. The caller to our office sounded like a cheerleader and wanted us to buy an ad on their "cheer towel" or "cheer calendar" and implied that it was endorsed by principal Denver Crum. When the young lady asked me "do you ever get out to the games" I figured it was bo-

gus. A call to Denver Crum confirmed he had never heard of these people and did not endorse their ad sales. We hope not too many people around town fell for their pitch and gave them a credit card number.

A lighter than usual turnout for Monday's senior citizen lunch. Reports were given that Claire Blanco is doing fine after stomach tests; Percy Parsons is miserable with shingles according to Margaret who said his eyes were almost swollen shut; Ruth Miller's sister was a visitor as was Margaret Parsons' sister; it was also noted that Fern Edwards was in a critical battle with cancer in Houston. Danny Campbell was among the ill last week too. He had surgery Saturday morning at BSA to remove a stubborn kidney stone. Came home Sunday and is moving slow. Pam Kendrick had some neck surgery at BSA last week and is said to be doing well now.

The Friena Star employees want to thank Ruby Hassenpflug for the big batch of brownies. She is a sweet lady who doesn't get around as well as she used to but she sent her daughter Tammy Bandy by with some brownies. We finished them in record time. I took the last three home and buried them under some Blue Bell Homemade Vanilla ice cream. Thanks again Ruby. Of course this is not a hint to our readers to bring us sweets but we are open Monday-Wednesday from 9 to 5.

The Budget Motel and Sin Fronteras Restaurant on US 60 and Euclid have been closed. The motel had recently been used to house dairy workers

from the former Lone Star Dairy. Lone Star was sold to Matt Ballou of Lubbock who has recently sold it again. The motel is caught in the middle of the transactions. It has not been determined who the new dairy owner is or what will become of the motel property. For the time being the city has shut off water to the facility and are considering condemnation proceedings.

Subscriber hello to Scott and Kim Martz in Denton, Tx. and Calvin Ivie in Roanoke. Thanks for letting us send the Friena Star your way. We always appreciate news or concerns of local interest from our readers near and far. Email us at frionastar@wrtl.net or fax to 806-250-5127. Look for photos next week from our Relay for Life activities at our frionaonline.com website. Thanks!



ron carr photo

Another load of wheat weighs in at Friena Wheat Growers on Tuesday. A Tuesday night rainstorm slowed the harvest activity on Wednesday.



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A sign of the times. The city's ten RV Park spaces at Reeve Lake are at capacity with trailers belonging to the custom wheat harvest crews working the area.

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THE CHIEF'S CORNER
by **TINO SALINAZ**
Friona Police Department

It seems that lately we are seeing more and more trash placed in the alleys outside of the dumpsters. As a reminder it is an offense under City Ordinance Sec. 13.304 Placement of garbage items on streets and alleys prohibited; The placing of kitchen or garbage, trash, or rubbish; any article, thing or material in any street or alley within the city limits is prohibited.

Also, Sec 6.201 Growth or accumulation of weeds and rubbish; It shall be unlawful for the owner of any lot or premises in the city to permit or allow weeds, tall grass, rubbish, junk, brush, or any other unsightly, objectionable, or unsanitary matter of whatever nature to accumulate or remain on such premises. Weeds or grass growing to the height of twelve (12) inches or more will be deemed unsightly, objectionable, and unsanitary.

The fine for Violations of City Ordinance cannot exceed \$500, however if the violation is a health hazard the fine can be up to \$2000. And each day the violation occurs can be construed as a separate violation. If the city has to clean up your trash or cut your weeds, you can also be responsible for the city's expense and also be charged \$100 administrative fee plus any sales tax.

We ask for your cooperation in keeping your property clean and safe. If you observe anyone illegally dumping trash or any other violation of a City Ordinance please call the Friona Police Department at 250-2711.

(en Español)

Parece ser que mas y mas basura asido puesta en los callejones y fuera del bote de basura. Como un recuerdo que esto es una ofensa bajo la ordenanca de la ciudad Sec: 13.304: Poner basura oh cualquier otro articulo en los callejones y calles es proibido. El poner cosas de cocina (basura) cualesquier clase de basura, articulos materiales en cualquier callejon oh calle en lost limites de la ciudad es proibido.

Tambien, Sec: 6.201 crecimiento de hierbas (mas de 12 pulgadas de alto) y acomulacion de basura; sera contra la ley que cualquier propietario dentro de la ciudad que permita que se acomule hierbas, sacate, articulos inusables, muebles toda clase de acomulacion que pueda ser danoso para la salud, cosas que no son saludables, todo esto sera multada.

Las multas de violacion de la ordenanca de la ciudad no puede exceder \$500, si la violacion dana la salud la multa puede ser hasta \$2000. Y cada dia que pasa la violacion sera tratada como una nueva violacion. Tambien si la ciudad tiene que limpiar tu basura, cortar tus hierbas (sacate), tu podaras ser responsable por los gastos de la ciudad y ser multada con una cantidad de \$100 de costo por administrative mas impuestos.

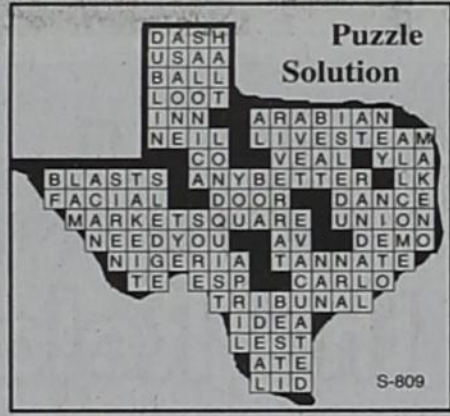
Les pedimos de su coperacion en tener sus propeidades limpas y seguras. Si ud ve aquiun sea tirar basura ilegalmente oh cualquier otra violacion dentro de la ciudad u su ordenansas. Por favor llame al departamento de policia al 250-2711.

Local folk attend annual Crime Stopper confab

The 19th annual Texas Crime Stoppers state conference was recently held in Amarillo. Attending and representing Parmer County Crime Stoppers were Anna McDonald and Frances Kube.

They attended sessions on identity theft, meth 101, terrorism, internet fraud and MySpace, and motorcycle gangs.

If you know of any illegal happenings or clues please call Crime Stoppers' Tip Line at 1-800-774-TIPS or 806-481-9178. You can remain anonymous and rewards are offered.



Grimsley becomes Clovis police officer

"No mission too difficult, no sacrifice too great". Those words were the class motto for the Southeastern New Mexico Law Enforcement Academy graduating class #A-07-19. Ceremonies were held at New Mexico Junior College in Hobbs, on Wednesday, June 13.

Among the 18 graduates was Kyle Grimsley of Friona who has been hired as a member of the Clovis Police Department. His first day as a rookie officer was Monday, June 18.

Kyle is a 2004 Friona High School graduate. He attended the Amarillo College Fire Academy for one year and received certification as a fireman in May 2006. He was employed by the City of Clovis in June 2006 and hired as a police officer in November 2006. He began the Police Academy in January 2007 for six months of difficult training culminating in his June 13 graduation.

Kyle, 22, is the son of Joan Grimsley of Friona. He and his wife, Heather (Clark) formerly of Friona, and their two year old son, Heston, reside in Clovis.



Kyle Grimsley

Sheriff's Report

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

June 5, 2007, Candal Long, 32, of Muleshoe, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with violation of community supervision, probation extended plus 14 days in jail.

June 7, 2007, Armando Lopez, 29, of Bovina, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with failure to appear (purchase/furnish alcohol to a minor), pending County Court.

June 8, 2007, Scott Verlod, 36, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with driving with an invalid license, pending County Court.

June 8, 2007, Leroy Galan, 26, of Friona, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with parole violation, pending hearing.

June 11, 2007, Juan Lopez, 36, of Bovina, was arrested by the Bovina Police Department and charged with public intoxication, released to Border Patrol.

June 11, 2007, Efrin Gomez, 21, of Bovina, was arrested by the Bovina Police Department as an illegal, released to Border Patrol.

June 11, 2007, Lorenzo Gomez, 19, of Bovina, was arrested by the Bovina Police Department and charged with public intoxication, released to Border Patrol.

June 11, 2007, Julio Jimenez, 20, of Bovina, was arrested by the Bovina Police Department and charged with public intoxication, released to Border Patrol.

June 11, 2007, Peggy Garcia, 40, of Hereford, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with theft of property (more than \$20, less than \$500), pending County Court.

June 13, 2007, Benjamin Santiago, 19, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with driving with an invalid license, pending County Court.

June 13, 2007, Adrian Rivas, 20, of Hereford, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with violation of community supervision (assault), pending District Court; assault enhanced, pending District Court; and failure to appear (unlawful restraint), pending County Court.

June 13, 2007, Esmeralda Juarez, 31, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with theft of property by check, pending County Court.

June 14, 2007, Sergio Arras-Saenz, 27, of Santa Fe, New Mexico, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with failure to appear (DWI with a child), pending District Court.

June 16, 2007, Trey Widner, 20, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with driving while intoxicated, pending County Court.

On June 5, 2007, in 287th District Court, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

— Jose Leonel Zamudio, 41, of Friona, charged with subsequent DWI, was sentenced to four years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, probated for four years; 30 days in Parmer County Jail as a condition of community supervision; \$416 court costs; \$1,000 fine; loss of driver's license for 18 months; and obtain alcohol counseling at own expense.

Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deed from June 07, 2007 to June 13, 2007:

Richard Haseloff, Margaret Beavers, James Haseloff, Michael Haseloff, and Carrie Drager – Gary John Haseloff, SE/4 S47 BLK.

Richard Haseloff, Gary John Haseloff, Margaret Beavers, James Haseloff, Michael Haseloff, and Carrie Drager – Carrie Drager, S136.10' L4 B5 RIDGECREST ADD #3.

Richard Haseloff, Gary John Haseloff, Margaret Beavers, James Haseloff, Michael Haseloff, and Carrie Drager – Richard Haseloff, S/2 S7 T15S R2E.

Three County Farms Inc. – Ryan Williams and Annie Williams, S/4 OF NE/4 S18 T16S R1E.

Lawrence Henry Schilling Testamentary Trust – Clyde Schilling and Debbie Schilling, W/2 S16 BLK A RHEA BROTHERS.

Roger M. Fields – Maria Rodriguez, L12 B5 LAKEVIEW.

Joel Preston White – J. Boyd White, SW/4 S13 T16S R1E.

Joel Preston White – Lynne White Manhaney, L10-12 B36 FARWELL.

Joel Preston White – Peggy White Goettsch, L1 N15' L2 B5 MIMO.

Carol Anne Gage and Billy Bradford Gage – R. Scott Keeling and Karen A. Keeling, SW/4 S5 BLK B TW ROBERSON.

Lewis Gray Harris, Mary Ann Harris, Jack Medford Harris, and Cynthia Kim Harris – R. Scott Keeling and Karen A. Keeling, NE/4 S5 BLK B TW ROBERSON.

James Lynn Brown, Karen Dianne Brown, Gary Mac Brown, Wilma H. Carmichael 1998 Trust, and Laughlin G. Harris – R. Scott Keeling and Karen A. Keeling, SE/4 S5 BLK B TW ROBERSON.

L.G. Harris and Laughlin G. Harris – R. Scott Keeling and Karen A. Keeling, NW/4 S5 BLK B TW ROBERSON.

Betty L. Merritt – Old World Tuscany Properties Inc., L15A B1 LAKEVIEW.

Gaines Butman – Concepcion Garcia and Lorenzo Garcia, L1 B3 STALEY FRIONA.

Rickey Rector – Billy Seiver and Anya Seiver, L5 S35' L6 B5 STALEY ADD.

William D. Crume, Cindy Lu Belew, Tim Cason, Shauna Smith, Charles L. Crume, Christopher Paul Crume, Bobby Joe Crume, Phillip Ray Crume, Donald Bruce Crume, Walter Dean Crume, Van K. Crume, Timothy Scott Crume, Judith Lynn Crume Gurule, and Priscilla Jean Crume Green – Jan Billingsley, L26-29 B38 FARWELL.

Steve Meeks and Cindy Meeks – Janet Placek and Don Placek, L7-9 B 20 FARWELL.

Lions Club News



courtesy photo

Lion RJ Renner is shown with hospice nurse Shelly Rice of Odyssey Health Care who spoke to the Friona Evening Lions Club, Thursday, June 14, about living wills and medical power of attorney.

Relay For Life
A Team Event to Fight Cancer

Schedule

Noon-6:00	Team Campsites Set Up
6:15	Group Photos--Survivors and Participants
6:00-8:00	Luminary Sales--by Concession Stand
6:45	Welcome--Opening Prayer--National Anthem
	Survivor Lap
	Caregivers Lap
6-9:00	Registration for Parmer Co. Idol Competition
7:00-9:30	Food, Entertainment & Games; Parmer Co. Idol Competition
Approximately 9:30	Luminary Ceremony--All Walking Paused - Lights Out
10:15-12:00	Keep The Hope Alive Lap--Conclusion of Relay

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Thursday, June 21, 2007

Patters with B

Lance A. Patterson
Patterson of Friona, major in Psychology.

Lance Patterson

WT ann graduate

West Texas A&M U spring graduates and area students are included. Graduates include B Administration and A Interdisciplinary. Named to the spring students Matt Gammon junior, Pre-Physical Therapy, more, Psychology. President's List student (GPA) of 4.00 and graduate hours. On the spring semester EC-4 Generalist; Brea Disorders; Betsy Clark Katherine Thompson. The Dean's List requires a minimum of 12 undergr

K. Grah for Miss

The Crystal Group, cant have selected Krista in this year's Miss Texas USA Laredo, Texas, on June events, and preliminary pageant will be televised listings for time and station. The Miss Texas USA TV markets and is owned jointly by W. Miss Texas USA winner and diamond jewelry. The Miss Texas USA pageant in the spring of Krista is the daughter

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Friona C

Photo: Mindy, Tony, Char, Dulce, Pop, Am, Amb, Kayla, Lance

Photo: Ashli, M, K, Jacy, Mindy, Char, Dulce, Am, Amb, Pop

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Patterson graduates with BA degree

Lance A. Patterson, the son of Reverend Steve and Sabra Patterson of Friona, received a Bachelor of Arts degree, with a major in Psychology, from Southwestern Methodist in Winfield, Kansas.



Lance Patterson

He participated in football, golf, leadership and student government, as well as the worship team. He plans to begin a grad program in July.

His grandparents are Cecil and Shirley Patterson of Lovington, New Mexico.

Lance is currently employed by the Ridge C.C., in Winfield, as the general manager.



Loretta & Lorraine Trevino

Trevino twins earn degrees

Loretta and Lorraine Trevino, twin daughters of Reverend Rudy Trevino and wife Carolina, graduated from college this spring.

Reverend Trevino is a 1972 graduate of Friona High School, and was pastor of Templo Bautista from 1978-1981.

Loretta graduated from Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) with a Bachelor of Science degree in Aeronautic Engineering. For the past four years, she has been an intern with NASA where she has done research on numerous projects, including wind tunnel testing for the Orion Project. As a result of this research, she participated in a documentary entitled Starship Orion: The Future of Space Travel, which was featured on the Science Channel, spring 2007.

In 2005, Loretta received the Space Medicine Young Investigator Award (2nd runner up) for her research presented at the Aerospace Medical Association and published in the Aerospace Medicine Journal. She will begin her full time work with NASA in August, and next year she will pursue her masters and post-graduate work at the University of Texas in Austin.

Lorraine graduated from the University of Texas in Austin with a Bachelor of Science degree in Developmental Education. She has worked as a camp counselor and participated in several internships in the Boston area working with underprivileged children. She enjoys giving back to her community through community service and working with young children. Lorraine's long-term

goal is to open up a chartered school for low-income children with emphasis in the arts. She also plans to obtain a master's degree in education from the University of Texas in Austin.

Andy Carthel assistant VP at Floydada bank

Friona High School graduate Andy Carthel has been hired by the First National Bank of Floydada as an Assistant Vice President, according to a story in the Floyd County Hesperian Beacon.

Carthel, son of Davy and Kathy Carthel of Friona, is a 2007 Magna Cum Laude graduate of Texas Tech University. He majored in Agriculture Economics and minored in business. While at Tech he was active in the Wesley Foundation, the Ag Economics Association, and volunteered at the Bridge Soup Kitchen.

The Beacon article noted that the Carthel roots run deep in Floyd County. His ancestors were early pioneers Joseph Marion and Talitha Fulbright Carthel. He will be the agriculture loan officer at Floydada's First National Bank.



Andy Carthel

WT announces spring graduates & honor rolls

West Texas A&M University has released names of 2007 spring graduates and spring semester honors lists. A bevy of area students are included.

Graduates include Belinda Anthony, Bachelor of Business Administration and Adriana Favela, Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary.

Named to the spring semester President's List were area students Matt Gammon, junior, pre-engineering; Eduardo Godoy, junior, Pre-Physical Therapy; and Magdalena M. Ortega, sophomore, Psychology.

President's List students must have a grade point average (GPA) of 4.00 and carry a minimum class load of 12 undergraduate hours.

On the spring semester Dean's List are Misty Adams, senior, EC-4 Generalist; Breann Barnett, sophomore, Communications Disorders; Betsy Clark, senior, Applied Arts & Sciences; and Katherine Thompson, senior, Theatre.

The Dean's List requires a GPA between 3.50 and 3.99 and a minimum of 12 undergraduate hours.

K. Graham to compete for Miss Texas USA

The Crystal Group, producers of the Miss Texas USA pageant have selected Krista Graham of Friona to represent Parmer County in this year's contest.

Krista, a 2007 graduate of Friona High School, will travel to Laredo, Texas, on June 24 for a week of rehearsals, special events, and preliminary competitions. The Miss Texas USA pageant will be televised on Sunday, July 1. Check local listings for time and station.

The Miss Texas USA pageant will be televised in all Texas TV markets and is an official preliminary to Miss USA, which is jointly owned by Donald Trump and NBC. Prizes for the Miss Texas USA winner include a new Ford Mustang, gold and diamond jewelry, and a trip to the Riviera Maya, Mexico. The Miss Texas USA winner will compete in the Miss USA pageant in the spring of 2008.

Krista is the daughter of Ky and Lanis Graham.

S. Graham is PCCH employee of the month

By HELEN CARROLL, Director of Business Development

Parmer County Community Hospital is pleased to announce Sterling Graham as the May employee of the month.

Graham has been employed by the hospital for more than 20 years. He was director of maintenance for PCCH from Sept. 1986 until Oct. 2006. He continues to work in the maintenance department, and is genuinely loved and adored by everyone at PCCH.

Graham was nominated by Kenda Dunnam. In her letter she wrote, "Sterling has always done his job with an exceptional attitude, but this month probably takes the cake. He has a smile on his face every day, has not complained, been here to do his job, and done it all in the worst time of his life...he is amazing and I have learned so much from watching him and his attitude."

Graham is a humble man and prefers not to focus on himself. In a recent conversation with a coworker, he said it would be hard to let other people wait on him. This is part of what makes Graham so great; his desire to focus on what he can do for others.

Lance Gatlin, PCCH Administrator says, "Sterling is an absolute joy to have on our staff team. He is a model of



Sterling Graham

consistency, reliability and hard work, but what strikes me the most about Sterling, above all other things, are his unwavering cheerful attitude and his desire to serve others. He is an extraordinary person."

Graham is not a person who performed one great act of heroism. Graham is an everyday hero, a selfless person who does whatever he can to improve the lives of everyone around him. The following statements are his coworkers sharing some of their thoughts about Graham.

Geneva Vargas in dietary shared, "Sterling would come

when it snowed and take out our trash. He also used to go get our groceries, and always with a happy heart."

Norma Torres says, "When I was an aid, we had a terrible rainstorm. This whole side of town was blacked out. Sterling came out at 2:30 a.m. and kicked on the generators. He never complained, was just happy to get out of bed and do it."

Criselda Mendoza shares a particularly memorable story: "I had a little bitty desk that was too small for me. It was very uncomfortable and even left bruises on my knees. One day he saw how uncomfortable I was, and he decided then and there to get me a new desk. He did not ask permission, just saw my need and did what he thought was right. He went out on a limb to bring me some comfort, even if it meant getting in trouble. That was special; I'll always remember that."

Dunnam attends the church where Graham is an Elder. "He's always been one of those people that is always there in the background, that you know you can lean on, and is never there for the glory, only for the joy of serving others."

Please join us in congratulating Sterling Graham for receiving the PCCH Employee of the Month Award.

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Amber Wyly & Brandon Benoit
Kayla Estrada & Gabriel Ramirez
Lance Patterson & Leslee Bennett

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Kent & April (Pope) Gentry
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Amanda Taylor & Todd Raines

S. Williams receives BA from Graceland

Shelby Williams graduated from Graceland University in Lamoni, Iowa, with a Bachelor of Arts degree. She is the daughter of Michael and Cheri Williams of Friona.

Graceland University is a small liberal arts university. Its sponsor church is the Community of Christ based in Independence, Missouri. The university offers four-year, liberal arts-based bachelor degrees and master programs in nursing, education, and religion.



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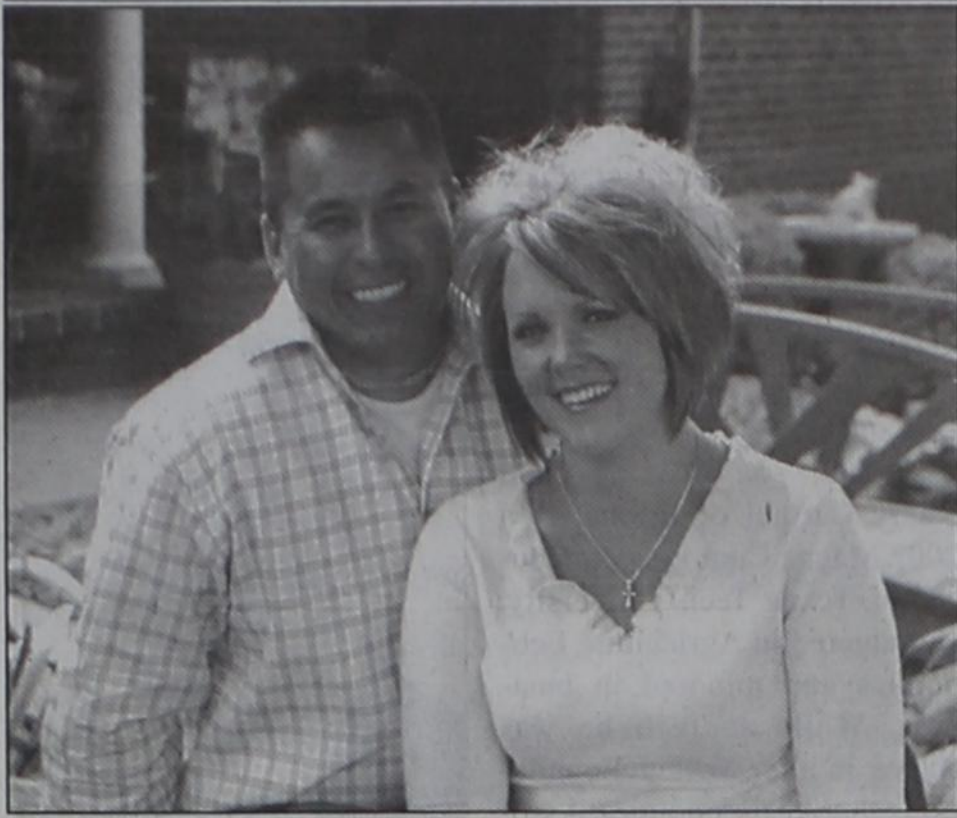
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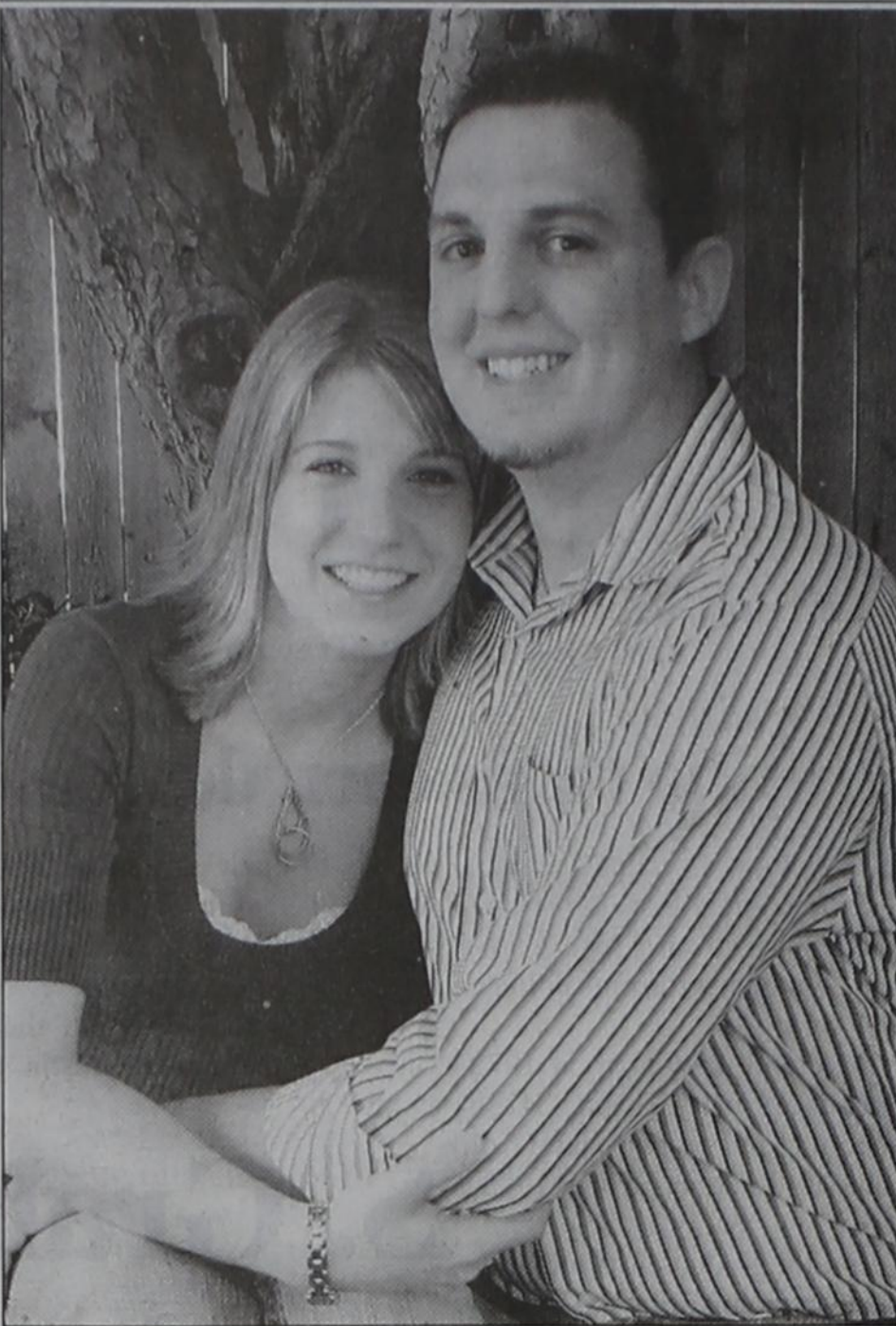
Mr. and Mrs. Radford Venable, of Bovina, Texas, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Amy Beth Venable, to Daniel Mejia, the son, of Patsy and the late Porfirio Mejia of Memphis, Texas.

The couple will be married on August 11, 2007 at the First Baptist Church in Bovina, with a reception following at the Holiday Inn in Clovis, New Mexico. All friends and family are welcome.

The bride-elect is a 1998 graduate of Bovina High School and is currently employed at the Parmer County Court House. Amy is the granddaughter of Marie and Elton Venable of Bovina, and Roy and Delores Stone of Plano, Texas.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Memphis High School as well as a 2000 graduate of West Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sports and Exercise Science, and a minor in History. Daniel is currently an educator/coach with Bovina ISD, while he pursues a Master's degree at West Texas A&M in Canyon. The couple plan to reside in Bovina.

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Leslee Bennett & Lance Patterson

Bennett & Patterson

Reverend Steve and Sabra Patterson, of Friona, proudly announce the engagement of their son, Lance Patterson, to Leslee Bennett of Winfield, Kansas, the daughter of Reverends Quintin and Patricia Bennett of Lyons, Kansas.

The prospective groom is a 2002 Miami High School graduate and a Southwestern Methodist graduate. He plans to begin grad school in July 2007. Lance is the grandson of Cecil and Shirley Patterson of Lovington, New Mexico.

The bride-elect is a 2003 Wellington High School graduate and a Southwestern Methodist graduate, as well. Leslee also plans to begin grad school in July 2007.

Lance and Leslee will exchange wedding vows on September 1, 2007 in Winfield, Kansas, where they plan to make their home.

ENGAGEMENT



Amber Wily & Brandon Benoit

Wily & Benoit

Gerall and Mary Beth Wily, of Friona, are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Amber Gaye Wily, to Brandon Eric Benoit, the son of Ronald and Brenda Benoit of Baytown, Texas.

Miss Wily is a graduate of Friona High School and graduated Magna Cum Laude from Texas Tech University. She is attending Texas Woman's University in Houston and will graduate in December 2007 with a Master's degree in Physical Therapy.

Mr. Benoit is a graduate of Robert E. Lee High School in Baytown, the University of Texas at Austin and Texas Tech University School of Law. He is an attorney with the law firm of Reid, Strickland and Gillette in Baytown.

Brandon and Amber will be married on August 11, 2007 at the First Christian Church in Lubbock at 6:00 in the evening.

New Arrival



Kaia Layne Outland
May 25, 2007 5 Lbs. 7 Oz.

Kaia Layne Outland

Lance and Tamara Outland, along with big brother Colton, announce the arrival of their new baby girl, Kaia Layne Outland.

Kaia was born on May 25, 2007 at 1:05 p.m. at BSA Hospital in Amarillo. She weighed 5 pounds, 7 ounces, and was 18 1/4 inches long.

Her grandparents are Gary and Gail Hand of Friona, Hank Outland of Amarillo, and Kenney and Terri Glover of Abilene.

Great grandparents are John and Billie Jo Hand of Friona and George and Ova Borel of Shawnee, Oklahoma.

Historical Commission ordering more bricks

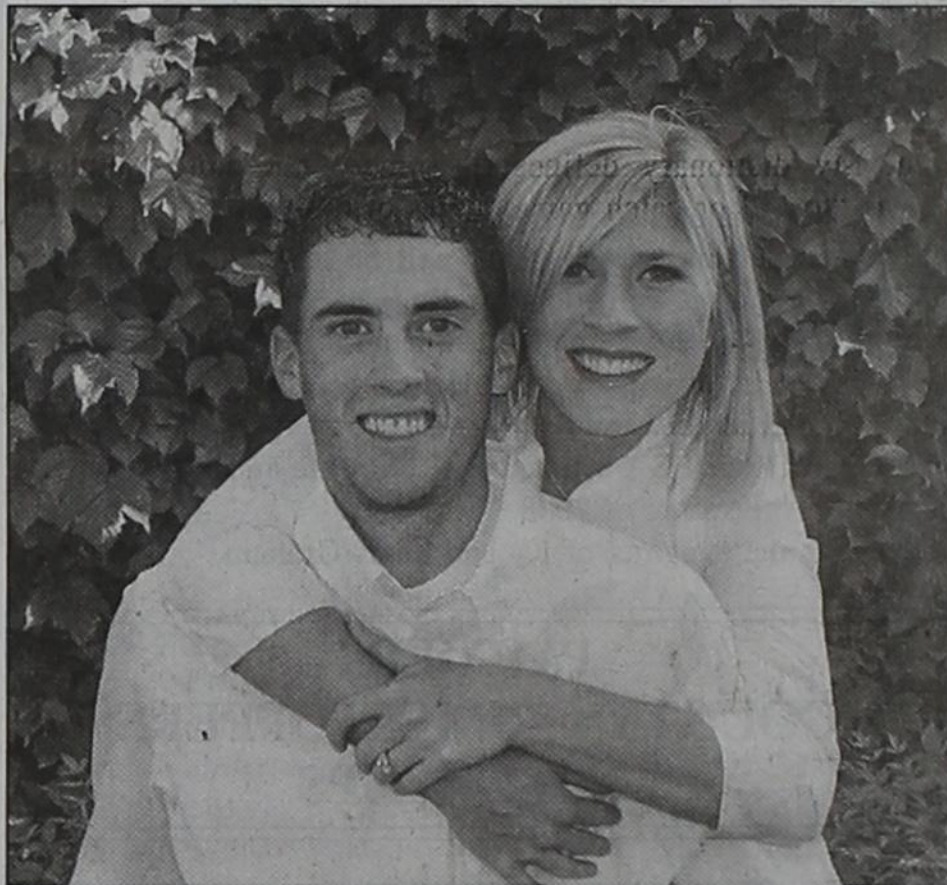
The Parmer County Historical Commission will be ordering a new batch of bricks to place around the historical marker at the courthouse in Farwell. Don Spring says, "The memorial is looking really great and each new addition of bricks just enhances the beauty."

The new order will be sent Monday, June 25. Anyone who wants to be included should get their order in. Gladys Spring, commission chair, advises anyone who is undecided on a format for their brick to visit the Farwell memorial and check out some ideas others have used.

Your brick can be ordered at the Friona Library, in Farwell from Bonnie Howard, or in Bovina from Gladys Spring. It is unsure whether the order will be back in time to be installed for the July 4 holidays but every effort will be made to make the new setting as soon as possible.

The historical bricks come in three sizes—6X12 for \$100; 8X8 for \$75; and 4X8 for \$50. Mrs. Spring said as a reminder, "The memorial is perpetual so if you fail to meet this order deadline more orders will be made available from time to time."

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Kyle Campbell & Elizabeth Carlile

Carlile & Campbell

Leslie Carlile of Canyon announces the engagement of her daughter, Elizabeth, to Kyle Campbell.

Kyle is the son of Mark and Pam (Wilcox) Campbell of Gunnison, Colorado and the grandson of Frankie and Homer Lindeman of Friona, and the late V.R. Wilcox.

The couple plan to wed on August 11, 2007 at the Joseph A. Hill Chapel on the West Texas A&M University campus in Canyon.

The bride-elect is a 2001 graduate of Borger High School. She graduated from Abilene Christian University in 2006 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education. She is currently employed by Abilene Independent School District as a second grade teacher.

The prospective groom is a 2002 graduate of Gunnison High School. He is attending Abilene Christian and will graduate in August with a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science. He is currently employed by Ethredge Cattle Co.

The couple plan to make their home in Edmond, Oklahoma.

ACROSS

1 ex-Cowboy Bob Hayes won gold for 100m in '64

5 San Antonio insurance co.

6 TXism: "the ole ___ and chain"

7 "buried ___"

8 "Fanthorp ___ Historical Park"

9 fast TX horse

16 TX George W. bro

18 Alamo, TX's ___ Museum

21 this TX Chase was "Voice of America" director under TX George H. (init.)

22 calf meat

23 TX Tejano band: "Little Joe ___ Familia"

24 explosions

30 TXism: "if I was ___, I couldn't stand it"

34 Putnam-born author King (init.)

35 spa pampering

36 TXism: "it's Katy bar the ___"

37 TX two-step

39 "El Mercado" in San Antonio (2 wds)

43 in 1861 TX seceded from this

44 TX Kenny Rogers' "I Don't ___"

45 school media (abbr.)

46 new car sold at a discount

47 OPEC member

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DOWN

1 TX Ben Hogan's birthplace

2 TXism: "busy ___ -armed paper hanger"

3 Greek team where ex-Mav Roy Tarpley played

4 "alto" south of the border

9 Neiman-Marcus Dallas Cowboys

10 with "The," TX Tommy Lee Jones '84 film

11 Vietnam fighter (2 wds.)

12 TXism: "he two-steps to his own ___"

13 Ray Roberts Lake park: "___ Bois"

14 TXism: "fun as feeding monkeys ___ the zoo"

15 German-born TX sculptor Elisabet

17 this Vern was former voice of the Dallas Cowboys

19 TXism: "it'll ___ out in the wash"

20 TXism: "don't ___ never mind"

24 she was "Agent 99" (init.)

25 GTT: "on the ___"

32 snake or scarf

33 Canyon's county

38 "grandchild" south of the border

40 in Taylor Co. on 84

41 saddle

42 got everybody out

48 TX Carol Burnett's birth month

50 south TX rancher: Mary ___ West

51 assn. for gun-toting Texans (abbr.)

56 excellent

57 TXism: "___ ever wrapped a lip around"

Happy Birthday

- June 24 - June 30, 2007**
- June 24 - Mitch Smiley, James Anthony, Janet Buske
 - June 25 - Sydonia Tongate McDaniel, Kimberlee Ryan, Laura Cash, Paige Herbert, McKinley Brockman, Duran Vaughn, Christopher Kemple, Bobby Martin
 - June 26 - James Peace, Jacquelyn Ryan, Galen Brewer, Marcos Trevino Jr., Corrie Lundy, DeEtte Snyder
 - June 27 - Andy Alexander, Sandra Osborn, Jerry Zachary, Clint Phillips, Chad Wilkins, Stacie Dodson, Kelly Cash, Ruben Rivera, Jo Schueler Osborn, Kathey Carthel, Briana Pollard
 - June 28 - Jackie Stowers, Bill Hardin, Debbie Rector, Leslie Wilkins, Dwight O'Brian, Carol Reeve, Holly Jack, Lindsay Cranfill, Charlotte Ratcliff, Sherry Atwell, Mike London
 - June 29 - James Varner, Russel O'Brian, Eva Lou Rector, Allison Walker, Andrew Stowers, Elizabeth Gore, Teddy White, Lucas Hall
 - June 30 - Sharon Diane Jones, Dewayne Procter, Brooke Herbert, Karene Cass, Keegan Neill, Devin Boren

Thursday, June 21, 2007

The Spirit Wind Ch region. Included in

If an elephant

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The Spirit Wind Choir performed at Friona's Methodist Church last Thursday evening. The choir is made up of Methodist youth from throughout the Panhandle region. Included in this year's choir are five girls and one boy from the Friona area. The choir will perform concerts at many locations throughout the summer.

If an elephant bags a hunter, does he tie him to his trunk?

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

It is unsafe to go outdoors if you have horns, sharp teeth, thick fur, webbed feet, no opposable thumbs, or hang by your tail. (However, if you have all of the above, it would greatly improve your chances at the Miss America pageant under their new and somewhat relaxed guidelines.)

One look at all of the grinning husbands with that awkward dear-in-the-headlights look on their face, and we know hunting season has arrived. My dictionary defines hunt as "to kill or catch game for food or sport". Wives define hunt as "an opportunity for husbands to get away from work for a few days (under the guise of some macho ancestral outdoor shooting ritual) while we are stuck at home to cook meals, work jobs, take

the kids to soccer practice at two different locations at the same time, entertain the in-laws who dropped in unexpectedly to offer their opinions, and change a baby diaper that just went through the monsoon season".

Some animals, such as dogs and cats, are illegal to hunt; however, I would be wary of wild game dinners where there is a lot of winking. Other animals are on the endangered species list. They are extremely rare and mostly seen in zoos, on ties, or at endangered species wild-game dinners—with pig sounds and banjo music—in some of the more toothless areas of the rural South.

One of these is the bison, or buffalo. A buffalo is just an aloo on a weightlifting program. The buffalo almost became extinct when people got bored really quickly on the plains and tired easily from singing "Oh give me a home..." which,

at that time, was the only song in the Top 40.

Discouraging words became rampant, so they shot the buffalo. Property values then plummeted because no one wanted a home where the buffalo had roamed. Buffalo were the predecessors to today's teenagers: they ate, had funny hair, and roamed in herds.

My dictionary also defines hunt as "to search or seek". It defines righteous as "acting in a just, upright manner; doing what is right". Doing what is right could mean being kind to one another, being tenderhearted, and forgiving one another, as in Ephesians 4:32.

Have you shown kindness to anyone lately? Have you expressed a tender heart for a friend who is hurting? Have you forgiven someone for a wrong done to you?

When hunters return from a successful hunt, they tie their game to their vehicle's hood or trunk for everyone to see. When God gets His game, He ties it to a cross and says, "Here, carry this." Carrying a cross is best done without a lot of fanfare or publicity. God is looking for an endangered species, that rare Christian who wants to be like Jesus.

With God, hunting season is always open. Are you game?

Think about this

How to have a significant life

BY T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

The first three principles we took for finding significance, found in I Corinthians 9:24-27, were having Ambition, Aim and Self-Control. But without this last one, FOCUS ON GOD, all our accomplishments drop off when we leave life.

Like most preachers, I do my share of funerals. Some of them are not difficult to do, some are very difficult! The easy ones are when I can talk about those riches this person had which they took to eternity. They might have had a big bank account, a beautiful home, car, or been tremendously famous, but all those were worthless to them after death. The riches that we should want in life are those that are transferable into the next life. We should want a crown that will last forever (v. 25).

Robert Ballard was a man with a quest. He wanted more than anything else to find the Titanic. On September 1, 1985, he did! He found her lying 350 miles off the coast of Newfoundland in the North Atlantic. He said that his life-long dream was to find this great ship and during the thirteen years he had searched for her, she dominated his life.

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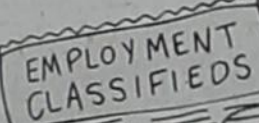
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Summer

BY KELLYE MOORE
 It seems every year there is a change in the line-up of actors for Summer Drama shop. For the 2007 production we have an interesting nation of experience with a summer drama. First up is none other than Allison Johnston, the term director for the play. She will be directing the kids thru fifth grade age and starring the young play titled Hee Haw H.

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OBITUARIES

Ada Lou Gant

Ada Lou Gant, 81, of Clovis, died Saturday, June 16, 2007 at the Senior Citizen Resident Center in Clovis, New Mexico.

She was born October 6, 1925 in Spur, Texas to Joe Robinett and Mabel Morris Byar Robinett. Ada was a bookkeeper at Watson Motors for many years and was a licensed pilot.

She is survived by one son, Wes Gant and wife Ellen of Clovis; two grandsons, Mark and James Gant of Clovis; one niece, Kay Cash and husband Don of Lubbock; and one great-nephew, Clay Cash of Midland, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Melba Burleson.

Graveside services were held at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 19, 2007 in the Friona Cemetery, with Reverend Jim Peabody officiating. Arrangements were by Steed-Todd Funeral Home of Clovis.

Memorial contributions may be made to Central Baptist Church Mexico Mission's Josephina Orphanage Fund, 2501 N. Norris, Clovis, New Mexico, 88101.

Pedro C. Castillo

A funeral mass for Pedro C. Castillo, 63, of Plainview, was held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 20, 2007 at St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Friona, with Fr. George William, pastor, officiating. Burial followed in the Friona Cemetery with arrangements by Blackwell Funeral Home.

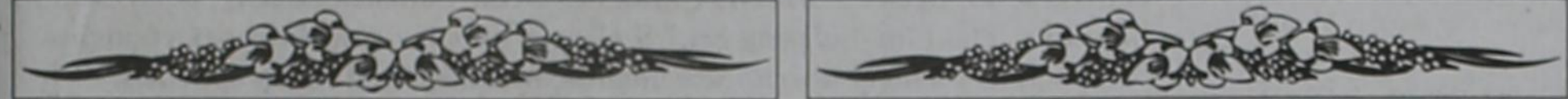
Mr. Castillo died on Monday, June 18, 2007 in Lubbock. He was born May 8, 1944 in Durango, Mexico to Candelario and Julia Huerta Castillo.

He lived in Plainview for the past 20 years, moving there from Dora, New Mexico. He worked in cotton gins most of his life and was a member of the Catholic Church.

He is survived by his wife, Juana; two sons, Pedro Castillo, Jr. of Lubbock and Jesus Castillo of Friona; three daughters, Marta Castillo and Patsy Castillo both of Friona, and Julia Silva of Dalhart; four sisters; two brothers; 17 grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.



courtesy photo
Beatris Molina and Cinthya Guerrero enjoy the fish in the aquarium for the Summer Reading Club members. Friends of the Friona Public Library sponsored the rental from Aquarium Concepts of Amarillo. They rent freshwater aquariums on a monthly basis.



Summer drama productions given

BY KELLYE MOORE

It seems every year there is a change in the line-up of directors for Summer Drama Workshop. For the 2007 production, we have an interesting combination of experience working for summer drama.

First up is none other than Allison Johnston, the longest-term director for the plays. She will be directing the kindergarten thru fifth grade age groups, and starring the youngsters in a play titled Hee Haw Hay Ride.

Next is a young man from out of town named Brandon Bellar. You may remember him from last year, which is when he started directing here. This year he will be directing Scenes from Into the Woods, in which sixth thru eighth grades will participate in.

Who is left for the high school? A new face to most, Mona Gibson will be running the high school production for the first time. Her production is titled Richard Harding Bush or

the Rococo Bean (a fantasy).

Want to sign up? Registration forms can be found at either the high school or at Allison Johnston's house. Rehearsal times will range from K-5 from 9 until 12, 6-8 from 1:30-4:30, and 9-12 from 6-8.

This is going to be an exciting year, as always, and we encourage all to come see the performances next month.



kellye moore photos

Summer conditioning includes basketball for area high school athletes. Friona and Bovina met in Farwell Saturday in the final games of a summer league. Friona beat both Bovina and Littlefield to claim the league title.



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Behind the Scenes at Becky's Burritos

BY KELLYE MOORE

If there is one place to eat food that you can't get anywhere else, Becky's Burritos is the place to go. Especially for early mornings, there's nothing like a Becky's Burrito to get the day moving. But another question posed with a slightly less obvious answer is, who is Becky?

Surprisingly enough, her last name is not Burrito. The small taco shop owner's actual name is Rebecca Soto.

Soto has lived a fruitful life. (Or maybe, egg full?) She worked for Excel for seven years as a supervisor, and then progressed to a nursing home for six months before finding her settlement at the Becky's Burrito stand.

It will be her fourth year of making burritos for Friona in November. Her first year on the job she says was, "tiring. I had a baby and I was completely wiped by 1." She managed the shop alone at first, but says now it has become a sort of family business.

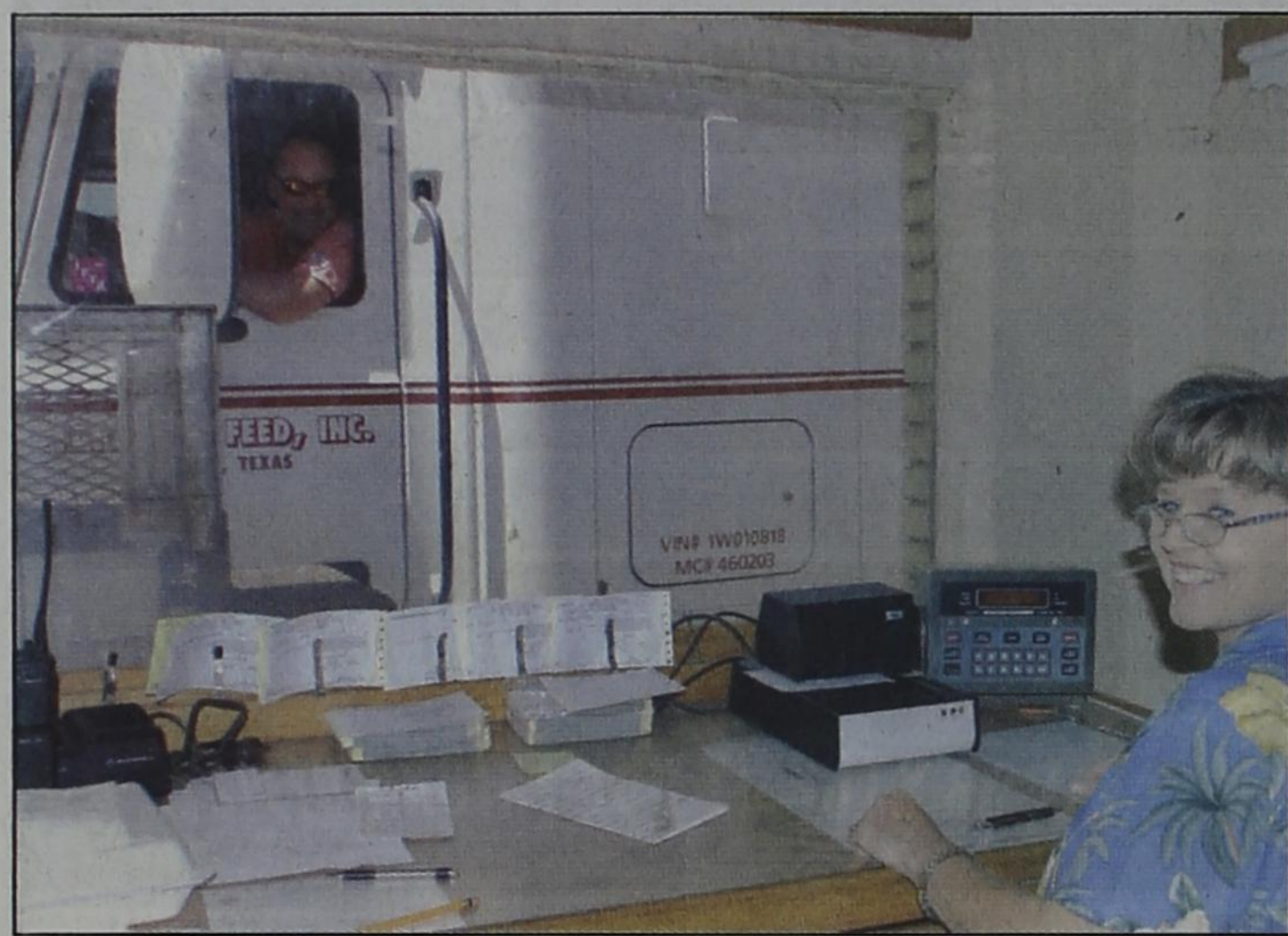
One of her workers, Mari Gonzalez, she speaks very highly of. "I guess you could say I couldn't have done it without her." Gonzalez will have worked at Becky's three years this August.

Outside work, Soto lives a busy life with her four children, soon to be five. She once thought of opening a restaurant, but it would take time from

her family. Becky's Burritos allows her flexible hours to spend time with her relatives.

Rebecca Soto would like to thank the community for their service. If it weren't for her customers her shop would not be as plentiful as it is today, she says.

Needless to say, we are all grateful for Becky and her burritos. Most teenagers in the area even have her number programmed into their cell phones. Stop by and show your appreciation, the shop is open Monday-Friday from 6 am until 2 pm, and Saturdays from 7:30 am to 12:30 pm.



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Vickie Field checks in another load of wheat at Friona Wheat Growers. The elevators have been open until after 10 p.m. every night this week. Bryan Campbell of Farmer's Feed is the customer.

Becky's Blue Burrito Stand



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The crew at Becky's Burritos are, l-r, Delia Sanchez, Becky Soto, Mari Gonzalez. The blue building on US 60 is a popular stop for area residents. Becky's offers a hefty burrito selection for breakfast and lunch appetites.



Hereford Dairy Day
Saturday, June 23, 2007
Spicer Gripp Arena
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Free admission

Free cheeseburgers (limited to 1st 1000 guests)

Adult & children relays prizes

Ice cream floats milk & cheese products

Equipment Mobile milk viewing classroom

Giant slide fun and games, bouncers, dunking booth, football toss

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\$100 gift cert. from Duncan and Boyd Jewelers (\$5.00/ticket)
Cow Plop Bing (\$5.00/ticket)
Cash prize awarded

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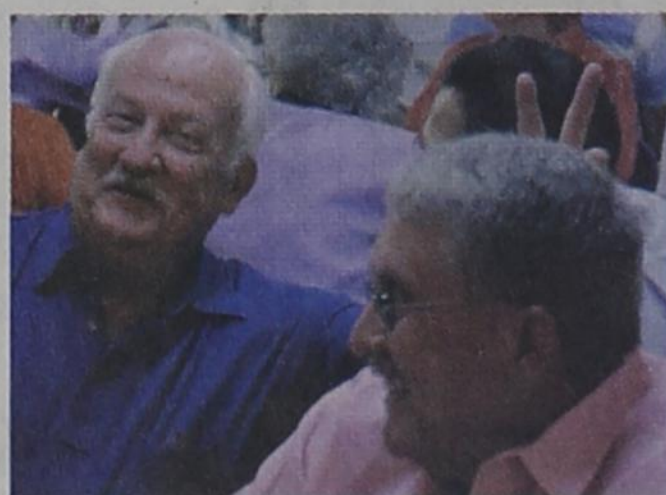
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- Terry Braillif
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- Cargill Meat Solutions
- Parmer Co. 4-H
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- Rhodes Family
- The Eclectics
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- Bovina Steppers
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- Friona Elementary