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Museum Open House Set Sunday 1-3 p.m.

The Parmer County Pioneer Museum will host an open house Sunday, December 5, from 1-3 p.m. The museum is located at 6th and Cleveland in Friona.

Refreshments will be served. Special entertainment of quartet music begins at 2 p.m. The public is invited. Friona High School's service learning students, who helped clean up the museum as one of their projects earlier this year, will be special guests.

Museum curator Wendy Carthel, assistant Kim Herring, and the museum board have worked hard to gather school memorabilia and get the displays arranged for the Christmas season. There is some very interesting Parmer County history on display. There is no charge to visit the museum. The 2005 Museum calendars will be available for purchase and donations to the museum fund are always accepted.

United Way Reaches 89% of 2004 Goal

The Friona United Way has collected \$34,269.73, which is 89% of the 2004 goal.

UW board president Cecil Maddox is pleased with the participation but, "There are enough pledges out there that have not been mailed back that would help us reach 100% of our goal," Maddox said.

If you have not returned your pledge envelope please take a minute to send in your contribution. Donations to the United Way can also be made at Friona State Bank. Help the United Way help others.

Empty Stocking Fund Helps Needy Children

Kids in Parmer County need help, maybe more so than you imagine. The Empty Stocking Fund helps needy children.

The Parmer County Welfare Board, under the supervision of Parmer County Commissioners, gathers names of children that have special needs. Warm shoes, clothes, and coats are at the top of the list and Jo Blackwell says there are at least 17 names of needy children on the list so far this year. Mrs. Blackwell, executive director of Prairie Acres, says the Empty Stocking Fund gets some help from the United Way but the needs of county children grow faster than the funds.

Names of children in need are gathered from the elementary and primary schools and your donations provide them with a merrier Christmas.

Put the Empty Stocking Fund near the top of your giving list. Donations can be made at Friona State Bank, or to Jo Blackwell. You can call Jo at Prairie Acres, 250-3922. Some really deserving kids are counting on you.

Adopt-A-Resident For **Xmas at Prairie Acres**

Want to adopt somebody for Christmas? How about a resident at Prairie Acres Nursing Home.

Many of the elderly residents have special needs such as sweat suits, warm socks, and clothing. tact Elizabeth or Patti at Prairie Acres. They will give you sizes and items to buy, mostly clothes, (but not the name of the resident, privacy you know).

in shopping malls this time of year. You "adopt" a resident, buy Prairie Acres, and the staff distributes it.

There are approximately 70 Gonzalez, and Andy Montana. residents now at Prairie Acres. To find out how you can help or for more information call Patti or Elizabeth in the Prairie Acres activity department, 250-3922.



CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK...Santa Claus visited with Miss Friona Kristin Butman and Haden Smiley at the Old Depot in Friona City Park Monday.

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THE HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR sang carols during Monday's Christmas in the Park. Above, 1-r, are carolers Meghan Hendrickson, Jordan Jamerson, Allison Jones, and Hanna Stovall. dana d. jameson photo

NOVEMBER SETS MARK

Moisture Continues Its Unusual Yearly Pattern

By BILL ELLIS

this week continues to rack up the month! records in the moisture departtheir hair.

should just about get the cot- mark, set in 1941. ton defoliated, but the main machinery in them.

an accompanying stiff breeze, tioned above. caused the "chill factor" to hit on the local Channel 6 station.

record of 3.36 inches, registered four-inch mark. in 1943, two years removed from the record moisture year.

November's total was that part and 9.66 inches in October, of the moisture came from a when at least half those totals total of 13.5 inches of snow, would probably have been which is more than we receive plenty for farmers that year.

The two inches of snow, most winters. Most of that, 7.5 which blanketed the area early inches came on the first day of

For those of you who are ment, as well as having the keeping track, the total moisarea's cotton farmers pulling out ture in Friona now sits at 36.16 inches through November. We'd With a hard freeze of 14 de- have to get 4.42 inches in Degrees on Tuesday morning, that cember to topple the all-time

Talk about coincidences, the problem continues, that the official Friona gauge has caught fields are too wet to get heavy 26.51 inches in the past six months, which averages 4.42 Monday's low temps, with inches, the exact figure men-

November made it five at least five degrees below zero months in the past six for the moisture to top the four-inch The month of November mark, and sixth month for the ended with 4.08 inches of mois- year. In the 1941 record year, ture, smashing the November only four months topped the

The difference in 1941 was the fact that a total of 9.54 Another oddity about inches were measured in May

Pheasant Season To Have A Soggy Start

BY RON CARR

urday, December 4.

Saturday in December and runs and Roberts. 30 days. In years past pheasdid not get it done.

from one-half hour before sun- cost will be by donations. rise until one-half hour after attached to the pheasant until in the Lazbuddie ISD cafeteria. it reaches its final destination. viewed on the web at for a drawing to win a new www.tpwd.state.tx.us.

showed a 13% increase in Motel in Hereford Friday night, pheasant numbers compared to at the Methodist breakfast Satlast year and a 223% increase urday morning, and at the over 2002. But pheasant numbers are still down from the ing Saturday's lunch hour.

Pheasant season opens Sat- 1980s. Counties with the highest number of pheasants are The official season is De- Deaf Smith, Sherman, Moore, cember 4 to January 2, 2005. Ochiltree, Hansford, and por-The season now opens the first tions of Castro, Bailey, Parmer,

Hunters have opportunities ant season opened the second to eat on opening day. The Saturday in December. The First United Methodist Church change to the first Saturday on Main Street in Hereford will was supposed to take place last have a breakfast Saturday mornyear but the state legislature ing from 5:30 a.m. to 8 a.m. Menu will be eggs, bacon, sau-Legal shooting hours are sage, gravy and coffee. The

From 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. sunset. The daily bag limit is Saturday the Lazbuddie senior two roosters per hunter (four in class will serve their Pheasant possession). Shooting a hen is Hunt Luncheon of HB stew, not allowed. The Texas Parks & pinto beans, cornbread, relish Wildlife Department (TPWD) re- & hot sauce, and desserts for quires that one leg, including \$6.50 per plate, all you can eat the spur or all feathers remain (one dessert). The meal will be

The Hereford AMBUCs Map booklets and rules may be Chapter will be selling tickets shotgun. AMBUCs members This year's TPWD surveys will be at the Best Western Ranch House Restaurant dur-

Having said all that, the prognosis for a good hunt, at least this first weekend, is still up in the air. Outdoors writer, hunting guide, and WT Services employee Jim Steiert said he has postponed his opening weekend because of the weather and field conditions. "One reason for moving opening week back was to get some better weather but it isn't working this year," Steiert said. "With not much ground harvested, no maize stubble, muddy fields, we need a few days of wind and warmth to allow for some harvesting and to dry the fields out," he said. Hunters may be left with hunting CRP, edges, and lake bottoms for the first few days of the 2004 season.

However, many hunters made arrangements last year for this opening day weekend and will be flying and driving in from all around the country which is a boost to our area economy whether they get their limit or not. Hopefully the sunny weather that began here Tuesday will hold out until the weekend and provide for some successful hunting.

Brito Wins Top Prize in Football Contest

flourish.

Martin Brito of Bovina works at Caprock Cattle Feeders. He you. and his wife have a baby that is less than a month old. His employer, Caprock Cattle Feeders, is a loyal and long time football contest sponsor. Martin played the games every week and out of the 13 weeks he never had an entry that was less than 10 correct. His point total of 164 was an average of 12.6 correct games per week. It paid off as Brito won the Week 13

contest and the grand prize of \$200 too. In the 13th and final week's contest, Martin scored 16 correct picks to win the Week 13 cash prize of \$50. The 16 correct vaulted him into the overall point total lead tied with Here is the way it works: Con- James Elder of Muleshoe. Both finished with 164 points. So we used 13-weeks worth of tie-breakers to compute the lowest tie-breaker total and Martin Brito was declared the winner of the \$200 grand prize too. Elder claims the 2nd place grand prize of \$100.

In the Week 13 contest no one picked 15 correct. Kelly It works like those angel trees Lookingbill of Friona was one of eight players that had 14 correct answers to tie for 2nd place. Kelly and two others were 10-points off and still tied after the 1st tie-breaker game. Kelly the gift, fill the need, take it to won the tie-off on the 2nd tie-breaker game at 11 points off.

Others that had 14 correct were Sean Lookingbill, Lester Fennell, Mona Contreras, Harley Merritt, Raymond Ortiz, David

The final point standings of about the Top 30 contestants are elsewhere in the paper today. We appreciate everyone that entered, whether it was just one or two times or every week. A special thanks to our sponsors of this year's contest for their loyal support. Without sponsors the contest would not be

The 2004 Football contest is over and it went out in a possible. If you were a past regular and did not play this year, we missed you. If you played for the first time this year, thank

> Thank you, thank you and we will see you back day guided hunt until next next year for another Friona Football Contest.



GRAND PRIZE winner Martin Brito of Bovina, right, accepts his \$200 check from Mike Hanes, owner of Bi-Wize Drug Store, contest sponsor. Brito won the top prize and 1st place in the final weekly contest, a total of \$250.00. ron carr photo

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OUT HERE by Ron Carr

"Oh, You Really Shouldn't Have"

Gifts.

Just the sound of the word gives me an anxiety attack. I never know what to buy for the few people on my gift list. I'm pretty much a bad-gift giver.

shopping day of the year, I went to Stonebriar Mall in Frisco, Texas, with several thousand (make that million) other shoppers. Local TV showed people lined up by 3 a.m. to take advantage of the 5 a.m. to 9 a.m. early bird shopping specials at most major stores. What can you buy at 5 a.m. that you can't buy in the daylight hours?

We went to the mall around noon. I hung out with my daughters Kirsten and Megan. My sons Casey and Zach went their separate ways. We looked at kitchen utensils, bath and body products, clothes, Hickory Farms meat, books, DVDs, and cheesy costume jewelry.

I bought the new Seinfeld DVD set for myself. It came with a Monk's Diner mustard and ketchup bottle and napkin holder and a deck of playing cards. Picked up a half dozen new shirts on sale at Foley's. I didn't have the coupon that was in the Dallas newspaper for an extra 15% off but the nice Pakistani man cashier gave it to me anyway.

The problem I have with Christmas is we buy stuff for people because we are supposed to, not because we want to. "I don't know what to get her/him but I have to get them something." Sound familiar? One survey I read said over 60% of givers this year will give gift cards. Here is some money, go buy yourself something.

Then there are the re-gifters. People that got presents last year they didn't like so they

else this year. If you are one of those just be careful you don't give it to the person that gave to purchase anything clown reit to you in the first place. It is usually a good idea to give it Last Friday, the busiest to somebody on the other side it. of the family so the person

> Always keep a few wrapped be. gifts in the closet for the times when someone unexpected gives you a present and of course you have to give them one back. You know what the Bible says: a gift for a gift.

be present when it is opened.

Sam Goody is the online three. Resist them. name for Musicland, which operates 900 retail music stores. Last year Sam Goody hosted a Bad-Gift Boycott on December 26, inviting bad-gift recipients to "return" their unwanted gifts to Santa. They collected a dumpster load of stuff and compiled a list of the "10 worst gifts collected at the Sam Goody Bad-Gift Boycott." For what it is worth and to guide

ing season, here they are.

1. Clown art. Resist the urge lated. Happy clowns or sad clowns, the receiver won't like

2. Homemade sweaters. Smile that gave it to you won't even and say you like it no matter how itchy or ill-fitting it might sage at one time.

> the concept of working a puzzle grass grow.

4. Tube socks. They are did. cheap and come in packages of

5. Ties. If you are going to buy a tie, include a fruitcake the same in popularity.

6. Exercise videos/diet books. No matter how many bows you put on the package, it will still offend the recipient.

7. Undergarments. Women choose boxer shorts with cute designs that men can't wear at the gym. Men choose risque'

will re-gift them to someone you through the Christmas gift- lingerie that their woman wouldn't wear in a million years. 8. A padded toilet seat.

Enough said. What were you thinking?

9. Sausage sample pack. Sausage is best in small quantities. Very few of your friends really need 10 different kinds of sau-

10. Cheap perfumes. Most 3. Puzzles. Many people see men won't spend enough money to make their honey about as exciting as watching smell really good. Let her buy her own. You'll be glad you

There are probably many more bad-gift ideas that could go on the list. No doubt you have gotten a bad-gift at some with it. They are both about time or another. And given a few too.

The one surefire test of whether you bought a bad-gift is when you hear those four words of Christmas happiness: "Ohhhhh, you shouldn't have".

If someone says you shouldn't have, then you probably shouldn't have.

I think I know why they call it

a 'Maul'



Saving For Your Health

It comes as no surprise that health care costs are on the rise. If you've been to the doctor recently, you know that simple procedures and regular check-ups can cost hundreds of dollars, making healthy living more expensive than ever. In fact, over the last decade health care costs have risen at a faster rate than inflation.

In addition to our work to lower the number of uninsured Americans, we also are looking for creative ways for Americans to cover their health expenditures. Under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, a limited number of small businesses and self-employed individuals who had health insurance with a high deductible were permitted to make financial contributions to tax-free medical savings accounts to pay for non-reimbursable health care services.

Health Savings Accounts

Last year's bipartisan Medicare Modernization Act included a provision to bring this benefit to even more Americans, establishing health savings accounts (HSAs) to help individuals and families prepare for and pay for their health care costs. Think of it as an Individual Retirement Account, or IRA, earmarked for medical expenses with tax-free earnings on the money. Deposits can be easily withdrawn by check or debit card to pay routine medical bills with tax-free dollars. The accounts are designed to help pay for health expenses until insurance benefits kick in and are linked to a high deductible health plan (HDHP). For example, if you are hit with a medical emergency and have to come up with a \$1,000 deductible, you can withdraw the money from your HAS to cover the cost until your insurance takes over.

These savings accounts have several advantages for qualified individuals and families. Foremost, it allows you to save money for future medical expenses, whether you become unemployed, retired or incur long-term care expenses. Because the accounts are personally owned, you control how much money to put into the account and how to use it, as well as whether to invest any of the money in the account and which investments to make. In addition, the account is transferable if you change jobs or residency and the money can be rolled-over from year-to-year to be used for future health care expenses. You can even take a tax deduction for contributions made to your HSA.

Who Can Open an HSA?

Any American can open an HSA if they meet the following conditions:

You must also have coverage under an HDHP.

You cannot have any other health insurance coverage except the HDHP, but you can have other types of insurance like specific injury insurance, accident, disability, dental and vision care, or long-term care insurance without being disqualified.

You cannot be eligible for Medicare.

You cannot be claimed as a dependent on someone else's tax return.

How Much Can I Contribute?

Just as with an IRA, there are limits to how much you can contribute to an HSA. Contributions of \$2,600 can be made annually by individuals who have health plans with a minimum deductible of \$1,000 and out-of-pocket expenses not exceeding \$5,000. Families may invest \$5,150 each year if they have catastrophic health insurance that has a minimum deductible of \$2,000 with out-of-pocket expenses not exceeding \$10,000. Individuals between the ages of 55 and 65 can make annual "catch-up" contributions of up to \$500 in 2004, with annual increases of \$100 until the limit reaches \$1,000 in

Health Savings Accounts can be set up with any financial institution such as a bank, credit union, or insurance company. If you're looking to start an HDHP, contact your current health insurance carrier, licensed insurance agent, or the Texas Department of Insurance to find out which insurance companies offer HDHPs in

For more information on HSAs, please view the Department of Treasury website at http://www.treas.gov/offices/public-affairs/hsa. If you have additional questions, contact the Treasury via email at hsainfo@do.treas.gov or call (202) 622-4HSA.



JIM BOB SWAFFORD, DON SPRING & BOBBY WEID

Art Gallery Opening In Friona

Gallery of the Frio Draw will have its grand opening in Friona at 614 Euclid Thursday evening, December 9, from 6:30-9:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served and free gifts will be given. Drawings will be held for door prizes. The public is invited to attend the grand opening and view the art of local artists.

The Gallery of the Frio Draw will feature fine arts by local artists Bobby Wied and Jim Bob Swafford and photography by Don Spring. The gallery will be open for business daily from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



SANTA & BROOKLYNNE JOHNSTON



STEAKHOUSE OPENS...Gena & Jeremy Hardin, center, with scissors, have opened The Hardin Steakhouse at 1505 W. 5th in Friona. Chamber of Commerce members gathered at the restaurant Wednesday for the official ribbon cutting. ron carr photo

Hardins Open Friona Steakhouse

Jeremy and Gena Hardin have opened The Hardin Steakhouse at 1505 W. 5th in Friona. The restaurant served their first lunch customers Wednesday December 1. The location is next to Friona Country Club.

Hours of operation will be Tuesday thru Sunday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. On Friday and Saturday nights the restaurant will reopen from 5-10 p.m. Reservations are welcome Friday and Saturday nights. The Hardins will also cater private parties. The phone number is 250-2333. For the time being the restaurant does not offer phone-in, carryout orders.

The Hardins will offer a scaled down lunch menu daily plus an extensive dinner menu that includes appetizers, salads, sandwiches, side items including steamed vegetables, baked potato, etc., a kid's menu, dinner plates include chicken fried steak, teriyaki chicken, and fried catfish. Steaks include top sirloin, ribeye, and filet mignon in 6-, 10-, and 14-ounce sizes.



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WTAMU Keeps Scholarship Promise

West Texas A&M Univer- General Business major. sity has kept its promise to 12 Scholarship recipients from area students. Each student re- Friona are: Beau Barnett, fresh-WTAMU's Top Quarter Schol- Robbie Jan Barrett, freshman, arship Guarantee.

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Pre-Veterinary Medicine major; The scholarship is awarded Claudia Cruz, freshman, Span-Jones, freshman, Mechanical from Bovina are: Teresa Brito, Merritt, freshman, Plant, Soil, freshman, undeclared major; and Environmental Science ma-Christopher Ortiz, freshman, jor; Jisela Torres, freshman, undeclared major; Jolyne Ortiz, Pre-Medicine major; and Lory freshman, Social Work major; Wyly, freshman, Education ma-

Meet the Class of 2016

Karina is a kindergarten student at

Friona Schools. Her parent is Efrain

Santiago. She has one sister,

Karina likes to play soccer and ride

bikes. Her favorite foods are pizza and

Happy Meal. Her favorite color is red.

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Around Town

Cafeteria taking orders for Christmas hot rolls

The Friona ISD junior high cafeteria will help with your holiday baking. They are selling their famous frozen rolls ready for you to thaw, let rise, bake and serve. The cost is \$4 per dozen. Place your order by calling Linda or Roxanne at 250-3353 or faxing 250-5070.

The rolls will be ready for pick-up at the junior high cafeteria ceived \$1,000 through man, Pre-Medicine major; between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday, December 13 or Tuesday, December 14. Please place your orders by Friday, December 10.

"Emmanual 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.

The scholarship recipients Engineering major; Keylin Online Registration for CCC

Registering for the Spring 2005 semester at Clovis Community College could be as easy as a short walk to your computer. All students, both new and continuing, may register ONLINE November 15 through January 21. Online registration hours are Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. The web registration address is www.clovis.edu/ .register.

For more information about registration, please contact the CCC Admissions and Records Office at 505-769-4025.

Retired teachers to meet January 4

The Parmer County Retired Teachers and School Personnel Asso- dents during the fall semester. ciation will meet January 4, 2005 at 2 p.m. at Friona State Bank; not on January 6 as reported in last week's Friona Star.

Benefit Team Roping & Auction Dec. 5

A benefit team roping and auction will be held Sunday, December by invitation only and is limited 5 at 1 p.m. at the Good Times Arena in Muleshoe. The proceeds will to students who have completed go to Dink Wilcox of Lazbuddie. They would appreciate any items of at least 30 semester hours with donation for the auction including crafts and baked goods. If you an overall grade point average of need more information or to have items picked up call Kristin Rice at 3.5 or higher and who rank in the 265-3345 or Joanna Martinez at 965-2610.



Madison Rose Osborn

Ben and Lori Osborn, of Friona, proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Madison Rose, born on Saturday, November 20, 2004 at 11:29 p.m., at Plains Regional Medical Center in Clovis, New Mexico.

She weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces and was 21 inches long. Madison has one older brother, 3 ½ year-old Sloan, to welcome her home.

Her grandparents are Joy Osborn of Friona and Robert and Vernetta Romme of Liberal, Kansas.

Great-grandparents are Dorothy and Dub Ingram of Friona.

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Thompson Is Alpha Chi Inductee

West Texas A&M University's senior class. Texas Zeta Chapter of Alpha Chi

was one of the inductees.

Membership in Alpha Chi is English. top 10 percent of the junior or

The purpose of Alpha Chi is National Honor Society has an- to recognize students who have nounced the induction of 114 stu- maintained a high level of scholarship and displayed exemplary Katherine Thompson of character, according to Dr. Martin Friona, a junior Theatre major, Jacobsen, Alpha Chi faculty adviser and assistant professor of



Christmas Tour of Hereford Homes

Karina Santiago

6th & Euclid

be the home of Beverley and last home they tour. three locations.

Tickets are \$5.00 each and

The La Madre Mia Study can be purchased at the door with the tour are Nicky Ander-Club will sponsor its 34th An- or from any club member. There son, Ruth Black, Francyne nual Christmas Tour of Homes will be a drawing for \$25 in Bromlow, Merle Clark, Linda in Hereford. The tour is set for Hereford Bucks, so ticket hold- Cumpton, Lajean Henry, Kay December 5 from 1:00 to 4:00 ers should sign their name and Hall, Betty Lady, Beverley Maudphone number on the back of lin, Gladys Merritt, Jan Metcalf, The two featured homes will their ticket and turn it in at the June Owens, Susan Robbins,

Liveoak, and the home of Brandi La Madre Mia Study Club. Serv- White, and Judy Williams. and Joe Richards, located 11 ing on the home tour committee on the East side. As part of the Dunn-Noland, and Glenda plus. tour, spiced tea will be served Marcum. Committee chairman are signs will be in front of the signs; Lavon Nieman, publicity; p.m. and Susan Hicks, treasurer.

Other club members helping be used for community projects.

Georgia Sparks, Tommie Stevens, Mike Mauldin, located at 127 Billie Kelley is president of Marline Watson, Mary Beth

This will be a fun afternoon miles North from 15th Street on are Mary Herring, Cindy to tour the three beautifully Hwy. 385. It is white brick and Cassels, Nancy Paetzold, Tracy Christmas decorated locations,

The Deaf Smith County Muat Lone Star Home and Garden, Mysedia Smith, tickets; Tommie seum will be open for tours and 1302 W. Park Avenue. Snowman Stevens, gifts; Carolyn Baxter, refreshments from 2:00 to 4:30

Proceeds from the tour will



PLAYERS IN PROGRESS (PIP) perform at halftime during the Friona vs River Road boy's game. dana d. jameson photo

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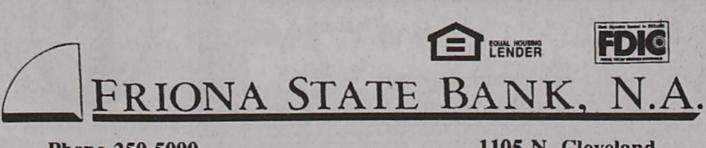
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Nutcracker Returns To Amarillo

light a new growing Christmas ers." tree and special effects that

Lone Star Ballet opened the au- evening is at 6:00. A matinee is dition process to all area talent available on Saturday at 3:00 and has cast the show with the p.m. and again on Sunday at Panhandle's finest dancers. In 2:00 p.m. all performances are in including that of the Sugar Plum with the Amarillo Symphony Or-Orohovsky. He has previously so loved the Ballet that she headlined with the Kiev Opera continues to provide for us and His training includes the Bolshoi mous gratitude each year," said Ballet and the Mariinsky.

will perform as Drosselmeyer and goes on." his wife Stephanie Parker Lanham recently moved to Ama- office. rillo after leaving the Eugene Ballet Company.

"Our production is equally as magnificent as those of much larger cities all over the nation. We are very proud of our show,"

Lane Collins

Thirty-three spectacular years says executive director Craig have passed since the creation Henderson. "Our production this of the Lone Star Ballet's Nut- year will highlight a new growcracker in Amarillo. Not only ing Christmas tree and magnifiwill the local dance company cent optical illusions throughpresent this holiday tradition as out the show that will be excepin its past glory, but will high- tional to most other Nutcrack-

Performance dates are Decemshould delight audiences of all ber 10, 11 and 12. Friday night and Saturday night show times For the second year the are 8:00 p.m. and Sunday The Lone Star Ballet Dance tinue to take good care of the

formed all over the world. Parker through the Lone Star Ballet another week.





Lane is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. His parents are Samantha Saunders and Aubrey Collins. He has one sister, Lynde.

his favorite foods are chicken nuggets, found, the ivory would be discovered. pizza, and bubblegum

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Notes from a friend...

Friends of the Library Book Review

"The Shifting Tide"

Written by ANNE PERRY

Reviewed by Marca Lynn Herring

Hester Monk was a nurse, a very good nurse. She had been addition this year, the Company the Amarillo Civic Center audi- in the Crimea with Florence Nightingale. On her return to will be showcasing three spec- torium. The Lone Star Ballet is England, she had occasionally worked in hospitals, but her tacular talents in the lead roles, proud to collaborate annually independence on the battlefield had made her intolerant of the sexist jobs in the hospitals, which consisted of cleaning the Fairy and Herr Drosselmeyer. chestra. The Nutcracker Ballet rooms, changing bed linens, stoking the coal for heat and The Sugar Plum Cavalier will be continues to be a gift from the rolling bandages. Her outspoken manner cost her many posiguested by Houston's Arkadiy late Sybil B. Harrington. "She tions in the hospital. She was more successful as a private obtain substance abuse counseling at own expense. nurse, caring for individual cases.

At the present, she was running a clinic in an old brothel Ballet and the Houston Ballet. we recognize her gift with enor- for "women of the night" who were injured or homeless or just exhausted and starving. It was charity work and the clinic Henderson. "Her trustees con- always needed money for nursing supplies, coal, and food.

One day a certain "gentleman" named Clement Louvain, Academy director Mark Lanham Ballet to ensure that the show brought a woman who "looks like death on a bad day". He claimed that the woman was the mistress of a friend who Tickets are \$12, \$18, \$23 and booted the woman out when she became ill. Clement was Lanham (also an instructor at \$32 and can be purchased by doing his friend a favor, by getting help for her. And he was the Academy) will perform as calling Panhandle Tickets at willing to pay far more than was the usual amount for nursing the Sugar Plum Fairy. Lanham is (806) 378-3096 or the Lone Star care. Hester, though suspicious, was very willing to help even a native of Amarillo with family Ballet at (806) 372-2463. Special without the funds, but as they were always destitute, the

> Hester Monk's husband, William Monk, was a brilliant private detective who was very successful working cases in the city of London as a policeman and now working alone in the private sector. He knew the streets of London very well and Foster, 295.3' X 295.0' NE/CRN SE/4 S34 T10S R2E. felt at home there.

Mr. Clement Louvain, the owner of a schooner, had just hired Monk to locate stolen ivory taken from his ship. (Was this a coincidence that he chose the husband of the woman aking care of his friend's mistress?)

The ship had just returned from East Africa and was anchored out a distance from shore, waiting to unload the rest of the cargo. During the robbery, the watchman was killed, though Louvain wasn't as concerned about the man's murder as he Lane likes riding horses and bicycles, was in getting the ivory back. But Monk was a friend of jumping on the trampoline, and roping. justice and told the ship's owner that when the murderer was

> Monk knew he had hard work ahead of him. He didn't know the ways of the River Thames and it's docks where towering schooners and clipper ships unloaded their fabulous cargoes. He didn't know about the wharf rats and night plunderers. It was all unknown territory. But he needed the job and was willing to learn the ways of the river world.

> What about this mystery of Clement Louvain? Why did Louvain choose both Monk and his wife? What was the connection? What was the horrible secret?

> (Published by Random House, The Shifting Tide is available at the Friona Public Library.)



U.S. Savings Bond

Sheriffs Report

November 24, Eluterio Soto Rosas, 30, of Clovis, was arrested by the Farwell Police and charged with DWI, pending County Court. November 24, Thomas Carver, 44, of Friona, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with theft, pending Grand Jury.

November 25, Esteban Oltivero, 21, of Dimmitt, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with DWI-2nd, pending County Court.

Last week in 287th District Court, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

- Alfredo T. Alonzo, 43, of Bovina, charged with a class A misdemeanor assault (reduced from aggravated assault), was sentenced to 60 days in Parmer County Jail; \$278 court costs; \$200 fine; and \$350 attorney fees.

- Marcus Wayne Hill, 22, of Clovis, charged with possession of a controlled substance (cocaine), was sentenced to 10 years in the Texas Department Criminal Justice, probated for 10 years; \$303 court costs; \$2,500 fine; \$150 restitution; loss of driver's license; and obtain substance abuse counseling at own expense.

- Robert Jason Oswald, 27, of Friona, charged with possession of a controlled substance (cocaine), was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred for 2 years; \$278 court costs; \$750 fine; \$150 restitution; 120 hours of community service; and

- Robert Horace Gardner, 52, of Muleshoe, charged with possession of a controlled substance (meth), was sentenced to 4 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, probated for 4 years; \$303 court costs; \$2,000 fine; \$300 restitution; 240 hours of community service; loss of driver's license; and obtain substance abuse counseling at own expense.

COURTHOUSE NOTES

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from November 17, 2004 to November 23, 2004

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Dimmitt Man Dies In Wreck

(Reprinted from the November 28, 2004, Amarillo Globe-News.)

A Dimmitt man died and another man was injured in a twovehicle collision near Muleshoe last Friday.

James Robert "Jim Bob" Ellis, 50, died at the scene of the wreck which occurred about 7:48 p.m. at the intersection of Highway 214 and FM 145, according to the Texas Department of Public Safety report.

Ellis was driving a 2002 Chevrolet pickup south on Highway 214 and struck the passenger side of a 1984 Freightliner truck westbound on FM 145 that failed to yield the right-of-way at a stop sign, according to the DPS.

The driver of the Freightliner, Miguel Tafolla, 55, of Muleshoe, was treated at Muleshoe Area Medical Center for broken ribs. The report said both men were wearing their seat belts.

TDH Immunization Schedules For Dec.

Immunization clinics offering the vaccines that give protection against childhood diseases are scheduled for December 2004 in Friona and Bovina.

The clinic in Bovina will be December 6, in the Bovina EMS Building from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The clinic in Friona will be December 17, at 616 Euclid from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

All times are subject to change or cancellation due to weather or scheduling conflicts.

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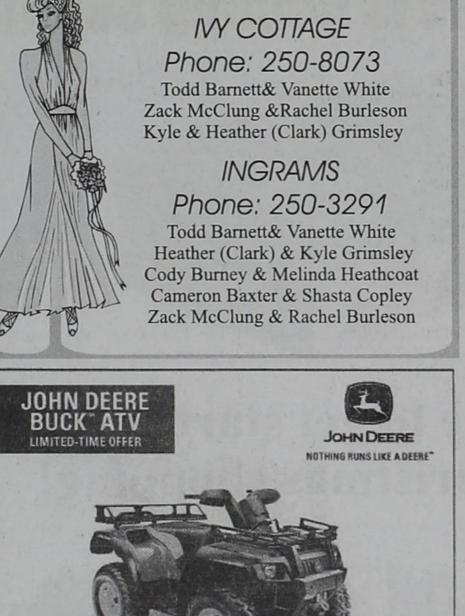
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Thoughts from the Pastor...

By STEVE PATTERSON, Friona United Methodist Church

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given" (Isaiah 9:6) The Messiah's promised coming was foretold seven centuries before Christ's birth. At the time, the Jewish people were living in captivity in Babylon.

For generations thereafter, faithful Israelites earnestly anticipated their Messiah with great longing and expectation, echoing the prayer that He would "ransom captive Israel".

Perhaps the bleakest period in Israel's history was the time of the four hundred silent years between the close of the book of Malachi and the opening of the gospel of Matthew.

The Jewish hope of a promised Messiah was all but lost in times of extreme cruelty and destruction dealt to the Jewish people by such enemies as the Egyptians, the Syrians, and the Romans.

But finally the long-awaited heavenly announcement came: "Unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord" (Luke 2:11).

One of my favorite hymns is "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel". Christ came not only to be our Emmanuel - "God with us" but even in a more personal way, to be God in us.

Let's celebrate these truths together as a church family and do so in a meaningful way throughout this Advent season.

God is FOR us That is good. God is WITH us That is better. God is IN usThat is best! Blessings Be With You All

SOWER

By MICHAEL A. GUIDO

finding faraway places.

with my world?"

or worse?

A father gave his son a

Late one night, the father

slipped into his son's room to

locate a missionary. Just as

he was spinning the globe

the boy woke up, demanding,

Daddy, what are you doing

That's a good question.

Are you making it better

Your influence never dies.

Every act, emotion, look and

word makes your influence

count for good or evil, happi-

ness or woe, heaven or hell.

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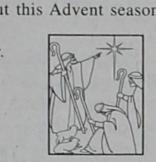
mands, "What are you doing

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Can't you hear the Lord ask

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in his room, the boy enjoyed



Thank You On behalf of the family of Meryle Massie we would like to thank all who have expressed their love and care for us in so many ways. The cards, flowers, memorials, food, phone calls, visits, hugs and prayers are deeply appreciated. Our heartfelt thanks to the staff of Prairie Acres Nursing Home who cared for Daddy so lovingly. There is no better place to live than Friona, Texas. Sincerely, Olive Massie Marca Lynn Herring & Family Merylene & David Towle & Family Jayn Looper & Family

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THINK ABOUT THIS

God's Word Never Changes

By T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

It should be comforting to know that the Word of God is always fresh, it's always reliable, relevant and up-to-date. By contrast, everything that man composes quickly goes out-ofdate. The Psalmist said, "Your Word, O Lord is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens." (119:89) Jesus said, "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My Words will never pass away." (Matt. 24:35)

It's amazing! The Bible has been attacked, criticized, banned and burned more than any other book in history, but it's stronger than ever.

The French philosopher Voltaire was an atheist during the enlightenment period from 1694-1778. He proclaimed that by the time his life was over, the Bible would no longer be in repute among men. He even built a school that taught people how to get out of the trap of religion. He died in 1778, and within fifty years after his death, the school building he built was a church building. As long as God lets the world stand, the Bible will outlive its critics because it's designed to last forever. It's God's Word.

If I asked you if you believe everything you see on T.V., you'd say NO! If I asked you if you believed everything you read in the newspaper, you'd likely say NO! If I asked you if you believed everything you read in the Bible, you'd probably say YES! Well, my point is, why do we spend so much time watching T.V. and reading the newspaper and so little time reading God's Word?

If we know where the truth is, why don't we spend more time with it? So, what's the application? Simply, stability comes in building my life on God's unchanging Word.

The Golden Phone

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The man thanked the pastor and went on his way. He went to San Diego, CA, Phoenix, AZ, Reno, NE, and Albuquerque, NM, and all around

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Finally, he arrived in Texas He started in San Francisco, and stopped in Friona. He enheading east from there. Going tered one church there, and to a very large church, he be- behold, another gold phone. gan taking notes and photos. But this time the sign read: .35 He spotted a gold phone on cents a minute. He told the trigued by a sign that read: churches with \$10,000 a minute.

Seeking out the pastor, he The pastor smiling benignly asked about the phone and replied, "Son, you're in Texas

(Editor's Note: Thanks to rect line to heaven and if he Clare Blanco for sharing this



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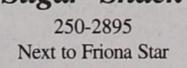
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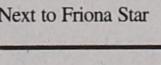
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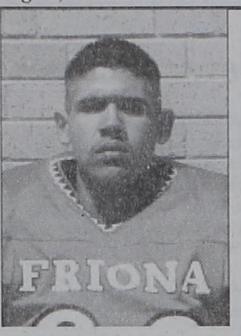
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DANIEL AGUILAR 1st Team Offense

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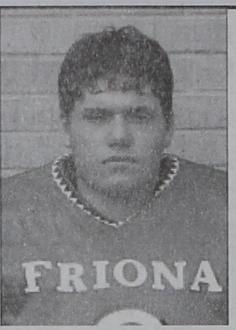
kicker Antonio Monreal were unani-

mous 1st team choices. Monreal

running back. Honorable mention

and David Davila, defensive back.

Ramos, linebacker.



JACOB HOON 1st Team Offense

Other 1st team offense selec-

Long, Lockney and Zack Saldivar,

Olton; tight ends Schumacher of

of Olton; quarterback Kevin Bur-

Defensive 1st team selections

son Nutt, Floydada, and Aaron

ondary Jacob Reddy, Floydada,

Chiefs Land Five on

1st Team All-District

District 6-2A all-district football tions were center Jeremy Pyle

team. On offense, guard Daniel Lockney; guards Aguilar and Ja-

Aguilar, fullback Jacob Hoon, and son Nutt Floydada; tackles Graden

was also named 1st team defensive Lockney and Jacob Reedy

back along with teammates Eduardo Floydada; receivers Shammal

Godoy, defensive end, and Pedro Perkins of Tulia and Billy Barnett

are all three juniors. Godoy and backs Monte Lass, Lockney, Paul

Hoon are seniors. Others named Marmalejo, Floydada, David Phares,

on offense are: 2nd team-Freddy Olton, and Kamron Lingor, Tulia;

offense went to Chris Carrillo, cen- were linemen Aaron Anderson,

ter, and Derek Fairweather, quarter- Tulia, Victor Martinez, Lockney, Ja-

was named 2nd team defensive Justin Martinez, Floydada; lineback-

line, and honorable mentions were ers Lance Terrell, Lockney, Ty

given to Ben Santiago, linebacker, Heflin, Floydada, and Ramos; sec-

was Mark Ford, the 6'1" running Dustin Synatschk, Olton, and

back from Lockney. The district Shammal Perkins, Tulia; punter,

MVP-Defense was 6'3" lineman Jacob Reddy, Floydada.

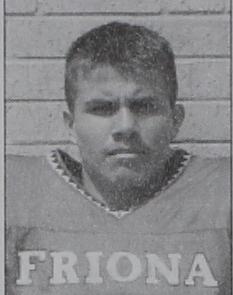
The District 6-2A MVP-Offense Monreal, Mark Ford, Lockney,

On defense, Chance Lewellen Reyna, Olton; ends Godoy and

Reyes, receiver and Sergio Saenz kicker, Moneal.

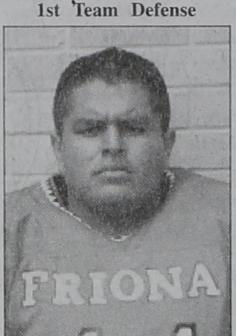
Aguilar, Ramos, and Monreal row, Tulia; fullback, Hoon; running

The Friona Chieftains had five Rance Schumacher, Lockney.



1st Team Offense 1st Team Defense



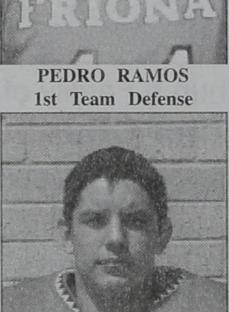






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1st Team Defense



Coach Richard North had nine girls on the Squaw squad Tuesday November 23 to face the 3A River Road Lady Wildcats who came in with a 4-0

Record 5-2

BY RON CARR

record. With the pending knee surgery of sophomore Lucretia Field, North's team now has five seniors and four sophomores. If they play out the season like they did Tuesday night nine should be plenty.

Against River Road, all nine of the Squaws got into the scoring column. Between them the four sophs scored 32 points. The Squaws drained 25 twopoint baskets, five 3-point bombs, and made 9 of 10 free throw attempts as they thrashed the Lady Wildcats 74-37.

For the second game in a row the Squaws got stuck at 9 points in the 1st quarter and threw up a lot of clunkers. But the sophs came in in the 2Q and sparked a 25-point rally to give the Squaws a 36-22 halftime lead.

The second half was all Squaws all the time as they perfected their smothering backcourt press and rattled the Lady Wildcats into mistakes and turnovers that turned into Friona points. The scoring Gods also smiled on the varsity girls as they outscored River Road 38-15 in the second half. The five 3-point goals, two in the first half and three in the second, were scored by Andrea Geries, Shayli Reed, Katy Welch, Krista Graham, and Brenda Murphree.

Trisha Winebrinner led total scoring with 14 points followed by Staci Murphree with 12, Brenda Murphree 10, Geries 9, Reed 9, Courtney Adams 8, Welch 7, Graham 3, and Misty Adams 2.



Squaws Dominate River Road 74-37

THE SQUAW starters cover River Road, above, Shayli Reed (25), I-r, Katy Welch (21), Misty Adams (32), Andrea Geries (10), & Trisha Winebrinner (40). Below, Andrea, Misty, & Trisha block for a rebound.

photos by cody williams & clint mears





CHIEFS battling River Road, 1-r, Willy Castillo (3), Hayden Patton (22), Jon Nava (41), Chad Huston, in back, and Ramey Alaniz (32). dana d jameson photo

Chiefs Run Over By Wildcats 61-36 BY RON CARR

COACH Jeff Isom has a word with the Chiefs.

Chiefs Lose To Farwell 54-42

4-point 1Q to play their best at half 22-16 but gave Farwell a

game of the season before los- 24-11 run in the 3Q including

ing to a feisty Farwell team 54- four Steer 3-point goals. The

jury and 6'7" senior Will Hughs the game was Friona went to the

became a factor off the bench foul line only one time in the

with 3 crowd-pleasing blocks, entire game. Will Hughs was 1

4 each, Rudy Gonzalez had the the Vega Tournament December

Chiefs only 3-pointer, Hughs 3-4, travel to Highland Park next

added 3 points and Willy Castillo Tuesday, and the Farwell Tour-

nament December 9-11.

Gammon with 8. Jon Nava had 6, 7 of 10 from the foul line.

has nine varsity boys on the bas- lead was too large for the boys to ketball squad and Tuesday No- overcome. vember 23 he played them all, trytory.

The Road only outscored Friona but did not score.

BY RON CARR

The Friona Chiefs came off a

turned to the lineup after an in-

Chad Hutson and Hector Sanchez

had 2 points.

Junior Cody Jamerson re- up short.

Chieftain head coach Jeff Isom 20-14 in the second half but the

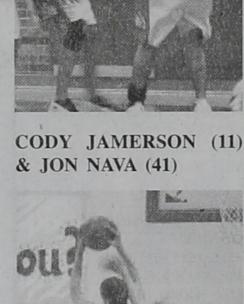
Against the Wildcats, senior ing to find a cohesive and produc- Jon Nava led scoring with 13 tive combination. The Chiefs are points. Hayden Patton had 7, Willy still looking for their first 2004 vic- Castillo 5, Will Hughs 4, Matt Gammon, Ramey Alaniz, and Hec-The Chiefs fell behind quickly tor Sanchez 2 each, and Chad in the 1Q, staking RR to a 24-11 1Q Hutson one point. Rudy Gonzalez lead and a 41-22 halftime margin. logged 24 minutes of playing time

dana d jameson photo

Friona was down by only six

Chiefs won the 4Q 15-8 but came

The most interesting stat in





WILL HUGHS REBOUNDS



KRISTA GRAHAM **DEFENDS**





HEADED for a layup is soph Shayli Reed (25) followed by Andrea Geries (10). Reed was high with 17 points vs Farwell. ron carr photo

JV Squaws Whack Farwell Blue 49-24

Jamerson, who also had two for 2 for Friona's only foul shots Ten members of the JV Squaws put points on the scoreboard fast break, then scored again on basket made it evident they have blocks, led scoring with 12 points in spite of Farwell's aggressive as Friona whacked the little Lady Blue 49-24. The game served as followed by senior guard Matt defensive style. The Steers were a warm-up for the JV girls participation in the Muleshoe Tourna- by Winebrinner's 3-point goal. skills in practice. The Chiefs will participate in ment this weekend.

Coach Graham's charges were led by Briar Barnett who scored through in 2Q for a 30-21 half Friday, Highland Park next Tuesa team high 10 points. Miranda Frye added 9, Breann Barnett 7, time lead. Leslee Avalos 6, Molly Carthel 4, Erica Davila 4, Kambree Davila 3, Sandra Godoy 2, Beth Nava 2, and Denise Vasquez 2.



SOPHOMORES, 1-r, Staci Murphree, Krista Graham, Courtney Adams look on from the sideline with senior Brenda Murphree, and sophomore Lucretia Field who is out for the year with a knee injury. ron carr photo

Record 6-2 Squaws Dismantle Lady Blue 64-29

BY RON CARR

missed shots and had trouble way to a solid 64-29 victory. remembering how to rebound.

team looks young and awkward. 1Q. But not for long.

goal and the Squaws never got on the scoreboard. looked back. The Lady Blue hung the 2Q.

The Squaws rattled 21 points

sophomores plenty of playing 11.

In what has become a custime in the game. The fresh legs tom for the Squaws, they got off the bench, improved passing, stuck on 9 points again in the and backcourt pressure was too 1Q for the third consecutive much for the Lady Blue as the game. The score at the end of Squaws put distance on the the 1Q was Farwell Lady Blue scoreboard. Friona outscored 10, Friona 9 as the Squaws Farwell in the 3Q 24-5 on their

High point leader for the night This year's Farwell Lady Blue was sophomore Shayli Reed with 17, Katy Welch had 13, Geries 8, It appeared the Squaws played Winebrinner 7, Brenda Murphree, down to Farwell's skill level the Courtney Adams, Misty Adams, and Staci Murphree 4 each, and Sophomore Krista Graham Graham 3. It was the second opened the 2Q with a 3-point game in a row that all nine girls

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FRIONA FLASHBACKS

75 Yrs. Ago December 6, 1929

the Star that J.R. Roden had leased were waiting in trailers on the gin the W.H. Warren building and yard and along the highway. The would move his drug store to that gins of the area, including the North place as soon as it was vacated by Plains Gin, L&H Gin and Mills & the R.B.R. Implement Company. It's Fleming Gin have ginned a total of a fact that Mr. Roden has leased 12,510 bales to date with some 1500 the Warren building, and will estab- still on trailers in the gin yard. lish a drug store therein, but it will be a completely new store in every respect, with all new stock. Mr. Roden has sold a half-interest in Sheryl Long, daughter of Mr. and his present drug store to his Mrs. Wes Long, representing Friona brother, Ralph Roden, who will have High School FFA, was named "discharge of it after the new store is trict sweetheart" in competition with established.

> 70 Yrs. Ago December 7, 1934

Friends of Mr. R.F. Fleet were considerably surprised to learn of the sale last Saturday of the grocery The Friona Noon Lions Club prestore and meat market operated here sented the Showbarn-Community under his management for the past five years. L.M. Crow has pur- gift-the club's second \$1,000 dochased the business, and will be in nation to the fund, following a club complete charge tomorrow. Mr. Fleet expressed himself as having no defi- Hinkle, a fund drive official, renite plans for the immediate future.

> 60 Yrs. Ago December 1, 1944

The football game here last Thursday to decide the district championship between the Hereford Whitefaces and the Friona Chiefs with Hereford winning, 14-13, after a Way Campaign. Class officers were hairbreath ending. Hereford scored senior Shannon Cochran, junior first and added an extra point for a Elaine White, sophomore Chad 7-0 lead. Friona followed soon with Hamilton, and freshman Carrie a touchdown, but missed the extra Wilkerson. point, to trail at the half, 7-6. During the last half, the Chiefs scored a touchdown and an extra point, takheld at the point until two minutes Zeta Chapter of Alpha Chi National their opponents rushed in for a

> 55 Yrs. Ago December 2, 1949

A partial list of the Friona young people who are away attending colfor Thanksgiving is as follows: Betty Louise McLellan, Peggy Mayfield, Charles Osborn, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Welch, Treva Jean Rolen, James Smith and wife, Murna Welch, Jean Crawford, Doris Ann Lange, Lila and Wanda Robason, Lloyd Messenger and Stephen Messenger.

> 50 Yrs. Ago December 2, 1954

Gins in the Friona area are operating around the clock to accommodate cotton growers. A picture on

Happy Birthday Frional

December 5 thru December 11, 2004.

Dec. 5 - D'Aun Watkins, Charles Wilkins, Teena Hughs, Allison Johnston, Mathew Ratliff.

Dec. 6 - Tim Mercer, Mike Taylor, Sherri Wilkerson, Alicia Rando, Allison Jones, Roy Domingues, Roy Don Smith.

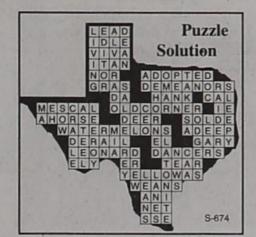
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Dec. 8 - D.L. Osborn, Jesse Estrada, Candace Frye.

Dec. 9 - Bill White, Robert Martinez.

Dec. 10 - Kelli Coffey, Jason Grant Berend, Ross Roden, Don Ready, Connie King, Kenneth Wilkerson, Sharon Newton, Michael Johnston.

Dec. 11 - Chris Hamil, Leigh Neelley Boatman, Libby Procter, M'Lynda Jarecki, Jeff Chaney, Lindsey Neill, Louise Bynum, Whitney Jo Dean, Darby Drummond.



the front page of the Star shows the gin yard at the mills and Fleming It was stated in last week's issue of Gin at Hub, where some 700 bales

> 40 Yrs. Ago December 3, 1964

15 other girls in the Littlefield district. She will compete in the area contest in May.

> 30 Yrs. Ago December 1, 1974

Center building fund with a \$1,000 board meeting last week. Jerry ported that only around \$1,800 was owed on the building now, from an original cost of \$86,000.

> 15 Yrs. Ago **December 9, 1989**

Friona High School students assisted with the 1989 Friona United

> 10 Yrs. Ago December 3, 1994

ing the lead, 13-7. The score was West Texas A&M University Texas before the end of the game, when College Honor Society inducted 100 student members. Among those intouchdown and took the win, 14- stalled was Lenora V. Fought, senior nursing major from Friona.

> 5 Yrs. Ago December 3, 1999

In an ending fit for a championship football game, Mal Manchee came lege this term, and who were home from behind to tie, then won the 1999 football contest \$150 grand prize in "overtime".



BREANNE BARNETT



MIRANDA FRYE

J.V. Boys & Girls **Stomp River Road**

Despite a day of cold rain and Julie Echevarria 4, and Deniss even colder wind the Friona JV Vasquez and Erica Davila 2. Chiefs and Squaws easily controlled Thanksgiving.

The Squaws kept the Lady Wild-Barnett with 17 points, Molly 10. Carthel 14, Briana Wright 10, Leslee

Avalos 8, Miranda Frye 7, Kambree Lewellen 4, Tolby Wilcox 3, and Davila and Sandra Godoy 5.

KELBY MONROE

The Chiefs started off slow in the River Road JV Wildcats and the first half but picked up the Lady Wildcats on Tuesday before momentum after halftime by stomping the Wildcats 63-26.

Andrew Aguirre and Caleb Miller cats down as they trounced them led the team with 13 points each, 74-19. Leading scorer was Briar Kelby Monroe 12, Antonio Monreal

> Sean Lookingbill and Chance Valente Casas and Phillip Saiz 2.



ANDREW AGUIRRE

Friona JV Defeats Farwell JV 61-40

Friona JV continued their winning streak by defeating Farwell 61-40 on Tuesday, November 30 at home.

Coach David Towner's team found their stride midway through the first quarter and led against the Steers the rest of the game.

Antonio Monreal had a big night, scoring 14 of his 19 points in the second quarter. Caleb Miller scored 9 points including a three pointer. Sean Lookingbill also had a three-pointer and scored 7 points.

Valente Casas and Tolby Wilcox each scored 6, Chance Lewellen 5, Phillip Saiz 4, Andrew Aguirre and Micha Hummes 2 and Kelby

The JV Chiefs will travel to the Muleshoe Tournament this Thursday through Saturday.

7th Maidens Get First Win

The 7th grade FJHS A team vember 22.

33-16. Leading scorers were son." Sasha Estrada 10, Taryn and Anna Murphree 5.

7th Boys A 7th Tulia

Coach Konrad Carroll's 7th grade braves A team came from 1-1 record for the season. behind to outscore Tulia 32-31 to bring their record to 1-1 for game. Close the whole way. I the season.

with 11 points.

Dickson, David Schwab and gressed," said Kirton. Matt Stanberry 6, and Jose Ramirez 2.

"Congratulations to the 7th Maidens coached by Ben Kirton girls on your first win as Maidsaw court action against ens! We are proud of you!" Dimmitt on Monday, November said Coach Kirton. "Our girls 15 and Tulia on Monday, No- played well together and everyone contributed to the win. It The Maidens beat Dimmitt was a great start to our sea-

Monday, November 22 saw Jamerson 5, Stephanie Aguirre 5 the Maidens facing Tulia. Tulia won 22-18 in a very close scoring game.

> Yesenia Rojas scored 11 points, Stephanie Aguirre 3, Anna Murphree 2 and Sasha Estrada 2.

> This brought the team to a

"It was a very competitive am proud of the team's effort Stetson Reed led the team and hard work on the court. They didn't let up, but hustled Also scoring were Joey even more as the game pro-

> In "B" team action the girls defeated Tulia 12-2.





Maidens Update

Coach Karen Carroll's 8th

Friona A Maidens 17 Dimmitt

Heather Sandoval scored 6 points and Lucy Mendez 5. Monica Acosta had seven steals and Brittany Berend six rebounds.

Friona A Maidens Tulia

Berend 4 points. Heather loss. Sandoval had 2 assists.

Friona B Maidens Tulia B

Maria Meza scored 10 points, Corinne Hinton 2 and Maricela Sanchez 2 and 6 steals.

The B team also saw action grade A & B Maiden teams saw at the Adrian Tourney Novembasketball action recently against ber 11-13. They lost to Adrian Dimmitt, Tulia and at the Adrian 8th grade and Flames Home School and beat San Jacinto 7th grade. The placed 4th in the tour-

Friona 8th 17 Tulia 8th

Coach Mike Herbert's 8th grade Braves faced Tulia on Lucy Mendez led the team Monday, November 22 in Tulia with 8 points and Brittany and came away with a 17-49

Justin Dominguez, Aaron Hand and Alex Dunnam led the scoring with 4 points each.

Justin Echevarria and Gonzalo Gonzales 2, and Joey Mendoza 1.



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Record Rainfall Threatens Cotton Quality

Plains Cotton Growers~Via Email.

farmers have been waiting for the wet weather to clear up. But it is now apparent what affect the Haldenby. wait may have on this year's crop.

are taking place," explains Roger Haldenby from Plains Cotton Growers. But they're not. He says harvest is at a standstill. This, after recent rain and snowfall. "It means the cotton in the field is waiting to be harvested," he says.

The West Texas weather has literally left both farmers and cotton hanging in there. Some of the cotton remaining in the field has a stretched look to it. This is caused by the recent moisture the cotton has absorbed, weighing it down. And as sandwich on the fly," says Haldenby. long as it doesn't fall out of the burr it can still be certain loss of quality with continued wet condi-

Of the 3.5 million acres of cotton in West tions with some discoloration as the burr leaves, Texas, only about 20% has been harvested. So, various parts of the plant that are in contact with the white cotton can cause some stains," explains

So when will farmers be able to harvest the rest "Normally this time of year, harvest operations of their crops? "And the answer is either 4 to 5 days or even a week of decent dry weather to let the ground dry up so that'll allow harvesting operations to take place," he says.

> Despite the setback, Haldenby says farmers still have blessings to be grateful for. "Well, I guess something farmers can be thankful for on Thanksgiving is they're going to get the opportunity to sit at the family table and have a hot Thanksgiving dinner instead of eating a turkey

But West Texas is still forecasted to have a harvested, but it may lose quality. "There can be a record crop. Any more snow or rain could put an additional roadblock on this season's harvest.

TEXAS BEEF

Russian Chefs Visit The Panhandle

States' largest beef producing erated through beef checkoff reto observe new concepts for and Shoulder Tender. marketing beef. Before the Rustheir operations.

tersburg, the two largest Russian cities. The U.S. Meat Export Federation (USMEF) and the Texas Beef Council (TBC) hosted the visitors through the beef checkoff program.

"Russia is a very important market for the U.S. beef industry," says Paul Clayton, USMEF vice president for export services. "In the past, Russia has taken a lot of our byproductsparticularly the liver—which has added a lot of value on a perhead basis to U.S. cattle. But the Russians foodservice sector is growing rapidly and Russians are interested in new cuts for that sector."

Clayton said Western influences are strong in Russia, and introduction of barbecue and other Texas cuisine cuts can help the chefs differentiate their operations.

"Typically Russia has been a 'chunk-and-hunk' market," Clayton said. "They take a piece of meat and boil it. Now, their preparation methods are becoming much more refined and they are looking at specific utilization of various quality beef cuts. Introducing underutilized cuts (like brisket) will be real valuable in that market."

On the recent trip, the Russian chefs focused on Texas cuisine through visits to restaurant operators from Amarillo to Austin. At each stop, they learned how foodservice gets high value from cuts like the

est country—the Russian Fed- sirloin. They also focused on ranch at Crawford, Texas, in eration—visited the United new, highly consistent cuts gen- 2001. state of Texas November 8-12 search including the Flat Iron the Russian chefs learned about

sian chefs returned home, the Steakhouse at Buffalo Gap was Ranch, a commercial and beef checkoff program had among the highlights of the seedstock operation at shown them how U.S. beef cuts Russian chefs' visit. Owner Tom Comanche, as well as a Friona can add variety and value to Perini had done a series of Industries feedyard and a major foodservice seminars in Russia packing plant, both in the Texas The seven Russian chefs for USMEF and TBC in 2002. Panhandle between Amarillo and represented high quality restau- He also had cooked for Russian Lubbock. rants in Moscow and St. Pe- President Vladimir Putin during

Chefs from the world's larg- shoulder clod, brisket, and top his visit to President Bush's

Besides the restaurant visits, quality production of U.S. beef A visit to Perini Ranch in visits to Dudley Hereford







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County were selected as Gold Star

Recipients at the 1994 4-H Gold

Star Banquet. They are Jason Kerby

5 Yrs. Ago

December 3, 1999

and Melody Montgomery.

Delarosa Completes Marine Boot Camp

PFC Gorden Delarosa, son of Sally Delarosa of Bovina, Texas, recently graduated from Marine Corps Recruit Training. After returning home on "boot leave", the 2004 graduate of Bovina High School will be further trained in combat skills, before reporting to his specialty school for occupational training, in one of hundreds of jobs, available to young men and women today. Delarosa successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

Delarosa and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m. by running three miles, performing the physical conditioning procalisthenics, and participating in grams, Delarosa spent numera well-disciplined Martial Arts ous hours in classroom and rines" for the first time since

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PFC GORDEN **DELAROSA**

Training Program. In addition to field assignments, which in-boot camp began.

The Original

cluded learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, handto-hand combat and assorted weapons training. They performed close order drill and operated as a small infantry unit during field training.

Delarosa and other recruits also receive instructions on the Marine Corps' Core Values of Honor, Courage, and Commitment and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct. Delarosa and fellow recruits ended the training phase with The Crucible, a 54hour team effort, problem solving evolution, which culminated with a ceremony in where the recruits were addressed as "Ma-

TEXAS

CROSSWORD

by Charley & Guy Orbison

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Bovina Reflections

20 Yrs. Ago

December 12, 1984

15 Yrs. Ago

December 6, 1989

Kay Roach, who had been in first

\$100 cash by scoring a ten during points.

during hunting season.

45 Yrs. Ago December 9, 1959

The hails descended and the floods This year the Wildlife Commission Two 4-H members from Parmer came...but the Bovina area will pro- voted to lower the bag limit from duce some 10,000 bales of cotton three to two pheasants per day this year. To date, the three gins in the area have processed about 8,114 bales.

40 Yrs. Ago

December 2, 1964 An era has ended in Bovina. W.E. (Willie) Williams is no longer in held on to win the Grand Prize of ball contest with a total of 125 business here. He sold his store, Williams Mercantile Co., to Otis and Wayne Spears last week with the trade being effective Saturday.

35 Yrs, Ago

December 3, 1969 A doctor who is interested in moving to Bovina and practicing here will visit the community over the weekend. He is Dr. Michael Murphy, M.D. who is presently employed by the Rusk State Hospital at Rusk.

25 Yrs. Ago December 12, 1979

Drilling on the wildcat oil well on J.G. McFarland's land north of Bovina had reached 7,200 feet this

week, it was learned. 28,799 bales of cotton had been ginned in Parmer County as of December 11.

the final week of the contest.

place in the Bovina Blade's football Jerry Roach claimed the Grand Prize

contest for the last several weeks, of \$150 in the Bovina Blade Foot-

BOVINA ELEMENTARY U.I.L. First Place Winners, 1-r, David Martinez, fifth grade Maps, Graphs and Charts; Joseph Brito, second grade Story Writing; and Heather Miller, fourth grade Ready Writing. courtesy photo

Happy Bovina

December 5 thru December 11, 2004.

Wilkins, Matthew Downes McClaran

Dec. 9 - Judith Jennings, Jake Brozek

Dec. 10 - Sabina Schilling Marilyn Rains, B.J. Charles

Bovina Jr. Basketball Sign-Ups

The Bovina Jr. Basketball League is underway. This program will be open to all boys/girls in 1st thru 6th grades and teams from the surrounding area are more than welcome to participate. The league also has a local board. All games are played in Bovina with the exception of the All Star program, which is a traveling

Entry fees are \$20 for the first child, and \$15 for any other child in the same family. The fees pay for trophies, insurance, Dec. 5 - Larry Hodnett, Charles referees, scorekeepers, gym cleaning, and replacing basketballs.

Applications can be picked up from, and turned in to, your PE Dec. 6 - Jessie Fuentes, Kent teacher, the elementary school office, The Bone Joint Chiropractic in Bovina, or Dr. Mindy Neal.

Applications are due no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, December 20.

Players and coaches clinics will start the first week of school Dec. 11 - Ken Guest, Keith Guest, after the holidays. Notifications will be done by phone for time and place of meetings.

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Henry Martinez

Funeral services for Henry Martinez, 54, of Friona were held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, November 29, 2004 at Templo Bautista in Friona with Reverend Fred Chavira of Amarillo and Reverend Jesse Cantu of Farwell, officiating. Burial followed in the Friona Cemetery by Blackwell Funeral Home.

Mr. Martinez died Friday, November 26, 2004 at Parmer Community Hospital in Friona. He was born April 25, 1950 in Clarendon, Texas to Marion and Nora (Garcia) Martinez. He had been a Friona resident since 1960, moving from Amarillo.

by his father, Marion Martinez, Wallace, in 1997.

Nora Martinez of Friona; two nephews.



HENRY MARTINEZ

He was preceded in death sisters, Eva Ancira of Las Cruces, New Mexico and Cleo in 1993, and a sister, Gloria Guana of Friona; one brother, Marty Martinez of Wichita, Kan-Survivors include his mother, sas; and numerous nieces and



Ena Yvonne Baxter

Yvonne Baxter, 75, of Durango, versary. were held at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Church of Christ in Durango 1967. with Mr. Gene Siemens officiat-Durango.

She died on Thursday, November 18, 2004, at her home in Durango after several years of failing health. Mrs. Baxter was both of Bayfield, Gordon Baxter born May 4, 1929, in of Durango, and Jerry Baxter of Stephenville, Texas, to Henry Jackson Hole, Wyoming; her Gordon and Laura Coldiron brother, Herald White of

Panhandle, in Friona. She met grandchildren. her husband, Dean Baxter, there before they would have cel- rado 81301.

Funeral services for Ena ebrated their 58th wedding anni-

The Baxters moved to La November 22, 2004, at the Plata County on September 22,

She was preceded in death ing. Burial followed in by three brothers, Charles, J.G., Greenmount Cemetery in and James Lee; and one grandson, Courtney Dean Baxter.

Survivors include her husband, Dean Baxter; four sons, Rick Baxter and Dennis Baxter, Daytona Beach, Florida; 14 She grew up in the Texas grandchildren; and 26 great-

Memorial contribution may and they were married Decem- be made to Hospice of Mercy, ber 1, 1946. She died two weeks 375 E. Park Ave., Durango, Colo-



Juan Carranza

A funeral mass for Juan Carranza, 83, of Friona, will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 2, 2004, at St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Friona, with Fr. Ed Sweeney, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in the Friona Cemetery with arrangements by Blackwell Funeral Home. Rosary services were held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 1, at Blackwell Funeral Home.

Mr. Carranza died on Monday, November 29, 2004 in Friona. He was born January 27, 1921 in Mexico:

Catholic Church.

Doroteo Carranza Pedro 21 great-grandchildren



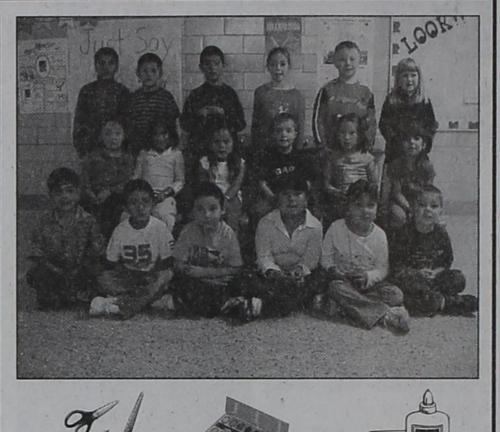
JUAN CARRANZA

He married Juanita Camacho Carranza, and Frankie Carranza, on October 10, 1945 in Reynosa, all of Friona, and Santos Mexico and moved from Carranza of Hereford, Texas; two Progreso, Texas to Friona seven daughters, Romana Balli of years ago. He was a retired Friona and Eva Lopez of Dallas, farmer and a member of the Texas; two sisters, Alicia Carranza of San Antonio, Texas Survivors include his wife, and Augustina Carranza of Juanita Carranza; four sons, Mexico; 16 grandchildren; and











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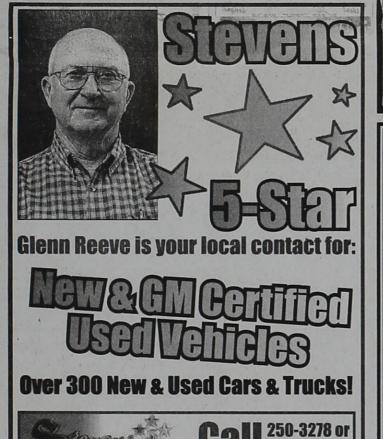
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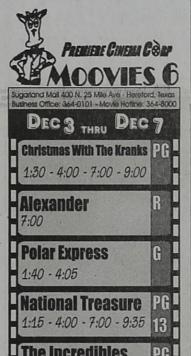
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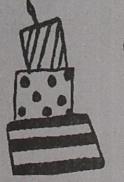
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The promotion began Thursday, November 18 and will continue through Thursday, December 16. Participating merchants have been provided with tickets and gift boxes for collection.

Each customer of the business will be given one ticket per purchase to fill out with their name, address and merchant's name and drop it in the box at the business.

The tickets will be collected from merchants on Thursday, December 16. On Friday, December 17, there will be a drawing from the box of each participating merchant and each winner will receive \$25 in Friona Bucks to be spent at that particular merchant.

The names from each store will then be combined for one final drawing.

At least three prizes of \$100 in Friona Bucks will be drawn and can then be spent with any of the participating merchants.

The following businesses are participating in the 2004 "Ho! Ho! Home For The Holidays" promotion: A-1 Service Center, Bi-Wize Healthmart, Blackburn Hardware, Dairy Queen, Friona Star, Ingram's Department Store, Ivy Cottage Flowers & Gifts, Kendrick Oil Farm Store, Kendrick Oil Fast Stop, Los Arcos Restaurant, Lowe's Supermarket, Malouf's, Silver Screen Video, Sugar Shack, Tasty Cream, Town & Country Food Stores, Veterinary Industries of Friona, and W. T. Services.

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137-Isabel Rios 135-Tenna Montana, Martha Rodriquez



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Friona ISD Monthly School Calendar **DECEMBER, 2004**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		I Elem. UIL @ Plainview Wayland Progress Reports	2 7-8-9 BB Floydada G-T B-H * JV B&G BB Tournament @ Muleshoe Var. B BB Tournament @ Vega	3 JV B&G BB Tournament @ Muleshoe Var. B BB Tournament @ Vega 9th & Var. G BB @ Plainview	4 JV B&G BB Tournament @ Muleshoe Var. B BB Tournament @ Vega Pre Area HS Choir Auditions @ Dumas
6 7-8-9 BB vs. Olton G-H B-T HS All-Region Band Auditions @ Panhandle	7 Head Start Parent Meeting Jr. High Cafeteria @ 5:30 pm Var. & JV B&G BB @ Highland Park	8 Elem. Christmas program in the gym 2 nd & 3 nd 1:00 - 2:00 4 th & 5 th 2:00 - 3:00 Jr. High U.I.L. @ Plainview	9 Elem. UIL Makeup Day JH Band & HS Choir Concerts @ Jr. High Auditorium 7:00 pm' JV B&G @ Tulia Tournament Var. B&G @ Farwell Tournament	10 JV B&G @ Tulia Tournament Var. B&G @ Farwell Tournament	11 Jr. High Saturday School 8:00- 12:00 JV B&G @ Tulia Tournament Var. B&G @ Farwell Tournament
13 7-8- 9 Basketball @ Lockney G-T B-H HS Choir Caroling Tour around Friona	14 JV & Var, B&G @ Hale Center	15 Semester Exams	16 Semester Exams	17 Semester Exams Early Dismissal ECE-1 ^{at} – 1:30 pm 2 nd – 12 th – 2:00 pm End of 3 rd Six Weeks Semester Exams Primary Christmas Program 9:00 am Jr. High Auditorium JV & Var. B&G BB vs. Vega H	18
20	21	22	23	24	25 Merry Christmas
27 Var. B BB Tournament @ Littlefield	28 Var. B BB Tournament @ Littlefield	29 Var. B BB Tournament @ Littlefield Var. G BB Caprock Tournament Lubbock	30 Var. GBB Caprock Tournament Lubbock	31 Var. G BB Caprock Tournament Lubbock	Jan. 1 Happy New Years Jan. 3 rd - Student Holiday Teacher Work Day Jan. 4 th - 2 rd Semester Begins