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Valentine's deadline February 9

'It's bragging time' at the Friona Star. The annual Friona Star Valentine's issue will be published February 12 and the deadline to show off those kids, grandkids, sweethearts and spouse is Monday, February 9 at 5 p.m.

Cost per photo is \$10 for 1-2 people and \$20 for 3 or more. Photos may include names of parents, grandparents and great-grandparents.

For more information call 250-2211 or email frionastar@wrt.net. Photos can be emailed or brought by the Friona Star office Monday through Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Chamber accepting nominations

The Friona Chamber of Commerce is accepting nominations for Citizen, Man, Woman, Teacher, Boy & Girl Student and Most Courteous Employee of the Year. The deadline for nominations is Friday, March 6. Nomination forms are available at the Chamber office at 621 Main Street or online at www.frionachamber.com.

The 59th Annual Friona Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be held Thursday, March 26 at the Friona Community Center. Brandon Slay will be the speaker for the evening.

Raffle to benefit Barraza family

A raffle for a Ruger Limited Edition 10/22 rifle will be held at the Friona Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet on March 26. The raffle is to benefit the medical expenses of Myrna Barraza and her family.

Tickets are \$10 each. Need not be present to win.

For more information and tickets contact Bobby Tyler at (806) 729-7292 or Mitchell Wiseman at (806) 265-7953. If you would like to donate, contact the Friona First Baptist Church.

Class of '95 reunion

The Friona High School Class of 1995 will have its 20th reunion July 19-21, 2015, on Lake Travis in Austin. For more information about the reunion contact Jodi (Looper) Allen at 512-791-1392 or jodilwmarina@austin.rr.com, or join the Facebook group, Friona Class of '95. All classmates, parents, and teachers are invited.



shirley prokop photo

The Chiefs celebrate when Mason Loflin sank a free throw with 2 seconds left in the game to defeat the Shallowater Mustangs 59-58 in action last Friday at Shallowater. The win gave the Chiefs a 4-1 record halfway through district competition and a tie for first place in District 2-3A. The Chiefs lost a tough game to Dimmitt here Tuesday evening 57-54. Their record is 4-2 as they head to Muleshoe Friday February 6 and host Littlefield here Tuesday February 10. It will be senior night with senior parents and basketball king and queen announced. Activities will take place before the varsity girls' game.

City council to hear annual audit report

The Friona city council will meet in regular session Monday February 8, 2015 in council chambers, 619 Main St.

All council meetings are open to the public.

On the agenda for Monday's meeting:

-- Consider an order calling for city officers' election and notice of election to be held May 9, 2015 and authorize the mayor to sign a joint election agreement with the Friona Independent School District. (Note: three seats on the city council and school board are

up for election. Sign-up for candidates is open now until February 27.)

-- authorize the mayor to sign a resolution supporting rural Texas as a valuable part of the state's economy.

-- hear and approve the Friona Police Department racial profiling report and hear the police department's monthly report of activities.

-- consider and take action on approval of the audit report presented by Randall Field, P.C. for fiscal year October 1, 2013 to September 30, 2014.

-- consider and take action on a water incident that occurred at Great Plains Ag Credit.

-- allocate monies for 4th quarter payment from Health and Human Services commission for nursing facility upper payment limit.

-- approve accounts payable and financial statement for January 2015.

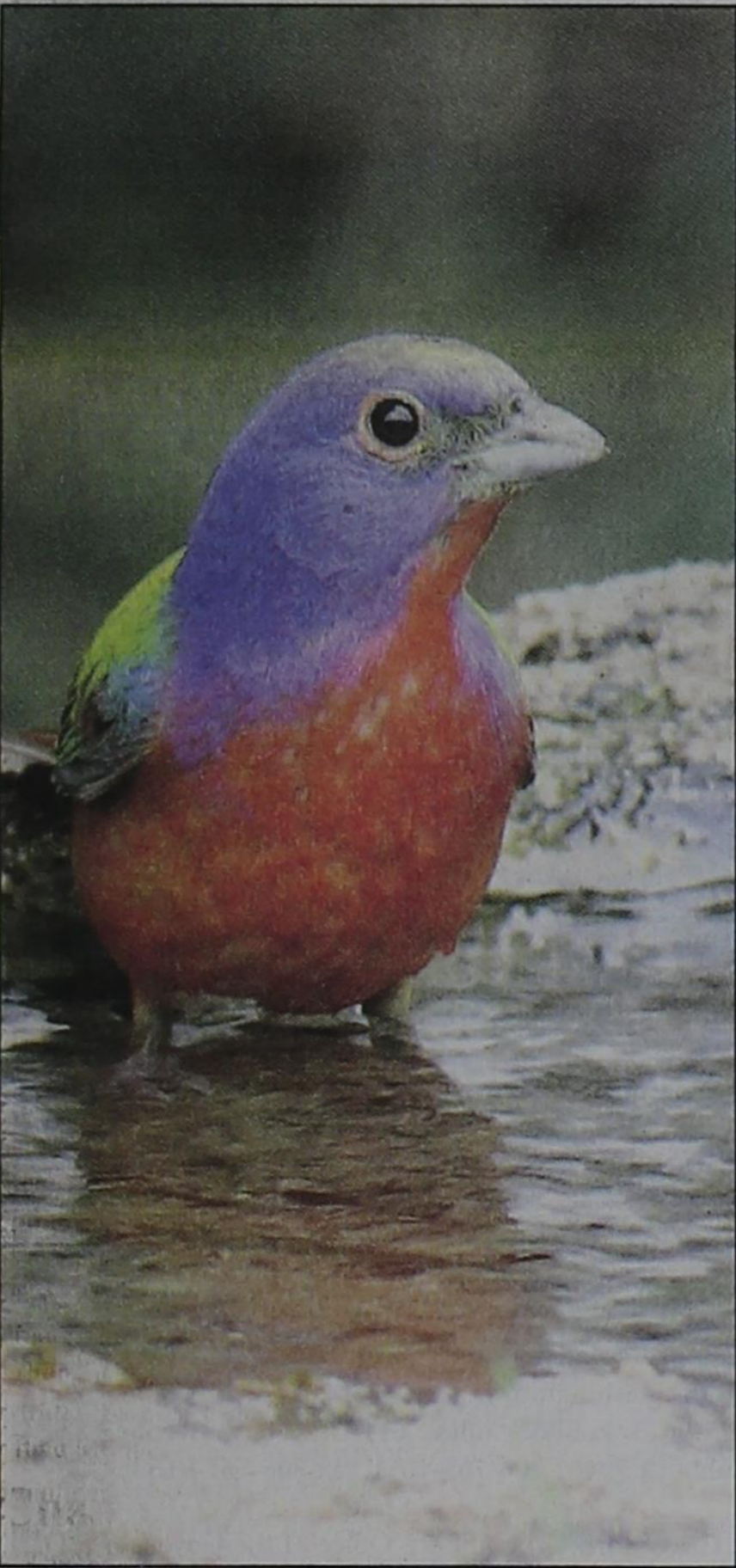
-- authorize city manager to solicit bids for 2015 sealcoating project and approve agreement for professional services with Brandt Engi-

neering for 2015 sealcoating project.

-- consider and take action on closing city hall on Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

-- consider and take action on a request for water on a 4-acre tract of land at 19650 CR F, the former Lydia Wylie property now owned by Car-gill.

These agenda items are tentative and subject to change. The final version of the agenda is posted on the city hall window 72 hours prior to the meeting.



dr. gary cash photo

I'm going to start thinking positive, I see these birds when it is above 100 degrees.....right now I'm ready to see some. LOL

Bovina Chamber fine tuning plans

The Bovina Chamber of Commerce will meet Thursday, February 5 to work on plans for the March 12 annual chamber banquet.

The banquet has been returned to the high school cafeteria to facilitate easier food preparation. The menu of rib eye steaks with all the trimmings is a much anticipated feast for residents and guests. An entertainment package is being sought that will appeal to a wide range of local interests. The annual recognition of local accomplishments will be presented.

The chamber is actively seeking prospective award nominees to be recognized at the banquet and we are enlisting the help of local folk as well as organizations to offer leadership people for these awards.

As in the past, awards will be given to the Citizen of the Year, Teacher of the Year, Boy and Girl Students of the Year and any special award that may apply. Every one is invited and encouraged to nominate your favorite candidate for each award. Lists of nominees may be sent to Bovina Chamber Of Commerce, P. O. Box 627, Bovina, TX 79009. Or they may be handed or orally suggested to any chamber member.

Make your plans now to attend the banquet and to participate in the selection of local leaders.



dana jameson photo

Vernie Schacher, left, works the serving line at the St. Ann's Catholic Church German sausage dinner last Sunday. A big crowd enjoyed the annual fundraiser.

WTRT joining FRS in awarding scholarships: Application deadline is March 2

West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative is cooperating with the Foundation for Rural Service to award an array of scholarships this spring in addition to the scholarships long sponsored by the cooperative. High school seniors whose parents or guardians are members of and receive service from West Texas Rural Telephone Cooperative are eligible to apply for the scholarships that will be awarded May 1 through the Foundation for Rural Service. Applicants have only a short time to compile their paperwork. All FRS applications must be completed and postmarked no later than March 2.

Among the FRS academic grants offered are 30 regional scholarships of \$2,000 each, with FRS funding \$2,000 of the scholarships and cooperatives

such as WTRT tossing in another \$500 to bring the total one-time scholarship award to \$2,500.

FRS will also provide four Staurulakis Family Scholarships valued at \$5,000 each, with these grants favoring students who are majoring in math, science, engineering or medicine; one Everett Kneece Return to Rural America Scholarship of \$2,500; and two TMS Scholarships for \$1,500 each. The Colt Ford Scholarship, new for 2015 and valued at up to \$15,000 will also be awarded.

Applications for the scholarships from the WTRT service area must be post-marked no later than March 2. Applications must bear the signature of Amy Linzey, Chief Executive Officer and General Manager of West Texas Rural

Telephone Cooperative.

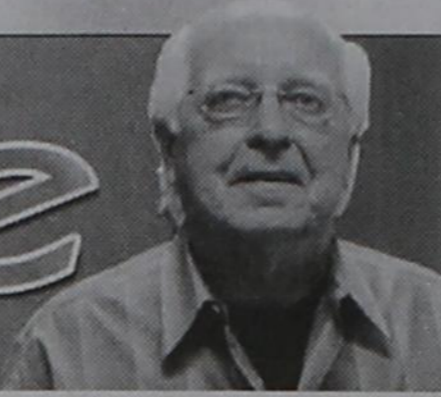
Winners will be posted on the FRS website, www.frs.org, by May 1, 2015. Scholarships will be awarded on a one-time basis and are not renewable.

Application forms and instructions will be available at the WTRT business office as well as at school guidance counselor offices at Hereford, Friona, Bovina, Farwell, Vega, and Adrian high schools.

Each applicant must be a graduating high school senior, a U.S. citizen, be sponsored by WTRT, which is a current NTCA member, and be accepted by an accredited two-year or four-year college, university, or vocational-technical school, have at least a C grade point average, and express an interest to return to a rural community following graduation.

Out Here

By Ron Carr



MAMA HAYES

By guest columnist and friend Victor Leal

In 1969 Mom and Dad moved their thriving little twelve-year old Mexican Food enterprise further West on highway 84 in Muleshoe. They were offered a lease on what was formerly LB's Cafe and it was fully equipped.

I was seven then and along with my siblings spent most of my time, outside of school, at the restaurant. My first job was removing the napkins and trash from the bus tubs, separating the silver ware and glasses and scraping the leftovers into a bucket that Abelino would pick up nightly to feed his hogs.

Mrs. Hayes was in charge of the dishwashing area. She had worked at LB's Cafe and stayed on to help us. I was under her careful, gentle and firm instructions. She took tremendous pride and worked extremely hard and she taught me the meaning of a job well-done.

I quickly grew to love her. In fact we all did.

She was a Mother to us in a very special way. When we were sick she had a home-spun and effective remedy for anything that ailed us. The piece of brown paper sack under the tongue and a little sprite to relieve nausea and a tummy ache are still my go-to today.

When we just wanted to talk she always listened.

She saved me a lot of whuppins too. On busy nights when all hell was breaking loose Laura and I would get in a fight or figure out a way to make Dad mad. When his steam valve would blow and he was removing his belt we'd run to Mama Hayes and hide under her apron.

"Don't spank em Mr. Jesse. They just being kids."

Dad could never or would never argue with that defense and he'd punish us by making us stay at the dish pit with Mama and wash dishes the rest of the night.

On Sunday's she would get to work after Church. She had the most beautiful and colorful outfits with special hats to match each one. She was always a sight to see on those special days.

I will always remember when I was leaving school one day. I was in the fourth grade and Mama was waiting for me as I began my walk home.

"You are going with me. I already talked to your Momma. Hurry we have to pick up Laura too."

"Where we going Mama?" "It's Carl's birthday and we are going to surprise him."

We got to Mama's little home with plenty of time to blow up some balloons and put out the cake and make it just right before Carl got home from riding the bus.

Carl was her baby and he was my age. The only ones at his tenth birthday party were Laura and Wesley Cook and me. We played the piano and ate cake and laughed a bunch though.

I often think of watching Mama during that party. She was so happy that we were there celebrating with her son. It was such a modest party by most standards but it was something special that she had planned and put together with her small budget.

It was as joyous as any celebration I've ever been to.

I love stormy weather. I fondly remember the times when thunder storms were threatening or the sirens would go off signaling a tornado was on the ground and Mama would grab a butter knife, go out back and cut the clouds.

She'd say a prayer and put the knife in the ground with the serrated side facing the menace. We never had a tornado land in Muleshoe or a storm that did any real damage. I remember seeing the clouds just go around us after Mama cut them.

I always knew God heard Mama's prayers and long af-

ter I was married I would call her and share a struggle I was dealing with and she would pray for me on the phone.

I guess Mama worked with us for over thirty years.

When my Dad passed away almost five years ago we were all surprised and thrilled when Mama came rolling up the driveway in her wheelchair to Laura's house. She admonished us and told us not to cry but to be strong. She asked us where our faith was and didn't we know Mr. Jesse was now resting in the arms of Jesus. She was our rock.

A few weeks ago I was made aware that Mama was in ICU in Lubbock. I dropped everything, packed a suitcase and headed South. When I got to the Heart Hospital I was relieved to see her doing well.

We talked for awhile and then we laughed a lot as we recalled some of the most wonderful memories of my childhood.

After about two hours we grew quiet and were just enjoying each other's presence. No one was in the room but us.

"Did you rush down here because they told you I was dying?"

"No Mama." I lied, "I just wanted to come see you."

"Well we all have to go sometime you know."

"Yeah well I guess so Mama but you ain't going no where for a long time."

"I'm ready."

"Ready for what?" I replied trying to comfort myself.

"To die child. I done made my peace with Jesus."

It grew quite again.

I gazed at her hands and arms and absorbed the beauty of her face. Her skin was so smooth and belied her age. I ran my fingers through her curly hair.

I thought of the sons and husband she had buried and all her hard work. I thought of her little home and how proud she was of it. I thought of how unfair it seemed that she had suffered so much and was suffering greatly as we sat together.

As the tears began to warm my face I was able to thank her for all she had done for us and tell her how much she meant to me.

"I love you Mama. You know that don't you?"

"I've always known that child. But when you walked in the door it was nice to be reminded."

Her funeral will be held this Monday. She was 89. She will be wearing one of those beautiful bright-colored dresses with a matching hat.

There will be a hole in my heart but I will try to remember what she told me when my Dad passed,

"Where is your faith child. Don't you know that I'm in the arms of Jesus now?"

Jesus assured us that the first would be last and the last would be first. I wish I could be there to watch Mama get the invite from Him to come to the front of the line.

As a kid overhearing my parents talk I had heard the new place would be fully equipped. I never dreamed it would be equipped with another Mother.

"I care about one thing and one thing only and that is how to use every minute of the remaining 1,276 days of my term to make the country work for working Americans again. That's all I care about."

President Barack Obama
July 24, 2013 Galesburg, Illinois

CHAMBER CHATTER

Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture will be using this column as a way to keep citizens of activities promoting Friona.

Board members along with Chris Alexander, EVP have actively working to build a slate of activities to promote the Friona Chamber's Mission Statement: "The Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture seeks to promote Friona in growth and development Chamber of free enterprise, community and agriculture."

Chamber Sponsored Events for 2015:
59th Annual Chamber Awards Banquet
Thursday, March 26, 2015
Friona Community Center
6:30 p.m.

Ladies Spring Luncheon
Saturday, April 11, 2015
First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
11:30 a.m.

Gary Moore Amusements Carnival
June 23-27
Friona Community Center Area

4th of July Events and Fireworks Display
(details later)
Reeve Lake

10th Annual Cheeseburger Festival
Saturday, July 18, 2015
11:00 a.m. Friona City Park

59th Annual Maize Days Celebration
Saturday, September 19, 2015
Parade and Booths in the Park

Miss Friona & Little Miss
(details later)

Christmas in the Park
Monday, December 7, 2015

We're excited about the new year and all the opportunities to promote our chamber members. Volunteers and ideas are always appreciated. Feel free to call or come by the chamber office anytime. We want to work with you to make Friona a better place to work, live and raise our children and grandchildren.



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- ACROSS
1 many TX towns have Mardi ___ events
5 Livingston is the seat of this county
6 TX Kristofferson '77 film: "___-Tough"
7 TXism: "got ___ itchy trigger finger"
8 TX girl raised by Comanches: Cynthia ___ Parker
9 J.Lo song: "Could ___ Love?"
15 horse-drawn carriage
16 sheep tenders
19 ___ del Norte" intersects with "El Camino Real" in Nacogdoches
21 TX-born Olympian & football RB, Matson ready to hit? (3 wds.)
27 fly high
28 TXism: "stubborn as a ___ sundown"
29 TXism: "so many you couldn't ___ with a stick"
30 TXism: "take a stab at"
32 this Pilgrim started TX "Pilgrim's Pride"
33 "Bad ___ in Breaking Training" was filmed in TX
36 class for Abilene's Wylie High School
37 ___ of a gun"
38 Houston beat Lopez ___ Anna
39 to So. Padre Island: "Queen ___ Causeway"

TEXAS CROSSWORD

by Charley & Guy Orbison
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- DOWN
1 satellite navigation (abbr.)
2 landmark TX case: ___ v. Wade
3 TX reference book
4 TXism for "very thin" (4 wds.)
8 TXism: "use your head for something besides ___ rack"
9 TXism: "it ain't true, ___ well in TX"
10 TX Paula Prentiss old sitcom: "___ & She"

- 11 computers have an ___ address
12 debut film of TX-born Cyd Charisse: "Something to ___"
13 TX-based Blue ___ Ice Cream
14 honorary TX Ranger: ___ Stanley Gardner
15 lcky Twerp's ___
16 Venetian blind piece
17 juggling prop
18 Cowboy fans have their sights ___
19 NFL title
20 TXism: "___ of breathing room"
21 ___ 83 runs thru TX
22 Paramount's early TV network (abbr.)
24 TXism: "hog ___ (helpless)"
25 dystopian novelist, George
26 Jefferson puts on "Diamond ___ Murder Trial"
28 this TX Jack Valenti created the ___ film rating system
31 ship's upright pole
34 dir. from Uvalde to San Antonio
35 "one ___ a time"
37 TXism: "a whole ___ (a lot)"
40 historical periods
43 ___ Smith County
44 TXism: "he ain't got a lick ___ (stupid)"
50 TX and CBS news person, Kennard
51 wood chopper

Town Talk II

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When Patriots defensive back Malcolm Butler made the game saving interception in the Super Bowl, he also saved each of his teammates \$48,000. The winners got \$97,000 and the losers \$49,000. Lots of money swirls around the Super Bowl. Some folks spend the weekend in Las Vegas where you can bet on every detail of the game, including how long it takes to sing the national anthem. Tickets were expensive. Saw some people that thought they bought a weekend package that included tickets but found out when they got there they had no tickets. Seems that happens every year. It is a big money event and I did my part. I took the Patriots and won one dollar from a friend in Hereford.

Lazbuddie blood drive. Wednesday February 18 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. the Coffee Memorial Blood Center Bloodmobile will be at Lazbuddie High School. You can call 877-574-8800 for an appointment or just show up. Every eligible donor gets a free t-shirt. Give the gift of life.

DPS troopers had a good year in 2014. A press release says they seized more than \$33.3 million in drugs and

currency during 219 traffic stops along the I-40 corridor and other Panhandle roadways. Included were 4,161 lbs marijuana, 458 lbs meth, 100 lbs cocaine, 29 lbs hashish, more than half a pound of crack cocaine, and over \$1.5 million in cash.

Plans are underway to form a Pre-K to 5th grade Christian School in Friona. An informational meeting will be held Thursday February 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the Calvary Baptist Church fellowship hall. All interested folks are invited to attend.

Bruce Fleming's ice and water machine is open for business on west Highway 60 across from Subway. He said he opened it in the winter to make sure it is operating well before the warm summer months. Customers can get a 10lb bag of ice for \$1.50 or 20lbs for \$2.25 or 5 gallons of water for \$1.50. One gallon of water is 30-cents. All water and ice are filtered.

Prairie Acres/Heritage Estates will have a Valentine party February 13. Three Heritage residents, Benny Womble, Mary Peace, and Jeanette Thurman, have moved back to King's Manor in Hereford. They moved to Heritage after

the King's Manor fire about a year ago and are just now able to move back.

Resident of the Month at Prairie Acres is Camilla Wilson. Employee of the Month is Kristy Grenko. She is a charge nurse and has been employed since September 2008.

Get your chocolate fix on for Valentine's. Sandra Berend's Valentine fudge comes in a cute red and white box. A pound of just chocolate fudge is \$10 or a pound of chocolate fudge with either pecans or walnuts is \$12. Contact Sandra at 806-220-7628 or on her Facebook page.

Master chef Canna Ray, proprietor of The Country Rose, will prepare assorted long stem gourmet chocolate dipped strawberries for \$20 per dozen. Call Canna at 817-408-6829.

Kitty Gallman and her daughter Melanie Braun are organizing a series of garage sales from the estate of Kitty's late mother Clydie Black. Rather than have one humongous garage sale they are organizing items into categories. Saturday February 7 from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. at 306 W. 14th will be the kitchen sale. They have set up a Facebook page named Clydie's Collectibles. Search it, friend it, and

follow along. Like many folks here in the Panhandle, Clydie had a lot of stuff.

Librarian Darla Bracken reports that someone lost a WTSU college ring in or near the library recently. It has a name engraved inside. A small reward is offered. If found please return it to the library.

A raffle to win a Ruger 10/22 rifle will be held at the Chamber of Commerce banquet March 26. The raffle proceeds are to assist with medical expenses for Myrna Barraza and her family. Tickets are \$10. Do not have to be present to win. For info and tickets call Bobby Tyler at 806-729-7292 or Mitchell Wiseman at 806-265-7953. If you wish to donate money for the family contact the Friona First Baptist Church, 806-250-3933.

Chiefs/Squaws continue basketball Friday Feb 6 at Muleshoe and here Tuesday Feb 10 vs. Littlefield. The Littlefield game ends the

Squaw season and will be senior parents' night and crowning of the basketball King and Queen. Introduction of senior parents and King and Queen will be held before the girls game starts.

The Milk House Market will host a "Sweet Tea & Cookies, Too" men's shopping day Monday February 9 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Men are encouraged to shop for their special lady. Crystal is offering free wrapping. The store is at Main & Hwy 60 across from the post office.

Baseball practice is underway. The head baseball coach is Jesus Quiroz. Scrimmages are scheduled February 14 at Tulia and February 20 at Lockney. First official game is here February 24 vs. River Road. Several key players are still playing basketball and Coach Quiroz is optimistic about this year's team. District baseball opponents are Shallowater, Littlefield, Muleshoe, and Dimmitt.

Finally a bit of Texas his-

tory trivia from the Texas Coop Power magazine. The "Chicken Salad Case" started February 11, 1915 when the Texas legislature passed an appropriations bill to pay for expenses incurred by former Gov. Oscar Branch Colquitt for "chicken salad and punch" among other items.

The attorney general ruled the appropriation invalid but Gov. Jim Ferguson signed the bill anyway.

A legal battle ensued and in June 1916 an appeals court ruled that the legislature could appropriate for fuel, water, lights, and ice necessary for the Governor's Mansion but not for groceries and other personal needs of the governor.

Gov. Ferguson continued to use state funds to buy groceries, an issue that contributed to his impeachment and removal from office in 1917.

So how are you doing with your New Year's resolutions? See you next week. Don't forget about your Valentine. Until then!



dr. gary cash photo

Looks like a moon- launch not a fence jumper. LOL

Country Thoughts

dana jameson



Time Machine!

I work at an actual time machine. No hot tubs or cardboard boxes decorated with the words "Time Machine" or H.G. Wells needed here.

On any given day, we can be working on a story about the here and now and be transported by one simple request to another time when life seemed just a little easier.

We can find out how much a loaf of bread cost in 1961, who got married in 1955 or who passed away in 1979. This resource is right at our fingertips in our mini archive.

In recent years, the archive business has gone to the World Wide Web. The Southwest Collection/Special Collections Library is located at Texas Tech University and they are working diligently to archive every newspaper in Texas. This collection includes the large city and small town newspapers.

Unfortunately, the Friona Star is not included in that collection. We are working to get that situation remedied.

The process is time consuming and takes them a few months to make them available digitally to the public. The Southwest Collection also restores many of the books and newspapers that come to them in disrepair.

Anyway, last week I had one of those requests that sent me to the archives to find anything and everything possible about Cargill and Missouri Beef. It seems they are having a REALLY big anniversary this year.

Esther from Cargill called and requested whatever we might have on hand. She came to the right spot. We have it all.

Finding it is another subject.

We don't have the information socked away on microfiche or catalogued by subject.

The newspapers are bound in to really big books and it takes time to go through each book. There are not just one or two books. There are shelves and shelves of books containing each year of the Friona Star and Bovina Blade. Each one is dated and holds all the important information from that year.

I have a hard time getting past stopping and reading every article that catches my eye. I have to make myself quickly read an article so that I can go on to find the information Esther needs.

The time machine I have been referring to can go from 2012 to 1968 to 1975 all in the span of an hour. I kind of bounce all over time when I am looking at these books.

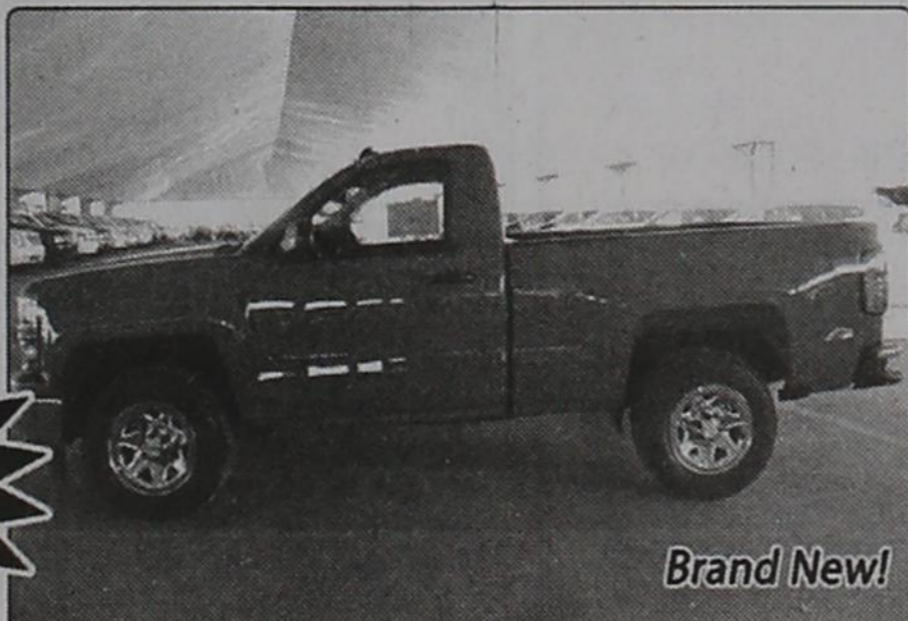
I have had the honor of working at a number of newspapers in the panhandle. I have found that with every newspaper office I have worked in is a tiny time capsule. I love it.

In one of the offices I found that through the years many of the paper copies of the newspaper had been cannibalized and where stories and pictures should have been were nothing but empty holes leaving one to wonder what was in that hole at one time. It is very sad but a truth. These books of old newspapers are a piece of history. Thank goodness, there were the microfiche copies to fill in the blanks but that doesn't help when you need the rest of a story that now has been tattered and unfinished because of an absent clipping.

Well, I need to get back to my research. I should be done sometime in the...forget it...I will probably never get over traveling back in time with this time machine called the Friona Star.

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We will be open Saturday, February 14!

Happy Birthday

February 8-14

(To add, delete or change a name on our birthday list, please call us at 250-2211 or e-mail to frionastar@wrt.net.)

Feb. 8-Nancy Roden, Micha London, Kathy McLean-Davis, Rhonda Romero, Katherine Smith, Nicole Speters Groves, Sandra Rainey, Erica Boeckman, Taryn Elizabeth Banfield, Cody Jamerson, Andrew Marufo, Sydney Easley

Feb. 9-Joel Osborn, Renae Barnett, Randa Copley, Deke Kendrick, Joe Gonzales, Susie McLellan, Tammy Whiteley, Diane White, Vanette White Barnett, Ashley Cheaham, Dylan Cooper, Earl Whitten, Darius Armijo, Chad Stovell

Feb. 10-Hayes Jones, Frank Saiz, Robert Saiz, Seth Houston, Chris Shufelburger

Feb. 11-Holly Whatley, Nancy Jackson, Jerry Harrelson, Stephen Allen, Christy Stover, Gail Melton Blouch, Wesley Barnett, Dale Widner, Debbie Smith, Kody Kimbrough

Feb. 12-Leon Coffey, Jeff Schueler, David Howard, Marilyn Stovell, Christina Santellana, Aundrea Frye, Sandy Houston, Lori Merket, Patricia Martinez, Christian Keathley

Feb. 13-Mary Pryor, Mike Schueler, Robin Peace, Donny Campbell, Jimmy W. Norwood, Mary Steelman, J.T. Hammonds, Kevin Mitchell

Feb. 14-Tasha Cain, Wayne Schueler, Wade Schueler, Billy Jo Hand, Jimmy Broyles, Skyla Gay Knapp, Jimmy T. Norwood, Karen Conaway Cummings, Loraine Anthony, George Rushing, Terry Widner, Faustino Salazar, Leon Saddler, Margarita Samarron, Montie Turner

Take Care of Texas K-5 art contest

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and Samsung Austin Semiconductor invite K-5th grade students in Texas to submit artwork showing how they help keep the air and water clean, conserve water and energy, and reduce waste.

Fifteen students and one teacher will each win a Samsung tablet, and one grand prize winner will receive a Samsung laptop. The winning pieces will be showcased on the Take Care of Texas and TCEQ websites, newsletters, and social media.

Contest entries must be received by March 6.

Entries must be two-dimensional, but can be created with any media, including crayons, watercolor, markers, paints, and color pencils. Winners will be announced April 3, 2015.

Visit the Take Care of Texas website for more information and to download an entry form.

Crime of the Week

The Parmer County Crime Stoppers need your help. On January 26, 2015, an unknown individual(s) committed a Burglary of a Building on the 2300 block of County Road DD. The unknown individual(s) entered the building and stole the following: a Kubota RTV 900W, a 6 ft. homemade gray trailer and miscellaneous tools.

If you have any information at all about this crime, please call the Parmer County Crime Stoppers at (806) 481-9178. You will remain anonymous and if your tip leads to an arrest, you may earn cash reward up to \$1,000.

Call Crime Stoppers at 800-774-TIPS (8477), (806) 481-9178 or online at www.pbcstips.com.

Sheriff's Report

Reported by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office:

January 21, 2015
Manuel Burciaga, 32, of El Paso, TX, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a charge of driving with an invalid license. The case is pending in County Court.

Janet Venegas, 31, of Lubbock, TX, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a motion to revoke (possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram). The case is pending in District Court.

January 24, 2015
Jose Rubio, 37, of Muleshoe, TX, was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of driving with an invalid license. The case is pending in County Court.

January 25, 2015
Joseph Garvey, 25, of Bovina, TX, was arrested by the Bovina Police Department on a charge of driving with an invalid license. The case is pending in County Court.

January 30, 2015
Jeffrey Scheller, 33, of Borger, TX, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a Hutchison County warrant. Scheller posted bond and was released.

January 31, 2015
Annette Maxey, 31, of Portales, NM, was arrested by the Farwell Police Department on an Aransas County warrant. Maxey posted bond and was released.

Jerry Prieto, 39, of Friona, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office on a Deaf Smith County warrant. Prieto posted bond and was released.

Rickey Maxey, Jr., 30, of Portales, NM, was arrested by the Farwell Police Department on a Lamb County warrant. Maxey posted bond and was released.

February 1, 2015
Mike Ramos, Jr., 17, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department on a charge of reckless driving. The case is pending in County Court.

January 13, 2015
In 287th District Court with Judge Gordon Green presiding: Johnny Baca, 30, of Friona, was charged with violation of community supervision (DWI 3rd or more). Baca was given community supervision and fined \$269.

Courthouse Notes

Warranty deeds as reported by the County Clerk's Office for the week of January 22, 2015 to January 28, 2015:

Doris Fern Chapel, J. Earline Esmay, Cathie Ann Byrd and Gayle E. Byrd-Donald R. Carthel and Cynthia A. Carthel, SW/4 S20 BLK H Kelly, NE/4 S3 BLK V Oliver.

Wade Unruh and Larissa Unruh-Vance Mininger, 12.50 AC NE Corner of S33 BLK H Thomas Kelly.

Darrel L. Smith-Ingeborg Prince, E 38' and W 42' B1 Lakeside.

Connie Barnes-Royce W. and Connie J. Barnes Revocable Living Trust, SE Corner S51 BLK H Kelly.

Vernon Dale Unruh and Donna Lou Unruh-Wade Unruh and Larissa Unruh, 2 AC of NW Corner of SW/4 S39 BLK H Thomas Kelly, 3 AC of SW Corner of NW/4 S39 BLK H Thomas Kelly.

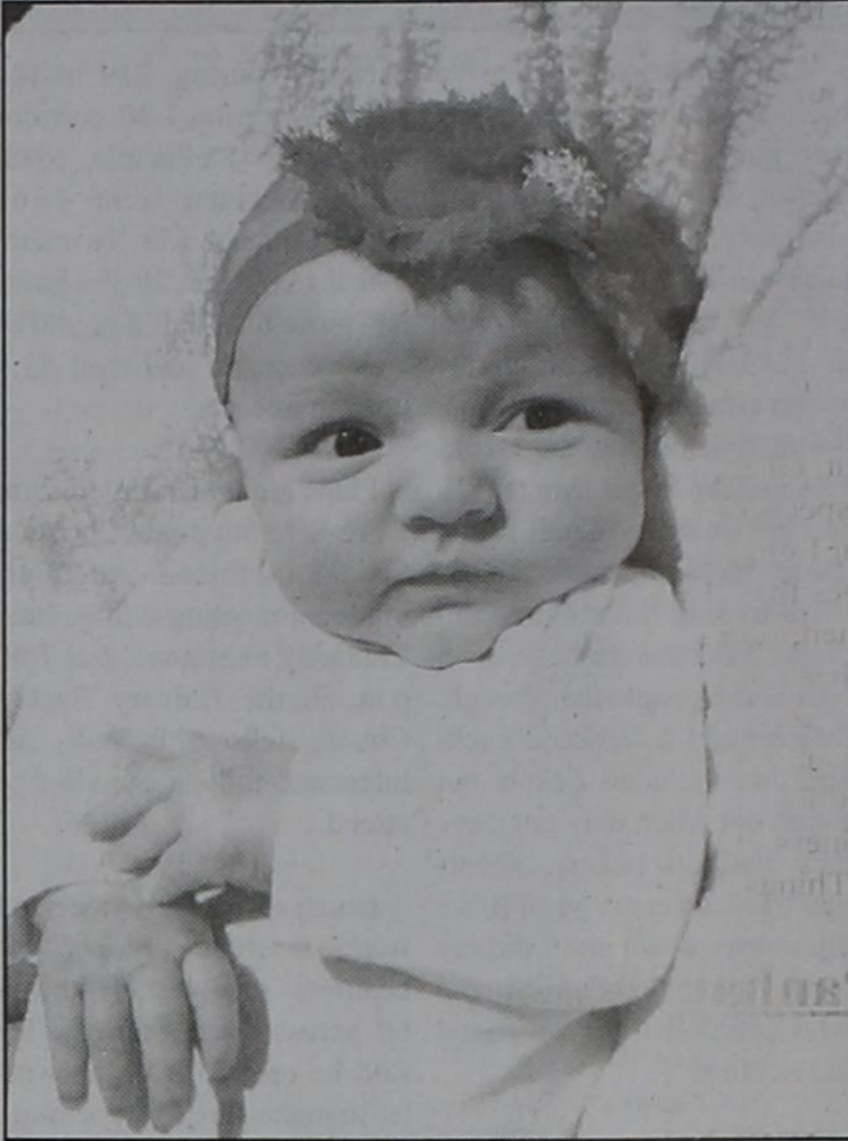
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Darrel L. Smith-Ingeborg Margarethe Prince, E 38' of L3 W 42' L2 BLK 1 Lakeside.

Roy White Estate Trust-Alvaratta White Estate Trust, NE/4 S53 BLK H Thomas Kelly, N/2 and SE/4 S52 BLK H Thomas Kelly, S/2 S12 BLK H Thomas Kelly, SW/4 S2 Doud & Keefer

William David Martin, Jr. and Sheranette Martin-GTP Acquisition Partners II LLC., 0.230 AC out of 41.947 AC W/2 S16 B2 WD FW Johnson.

New Arrival



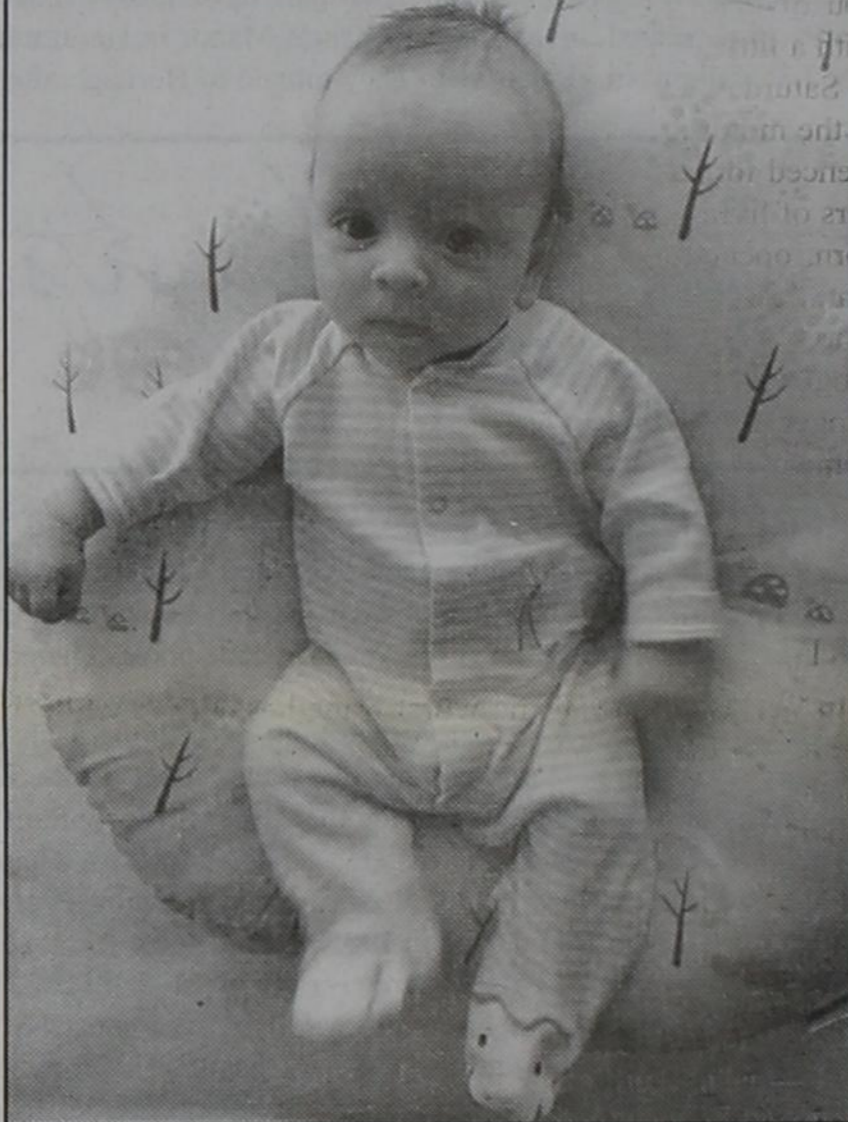
Layla Belle Stowers

Rylee Rose is proud to announce the birth of her baby sister, Layla Belle. Layla was born on December 11 at 8:24 a.m. at Baptist St. Anthony's hospital in Amarillo.

Layla weighed 7 lbs. 10 oz. and was 19 inches long. Rylee and Layla's parents are Andrew and Emily Stowers.

Proud grandparents are Delwin and Patsy Allen and Gary and Carolyn Stowers, all of Friona.

Great-grandparents are Winfred Allen and the late June Allen, the late Edwin and Gladys Lamson, all of Oklahoma, John and Sherri Taylor of Friona and Jackie and Peggy Stowers, of Duncanville, Texas.



Gus Malone Procter

Barry and Tiffani Procter are proud to announce the birth of their first child Gus Malone Procter on November 29, 2014 at 5:59 a.m. at Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.

Gus weighed 7 lbs. 8 oz. and was 19 1/2 inches long. Proud grandparents are Ted & Glenda Procter of Friona, Ric Ross & the late Bonnie Ross of Amarillo.

Great-grandparents are Joe McWhorter & the late Helen McWhorter and James & Sue Procter, all of Friona.



Brittan Ross Bynum

Tim and Charlotte Bynum are proud to announce the birth of Brittan Ross Bynum on December 12, 2014 at 2:14 a.m. at Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.

He weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long. Brittan joins his two older siblings Cale, 4, and Cortlyn, 2.

Proud grandparents are Ted & Glenda Procter of Friona and Kevin & Ronda Bynum of Spearman, TX.

Great-grandparents are Joe McWhorter & the late Helen McWhorter, James and Sue Procter all of Friona and Joe & Nita Bynum of Spearman.

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We need to pray!

By TEENA HUGHS

An imam prayed to Allah at the Sunday, January 25th performance of the Fort Worth Rodeo. Apparently it caused quite a stir, because he was supposed to pray January 26th, and he backed out.

While many people were like me and upset, some people said they were proud that an imam could pray in public at a rodeo; some thought it was great to respect other religions in the name of religious diversity.

It is pretty easy to tell people that they need to respect others and their religions. But, other than our fellow Christians, who respects us and our faith in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior? If I respect an imam, does that mean I respect his religion, too? Then, if I do try to be tolerant and respect other religions that do not recognize Jesus as Lord and Savior, what am I saying about my respect for Jesus? Am I taking my focus off of Him to consider the worthiness of other religions?

Things like this challenge us and cre-

ate more questions than we care to think about. No one likes to feel like they are a bad person for any reason, especially when it comes to matters about God. We are taught to love and respect others. We may not like them or agree with what they do, but we are told to love.

Right or wrong, this is my bottom line: I am sticking with Jesus and Jesus only. I will be nice to anyone, because I never know when Jesus might use an act of kindness or love to bring someone to Him. But, I will also complain to whomever I can about things when I don't believe they are right. Our country was founded on Judeo-Christian values and beliefs, not the beliefs of Allah. We need to pray for our country; we need to beg God not to turn His back on us; and, we need to pray for those who allow things like this to happen, and for those who are not Christians!

And, never forget God's first commandment, "Do not worship any other gods besides Me." (Exodus 20:3)



Aaron Osborn Memorial

Cotton crop becomes memorial

By Ashlyn Tubbs (Reprinted from KCBD.com)

The Texas A&M Agrilife Research Center in Lubbock has stripped their cotton fields and is in the process of ginning the crop, but some of the cotton will serve a special purpose.

Aaron Osborn from Friona planted some of the fields last spring, only weeks before he was killed in a car accident at the North Loop Access Road in Lubbock on May 18. Osborn was attending South Plains College and was only 22 years old.

Duncan Welch was one of Osborn's coworkers and also a childhood friend. After Osborn's accident, he took care of the crop and helped harvest it in October.

After it was ginned, Welch gathered the cotton and stored it in Friona.

To keep Osborn's memory alive, Welch

decided to form the cotton into brick-sized bales wrapped in burlap. So far he has had 25 developed, and intends to give them to Osborn's family and friends.

Welch gave one to his older brother, Dillon Welch, who said he will keep the bale with him forever since he grew up with Osborn, and lived with him. He said the bales are a representation of Osborn's love of farming. A product of his hard work.

"Since it was something he did so close to his death, we were hoping that these would just be a way to keep his spirit alive within everybody without him being here," Dillon said. "It's just a reminder and a way to keep him remembered for as long as we can, and it's just a good keepsake for him."

Panhandle Parables

The Cat Whisperer (Part 2)

By JEFF PROCTER,

Minister, 6th Street Church of Christ

As I mentioned in last week's article, I am not much of a cat fan. The story does continue but there is not much to tell. The cat did move on, we thought we heard it once, but we never saw it again.

Review: Last week on Wednesday just prior to our snow on Thursday, a young cat arrived in our backyard. I was not thrilled by this prospect...

Compassion runs deep at my house and sometimes it takes a child to remind you of that, so we stuck a bowl of milk with a little dog food out.... Jump forward to Saturday, the cat had decided to reside in the motor area of our minivan... I commenced to reason with the cat of the dangers of living in such a place, I honked the horn, opened the hood, banged on this or that... After thirty minutes of "Here Kitty, Kitty..." which I thought was universal no progress. I just wanted the cat safely out of danger. Why couldn't it understand? So extreme measures were needed, with old coat

and leather gloves I crawled half under the van, grabbed the cat... and set in the fork of the elm tree in the front. Cat was safe and we were off. This would have been a whole lot easier if I was a cat whisperer. Upon our return the cat had moved on.

Another ending: Sometimes folks lost and abandoned by the world step into our church buildings, we worry they might stick around if we help too much and so we keep our distance, but help just enough, enough to say, "Keep moving nothing to see here." And they do, keep going, we are satisfied we did our Christian duty, but don't understand why they didn't come back???? I am not judging anyone here but the guy in the mirror that looks back at me each morning. When I am confronted with lost-ness do I do what Jesus would do or what Jeff wants to do. What would Jesus do? That is much easier to wear on a bracelet than do. "Lord, teach us to be more like you."

Why Would God Allow That?

BRETT HOYLE, Pastor, First Baptist Church

In 722 B.C. one of the worst tragedies in all of Israel's history took place as the northern kingdom was utterly destroyed and most of the people were deported, never to return to their homeland. The close of this kingdom came after 19 kings, totaling around 200 years. Sadly, they met a horrific end, and one might be tempted to cry out, asking, "Why would God allow that?"

Well, God gives his answer in 2 Kings 17:7-23, and it is summed up in the phrase, they "sinned against the Lord." Over this short commentary from the Lord, one sees almost every sin possible that described the nation of Israel over its existence.

For a while it seemed that sin was paying off, but eventually their sin caught up with them and they came face to face with the consequences of not following the Lord. God's patience came to an end, and His holy wrath against sin was dealt out, which meant a miserable fate for Israel.

The reality of God's judgment of sin in a person or nation is as sure as the sunrise, and the only escape from that is following God in a relationship with Jesus Christ. If Israel would have followed the Lord, then their history would have ended differently, but sadly they were stubborn and faithless, which led to a harsh judgment from the Lord.

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Helen Louise McWhorter

Helen Louise McWhorter, 86, of Friona, formerly a longtime Plainview resident, died January 29, 2015 in Friona. Funeral services were held 10:00 A.M. Monday, February 2, 2015 at the 6th St. Church of Christ in Friona with Jeff Procter and Ken Sinclair, officiating. Burial followed at the IOOF Cemetery in Plainview. Arrangements were under the direction of Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home of Friona.



Helen was born December 16, 1928 in Hale County, Texas to Harry William and Myrtle James Sandefur Sinclair. She married Joe Robert McWhorter in Plainview on February 24, 1950. She was a servant in many aspects of her life. She loved cooking for oth-

ers and sending cards of comfort and encouragement. She loved her family, especially her husband, but above all, she loved her Lord. She was a very active member of the Church of Christ.

She is preceded in death by her parents, a sister Edith Amonett, and a brother Wayne Sinclair.

She is survived by her husband Joe of Friona; two

daughters, Lenda Trussell and husband Lanny of Muleshoe, and Glenda Procter and husband Ted of Friona; one brother, Ken Sinclair and wife Estelle of Abilene; four grandchildren, Mickey Trussell, Charlotte Bynum and husband Tim, Crista Singer, Barry Procter and wife Tiffanni; five great-grandchildren, Ava, Cale, Cortlyn, Gus and Brittan.

Memorials may be made to Prairie Acres Nursing Home 201 East 15th Friona, Texas 79035.

You may sign the online register book at www.blackwellmullins.com



Beulah M. Shelby

Beulah M. Shelby our mother, grandmother, our angel fell asleep in the arms of Jesus on February 2, 2015 at a her home surrounded by her loving family.



Celebration of Life services will be Friday, February 6, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at New Light Baptist Church, 518 N. 6th Street, Abilene, TX. Interment will be at Elliott-Hamil Garden of Memories of Abilene, TX. The family will receive friends from 6

p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday at the church.

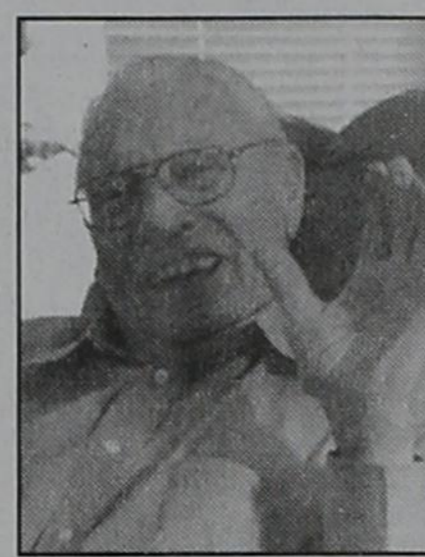
Beulah was preceded in death by her loving husband Bennie Shelby, and her son Cedrick Shelby.

She is survived by Billy

Ray "Doc" Shelby (Brenda), Elbert Lee Shelby (Lupe), Gerald Dewayne "Moses" Shelby (Teresa), Rodney Bruce Shelby (Teresa), Melinda Montgomery (David), Connie Bowens (Joe), David Shelby, Richard Vargas, Mike Beauchamp (Debra); siblings, Wilma Woods, Leon Bell (Pat); sixteen grandchildren; nineteen great-grandchildren; her caregiver, Brylee Cornett; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Kenneth Kit Carson

Graveside funeral services for Kenneth Kit Carson will be 2:00 p.m. Saturday, February 7, 2015, at Memorial Hill Cemetery under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Waynoka, LLC.



Kenneth Kit Carson, son of the late Kit and Floy (Hinderliter) Carson, was born September 26, 1918, in Woods County, Oklahoma, and passed away February 2, 2015, at Friona, Texas, at the age of 96 years, 4 months and seven days.

Kenneth attended several rural schools Northwest of Waynoka. He loved the outdoors and as a youth became an avid hunter and trapper that brought him enjoyment throughout his life. Soon after serving in United States Army, Pacific theater during WWII, Kenneth was married to Virgalee Redgate Carson.

In 1961, the couple moved to Clovis, New Mexico where he remained until his recent illness and moved to Friona, TX. With his carpenter skills Kenneth become an

accomplished furniture artisan. He is a member of the Church of Christ.

Kenneth is preceded in death by his wife Virgalee (Redgate) Carson; parents, Kit and Floy (Hinderliter) Carson; one sister Bessie (Carson) Devine; and one brother Wayne Carson.

Kenneth is survived by his daughter Sherry (Carson) Atwell, and husband Jim, of Friona, TX; granddaughters Shannon Bullard, Lubbock, TX, and Kenda Dunnam, Dallas TX; two great grandchildren, Alex Dunnam, of Phoenix, AZ and Keeley Dunnam, of Dallas, TX.

Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to the New Mexico Christian Children's Home, Portales NM.

Remembrances may be shared with the family at www.marshallfuneralhomes.com.



Ana Juarez

Ana Juarez, 72, of Farwell, TX, died on Monday, February 2, 2015 in Friona, TX. Funeral services will be at 1:00 PM on Thursday, February 5, 2015 at Temple of Adoration with Pastor Roy Dominguez, officiant. Burial will follow at Friona Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home in Friona, TX.



Ana Cabrera was born on July 14, 1942 in La Gloria, Mexico, to Daniel and Manuela (Urbita) Cabrera. Ana married Nicolas Juarez on December 31, 1959 in Mexico. They recently celebrated their 55th anniversary. She enjoyed gardening, cooking for the family, walking, and singing. She was a homemaker and a member of Temple of Ado-

ration Church in Friona.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, two sisters and two grandchildren, Natalie Alvarado and Jacklyn Ramirez.

Ana is survived by her husband, Nicolas Juarez, of Farwell, TX; three sons, Juan Juarez of Fallbrook, CA, Lupe Juarez of Texico,

NM, and Eloy Juarez of Farwell, TX; four daughters, Antonia Ramirez of Friona, TX, Victoria Costilla of Fairview Heights, IL, Gloria Juarez of Friona, TX, and Maria Teresa Tarango of Clovis, NM; two brothers, Rosalio Cabrera and Lupe Cabrera both of Mexico; three sisters: Maria Cabrera, Reyes Cabrera, and Maria de Jesus Cabrera all of Mexico; and 26 grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Temple of Adoration, 620 Washington Street, Friona, TX 79035.

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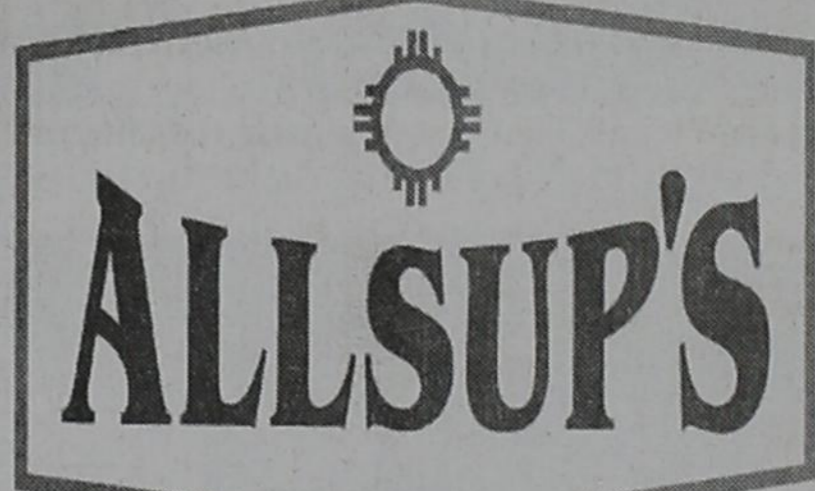


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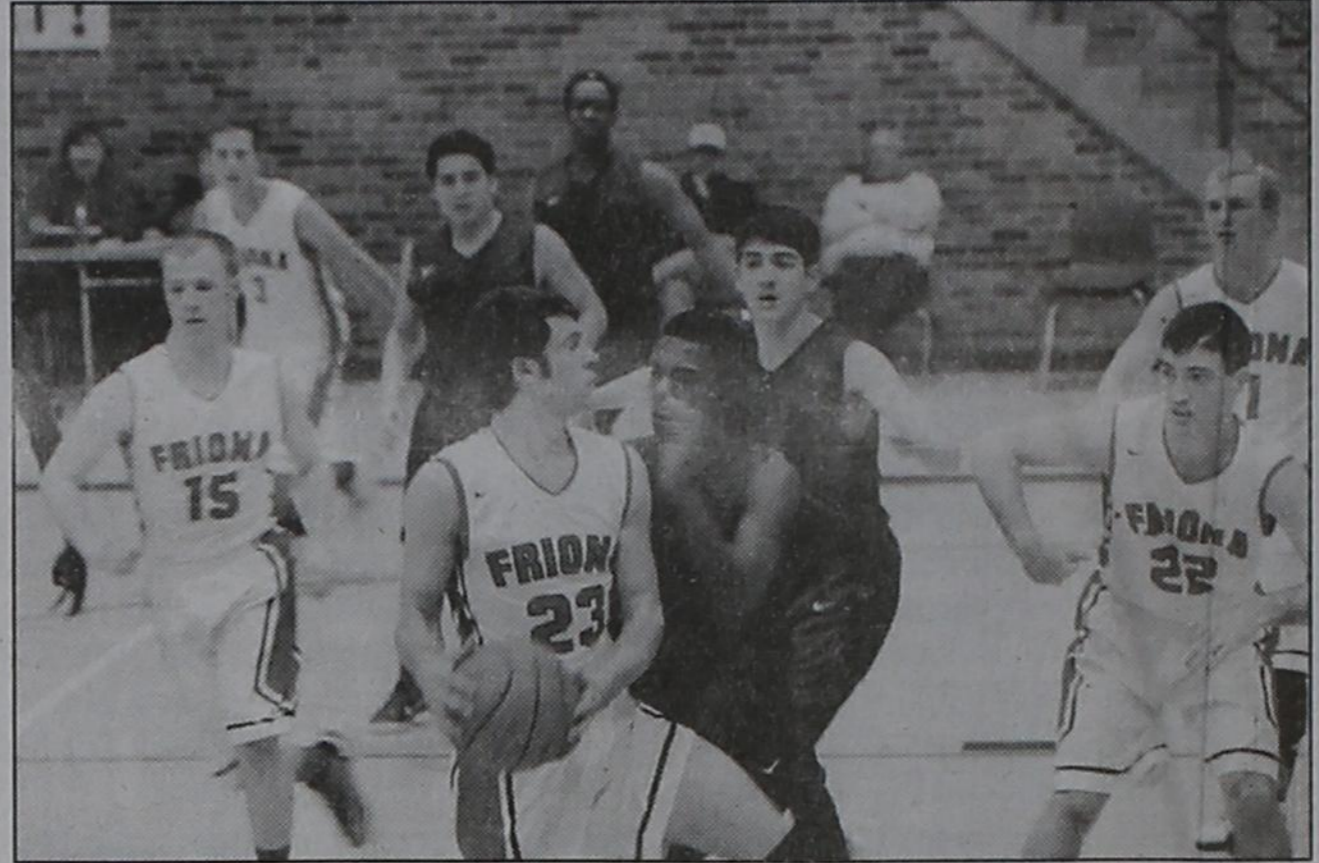
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Celeste Flores is trapped by a couple of Dimmitt Bobbies.



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Cole Stowers (23) looks to pass the ball to one of his teammates, Mason Loffin (3), Josh Barnett (15), John David Haile (22), or Dallin Woods (1). The Chiefs lost to Dimmitt 57-54 and head to Muleshoe Friday February 6. Tune in to live action of the Squaws and Chiefs on KNNK 100.5 FM or WT Services channel 6 or online at knnkradio.com.



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Kendall Barnett (20) pulls up for a jump shot during action Tuesday vs. Dimmitt.



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Cole Stowers brings the ball down the court trailed by Dallin Woods (1) and Mason Loffin. The Chiefs lost a hard fought battle to the Dimmitt Bobcats 57-54. They take their 4-2 district record to Muleshoe Friday February 6.



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Kim DeWit and Tina Green muscle the Dimmitt Bobbies for a rebound.



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John David Haile (22) scrambles to recover a loose ball as two Dimmitt Bobcats have the same idea.



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Kim DeWit goes up for the opening tipoff vs. Dimmitt Tuesday at Friona gym. The Squaws lost to the Bobbies 59-26 and travel to Muleshoe Friday February 6.

Powerlifting at Dimmitt

The Chiefs and Squaws participated in a powerlift meet at Dimmitt. The Chiefs were 2nd place as a team and the Squaws were 3rd. Other results:

Juan Samarron 1st in 198 lb class, Josephine Samarron 1st place 132 lb class, and Andrea Juarez 1st in 148 lb class. Luis Rodriguez 2nd place 198 lb class, Claudia Correa 2nd place in 97 lb class, Chelsie Gomez 2nd 123 lb class, and Lupita Hernandez 2nd 181 lb class.

Joel Cigarroa 2nd place in 181 lb class, Mario Hernandez 3rd 114 lb class, Juan Macias-Martinez 3rd 148 lb class, Guillermo Quintana 4th 198 lb class, and Isaac Sumnerlin 5th 198 lb class.

2015 Friona Chieftain Baseball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Place	J.V.	Varsity
Feb. 14	Tulia (Scrimmage)	Tulia	12:00	12:00
Feb. 20	Lockney (Scrimmage)	Lockney	4:00	4:00
Feb. 24	River Road	Friona	6:30	6:30
Feb. 26-28	River Road Tournament	River Road	TBA	
Mar. 2	Dalhart	Friona	6:30	4:00
Mar. 5-7	Childress Tournament	Childress	TBA	
Mar. 14	Slaton	Friona	12:00 DH	
Mar. 16	Fritch	Fritch	4:30	
Mar. 21	San Jacinto	San Jacinto	10:00	12:30
Mar. 24				
Mar. 28	OPEN			
Mar. 31	*Shallowater	Friona	4:30	6:30
Apr. 4	*Muleshoe	Muleshoe	2:30	12:00
Apr. 7	*Littlefield	Friona	6:30	4:30
Apr. 11	*Dimmitt	Dimmitt	2:30	12:00
Apr. 14	OPEN			
Apr. 18	*Shallowater	Shallowater	2:30	12:00
Apr. 21	*Muleshoe	Friona	6:30	4:30
Apr. 24	*Littlefield	Littlefield	4:30	7:00
Apr. 28	*Dimmitt	Friona	6:30	4:30

*District Games

Head Coach: Jesus Quiroz
 Assistant Coach: David Woods
 Athletic Director: Michael Prokop

High School Principal: Dr. Pam Ray
 Superintendent: Kenny Austin

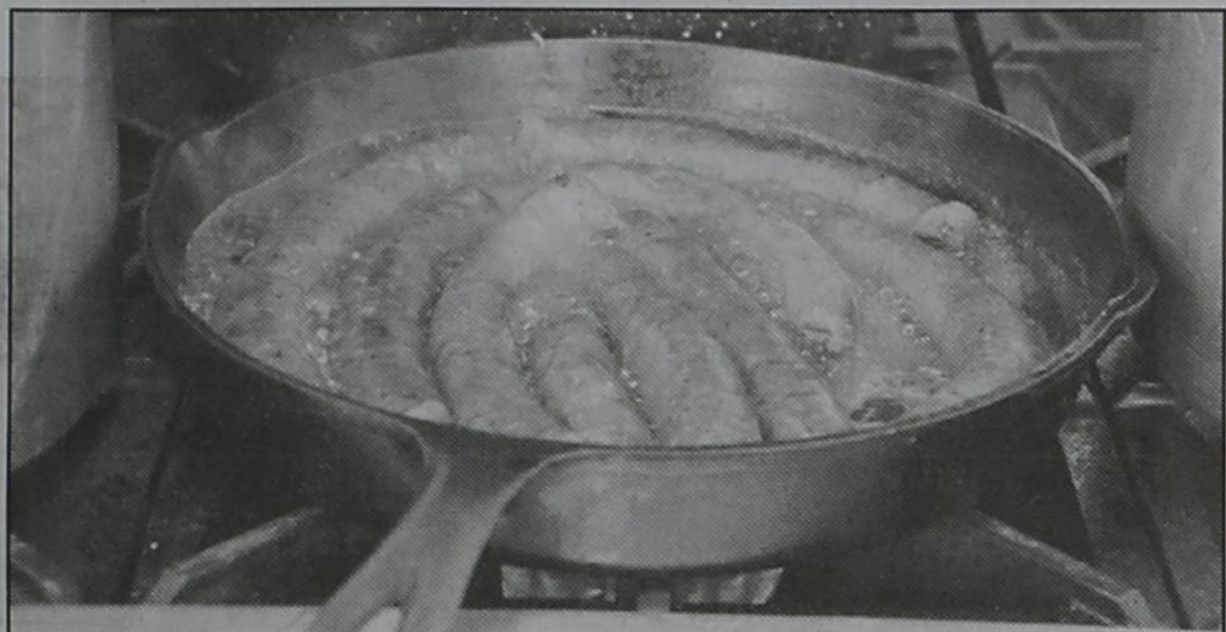
Milk House Market
 Sweet Tea & Cookies
 Valentine Weekend
 FEB. 6TH & 7TH 11-5
 FEB. 9TH 11-6 MEN'S SHOPPING DAY

St. Ann's German Sausage Dinner in Bovina

dana jameson photos



"Leader of the Pack" Mary Mesman gave a brief pep talk before the St. Ann's Catholic Church German Sausage Dinner held on Sunday, February 1.



"Yum" can only describe the German sausage frying on the stove at the St. Ann's Annual German Sausage Dinner.



Els Ally, right, and her sons Dieter, Tim and Stef were among many that enjoyed the German sausage and all the fixin's at St. Ann's Catholic Church.

U.S. cow inventory increased 2 percent from 2014

By Blair Fannin

U.S. beef cow inventory increased 2 percent from a year ago, signaling expansion among herds across the nation, according to the latest U.S. Department of Agriculture-National Agricultural Statistics Service cattle report.

"I thought the report showed more beef cows added than I expected," said Dr. David Anderson, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service livestock specialist, College Station. "But record prices in the last half of 2014 will do that."

Anderson said prior to the report, industry experts had the mindset the current rebuilding phase will be longer and slower.

"It might have to be re-thought," he said.

Seven percent more beef cows were reported in Texas on Jan. 1 compared to the same time last year. When the final numbers come in, Anderson said it could potentially be the largest year-over-year percentage increase in Texas beef cows since 1972-1973 when the cowherd grew 14 percent.

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The number of Texas beef cows remains the fewest since 1959 and 1962 for the entire U.S., not counting 2014, Anderson said.

Texas has almost 4.2 million beef cows compared to 3.91 million in 2014 and 4.2 million in January 2013. Heifers retained for breeding cows have gradually begun increasing as Texas ranchers look to restock herds following devastating drought in 2011. That year, drought caused a record \$7.62 billion

in agricultural drought losses, the costliest drought of all time for Texas. Livestock losses were \$3.23 billion resulting from feed expense and market losses.

"In absolute numbers, the 270,000 head cowherd increase this year is the largest since 1993-1994. Heifers held for beef cow replacements were also up, nationwide, 4 percent and 7.6 percent in Texas."

According to the report, there were 89.8 million head of cattle and calves on U.S. farms.

For stocker cattle producers, Anderson said the number of calves on small grain pastures in Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas was reported up 300,000 head from 1.6 million in 2014 to 1.9 million in 2015. More stockers on pasture may indicate a larger number coming to market in the March-May period than last year, Anderson noted.

The 2014 U.S. calf crop was estimated at 33.9 million head, up 1 percent from 2013, according to the report. Calves born during the first half of 2014 were estimated at 24.6 million, up slightly from 2013.

Other findings from the January USDA report were:

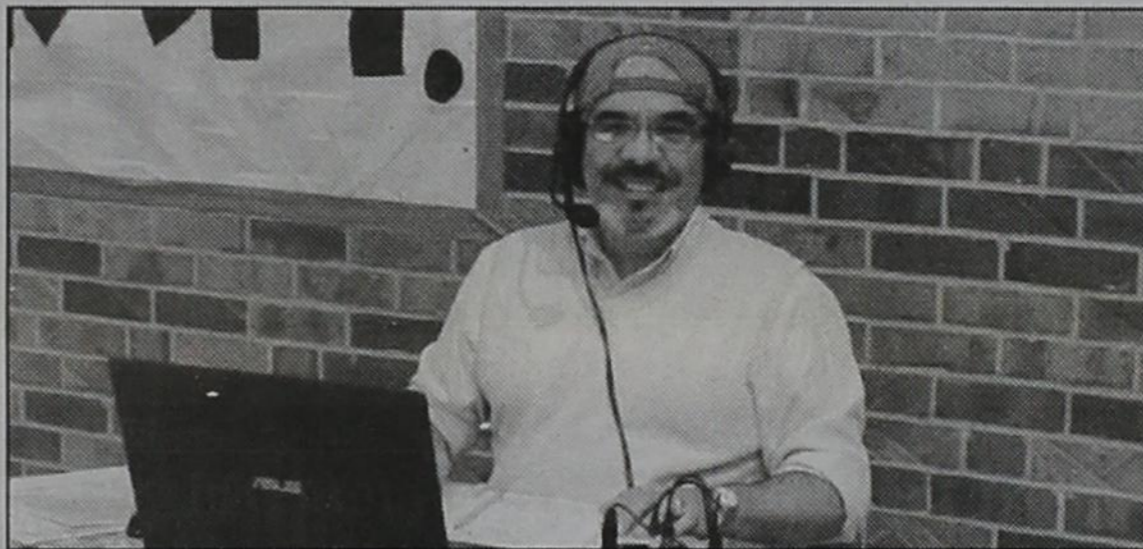
- The number of milk cows in the U.S. increased to 9.3 million.
- U.S. calf crop was estimated at 33.9 million head, up 1 percent from 2013.
- Of the 89.8 million cattle and calves, 39 million were all cows and heifers that have calved.
- All cattle on feed increased to 13.1 million, up 1 percent from 2014.

Anderson said the cattle inventory increase is a good reminder that "record high prices and high profits are the market incentives to increase production, and that markets work."

Anderson said market prices should remain historically high in 2015 as tight supplies of cattle continue along with good consumer demand for beef. That's despite record retail prices for beef.

Chieftain/Squaw basketball broadcast live

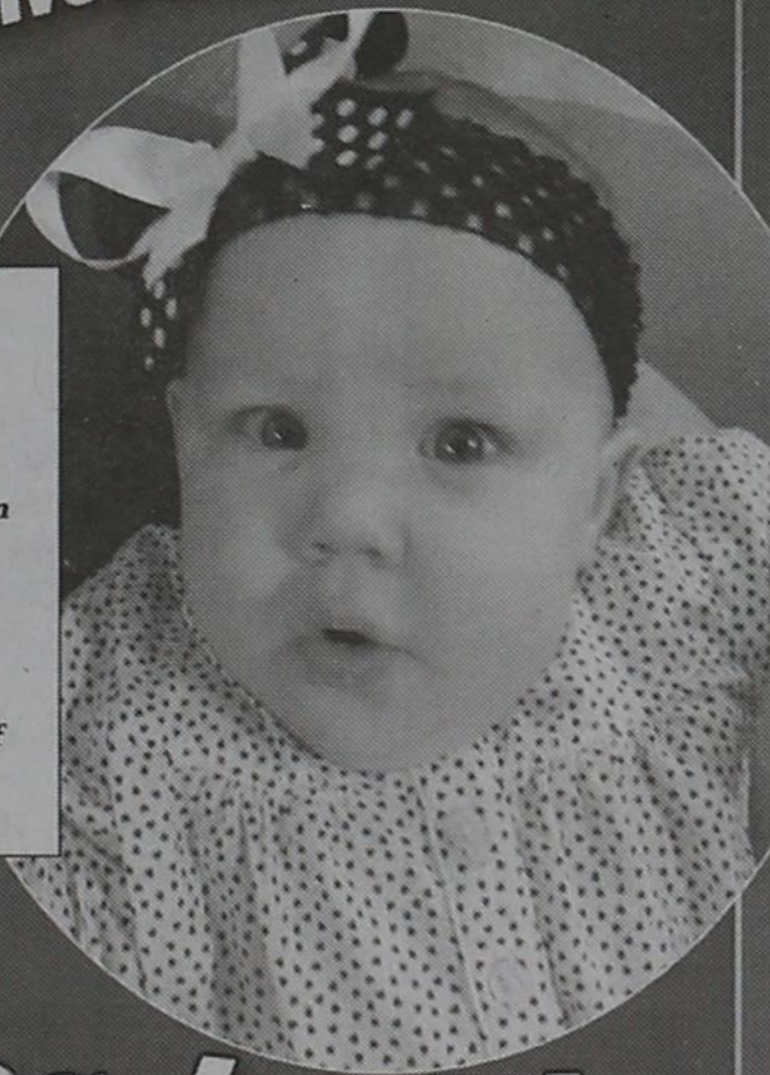
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It's your opportunity to show off those kids, grandkids, sweethearts, and spouses.

Deadline for photos is 5 p.m. Mon Feb 9.

Cost per photo:

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Photos may include names of parents and/or grandparents.

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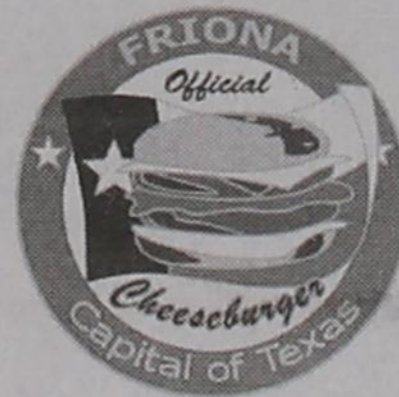
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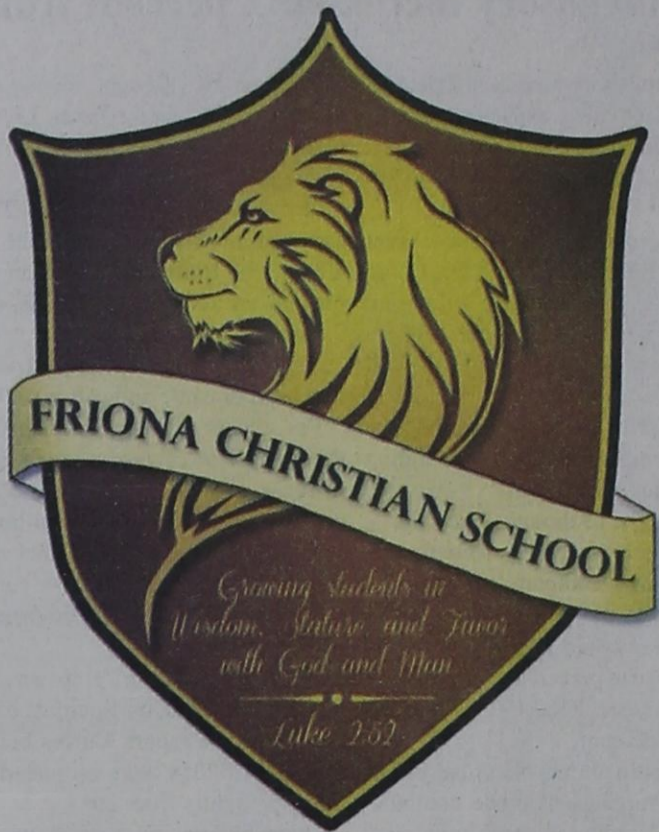
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Informational Meeting
 Calvary Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
 Thursday, February 12th @ 7:00 p.m.
 Offering Pre-K - 5th Grade

Pre-plant, weed management meeting in Canyon

By Kay Ledbetter

A Pre-Plant/Weed Management Producer Update Meeting will be held from 9 a.m. to noon Feb. 11 by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service at the Kuhlman Extension Center, 200 N. Brown Road, Canyon.

"We wanted to help producers establish not only a good pre-planting plan, but also develop strategies for addressing severe weed control issues for both pre- and post-planting this crop season," said Dr. J. D. Ragland, AgriLife Extension agriculture and natural resources

agent for Randall County. Quality, Dr. Jourdan Bell, AgriLife Extension agronomist, Amarillo. The fee at the door is \$10, and lunch will be included. RSVPs are requested by noon Feb. 10 to 806-468-5543.

The program, sponsored by Randall County Crops and Beef Cattle Committee, will offer two Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units – one general, one drift management – to private pesticide applicators.

Program topics and speakers will be:
 – Sorghum Silage Variety Trial and Yield

Dr. Jourdan Bell, AgriLife Extension agronomist, Amarillo.

– Viewing of Newly Released North Region "Weed Management Video Series"

– Sugarcane Aphid Update and Management Strategies, Dr. Ed Bynum, AgriLife Extension entomologist, Amarillo.

– Weed Control for Corn and Sorghum/Research Results from 2014 Crop Season, Bell.

For more information, contact Ragland at 806-468-5543 or r-ragland@tamuedu.



School Menu

Week of February 9-13

Monday

Breakfast: Cereal, pig-in-a-blanket, orange pineapple juice, pineapple, milk
 Lunch: Salisbury steak, white rice, cole slaw, corn, fruit salad, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast: Cereal, apple Frudel, fruit punch juice, oranges, milk
 Lunch: Combo sub, broccoli, carrot sticks, tropical fruit, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast: Cereal, Eggstravaganza burrito, grape juice, peaches, milk
 Lunch: Roasted chicken, roll, baked beans, mashed potatoes, pineapple, milk

Thursday

Breakfast: Cereal, sausage pizza, orange juice, banana, milk
 Lunch: Hot dog, Doritos, fresh tomatoes, fruit cocktail, milk

Friday

Breakfast: Cereal, sausage gravy, biscuit, apple juice, tropical fruit, milk
 Lunch: Pepperoni pizza, lettuce & tomato salad, mixed vegetables, apple, milk

2015 Friona Powerlifting Schedule

January

10 Bovina-Chiefs & Squaws 9 a.m.
 17 Plainview-Chiefs & Squaws 9 a.m.
 24 OPEN
 31 Dimmitt-Chiefs & Squaws 9 a.m.

February

7 Dalhart-Squaws Only 9 a.m.
 14 Levelland-Chiefs Only 9 a.m.
 21 Seagraves-Squaws 9 a.m.
Girl's last chance to qualify
 28 Friona-Chiefs 9 a.m.
Boy's last chance to qualify

March

6 Mertzon-Squaws 9 a.m.
Girl's Regionals at Irion County HS-Friday
 14 Sundown-Chiefs 9 a.m.
Boy's Regionals at Sundown HS
 20-21 Corpus Christi TBD
Girl's State Meet
 27-28 Abilene TBD
Boy's State Meet

Daniel Hutchins-Head Coach
David Towner-Assistant Coach
Fernando Moreno-Assistant Coach

2015 Chieftain Track Schedule

High School

DATE	PLACE
Friday, Feb. 27	Tulia
Friday, Mar. 6	Friona Chieftain Relays
Friday, Mar. 13	SPRING BREAK
Friday, Mar. 20	Andrews
Friday, Mar. 27	Dimmitt
Thursday, Apr. 2	Muleshoe
Friday, Apr. 10	Seagraves
Friday, Apr. 17	District Meet @ Muleshoe
Area Meet-TBA	
Regional Meet-TBA	
State Meet-TBA	

Junior High School

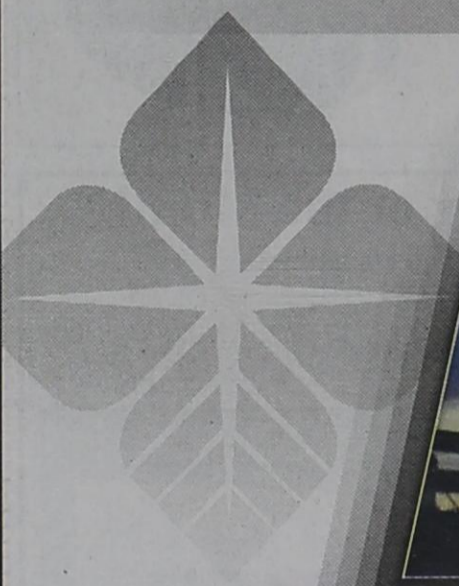
Thursday, Feb. 26	Tulia
Thursday, Mar. 5	Friona Chieftain Relays
Thursday, Mar. 26	Dimmitt
Tuesday, Mar. 31	Muleshoe
Thursday, Apr. 9	Seagraves
Tuesday, Apr. 14	District Meet @ Shallowater

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