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## Friona Star Sets Holiday Schedule

Next week's December 23 Friona Star will be our annual Christmas issue and the last paper of 2004. This year we are continuing a tradition of not publishing the paper the week between Christmas and New Year's to give our employees some well deserved time off.

There will not be a Friona Star edition December 30. The next paper will be published January 6, 2005. The Friona Star office will be closed from December 24 until Monday January 3. However we will be checking in and out of the office to gather mail, news, and phone messages periodically during the holidays.

The red mailbox by the front door can be used to leave news items, payments, or other information. We will be checking the telephone answering machine for messages. Our phone number is 250-2211. We will also be checking emails. Thank you for your cooperation and support.



## Project Christmas Card Wrapping Up

Project Christmas Card donations can still be made at Friona State Bank and First National Bank until Christmas. The Friona Star will publish a special list of donors next week in our Christmas edition.

The Empty Stocking Fund to help needy children is also accepting donations at Friona State Bank or you can call Jo Blackwell at 250-3922 for assistance. Jo is the Empty Stocking Fund coordinator for the Parmer County Welfare Board.

## Boll Weevil Holiday Endorsement Info

Offices in the Northwest Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone will be closed from December 24 through January 2.

Cotton producers who need to obtain an endorsement during this time for a check made jointly payable to the Texas Department of Agriculture will need to call and make an appointment to receive the endorsement at a Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation office.

Endorsements may also be obtained at a Texas Department of Agriculture office. TDA has an office in Lubbock. Growers are encouraged to call the office at (806) 799-8555 to make sure someone will be there to help them.

Growers serviced by the Muleshoe and Friona offices should call Jo Ann at (806) 679-7183. Those serviced by the Dimmitt District office should call Raneta at (806) 647-7500. Finally, growers serviced by the Littlefield District office may contact David at (806) 773-8084.



## Friona Country Club Offers Golf Special

The Friona Country Club has opened up golf play to all Friona area residents through April of 2005.

Club Pro Bobby Sansom said that all golfers, whether they are club members or not, are welcome to come play the 9-hole country club course. The club is closed on Mondays.

Green fees for the open play will be \$12. Cart rental is \$5 for 9-holes and \$10 for 18-holes.

The Friona Country Club is located at 1505 W. 5th St. The phone number is 250-3125.



AT THE opening of The Gallery of the Frio Draw in Friona, 10-year-old Taylor Prather looks over some of her granddad's paintings. Taylor is the daughter of Mike and Gina Prather and granddaughter of Jim and Kay Swafford, all of Bovina. Jim Swafford, Bobby Wied, and Don Spring opened the gallery at 614 Euclid last week. Paintings, photography, and pottery creations by the artists will be on display from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. until Christmas. ron carr photo

## Gallery of the Frio Draw To Showcase Artists

BY RON CARR

Don Spring is a retired pharmacist and professional photographer. Bobby Wied is a retired high school art teacher and professional artist. Jim Bob Swafford is a practicing professional artist who has managed art exhibits in Lubbock and now paints out of a studio in his home in Bovina.

The three have joined their talents to bring The Gallery of the Frio Draw to local and area residents. A ribbon cutting and opening reception was held last week at the gallery located at 614 Euclid St. in Friona.

On display are paintings by Swafford and Wied, framed photograph art by Don Spring, and various pottery items crafted by Wied. Don Spring maintains a photo studio at the location. Future plans call for the artists to maintain an art studio at the gallery and offer art classes and bring in outside exhibits.

Swafford said the gallery will be open from 10-5 daily through the Christmas holidays and open from 10-1 this Saturday. Hours of operation after the holidays have yet to be determined but showings can be made by appointment by calling one of the artists. The phone number at the Gallery of the Frio Draw is 250-5222.

## Living Nativity and Candlelight Cantata At First Baptist Sunday

The First Baptist Church of Friona will present a living nativity featuring children, youth, adults, and live animals at 6:00 p.m. Sunday, December 19.

The nativity will be a walk-through scene and will be presented on the church lawn.

The living nativity will be from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. The First Baptist choir, directed by Kevin Wiseman, will present a cantata, "Two

Thousand Decembers Ago", in the church sanctuary at 7:00 p.m., followed by a candlelight service and Lottie Moon Christmas offering.

After the service, everyone is invited to Jesus' Birthday Party (bring sandwiches, chips, dips, and snacks) which will be held at the church, also. The public is invited and encouraged to participate as First Baptist Church and the community celebrates Jesus' birth.

## Friona Youth Wins Prize For Soldier Letter

How can a faculty Christmas party lead to a \$100 savings bond for a fourth grade student?

Friona elementary school teachers recently held a faculty party at Carolyn's Christmas Creations in Muleshoe. Dorothy Prudhomme, a fourth grade writing teacher, noticed a display in the store requesting letters for service men and women in Iraq. The student writing the best letter would earn a \$100 savings bond.

Mrs. Prudhomme has a son in the military so she is well aware of how difficult holidays can be for them. When she returned to her class, she asked every fourth grade student to write a letter to the troops.

Early last week she took 58 student letters to the Muleshoe store for the competition. All letters submitted for the contest were sent to soldiers in Iraq by Carolyn's. The judges at Carolyn's Christmas Creations selected a letter written by Friona fourth grader Edgar Grado as the winner of the \$100 savings bond. Elementary prin-

cipal Becky Riethmayer said, "Edgar was surprised to learn that he is a celebrity at Friona Elementary this week."

Mrs. Riethmayer read Edgar's letter to the student body. His fellow students and

the faculty are very proud of Edgar, most of all for thinking of the soldiers far from home this holiday season. Edgar's letter is elsewhere on this page. He is the son of Alfonso and Veronica Grado of Friona.

## Edgar's Winning Letter

Dear Soldier,

*My name is Edgar Grado. I have one brother and one sister. I live in Friona, Texas. I'm very sorry that you are not going to be able to see your family on one of the most important holidays of the year.*

*In a way I understand how you feel and I know it's very hard. My father is also gone right now. He had to go to Denver, Colorado to work because he is a truck driver. I miss him very much but I know he had to go to work to give us the best he can just like you're in Iraq to give our country the best you can by fighting for us.*

*I really appreciate what you are doing for our country. It takes courage to do what you're doing. Even though you are doing a very dangerous thing, you still stand strong and proud and continue fighting for our country.*

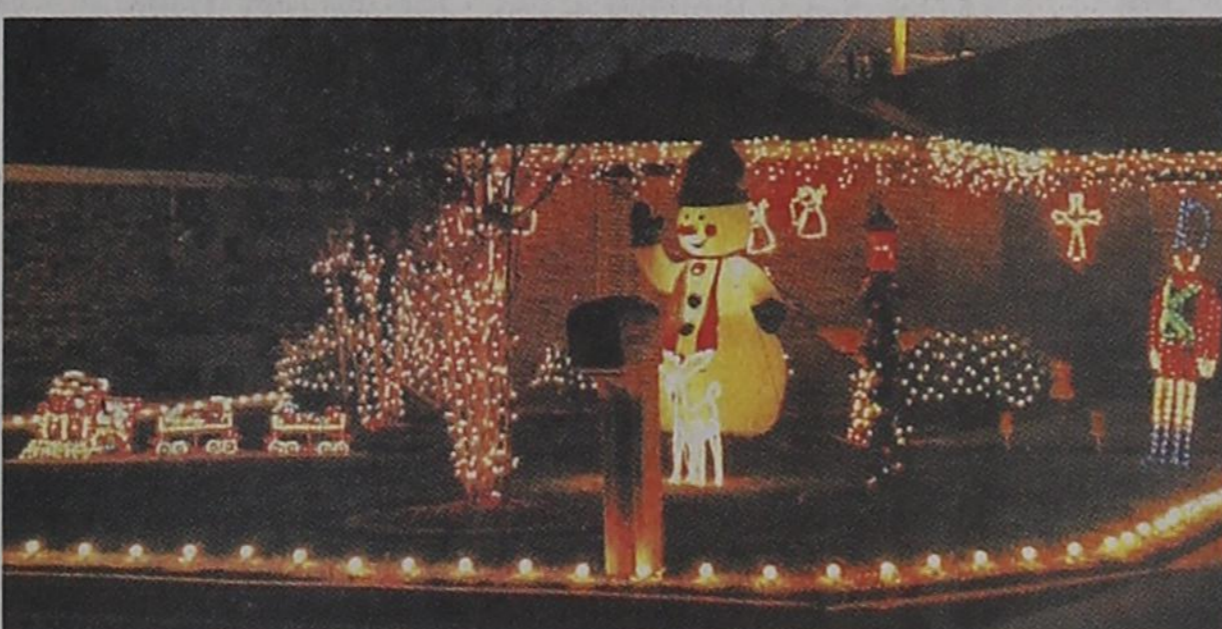
*Since you are sad and lonely I got a little joke for you to cheer you up: who delivers presents to good little baby sharks at Christmas? Santa Jaws.*

*I hope I at least made you smile. I wish you a Merry Christmas and hope that you will soon be with your loved ones.*

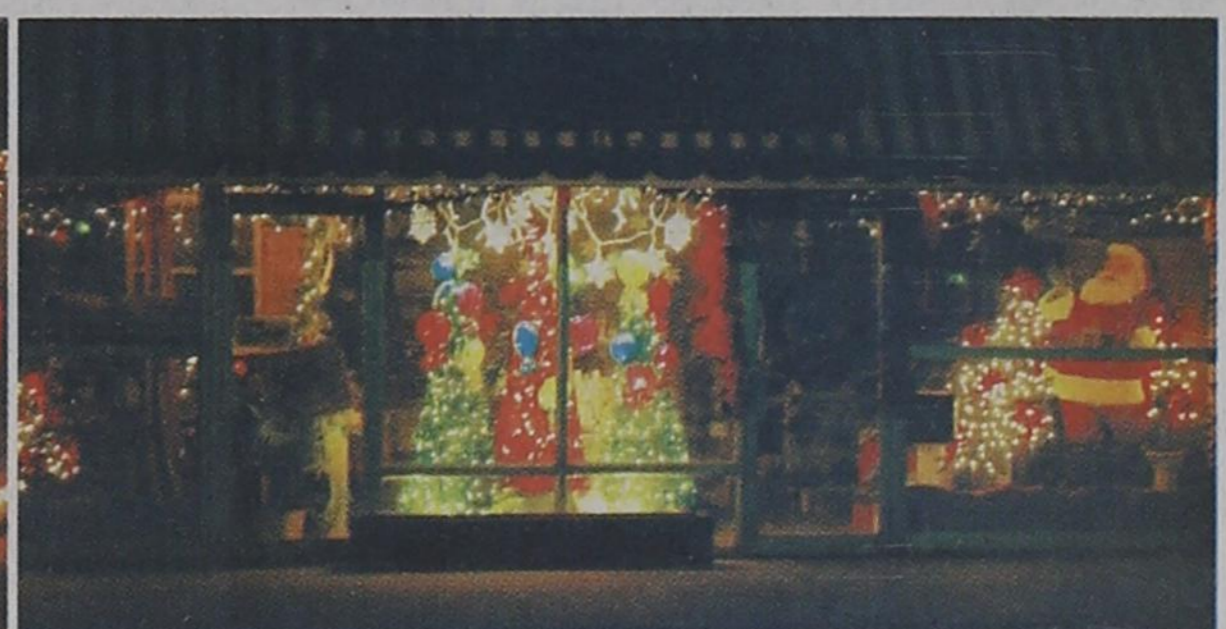
Sincerely,  
Edgar Grado



FRIONA fourth grade teacher Dorothy Prudhomme congratulates her student, Edgar Grado, for his letter to soldiers in Iraq that won him first place and a \$100 savings bond in a letter-writing contest sponsored by Carolyn's Christmas Creations in Muleshoe. ron carr photo



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IVY COTTAGE WINDOW

## CHRISTMAS LIGHTS IN FRIONA



OUT HERE by Ron Carr

If you take the VFW Road cutoff in Canyon on the way to Amarillo you will see a sign in a field up next to the fence. It expresses the feelings of the landowner, and about a billion other people. The sign is direct and to the point: Get Out of the United Nations.

Back in my younger life, a wife and I bought a house and became friends with our next-door neighbors who were a few years older. I had no interest in or knowledge of politics. I was still in my 20s trying to figure out how to pay the \$149 house payment and keep my new travel agency afloat.

My neighbor, I'll call him Phil, was a member of the John Birch Society. If you go back that far you will remember it was one of the original rightwing, conservative operations. The way Phil talked about it I thought it was an illegal undercover group, second cousin to the Ku Klux Klan.

Phil would loan me books from the John Birch book club and postulate for hours (at least it seemed like hours) about how the communists had infiltrated every corner of the country and were slowly taking over the

government. The John Birch Society was on the case though, Phil would say.

Another topic that would get Phil really mad was the United Nations. By the time he got through telling me about the communists and the United Nations I would stumble home, lock the doors and pull the blinds. The United Nations, he would say, wants to take over the United States. They are all corrupt, he would say. They do not care about the US, only screwing the US and we are letting them get away with it.

I always agreed with Phil, or at least nodded my head so he would think I was agreeing with him. Most of the time I was thinking about other stuff while he was talking. We lived next to them five years and when we moved I still didn't know much about the government and politics.

Here I am almost 40 years later. I guess the John Birch Society is gone now. Don't know exactly what happened to Phil either. But the United Nations? They're still here, they're still corrupt, and they still want to take over the United States.

I finally understand what Phil was talking about.

Kofi Annan is a crook, operating his diplomatic scams here under our noses on American soil. A handful of senators and congressmen are after Kofi as we speak but they aren't getting much support from Dubya and the White House.

At the United Nations, all men are not created equal. Delegates to the United Nations get diplomatic immunity which means they can't be arrested for anything. They don't even pay parking tickets. A lot of people, including me and Phil, would like to see the whole kaboodle of them relocated to some other country. Rwanda or Nigeria seems like a good choice.

And now the word leaking out is that America looked the other way while the Oil for Food scandal was taking place between certain United Nations employees and Saddam Hussein. That implies that our government knew what was going on but did nothing about it. That must be against one of the trillion laws on the books here in America but who is go-

Get Out of the United Nations!



Texans Say Taxes, Energy, Transportation, Are Top Priorities

This January, a new Congress will be sworn in and will begin setting its legislative priorities. As I contribute to the process on behalf of Texas, I use information I gather from many sources, including my annual Listening Post. In this year's survey on domestic issues, you provided excellent feedback and suggestions for dealing with energy, transportation, tax relief, legal reform, and more.

The largest number of responses came in support of tax relief measures that, without congressional action, are set to expire in 2011. More than any other provision, the respondents said, relief from the Marriage Penalty was the item to preserve. Permanent elimination of the Death Tax, lower marginal tax rates on all income brackets, and maintenance of the higher child tax credit were also heavily supported.

Gordon and Nancy, from Richardson, summed up their position on tax relief in this way: "We don't want this relief so much for ourselves as we do for our children and their children. We had hoped to leave them with a better world than the one we have now, or at least similar to what we remember from our growing up years."

Other comments were short and to the point. Lee, from Austin, wrote, "The alternative minimum tax needs reform."

"Eliminate the income tax and IRS and institute a consumption tax," was the terse reply of Stephen, of Highlands.

Dale, who lives in Flower Mound, said he favored elimination of the Marriage Penalty, lower marginal tax rates, and the higher child tax deduction, and added, "I also want a balanced budget."

Legal reform questions generated a large number of reactions. The greatest number approved prohibiting lawsuits against gun manufacturers. Medical liability and tort reform drew many responses on both sides. Fern, from Beaumont, argued, "Lawsuits and the threat of lawsuits are the only way to keep big business from putting out bad products and taking advantage of the little guy."

Carolynn, who hails from Friendswood, had a different take, saying she wants to see tort reform to prevent frivolous lawsuits from driving up insurance for doctors. "I lost my OB-GYN for this reason, and he was the best doctor I ever had," she wrote.

Energy policy generated many comments. Most of you said the United States should increase domestic oil and gas drilling and production, while nearly as many argued on behalf of renewable resources. Raising federal requirements for fuel efficiency was much less popular.

James, of Kilgore, said, "I believe our tax dollars are wasted on funding for solar and wind energy." John, of Pflugerville, counters that he wants, "Massive emergency federal funding research and development of alternative energy sources. Get out of dependency on foreign oil, NOW!"

William, from San Antonio, speaks bluntly, "We have had 31 years since the OPEC oil embargo of 1973 and still we have no comprehensive energy policy. This is a disgrace."

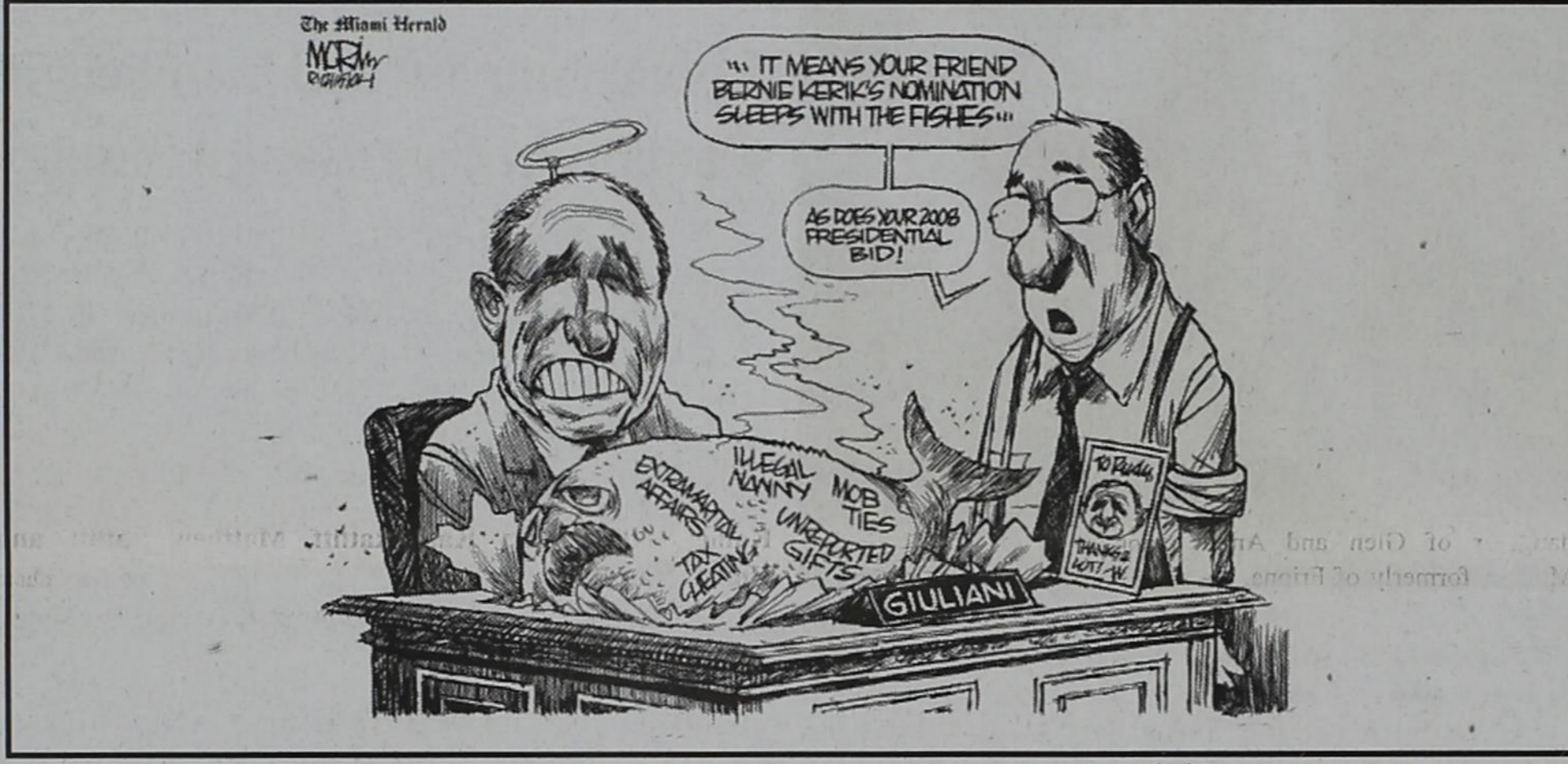
The final category of questions addressed our state's transportation needs. On a topic that generated the most answers for any single question in the survey, Texans wanted a fairer share of the gasoline taxes paid to build more roads. Raising those excise taxes received the lowest backing of any proposal in the survey. Almost as unpopular was the suggestion of an alternative way to finance highways through methods such as tolls. Conversely, many agreed we should increase funding for light rail and mass transit.

Michael, a Dallas resident, replied, "New taxes and tolls are not the answer. Increasing efficiency is...I, and everyone I have spoken to, find it hard to believe that there is no high-speed rail system connecting major Texas cities."

Marc, from Houston, agrees with half of what Michael says, "Tolls are bad because they are discriminatory," he wrote. "Gas taxes should be MUCH higher."

Thomas, of Bryan, notes, "I do not believe gas taxes should be raised. However, getting people out of their vehicles and onto mass transit will be tough....I do not really have an answer."

With the help of your responses and other input from my fellow Texans, we can work together to develop practical answers to these and many other challenges face our state and nation. I really appreciate the time you took to weigh in...I am listening.



Widners Attend Farm Bureau Convention

Lawrence and Carolyn Widner of Bovina attended the 71st annual Texas Farm Bureau convention December 4-6 in San Antonio as voting delegates.

Policies directing the state's largest farm organization were adopted by more than 1,200 delegates from 207 organized Farm Bureaus. Approved recommendations on national policies will advance to the American Farm Bureau Federation annual meeting in North Carolina in January.

Addressing the delegates were Kenneth Dierschke of San Angelo, TFB president; Ralph Detten of Hereford, secretary-treasurer; and Vernie Glasson, TFB executive director. In the last order of business, delegates re-elected Kenneth Dierschke of San Angelo as president.

Lawrence Widner said, "We



LAWRENCE & CAROLYN WIDNER

heard an address by Senator John Cornyn, Governor Rick Perry, and Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson. The young farmer and rancher awards were presented to some very outstanding young people."

Cornyn Addresses Texas Farm Bureau Convention

U.S. Sen. John Cornyn addressed members of the Texas Farm Bureau at their annual meeting in San Antonio. Sen. Cornyn highlighted the accomplishments of this Congress in providing support to farmers and ranchers across the country, and reiterated his strong commitment to the interests of the Texas agriculture community.

"The Texas Farm Bureau represents the industry that creates one out of five jobs in

Texas," Cornyn said. "It's an important part of our economy and one that provides a plentiful and safe food supply. The agriculture community feeds not just the people of our state and country, but people all around the world."

Sen. Cornyn addressed the producer and consumer concerns over bovine spongiform encephalopathy, or BSE, and other animal health issues, and affirmed that our current testing programs are working to keep infected animals from entering the food supply.

"There are several issues coming up in the next Congress that are important to Texas agriculture," Cornyn added. "As we move forward, we have an obligation to deliver results to the American people on issues like simplified, common-sense tax reform, improving and strengthening Social Security and dealing with America's liability crisis."

Sen. Cornyn emphasized that the existing Farm Bill is working because it allows farmers to plan and operate based on market realities and not on what government dictates. He noted that the bill has cost the government less than expected. Cornyn also spoke about decisions currently being considered by the World Trade Organization that will heavily impact the Texas agricultural community.

Other issues Sen. Cornyn highlighted included his support of a comprehensive energy bill, elimination of the death tax, and improving Social Security.

The Hardin Steakhouse is now open. 1505 West 5th St. 250-2333. Tues-Sun 11:00 - 3:00, Fri and Sat 5:00 - 10:00. We are now accepting to-go orders with a \$1 per plate charge. Holiday Hours: Christmas Eve Dec. 24th 11:00-3:00, Christmas Day Dec. 25th Closed, Dec 26th 11:00 - 3:00.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Ron - Here's our money for another year of news from home and your most enjoyable editorials. I keep wanting to submit your editorial to our local paper as an example of great writing - but my mother's teachings of good manners keeps me from it! Best wishes, Sheila (Struve) Green

Neugebauer Relocates D.C. Office

Constituents of the 19th district planning a visit to our nation's capital should take note that Congressman Randy Neugebauer has moved offices.

Neugebauer announced Wednesday that he has moved out of his old office in the Longworth House Office Building and relocated to room 429 of the Cannon House Office Building. The Cannon building is located one block east of the Longworth building on Independence Ave.

"429 Cannon belongs to the people of the 19th district," Neugebauer said. "I hope everyone will stop by to see the new office when they visit Washington."

The fourth floor of the Cannon building may feel to some like a little piece of Texas in the middle of Washington, D.C. Other inhabitants of Cannon's fourth floor include Congresswoman Kay Granger (TX-12) and Congressman Kevin Brady (TX-8) and John Carter (TX-31).

The phone number for Neugebauer's Washington office remains 202-225-4005 and the fax number, 202-225-9615, also stays the same. Constituents can also continue to contact Neugebauer through his website www.randy.house.gov and by emailing him at randy@mail.house.gov.

Neugebauer also said that soon he will be announcing the opening of his office in Abilene.

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**BROWNIE TROOPS 531 & 250, back, l-r, leader Marsha Rocha, Breanna Campos, Perla Trevino, Bianca Arellano, Cassandra Rocha, Josephine Samarron, Madison Gatlin, Denise Padilla, and leader Marie Samarron. Middle, l-r, Kayla Alexander, Karina Rocha, Salma Estrada, Samantha Davila. Front, l-r, Courtney Bunker, Alicia Mendez, Julissa Gallegos, and Alexis Alvarado. Not pictured: Rayanna Williams, Danielle Ortiz, Johnna Thompson, and Odilia Meza.**

### Brownie Troops Have Great Year

BY MARIE SAMARRON, Troop Leader

First and Second grade Brownie troops are off to a great start. This year the troops' theme is focused on becoming family and community helpers. In September the scouts earned their first badge, manners. They were also busy in the kitchen preparing meals for each meeting.

A party and sleepover was held in October. The girls made decorative masks, t-shirts, sit-upons, s'mores, sloppy joes and learned new and old dance steps, which earned them two other badges, dancercise and Girl Scout ways.

In November the girls learned to tie knots and began their Christmas gifts. They also completed their projects for yet another badge, art to wear. On December 11 the girls hosted a Christmas craft party which consisted of making Christmas cards, ornaments, paper tamales, decorative bags and friendship bracelets.

What an amazing and fun-loving group of girls to work with. The backbone and success of the troops comes from the parents that each girl is blessed with. We wish to thank them for their constant support, help, and encouragement. It is a true blessing to be involved with these young girls and their families. Way to go Brownies.

## Soldier Medic Has Friona Connection

Pfc. Lacye G. Presley is a member of the 980th Engineer Battalion Rear Detachment out of Austin, Texas. She is a resident of Hallettsville, Texas. Her mother is Deann Presley of Hallettsville and her grandparents are Dean and Carolyn Shipp of Friona.



**PFC. LACYE PRESLEY**

Pfc. Presley is in the Army Reserves. Recently she was in training at Fort Jackson in South Carolina. Her grandmother said that she is now at home in Hallettsville waiting for further orders.

In a recent article in an Army magazine, *The Inferno*, 20-year-old Pfc. Presley was described as a highly-trained combat medic that exudes dedication and steadfastness. She told the magazine, "Being a medic in the Army is something that makes me proud."

I want to help make some changes for the good of the Army and maybe I can make a difference in someone else's life." She said her main goal while in the Army is to become a Drill Sergeant.

### Around Town

#### "Emmanuel Celebrating Heaven's Child"

The Calvary Baptist Church choir will present "Emmanuel Celebrating Heaven's Child" Sunday, December 19 at 10 a.m. The community is invited to celebrate the Christmas spirit. This will be the only service held.

#### FUMC Women met December 8

The United Methodist Women of the Friona United Methodist Church celebrated Christ's birthday with a Christmas luncheon in the home of Margaret Parsons, December 8. Sharon White presented "The Stubborn Unbeliever" by Arthur Gordon.

#### Ellis needs info & photos for book

If you have any old photographs or news clippings dealing with Friona schools or school activities, please call Bill Ellis at 250-3053. He needs photos of valedictorians and salutatorians from 1951 to present. If you want the photo returned, please send a stamped, self-addressed envelope with the photo to 1201 Maple, Friona, Texas 79035.

#### Holiday gift ideas from the Chamber

The Friona Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture has a great idea for those hard to buy for people on your Christmas list. Get them a "Taste of Friona" cookbook and/or a "Scenes from Friona" postcard packet for \$10 each. They make great gifts. Just come by the Chamber at 621 Main and pick up them up.

#### Hub Cowboy Fellowship December 21

Everyone is invited to come enjoy a time of worship and fellowship Tuesday, December 21 at the Hub Community Center two miles south of Junction 214 and Highway 86 at 7 p.m. Scott Spitsberg will be the speaker and Jim and Rhonda Murphree will lead the worship time. Come and have a good time.

### Allen Earns Degree At TTU

Alice Allen will graduate with a B.S. degree in Human Sciences from Texas Tech University on Saturday, December 18, 2004.

She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Delwin Allen, of Friona, and a 2001 graduate of Friona High School.

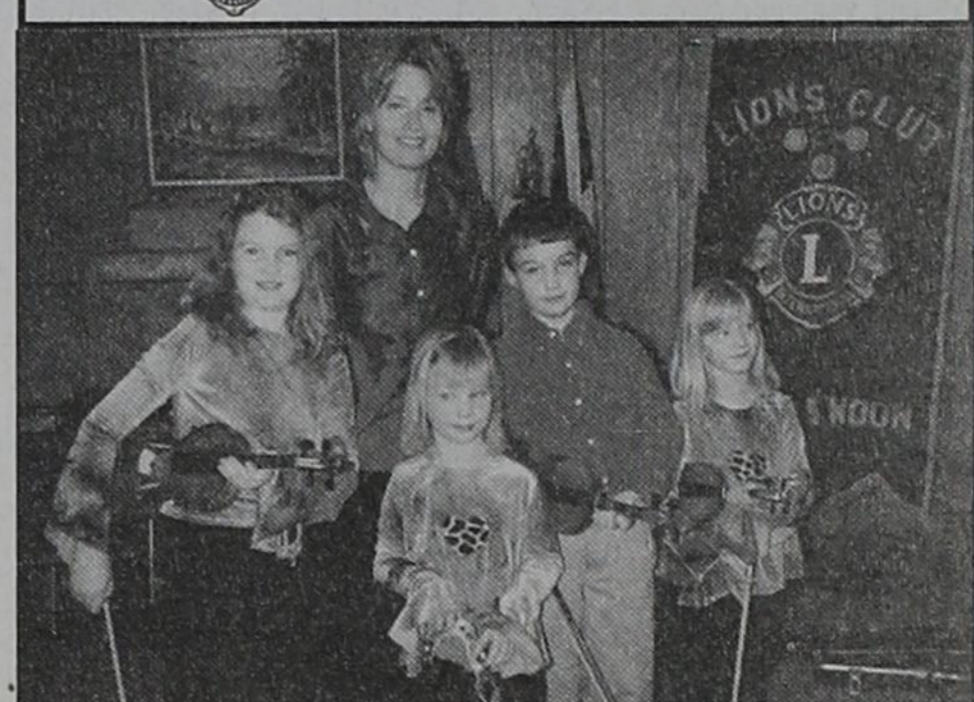


**ALICE ALLEN**

While at Tech, she was secretary of the Texas Association of Family and Consumer Sciences for two terms and represented Texas as a National Officer Delegate in Washington, D.C. She also served as Fundraising Chair for the Human Sciences Recruiters and for three years has been a weekly volunteer counselor for the Lubbock Crisis Center. She

plans to stay in Lubbock and continue with Express, where she has been manager since August.

### Lions Club News



**LITTLE FIDDLERS** from Amarillo played December 9 for Heritage House, Prairie Acres, and Friona Evening Lions Club. Pictured, back row, is the daughter of Hollis and Lunell Horton, Sunny Ratliff, and her children, l-r, Kallie Ratliff, Mary Kate Ratliff, Matthew Ratliff, and Hollee Ratliff.

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### NHS Inducts New Members

The Miller-Wilson Chapter of the National Honor Society met Sunday, December 12 in the Friona High School Auditorium to hold their annual induction ceremony.

Guests were welcomed by chapter president, Andrea Geries. Tyler Jameson, chapter secretary, explained the history and advantages of the National Honor Society.

Maegan Ingram, treasurer, discussed the insignia of the NHS. Tyler Jameson, Guadalupe Estrada, Misty Adams and Lucinda Rios, chapter vice president, explained to the audience Scholarship, Character, Leadership and Service, the four virtues of the NHS.

Ms. Rios introduced speaker, Mrs. Karen Renner.

Andrea Geries administered the Pledge.

New members inducted were Leslee Avalos, Courtney Adams, Kathy Anthony, Erica Davila, Sandra Godoy, Jesus Gonzales, Meghan Hendrickson, Jordan Jamerson, Allison Jones, Sean Lookingbill, Caleb Miller, Shayli Reed, Isabel Romero, Hannah Stovall, Maria Tirado, Cindy Trevino Tiffany Vasquez, Yesenia Vega and Briana Wright.

Members attending were President Andrea Geries, Vice President Lucinda Rios, Secretary Tyler Jameson, Treasurer Maegan Ingram, Misty Adams, Breann Barnett, Erandy Lara, Guadalupe Estrada, Matthew Gammon, Trisha Winebrinner, Adrienne Anthony, Molly Carthel, Caleb Hidalgo, Kimberlee Jones, Natasha LaFuente, Dollie Lookingbill, Kelby Monroe, Pedro Ramos, Michelle Stanberry and Dennis Vasquez.

A reception of cake and punch followed in the cafeteria.



OLD MEMBERS, back row, 1-r, Caleb Hidalgo, Pedro Ramos, Breann Barnett, Dollie Lookingbill, Molly Carthel, Adrienne Anthony, Dennis Vasquez, Michelle Stanberry, Kayla Estrada, Kimberlee Jones, Natasha Lafuente, and Kelby Monroe. Front row, 1-r, Tyler Jameson, Trisha Winebrinner, Lucinda Rios, Guadalupe Estrada, Erandy Lara, Maegan Ingram, Misty Adams, and Andrea Geries. dana d. jameson photo



NEW MEMBERS, back row, 1-r, Briana Wright, Jesus Gonzales, Marie Tirado, Yesenia Vega, Cindy Trevino, Hannah Stovall, Isabel Romero, Tiffany Vasquez, Shayli Reed, Caleb Miller, and Sean Lookingbill. Front row, 1-r, Jordan Jamerson, Courtney Adams, Kathy Anthony, Leslee Avalos, Allison Jones, Erica Davila, Sandra Godoy, and Meghan Hendrickson. dana d. jameson photo



TYLER JAMESON

### Friona Bridal Registry

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## Holiday Revelers Warned to Drive Sober

Law enforcement throughout Texas will be providing free rides this month for Texas drivers who've had too much to drink - a free ride to jail that is.

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) announced that all available state troopers and local law enforcement officers will be on Texas streets and highways during the long Christmas and New Year's holiday weekends watching for drunk drivers.

TxDOT officials are expecting their "Jingle All The Way" annual holiday public education campaign to reach millions of Texans this month with messages that driving while intoxicated can lead to jail time.

"We want everyone to have a safe and happy holiday," said Carlos Lopez, TxDOT's traffic op-



LAW ENFORCEMENT officers joined Santa Claus, Blue Santa and Pancho Claus on a barge on San Antonio's historic downtown river to make the point that they'll be everywhere this month looking for impaired drivers. The TxDOT's lighthearted holiday safety campaign has a serious message: Drink, Drive. Go to jail.

erations director. "If alcohol is involved in their holiday celebrations, we're reminding people not to get behind the wheel if they've been drinking. Safe alternatives

lead the nation in alcohol-related traffic fatalities, safety advocates credit stepped-up enforcement of the state's DWI laws and ongoing advertising about the penalties of drunk driving with the recent decline in impaired driving fatalities. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports 100 fewer people died in Texas in 2003 in alcohol-related crashes than the previous year.

Besides DPS and hundreds of police departments and sheriff's offices statewide, the Texas Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Store Association, the Texas Restaurant Association and Diamond Shamrock are also participating in the holiday anti-DWI campaign. Penalties for the first DWI offense include driver's license suspension for up to one year, a fine of up to \$2,000 and up to six months in jail.

### Sheriff's Report

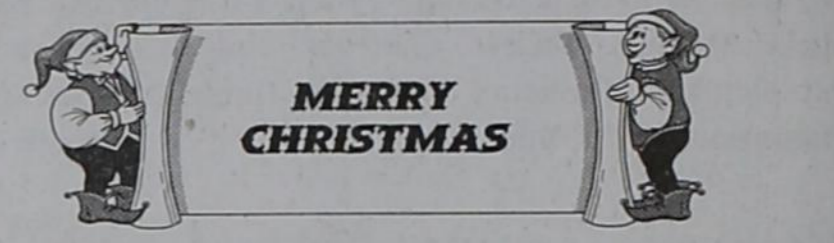
December 7, James Rose, 35, of Texico, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with possession of marijuana-less than 2 ounces, pending County Court; possession of a controlled substance, pending Grand Jury.

December 7, Deann Ritch, 31, of Clovis, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with possession of marijuana-less than 2 ounces, tampering with evidence, pending County Court; possession of a controlled substance, pending Grand Jury.

December 9, Ray Rando, 44, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with possession of marijuana-less than 2 ounces, pending County Court.

December 10, Antonio Gonzalez, 19, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police, and charged with retaliation, pending District Court.

December 10, Bruce Ramos, Jr., 19, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with retaliation, pending District Court.



### COURTHOUSE NOTES

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from December 01, 2004 to December 08, 2004.

Bruce B. Smolky and Christina Smolky - Edwin Everhart and Christina Everhart, L11-15 B35 BOVINA.

Gladys Wright, Jerald W. Wright, Joe Pat Wright, and Dana Jan Brewer-Bino - Frederico Vela and Lorena Vela, L4 B96 BOVINA.

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# OBITUARIES

## Evelyn June Elam Kendall

Evelyn June Elam Kendall, former resident of Friona, passed away on Wednesday, November 24, 2004.

She was born on April 22, 1929, to Earl Dykes and Addy Fischer Dykes in St. Joseph, Missouri.

She was a Friona resident from July 1967 to February 1977.

June was preceded in death by Earl Elam in 1977, a daughter, Judy, in 1980, her parents, and a brother and sister.

Survivors include her husband, Glenn Kendall, and stepson, Kevin Kendall, both of St. Joseph, Missouri; a daughter, Linda Faires and husband Bobby, of Friona; two sons, Rodney and wife Mary Elam, of



**EVELYN KENDALL**  
St. Joseph, Missouri, and Gary and Bev Elam of Amarillo, Texas; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



**SHARING A BIRTHDAY** surprise for Darrell Buske were front row, Jerry London, Darrell, and Lila Vars. Middle row, Eva Dale, Helen Stinnett, Barbara Mason, Jimmy Mabry, and Larry Fairchild. Back row, Marshall Stinnett, Donald Loafman, Jerry Hinkle, Harley Merritt, and Paula Fairchild.



## New Arrivals



## Peyton Elisabeth Baldrige

Brad and Shyla Baldrige, of Lubbock, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Peyton Elisabeth Baldrige, born Wednesday, December 1, 2004 at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

She weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces and was 19 3/4 inches long. Her grandparents are Gerall and Mary Beth Wylie of Friona and Bill and Linda Baldrige of Pampa.

Great-grandparents are Othelia Bennett and Bob and Lydia Wylie of Friona, and Helen Dyer of Pampa.

## THINK ABOUT THIS God's Purpose Never Changes

By T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

I believe that God has a purpose for everything that happens in this world. NO, He doesn't cause everything to happen that happens, but He uses everything for His cause. Isaiah said, "The Lord Almighty has sworn, 'Surely, as I have planned, so it will be, and as I have purposed so it will stand.'" (Isaiah 46:10). Notice, God said, "I've got a plan, I've got a purpose and it doesn't change."

Someone has said, "History is really God's story" and it is. God doesn't make every choice. He allows man to do that. But He will use all the choices men make, to fulfill His purposes. It's His story!

Do your plans change? Sure they do. Do you know why? Two reasons:

(1) You and I don't have the perspective, the foresight, to know everything that's going to happen. We're not omniscient, like God is. We learn as we grow, and as we learn, we change.

(2) We may not have the power to implement our original plan. We're not omnipotent, like God is. So we have to change our plans. So, what does all this mean? It means that if we want to find peace and security, we have to make our plans, God's plan. His purpose for us must become our purpose. Jesus said, "I have come that you might have life and have life to the fullest (John 10:10). So, my point is, God is eager to use us, but the only way He can use us to His glory, is if we commit our life and plans to Jesus Christ. Have you ever noticed that some people go through life and they don't seem to ever get frustrated, even though changes are going on all around them? They live with changes, but they don't allow these changes to change their value system. Yet others are totally torn and destroyed by change. Why? Because they don't have the emphasis on the right things. God has a purpose for you! If I can help you in your search for that purpose, give me a call. I love you.

## Surprise Birthday Party For D. Buske

Butch and Paula Neel Fairchild, of Adrian, hosted a 65th surprise birthday party for Darrell Buske of the Prairie Acres Nursing Home, on Saturday, December 11, in the lobby of the home. Guests were members of Darrell's FHS class of 1958.

Out-of-town classmates attending were Jimmy Mabry of Lubbock, Donald Loafman of Plainview, Lila Buske Vars of Canyon, Helen Hamilton Stinnett and husband Marshall of Portales, and Eva Nell Thomas Dale of Muleshoe. Attending from Friona were Jerry and Raye London, Jerry and Lucy Beth Hinkle, and Barbara O'Brian Mason.

Special guests from Friona were Mrs. J.T. Gee, wife of the FFA teacher to Darrell's class, Julia Fairchild, class parent, and special friends Harley and Francis Merritt. Refreshments were served and Darrell opened his gifts and everyone visited. Gifts were sent by Phila Buske Weatherly of Crested Butte, Colorado and, Judy, Barnett, of Dallas, and cards from Weldon and Ruby Grubbs Fairchild of

Austin, and Luellen McLean Wittenback of Chickasha, Oklahoma, who were unable to attend.

**Chieftain Band Boosters would like to say  
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**Facts About The BIBLE** BY JOHN LEHTI

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**FARWELL TOURNAMENT CHAMPS...**The Squaws beat Texico Saturday night to win the championship in the Farwell Tournament. Showing their plaque and smiles are, back, l-r, Courtney Adams, Staci Murphree, Misty Adams, and Coach Richard North. Front, l-r, Shayli Reed, Krista Graham, Katy Welch, Trisha Winebrinner, Andrea Geries, and Brenda Murphree. Not pictured is Lucretia Field who was on crutches in the stands recovering from knee surgery.

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**Record 11-2**

# Squaws Sweep Farwell Tourney

BY RON CARR

The Friona Squaws won the Farwell Tournament by a score of 164-91, sweeping Grady, Happy, and Texico in an impressive 3-game parlay. Senior post Trisha Winebrinner, who sat out part of last week with an ankle sprain, came back taped and padded to lead the Squaws with 41 tournament points. Winebrinner, Katy Welch, and Andrea Geries were selected to the all-tournament team.

The Squaws, currently ranked 11th in state 2A by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches poll, rolled over Grady, NM, in the first game 67-38. Coach North suited up only 8 girls for the tournament. Sophomore Lucretia Field underwent knee surgery this week and is out for the year. Senior starter Misty Adams is waiting on a report from an MRI test on the condition of her knee and sat out the tournament.

Like the TV show, eight was enough. All the girls saw action throughout the tournament. The Squaws put up a 39-point first half against Grady and coasted to the 67-38 victory. They bombed the net for eight 3-point goals, three each from Krista Graham and Brenda Murphree and one each from Shayli Reed and Winebrinner.

Winebrinner was leading scorer with 17, B. Murphree 14, Graham 11, C. Adams 8, Welch 8, Reed 5, and S. Murphree 4.

The fire went out in game two vs Happy. The Squaws could muster only 42 points but Happy was stymied by the Squaw defense. Friona won the match 42-31 to advance to the tournament final game. Winebrinner also led scorers in the Happy game with 13, Reed had 10, Welch 9, Geries 4, B. Murphree 2, C. Adams 2, S. Murphree 2. Reed had two 3s and Welch had one also.

For the final at 7 p.m. Saturday night, lots of Friona fans made the trip to Farwell to watch the Squaws battle the Texico Lady Wolverines. The Squaws still had only 8 players. Texico suited up 13 girls. But it wasn't much of a battle although it was a rough and tumble physical skirmish. Friona carded 19 personal fouls and Texico fouled 17 times.

The final score was Friona 55, Texico 22, but as someone said as the crowd was leaving, "That was the most tense 33-point win I've ever seen." Luckily Texico was very cold shooting from anywhere on the court. They made just 4 out of 24 free throw attempts and missed numerous put back shots. One got



**SELECTED to the Farwell All-Tournament team are senior Squaws, l-r, Katy Welch, Trisha Winebrinner, and Andrea Geries.**

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the feeling if their shots had started falling it would be a heck of a game.

Sophomore Shayli Reed took charge of this one for Friona. She lit up the scoreboard with four 3s and four frees to lead scoring with 16 points. She also played an aggressive defense with several steals and generally made herself a pest for Texico. Welch scored 12, in-

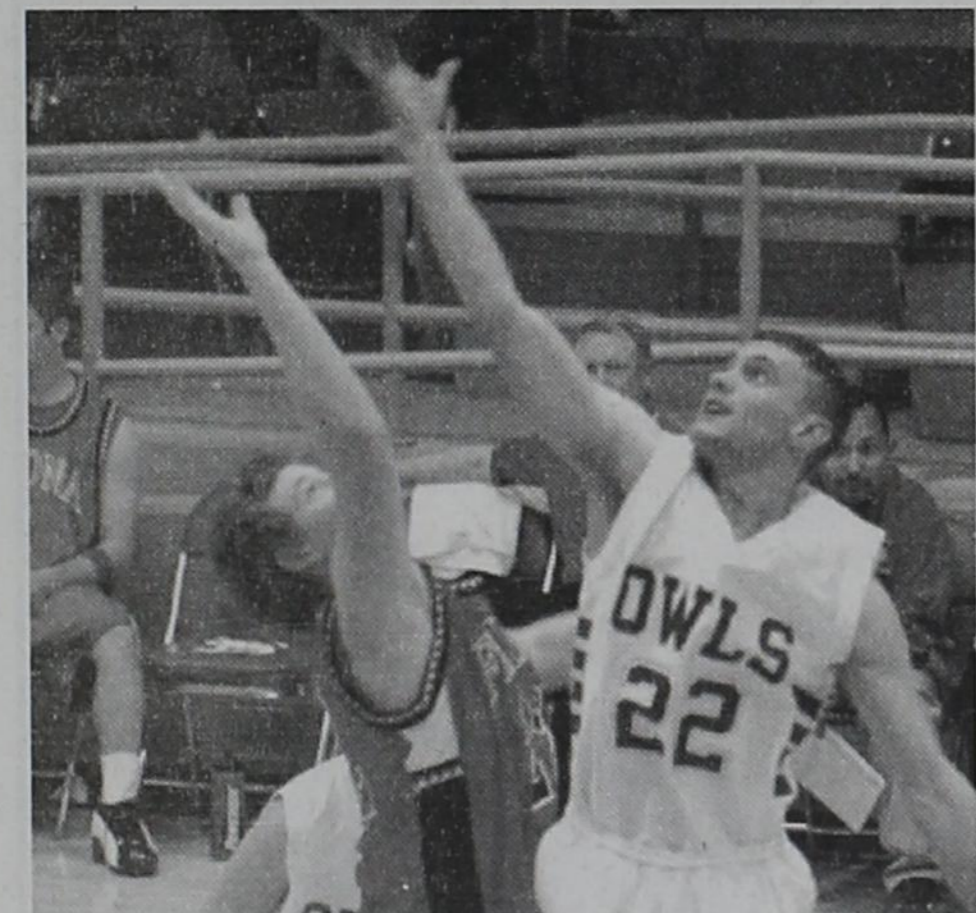
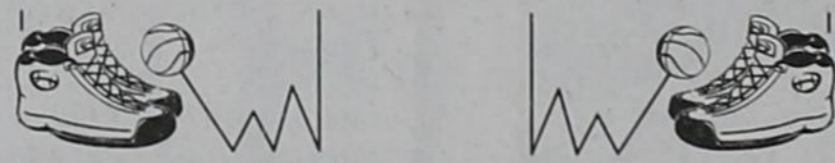
cluding two 3s, Winebrinner had 11, including one 3, Geries had 8, C. Adams 4, and S. Murphree 4.

Of the 164 points Friona scored, there were 18 three-point shots spread among five girls. This squad has shooters and are getting better each game not only in pressing their opponents in the backcourt but breaking the press if any team is adventurous enough to try it.



**YET ANOTHER fast break, this one led by Katy Welch (21), along with Courtney Adams (30) Misty Adams (32) and Andrea Geries (10).**

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**A HALE CENTER Owl outjumps Hayden Patton but Friona got the win in the consolation bracket of the Farwell Tournament.**

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**Consolation Champs**

## Chiefs Win Two in Farwell Tourney

The Friona Chieftains broke into the win column over the weekend with two victories and the consolation bracket trophy in the Farwell Tournament.

The boys lost the first game to Melrose 56-25. In the game, Hayden Patton was high point man with 7, Hector Sanchez, Chad Hutson, Matt Gammon, and Jon Nava had 4 each and Ramey Alaniz added 2 points.

In the second game, the Chiefs found a new game as they turned a 22-14 second half run into a 47-40 win over Happy. It was the Chiefs first victory of the season. Hutson led scoring with 16 points including two 3s, Gammon had 10, Nava 8, Cody Jamerson, Patton, and Rudy Gonzalez 3 each, and Will Hughs and Sanchez 2 each.

In the consolation bracket championship Saturday afternoon, they took care of Hale Center with a 22-point 2Q that put the game out of reach in the second half for Hale Center as the Chief's won 48-32. Nava led scoring this time with 12, followed by Hutson's 11, Sanchez 9, Hughs 4, Patton and Gonzalez 3 each and Gammon, Jamerson and Willy Castillo 2 each.



**SOPHOMORE Chief Hector Sanchez (00) is intense as he sets for a rebound. Matt Gammon is in back.**

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**Record 12-2**

## Shayli Out, Misty Back Squaws Beat Owlettes

BY RON CARR

Super soph Shayli Reed tore up her knee in the final game at the Farwell Tournament. Senior starter Misty Adams sat out that game with a bum knee. Tuesday night the two Squaws traded places as Shayli sat out and Misty returned to the starting lineup. The cycle of knees and ankles continues.

Shayli will miss the Vega game tomorrow night then the teams have a couple of weeks off for the holidays. Reed should be back in action for the Caprock Tournament in Lubbock December 29-31. So much for the hospital report.

The Squaws had little trouble with the Hale Center Owlettes Tuesday night, banging out a 51-22 win which should have been 20 points higher. We don't have the figures but I'm guessing the Squaws field goal percentage was less than 50% as the rim was not always kind. They did shoot 8 of 10 from the free throw line.

Not to worry. The girls are shooting, stealing, and hustling. They held Hale Center to 14 points through the first 3Qs. They play even better when they play a good team. Speaking of shooting, against HC the Squaws netted seven 3s, four by Katy Welch, two by Krista Graham, and one by Misty Adams.

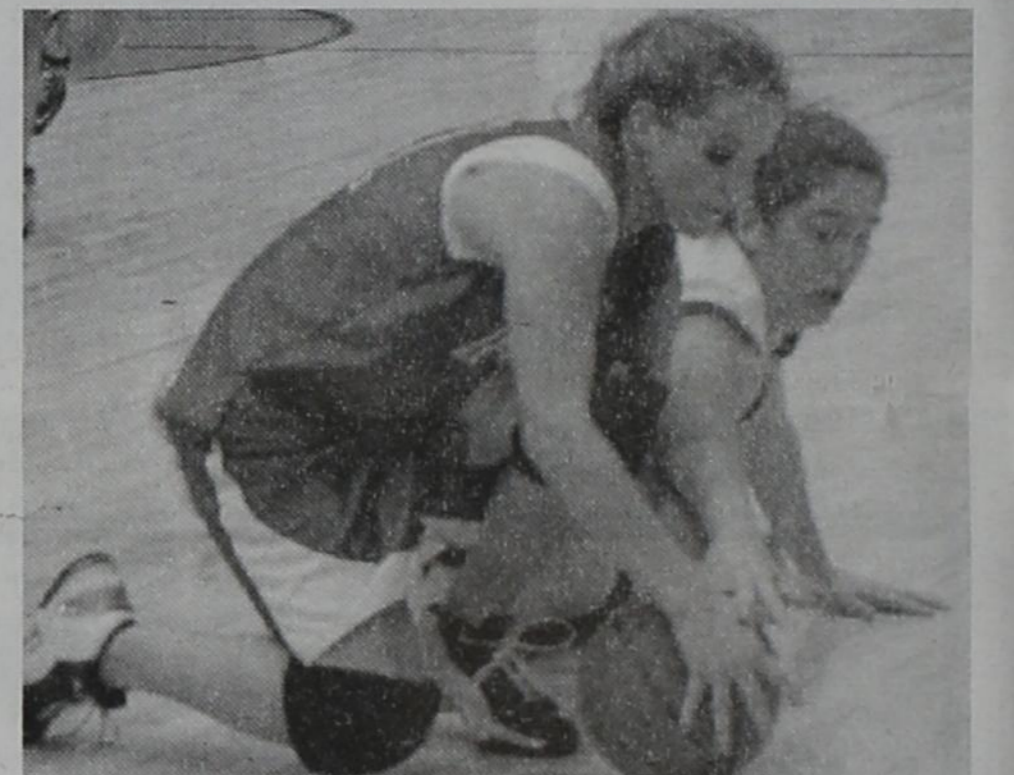
Welch was high point Squaw with 17, Trisha Winebrinner had 8, Courtney Adams 8, Krista Graham 6, Staci Murphree 6, Brenda Murphree 3, and Misty Adams 3.

Next up is Vega Friday December 17 then a holiday break until the Caprock Tournament.



**SHAYLI REED (25) leads the fast break parade as Andrea Geries and Katy Welch trail the play.**

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**HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING? Not quite but Katy Welch outwrestles a Texico Lady Wolverine for the ball.**

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**CHIEFTAIN Cody Jamerson (11) goes around a screen by teammate Hector Sanchez (00).**

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## Chiefs Beat Owls 61-52

The Friona Chieftains are on a 3-game winning streak. Two of those three wins came at the expense of the Hale Center Owls. Friona beat Hale Center last weekend in the Farwell Tournament and again at home Tuesday.

In the 1Q it looked like the Owls were out for revenge as they took a 16-8 lead. But a 21-

point 2Q for Friona gave the Chiefs a 29-25 lead at the half which they held through a 32-27 second half run.

Matt Gammon was high scorer with 17 points. Hayden Patton drained three 3s for 9 points, Cody Jamerson had 8, Jon Nava 7, Chad Hutson 6, Willy Castillo 4, Hector Sanchez 4, Will Hughs 4, Rudy Gonzalez 2.



**WILL HUGHS grabs the ball between two Owls.**

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### Half Way There?

LUBBOCK, December 15, 2004 By ROGER HALDENBY

Looks like we are around half way through harvesting the 2004 cotton crop here in the High Plains of Texas. The crop is forecast to top 4.5 million bales according to the Texas Ag Statistics Service.

Reports coming from growers and ginners across PCG's 41 county area indicate things are going along nicely with the change in the weather since Thanksgiving.

Hopes are up for continued good cotton stripping conditions according to the most recent forecasts from the National Weather Service.

The Lubbock and Lamesa Classing Offices, as of today, have classed close to 1.4 million bales between them. Along with the change in harvesting conditions, the classing offices are reporting a lowering percentage of barmy bales.

## USDA Announces Six Million In Grant Funding

Bryan Daniel, USDA Rural Development State Director, announced today the availability of \$6 million in grant funding to support rural economic and community development efforts. Qualified private, nonprofit and public intermediary organizations proposing to carry out financial and technical assistance programs are eligible to apply.

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2005 Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI) grant funds will provide financial and technical assistance to recipients to develop projects relating to housing, community facilities, or community and economic development.

"Through the Rural Community Development Initiative, rural Texans can increase their capacity to bring community and economic development opportunities to local communities," said Daniel.

Funds may be used to provide technical assistance on how to create and operate a revolving loan fund, establish and manage cooperatives, or provide training on how to conduct homeownership education classes. Grant recipients will provide training and technical assistance to eligible nonprofit community development organizations and low income communities located in rural areas with populations of 50,000 or less.

The maximum award per grant is \$500,000. Applications must be completed and submitted no later than January 25, 2005. For more information, please contact Francisco Valentin, Jr., Community Programs Director, (254) 742-9789.

USDA Rural Development was created in 1994 to help enhance the quality of life and increase economic opportunities for the nation's rural residents. For more information regarding USDA Rural Development programs, contact any USDA Service Center or visit our website at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/tx/>



JEREMY & STACI HART with Hartsdale Texas Harvester, Grand Champion Bull at the National Dual Purpose Shorthorn Show at Hutchinson, Kansas.

courtesy photos



ROBERT CHENEY with Hartsdale Texas Princess, the Reserve Junior Champion in the Open Show at the National Show in Hutchinson, Kansas.

## Harts Exhibit Grand Champion At Shorthorn Show In Kansas

Shorthorn cattle owned by Dale and Laura Hart of Friona were recently exhibited at the National Dual Purpose Shorthorn Show in Hutchinson, Kansas.

Their Hartsdale Polled Shorthorns won the National Grand Champion Bull, Reserve Grand Champion in the junior show, Reserve Junior Champion in the Open Show, plus more first place

ribbons, championships and premium money than any other herd. There were 18 show herds from several states exhibited.

Their Grand Champion Bull was the high-selling bull and went to a reputation herd in Nebraska.

Assisting Dale Hart were his son Jeremy and grandchildren Robert, Colby, and Christi Cheney.

## DAIRYMEN

# A Time For Thanks And Celebration

By JOHN COWAN

As you gather with family around a food-laden table this holiday season, take a moment to think about who brought you the food you enjoy not only for the holiday feast, but year-round.

Thanks to our nation's farm families, most of us have plenty to eat. We also have access to a wide variety of foods at relatively affordable prices. That isn't the case in all parts of our world, unfortunately.

On behalf of the dairy industry, the Texas Association of Dairymen wishes to say "thank you" as 2004 draws to a close. We'd like to thank the consumers who support our industry by buying milk, cheese, ice cream and other dairy products.

But TAD also would like to thank its members, the dairy farmers who work so hard to supply the butter for the dinner rolls, the scoop of ice cream for the pecan pie, and the milk put out for Santa to enjoy with his cookies.

In Texas, about 800 dairy farmers in the state produce more than 656 million gallons of milk a year, ranking Texas 12<sup>th</sup> in milk production nationwide. Those same producers (and their cows) also help make Texas the fourth leading producer of ice cream in the country.

These dairy products—as well as other food and fiber products—are produced largely

through the labor of individual farmers and their families. Farming in Texas isn't a corporate endeavor—an estimated 92 percent of Texas' agricultural operations are still run by individuals or families.

These families make a lot of personal sacrifices to stock the nation's grocery store shelves. Farming is not an easy profession. Those whose only exposure to the farm life is through television or the movies are getting the Norman Rockwell, romantic view of this existence.

The reality is tough work, plenty of dirt, early mornings, late nights, financial worries, the rising cost of feed and equipment, broken machinery, sick cows, keeping up with ever-changing rules regulating the industry, and countless other concerns. Yet these families wouldn't choose any other way of life.

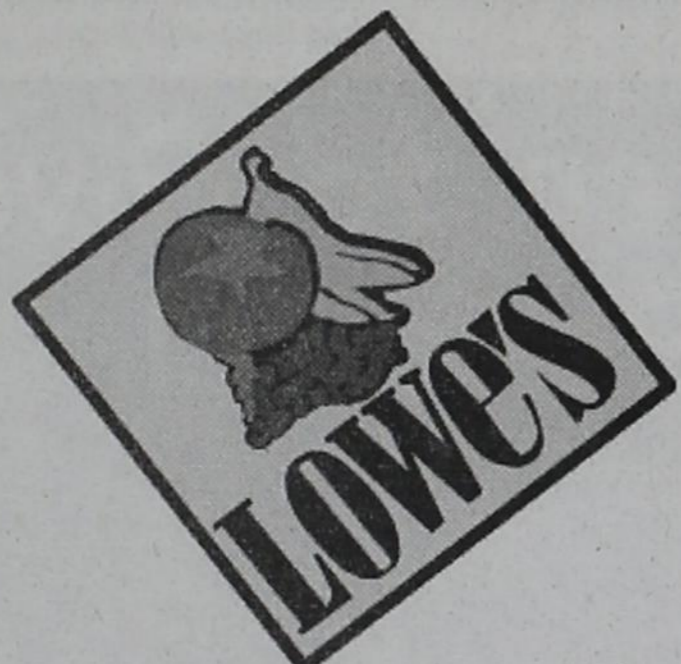
Farming in the 21<sup>st</sup> century will present even more new challenges and demands. The Texas Association of Dairymen will continue its mission to support and assist our state's dairy farmers so that they can continue to pursue a way of life they love and to put food on Texas tables.

Happy holidays!  
(John Cowan is the executive director of the Texas Association of Dairymen, Inc. ([www.milk4texas.org](http://www.milk4texas.org)).



## Healthy, Low-Fat Beef Tamales

Healthier-ways to make San Antonio's traditional Christmas tamales were the focus of recent adult community classes in the Alamo City. The Texas Beef Council and San Antonio registered dietitian, Lisa Johnson, showed participants how shredded beef can make great low-fat holiday tamales. The classes were part of the San Antonio Fit City Initiative.



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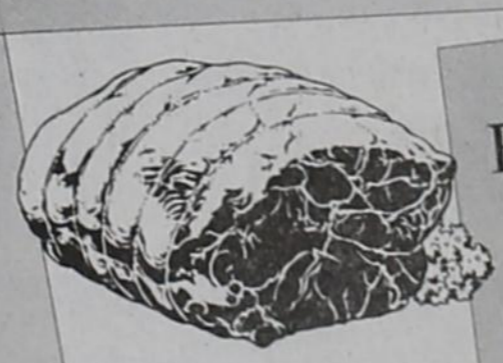
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# SEE YA AT LOWE'S





**FRIONA JUNIOR HIGH UIL 1st place winners: front, l-r, Kelsey White, Gaby Rivera, Brandi Merritt, Uriel Lopez, Regan Anthony. Middle, l-r, Lucy Mendez, Keeley Dunnam, Ingrith Ojeda, Marina Sanchez, Paige Herbert, Alex Gonzales. Back, l-r, Lawton Vasquez, Denise Chaparro, Alex Dunnam, Kortney Boardley, Kirby Frye, Anna Murphree, J Gurley.**  
ron carr photo

## Friona JH 1<sup>st</sup> In UIL

Friona Junior High students won 1<sup>st</sup> place in a UIL contest held December 8 at Wayland Baptist University in Plainview.

Friona scored 600.33 points to take 1<sup>st</sup> place. Tulia was 2<sup>nd</sup> with 568 points. Floydada was 3<sup>rd</sup>, Lockney 4<sup>th</sup>, Olton 5<sup>th</sup>, and Dimmitt 6<sup>th</sup>.

Friona categories, students, and placements were:

**Music Memory:** Team-2<sup>nd</sup>, Kourtney Boardley, Denise Chaparro, Laci Austin, Alex Gonzales, Brandy Merritt, Marissa Sanchez.

**Editorial Writing:** Seventh Grade: Anna Murphree-2<sup>nd</sup>, Monica Dominguez-3<sup>rd</sup>, Jordan Kelley-5<sup>th</sup>; Eighth Grade: Gaby Rivera-1<sup>st</sup>, Justin Echevarria-2<sup>nd</sup>, Michael Beard-4<sup>th</sup>.

**Ready Writing:** Sixth Grade: Marissa Sanchez-1<sup>st</sup>, Laci Austin-3<sup>rd</sup>, Laura Lopez-4<sup>th</sup>; Seventh Grade: Alex Ferguson-4<sup>th</sup>, Liliana Saucedo-6<sup>th</sup>.

**Mathematics:** Sixth Grade: Team-3<sup>rd</sup>, Kirby Frye-2<sup>nd</sup>; Seventh Grade: Leonardo Castaneda-4<sup>th</sup>; Eighth Grade: Team-3<sup>rd</sup>, Justin Echevarria-2<sup>nd</sup>, Alex Vega-4<sup>th</sup>.

**Number Sense:** Sixth Grade: Team-1<sup>st</sup>, Kirby Frye-1<sup>st</sup>, Karina Trevino-4<sup>th</sup>; Eighth Grade: Team-3<sup>rd</sup> - John O'Brian-5<sup>th</sup>.

**Calculators:** Sixth Grade: Team-3<sup>rd</sup>, Alex Gonzales-6<sup>th</sup>; Eighth Grade: Team-3<sup>rd</sup> - Isaac Bryan-4<sup>th</sup>.

**Dictionary Skills:** Sixth Grade: Team-1<sup>st</sup>, Regan Anthony-1<sup>st</sup>, Caitlin Bronniman-5<sup>th</sup>; Seventh Grade: Team-3<sup>rd</sup>; Eighth Grade: Team-2<sup>nd</sup>, Gaby Rivera-1<sup>st</sup>, Lucy Mendez-8<sup>th</sup>.

**Maps, Graphs, & Charts:** Sixth Grade: Team-1<sup>st</sup>, Keeley Dunnam-1<sup>st</sup>, J Gurley-3<sup>rd</sup>; Seventh Grade: Team-3<sup>rd</sup>, Bryan Baxter-1<sup>st</sup>.

**Science:** Eighth Grade: John O'Brian-5<sup>th</sup>, Alba Soltero-6<sup>th</sup>.

**Spelling:** Sixth Grade: Team-2<sup>nd</sup>, Kourtney Boardley-3<sup>rd</sup>; Seventh Grade: Team-3<sup>rd</sup>; Eighth Grade: Team-2<sup>nd</sup>, Lucy Mendez-1<sup>st</sup>.

**Impromptu Speaking:** Sixth Grade: Kelsey White-1<sup>st</sup>, Brenner Barnett-6<sup>th</sup>; Eighth Grade: Christy Widner-4<sup>th</sup>.

**Oral Reading:** Sixth Grade: Skyla Stormes-2<sup>nd</sup>; Seventh Grade: Paige Herbert-2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Modern Oratory:** Eighth Grade: Lawton Vasquez-1<sup>st</sup>.

**Listening Skills:** Sixth Grade: Team-1<sup>st</sup>, Laura Lopez-1<sup>st</sup>, Mikey O'Brian-4<sup>th</sup>; Eighth Grade: Team-3<sup>rd</sup>, Gaby Rivera-4<sup>th</sup>.

**Art:** Sixth Grade: Ingrith Ojeda-1<sup>st</sup>, Uriel Lopez-1<sup>st</sup>; Seventh/Eighth Grade: Ana Alvidrez-1<sup>st</sup>, Alex Dunnam-1<sup>st</sup>, Ana DeLaPaz-1<sup>st</sup>.

### Fillies, Mustangs Win At Adrian

The Bovina Fillies continued to play good basketball Tuesday night at Adrian. The Fillies put up a 24-point fourth quarter to pull out the 61-51 victory over the Adrian girls. Irma Rocha was impressive with 24 points to lead Fillie scorers. Teammate Jennifer Reyna was close behind with 22 points.

The Mustangs also brought back a win as they bested Adrian 51-45 anchored by a 24 point first quarter. Senior Jeff Casas had 29 points to lead the Mustangs. Josh Shelby had 7 points.

# Bovina School Board Denies Gown Request

About 18 Bovina High School seniors attended the regular meeting of the Bovina School Board December 13. The senior students were asking the board to allow girls to wear white gowns and boys to wear maroon gowns at the 2005 graduation. Senior Jeff Casas spoke as the representative of the senior class.

The request had been denied by high school principal Bill Bizzell who stuck with the traditional all-maroon graduation. The students appealed to the school board but the board backed the principal's ruling. All 2005 graduates will wear maroon.

In other action, the board accepted the financial audit ending August 31, 2004, as presented by Sue Riddick; the Bovina Community Network's proposal to sell Nobillis computers for \$1200 each to the school for the video lab was accepted; and approved the

renewal agreement for the West Texas Food Service cooperative.

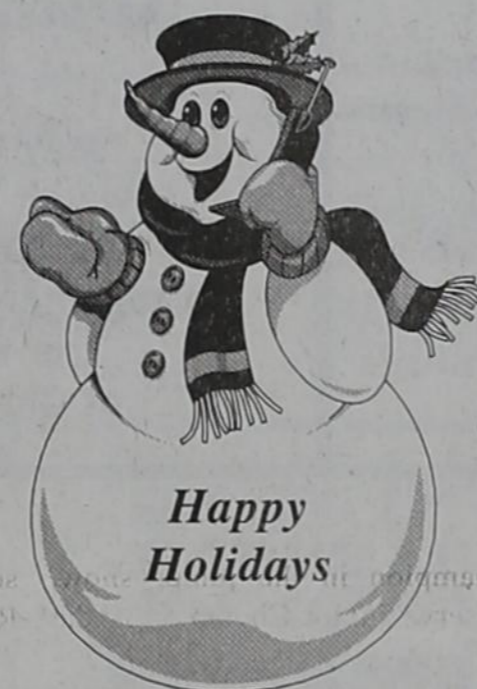
The board approved the contract for appraisal, assessment, and collection service with the Parmer County Appraisal District, and accepted the recommendation of Leon Ware that Earl Whitten replace Ted Clayton on the Appraisal Review Board.

The board hired Rocio Mata as the school Social Worker. Mata will fill the school counselor position that has been open all school year and will serve as counselor and social worker, a new position for BISD. No action was taken on the budget amendment for the salary and supplies for the social worker.

The board entered closed executive session to discuss the Superintendent's evaluation. The board returned from closed session at 12:10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:45 a.m.



**AT THE ribbon cutting for the opening of The Gallery of the Frio Draw last week are, l-r, Kay and Jim Swafford and granddaughter Taylor Prather, Chamber of Commerce executive director Chris Alexander, Don Spring, Bobby Wied, Gladys Spring, Delphine Wied, and Chamber of Commerce assistant Betty Lamb.**  
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**Meet the Class of 2016**  
Jason is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. His parents are Doug and Ann Kelley. He has one sister, Robin, and two brothers, Jordan and Dillon.  
Jason likes riding motorcycles and playing basketball or football. his favorite food is hamburgers.

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## Bovina Reflections

**45 Yrs. Ago**  
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A run-away snow-plowing truck, its driver overcome by carbon monoxide fumes, plowed into French Cook's garage on Highway 86 Tuesday afternoon. Dale Harmon, 21, was unconscious in the truck but was not injured when it hit the garage. Harmon was rushed to Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona and immediately put under an oxygen tent.

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**40 Yrs. Ago**  
December 16, 1964

A group of local men left Monday for a pheasant hunting trip. They planned to go to Chappel and Lincoln, Nebraska. They planned to be gone about a week. Making the trip were Earl Stevenson, Eual Hart and Ike Quickel.

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**15 Yrs. Ago**  
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8TH GRADE BRAVES, back, l-r, Justin Echavarría, Aaron Hand, Justin Dominguez, Alex Dunnam, John O'Brien, Patrick Rios, Gonzalo Gonzales. Front, l-r, Rolondo Castanon, Irving Huerta, Joey Mendoza, Mike Keen, Andrew Stowers and Isaac Bryan.

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## 2005 Museum Calendars Now Available

They cost \$15, which is a donation to the Parmer County Pioneer Museum. The 2005 museum calendars feature vintage photos for each month denoting stages of Parmer County history. Museum board member Mary Johnston says they have sold enough calendars to cover about half the production cost and would like to encourage people to buy a calendar to help put them over the top and make some profit for the museum.

The cover is a picture of a Parmer County farm, circa 1908 or thereabouts, which was featured in a flyer by the Geo. G. Wright Co. of Kansas City, Missouri, encouraging prospective farmers and landowners to take the train to Friona. "leaving the first and third Wednesday of each month."

The flyer extolled prospects to come to Friona, "one of the newest of the Panhandle towns and opportunities for business men, tradesmen, and mechanics are numerous."

Lots were offered at reasonable prices, for cash or on good terms. The first buyers have the pick and will



LOOKING OVER the 2005 museum calendar are l-r, Lois Norwood, Hannah Lookingbill, and Olive Massie.

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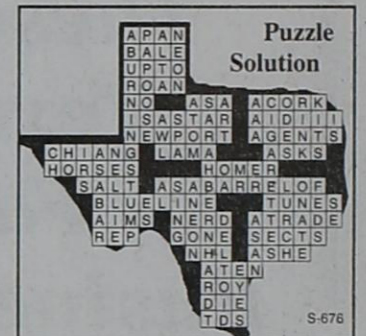


reap the harvest, the brochure said.

The June picture is of a group of motley settlers with the old Congregational Church, which is now the museum, in the background. On the September page you can find a team picture of the 1928 Chieftains football team. Settlers, pioneers, and early history abound on each

monthly page.

The calendars are available at the Friona Public Library, the Friona Star office, or at the museum. A calendar would make a nice addition to someone's Christmas stocking. You can help the museum grow by buying one of the calendars even if you don't particularly care what day it is.



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1 biscuits are cooked in this (2 wds.)  
 5 cotton bundle  
 6 "Mama, don't let your babies grow up to be cowboys"  
 7 horse color  
 8 TXism: "\_\_\_ hill for a stepper"  
 9 TXism: "cold \_\_\_ banker's heart"  
 12 TXism: "he likes to pull \_\_\_ (drinker)"  
 17 TX Sly's "Everybody \_\_\_"  
 20 a TX Willie benefit. Farm \_\_\_  
 22 USS Houston was launched from \_\_\_ News, VA  
 23 Cowboy & Texan negotiators  
 24 TX Chennault was adviser to \_\_\_ Kai-shek  
 29 bootmaker Tony  
 30 inquires  
 31 TXism: "got it from the \_\_\_ mouth"  
 32 Astro four bagger  
 36 Grand Saline, TX is called "\_\_\_ City"  
 37 TXism: "crooked \_\_\_ snakes"  
 43 offside's mark for the Dallas Stars (2 wds.)  
 45 TX Willie once sang gospel with his sister  
 47 points a gun  
 48 social misfit

**DOWN**

15 where TXns skate  
 16 snake bite  
 17 medical containers  
 18 how TXns pronounce "oil"  
 19 resort  
 21 Austin's last words: "Texas \_\_\_ recognized \_\_\_"  
 24 this Hilton started his hotel chain in Cisco (init.)  
 25 Santa's word  
 26 TX Willie got in debt to this agency  
 27 TXism: "busy \_\_\_ tender on payday"  
 28 wife of John Connally  
 33 TX \_\_\_ "Bum" Phillips  
 34 Rayburn: "\_\_\_ Sam"  
 35 TXism: "let \_\_\_ rip"  
 37 Rangers league  
 38 what TX Willie does on stage  
 39 TXism: "\_\_\_ light idea" (good idea)  
 40 Dallas actor Ted Cassidy's role on "Addams Family"  
 41 founder of El Paso: Juan de \_\_\_  
 42 INS agents  
 44 ex-Cowboy Emmitt (init.)  
 46 to Bryan from Waco  
 49 shoulder muscle  
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# R. Samarron Wins Gold At Powerlifting Championships

Richard Samarron of Friona is now officially a world champion. Samarron and his wife Vickie traveled to Laughlin, Nevada, December 3-5, 2004, where Richard was one of 473 weightlifters from around the world to participate in the AAU World Powerlifting Championships.

Richard qualified for the world lifting event by winning two national championships, setting eight Texas state records, and five American records, and was one-inch away from a world record. He and his brother Jose were on two Texas teams last year and this was the second time Richard had been on the USA NASA team. The last

time he was a NASA team member was in 1990 when he traveled to Moscow, Russia, for the USA vs. USSR competition.

In the Nevada world competition, Richard was the gold medalist in the 308-pound Lifetime Division. Lifetime Division means he has never used steroids. The silver medalist was multi-world champion Paul Wrenn of Tennessee and the bronze medalist was Ahunda Dewkins.

Samarron squatted 622 pounds. He went to 683 pounds on a third attempt but it didn't count because it was two inches too high. He finished with a 385 pound bench press and a 622 pound

deadlift for a total of 1629 pounds. His winning total was 173 pounds less than his personal best of 1802 pounds lifted in Lubbock last November. "The international judging was very tough. You had to do the lifts perfect or they would not count," Samarron said. Silver medalist Paul Wrenn had a total of 1509 pounds.

Samarron said there were teams from NASA USA, AAU, Canada, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Mexico, Czechoslovakia, Kenya, and Cuba in the Laughlin world contest. Team NASA USA won the overall world championship. "This is by far the biggest event I have ever

competed in," Samarron said.

"I would like to thank God for helping me out, my wife for supporting me, and all the great people that prayed for me," Samarron said. He also thanked sponsors that contributed to the trip: Sam Mears, Friona State Bank, Claire Blanco, Bi-Wize Drugstore, Louis and Kenda Dunnam, Robert and Maria Gonzales, Hi-Pro Feeds, Ron and Melba Smiley, Tasty Cream, Abundant Life Health Store in Hereford, and all the people that helped him and Vickie at their 1st annual Samarron Softball Tournament. He would also like to thank the City of Friona for letting them work out at the

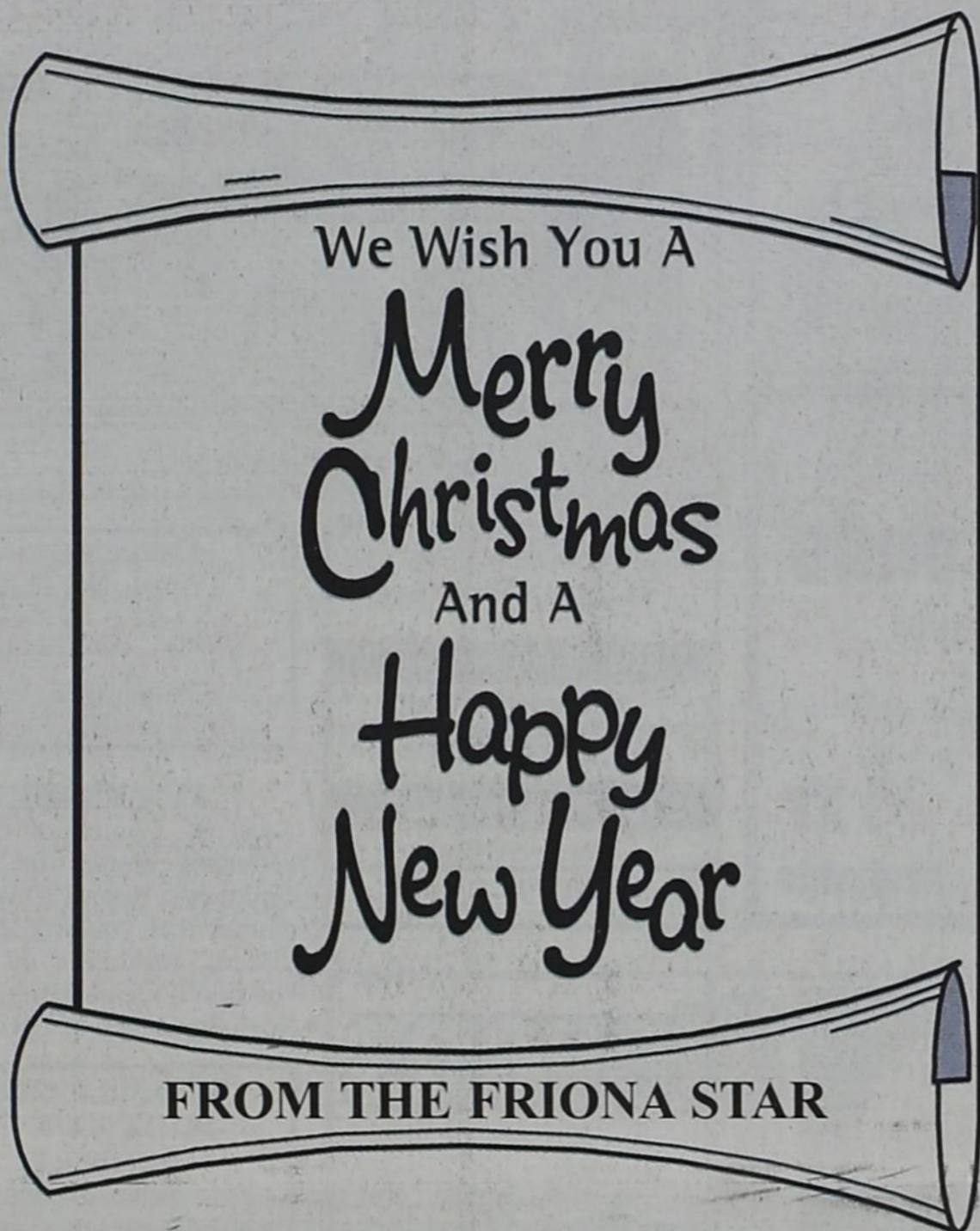


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Continuing the family tradition, Richard's brother Jose and his two sons will partici-

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