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2004 Summer Baseball Camp

Skills & Drills—Camp of Champs. That is the theme of the summer baseball camp that begins Monday, June 21 thru Thursday, June 24. Camp times are 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Heading up the camp will be former Friona and WTAMU baseball star Cory Hamilton. Cory is presently the baseball coach at Dumas High School. He will be assisted by Friona baseball coach Greg Hazelwood and others.

The camp is open to all players who will be entering the 2nd grade through those entering the 9th grade. Forms can be picked up at the baseball field concession stand or from Charlie Pope or Coach Hazelwood.

Cost is \$20 per child, \$30 for two in same family, \$35 for three and \$40 for four in same family. The camp is open to boys and girls and forms can be filled out at the field on Monday.

Blood Drive Tues June 22

The Coffee Memorial Blood Center will be in Friona for a blood drive on Tuesday, June 22, from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m., at Calvary Baptist Church, 1500 Cleveland. All donors will receive a t-shirt and a hot dog as a thank you for saving lives.

The Friona community is being asked to help those patients who are in need of blood or blood products; all blood types are needed.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact Danny Cervantes at 358-4563.

News from Clovis

The Clovis News Journal reported that a 3,700 square foot clothing store, Pac Sun, will open in North Plains Mall in early August. The outlet is part of a chain based in Anaheim, California.

North Plains Mall manager Cindy Banister said the mall is looking for a business to fill the former location of All About Sports which has moved to a new site, 810 E. 21st St.

Ground was broken and construction has begun on the new IHOP Restaurant at Prince and 21st.

Curry County is ranked no. 17 in the nation for dairy production, according to the United States Dairy Association National Agricultural Statistics Service. California is the number one ranked state for milk production and New Mexico is ranked seventh.

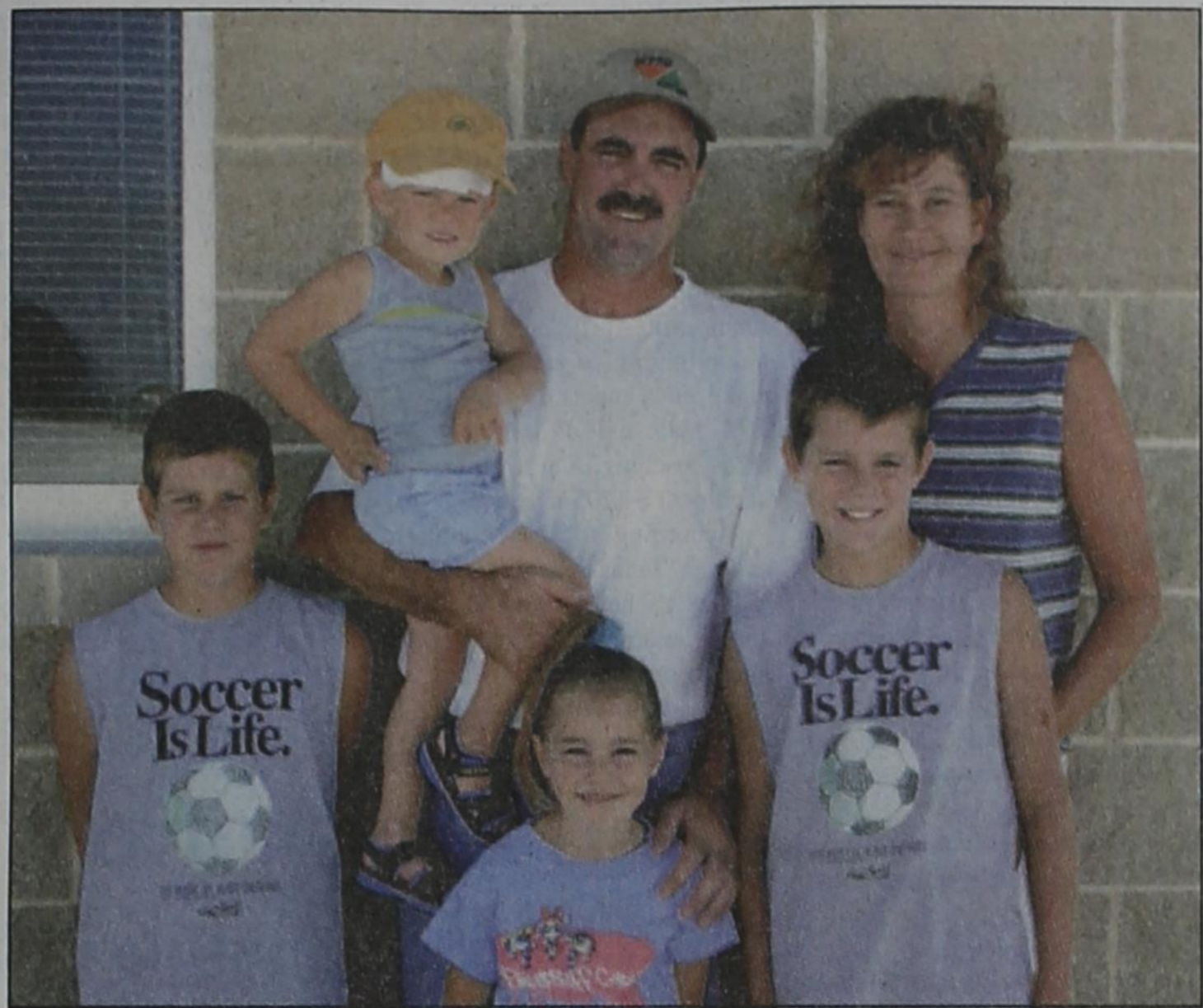


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New Pool Hours And Manager

The new City Pool hours are Tuesday through Friday, 1 to 5 p.m., Open Swim; Saturday and Sunday, 1 to 6 p.m., Open Swim; Tuesday through Friday, 6 to 7 p.m., Water Aerobics & Lap Swim (women only). Jennifer Phipps, of Hereford, is the new pool manager.

Happy Father's Day



FATHER'S DAY at High Plains Dairy. Dad Harry Dewey will celebrate with wife, Margret, son Cody, daughter Kim, and twins Ryan & Jake. tyler jameson photo

Celebrate Dairy Month With The 'Power of 3!'

Have you got the power of 3? That's the powerful punch of calcium and eight essential vitamins and minerals that three servings of dairy each day gives us for strong bones and healthy bodies.

This year's June Dairy Month theme urges people to get three servings of dairy a day by consuming a glass of milk, a cup of yogurt or a slice of cheese, all of which are good nutrition for your body. Milk and milk products are great nutrient packages of nine essential vitamins and minerals, including calcium, potassium, riboflavin, phosphorus, vitamins A, D, and B-12, and protein. Providing 72 percent of the calcium available in the American diet, dairy products are what dietitians call nutrient-dense foods, containing an abundance of vitamins and minerals per calorie. But that's not all.

A new study published in the January issue of the American Journal of Hypertension suggests that eating 3 to 4 servings of dairy daily as part of a healthy diet could lead to healthcare cost savings of more than \$214 billion over five years. Research shows that dairy may reduce the risk of high blood pressure, hypertension and some forms of cancer.

This study is one of the first to analyze how small diet changes may contribute to significant

healthcare cost savings and a healthier population. "Small changes will make a big difference," said David McCarron, MD, FACP, Department of Nutrition at the University of California, Davis, and co-author of the study. "The science suggests that even if a very small percentage—say 15 percent of the population—would increase its daily intake of milk, cheese or yogurt, the healthcare system would begin realizing savings immediately."

June has marked an annual salute to America's dairy farmers since 1937, when grocer organizations sponsored "National Milk Month". Two years later, the observation became known as dairy month, promoting the consumption of all dairy foods.

June Dairy Month has become a time to honor the contributions of dairy farmers who work 24/7/365 to provide consumers with fresh, wholesome dairy products.

And dairy is not just plain old dairy anymore. New flavors of milk like banana, orange cream and vanilla to countless varieties of cheese from cheddar to Brie and a rainbow of fruit flavored yogurts, there's a product to suit the tastes of practically everyone. In fact, did you know there are 50 kinds of yogurt on the market today? Choose from fruit-blended or fruit

on the bottom yogurts, yogurts with toppings and add-ins, or light versions of yogurt sweetened with aspartame. Try frozen yogurt or yogurts with cereal and novelty toppings for kids. Getting 3-A-Day of Dairy is as easy as 1-2-3.

When it comes to taste, nothing comes close to the refreshment of an ice-cold glass of milk, a smooth, creamy cup of yogurt, or the satisfying flavor of cheese! This June Dairy Month and all year long, get the "Power of 3" and make sure you've always "got milk", cheese, and yogurt on hand by keeping your refrigerator stocked with plenty of delicious dairy products.



CANCER survivors walked the first lap of the Relay for Life. More pictures on pages 8 and 16. ron carr photo

Relay for Life Raises \$34,000

Organizers reported the Relay for Life cancer walk raised \$34,390.81 for cancer research. There were 311 participants, 47 of whom were cancer survivors. "These people are the reason we continue to fight because each year there can be more and more people living wonderful lives following a diagnosis of cancer," a spokesman said. Last year, the first year of the event, there were 160 participants raising \$18,500.

Corporate sponsors included Hi-Pro Feeds, Whiteface Ford of Hereford, Friona Banking Center, Bunker Trucking, Bi-Wize Drug, Parmer County Implement,

Paco Feedyard, Medical Clinic of Muleshoe, Parmer County Farm Bureau, Friona Rural Health Clinic, Friona Noon Lions and Ivy Cottage.

A special thanks goes to members of the organizing committee. Many hours of hard work were donated and a special thanks to Jyl Grimsley, Suzanne Bunker and Ginger English for their dedication to organizing the Relay for Life.

Parmer County can be proud of their part in the fight against cancer. Plans are in the works for next year's Relay for Life event that will also be in June.

Friona Police Chief Resigns

Royce Goodson, Friona's Chief of Police, has resigned to accept the chief's position in Bulverde, Texas, a suburb of San Antonio.

Goodson, who came to Friona from Arlington in October 2003, plans to move as early as this weekend. Next week is his last week as police chief. Friona Police Lt. Tino Salinas will be acting chief for a period up to six months, according to city manager Terri Johnson.

Bulverde is a small town, population about 4,000, which does not currently have a police department. Goodson has been hired to start one. He ap-

plied for the position before accepting the Friona job but Bulverde officials postponed the startup of their department. Within the last month they decided to go ahead. Goodson was contacted and offered the job at a substantial salary increase.

He will be responsible for hiring officers, purchasing equipment, and staffing a brand new police department. Bulverde is a fast-growing suburb of San Antonio. Among the residents of Bulverde are ex-Frionians Janet and B.K. Buske, former real estate agents here.

New City Well Will Complete Water Loop

Folks in the Western Addition, west and north of Highway 60, should soon see an improvement in water pressure thanks to a new well.

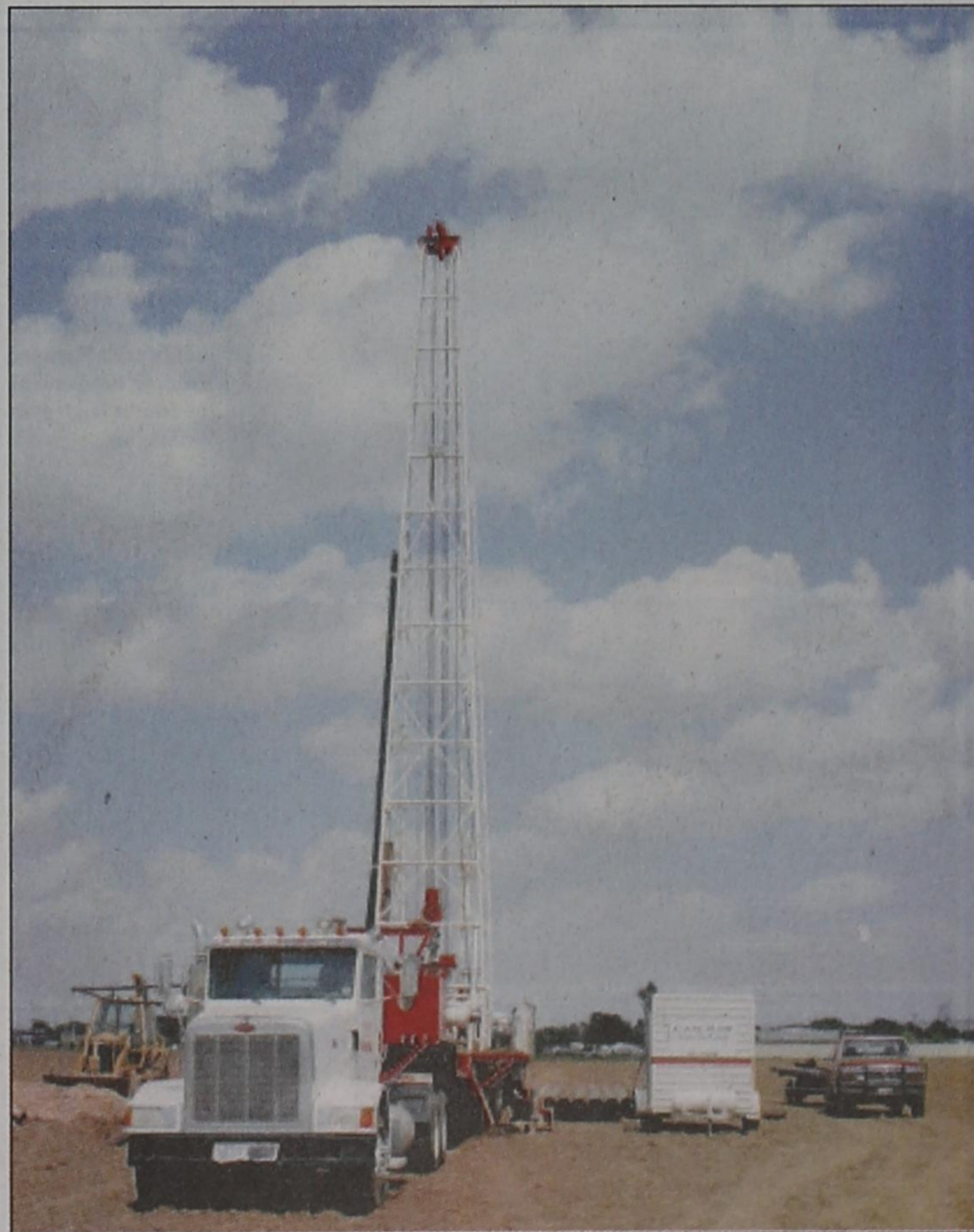
The new well, drilled to 360 feet, is located just north of the Great Plains Ag Credit building on land the city purchased from the Rushing family last year. The well has 91 feet of water and should pump at 100-120 gallons per minute when completed, city officials said. A 150,000 gallon storage tank will also be built at the location.

The total engineers estimated cost of the project was \$380,000. Funding is from a \$250,000 grant from the Texas Development Program and matching funds from the city. The bid from Triple L Utilities of Dumas was \$338,581.71. Cost to drill and complete the well is \$60,000; cost of the 150,000 gallon storage

tank is \$133,000. The balance of the expense will be for a 10-inch pipeline to connect the well to the overhead storage tank near Prairie Acres, and fittings, manholes, controls, chlorination equipment, etc.

The well will connect to the overhead tank through a pipeline roughly down FM2013 to Etta to connect to an existing line. Then from near the community center a new pipeline will head east on 16th St. between the Calvary Baptist Church and St. Teresa's Catholic Church to the alley between Main and Euclid, where it will connect to the existing line on 15th.

When this operation is completed Friona will have about 18 wells and four storage tanks, all connected in a loop around the city.



EMPLOYEES of 4-Way Pump Service drilled the new city water well this week. When completed, the new water service should improve water pressure in Western Addition. Added pressure will also benefit the Friona Fire Department in the event of a fire in that section of town. See story. ron carr photo



OUT HERE

by Ron Carr

Doctors Wanted: Apply Within

Dr. Alexander is not retiring. For those patients and friends of Dr. A's, be not distraught. He is good to go at least for the next couple of years. At age 66 and after a battle with prostate cancer, he is obviously thinking about the future. I would be too.

Dr. Bob came here 40 years ago. Parmer County has been fortunate to have a doctor with that tenure. Not all rural counties are so lucky. The rumor was floating around he was about to retire so I asked him about it. He's not leaving yet.

He likes to go fishing in Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, down on the tip of the Baja Peninsula. He has an older brother in Australia that he has visited but not often enough. Those are only two of many reasons he is approaching retirement.

For now though, he and Dr. Jubay and Dr. Dickson are facing the same problems that every small rural clinic and hospital faces, one of which is attracting new doctors to replace those who do retire or move on.

Dr. Felipe Jubay is second in seniority. He has been in Friona for 11 years. He moved his practice from Kansas, seeking a place that offered small-town friendliness and a great working environment.

Dr. Jeff Dickson has practiced in Friona two years. He grew up in Friona, went away to college and medical school

with some financial help from Drs. Alexander and Jubay and the Hospital Board. After a 3-year residency he moved back to his hometown.

In addition to the three doctors, Friona is blessed to have Physician's Assistant Cathey Hamman, FNP, who has been at the clinic for three years.

Our doctors and community leaders have worked to make the hospital a Critical Access facility. The designation, available to rural hospitals, enhances Medicare reimbursement and improves the hospital's financial stability. Investing in Parmer County's future, the doctors built a new clinic two years ago.

In addition to having a personal life, our doctors take care of their private practices at the clinic, the hospital emergency room, the 60+ Prairie Acres nursing home residents, and the 16-bed assisted-living center, Heritage Estates. Add in the dedicated staffs, nurses, and assistants at our health care facilities and Friona and Parmer County are fortunate to have this level of health care.

But! The time comes when every rural hospital or clinic must start the search for a new doctor. Such is the case today in Friona. In a recent interview with the Texas Rural Health Association newsletter, Dr. Jubay said, "The community is now searching for a new family practice physician."

Friona has realized that you can't wait until the day a doctor retires to start looking for a new one. Dr. Jubay says the process of recruiting a physician takes several months. The prospective new doctor and the community must be a good fit. His interview in the TRHA newsletter was a not so subtle advertisement for a new doctor.

Many doctors today are specialists, which does not fit with the family practice needs of a rural clinic like ours. Dr. A said that long ago the hospital delivered babies and performed surgeries. The insurance for these specialties became too expensive for a rural hospital.

In the case of doctors willing to relocate, he says they have to do a background check and try to discover the reason the doctor candidate is willing to move. Such concerns as how a doctor has related with his peers and his patients. Is he leaving because nobody likes him (or her) or is he, like Dr. Jubay was, searching for a small-town environment.

Regardless of jokes made, bedside manner is important to a doctor's success and a patient's confidence.

Dr. Jubay and Dr. Dickson have 2-3 years to find our next friendly Friona doctor. The search is on now. Interested doctor candidates should call Dr. Jubay at 806-250-2781.

I'm glad we had this talk. Dr. Alexander will see you now.

Neugebauer Praises Voluntary Labeling Bill

Washington, DC - Congressman Randy Neugebauer praised the introduction of bill before the House Agriculture Committee which calls for a voluntary country-of-origin labeling (COOL) program.

Neugebauer, who is an original cosponsor of the legislation, believes that a mandatory COOL program places far too many paperwork and regulatory burdens on beef producers.

"I am pleased to focus our legislative attention on a voluntary COOL program rather than the mandatory alternative," Neugebauer said. "While food safety is important and the concept of a mandatory program

may sound good, it would mean a deluge of new regulatory requirements that would overwhelm most beef producers and drive up the cost of operations. A voluntary COOL program allows ranchers, processors, and retailers of West Texas to decide for themselves how best to run their farm or business and avoid excessive red tape and paperwork."

The legislation would allow producers, processors, and retailers to decide on their own if they want to participate in the marketing program. Those who do participate will use a new label created by the U.S. Department of Agriculture or an

existing label already in use that has been approved by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Neugebauer said he looks forward to pushing the legislation through the Agriculture Committee and will work to ensure that marketing decisions are made by the citizens of West Texas, not officials in Washington.

this legislation has been endorsed by many agricultural trade groups and associations including the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, the National Pork Producers Council, and the National Grocers Association.

Summer Reading Program



LIBRARIANS Brenda Patterson and Darla Bracken, left, hosted Steve Keiffer and his "Mysteries of the Sea" presentation for the library's Summer Reading Program at the Junior High gym Wednesday.



tyler jameson photos

Texas Teachers Contemplate Resigning at Record Levels

(Reprinted from the Texas State Teachers Association magazine, the Advocate, Summer 2004 issue.)

Almost half of today's Texas teachers—a record high of 45%—are considering leaving the profession, according to a new study by Sam Houston State University, released at the April TSTA Convention. The top reasons: working conditions (41%) and compensation (25%).

The "Texas Teachers, Moonlighting, and Morale" poll by David and Travis Henderson has been conducted every two years since 1980. This year's report is especially disturbing in light of recent information that over 53,000 classrooms in Texas are staffed by inappropriately certified teachers. That figure doesn't take into account the number of classrooms staffed by long-term substitutes.

As the legislature convened to discuss school finance in April, 35% of Texas teachers were moonlighting an average of 10 hours a week to make ends meet, up from 26% two years ago; 76% believe it is having a negative effect on their teaching. On average, teachers earn an additional \$4,705 a year from moonlighting.

According to the Moonlighting report, the average Texas teacher is a 43-year-old female with a bachelor's degree; she makes \$41,396 and is married with a working spouse. More interesting statistics:

- 48% are the family breadwinner.
- They spend an average of \$500 per

year for school supplies out of their own pockets.

Only 1 in 10 believes that a single standardized test should be used for student promotion.

Today's teacher is spending an average of 13.8 additional hours a week working at home—the most time spent working at home since the survey began—but 69% still don't feel like they have time to prepare.

The top problems they face are discipline (58%) and paperwork (34%).

"Given the stress, the hours, the lack of support, and the inadequate salary, it is no surprise that the teacher shortage is getting worse and that experienced teachers are getting out of the profession," said TSTA President Donna New Haschke.

"At a time when we are increasing the standards for all of our students and making our tests and graduation requirements tougher, we must have a qualified, certified teacher in every classroom," she said. "As the legislature contemplates matters of funding and debates making changes in the way we operate our schools, at the top of the list must be addressing the issues that are causing our shortage and avoiding any actions like incentives, or elimination of current rights and benefits that would make the situation worse. Education reform that doesn't focus on creating a quality teaching force is doomed to fail our students."

Texas Legislative Negotiators Eye Tax Increase For Schools

According to the Houston Chronicle, the committee of legislators appointed to work toward a school finance reform plan has agreed to several "goals." The goals include increasing state taxes by \$6 billion; increasing the state share of education funding from 40% to 60%; capping property tax levies at \$1.00 per \$100; and adding \$1 billion or more in new spending on education.

The committee was set up to find a plan that the governor and both houses of the legislature could agree upon. The previous special session addressing school finance ended when support collapsed for a plan that included higher overall tax burdens.

"The legislative negotiators need to look back to what happened in the special session," said taxpayer advocate Grover Norquist, president of Americans for Tax Reform. "An overall tax increase will kill any reform plan. Gov. Perry rejects any proposal that increases the tax burden, and 41 legislators have signed a written Pledge to oppose any such plan. When Speaker Craddick proposed a plan that was a net tax increase, support dried up in a matter of hours. Anyone who is serious about reform will not propose a tax increase."

The broad goals announced by the legislators envision \$6 billion or more in new taxes. Five billion of that figure would be used to reimburse localities when their property tax levy cap

is reduced from \$1.50 to \$1.00. The remaining \$1 billion or more would be poured into education. So far there is no agreement as to what form the new taxes would take.

"Gov. Perry called on legislators to reform the method of financing education, and the big spenders are using it as an excuse to raise taxes," Norquist continued. "A higher tax burden is bad for Texas families, bad for Texas business, and does nothing to reform the broken Texas education system. On top of this, it is a political dead end. Legislators should join Gov. Perry in insisting any reform be revenue-neutral."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

This is a reminder to all those wishing to nominate deserving veterans for induction into the Panhandle Veterans Hall of Fame. The cut-off date, (July 20), for submitting your nomination, is fast approaching, and I want to encourage everyone to get their information to me as soon as possible. It would be very sad to let a deserving veteran go unrecognized for the lack of a little effort on our part. Nominations are to be sent to Panhandle Hall of Fame, 600 N. Hobart, Pampa, Texas 79065. John L. Triplehorn, Chairman

Stenholm Visits New 19th District Voters

Congressman Charlie Stenholm has been traveling West Texas roads for more than 25 years getting to know residents and talking about the issues that affect families and businesses here. On a recent caravan trip through nine counties of the New 19th Congressional District, Congressman Stenholm told folks that he is energized about this particular campaign.

"I've got more fire in the belly for this one than I ever have before," explained the Congressman. "It's a crying shame what they did to West Texas with redistricting, but we're going to prove to Tom Delay and Governor Perry that our influence and seniority in Congress can better represent the South Plains and the Big Country."

Traveling between Lubbock and Abilene on a lazy warm Saturday, and visiting with more two hundred voters along the way, Congressman Stenholm reflected on the quarter of a century that he has represented his West Texas friends and neighbors.

"25 years ago I was Charlie Who(??)" said a half-joking Charlie Stenholm. "Now, I am the ranking member on the House Agriculture Committee, and 29th in seniority of the full House of Representatives. When policies for rural America or agriculture are discussed in Washington DC, I am at the table. And, that's good for West Texans."

When answering questions about his relationship with the late President Ronald Reagan, Congressman Stenholm drew a stark distinction between the politics of then and the politics of now.

"It was pretty high-cotton for a second term Congressman from

Jones County to be called to the White House by President Reagan and asked to help organize conservative Democratic votes in the House," described Stenholm. "We were exercising our independence to compromise with the Republican Administration on policies that were good for all Americans."

"We didn't always agree on the solution or the direction, but President Reagan was always respectful and did everything he could to create a bipartisan spirit of cooperation. That spirit doesn't exist in Congress today, but I still vote the West Texas-line and not the party line."

As the 2004 campaign season takes on a life of its own, the Stenholm staff utilized the caravan stops in Levelland, Brownfield, Tahoka, Post, Jayton, Roby and Merkel to sign up volunteers, hand out flyers, bumper stickers and yard signs, and talk to people about the issues that are impacting their everyday lives.

"As Congress continues to work up to election day I'm going to focus my attention on the economy and the budget, on the Iraq war, and on healthcare, Medicare and prescription drug policies. I am convinced that we need to fix the holes in Social Security so that our children and grand children are not left out, and we're also going to write a new farm bill in the next year," explained the Congressman.

Congressman Charlie Stenholm is running for re-election in the New 19th Congressional District of Texas. He has represented families and businesses across West Texas for twenty five and a half years in Congress.

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Around Town

Summer Food service program

FISD is sponsoring a free summer food service program for kids up to 18 years. Meals are at the Friona Jr. High cafeteria Monday through Friday, breakfast 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and lunch 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The program runs June 7 through July 2. For more information call 250-3353.

Team Kid day camp

Friona First Baptist Church will host Team Kid Day Camp June 21-25 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. "The Music-Machine: A Musical Adventure Teaching the Fruit of the Spirit To All Ages" will be performed by the Team Kid Day Camp members Sunday, June 27 at 6:30 p.m. with fellowship and sandwiches, chips and cookies following.

Color Your World...Paint!

Local artists, Carol Ellis and Debra Baxter will present a lesson on painting for the Texas Reading Club at the Friona City Park, Wednesday, June 23 at 10 a.m. This event is sponsored by the Friona Public Library.

Hereford citywide garage sale planned

Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring a citywide garage sale June 26. Registration forms for the annual event are available at the chamber office, 701 N. Main. There is a \$10 permit fee for the sale, which will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the 26th. For more information, call the chamber at 364-3333.

Calvary Baptist to hold garage sale

Calvary Baptist Church at 1600 North Cleveland will be holding a garage sale Monday, June 21 starting at 7 a.m. The proceeds from the sale will benefit the J.P. Sims Youth Scholarship, Friona Public Library and Friona Museum. Donations to sell appreciated. Call 250-3000 for further information.

God's Team in Action VBS

The Sixth Street Church of Christ will be conducting its 2004 Vacation Bible School July 12-14 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The bible school will include kindergarten through 5th grade. They will also have an adult bible class. Junior high and high school students will be teacher's aids. The theme is "God's Team In Action". The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

Senior Social July 10

Friona Senior Citizens will host an ice cream and cake social July 10 at 5 p.m. at the Friendship House. Entertainment will be furnished by the "Clowns Under Construction". Come and enjoy the fun and fellowship. Dues of \$30 are due now.

First Baptist Church VBS planned

The First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School will be held July 26-30, 9 a.m. to noon. VBS provides a powerful, unique opportunity to share Jesus Christ with people of all ages; in fact, it may be your church's most important outreach event. So make your vacation plans now so that you will be here to "Run The Race To The Son" with the children.

There is no charge for news included in Around Town. So call us at 250-2211, fax to 250-5127, email to frionastar@wrt.net, or mail info to P.O. Box 789, Friona, Texas 79065.

We reserve the right to approve all copy and edit submitted article for space reasons. Let us hear from you.



BRITTANY ANTHONY entertained the Friona Evening Lions Club on Thursday May 27. courtesy photo

Stowers Graduates From South Plains

Christen Stowers, a student from Bovina, was among a record 539 students participating in South Plains College's 46th commencement exercises Friday, May 14, in Texan Dome. A record 901 students applied for graduation. "This is an exciting time in the lives of our graduates," said Dr. Gary McDaniel, SPC president. "They have reached an educational milestone, and both they and their families should be very proud. SPC extends best wishes to all our graduates." Christen received an Associate of Science Degree.

Friona Chamber Notes

"Celebrate the 4th on the 1st" needs Chamber Ambassadors. Contact the chamber if you would like to make homemade ice cream for this year's celebration.

You still have until July 5 to submit your photos for the "Photo Contest", sponsored by the chamber. The photos will be made into postcards and sold during Maize Days celebrations. They must be of Friona or surrounding area and 35mm and/or digital. You may enter as often as you want, at \$5 per entry. You can pick up the rules at the chamber office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday-Friday.

New Maize Days events (in addition to all traditional events) will be Off Road* All Terrain* Poker Run (for all ages), Road Bike Poker Run, and Riding Lawn Mower Races are being planned. Stop by the chamber office to pick up the rules.

Ensemble & Solo State Results

The Friona High School band sent five ensembles and one solo to the State UIL Solo & Ensemble contest in San Marcos May 31. They were among 20,000 instrumental and vocal contestants that qualified for the state contest.

Brittany Anthony received a 1st Division superior rating for her flute solo.

Kathy Anthony, Leslee Avalos, Claudia Candanedo, Luis Hernandez, Hunter Monk, and Jacob Dominguez joined in a brass sextet and received a 2nd Division excellent rating.

David Davila, Mark Hernandez, and Isaac Romero formed a cornet trio and received a 3rd Division good rating. An alto saxophone trio made up of Chris Carrillo, Gumaro Chavarria, and Cindy Trevino also received a 3rd Division good rating. Another 3rd Division good rating went to the flute quartet of Brittany Anthony, Lupe Estrada, Allison Jones, and Laura Rosas.

Band director Tim Youree said, "This is the most en-

Kaci Bandy Graduates

Kaci Lane Bandy graduated from Plano East Senior High in May 2004. The senior class had about 1,500 students, being one of the largest schools in the state.

She plans to attend Collin County Community College in the fall and then transfer to Texas Tech.

Miss Bandy is currently working for a mortgage company in Dallas, Texas.

Kaci is the daughter of Johnny and Carla Bandy and the granddaughter of Eugene and Patsy Bandy of Friona.



KACI LANE BANDY

C. Bandy To Attend TWU



CHELSEY MAY BANDY

Chelsey May Bandy graduated from Brady High School on May 28, 2004.

She was in the National Honor Society, a candidate for Homecoming Queen, Who's Who Among American High School Students, and Prom Queen, among other honors.

She plans to attend Texas Women's University, in Denton, in the fall.

Chelsey is the daughter of Todd and Lori Bandy of Brady and the granddaughter of Eugene and Patsy Bandy of Friona.

A. Hartzog and K. Hunt Win 4-H Scholarships

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo awarded, by county, 70 Texas 4-H'ers with four-year, \$10,000 scholarships during the Texas 4-H Roundup in College Station, Texas, on June 8, 2004.

The two winners from Parmer County were Ashley Hartzog and Keith Hunt.

Ashley is the daughter of Roy and Trudy Hartzog of Oklahoma Lane and Keith is the son of Chris and Terry Hunt of Friona.

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THE CHIEF'S CORNER

by **ROYCE L. GOODSON**
Friona Police Department

I am sitting here behind my desk, attempting to write my last article for the Friona Star and I am having a difficult time putting my thoughts into words. Two weeks ago I was offered a fantastic opportunity that I could not decline; therefore, my wife and I will be leaving Friona in a few days.

After my wife and I moved to Friona we immediately started to make new friends and began getting involved in the community. I have made some great friends in Friona, friends that I hope I will never lose. Believe me, the decision to leave Friona was not an easy one. Leaving behind my coffee drinking partners, my golfing buddies, and all my other friends, is just something that I am really struggling with. I have enjoyed working and living in this community and have had the opportunity to meet some of the finest people I have ever met.

My days in Friona just would not be complete if I did not go down to the Sugar Shack, drink a cup of coffee with the guys, and harass Kenda. Of course while drinking my coffee, Jim Atwell would always show up for a couple of minutes and challenge me to a golf match that afternoon, knowing that he would lose! And there was John Blackwell who always had a new joke for me that would get me to start the day off with a smile on my face.

I would complete my day at work and then in the afternoon go out to the Friona Golf Course and play Jim and others in a round of golf. We usually played for big stakes and I think I lost more than I won. Yea, I had to buy Jim and sometimes Trey Ellis a soda pop at the end of the match. Of course they never realized that I let them win simply because as the Chief of Police, I wanted to create a good relationship with community members.

I also joined the Friona Noon Lions Club and the members immediately made me feel at home. There are some great guys in the club, but they forgot to tell me when I joined that I would have to peddle brooms in the Friona City Park. Now that was something I had never done and I never realized how many different types of brooms there were. What an adventure it was, standing on the corner of the park selling brooms to anyone that walked up. After the sale was over I began to think I might be in the wrong profession, maybe I should have gone into broom sales. But, it was a lot of fun and the Noon and Evening Lions Club raised money for a great cause.

One of the biggest joys I had serving as the Chief was having lunch with the Senior Citizens of the community. My first day on the job back in October, I went and ate lunch at the senior service center, made some new friends and quickly discovered that the ladies in Friona can cook. I have eaten lunch several times at the center and never had a bad meal, and always had good company. One of my trips to eat lunch at the center involved myself and Officer Richard Spears teaching a self defense class. We had a lot of fun teaching the class and I believe the seniors learned a few things they can use. So, don't try to pick on them or steal a purse from one of the ladies, they may just quickly put you on your back.

Last Friday night the Relay for Life took place at the Friona High School Football Stadium. My wife and I walked over to the event and I was just amazed at the participation by members of the community. I think everyone in Friona was at the track participating in some way and I later learned that the event raised over \$30,000, more than some other larger communities had raised. To me this shows what type of community Friona is and what great people live in the community. While at the Relay for Life, I had the opportunity to visit with several of my friends and went home asking my wife, "do we really want to move?"

Yea, it's going to be hard to go to work in a different city with different people telling me what to do. How will I ever be able to do my job right, without Trish from city hall calling me and telling me what to do? Trish would always harass me about things, but I quickly realized that I had to just harass her right back. There are some great people working for the City of Friona and each one has helped me in some way. I cannot begin to express my gratitude to each of them for their help and friendship. The city is in good hands with the staff and council members that are in place.

Terri Johnson, the city manager, is doing a fantastic job running the city. She is professional and proficient at her job and Friona is very lucky to have her. Terri is supported by the city council members who always make difficult decisions and try to do what is best for the city. I have been impressed with each council member and their aspiration to make this community a better city. Each of the council members has been very supportive of me, and the decisions I made concerning law enforcement for the community. I have become very good friends with several of the council members and will miss them.

Martha always gives me a fantastic haircut and tries her best to make me look good, John Taylor has become a good friend and a very good golf partner, and Jim Atwell does a great job harassing me and trying to out play me on the golf course.

Several months ago Sherrie Taylor told my wife and I that you cannot go anywhere without running into someone that has lived in Friona, has relatives in Friona, or knows someone in Friona, and I have found that to be so accurate. It is just simply amazing how such a small community can have such a great influence in the state of Texas. I can assure you that I will never forget my stay in the City of Friona and I will always have a special place in my heart for this community and my friends.

Summer Drama Workshop Presentations Friday 6:30

The Friona Fine Arts Council will present the 2004 Summer Drama Workshop productions on Friday, June 18, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Friona High School auditorium.

The cost will be \$1 for students and senior citizens and \$2 for adults. The price includes all three plays.

Pre-K through 5th grade thespians will present "Going, Going, Gone with the Breeze" directed by Allison Johnston.

The junior high thespians will present "The Saga of Katy and the Gambler Lady" directed by Sara Widner and Lory Wyly. The high school play, directed by Mariana Jones is titled "OZ!"

Cast members in "Going, Going, Gone with the Breeze" are, in random order, Weston Wyly, Tarah Reed, Sawyer Osborn, Bailee Brailiff, Katie Jo Osborn, Alex Gonzales, Teri Reed, Matthew Ratliff, Callie Ratliff, Andrew Marrufo, Kaki Stadler, Holly Johnston, Kendall Kimbrough, Krystin Gonzales, Kelsey Davis, Rachel Busch, Cotton Fleming, Kylie Boyd, Tenna Montana, Abby Jones, Jenni Debie, Laci Austin, Macy McLennan, Omar Ramos, Emma Bowden, Amber Roberson, Rainey Williams.

Also, Mason Fleming, JC Marrufo, Matthew Scott, Haden Smiley, Oran London, Josh Barnett, Daniel Smith, Brooklyne Johnston, Courtney Bunker, Hollie Ratliff, Sunny Bowden, Aspen Fleming, Kirstie Smith, Krystin A. Gonzales, and Maritza Lopez.

The settings are Lone Pine Films Studio/other Hollywood locations/Savannah, Georgia; time, the present.

The stage manager is Mary Susan McGarr; assistants, Kimberlee Jones, Aaron Hand, Brittany Berend, Allie Stadler, Dollie Lookingbill, and Meghan Hendrickson; sound, Mashay White; lights, Stephenie Jones; props, Katherine Thompson, Julie Echevarria, Dollie Lookingbill, Deirdre Johnston, and Hollis Gurley; costumes, assorted relatives; and make-up, junior high and high school

casts. Cast members in "The Saga of Katy and the Gambler Lady" are, in random order, Christy Widner, Kathleen Wyly, Paige Herbert, Brooks Lyford, Aaron Hand, Alex Ferguson, Deirdre Johnston, Alex Gurley, Allie Stadler, Bryan Baxter, Kellye Moore, Lucy Lyford, Jessie London, Brittany Berend, Stephanie Aguirre, J. Gurley, and Bobby Moore.

The setting is a western saloon; the time, back in the days when the west was young.

The stage manager is Stephenie Jones; lights, Kimberlee Jones; sound, Dollie Lookingbill; sound support, Erika Montana; props, Katherine Thompson, Aaron Hand, Brittany Berend, Kimberlee Jones, Julie Echevarria, and Meghan Hendrickson; set support, Ty Potts and Jon Hendrickson; costumes, Katherine Woodard, Kristina Anthony, Mashay White, and Gay Taylor; make-up, cast and crew.

For the high school presentation, "OZ!", the cast members are, in random order, Sara Widner; Brooks Lyford, Bobby Moore, Stephanie Aguirre, Jessie London, Allie Stadler, Alex Gurley, Brittany Berend, Lucy Lyford, Kellye Moore, Aaron Hand, Kathleen Wyly, Lory Wyly, Meghan Hendrickson, Jordan Jamerson, Stephenie Jones, Kimberlee Jones, Dollie Lookingbill, and Deirdre Johnston.

Scenes are Munchkin country, a road, in the forest of the fighting trees, palace of the Great and Powerful Oz, road to castle of the Wicked Witch of the West, inside the castle, the road again, and the palace of Oz.

The stage manager is Pedro Ramos; lights, Kyla Graham; sound, Mashay White; props, Katherine Thompson, Mashay White, and Deirdre Johnston; costumes, Katherine Woodard and Gay Taylor; make-up, cast and crew.

By attending, you will help support the annual drama workshop.

Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds:

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- Jimmy Weaver - Patsy Henson et al, same as above.
- Randall Knight - Andre Kok, L7 less W. 30' B4 MIMO.
- Barbara Hughes - Sam Billingsley et al, S90' L16-20, B79 BOVINA.
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- Cosme Morales - Francisco Marta, S/2 L2 L3-4 B74 FRIONA.
- Moses Barraza - Raul Barraza, L16-17 B31 BOVINA.
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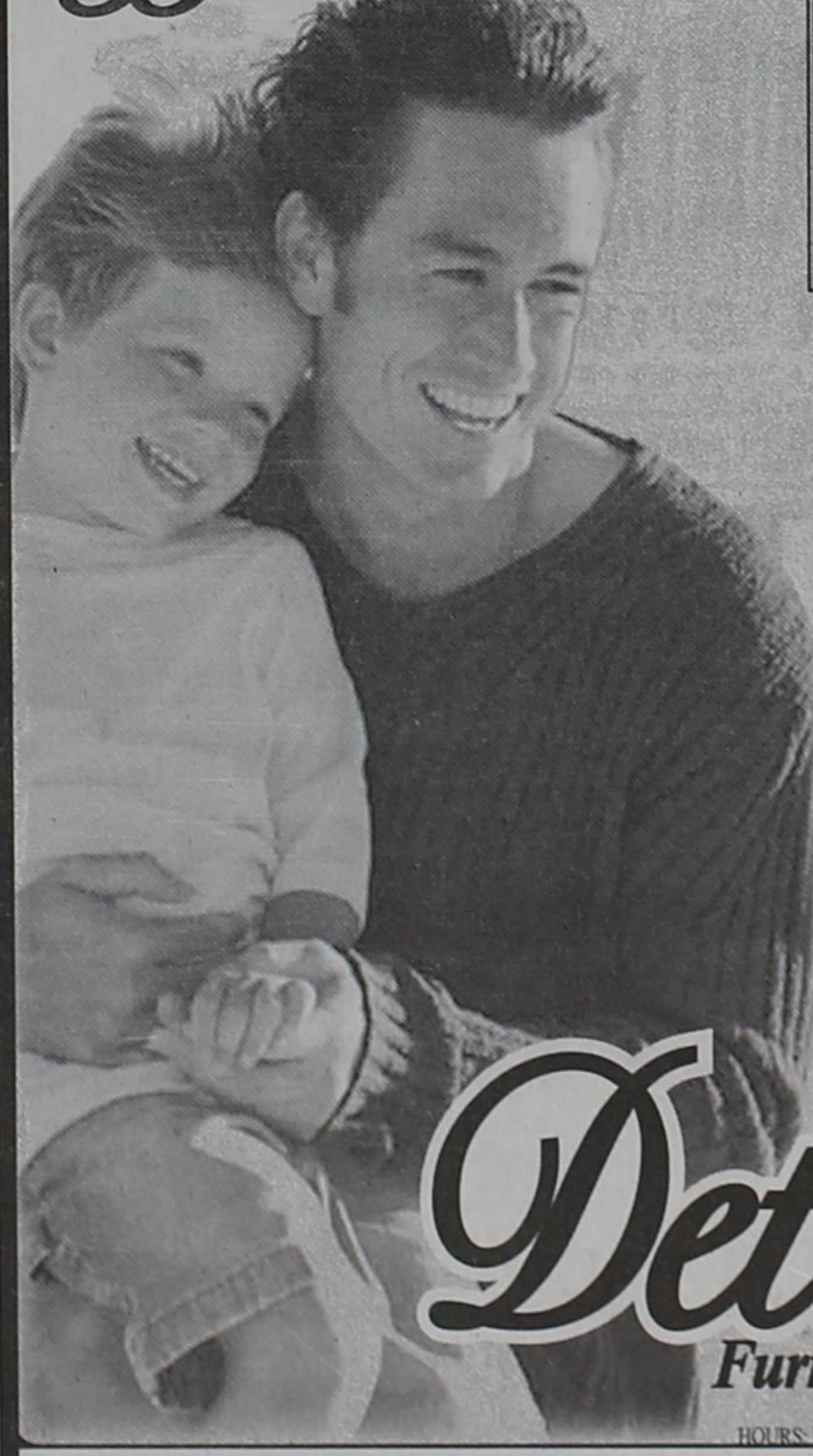
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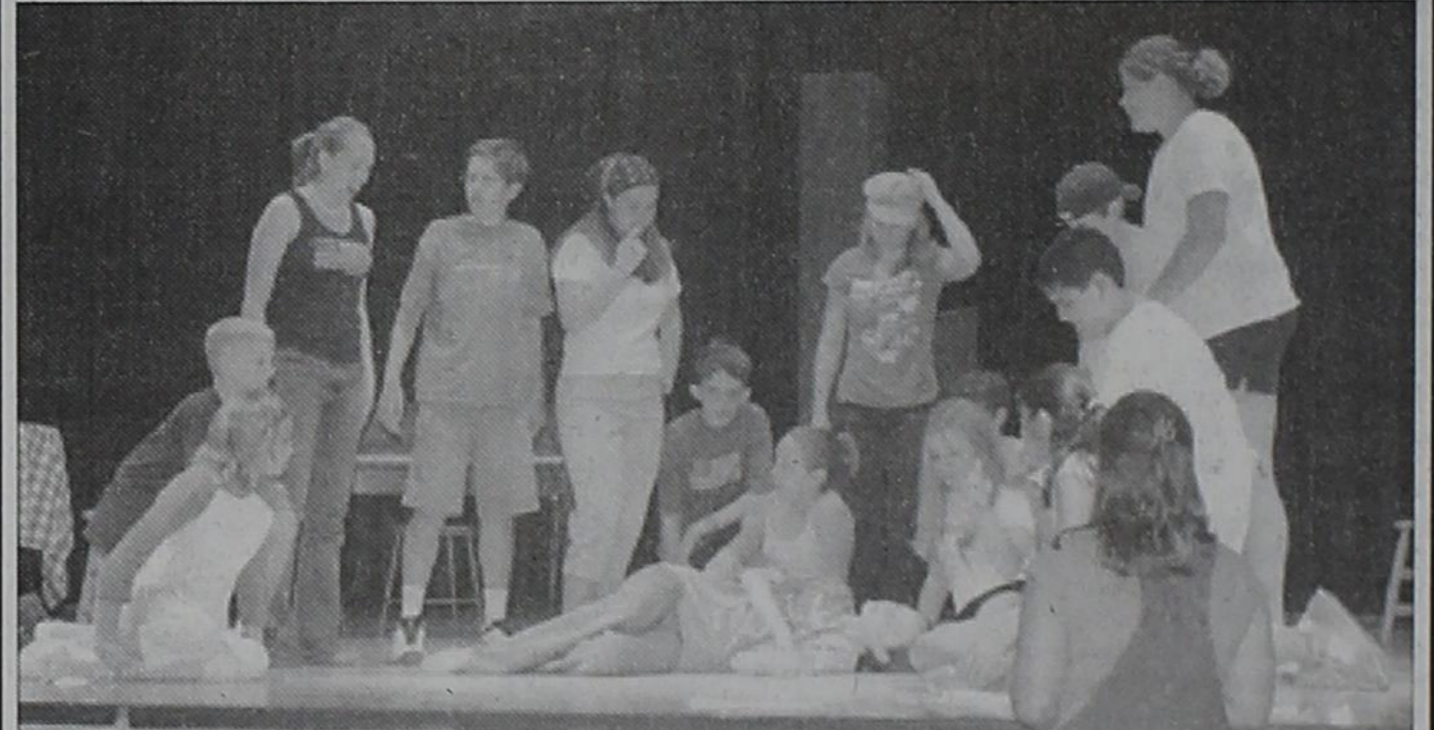
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Summer Drama Workshop



JUNIOR HIGH production, "The Saga of Katy and the Gambler Lady".



HIGH SCHOOL production, "OZ!". tyler jameson photos



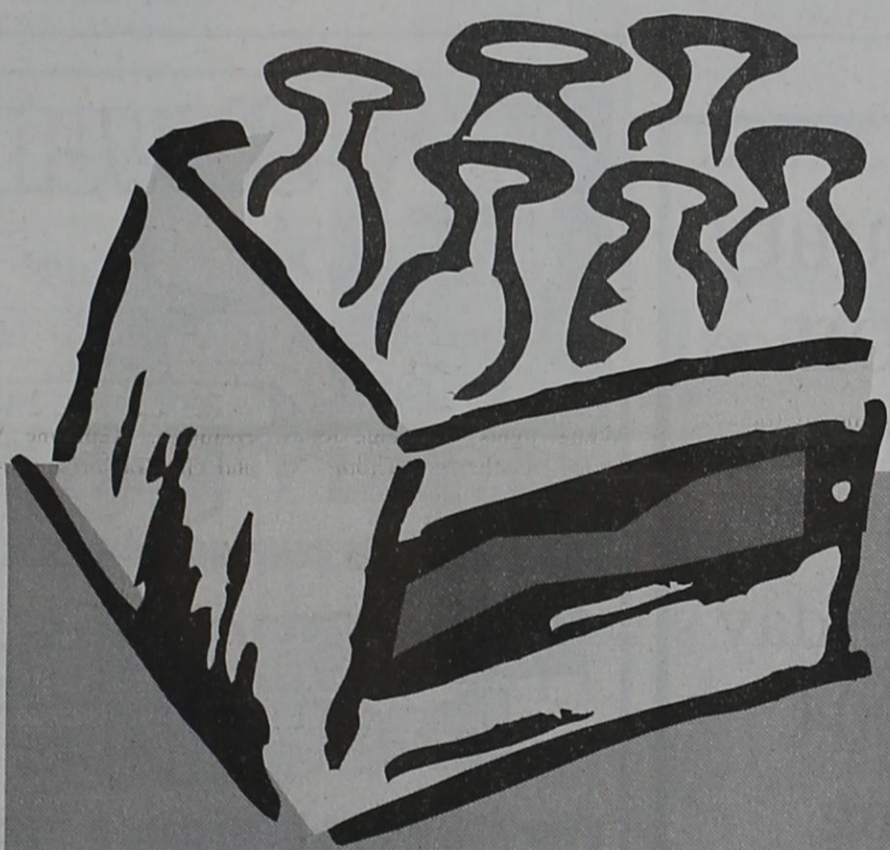
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In order to be entitled to a hearing, you must file a written protest by Monday, June 21, 2004.

Parmer County Appraisal District P.O. Box 56, Bovina, TX 79009 Phone: (806) 251-1405

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Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on May 10, 2004, in this case numbered 504 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital VS Alberto Martinez

The nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Outstanding hospital bills and is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates thereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of the said court, at my office in Friona, Parmer County, Texas, on June 7, 2004

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Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on May 10, 2004, in this case numbered 515 on the docket of said court, and styled,

Parmer County Community Hospital VS Kelvin E. Summerlin

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Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on May 10, 2004, in this case numbered 518 on the docket of said court, and styled,

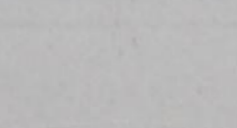
Parmer County Community Hospital VS Sheena G. Trask

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Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on May 10, 2004, in this case numbered 525 on the docket of said court, and styled,

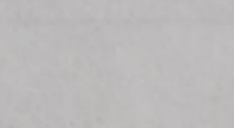
Parmer County Community Hospital VS Natividad S. Villegas

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Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on April 29, 2004 in this case numbered 525 on the docket of said court, and styled,

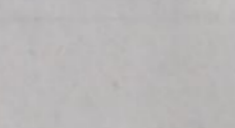
Parmer County Community Hospital VS Fredy Martinez

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Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on April 29, 2004 in this case numbered 526 on the docket of said court, and styled,

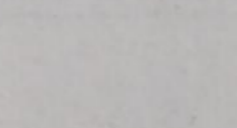
Parmer County Community Hospital VS Francisco Nieto, Sr.

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Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on April 29, 2004 in this case numbered 527 on the docket of said court, and styled,

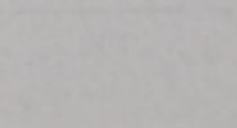
Parmer County Community Hospital VS Carol Ortiz

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Said Plaintiff's Petition was filed in said court, by Albert Ricketts, agent for Parmer County Community Hospital, whose address is 1307 Cleveland, Friona, Texas 79035 on April 29, 2004 in this case numbered 528 on the docket of said court, and styled,

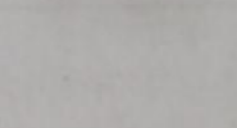
Parmer County Community Hospital VS Rosa Peregrino

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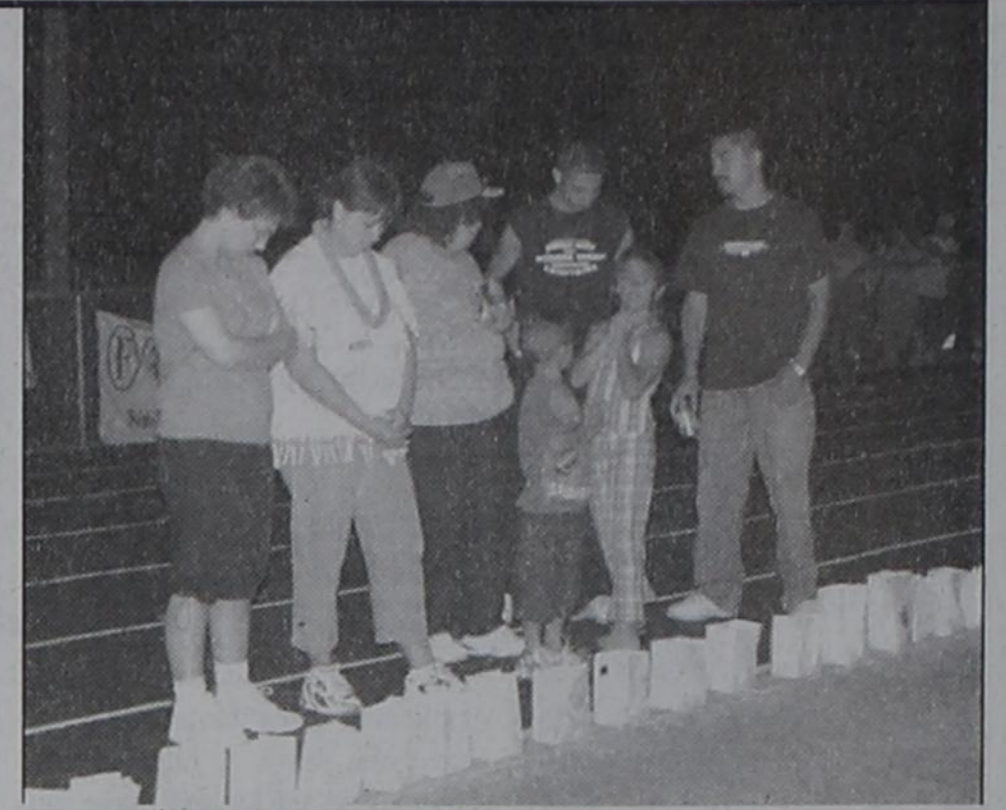
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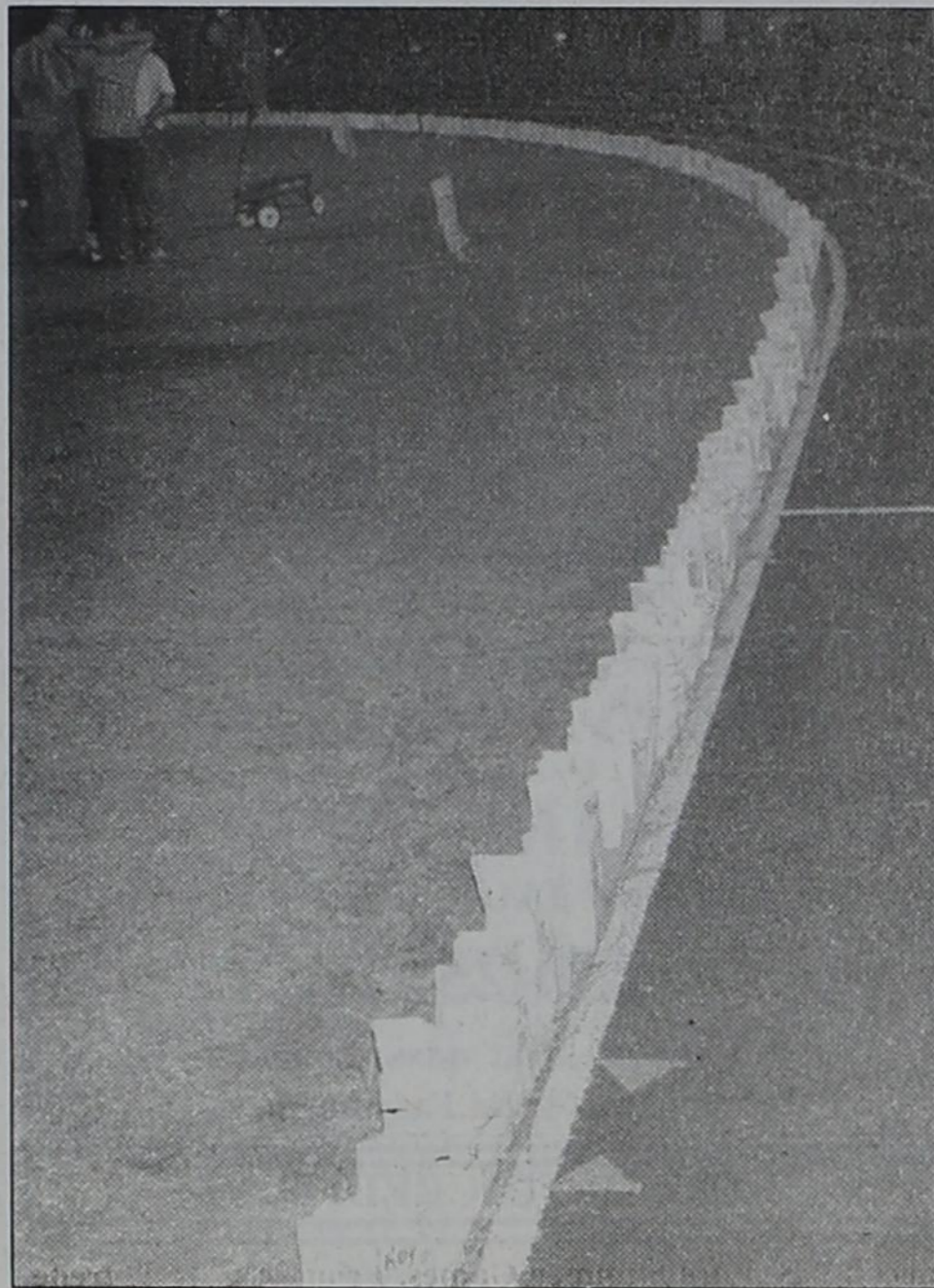
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FRIONA FLASHBACKS

75 Yrs Ago
June 14, 1929

O.G. Turner's force of workmen that is doing the excavation for the new theatre building which, he is preparing to erect north of the Friona State Bank is still pushing the work and hopes to have it completed and ready for the foundation this week.

B.T. Galloway, proprietor of the new hardware store that is being installed in the south room of the new Turner-Parr building on Main Street, will be ready for a partial opening this week.

65 Yrs. Ago
June 16, 1939

Wright Williams, who operates the filling station opposite Friona State Bank, has secured agency for the Magnolia Petroleum Company, and is now ready for business.

60 Yrs. Ago
June 16, 1944

Award of the Air Medal to Staff Sergeant Robert Bicknell of Friona, a co-pilot, in Col. Phillip Cochran's Air Commando Force, Eastern Air Command for "meritorious achievement in aerial flight, during which exposure to enemy fire was probable and expected" was announced by Major General George E. Stratemayer, Commanding General of the U.S. Army Air Forces in India and Burma.

55 Yrs. Ago
June 10, 1949

Dusting of the City of Friona has been postponed due to the unfavorable weather. It will be dusted as soon as the weather permits.

45 Yrs. Ago
June 14, 1959

F.L. Spring, 88, long-time resident and merchant of Friona, died Monday morning in his sleep. Spring, who was born in Illinois, came to Parmer County in 1905 and settled on a farm west of Friona. After farming until 1927, Mr. Spring purchased a general merchandise store in Friona and owned and operated it until January of 1958.

35 Yrs. Ago
June 12, 1969

Sp/4 Numan Loafman, son of Mr. and Mrs. L.W. Loafman, was recently promoted to the rank of sergeant. He is in the United States Army and currently serving in the motor pool of the 38th Infantry Division in Korea.

30 Yrs. Ago
June 16, 1974

Cadet Darrel P. Mason is among the area youth home for the summer after concluding a year at New Mexico Military Institute by participating in the Institute's 81st Commencement Exercises on Saturday, May 18. He is the son of Mrs. Amy J. Mason of Friona.

25 Yrs. Ago
June 17, 1979

Ben Landrum and Mark Petchinsky, high school members of Future Farmers of America from Friona, have been selected to attend Southwestern Public Service Company's 17th Annual Farm Electrification Workshop.

20 Yrs. Ago
June 24, 1984

The wall is going up at the Millard Warehouse project on the eastern edge of Friona. Tile

work started June 9, and steel arrived this week and installation had begun at the end of the week.

15 Yrs. Ago
June 17, 1989

The Friona area was buffeted by winds that were measured at 90 miles per hour on Monday evening.

The high winds blew down yard fences all over town and also damaged or completely demolished trees of all sizes.

But the brunt of the wind-storm was felt at the Excel Corp. three miles west of the city, where a section of the roof was blown off.

10 Yrs. Ago
June 18, 1994

Christina Santellana and Jeff Hamilton were recognized as the "Best All-Around" eighth grade students at Friona Junior High School for the 1993-94 school year.

5 Yr. Ago
June 18, 1999

The Friona-Bovina area received a nice soaking rain last Friday evening into early Saturday. The measurement was 1.50 at Friona, and 1.25 at Bovina.



DOOR PRIZE drawings at the Co-op Gin meeting were handled by, l to r, Cris Ingram, Jerry Butman, and Rickey Rector. The youngsters earned dollars for drawing the names.

ron carr photo

Co-op Gin Holds Annual Meeting

The Friona Farmer's Co-op Gin annual meeting was held last Thursday at the junior high cafeteria. Stockholders and guests were treated to a meal catered by Danny's Hens and Fins of Lubbock.

Auditors reported that Friona Farmer's Co-op ginned 11,921 bales in 2003. Because of the poor crop year in 2003, there

were no dividends paid or stock retirements this year.

Over the last six years, the Friona gin has purchased \$2.2 million in new equipment and improvements and currently owes only \$760,000 to retire the debt. Producers and officials

present were optimistic about the potential of this year's crop.

Co-op board president Bill Carthel has stepped down from the board due to health con-

cerns. Mr. Carthel was on the co-op board for 24 years, 18 years as president. Members present re-elected Raymond Hamilton and Rickey Rector to the board and elected board newcomer Davy Carthel to fill the third vacancy.

The meeting closed with a rousing round of door prize drawings. Floyd Reeve won the grand prize, an 8-foot decorative windmill.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FRIONA

June 20 thru June 26, 2004

June 20-Nora Martinez, Michelle Nichols Day, Chris Hunt, Debra Cooper

June 21-Izzy Cordova, Travis Auderer, Joey Bentley, Cody Snyder, Myles Moore, Sheldon Kyle Reeve, Mark Zagorin

June 22-Ricky Barnett, Deana Buchanan, Abby Lewis, Chuck Nichols, Jyl Grimsley, Cecil

Maddox, Jimmy Grimsley, Becca Beard, Leslie Fangman, Chad Smith, Richard Barnett, Janet Burleson, Richard Bermea

June 23-Carrie Jones, Kenneth Watkins, Katelynn Steen, Amanda Roxan Mendoza, Darrin Stovey, V'Laura Wilcox

June 24-Mitch Smiley, James Anthony, Janet Buske, Diane Walser

June 25-Sydonia Tongate McDaniel, Kimberlee Ryan, Laura Cash, Paige Herbert, McKinley Brockman, Duran Vaughn, Christopher Kemple

June 26-James Peace, Jacquelyn Ryan, Galen Brewer, Marcos Trevino Jr., Corrie Lundy, DeEtte Snyder

If you or someone in your family has a birthday coming up or see a name that should be removed (name change, death, move, etc.), please call the Friona Star office at 250-2211. Thank you.



ZACHARY GRAVES is all smiles as his teammates congratulate him for his 1st place gold medal in the Special Olympics Summer Games. From left are Shirelle Pruitt, Trinidad Gonzales, Maria Herrera, Corina Ortiz, and Felissa Dominguez.

courtesy photo

County Kids In Special Olympics Summer Games

More than 3,200 Special Olympics athletes from across Texas converged on San Marcos May 21-23 for the Summer Games. Events included basketball, cycling, gymnastics, soccer and tennis.

Friona Chieftain Special Olympics athletes who competed were: Maria Herrera, 2nd place silver medal in 50-meter dash and 2nd place in softball throw; Shirelle Pruitt, 7th place in 50-meter dash and 2nd place silver medal in softball throw; Trinidad Gonzales, 5th place in 100-meter dash and 2nd place silver medal in softball throw.

Also, Corina Ortiz, 2nd place silver in 100-meter dash and 3rd place bronze in softball throw; Felissa Dominguez, 5th place 50-meter dash and 3rd place bronze in softball throw; and Zachary Graves,

7th place in standing long jump and 1st place gold in 100-meter dash.

The coaches and sponsors send thanks to everyone who helped with fundraisers and all who gave their time, money, and merchandise. Also thanks to all who bought and sold flower bulbs. "We would not have been able to attend the summer games without this tremendous help," said Kathy Graves.

The parents of the athletes also thanked Donna Mullins, Fabiola Dominguez, and Clyde Renner for their time and support. Special Olympics is a year-round effort and athletes, coaches, partners, volunteers, sponsors and donors are always needed. For more information contact Donna Mullins at 250-3285.

Claudia Arpero to Vie For Miss Texas USA

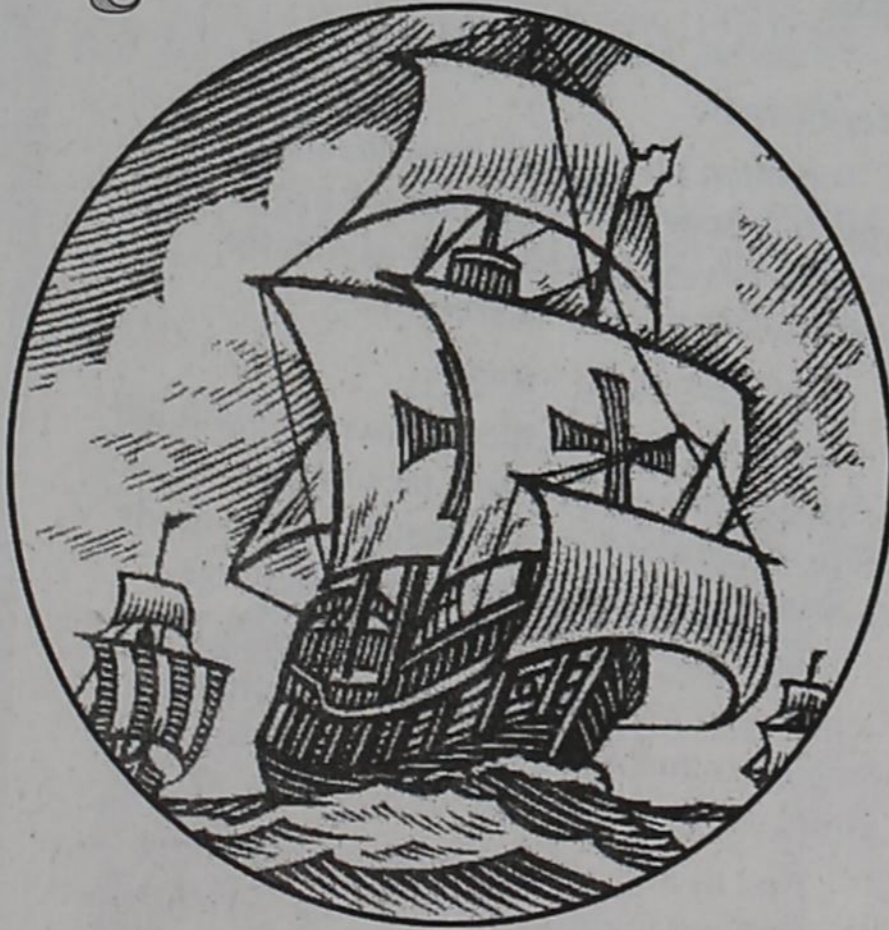
The Crystal Group, Inc., producers of the 'Miss Texas USA' pageant have announced the selection of Claudia Arpero to represent Parmer County in this year's contest. Her official title is 'Miss Parmer County USA'. Miss Arpero, a student of Education at West Texas A&M University, will travel to Laredo, Texas on June 20 for a week of rehearsals, special events, and

preliminary competitions culminating in the televised 'Miss Texas USA' pageant on Sunday, June 27.

The Emmy Award winning 'Miss Texas USA' pageant is an official preliminary to 'Miss USA', jointly owned by Donald J. Trump and NBC. The show will be televised locally in all Texas TV markets. (Check local listings for time and station.)

The winner will bear the title of 'Miss Texas USA' for one year, traveling, meeting dignitaries, participating in official charity and social events, and representing pageant sponsors. In February or March 2005, 'Miss Texas USA' will compete with outstanding young women from across the nation at the 'Miss USA' pageant to be televised live on NBC.

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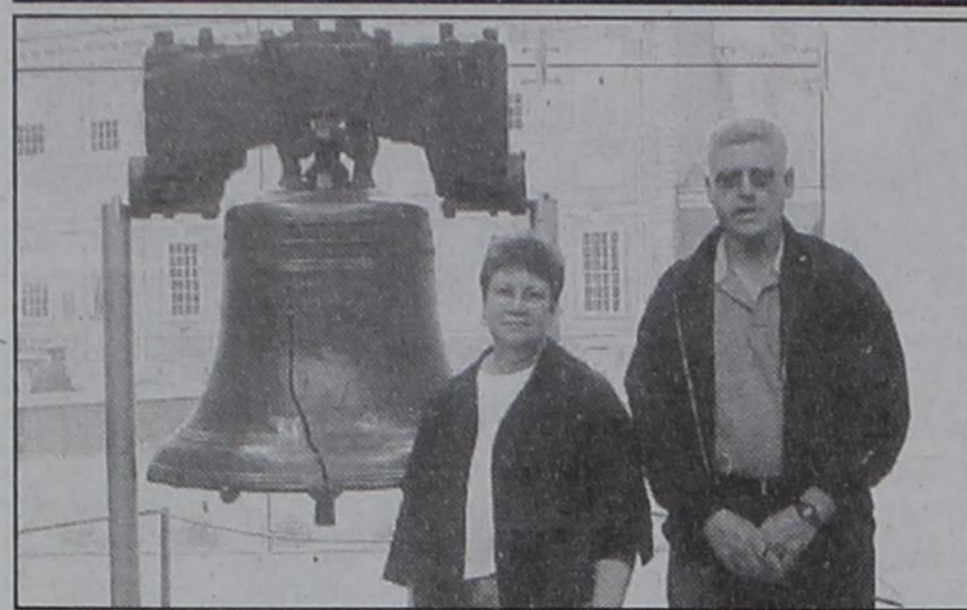


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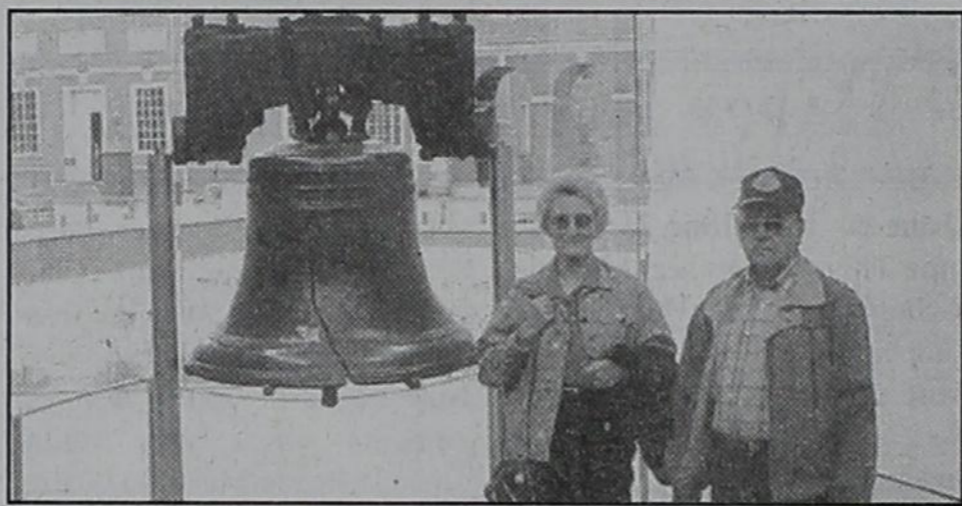


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Memories from the Friona State Bank Heritage Tour Album



Friona State Bank Tour Group Experiences America History & Heritage

A group of 22 customers and friends of the Friona State Bank Senior Citizens travel club recently completed a 10-day trip to the northeast U.S. The group departed Friona April 23.

The first stop was New York City. They saw a Broadway play, "Gypsy", toured Ellis Island, and visited the Statue of Liberty. While on a city tour of NYC the Panhandle tourists saw the Brooklyn Bridge, Queens, Ground Zero, Times Square, the ABC studio, and Central Park. Shirley Ferguson, group leader from the bank, said, "We enjoyed seeing the crowds and hearing the accents of our tour guides."

The next stop was Philadelphia, "the birthplace of the nation". Highlights included seeing the Liberty Bell, Independence Hall, and the tiny home of Betsy Ross. "We were so surprised at the size of this house", Ferguson said. "The rooms were small and the stairway was so narrow, we wondered at the size of the people 200 years ago."

The group went to Wheatland and toured the home of James Buchanan, the 15th president. They agreed that it was interesting to see how people lived in those days. They visited the Farmer's Market and Kitchen Kettle in Amish Country. After learning about the history and heritage of the Amish people, they ate dinner with an Amish family.

Then it was on to Gettysburg to relive the Civil War battle and driving along the "Skyline Drive" of Shenandoah Valley on the way to Charlottesville, Virginia. One highlight was a visit to Monticello, home of Thomas Jefferson. Ferguson said, "He was truly an amazing man with his inventions. We were welcomed by Beth Lonvick Cheuk, a granddaughter of Rhea Foster and the late Wesley Foster, who works at Monticello."

Other tour members were Beth Morris of Vega, Billie Carpenter of Edmond, Oklahoma, Lola Faye Veazey of Hereford, Carolyn Norbury of Oklahoma City, Marie Wallace of Littlefield, Helen Noyes of Hereford, and Betty Allen of Albuquerque. Two retired teachers from California joined the group in New York City.

The next day the group toured Williamsburg where guides were dressed in period clothing and explained how the colonists lived. They had their evening meal in a tavern specializing in colonial food.

On the way to Washington, D.C., they toured the home of George Washington. Mount Vernon is surrounded by beautiful plantation gardens that Washington loved.

"We could write a book on what we saw in Washington D.C.," Shirley Ferguson reported. Among the sights visited were the Smithsonian, Arlington National Cemetery, Robert E. Lee's home, and the Lincoln, Washington and Jefferson Memorials. They also saw the Pentagon, White House, and Capitol Building, viewed the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and visited John F. Kennedy's gravesite. The Vietnam Memorial and the WW II Memorial were also stops along the way.

The entire trip was a lesson in history for the group. "We relearned about the beginnings of the country and its heritage," Ferguson said. "In spite of accidents and illnesses of some of us, it was a great trip."

Those making the trip from Friona were Lewis & Elizabeth Gore, Billy Joe & Tommie Mercer, Joyce Veazey, Stella Shirley, Donita Martin, Katherine Smith, Martha Mae Shelton, Marlene Drake, Jean Roberts, Ann Osborn, Doris Barnett, and Fred and Shirley Ferguson.

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The Friona State Bank Seniors Club will travel to Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and New Brunswick in September. An Alaska trip is being planned for next summer. A bank spokesperson said, "We are still having fun and invite you to join us."

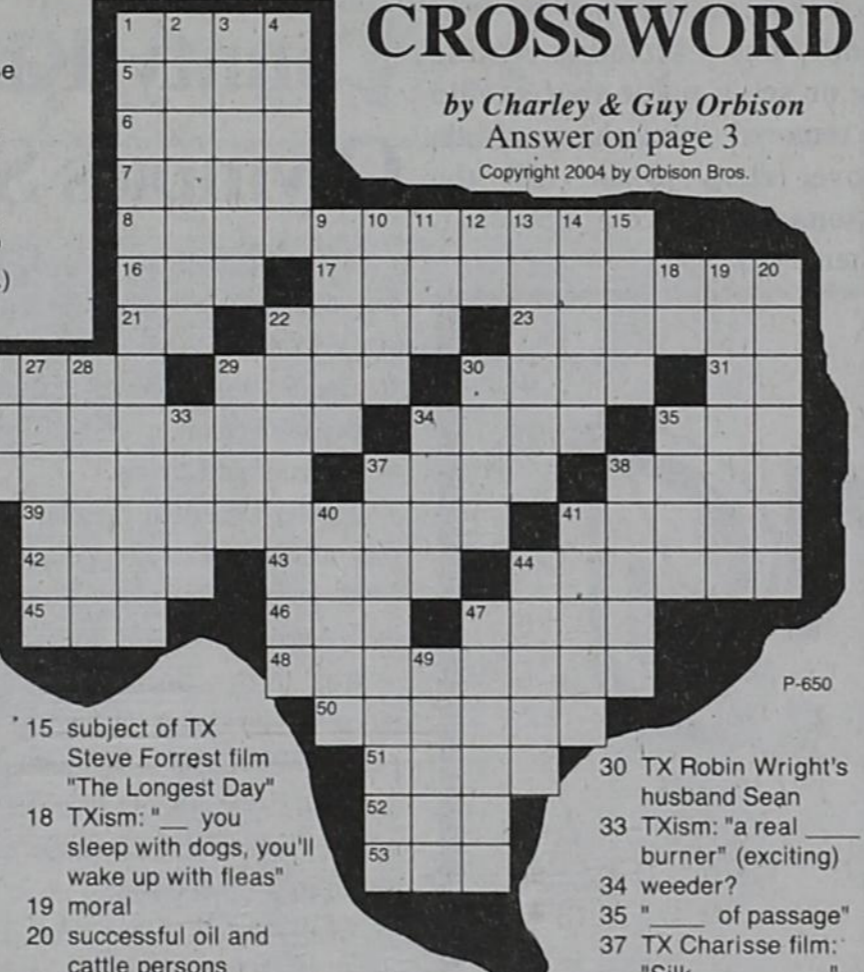
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- 16 ___ paper hanger
- 17 Gulf coast eatin' regimen? (2 wds.)
- 21 hosp. nurse (abbr.)
- 22 TXism: "wouldn't hurt a ___" (kind)
- 23 not air tight
- 24 car of cult leader David Koresh
- 29 Houston Zoo snakes
- 30 crafty maneuver
- 31 TX Cisneros (init.)
- 32 TXism: "innocent ___ call"
- 34 TXism: "tough as a boot ___"
- 35 ___ Grande Valley
- 36 "grace ___"
- 37 electronic corp.
- 38 in Hamilton Co. on hwy. 281
- 39 beer garden at New Braunfels "Wurstfest"
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- 10 TXism: "pulled the wool over my ___"
- 11 TXism: "clean ___ hound's tooth"
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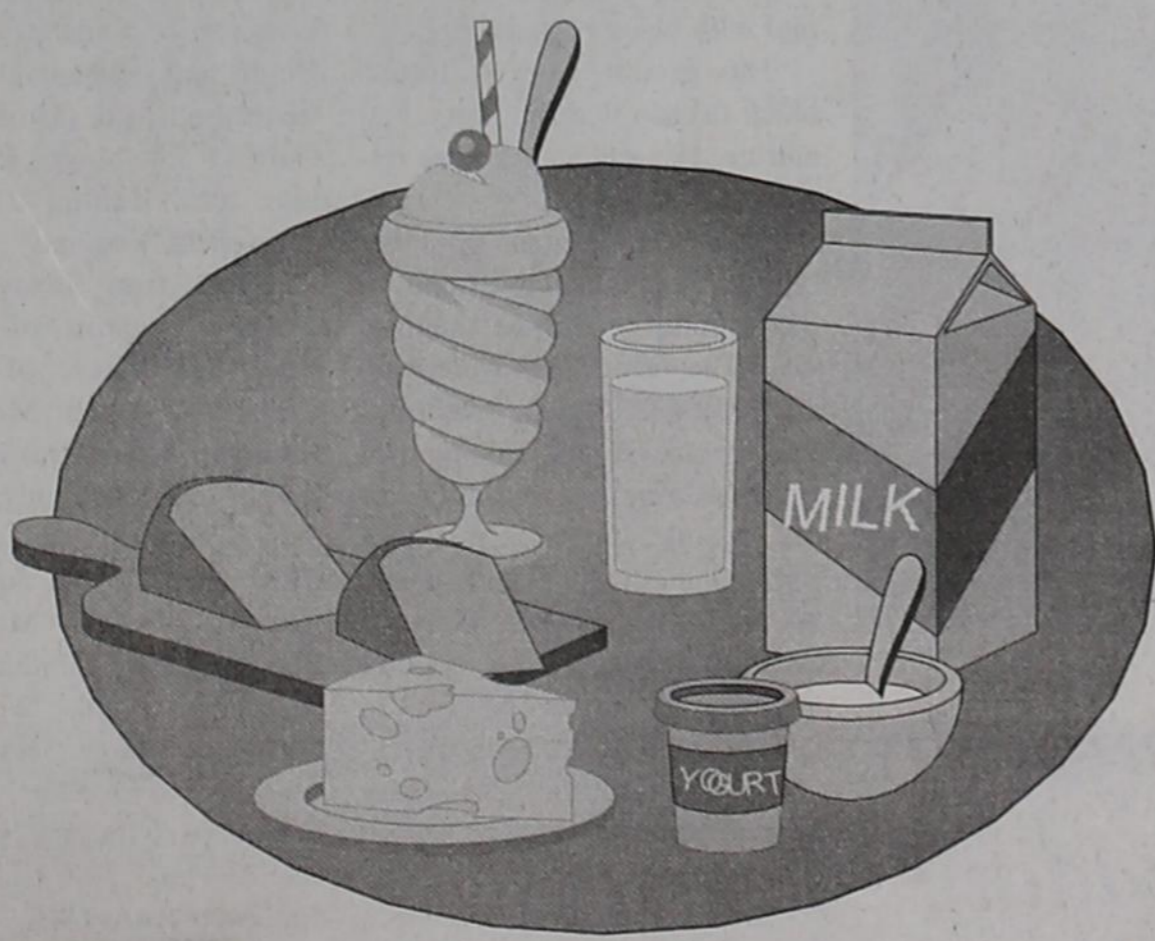
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Friona Chamber Golf Results

Following are the results of the Friona Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament held on June 12.

Jerry Stevens, Jay Stevens, Linda Stevens, and Sammi Stevens took 1st place with a 55, followed by Jason Bullard, Jim Bullard, Jim Atwell, and Clint Mears in 2nd place with a 57, and in 3rd place, with a 58, were Jerry Loflin, Morris Deaton, Phillip Thrasher, and Deborah Williams.

In the putting contest, 1st place went to Phillip Thrasher with a 33 and 2nd place to Jon Douglas with a 36.

Betty Haley won straightest drive and Phillip Thrasher won closest to pin.

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Melanoma is a kind of cancer that usually begins on the skin and can spread through the lymphatic system to other organs. Melanoma occurs when pigment cells in the skin begin dividing abnormally.

Exposure to the sun is a major risk factor for melanoma. Other factors include a weakened immune system or family or personal history of the disease.

Most people have moles on their skin, and many continue to develop them through their 30s and 40s. Not every mole is cancerous, but all moles bear watching. Moles that change color or shape, or that itch or bleed, as well as irregular moles, are the ones to be particularly concerned about.

Chances of treating melanoma are greater today than ever before if the disease is caught early. Diagnosis usually requires taking a biopsy (sample) of the affected area. Since melanoma spreads rapidly to other organs, the doctor also may biopsy nearby lymph nodes to check for signs of metastasis (spreading of the cancer).

If the cancer is confined to the skin, minor surgery and regular monitoring may be the only treatments required. However, waiting can result in the need for radical surgery. If other body systems are affected, chemotherapy, radiation and other methods may be needed to shrink resulting tumors.

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OBITUARIES

Guillermo M. Rodriguez

Funeral services for Guillermo M. Rodriguez, 78, of Bovina, were held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, June 14, 2004 at St. Ann's Catholic Church with Father Ed Sweeney officiating. Burial followed in the Bovina Cemetery under the direction of Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona. A rosary was held at 7:00 p.m., Sunday, June 13, also, at St. Ann's Catholic Church.

Mr. Rodriguez died Thursday, June 10, 2004 at his Bovina residence.

He was born August 25, 1925 in Dinero, Texas. Guillermo was a longtime resident of Bovina and a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church.

His wife, Ausencia Rodriguez, preceded him in death.

Survivors include three daughters, Nancy Pena of Bovina, Norma Ramirez of Dumas, Texas, and Ernestina



GUILLERMO RODRIGUEZ

Rodriguez of Lubbock, Texas; two sons, Joe Rodriguez of Laredo, Texas and Johnny Rodriguez of Clovis, New Mexico; one brother, Daniel Rodriguez of Bovina; 15 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; and 12 great-great grandchildren.

Edith "Toots" Barlow Whiteley

Church services were held for Edith "Toots" Barlow Whiteley, 80, of Earth, Texas, at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 16, 2004, at the First Baptist Church of Earth, with Rev. Jeff Hucceby officiating.

Burial followed in Earth Memorial Cemetery with arrangements by Ellis Funeral Home of Muleshoe, Texas.

Mrs. Whiteley died Sunday, June 13, 2004 in Runningwater Draw Care Center in Olton, Texas.

She was born June 3, 1924 in Tampico, Texas and moved to the Earth Community in 1940 from Ballinger.

She married Lewis Elvin Barlow in Clovis, New Mexico, on November 23, 1940. He preceded her in death on May 1, 1967.

She later married William Foy Whiteley in Weatherford on Oc-

tober 27, 1973 and he passed away on August 25, 2002.

She was also preceded in death by a number of brothers and sisters.

Mrs. Whiteley lived in Granbury from 1974 until 2002 and then moved to Olton in January 2004.

Survivors include two sons, Darrell Barlow and his wife, Joyce, of Friona and Tommy Barlow and his wife, Ruby, of Lubbock; one daughter, Barbara Nance of Sherman; one stepson, Jerry Whiteley of Fort Worth; one stepdaughter, Glenda Kay Westbrook of Granbury; eight grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; and one great-great grandchild.

The family suggests memorials be to Runningwater Draw Care Center, 800 W. 13th St., Olton, Texas 79064.

Dorothy L. Harris

Funeral services for Dorothy L. Harris, 71, of Bovina, were held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, June 17, 2004 in the Bovina Church of Christ with Jeff Proctor of Sudan, Texas and Mike Prather, minister, officiating.

Burial followed in the Bovina Cemetery under the direction of Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Mrs. Harris died Tuesday morning in Amarillo.

She was born July 12, 1932 in Seguin, Texas and married Joe Edd Harris on July 30, 1948 in Waxahachie.

She moved from Dallas to Bovina in 1956. She was a member of the Bovina Church of

Christ, the Bovina Senior Citizens, and the Hilltop Senior Citizens in Amarillo. In Amarillo she was known as "Miss Bovina".

Her husband, Joe Edd Harris, preceded her in death on May 28, 1998.

Survivors include three sons, Carl, Jimmy, and Danny Harris, all of Amarillo; three daughters, Patricia Ray of Peoria, Arizona, Betty Shepherd of Levelland, Texas, and Ruby Jones of Houston, Texas; one sister, Ola Mae Glenn of Waco, Texas; 14 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

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MRS. WILLIAM FRANCIS
nee' CHANTELL LEWELLEN

C. Lewellen & W. Francis Exchange Wedding Vows

Chantell Di'an Lewellen of Friona, Texas and William Jared Francis of Silverton, Texas exchanged wedding vows at 4:00 p.m., on Saturday, May 15, 2004. The ceremony was conducted in the 6th Street Church of Christ with Steve McLean of Lockney Church of Christ officiating.

Parents of the couple are Jody and Detricia Lewellen of Friona and Barry and Michelle Francis of Silverton.

Grandparents of the bride are Joe and Ibbey Lewellen of Friona, John and Beulah Miller of Friona, and Chris Jones of Grady, New Mexico.

Grandparents of the groom are Alvie and Glenda Francis of Silverton and John and Barbara McDonough of Plainview, Texas.

The 6th Street Church of Christ singers and Thom Moore of Portales, New Mexico, presented the music. Selections included Always and Forever, Somewhere in the World, Let Me Call You Sweetheart, The Rose, God Gave Me You, He Has Chosen Me For You, and The Lord Bless You and Keep You.

As the bride was presented in marriage by her father, Jody, she wore a white jacquard A-line strapless gown with white pearl beading in a rose bud design and a detachable chapel length train also decorated with white pearl beading and trimmed with braided lace.

Her white tulle, fingertip length veil was trimmed with braided lace, highlighted with a heart tiara. She carried a bouquet of pink Gerber daisies, green roses, yellow and purple daisies, white lilies, and blue delphinium silk flowers hand tied and wrapped with satin ribbon. She also wore her mother's pearls and her great-grandmother's wedding band.

Alisha Cardinellen, a friend, of Hasty, Colorado, was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Charee Lewellen of Friona, sister of the bride, and Adrienne Osborn and Amy Osborn, also of Friona, both cousins of the bride.

The feminine attendants each wore a different colored satin, A-line, floor-length dress in yellow, lavender, blue and pink, with a shawl. They carried a smaller version of the bride's bouquet.

The groom wore a black suit with a white shirt and black tie.

Nathan Francis of Silverton served his brother as best man. Groomsmen were Andrew Francis, Caleb Francis and Jacob Francis, all from Silverton and

all brothers of the groom.

The male attendants each wore a black suit with a different colored shirt in yellow, lavender, blue, and pink with a black tie.

Serving as ushers were Greg and Chance Lewellen, of Friona, cousins of the bride, Patrick Drew of Coppell, Texas, cousin of the groom, Matt Francis of Lockney, cousin of the groom, and Walon Jones of Grady, New Mexico, cousin of the bride.

Meredith McDonough served as flower girl and Zachary McDonough served as ring bearer. Both are cousins of the groom from Plainview.

The church was decorated with white tulle and white Christmas lights hung from pew to pew, the stage had artificial trees with lights and ivy, white flowers and lights in the middle. At the edge of the stage were crystal glasses on stands wrapped in tulle and lights.

Annie Henderson of Lubbock and Kaylin Drew of Coppell, both cousins of the groom, attended the registry.

The reception was held in the Fellowship Hall of the church.

Pamela and Kodie Jones of Grady, cousins of the bride, Kylan Summers of Floydada, friend of the bride, and Sarah Henderson of Lubbock, cousin of the groom, assisted with the reception.

The three-tiered white wedding cake was decorated with ribbon toppers standing on glass bricks with lights underneath, made by John and Beulah Miller.

Chocolate-layered cake topped with a John Deere tractor was served from the groom's table.

The tables were decorated with ribbon, floating candles in crystal bowls, and party favors of chocolate kisses in spoons.

Following a honeymoon to Corpus Christi and San Antonio, the couple will make their home in Silverton, Texas.

The bride is a Friona High School graduate, currently attending West Texas A&M University, and is employed by In His Hands Preschool and Childcare.

The bridegroom is a Silverton High School and West Texas A&M University graduate and is employed by Barry Francis as a farmer.

Out of town guests included Sarah Miller, of Amarillo, great-grandmother and Pauline Moore of Portales, New Mexico, great-grandmother.



MR. & MRS. JEFFREY BROWN
nee' TONIA ETIER

T. Etier & J. Brown Wed In Oklahoma

Tonia Jean Etier and Jeffrey Earl Brown were married on March 12, 2004 at Faith United Methodist Church in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Officiating at the double ring ceremony was Mark McAdow, Sr. Pastor of Asbury United Methodist Church in Tulsa.

The parents of the couple are Delbert and Jeanie Hawpe of Muskogee, Oklahoma, and Gary and Barbara Brown of Friona, Texas.

Attendants were Rhonda Madewell, friend of the bride, of Fort Worth, and Gary Brown, father of the groom.

Ushers were Zach Etier, the bride's son, and John Pigg, brother-in-law of the groom. Julie Pigg, sister of the groom, registered guests.

A reception was held at the church.

Tonia is employed by Jenks Schools in Jenks, Oklahoma and Jeff is employed by American Electric Power in Tulsa.



MRS. BILL JEHLING
nee' KATY WEATHERLY

K. Weatherly & B. Jehling Recite Vows In Canyon

Katy Lyn Weatherly and William Charles Jehling (Bill), both of McKinney, Texas exchanged wedding vows on Saturday, June 12, 2004 at 8:30 p.m., at the Gardens of Country Home Weddings in Canyon, Texas, with Don Boren officiating.

Parents of the couple are Cheryl Weatherly and the late Gene Weatherly, of Friona, and Kenneth and Ana Jehling of Frisco, Texas.

Grandparents of the bride are Kenneth and Lesta Lee Neill of Friona. Grandparents of the groom are Robert and Coletta Jehling of Wildwood, Missouri, and Enriqueta Avila of San Antonio, Texas.

Susan Weiland was the vocalist and music selections were "In This Very Room", and "The Lord's Prayer".

The bride was escorted by her grandfather, Kenneth Neill and presented by her mother, Cheryl Weatherly. Katy wore a formal ivory satin gown with a square halter neckline. The bodice and inverted pleat at the waistline were embellished with pearls, sequins, beads, and crystals. The chapel length train was also adorned with pearls, beads, and crystals.

Her elbow length illusion veil was gathered to a pearl tiara made by her mother. She carried a bouquet featuring hand tied sunflowers and wore a pearl necklace and earrings borrowed from Courtney Burgoon of Canyon.

Lisa Weatherly of Dallas, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor and Courtney Burgoon of Canyon, friend of the bride, served as her matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Amy Chauveaux of Lubbock, friend of the bride; Holly Morgan of Amarillo, friend of the bride; Kelly Jehling of Frisco, sister-in-law of the groom; and Missy Scanga of Frisco, sister of the groom.

The bride's attendants wore formal gowns of black satin with an ivory inset pleat in the front and carried a single sunflower tied with black organza ribbon.

The groom wore a formal black tuxedo with an ivory vest and tie. His attendants wore formal black tuxedos.

Lenny Besterman of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, friend of the groom, served as the best man. The groomsmen were Robert Jehling of Frisco, brother of the groom; Brian Gauntner of Bellevue, Pennsylvania, friend of the groom; Davis Upvall of Springdale, Pennsylvania, friend of the groom; David Gray of Pittsburgh, friend of the groom; and Gary Scanga of Frisco, brother-in-law of the groom.

Robert Jehling and Gary Scanga, both of Frisco, served as ushers.

Maria Scanga of Frisco, niece

of the groom, was the flower girl and Logan Loflin of Frisco, cousin of the bride, was the ring bearer.

The registry attendees were Julie Goddard of Houston, friend of the bride and Mary Weatherly of Lubbock, also a friend of the bride.

A reception followed at Country Home Weddings in Canyon with Julie Goddard and Mary Weatherly assisting.

The four-layered white cake, of mixed shapes and decorations for each layer, was decorated in white frosting with ivory decorations and completed with fresh sunflowers.

A strawberry cake decorated with Winnie the Pooh wearing Marine dress blues was served from the groom's table.

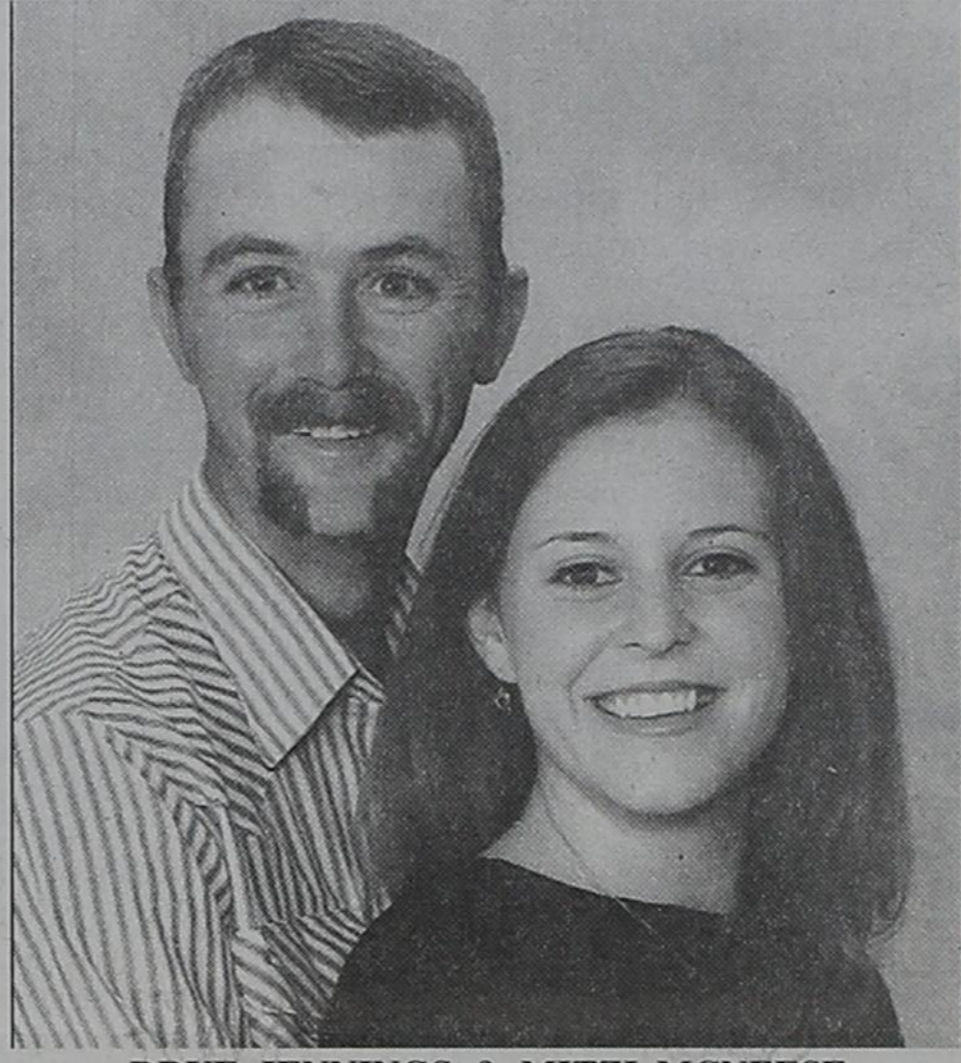
After honeymooning in Playa del Carmen, Mexico, the couple will reside in McKinney, Texas.

Katy is a 1996 Friona High School and a 2000 West Texas A&M University graduate. She has taught at Rutherford Elementary in Mesquite, Texas for the past three years, and will be employed by McKinney ISD, this year, as a fourth grade teacher.

Bill graduated in 1994 from North Catholic High School in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He also graduated from Duquesne University, in Pittsburgh, with undergraduate and graduate degrees and has taught at Rutherford Elementary in Mesquite for the past two years. As a Marine Reservist, he was activated from February-July 2003 and will now be employed by Frisco ISD.

Out of town guests included Enriqueta Avila and Jessica of Arboledas, Mexico; Derek and Kerry Dunn of Tucson, Arizona; Cayce and Becky Dunn of Aurora, Colorado; Philip and Phila Weatherly of Crested Butte, Colorado; Shawn Webb and Jenna Hruska of German Town, Maryland; Josh and Jennie Cunningham of Florissant, Missouri; Gerald and Judy Jehling, Bob and Coletta Jehling, all of Wildwood, Missouri; Renee Erickson of Omaha, Nebraska; Hugh and Eileen Downie of Charlotte, North Carolina; Robb Duty of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Ramon Dadoo of Springfield, Virginia.

Guests from Texas included Aimee Houston of Conroe; Becky McAtee of Corpus Christi; Mr. and Mrs. David Hemme of Fair Oaks; William Ralph and Tony, Judy, and Anthony Dambakly, all of Frisco; Clint and Christy Johnson of Happy; Tonya Mamantov, Michelle and Tabitha Borden, and Jan and Mike West, all of Mesquite; James and Gretta Warren of San Angelo; Enriqueta Avila and Juan Avila, and Bud and Tori Glass, all of San Antonio.



DRUE JENNINGS & MITZI MCNEESE

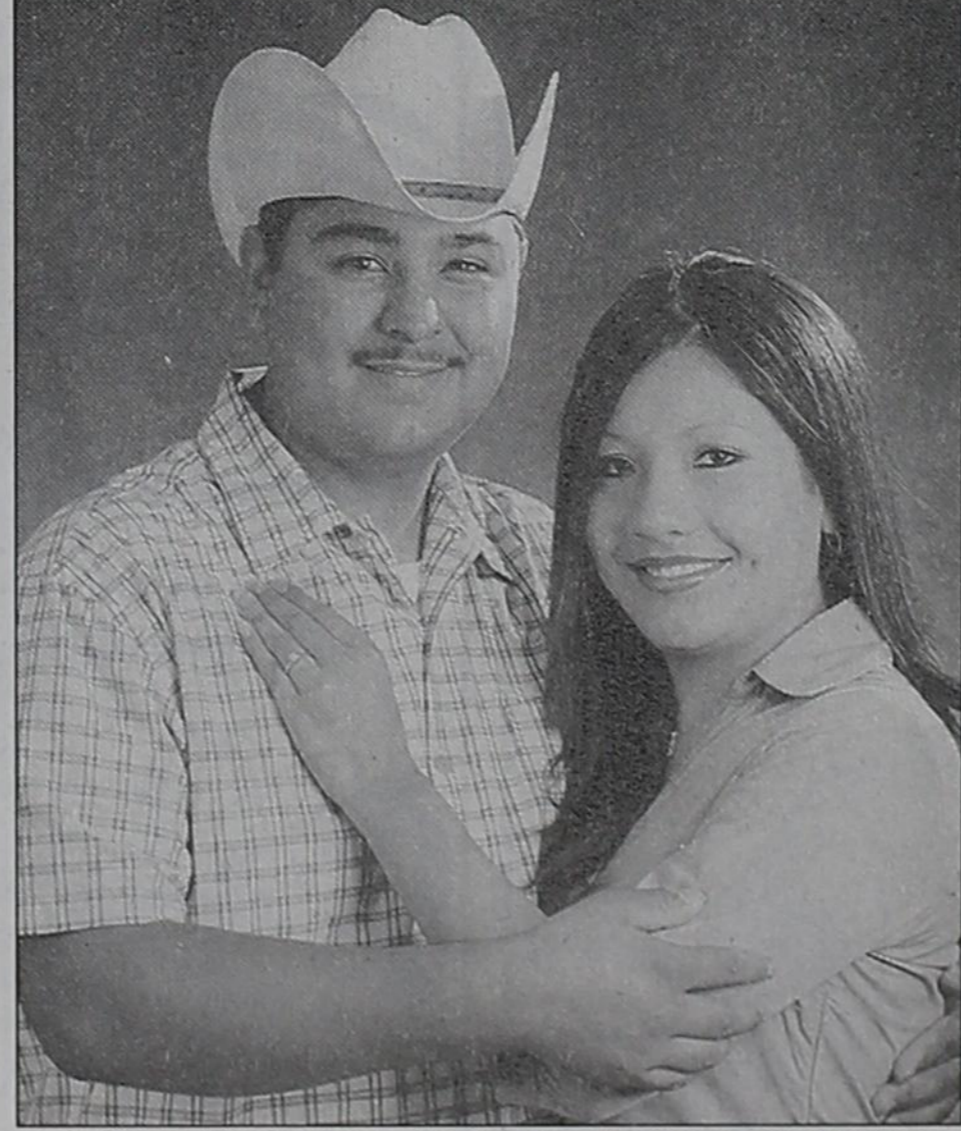
McNeese & Jennings Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Doug McNeese, of Littlefield, are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Mitzi Diane McNeese, to Drue Scott Jennings, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leland Jennings, of Flag.

The bride-elect is a 2001 graduate of Littlefield High School and a 2004 graduate of Texas Tech University. She is employed by the Lazbuddie Independent School District.

The prospective groom is a 1996 graduate of Dimmitt High School and is currently employed by the Texas Department of Transportation in Bovina. Drue is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Kunselman of Bovina.

The wedding will take place at St. Martin Lutheran Church in Littlefield on Saturday, August 7, 2004. They plan to reside in Lazbuddie.



MARIO MORENO, JR & CHRISTINA SALINAS

Salinas & Moreno, Jr. Plan August Wedding

Bernardo and Amelia Salinas proudly announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Christina Salinas, to Mario Moreno, Jr., the son of Mario and Martha Moreno, all of Friona.

Christina, the bride-elect, is a Friona High School graduate and currently attends Amarillo College.

Mario, the prospective groom, is also a Friona High School graduate and attends West Texas A&M University.

The couple plans to exchange wedding vows on Saturday, August 21, 2004 at 2:00 p.m., in St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Friona.



Bovina Reflections

45 Yrs. Ago
June 17, 1959

Ovid Lawlis, manager of Lawlis and Ely gin, escaped serious injury Thursday morning when he came in contact with a 2300-volt electric current at the gin.

40 Yrs. Ago
June 17, 1964

Violent summer weather struck here last week. It brought with it at least two tornadoes, threats of others, viciously high winds, crop damaging hail and 6.5 inches of rain over a four-day period.

35 Yrs. Ago
June 15, 1969

The Bovina Blade received first place in news writing competition at the annual Texas Press Association meeting last week.

30 Yrs. Ago
June 26, 1974

A community wide drive to raise funds to pave 855-feet of roadway from the Dimmitt Highway to the gate of the Bovina Cemetery topped its goal this

week by some \$840 with approximately \$5,165 on deposit in the Cemetery Paving Fund at First State Bank of Bovina according to a spokesman for the Bovina Chamber of Commerce.

20 Yrs. Ago
June 27, 1984

Top shooters in the county 4-H trap shoot were Charles Johnson, Byron Neal, David Boozer, Steve Gerles and Shalet Johnson.

15 Yrs. Ago
June 21, 1989

The upgrading of U.S. Highway 60 to a four-lane facility through Parmer County continues to make progress.

10 Yrs. Ago
June 18, 1994

The Thrifty Club had their meeting at the home of Irma Bradshaw. Guest were: Minnie Kelso, Laverne Black, Charlsie Eubank, Arlene Patton, Oma Lee George, Sid Lloyd, Ethel Johnson, Edna Scott and Dorothy Ellison.

5 Yrs. Ago
June 18, 1999

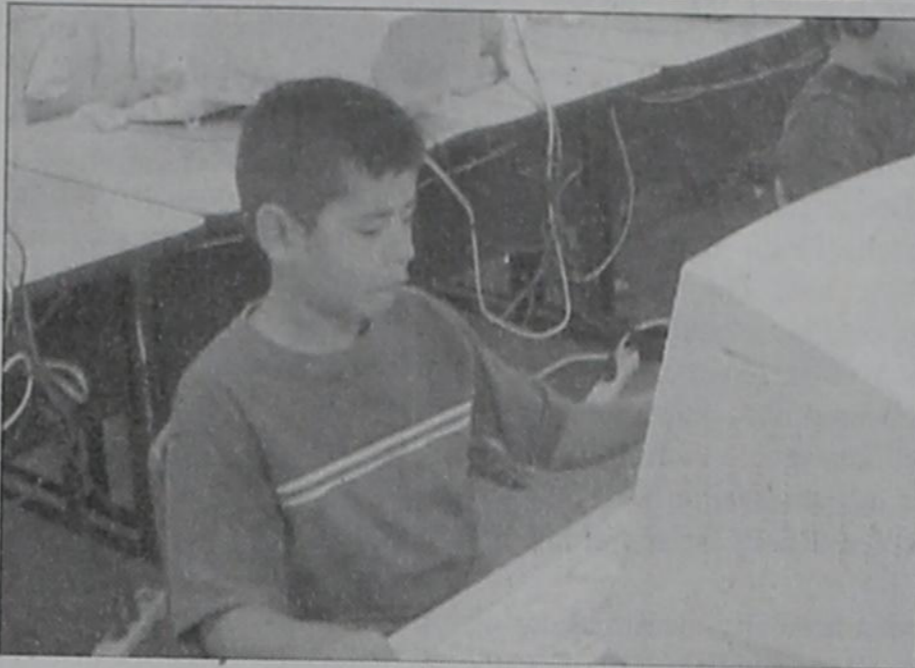
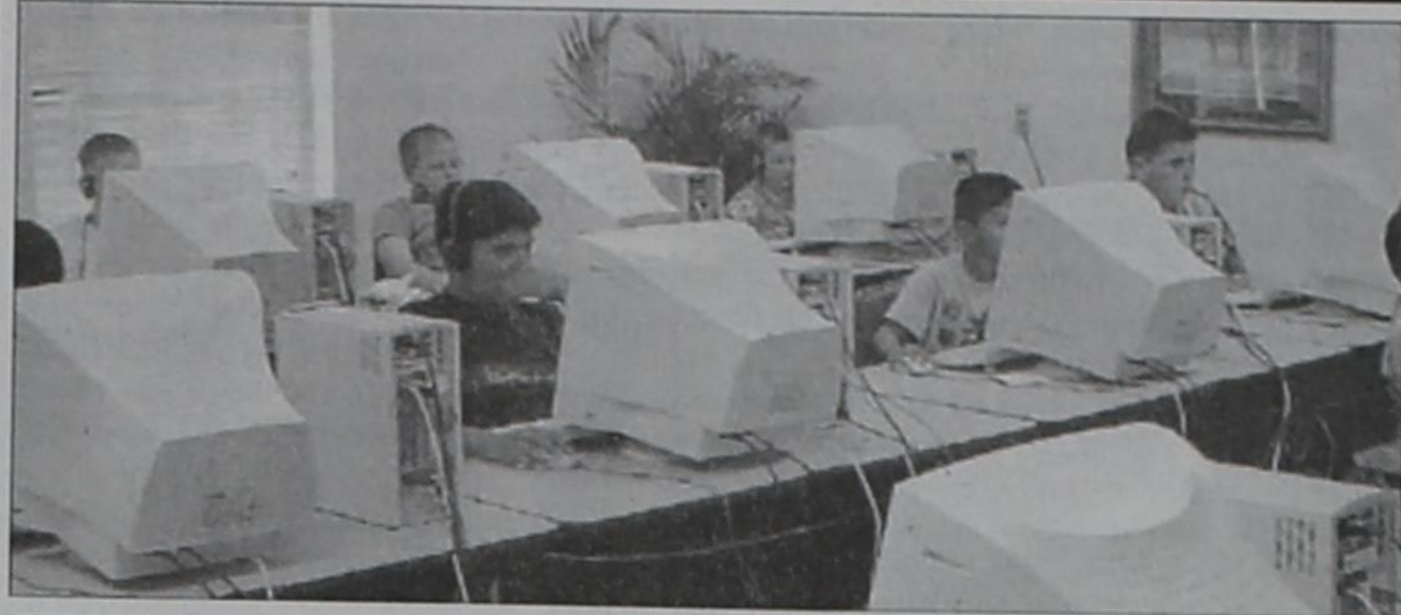
Jason Kerby of Bovina represented Western Texas College in Snyder, as student body president during the 1998-99 school year and was re-elected as president for 1999-00. Jason was also elected the Region I President for the student government association. He will be a junior at WTC.

Happy Birthday Bovina

June 20 thru June 26, 2004
June 22-Janie Sherbon
June 23-Matthew Hromas, Laura Tritch, Wanda Burney
June 25-Bobby Martin

If you or someone in your family has a birthday coming up or see a name that should be removed (name change, death, move, etc.), please call the Friona Star office at 250-2211.

Keeping Cool



THE BOVINA Community Network (BCN) computer lab has been popular this summer. It is a nice place to keep out of the heat and improve computer skills. The BCN offers classes and computer repair and help with eBay auction listings. The BCN phone number is 251-1333.

ron carr photos



THE BOVINA STEPPERS donned their umbrella hats, shorts, and tennis shoes to participate in the Parmer County Relay for Life in Friona on Friday, June 11. The ladies walked their laps to help raise the \$34,000 for cancer research.

ron carr photo

Thank You

The Bovina Middle School Cheerleaders would like to thank everyone who made our car wash on June 5 a HUGE success.

We would like to send a special thank you to Lowe's Pay-N-Save for allowing us to use their parking lot. Thanks again!

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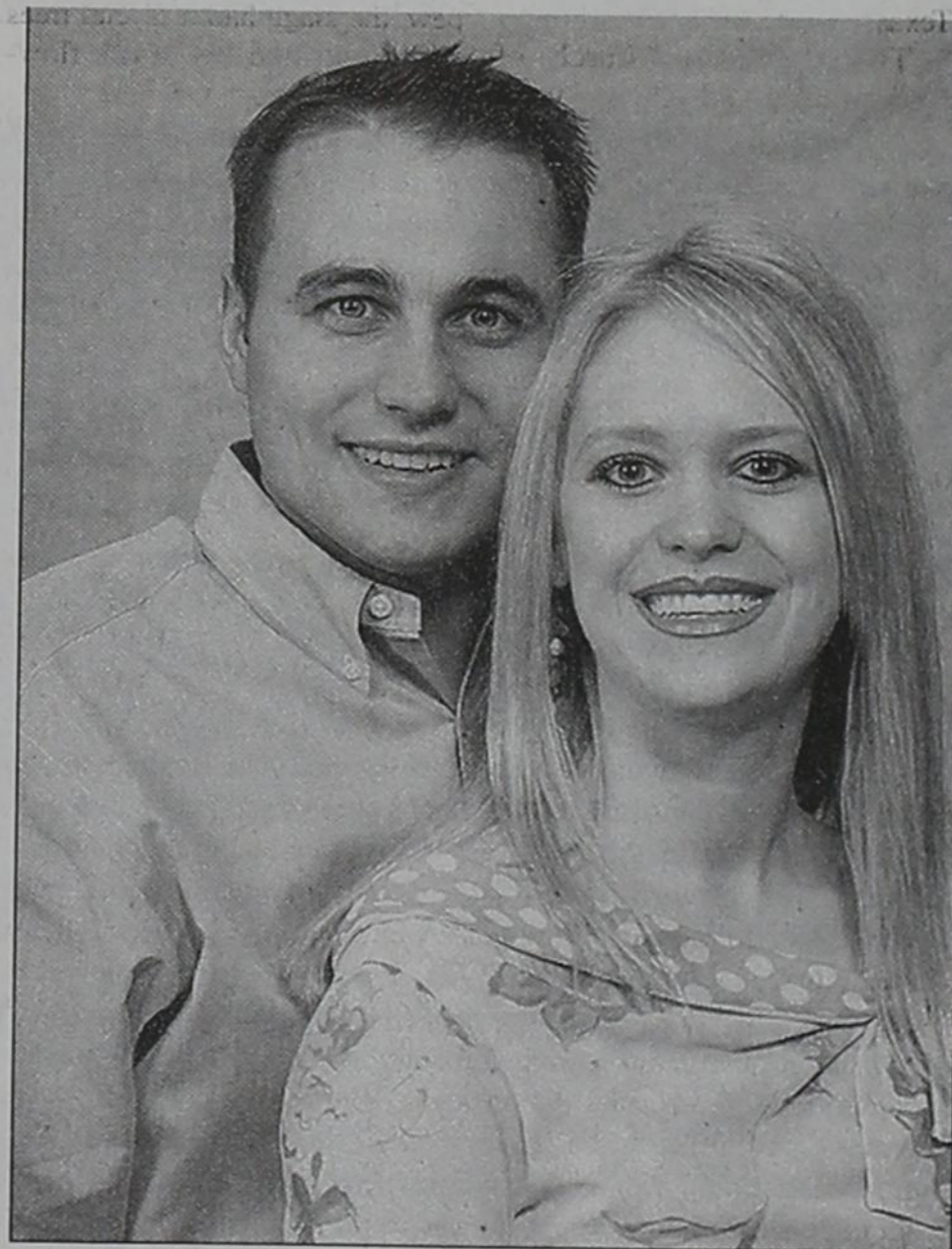
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L. Sharp & J. Clem To Marry July 31

Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Sharp of Lubbock, formerly of Brownfield, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Lauren May, to Jody Mitchell Clem, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Clem of New Home.

Miss Sharp is the granddaughter of Juanita Jones of Brownfield and the late Harold Jones, and Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Trimble of Bovina and the late Esther Trimble.

Clem is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Clem of New Home and the late Rebel Thomas and the late Aleta Wood.

The couple plans to marry at 6:00 p.m., Saturday, July 31, 2004 in the Brownfield First Baptist Church.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Brownfield High School and attends Texas Tech University, majoring in Early Childhood Education.

The groom-elect is a graduate of New Home High School and Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture Education. He is also a graduate of Tarleton State University with a Master of Science in Agriculture Education and is currently employed as an Agricultural Science teacher at Shallowater High School.



District Water Levels Reveal Average Decline

(Reprinted from The High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 Newsletter.)

Annual depth-to-water level measurements were taken from wells in the network of observation wells within the 6.8 million acre service area of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 during the early months of 2004.

These measurements presented a district average decline of 1.34 feet in the ground water levels of the Ogallala aquifer during 2003.

The average decline increased by a relatively modest 0.28 of a foot when compared to the previous year. This relatively small increase in decline was a pleasant surprise. The expected increase in the decline rates to reflect the extended recent period of less than normal precipitation did not materialize. The National Weather Service reported 8.83 inches of precipitation for Lubbock and 13.43 inches for Amarillo during 2003. These totals are considerably less than the area's normal average of 18 to 20 inches per year.

District employees Beau Henderson, Arnold Husky, Clint Kaufman, Don McReynolds, Judy Reeves, Dan Seale, and Keith Whitworth made measurements in wells in the network of more than 1,200 water wells within the district area. These wells are part of the state observation well network administered by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). Well sin this network located within the water district area are measured and maintained by the district with the collected water-level data shared with the TWDB.

The approximately 1,200 wells in the observation well network within the district allows for an average density of approximately one well per nine square miles.

The depth-to-water levels have been normally measured during January to March of each year to allow stabilization of water levels in the aquifer following pumpage during the previous period of ground water production.

The 93 observation wells in Parmer County showed an average change in depth-to-water in feet, from 1994 to 2004, of -2.33; the average annual change from 1999 to 2004 was -1.89; and from 2003 to 2004 was -2.30.

The district ten-year average annual change decreased from -1.31 feet for the 2003 report to -1.28 feet for the current report. The district five-year average annual change decreased from -1.18 feet for the 2003 report to -1.03 feet for the current report. The district average annual change for 2003 to 2004 increased from -1.06 feet to the current value of -1.34 feet.

"I feel that it is appropriate to express gratitude to the well owners and/or operators who permit water district personnel to designate their wells as observation wells and graciously welcome our employees to enter their property annually to measure depth-to-water in their wells. These water level data are necessary to accurately document changing ground water conditions within the district area," said Don McReynolds, geologist/division director.

"Most of the wells in the network are privately-owned, and, as a result, we consider ourselves as guests when we approach the observation wells for measurement."

Bailey, Cochran, Hale, Lynn, and Parmer Counties, plus the portions of Castro, Floyd, Hockley, and Lamb Counties within the water district recorded average water-level declines of more than one foot.

Historically, depth-to-water level measurements show a district average decline of 2.15 feet in 1994; and average decline of 1.91 feet in 1995; an average decline of 1.49 feet in 1996; an average decline of 0.34 feet in 1997; an average decline of 2.15 feet in 1998; an average decline of 0.68 in 1999; an average decline of 1.14 feet in 2000; an average decline of 0.78 feet in 2001; and average decline of 1.06 feet in 2002.

Revisions To Water Well Rules In Effect

Persons wishing to drill new or replacement water wells within the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 now need to comply with revised district rules that took effect June 9.

At their regular June 8 meeting, the five-member High Plains Water District Board of Directors unanimously approved amended revisions to the district rules, which include:

Requiring permit application and board approval for all water wells drilled within the district expected to produce 25 gallons of water per minute (gpm) or more. This requirement was lowered from 69.4 gpm to 25 gpm.

Adding an extra 100 yards to the district's water well spacing requirements. Since 1953, the High Plains Water District has used water well spacing requirements to keep water wells from being drilled too close together.

The current refundable water well permit deposit remains at \$250 per well. However, water well validation costs have increased to \$1,000 per well.

Requiring that all new or replacement water wells be spaced from 25 to 135 yards away from existing external property lines, based upon anticipated pump size and well production. The original proposed rules would have required wells to be spaced from 50 to 270 yards away from external property lines. However, the water district board of directors instituted a less restrictive minimum distance in response to public comment.

Clarifying the responsibility of a permit applicant and district field personnel in obtaining measurements between proposed well sites and existing wells.

Removing gender references and making minor grammatical/organizational clarifications.

Water well permit applications accepted before the June 9 rule changes are subject to the previous district rules.

"In this case, landowners have four months to drill their well. A four-month extension may be granted if the driller is delayed due to poor weather or other factors. If the well is not completed within eight months, the permit would no longer be valid and the landowner/operator would have to reapply for a permit under the newly revised rules," said Jim Conkwright, manager.

Conkwright said the district's board of directors believes that these rule changes are necessary at this time to further conserve and preserve the ground water stored in the Ogallala aquifer within the district's 15-county service area. He added that board members expressed appreciation to local residents who offered comments on the proposed rule changes through testimony at two public hearings and/or by communication to the district headquarters office.

"Each idea and concern expressed by district residents was given due consideration by the board of directors during the rule revision process. One of the benefits of local control of ground water is that we can blend water conservation goals with the concerns and needs of local residents," said Board President James P. Mitchell of Wolfforth.

The rule revision receiving the most public comment was the proposed minimum water well spacing distance from property lines. After considerable deliberation, the water district board chose to put less restrictive spacing requirements in place.

"It is not the district's intent to create undue hardship for producers," said Conkwright. "However, there have been an increasing number of water wells being drilled along property lines within the water district. The resulting cone of depression, when pumped, can cause interference with other wells. It is our hope that this new spacing requirement from property lines will help protect landowners by reducing this problem," he said.

More information about the rule revision is available by contacting the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 at (806) 762-0181. Copies of the revised rules are available from the district office at 2930 Avenue Q in Lubbock or on-line at www.hpwd.com

Northwest Plains Pest Management News

By Monti Vandiver, Extension Agent-IPM
Texas Cooperative Extension

Wheat harvest is going full bore in dryland and is picking up in irrigated fields. Preliminary yields of some of the better-looking dryland wheat are in the 30 to 40 bushel per acre range. Some lodging has occurred in some of the heavily irrigated wheat, but in most cases it is isolated to small areas.

Area corn is growing through itself. Most corn is relatively pest free at this time. There have been a few mites reported in some isolated areas. Natural enemies are abundant in most fields, most numerous are minute pirate bugs, ladybugs, and thrips.

Thrips pressure in cotton has subsided this week. Most fields continue to be infested but nowhere near levels of last week. Good control of thrips was achieved with the foliar insecticide applications, and most treated fields remain relatively clean. Untreated cotton was hammered by thrips. There have been a few beet armyworms spotted in area cotton, none at treatable levels.

Many cotton fields are approaching the 5th true leaf stage and some have surpassed it. This is a critical time for the Roundup Ready varieties. Do not apply Glyphosate over the top of Roundup Ready cotton once the 5th true leaf is the size of a quarter. Applications after this stage may result in yield loss and or delayed maturity. Any late over-the-top applications should be considered only as a last resort to salvage a crop. When counting true leaves remember to exclude the cotyledon or seed leaves. These are the first to expand after emergence and are attached directly across from each other. Wind has made Glyphosate applications difficult at best.

Ignite has performed well in LibertyLink cotton this far. Not to say there has not been a glitch or two, most of which are directly related to coverage issues. There are reports of antagonistic effects with some drift reduction additives. Outstanding results were achieved on local research trials last year using 32 oz. of Ignite in 20 gallons of water per acre. The water was treated with 17 lbs. of ammonium sulfate per 100 gallons. Again coverage is key and is directly affected by total spray volume per acre, nozzle type, and vegetation density (weeds, crop, cover crop). Coverage could be a problem in cover crops. Any and all measures to maximize coverage should be strictly adhered to. The Ignite label states a minimum of 15 gallons per acre of total spray volume should be applied, but under adverse conditions, such as a dense cover crop, more gallons per acre may provide better coverage thus better weed control.

As stated before, wind has been a problem getting herbicide applications out. Do not let the need to get a herbicide application out cloud your judgment on environmental conditions (wind, humidity, temperature, etc.). Grass crops are very sensitive to Glyphosate as broadleaf crops are to the hormone herbicides not to mention all the other available products.

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Understanding Insurance Rules and Options Can Be A Tricky Proposition in 2004

LUBBOCK, June 11, 2004

By Shawn Wade

Scattered storms over the past week have provided more than a few producers with just what they needed in terms of moisture to either germinate recently planted seed or to keep young stands adequately supplied with moisture.

Unfortunately, those same storms brought some people more than they bargained for when they sent in their request for rain. As a result some producers are dealing with crop loss situations and the need to move forward with crop insurance claims on damaged or destroyed acreage.

Each year when these situations arise the potential for confusion exists as producers and insurance providers begin wading through the rules to determine what can or cannot be done and when.

While the 2004 crop year includes a new rule that applies to secondary crops and insurance coverage, the provisions that apply to appraisals on crops remain unchanged. For crops damaged or lost to adverse weather events, or that fail to emerge, the rules remain the same as they were in 2003.

The most confusing situations generally involve non-emerged seed. Over the past couple of years there have been several changes in the rules that apply to non-emerged seed and how acreage that is caught in this situation is treated.

For emerged crops the rules have not changed significantly for several years and allow for timely appraisal of damaged or destroyed acreage, especially if that damage occurs after the applicable final planting date.

Generally speaking any crop planted before the final planting date that emerges to a stand is eligible to receive an adjustment almost immediately after the loss event is reported to the insurance company.

In order to allow for a proper evaluation most appraisals are scheduled 3-5 days after the damage report is received. This allows the adjuster to see how well damaged acreage rebounds from the event.

The bottom-line for producers that have recently lost standing cotton to high winds, localized flooding or hail is that a minimal waiting period can be expected before an adjustment is made, but the process can be put into motion immediately after the damage report is submitted to insurance.

For producers that have cotton in the ground but do not receive adequate moisture to bring the crop to a stand, insurance rules are different and require a specific waiting period after the final planting date before an appraisal can be scheduled.

For non-emerged seed the current rule states that no adjustment can be made until after the end of an 8-day deferred appraisal period that begins at the end of the crop's late planting period. For cotton, that means that non-emerged acreage cannot be appraised for 23 days after the applicable final planting date.

For counties with a June 5 final planting date, insurance appraisals on non-emerged acreage will begin no sooner than June 28. For counties with a June 10 final planting date appraisals cannot begin until July 3.

In the past the additional waiting period after the 15-day late planting period has been revised by RMA. Whether or not a similar relief from the rules will be allowed in 2004 has yet to be determined although it appears the situation could develop that warrants such consideration.

New Double Insurance Provision Adds New Twist For 2004

While the rules that pertain to crop damage and appraisals have not changed from 2003 to 2004, there has been one important change that will affect producers who lose crops early in the 2004 season.

In 2004 growers who wish to plant a second crop on failed cotton acreage will have to make several important decisions that could impact the level of coverage they receive on their first crop.

The crux of the change involves the implementation of a new "double insurance" provision that was originally included in the Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000. The purpose for the new rule is to prevent a producer from collecting crop insurance indemnity payments for multiple crop losses on the same acre in the same crop year.

The final rule, as implemented, requires for the first time that growers who lose their first insured crop may only receive 35 percent of the calculated indemnity (and only pay 35 percent of the first crop premium) if they elect to plant a second insured crop on the same acreage.

In an attempt to provide more discretion to the grower that incurs an early season loss, Plains Cotton Growers and the National Cotton Council worked with the Risk Management Agency to craft an alternative that gives the growers more flexibility.

The result of that effort was inclusion of an option that the grower can exercise to receive 100 percent of the first crop indemnity if they elect not to insure a subsequent crop on the acreage during the balance of the growing season.

Growers that lose crops early in the season have the following options. They can: 1) **Opt not to take insurance on a subsequently planted crop.** This option is to be exercised on a unit-by-unit basis and the producer must make their insurance provider aware of their decision before the acreage reporting date for the second crop or when the claim is signed for the first insured crop; or, 2) **Insure the second crop, but decline to accept any second crop claim payment.** Producers who insure a second crop but later choose not to accept payment for a second crop claim will receive the remaining 65 percent of their first crop claim less the remaining 65 percent of the premium due on the first crop and 100 percent of the premium due on the second crop. Producers may decline to accept a second crop indemnity up until the time the claim check is cashed.

USDA To Hold Local Office Day

The USDA Rural Development office in Amarillo will hold an Office Day in Friona Tuesday, June 29, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. The Office Day will be held in city council chambers at 4 Friona city hall. Enter through the rear door.

The purpose of the Office Day is to discuss housing programs for very low, low, and moderate income families, various community program loans and grants, and business and industry loans. Guidance in applying for USDA Rural Development assistance will also be discussed. Interested applicants are requested to schedule an appointment by calling 806-468-8600 ext. 4.

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