

THE HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR sang carols during Monday's Christmas in the Park. Above, I-r, are carolers Meghan Hendrickson, Jordan Jamerson, Allison Jones, and Hanna Stovall.
Brito Wins Top Prize in Football Contest
 Martin Brito of Bovina works at Caprock Cattle Feeders. He
and his wife have a baby that is less than a month old. His 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 and out of the 13 weeks he never had an entry that was les
than 10 correct. His point total of 164 was an average of 12 . correct games per week. It paid off as Brito won the Week 1 contest and the grand prize of $\$ 200$ too.
In the 13th and final week's contest, Martin scored correct picks to win the Week 13 cash prize of $\$ 50$. The 16 correct vaulted him into the overall point total lead tied with
James Elder of Muleshoe. Both finished with 164 points. So James Elder of Muleshoe. Both finished with 164 points. So we used 13 -weeks worth of tie-breakers to compute the lowes
tie-breaker total and Martin Brito was declared the winner o the $\$ 200$ grand prize too. Elder claims the 2nd place gran prize of $\$ 100$. 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 won the tie-off on the 2 nd tie-breaker game at 11 points off. Others that had 14 correct were Sean Lookingbill, Lester Fennell, Mona Contreras, Harley
Gonzalez, and Andy Montana.
The final Andy Montana.
The final point standings of about the Top 30 contestants are elsewhere in the paper today. We appreciate everyone that special thanks to our sponsors of this year's contest for their
loyal support. Without sponsors the contest would not be


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 $\$ 250.00$.
november Sets mark
Moisture Continues Its
Unusual Yearly Pattern
by ble ellis
The two inches of snow, most winters. Most of that, 7.5
which blanketed the area early
inches came on the first day of this week continues to rack up the month! records in the moisture depart- For those of you who are
ment, as well as area's cotton farmers pulling out ture in Friona now sits at mois- 36.16
and area's cotto
their hair.
With a hard freeze of 14 degrees on Tuesday morning, that should just about get the cotton defoliated, but the main
problem continues, that the problem continues, that the
fields are too wet to get heavy fields are too wet to get heavy
machinery in them. Monday's low temps, with caused the "chill factor" to hit at least five degrees below zero
on the local Channel 6 on the local Channel 6 station. The month of November
ended with 4.08 inches of moisture, smashing the November in 1943, two years removed from the record moisture year.
Another oddity about Another oddity about
November's total was that part November's total was that part and 9.66 measured in May of the moisture came from a when at least half those totals Pheasant Season To Have A Soggy Start

BY RON CARR

Pheasant season opens Sat- The official season is De-

cember 4 . cember 4 to January 2, 2005 . Saturday in December and runs 30 days. In years past pheasant season opened the second
Saturday in December. The Saturday in December. The
change to the first Saturday
was supposed to take place last was supposed to take place last year but the state legislature did not get it done.
Legal shooting hours are from one-half hour before sun-
rise until one-half rise until one-half hour after
sunset. The daily bag limit is sunset. The daily bag limit is
two roosters per hunter (four in possession). Shooting a hen is not allowed. The Texas Parks \&
Wildlife Department (TPWD) reWildlife Department (TPWD) requires that one leg, including
the spur or all feathers remain the spur or all feahers remain
attached to the pheasant until it reaches its final destination.
Map booklets and rules may be Map booklets and rules may be
viewed on the web at www.tpwd.state.tx.us.
This year's TPWD survey showed a $13 \%$ increase pheasant numbers compared to last year and a $223 \%$ increase
over 2002. But pheasant over 2002. But pheasant numprognosis for a good hunt, at
least this first weekend, is still up in the air. Outdoors writer, hunting guide, and WT Ser-
vices employee Jim Steiert said he has postponed his opening day guided hunt until next weekend because of the weather
and field conditions. "One rea and field conditions. "One rea-
son for moving opening week son 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 har-
vesting and to dry the fields vesting and to dry the fields
out," he said. Hunters may be
left with hunting CRP 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 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.
"Oh, You Really Shouldn't Have"


## Saving For Your Health

Gifts.
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went to Stonebriar Mall in that gave it to you won't Frisco, Texas, with several thou- be present when it is opened. sand (make that million) other be present when it is opened. shoppers. Local TV showed gifts in the closet for the times people lined up by 3 a.m. to when someone unexpected
ake advantage of the 5 a.m. to gives you a present and of 9 a.m. early bird shopping spe- course you have to give them cials at most major stores. What one back. You know what the can you buy at 5 a.m. that you Bible says: a gift for a gift. can't buy in the daylight Sam Goody is the online
hours?
name for Musicland, which opWe went to the mall around erates 900 retail music stores. $\begin{aligned} & \text { noon. I hung out with my } \\ & \text { daughters Kirsten and Megan. }\end{aligned}$ Last year Sam Goody hosted a
Bad-Gift Boycott on December daughters Kirsten and Megan. Bad-Gift Boycott on December
My sons Casey and Zach went
26, inviting bad-gift recipients Mheir separate ways. We looked to "return" their unwanted giffs
at kitchen utensils, bath and to Santa. They collected a at kitchen utensils, bath and to Santa. They collected a body products, clothes, Hickory dumpster load of stuff and heesy costume jewelry. and compiled a list of the " 10 worst I bought the new Seinfeld Goody Bad-Gift Boycott." For whooty it is worth and to guide designs that men can't wear at
2. A padded toilet seat. Enough said. What were you thinking?
3. Sausage sample pack. Sau sage is best in small quantities Very few of your friends really need 10 different kinds of sausage at one time.

## men won't spend

 money to make their hone smell really good. Let her buy smell really good. Let her buy did.There are probably many
more bad-gift ideas more bad-gift ideas that could go on the list. No doubt you have gotten a bad-gift at some time or another. And given a

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




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 Wednerce for the official ribed at the restaurant

Hardins Open Friona Steakhouse



It comes as no surprise that health care costs are on the rise. If dures 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 cover their we also are looking for creative ways for Americans to ity and businesses with a high dedct-employ mitted to to tax-free medical savings accounts to pay for non-reimbursable health care services
Health Savings
Health Savings Accounts
Last year's bipartisan Medicare Modernization Act included a 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 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. Forem 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 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 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 or your HSA.
Who Can O conditions:
yy American can open an HSA if they meet the following
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.

## return.

Jow 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 expenses not exceeding $\$ 10,000$. Individuals between the ages of 55
and 65 can make annual "catch-up" contributions of up to $\$ 500$ in and 65 can make annual "catch-up" contributis
2004 , with annual increases of $\$ 100$ until the limit reaches $\$ 1,000$ in 2009.
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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 your area.
For more information on HSAs, please view the Department of
Treasury website at http://www,treas.gov/offices/public-affairs-hsa If Treasury website at http://www.treas.gov/officesspublic-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 \& BOBBYWEID Art Gallery Opening In Friona

## ning in Frion

 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 byDon Spring. The gallery will be open for business daily from


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"Emmanual Celebrating Heaven's Child" The Calvary Baptist Church choir will present "Emmanuel Celcommunity is invited to celebrate the Christmas spirit.
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 Friday 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday 7 a.m. to
register.
For register.
For more information about registration, please contact the CCC Retired teachers to meet January 4 The Parmer County Retired Teachers and School Personnel Association will meet January 4, 2005 at 2 p.m. at Friona State Bank; no

Benefit Team Roping \& Auction Dec. 5 A benefit team roping and auction will be held Sunday 5 at 1 p.m. at the Good Times Arena in Muleshoe. The proceeds will go to Dink Wilcox of Lazbuddie. They would appreciate any items of
donation for the auction including crafts and baked goods. If you donation for the auction including crafts and baked goods. If you
need more information or to have items picked up call Kristin Rice at


## Madison Rose Osborn

$\qquad$ Ben and Lori Ostom, of Fiona, proudly announce the birth of heir daugher, Madion Rose, bom on Saturay, November 20,
2004 at $11: 29$ p pm, at Plans Regional Medical Center in Clovi
 She weicithd 7 pounds, 10 ounces and was 2 inchese long.
Madison has one older broter, $3 / 2 / 2$ verarold Sloan, to wel. ome her home.
Her grandparents are Joy Osbom of Friona and Robert and Vemetta Romme of Liberal, Kansas.

Thompson Is Alpha Chi Inductee
Texas Zeta Chapter of Alpha Chi $\quad \begin{gathered}\text { The purpose of Alpha Chi is }\end{gathered}$ National Honor Society has an- to recognize students who have nounced the induction of 114 stu- maintained a high level of scholdents during the fall semester. arship and displayed exemplary Katherine Thompson of character, according to Dr. Martin
Friona, a junior Theatre major, Jacobsen, Alpha Chi faculty ad$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Friona, a junior Theatre major, Jacobsen, Alpha Chi faculty ad } \\ \text { was one of the inductes. } & \text { viser and assistant professor or }\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{cl}\text { was one of the inductees. } & \text { viser and } \\ \text { Membership in Alpha Chi is } & \text { English. }\end{array}$ Membership in Alpha Chi is
by invitation only and is limited by invitation only and is limited
students who have completed to students who have completed
least 30 semester hours with at least 30 semester hours with 3.5 or higher and who rank in the


Christmas Tour of Hereford Homes
The La Madre Mia Study can be purchased at the door with the tour are Nicky Ander-
Club will sponsor its $34^{\mathrm{H}}$ An- or from any club member. There son, Ruth Black, Francyne Club will sponsor its $34^{\text {d }}$ 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 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 Maud$\begin{array}{ll}\text { p.m. } & \text { phone number on the back of lin, Gladys Merritt, Jan Metcalf, } \\ \text { The two featured homes will their ticket and turn it in at the June Owens, Susan Robbins, }\end{array}$ The two featured homes will their ticket and turn it in at the June Owens, Susan Robbins,
Ge the home of Beverley and last home they tour. $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Ge the home of Beverley and last home they tour. } & \text { Georgia Sparks, Tommie Steve } \\ \text { Mike Mauldin, located at } 127 & \text { Billie Kelley is president of Marline Watson, Mary Be }\end{array}$ 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 This will be a fun aftern and Joe Richards, located 11 ing on the home tour committee This will be a fun afternoon
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Hwy. 385. It is white brick and Cassels, Nancy Paetzold, Tracy Christmas decorated locations, on the East side. As part of the Dunn-Noland, and Glenda plus.
tour, spiced tea will be served Marcum. Committee chairman are 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 1302 W . Park Avenue. Snowman Stevens, gifts, Carolyn Baxter, refreshments from 2:00 to 4:30
signs will be in front of the signs;' Lavon Nieman, publicity; p.m. three locations.


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PLAYERS IN PROGRESS (PIP) perform at halftime during the Friona vs Rive Road boy's game.

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## - Bman Fich

 Friona State Bank, N.A.Nutcracker ReturnsToAmarillo
Thirty-three spectacular years says executive director Craig
have passed since the creation Henderson. "Our production this have passed since the creation Henderson. "Our production this
of the Lone Star Ballet's Nut- year will highlight a new growof the Lone Star Ballet's Nut- year will highlo. Not only ing Christmas tree and magnifiwill the local dance company cent optical illusions through-
present this holiday tradition as out the show that will be excep in its past glory, but will high- tional to most other Nutcracklight a new growing Christmas tree and special effects that should delight audiences of all ages. For the second year the are 8aturday night show time Lone Star Ballet opened the au- evening is at $6: 00$. A matinee is
dition process to all area talent 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 addition this year, the Company will be showcasing three spectacular talents in the lead roles, including that of the Sugar Plum
Fairy and Herr Drosselmeyer Fairy and Herr Drosselmeyer. The Sugar Plum Cavalier will be
guested by Houston's Arkadiy guested by Houston's Arkadiy
Orohovsky. He has previously Orohovsky. He has previously
headlined with the Kiev Opera Ballet and the Houston Ballet. His training includes the Bolshoi Ballet and the Mariinsky
The Lone Star Ballet Dance Academy director Mark Lanham will perform as Drosselmeyer and his wife Stephanie Parker Tickets are $\$ 12, \$ 18, \$ 23$ Lanham (also an instructor at $\$ 32$ and can be purchased by the Academy) will perform as calling Panhandle Tickets at
the Sugar Plum Fairy. Lanham is (806) $378-3096$ or the Lone Star a native of Amarillo with family Ballet at (806) 372-2463. Specia living here though he has per-- group rates are also available
formed all over the world. Parker through the Lone Star Ballet Lormed all over the world. Parker rillo after leaving the Eugene Ballet Company.
"Our production is equally as magnificent as those of much
larger cities all over the nation. larger cities all over the natio
We are very proud of our show,


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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 in the Crimea with Florence Nightingale. On her return to independence on the battlefield had made her intolerant of the sexist jobs in the hospitals, which consisted of cleaning the rooms, changing bed linens, stoking the coal for heat and rolling bandages. Her outspoken manner cost her many positions in the hospital. She was more successful as a private
At the present, she was running a clinic in an old brothel for "women of the night" who were injured or homeless or just exhausted and starving. It was charity work and the clinic always needed money for nursing supplies, coal, and food.
One day a certain "gentleman" named Clement Louvain, One day a certain "gentleman" named Clement Louvain,
brought a woman who "looks like death on a bad day". He claimed that the woman was the mistress of a friend who booted the woman out when she became ill. Clement was willing to pay far more than was the usual amount for nursing care. Hester, though suspicious, was very willing to help even without the funds, but as they were always destitute, the money would be welcome. Now they could stay open for
another week.
Hester Monk's husband, William Monk, was a brilliant pri-
vate detective who was very successful working cases in the
city of London as a policeman and now working alone 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
private sector. He
felt at home there.
Mr. Clement Louvain, the owner of a schooner, had jus

## Monk to locate stolen ivory taken from his ship. (Wa

this a coincidence that he chose the husband of the woman
taking care of his friend's mistress??
The ship had just returned from East Africa and was anThe ship had just returned from East Africa and was an-
chored out a distance from shore, waiting to unload the rest of
the cargo. During the robbery, the watchman was killed, though the cargo. During the robbery, the watchman was killed, though
Louvain wasn't as concerned about the man's murder as he Louvain wasn't as concerned about the man's murder as he
was in getting the ivory back. But Monk was a friend of ustice and told the ship's owner that when the murderer was ound, the ivory would be discovered.
Monk knew he had hard work ahead of him. He didn't know he ways of the River Thames and it's docks where towering
chooners 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? connection? What was the horrible secret?
(Published by Random House, The Shifting Tide is available
at the Friona Public Library.)

## Sherififs 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 b
the Sheriff's Office and charged with DWI-2dd pending County the Sherifr's Office and charged wid DW-2 ${ }^{2}$, pending County
Court. Last week in $287^{\mathrm{m}}$ District Court, with Judge Gordon Green presiding: - Alfredo T. Alonzo, 43, of Bovina, charged with a class A
misdemeanor misdemeanor assault (reduced from aggravated assault), was sentenced to 60 days in Parmer County Jail; $\$ 278$ court costs; $\$ 200$ fine and $\$ 350$ attomey 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 a conrolled substance (cocaine), was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred for 2 years; $\$ 278$ court costs, bbain substan restitution; 120 hours of community service; and tain substance abuse counseling at own expense - Robert Horace Gardner, 52 , of Muleshoe, charged with posses sion of a controlled substance (meth), was sentenced to 4 years in court costs; $\$ 2,000$ fine; $\$ 300$ restitution; 240 hours of community service; loss of driver's license; and obtain substance abuse coun-


## COURTHOUSE NOTTS

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the followis deeds from November 17, 2004 to November 23, 2004. Guinn Blackwell Nelson, Colleen Blackwell Nelson, and Robert J Blackw
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MCMILEN AND FERGUS. oster, 295.3' X $295.0^{\prime}$ NE/CRN SE/4 S34 T10S R2F
Dimmitt Man Dies In Wreck
A Dimmitt man died and another man was injured in a two ehicle collision near Muleshoe last Friday.
James Robert "Jim Bob" Ellis, 50, died at the scene of the Highway 214 and FM 145 , according to the the intersection 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. 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 am. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. The clinic in Friona wil 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
scheduling conflicts.

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Thoughts from the Pastor.
By STEVE PATTERSON, Friona United Methodist Church
"For unto us a child is born, unto o us a Son is is iven" (Isaiah $9: 6)$
The Messiah's promised coming was foretold seven centu-
ries before Christ's birth. At the time, the Jewish people were ries before Christ's birth. At
living in captivity in Babylon.
living in captivity in Babylon.
For generations thereafter, faithful Israelites earnestly anticiFor generations thereafter, faithful Israalites earnestly antici-
pated their Messiah with great longing and expectation, echoing the prayer that He would "ransom captive Israel".
Perrhaps 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 yospel of Mathew. The Jewish hope of a promised Messiah was all but lost in
times of extreme cruelty and destruction dealt to the Jewish times of extreme cruelty and destruction dealt to the Jewish
people by such enemies as the Egyptians, the Syrians, and the Romans
But $f$ "Uut inally the long-awaited heavenly announcement came: 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 tenese truthts together as a church family and
do so in a meaningful way throughout this Advent season. God is FOR us ..... That is good.
Blessings Be With You All
背 2 k dEEDS FROM THE SOWER by michaela. guido A father gave his son
globe of the world. Keeping $i$ in his romm, the boy enjoyed Late one night, the father
Late faraway place slipped into his son's room to
locate a missionary. Just as he was spinning the globe hhe boy woke up, demanding,
"Daddy, what are you doing with my world?
That's a good question.
ann't Can't you hear the Lord ask
it? or worse?
Your influence never dies.

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Like the boy, the Lord de mands," "What are you doing

Pastor Rick \& Tami Beard \& the Church Family of Victory Family Worship Center Church


Cordially Invite You to Come See
our our New Building and Enjoy Good
Christmas Music with
"Them Bowmens" Tuesday December 7th from 6-9 p.m. We've finally got Moved In and We'd Love
to Show You Around. Cormer of 9 th $\&$
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Refreshments will be served starting at

The Christmas Concert With "Them Bowmens" will start at 7:00 p.m.
Come on out for a Great time of
Food, Fun, Fellowship and Great Music!
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 always fresh, it's always reliable, relevant and up-to-date. By
contrast, everything that man composes quickly goes outcontrat, everyming that man composes quickly goos out-or-
date. The Psalmist said, "Your Word, O Lord is eternal, it
stand stands firm in the heavens." (119:89) Jesus said, "Heaven and
earth will pass away, but My Words will never pass away." 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
stronge French philosopher Votaire was an atheis 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 buidfing As 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 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? reading God's Word? time with it? So, what's the application? Simply, stability comes in building my life on God's unchanging Word.

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 The Golden PhoneA man in Topeka, Kansas he found the same phone and
decided to write a book about message.
 He started in San Francisco, and stopped in Friona. He en-
heading 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 the vestibule wall. He was in- pastor of all the other

rigued by a sign that read: churches with $\$ 10,000$ | gued by a sign that read: $\begin{array}{l}\text { churche } \\ \text { minute } \\ 10,000.00 \text { a minute. }\end{array}$ |
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Seeking out the pastor, he $\begin{aligned} & \text { minute. } \\ & \text { The pastor smiling benignly }\end{aligned}$ Seeking out the pastor, he The pastor smiling benignly
asked about the phone and rephed, "Son, you're in Texas asked abe pastor explained the now....t's a local call."
sign.
ogod phone was in fact a di-
(Editor's Note: Thanks rect line to heaven and if he Clare Blanco for sharing this
隹 paid the price, he
directly to God.
The man thanked the pas or and went on his way, He went
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Chiefs Land Five on 1st Team All-District


CHIEFS battling River Road, I-r, Willy Castillo (3),
Hayden Patton (22), Jon Nava (41), Chad Huston, in 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


Chiefs Lose To Farwell $54-42$
by rov carr

frionastar@wtrt.net
 the sophs came in in the 2Q
and sparked a 25 -point rally to


WILL HUGHS
REBOUNDS


HEADED for a layup is soph Shayli Reed (25 followed by Andrea Geries (10). Reed was high with JV Squaws Whack Farwell Blue 49-24 Ten members of the JV Squaws put points on the scoreboard
as Friona whacked the little Lady Blue 49-24. The game served as a warm-up for the JV girls participation in the Muleshoe TournaCoach Graham's charges were led by Briar Barnett who scored a team high 10 points. Miranda Frye added 9, Breann Barnett 7,
Leslee Avalos 6 , Molly Carthel 4, Erica Davila 4, Kambree Davila 3. Sandra Godoy 2, Beth Nava 2, and Denise Vasquez 2.

Record 5-2
Squaws Dominate River Road 74-37


For the second game in a THE SQUAW starters cover River Road, above,
row the Squaws got stuck at 9 THE points in the 1st quarter and
threw up a lot of clunkers. But
(32), Andrea Geries (10), \& Trisha Winebrinner (40).



## Record 6-2 <br> Squaws Dismantle Lady Blue 64-29 <br> BY RON CARR

In what has become a cus- time in the game. The fresh legs
om for the Squaws, they got off the bench, improved passing, off the bench, improved passing, and backcourt pressure was to stuck on 9 points again in the and backcourt pressure
1Q for the third consecutive much for the Lady Blue as the
game. The score at the end of Squaws put distance on the game. The score at the end of Squaws put distance on the
the $1 Q$ was Farwell Lady Blue scoreboard. Friona outscored 10. Friona 9 as the Squaws Forwell in the $3 \mathrm{Q} 24-5$ on thei
missed shots and had trouble way to a solid $64-29$ victory.
 team looks young and awkward. 17, Katy Welch had 13, Geries 8 , It appeared the Squaws played Winebrinner 7, Brenda Murphree
down to Farwell's skill level the

Courney Adams, Misty Adams | down to Farwell's skill level the Courney Adams, Misty Adams, |
| :--- |
| $\begin{array}{ll}\text { 1Q. Sut not for long. } & \text { and Staci Murphree } 4 \text { each, and }\end{array}$ | Sophomore Krista Graham Graham 3. It was the second

opened the 2 Q with a 3-point game in a row that all nine girls goal and the Squaws. never got on the scoreboard.
looked back. The Lady Blue hung After eight games, the girl in there for a while, tying the are playing well together no mat
 the 2 Q .
Trisha Winebrinner sparked a the floor. They are playing an
aggressive brand of basketball Trisha Winebrinner sparked a aggressive brand of basketball.
rally with her first 2 -points at Against Farwell the ball-handling
$4: 52$, Andrea Geries scored fast break, then scored again on on fast breaks and under the a steal and fast break, followed been working on improving their
by Winebrinner's 3 -point goal. skills in practice. The Squaws ratled 21 points Next up is a trip to Dumas
through in $2 Q$ for a $30-21$ half Friday, Highland Park next Tues through in $2 Q$ for a $30-21$ half Friday, Highland Park next Tues
tay tead. Coach North gave the four Farvell Toumament December 9Coach Norn gave the four
sophomores plenty of playing

Thursday, December 2, 20
 he Warren building, and will estab- still on trailer in the gin yard. lish a dug stort thererin, but it will
be a completely new store in every be a completely new store in every
respect, with all new stock. Mr.
 Roden nas sold a half-intersst in Sheryl Long, daughter of Mr. and
his present drug store to his Mrs. Wes Long, representing Frion broterer Ralph Roden, who will have High School FFF, was named "discharge of it after the new store is trict sweecteart" in compection witl
established
15 other girls in the Littefeild dis ${ }^{* * * *}$
December 7, 7,1934 December 7, 1934
Friends of Mr. R.F. Fleet were considerably surprised to leam of the sale last Saturday of the grocery store and meat market operated here
under his management for the past die years management for the past hased the business, and will be is complete charge tomorow. Mr. Fleet nite plans for the immediate future.

## 60 Yrs. Ago December 1, 19

The football game here last Thursday to decide the district championship between the Hereford Whitefaces and the Friona Chiefs with Hereford winning, 1413 , after a first and added an extra point for $7-0$ lead. Friona followed soon with a touchdown, but missed the extra he last half, the Chiefs scored a fouchdown and an extra point, taking the lead, 13-7. The score was held at the point until two minutes
before the end of the game, when their opponents rushed in for a ouchdown and took the win, 14
$55 \mathrm{Yrs.Ago}$
December 2, 1949 partial list of the Friona people who are away attending colege this term, and who were home Betty Lovise McLellan Pergy Mayfield, Charles Osbom, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Welch, Treva Jean Rolen, ames Smith and wife, Muma an, Jean Crawford, Doris Ann loyd Messenger Messenger

50 Yrs. Ago December 2, 1954 Gins in the Friona area are operating around the clock to accommo-
date cotton growers. A picture on

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| Birthday <br> Irional |

December 5 thru December 11, 2004 Wilkins, Teena Hughs Allison Johnston, Mathew Ratiff. Tim Mercer, Mike Tay or, Sherri Wilkerson, Alicia Rando, Allison Jones, Roy Domingues, Roy Don Smith. Tue Scot Lauri Rarla Melanie London, D'Lynn Carr, Brenda Busch. 8 - D.L. Osborn, Jess Estrada, Candace Frye.
9 - Bill White, Robert Martinez.
Kelli Coffey, Jason Grant Berend, Ross Roden, Kenneth Wilkerson, Sharon Newton, Michael Johnston 11 - Chris Hamil, Leigh Neelley Boatman, Libby Procter, M'Lynda Jarecki, Jeff Chaney, Lindsey Neill, Louise Bynum, Whitney Jo


15 Yrs Ago
December 9, 1989
Frecmber 9, 1989
Friona High School students sisted with the 1989 Friona United
Way Campaign. Class officers wer Wenior Shannon Cochran, junior
shaign Hamilton, and freshman Carric
$10 \mathrm{Yrs}$. Ago
December 3, 1994 West Texas A\&M University Texa
Zeta Chapter of Alpha Chi Natio College Honor Society inducted 10 student members. Among those in-
stalled was Lenora V. Fought, senior nursing major from Friona.
J.V. Boys \& Girls

Stomp River Road


Coach David Towner's team found their stride midway through the 5 Yrs. Ago
December 3, 1999
in an ending fit for a championship In an ending fit for a championship
football game, Mal Manchee came football game, Mal Manchee came
from behind to tie, then won the om behind to tie, then won the
trict sweetheart"' in competition with
15 other girls in the Littlefield dis-
trict. She will compete in the area

## contest in May. ${ }^{*}$.**

## 30 Yrs. Ago December 1, 1974

The Friona Noon Lions Club pre
sented the Showbam-Community
Center building fund with a $\$ 1,000$
gif-the club's second $\$ 1,000$ do-
nation to the find foll nation to the fund, following a club board meeting last week. Jeny
Hinkle, a fund drive official, re-
ported that only around $\$ 1$, ported that only around $\$ 1,800$ was
owed on the building now, from an owed on the building now, from an
original cost of $\$ 86,000$. orignal cost of $\$ 86,000$.




## Record Rainfall Threatens Cotton Quality

 Plains Cotton Growers-Via EmaiLOf the 3.5 million acres of cotton in West tions with some discoloration as the bur leaves, Texas, only about $20 \%$ has been harvested. So, various parts of the plant that are in contact with
farmers have been waiting for the wet weather to the white coton can cause some stains" explains farmers have been waiting for the wet weater to the witc coton can cause some stains," explains clear up. But it is now apparent what aftect the Haldenby.
so when will farmers be able to harvest the rest
wait "Normally this time of year, harvest operations of their crops? "And the answer is either 4 to 5 are taking place," explains Roger Haldenby from days or even a week of decent dry weather to let
Plains Cotton Growers. But they're not. He says the ground dry up so that'll allow harvesting Plains Coton Growers. But they're not. He says the ground try up so that'sll 1 allow havvesting
harvest is at a standstill. This, after recent rain and operations to take place," he says. harvest is at a standstill. This, atter recent rain and
snowfall. "It means the cotton in in the field. is
Despite to the e peltacke, snowfall. "It means the cotton in the field, is Despite the setback, Haldenby says farmers waiting to be harvested" he says.
The West Texas weather has lierally left both still have blessings to be grateful for "Well, I
guesesthing farmers can be thankful for on farmers and coton hanging in there. Some of the Thanksgiving is they're going to get the opportu-
coton remaining in the field has strected look nity to sit at the family table and have a hot cotton remaining in the field has a strected look nity to sit at the family table and have a hot
to it. This is caused by the recent moisture the Thenksgiving dimner instead of eating a turkey to it. This is caused by the recent moisure the Manksgiving dimner insteat of eaing
coton has absorbed, weighing it down. And as sandwich on the fly, says haldenby. long as it doesn't tall out of the burr it can still be 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
certain loss of quality with continued wet condi-- additional roadblock on this season's harvest.


Tuesday December 7, 2004-10:00 A.M. (Texas Time) LOCAIED: FIom Texico, New Mexico 7 Miles North On Highway 108, Then 1 Mile East, Then'1/4
Mile South (Texico, New Mexico is located 10 Miles East Of Clovis, New Mexico On Highwoy 00 ).


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TEXAS BEEF
Russian Chefs Visit The Panhandle

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ers the world larg- show to thesident Bush'

} est country-the Russian Fed- sirloin. They also focused on ranch at Crawford, Texas, in Sration-visited the United new, highly consistent cuts gen- 2001. state of Texas November 8-12 erated through beef checkoff re- Besides the restaurant visits, o observe new concerts for 8 search including the Flat Iron the Russian chefs learned about marketing beef. Before the Rus- A visit to Perini Ranch in visits to Dudley Hereford sian chefs returned home, the Steakhouse at Buffalo Gap was Ranch, a commercial and shown checkoff program had among the highlights of the seedstock operation can add variety Und value to Russian chefs' visit. Owner Tom Comanche, as well as a Friona | their operations. | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Perini had done a series of Industries feedyard and a major } \\ \text { foodservice seminars in Russia }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | :--- | 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 rants in Moscow and St. Pe- President Vladimir Putin during
tersburg, the two largest Rus-
sian cities. The U.S. Meat ExMoonlight Extension Education Cluo and Texas cooperative Extension
port 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 ser-
vices. "In the past, Russia has vices. "In the past, Russia has
taken a lot of our byproductslaken a lot of our byproducts-
particularly the liver-which has added a lot of value on a per head basis to U.S. cattle. But
the Russians foodservice sector the Russians foodservice secto
is growing rapidly and Russian are interested in new cuts for that sector." Clayton said Western influ-
ences are strong in Russia, and ences are strong in Russia, and
introduction of barbecue 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 becom preparation methods are becom-
ing 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 restau-
rant operators from Amarillo to rant operators from Amarillo to
Austin. At each stop, they learned how foodservice gets
high value from cuts like the

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5 Yrs. Ago Kay Roach, who had been in first $\begin{gathered}\text { December 3, } 1999 \\ \text { place in the Bovina Blade's football }\end{gathered}$ Jerry Roach claimed the Grand place in the Bovina Blade's football Jery Roach claimed the Grand Prize
contest for the last several weeks, of $\$ 150$ in the Bovina Blade Font contest for the last several weeks, of $\$ 150$ in the Bovina Blade Foot-
held on to win the Grand Prize of ball contest with a total of 125 An era has ended in Bovina. W.E.

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and Wayne Spears last week with
and Wayne Spears last week with
the trade being effective Saturday.

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35 Yrs, Ago
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A doctor who is interested in mov-
ing to Bovina and practicing here
ing to Bovina and practicing here
will visit the community over the
weekend. He is Dr. Michael Murphy,
M.D. who is presently employed
M.D. who is presently employed
by the Rusk State Hospital at Rusk.

25 Yrs. Ago
December 12, 1979
Dilling on the wildcat oil well on


 Dacmber II.

Happy
Birthday
Bovina
 David Martinez, fifth grade Maps, Graphs and Charts; Joseph Brito, second grade Story Writing; and Heather
Miller, fourth grade Ready Writing. Bovina Jr. Basketball Sign-Ups




December 5 thr December 11, 2004.

Dec. 5 - Larry Hodnett, Charles
Wilkins, Mathew Downes Dec. 6 - Jessie Fuentes, Kent McClaran Dec. 9 - Judith Jennings, Ja Dec. 10 - Sabina Schilling

## Dec. 11 - Ken Guest, Keith Gu

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Ena Yvonne Baxter
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 Church of Christ in Durango 1967 . with Mr. Gene Siemens officiat- She was preceded in death ing. Bural followed in by thre brothers, Charles, J.G.
Greenmount Cemetery in and
Omes Lee and one sand
 vember 18, 2004, at her home he in band, Dean Baxter, four sons, Durango aferer several years of Rick Baxter and Dennis Baxter, failing health. Mrs. Baxter was bath of Bayyficld, Gerton Bxxter born way
Stephenvile, Texas, to Henny Stephenville, Texas, to Henry Jackson Hole, Wyomings, her
Gorron and Laura Coldiron
brother, Herald White. Daytona Beach, Florida; 14 She grew up in the Texas grandchiliren
Panhandle, in Friona. She met grandchildren her husband, Dean Baxter, there Memorial contribution may and they were married Decem- be made to Hospice of Mercy,
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## Ho! Ho! Ho! Home For The Holidays

The Friona Chamber of Commerce has kicked off the 2004 "Ho! Ho! Home For The Holidays" promotion. The annual event is designed to promote local business and to encourage keeping some holiday dollars here by shopping at home.
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.
Each of these businesses has a wrapped Christmas box with a nice slot on the top for you to deposit your name for the big drawings. Support our local businesses and win some Friona Bucks for the holidays.

| Football |
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| Contest |
| Standings |

64-Martin Brito, James Elder 63-Scott Brown, Jeremy Dearing, Darin Hofferichter 162-Myrtle Melton
161-Mona Contreras
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160-Laura Field, Jimmy R. Walker
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158-Mark Walker
157-Nathan Bro
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56-Lance Field, Mike Field,
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Stowers
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Michael Villa, Bobby Wied
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Francisco Torres
2-Raymond Diaz, Ronald Diaz,
Blake Sudderth
51-Claire Brown, Jon Field, Frank Gonzales, Lance Looper, Jerry Roach, Scott Sudderth
150-Mack McFarland, Rusty McFarland, Don
Charles Wales
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49-Jessica Stower
Frank Dominguez, Jr, Dorothy Stowers, Del Ray Sudderth
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47-Tyson Neill, Sally Putman 46-Denae Anthony, Jennifer
Gonzales, Ron Smiley, Elizabeth Torres, Eufemia Torres 45-Jo Field, Quentin Shelby 143-Linda Sudderth 40-Peggy Hargrove 139-Brett Field, David Gonzales 37-Isabel Rios
35 -Tenna Mo
35-Tenna Montana, Marth 134-Mitchell Smiley


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