

Chamber Asks For '98 Award Nominations

The 1998 Chamber of Commerce banquet will be held Saturday, March 21, at 7 p.m. at the Friona Community Center.

Judge Cynthia Stevens Kent, District Judge from Tyler, Texas, will be the guest speaker. The theme for 1998 is "Caring Today for Prospering Tomorrow."

Nominations are being accepted by the Chamber for the annual awards for Man, Woman, Teacher, Employee, Citizen, and Students of the Year. The criteria for each of the awards is as follows:

MAN AND WOMAN: Service must be in several areas, such as church, civic, school, social, etc. Activities should be in areas which promote Friona or help make Friona a better place to live (improve quality of life).

TEACHER: Selection should be based on "extra mile" type activities in the school system. The ability to relate to students, administrators and parents would be important. Personal example for the students and motivational skills would be a plus.

EMPLOYEE: This award has been called "Friendliest Employee" in the past. Selection should be based on abilities of employee in relating to the public.

CITIZEN: Service must be associated with a specific project or contribution to the community of Friona in the past calendar year.

STUDENTS (boy and girl): Display a leadership role in school activities but also in activities outside school. Contribution to school, community, church, etc. which is outstanding and makes Friona a better place in which to live.

Nomination forms may be picked up at the Chamber office. Deadline for nominations will be Friday, March 6.

Holly's 'Sour' News Bad For Area Economy

BY BILL ELLIS

The headline in the *Hereford Brand* Wednesday pretty well said it in a nutshell, when it stated "Holly Sugar Hits Sour Note."

The plant's announcement to discontinue processing sugar beets will cause an adverse effect on the area's economy, and will hurt in many ways that might not at first be evident.

So said Friona's Dave Thompson, a 23-year member of the Texas-New Mexico Sugar Beet Growers Assn.

Thompson had been an active sugar beet grower since Holly Sugar first began processing beets following the 1964 crop year. He went on the board at the same time as the late Bill Cleavinger of Wildorado, who served several years as the association's executive director.

He replaced A.L. Black, who was an original board member.

Thompson had served as chairman of the beet growers' research committee.

For starters, Hereford and Deaf Smith County will lose a total of \$495,894 in taxes which the Holly plant paid each year, benefitting the city of Hereford, the Hereford ISD and the Deaf Smith County Hospital District. Holly had been one of the largest taxpayers there.

But-farmers and farm-related businesses will also be impacted, Thompson pointed out.

"Sugar beets had been an excellent 'alternative crop' to corn, cotton, and cattle raising in the local area," Thompson said.

Loss of sugar beets as a crop will hurt implement dealers, seed dealers and the hauling company whose trucks had been seen every fall making trips back and forth to Holly's plant just west of Hereford.

In addition, beet by-

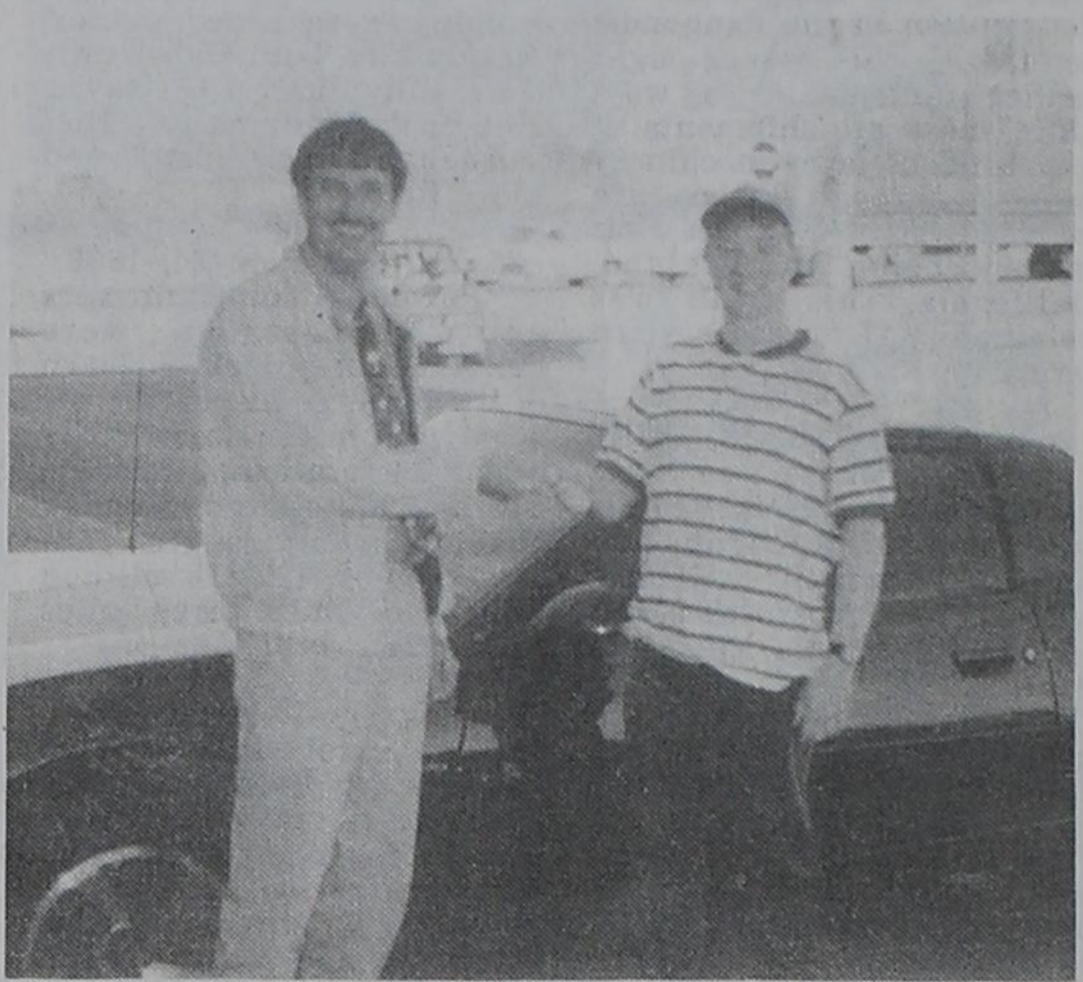
Chieftain Cagers In Playoff Hunt

After their second consecutive "Super Tuesday" win this week, coupled with Dimmitt's overtime loss to Tulia, the Chieftain basketball team is back in the playoff hunt.

The boys have to beat Dalhart here Friday to stay in the running. Perryton is visiting Dimmitt.

If the teams remain tied after Friday, they will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, February 23 at the West Texas A&M Fieldhouse to determine which team advances in the playoffs.

The Chieftains hope to get back in the cage playoffs for the first time in over 20 years. They have a 23-4 season record going into Friday's home finale.



FIRST SALE AT WESTERN...The new Western Chevrolet-Oldsmobile dealership in Friona had its first sale on Friday, February 13. Salesman Louis Paschel, left, gives the Firebird keys to new owner George Kearns, a WT Services employee from Hereford. (ron carr photo)

City Plans To Form New Youth Program

On November 21, twenty-one citizens from the Friona area met to discuss various criminal justice problems. Subsequently, the City of Friona has announced a new Youth Program. The area involved is the City of Friona and the outlying areas, population approximately 4,200.

The proposed program is aimed at two objectives. First, prevention of juvenile crime and delinquency, and second, redirection of negative behavior of juveniles.

The community resource coordinator's main focus was juvenile crime and delinquency within the city of Friona. By organizing after-school activities, it is hoped that the town can provide a safe and positive environment for a number of children who might otherwise be home alone or unsupervised.

Targeting the younger students, they can prevent delinquency before it begins. Over the past few years, referrals of 13-16 year olds to the juvenile probation officer has increased sharply. The after school activities will be of an educational nature.

Weekend activities will provide the older youth with a positive alternative to alcohol-related parties that result in arrest or accidents.

Activities such as drug-free dances, talent nights, youth summits and lock-ins will attract older students and will prevent substance



ANITE PITTS
Community Director
abuse and crime. Educational workshops aimed at problems facing the older students provide answers to difficult questions.

Organized youth activities are presently offered up to age thirteen. No weekend activities are offered for the older youth who become bored and attracted to alcohol to fill the gap. Most current activities are finished by the end of the school year. Summer months are long for students under sixteen, who are bored and have nothing to do.

Currently, it is planned to begin an after-school program that eventually will include mentoring programs, extended education, tutoring, music lessons, arts and crafts.

The City of Friona does (Continued on Page 11)

JUDY STRICKLAND of Plainview is a candidate for the State Board of Education on the Republican ticket. Mrs. Strickland, who is a mother and young grandmother, says she is running for a spot on the board because she is troubled by the current trend in education that seems more concerned with teaching children subjects like global warming and legalizing drugs than reading, writing and arithmetic.



By Bill Ellis

It appalls me to see the state purchase textbooks like the one dubbed by concerned parents and teachers as "Rainforest Algebra," because of its bizarre emphasis on environmentalism. The textbook ignores basic principles of mathematics, Mrs. Strickland says.

These kinds of books have abandoned the basic principles of learning and turned our children into guinea pigs of the Clinton administration, the ACLU and the bureaucrats at the Texas Education Agency. These groups have "way too much control over what our children learn," Mrs. Strickland says.

Parents need to pay attention to the textbooks that their children are using. Many of today's books take an environmental slant, and they are definitely slanted. Mrs. Strickland points out that one science textbook stated "When cattle feed, they remove all the vegetation from the soil and compact the dirt with their hooves."

That should be news to all of the farmers/ranchers in Parmer County who have cattle grazing. Up until now, they probably thought that it was the lack of moisture on the wheat fields that was causing the bare places in the pastures.

Another "enrichment workbook" stated "Farmers are usually subsidized by the federal government or the chemical manufacturers to use chemical pesticides." Cattle raisers had better rush out to the mailbox and pick up that big check from the feds for all the cattle wormer they have bought over the years.

Mrs. Strickland says she agrees with Governor Bush that we must abolish the regulatory powers of the Texas Education Agency, and will work closely with him to make it happen.

"This is the best opportunity for Texas to put a conservative majority on the Board of Education. We cannot afford to put another rubber stamp for the bureaucrats at the TEA back on the board," the candidate concluded during our office interview.

TO BE THE MOST FAMOUS draft-dodger in American history, Pres. Clinton shows no noticeable shame while threatening to send America's pilots and troops against Iraq. In 1969, Clinton wrote to Col. Eugene Holmes, head of the ROTC program at the University of Arkansas. Excerpts from the letter follow:

"First, I want to thank you, not just for saving me from the draft, but for being so kind and decent to me last summer. I have written, spoken and marched against the war.

"I went to Washington to work in the Moratorium Against the War, then to England to organize the Americans here to demonstrate. From my work I came to believe that the draft system is illegitimate."

"Because of my opposition to the draft and the war, I am in great sympathy for those who are not willing to fight, kill and maybe die for their country right or wrong."

How does Clinton have the gall to commit our country's military to do what he left the country as a youth to avoid???

products had been used as a supplement to cattle-feeding in the area.

Thompson said the announcement about Holly's plan to discontinue processing beets came as a "complete surprise" to the Sugar Beet Growers' board of directors.

Members of the board had just recently attended a national convention of sugar beet growers in California. "Growers in California had faced some of the same problems that local growers had in recent years. They had come back with news of new technology to combat both plant diseases and weed control, as well as having news of new varieties," Thompson said.

"There was a good price outlook for beets in 1998, and the members I had talked to had come back with an upbeat attitude," the longtime grower and beet official said.

Thompson admitted that there was some concern on the part of growers after the number of acres planted fell off dramatically from 1993 through 1996. But last year's acres were up, the yield was good, and farmers made money on the crop.

"Several farmers from Minnesota leased beet acres in the Dalhart area on the North Plains, and paid from \$400 to \$600 per acre, cash lease, to grow beets. So there must have been some good money in growing beets," Thompson said.

The longtime Friona resident pointed out that he had leased his land in 1997, which was the first year since 1964 that he was not a producer.

Thompson and fellow Parmer County resident Troy Christian of the Oklahoma Lane area both chose to retire from the growers' board at the end of 1997.

"The growers definitely didn't want the plant to close. They are very disappointed with the news," Thompson said.

Recalling the work and effort on behalf of the group of Hereford area leaders who lobbied congress to block a proposed five-year extension on the (then) quotas on sugarbeets, and spent

countless hours holding meetings and signing up farmers who pledged to grow the beets if a plant opened in the local area.

Speedy Nieman, publisher of the *Hereford Brand*, credited the personal lobbying effort of Jimmy Witherspoon and Henry Sears, now both deceased, for getting the quota extension tabled.

And the overthrowing of the Cuban government by Fidel Castro about that time was a big help in convincing Holly to expand to the Texas Panhandle, Nieman pointed out. Hereford was able to land the plant over several other area cities, notably Plainview.

Longtime sugarbeet growers have considerable investments in equipment, such as defoliators and beet harvesters, for example.

According to Thompson, growing sugarbeets presents a number of "angles" for producers to consider, such as crop history, biology, breeding, agronomy, nutrition, pests, diseases, weeds, storage, quality, economics and by-products.

Thompson pointed out that the sugar beet board, which was organized by the growers, had always been very supportive of Holly Sugar Corp.

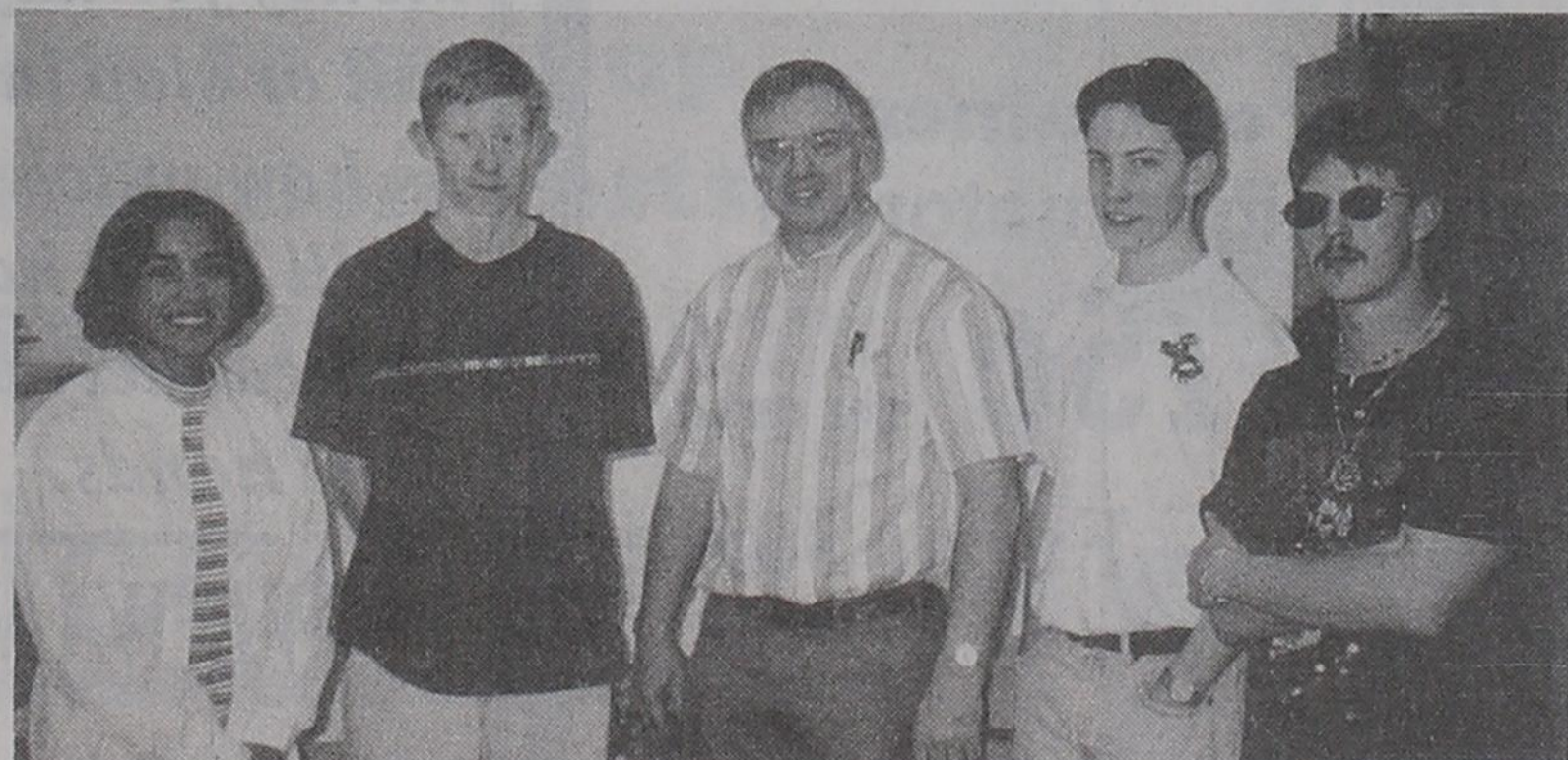
Parent Meeting Scheduled For Wed., Feb. 25

A Parent-Teacher Conference Day has been scheduled for Wednesday, February 25, for parents of Friona Primary School pupils.

There will be no school that day for students in EE, PK, K, and first through fifth grades. All other grades will attend school as usual.

Report cards will be handed out during this meeting.

Parents are asked to sign up for a convenient time for them to meet with their child's teacher. A schedule will be posted outside each of the classrooms. It is important for the children's future that the parents make an effort to meet with their teachers at this special time.



WIED'S WINNERS...FHS art instructor Bobby Wied, center, congratulates four of his students for their awards in an Amarillo show. From left, Sandra Gonzales, Jeremy Smith, Clint Burney, and Adam Barker. See story for details. (ron carr photo)

VASE Students Win Big In Amarillo Art Contest

A team of Friona High School students competed in the Visual Arts Scholastic Event (VASE) held at Amarillo College Saturday, February 7. The team of four students earned a level 4-Superior rating, the highest possible score.

Students from Friona were Adam Barker, Sandra Gonzalez, Clint Burney and

Jeremy Smith. VASE, sponsored by the Texas Art Education Association, differs from other art competitions in that the contestants' final score is based on an evaluation of the artwork and a personal interview with the judge. Students compete against an established standard of quality, not against other students.

After the initial round of competition all works receiving a level 4 rating competed for the honor of advancing to the state VASE competition to be held in Arlington in April.

Jeremy Smith's artwork was selected to advance. The other three team members' artwork also received votes for the state competition and each came within two votes of making the final cut.

"Since only about ten percent of the level 4 works were selected for the state competition, this was an excellent showing. This was the first year for Friona to participate in the VASE competition and these young people did an admirable job of representing themselves and their school," a spokesperson said.

Friona Flashbacks

...from the files of The Friona Star

70 Yrs Ago-Feb. 17, 1928
An entire train of Holt tractors passed through Friona Monday morning, heading east, supposedly for distribution in the Panhandle country. This was a sight rather unusual in a way, since most all shipments of any kind of farm machinery passing through Friona are headed west. But the Holt factory being in Oakland, California, this train was being shipped toward eastern farms.

60 Yrs Ago-Feb. 18, 1938
O.G. Turner of this locality has just completed his invention of a pump and windmill, which will be, perhaps, the most successful invention of its kind yet devised.

The people of the Congregational Church here are expecting the arrival of their new pastor, Rev. Carl C. Dollar, during this week. Rev. Dollar is expected to preach his first sermon locally on Sunday.

45 Yrs Ago-Feb. 21, 1953
Friona faculty members held a social Wednesday night with hostesses being Mrs. Wayne Stark, Mrs. John Benger, and Miss Evelyn Carey.

Mr. Rodrick Cravens of Houston, partner in the Cravens-Dargan insurance firm of Houston, was a business visitor in the Ethridge-Spring Insurance office this week.

40 Yrs Ago-Feb. 20, 1958
Several members of the Friendship Sunday School Class of the Friona Methodist Church surprised J.T. Gee Monday morning by appearing at his farm west of Friona with tractors, work clothes and a "will to work" Tuesday afternoon seven tractors were buzzing around the field as members of the class, which is taught by Mrs. Gee, gave a hand to the man who had taught most of them in their high school days in Friona.

Gee had been unable to work his land properly this year, due to an operation he has been recovering from, for the past several months. Helping were Lloyd Rector, Marion Fite, Paul Hall, Lewis Gore, Billy Sides, I.T. Graves, Homer Lindeman, Bill Buchanan, C.L. Vestal and Floyd Rector.

35 Yrs Ago-Feb. 24, 1963
Parmer County farmers and businessmen were delighted this week to learn of the final "go-ahead" for the sugar mill in Hereford. Holly Sugar Corporation of Colorado Springs announced Monday that it would begin construction of the \$18 million mill to be built three miles west of Hereford.

30 Yrs Ago-Feb. 20, 1968
The first set of live triplets for Parmer County Community Hospital were born Friday night to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Trevino. The triplet girls are Marie Elena, Margarita and Martha. The couple has ten other living children, including one set of twins, and have had eighteen children.

25 Yrs Ago-Feb. 22, 1973
Perhaps the most impressive record in the 26th annual Parmer County Junior Livestock Show was the auction sale total, which amounted to \$52,846.53. This was over \$9,000 more than the old record established last year, which was \$43,676.95.

20 Yrs Ago-Feb. 19, 1978
Ralph Roden and Jim Cocannover were honored by the Friona Credit Union for service to the organization. Both are retiring from the loan committee. Roden, charter member, has served since 1954.

The Friona area continued to be "snowed in" this week, with two snowfalls adding up to six inches for the week. School was dismissed locally Friday due to the latest snowstorm.

15 Yrs Ago-Feb. 20, 1983
Crowned last Friday as Basketball King and Queen at Friona High School for 1982-83 were two senior members of the Chieftains and Squaws. Joey Howard was named Basketball King, and Judy McLellan is Basketball Queen.

10 Yrs Ago-Feb. 20, 1988
Edward White has sold White's Super Market to Adam Botello. The sale of White's marks the first time in over 40 years that the family has not owned and operated a grocery business in Friona, since Ed White Sr., became a local market owner on April 15, 1947.

5 Yrs Ago-Feb. 20, 1993
Kyle Potts and Angela Belcher were recognized as "Basketball King and Queen" for 1992-93 between games at the final season game last Friday.

Enrique Rodriguez, a senior at Friona High School, has his Christmas card design in the 1992-93 Circle of Friends Art Contest chosen as one of 16 winning cards from over 1500 entries in the Amarillo region. He received a check for \$50 for his winning design.

Osborns Have New Daughter

Joel and Rhonda Osborn of Norman, Oklahoma are the parents of a new daughter, Judith Glenn, born February 9, 1998 at the Norman Regional Hospital.

Judith weighed eight pounds, eight ounces and was twenty-one inches long.

Grandparents are John and Geneva Osborn and Jim and Karen McCormick.

Great-grandparents are June Floyd and John and Lorene Osborn.



TAE KWON DO MEDALISTS...These youths won medals at a tournament in Snyder on February 7. Front, l-r, Tim Martinez, Aaron Hand, Chase Tims, Taylor Jenkins. Second row, l-r, Nicholas Cain, V'Lesha Wilcox, John O'Brian, Ashley Martinez, Evon Vega. Third row, Eric Rubio, Chris Ureste, Tolby Wilcox, Jared Boyd, Alex Gurley, Leslie Avalos, Emanuel Vega. Back, instructor Bernie Martinez and coach Mr. Avalos.

Local Taekwondo Group Takes 25 Medals At Tourney

Sixteen students from the Martinez Taekwondo School in Friona traveled to Snyder on February 7 for the 12th annual West Texas Taekwondo Championships.

Each student participated in forms and sparring competition. Students from all over Texas and Mexico participated.

The local group received 25 medals out of 32 possible.

Receiving medals were: Aaron Hand and Tolby Wilcox, two gold medals; Emanuel Vega, Evon Vega, and Tim Martinez, gold sparring medal; Ashley Martinez and V'Lesha Wilcox, gold in sparring and silver in forms.

Also, Eric Rubio, gold in sparring and bronze in forms; Chris Ureste and Alex Gurley, two silver medals each; Leslie Avalos, silver; John O'Brian, silver in sparring and bronze in forms.

And, Chase Tims, two bronze medals; Jared Boyd, Nicholas Cain, and Taylor Jenkins each won bronze medals.

Instructor Bernie Martinez

was presented an outstanding coach award.

The local students practice each Monday and Wednesday in the old Plains Hardware building on Main Street.

Instructor Martinez presents a student-of-the-month award and V'Lesha Wilcox won the award this month.

If anyone is interested in more about the classes, they can go by the school between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. either Monday or Wednesday.

The Friona Star

(Publication No.-USPS-210-800)

Published Every Saturday

Weekly, Except Christmas Week

At 916 Main Street

Friona, Texas, 79035

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

Parmer County, \$20.00 per year.

Elsewhere, \$25.00 per year.

Bill Ellis.....Editor & Publisher

Vickie Copley.....Production Supt.

Marlene Mueller.....Bookkeeper

Ron Carr.....Managing Editor

Becky London.....Advertising

Carol Ellis.....Everything Else

Friona PD Responds To Disturbance

A 911 call was made to Friona Police last Saturday night but no one spoke to the dispatcher and the caller hung up. The dispatcher advised police units that she could hear screams in the background and sent them to a residence on 5th Street.

Calls made to 911 flash the phone number and address of the caller on the dispatcher's computer screen.

Police arrived at the scene and saw two males fighting and a female screaming at them. When police intervened in the disturbance, the female attacked officer Scottie Woods, one of three officers at the scene, and was subdued.

One of the battling males was transported by Friona EMS to Parmer County Hospital. The female was arrested and transported to the county jail in Farwell where she was booked for assaulting a police officer.

She was fined \$350 and court costs and given a 30-day probated sentence.

SALE SALE SALE SALE SALE SALE

Inventory CLEARANCE SALE

Many items at cost or below!

As much as 50% discount on some items.

Everything at least 10% off

BEST BUYS

**Shocks • Farm Machinery Bearings
Filters • Car Care Products • Knives
Oil • Sweeps • Sprayer Parts**

**Bring your own container!!
Premium multi-weight motor oil**

75¢ per quart

Kendrick Oil Co. - Farm Store
824 Main • 247-2751

Tires, Gasoline, Diesel, Propane not included.
Sale good through 2/28/98 Sale limited to products on hand.

SALE SALE SALE SALE SALE SALE

*Do you have a TAX REFUND coming from Uncle Sam?
Do you need that refund now?*

**See us at Friona State Bank
for a TAX REFUND LOAN.**

**Immediate cash is available and you
can either repay the loan with the
proceeds from your
tax refund or extend
the payment for a
number of months.**

Jerry Hinkle
Executive Vice President

It's Your Choice!

*If you need extra
money for any purpose,
call or stop in and tell
us how much you need.*

**We'll try to have your application processed
immediately and you'll soon have money in
your hands.**

WE WANT TO BE YOUR BANK!!

FRIONA STATE BANK

High School Honor Roll Listed For 4th Six Weeks

Friona High School fourth six weeks honor roll was released this week by Frank Belcher, principal.

Seniors with all A's are Juan Almaguer, Rachel Burleson, Sarah Campbell, Carrie Cos, Sarah Hale, Jeff Hamilton, Joni Johnson, Ricardo Mendez, Heath Patterson, Chris Rodrigues, Tammy Spencer, Angela Thompson, Lacy Venhaus, Charles Walker, Vanette White and Shyla Wylly.

Juniors with all A's are Clint Burney, James Evans, Sheri Fiel, Wendy Garner and April Pope.

Sophomores with all A's are Zubin Bhakta, Petra Chavarria, Lesli Fiel, Christian Hanes, Peggy Parvin, Kyle Wiseman and Kayla Wylly.

Freshman with all A's are Zach Barrett, Josh Burleson, Juan Gonzales, Lynette Jubay, Sarah Peterson, J'Mae Randolph, Charley Saiz, Kayla Smiley, Robert Winebrinner and Amber Wylly.

Seniors with all A's and one B are Quint Ellis, Gabe Goodwin, Perry Hanes, Toby Jack, Aaron King, Luis Ramirez, Juanita Salinas, Christian Santellana, Kevin Schueler and Oscar Torres.

Juniors with all A's and

one B are Whitney Ellis, Justin Grimsley, Katie Jack, Jeff Rando, Alicia Smith and Juan Tafoya.

Sophomores with A's and one B are Adrian Cruz, Jamille Hand, Mary Juarez, Landon Martin, Tyson Neill, Leslie Reyes, Sandra Rivera and Dale Williams.

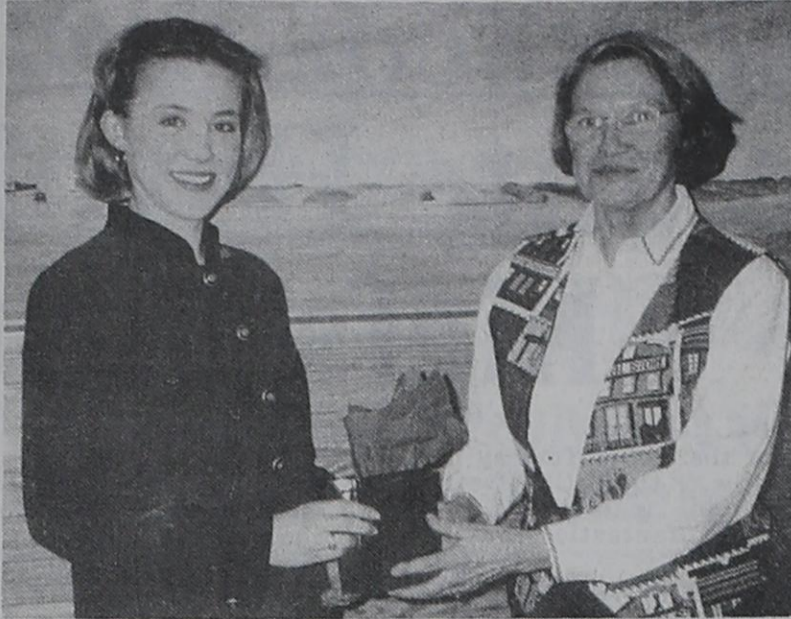
Freshmen with all A's and one B are Jenny Cunningham, Ashlee Hunt, Audra King and Elida Rivera.

Seniors with all A's and two B's are Cecil Cooper, Sandra Gonzales, Rosa Mendoza and Chad Stevick.

Juniors with all A's and two B's are Justin Daniel, Casie Escobedo, Lance Field, Matthew Kendrick, Melodee Lamb, Jesus Nava, Colby Patterson, Barry Procter, Erika Rivera, Rachel Rodriguez, Nathan Terry and Veronica Vega.

Sophomores with all A's and two B's are Alejandra Ortiz, Jessica Perez and Jeremy Smith.

Freshmen with all A's and two B's are Justin Boyd, Garland Buske, John Fitzgerald, Jena Grimsley, Tania Hand, Yolanda Legarreta, Vanessa Mata, Cason White and V'Laura Wilcox.



GUEST APPEARANCE.....1998 Miss Friona Kayla Wylly gave a guest performance of a reading entitled "Orphan Train" at the Heritage Society's Annual Meeting last Monday evening at the Depot. Heritage Society president Lois Norwood, right, presented Kayla with a little gift of appreciation.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FRIONA

Week of February 22-28

Friona residents having birthdays next week include:

February 22--Ann McFarland, Julie Brown, Matthew Gammon, Brenda Joy Murphree, Natasha Lafuente, Jacy Grimsley.

February 23--Dexter Allen, Matthew Kendrick, Roma Wilson, Gayle O'Brian, April Pope, Frances Smith.

February 24--Joe Bob Johnson, Lisa Ann Edelman, Bobbie Clark, Janice Auburg, Sharon Rector, Della Patteron, Michelle Morris.

February 25--Hollis Gurley, Alexander Gurley, Dustin Campbell, Cameron Talley, Tommy Villalobos, Lyn Eldon Randolph.

February 26--Amy Beth Terry, Michelle Alexander, Jerry London, Lesta Lee Neill, Cody Bails, Duce Faire, Trasa Randolph.

February 27--Misty Baxter Williams, Jesse Saiz, Raye Jean London, Pat Randolph.

February 28--Jim Rapp, Sam Mears, Todd Drake, Corbin Neill, Cindy Alexander, Katrina Smith, Lonnie Ellis, Doreen Duran.

AT SOUTH PLAINS

Four Area Students On Honor List

Four students from Parmer County were named to the Honor Lists for the fall 1997 semester at South Plains College, Levelland.

Students represent the SPC Levelland and Lubbock campuses and SPC Reese Educational Center.

To qualify for the President's Honor List, students must be enrolled in at least 12 semester hours of college-level work and earn a 4.0 grade point average. To qualify for the Dean's Honor List, students must be enrolled in at least 12 semester hours of college-level work, make no failing grades and earn a grade point average of at least 3.25.

Named to the President's Honor List is Jerry D. Landrum of Farwell.

Named to the Dean's Honor List are Marisol Godinez, now of Amherst; Jose A. Perez of Bovina and Leander Davila of Friona.

"The family suggests that memorial contributions be made to the American Heart Association."

When people want to honor a loved one and fight heart disease.

American Heart Association
Fighting Heart Disease and Stroke

AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION
MEMORIALS & TRIBUTES

1-800-AHA-USA1

Western

USE YOUR INCOME TAX

RETURN FOR A DOWN PAYMENT ON YOUR NEXT CAR OR TRUCK

Purchase Today at Your Choice of Savings!

 <p>'97 Ford Taurus GL #30631P Green, 21,344 miles MSRP \$21,585 \$198 mo.*</p>	 <p>'95 Ford Contour 45000 miles \$165 mo.</p>
 <p>'97 Grand Marquis 20000 Miles, Dark Green \$396⁵⁶ mo.</p>	 <p>'95 Town Car #22222 \$189 mo.</p>
 <p>'95 Mark VIII #21393 \$416 mo.</p>	 <p>'97 Tracer #30564P Green \$189 mo.</p>
 <p>'95 Escort #21212 \$149 mo.</p>	 <p>'97 Jimmy 4x4 Residential \$10,750 \$341 mo.*</p>
 <p>'94 Dodge V8, Auto. \$249 mo.</p>	 <p>'97 F150 S/C #21306 \$332 mo.</p>

*\$2000 DN + TT&L WAC 60 mo. Balloon 9.9%
60 Mo. 9.9% APR 1000 DN + TT&L

★ Ford ★
Lincoln-Mercury, Inc.
550 N. 25 Mile Ave. - HereFORD, Tx
(806)364-3673 • Se Habla Espanol • Open Monday-Saturday till 7 pm

810 W. 11TH, FRIONA • 247-3344

SINGLE (#1 or #2) BURGERS

99¢

All Day Every Tuesday

Not valid with any other special offers. Available at Friona location only. Offer good for a limited time, subject to change. Cheese & chile extra.

SONIC



Thank You!!!

We appreciate the many residents who have signed-up for telephone and/or cable TV service with us.

If you have already signed an easement form, you still need to come in and sign-up for service.

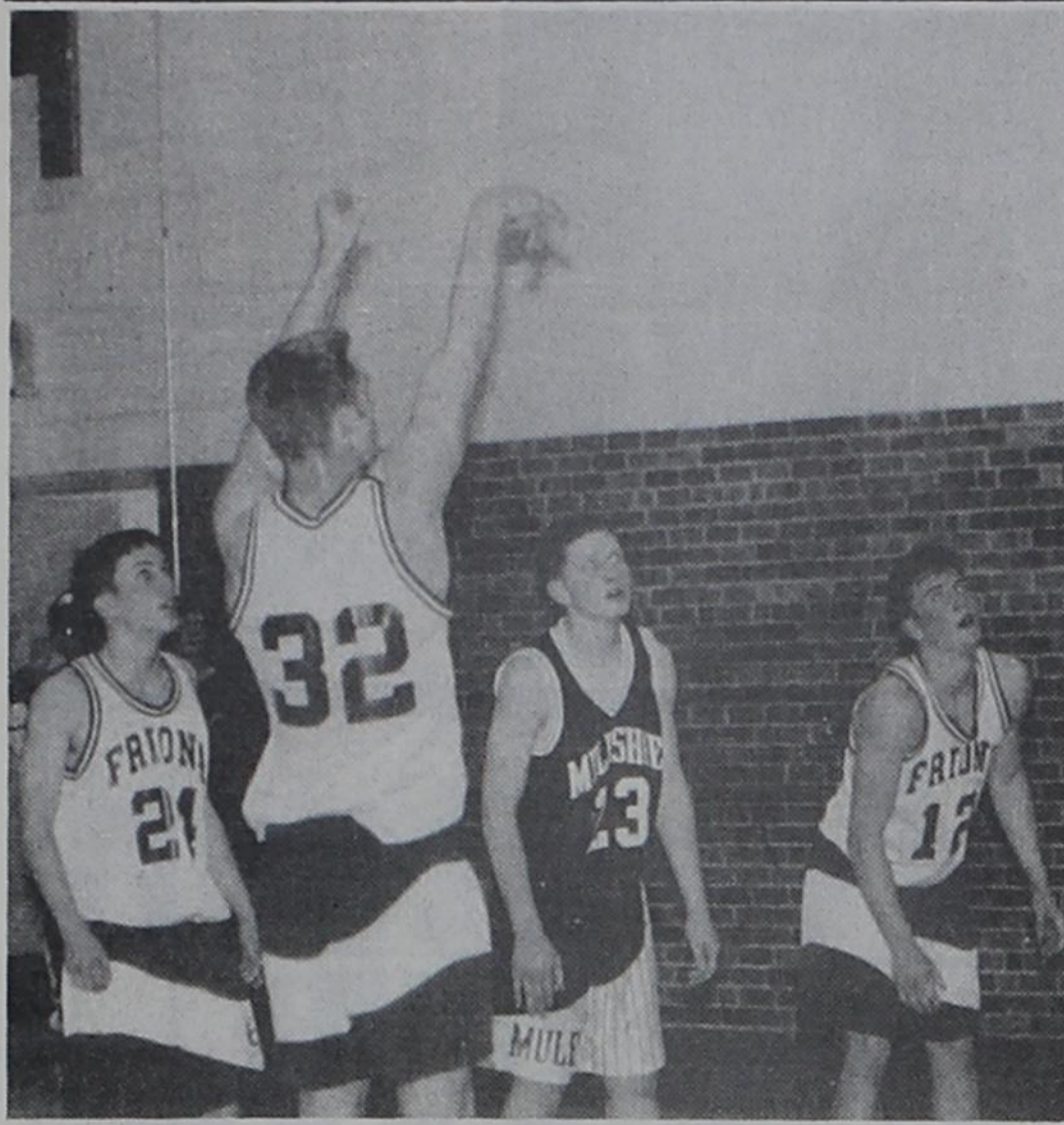
There is still time to sign-up and save on installation costs!
COME BY AND SEE US TODAY!!

WT Services Inc.

A Fully Owned Subsidiary Of West Texas Rural Telephone
1010 Columbia Ave. At Highway 60 • Friona, Texas

ELLIS SCORES 40!

Late Heroics Propel Chiefs Past Muleshoe



ONE IN FORTY.....Senior post Quint Ellis (32) soared to a thought-to-be school record high 40 points against the Muleshoe Mules. Ellis was 10 for 10 free throws. Joseph Bandy (24) and Aaron King (12) watch another point rip the net.

Squaws Drop Final Game; Finish Third

Friona High School's Squaws finished their '98 season at Perryton last Friday, dropping a 50-44 game to the Lady Rangers, who finished tied with Dimmitt for first place in District 1-3A.

The Squaws, who had been tied with Dimmitt (behind Perryton) for second place at the half-way point of the district season at 5-2, were only able to post a 3-4 record in the second half, and finished tied with Muleshoe for third place with 8-6 records. The Squaws were 19-11 for the season.

One of Friona's first-half wins had been over Perryton, which copped the district's second playoff berth after losing to Dimmitt this past Monday. A pair of nagging losses in Friona's district run were to Muleshoe, a team they felt they should have beaten.

Led by the shooting of Crystal Dow, who scored seven points, and Whitney Ellis, who scored a pair of baskets, the Squaws stayed with the Lady Rangers, trailing just 24-21 at halftime.

But the team had major foul trouble. Sandra Gonzalez fouled out, and Tammy Spencer and Amanda Pope

each had four, having to sit out part of the game. Miss Spencer finished scoreless, for the second time, a highly unlikely prospect.

Amanda Pope led the scoring with 12, and Miss Gonzalez had ten.

Perryton went to the foul line 25 times, making 16. Friona toed the line only 14 times, and made eight.

SQUAWS 44, PHS 50
 April Pope 1-1*-0-5;
 Sandra Gonzalez 1-2*-2-10;
 Amanda Pope 5-2-12; Sarah Hendley 1*-0-3; Tammy Spencer 0-0-0; Whitney Ellis 2-3-7; Crystal Dow 3-1-7. *3-point baskets.

FHS Baseball Starts Tuesday At Boys Ranch

Tuesday, February 24, marks the opening of the Chieftains baseball season as the team travels to Boys Ranch for a 4:30 P.M. start.

On Friday, February 27, Boys Ranch travels to Friona for a 5 p.m. game. Then on Saturday the 28th, it is Chieftains vs. Floydada in a double-header set for a noon start.

District play opens March 21 at River Road.

Cooper's Comments, Game Shooting Stats Are Given

"I felt we won two games Tuesday," Coach Kevin Cooper said, in reference to Friona's big win over Muleshoe, and Tulia's stunning come-from-behind win at Dimmitt, which put Friona back in the playoff scenario.

"The guys really played a good ball game. They shot exceptionally well. After Muleshoe's outstanding second quarter, when they took the lead, we came out in the third quarter and shut them down.

"Quint (Ellis) had a great game, his best of the season. He had a great defensive game, rebounding, blocking shots and deflecting passes. Daniel stepped up and got some big boards and timely putbacks," Cooper added.

Ellis had 11 rebounds and Daniel 14. Friona led the Mules, 31-22 in RBs. Ellis made 61 per cent of his field goal shots and ten of ten free throws. The Chieftains made 46 per cent from the field, and their 17 of 21 (81 per cent) at the line was their best game.



HARNESS THE MULES...All Mules are covered by the Chiefs defense in the exciting victory to stay alive for the playoffs. Nathan King (23) covers Muleshoe's Matt Mason (10) while Quint Ellis occupies Mule Dustin Cleavinger (50). Justin Daniel is at right.

by BILL ELLIS

For the second Tuesday in a row, the Chieftain basketball team came up with a fantastic fourth quarter.

They had to have one, in order to turn back upset-minded Muleshoe, 66-64, and keep their playoff hopes alive.

Senior Quint Ellis had a "career game" for the Chieftains, scoring 40 points, and playing his usual outstanding game on defense.

The team desperately needed the win, especially when Tulia rallied for an overtime win at Dimmitt, to give Friona the chance to tie the Bobcats in the won-lost columns and force a playoff for the district's second seed.

But for a time in the second quarter Tuesday, it looked like the team's chances to tie Dimmitt were slipping away.

The first-quarter gave the large crowd a sample of things to come. Ellis indicated he might have a big scoring night, when he scored Friona's first eight points. His jump shot gave Friona its first lead at 4-2 at the 6:15 mark, and after the Mules scored a "trey" to take the lead, his pair of free throws gave Friona the lead back at 6-5, and his jumper a few seconds later made it 8-5.

Aaron King interrupted Ellis' streak with a jump shot and a layup for a 12-10 Chieftain lead. Justin "Bird" Daniel's tip-in with 1:56 left in the quarter gave Friona its longest lead at 16-11, and sophomore shooter Nathan King's three-pointer at the 1:18 mark made it a 19-13 game.

Muleshoe rallied on the shooting of Cyrus Noman, (12) who had a three and a two, to make it a one-point game, 19-18, at the end of the quarter.

The lead changed hands five times in the first two minutes of the second quarter, as Ellis was scoring for Friona and Shelburne (4) for Muleshoe. In fact, the Mules outscored Friona 12-4 in the first three minutes to take a 30-23 lead.

Aaron King broke an 8-0 Muleshoe streak with a three-pointer for a 30-26 deficit, and 28 seconds later Ellis got beyond the three-point circle and ripped the net, for a 32-29 score.

Quint's layup off an assist by King pulled Friona to within a point at 32-31, but suddenly the game took on a distinctive black and white flavor.

The Mules ran off a 10-0 streak to take a 44-31 lead on the shooting of (12 and Dustin Cleavinger (50). Ellis broke the Friona scoreless streak with a jump shot. The Chiefs worked the ball downcourt with time expiring, and Aaron King zapped a three-pointer with 0:01 showing for a 46-37 halftime deficit.

It seemed as though the Mules hit every shot they put up during that second quarter, during which they outscored the Chieftains, 28-18.

Maybe it was because the Chiefs came out stronger on defense, or perhaps the intermission caused the Mules' shooters to cool down a bit.

For Friona's part, Ellis scored a pair of baskets around Angel Vega's jump shot, and suddenly it was a 46-43 game just 1:35 into the third quarter.

After Muleshoe made it 48-43, Ellis was two for two at the line, Daniel hit a freebie, and Ellis's reverse layup tied the score at 48-all, as the home stands erupted with a cheer. The Chieftains had outscored the visitors, 11-2 in 5:47 of the period.

The Mules sank a three-pointer, but Daniel scored a jump shot off Ellis' assist, and made an outstanding layup around his defender with 25 seconds on the clock, to propel Friona into the lead at 52-51.

Friona worked for a final shot, but it wouldn't fall. However, their 15-5 edge in the quarter had put the team back on top.

The fourth quarter started with a flurry of baskets. Ellis missed a jump shot, but teammate Daniel was right there for the rebound, putting the ball in the basket for a 54-51 Friona lead. After a pair of Muleshoe baskets, the Ellis-miss and Daniel put-back worked again, for a 56-55 score at the 6:32 mark.

(10) sank a three-pointer for the visitors and a 58-56 Mule lead. But sophomore Joseph Bandy's driving layup off Aaron King's assist tied the knot at 58-all with 5:09 left to play.

Ellis' shot from the side gave Friona a 60-58 lead, and a minute later the Mules left the 6-4 Chieftain star unguarded around the three-point mark, and Ellis deftly sank his second "trey," for a 63-59 Friona lead at the 4:07 mark.

Muleshoe refused to give up. A pair of baskets by the Mules gave them their last lead at 64-63 with 3:10 remaining, but Ellis made his 13th field goal of the game was anything but unlucky--it put Friona ahead to stay with only 2:15 remaining.

King was fouled while shooting, and sank both shots for a 67-64 Friona lead, 1:35 left.

Friona controlled the boards and began working the ball around, playing keep-away with the Mules. Nathan King was fouled, and Muleshoe's Lewis (3) was also

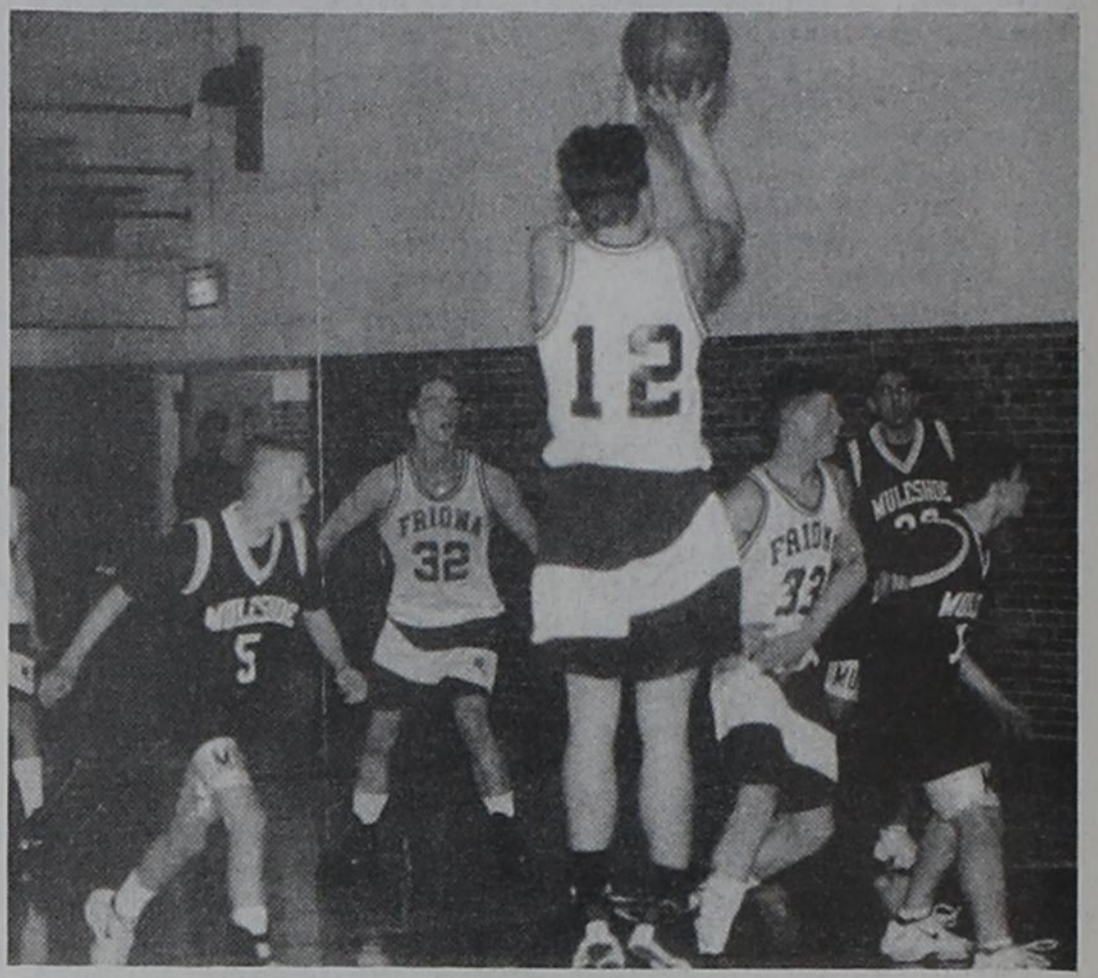
CHIEFTAINS 74
Muleshoe 66

Player	FG	FTs	TP
Aaron King	4	4-3	13
Nathan King	1*	4-3	6
Joseph Bandy	1	0	2
Quint Ellis	14	10-10	40
Justin Daniel	5	2-1	11
C. Patterson	0	1-0	0
L. Martin	0	0-0	0
Totals	26	21-17	74

*3-point baskets: A. King 2; Ellis 2; N. King 1.

FHS 19 18 15 22-74
MHS 18 28 5 15-66

CHIEFS 61, PHS 47
 Aaron King 3-2*-2-14; Jeff Rando 1-0-2; Barry Procter 0-0-0; Nathan King 1-1*-0-5; Joseph Bandy 0-2-2; Quint Ellis 10-1*-3-26; Justin Daniel 1-1-3; Colby Patterson 1-1-3; Landon Martin 1-0-2. *3-point baskets.



RISE & FIRE....Aaron King (12) launches a two as the rest of the crowd is caught flat-footed. Chiefs are Joseph Bandy (24), Quint Ellis (32), and Justin Daniel (33).

***** *****
 quarter leads of 17-10, 28-20 and 45-36.

Ellis scored 24 points before fouling out and Aaron King added 14.

King made one of his two, and then Ellis, elected to shoot the technical shots, continued his hot hand by sinking both. That upped Friona's lead from 67-64 to 70-64, with 18.8 seconds remaining.

Nathan and Ellis both went back to the line twice in the remaining time, and were a combined four for four.

Friona was a torrid nine of 10 from the line in the last 1:37 of the game--just what a good team is supposed to do, to post their 23rd win of the season and go 10-3 in district.

Ellis' 40 points may be an individual scoring record at FHS. We're checking. After a couple of low-scoring games, Quint bounced back by scoring 66 points in his last two district games. He scored 14 field goals--two of them bonus baskets, and was a perfect ten for ten from the line.

Last Friday at Perryton, the team scored a workman-like 61-47 win over the Rangers, in hopefully Friona's last team visit to the North Plains city. The Chiefs held



TAKE A BREATH...Chieftains coach Kevin Cooper slows down the pace in the Chiefs fast-moving win over the Muleshoe Mules. Shown are Bandy (24), Cooper, A. King, N. King (23), Daniel (33)

District 1-3A Basketball Standings

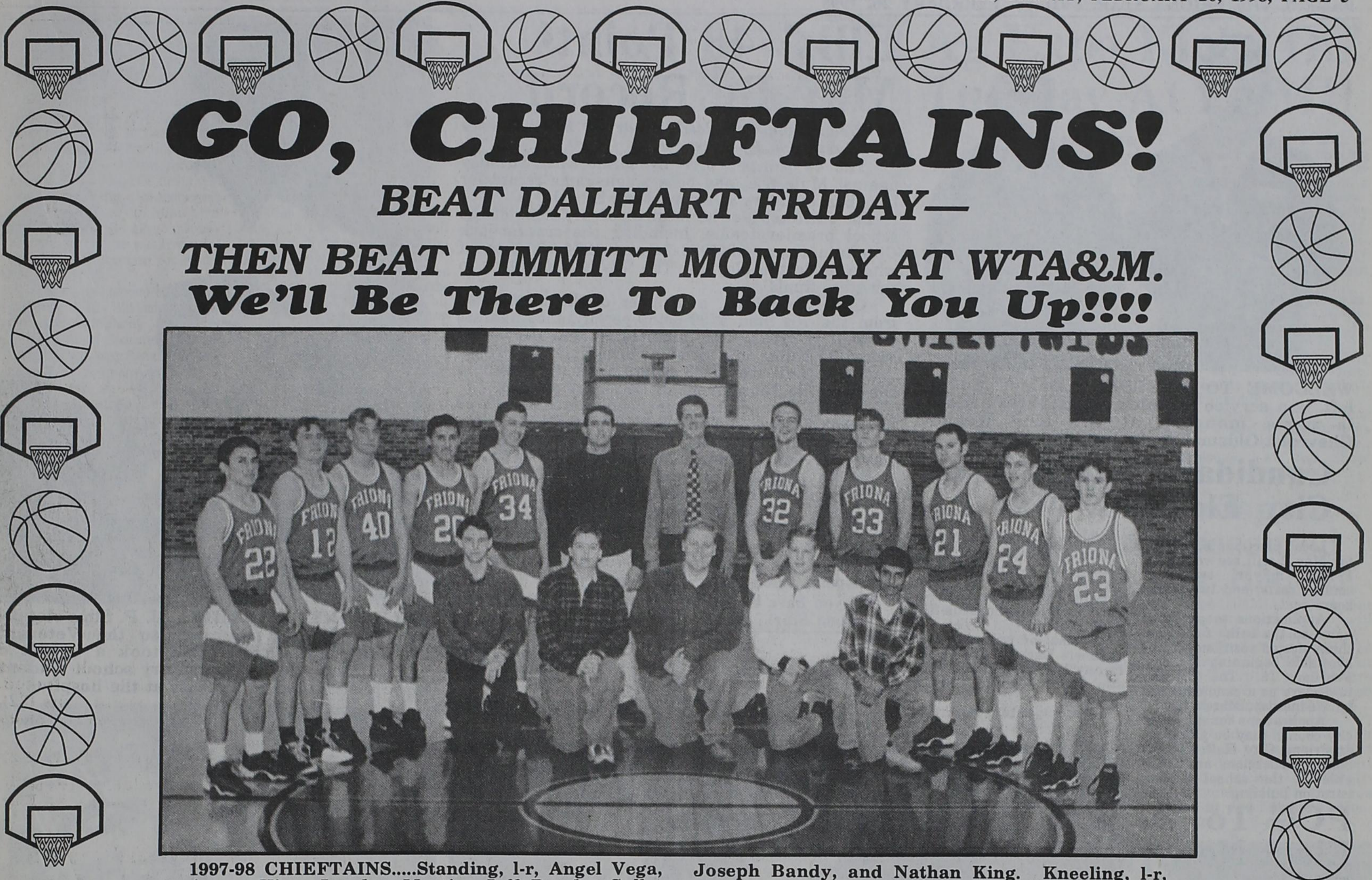
Boys			Girls-Final		
Team	District	Overall	Team	District	Overall
Tulia	13-0	30-0	Dimmitt	12-2	19-11
Friona	10-3	23-5	Perryton	12-2	23-6
Dimmitt	10-3	21-9	Friona	8-6	19-12
Muleshoe	6-7	19-12	Muleshoe	8-6	17-12
Sanford-Fritch	6-7	10-20	River Road	7-7	15-12
Dalhart	5-8	14-14	Tulia	5-9	10-20
Perryton	2-11	5-20	Dalhart	2-12	10-21
River Road	0-15	2-30	Sanford-Fritch	2-12	2-26

Last Week: CHIEFS 55, Perryton 49; CHIEFS 74, Muleshoe 66.

Last Week: Perryton 56, SQUAWS 49.

NEXT WEEK: February 20: Chiefs vs. Dalhart - Here

February 23: Chiefs vs. Dimmitt at WTA&M-if still tied in standings



GO, CHIEFTAINS!

BEAT DALHART FRIDAY—

THEN BEAT DIMMITT MONDAY AT WTA&M.
We'll Be There To Back You Up!!!!

1997-98 CHIEFTAINS.....Standing, l-r, Angel Vega, Aaron King, Landon Martin, Jeff Rando, Colby Patterson, coach Jeff Isom, head coach Kevin Cooper, Quint Ellis, Justin Daniel, Barry Procter,

Joseph Bandy, and Nathan King. Kneeling, l-r, managers Lance Field, Trent Cook, Justin Grimsley, Rusty Peace, and Zubin Bhakta.

Bi-Wize Drug

902 Main Street
247-3010 or 247-2270

Attebury Grain Company

Randy Thomas, Mgr. 265-3286

PARMER COUNTY IMPLEMENT

Bob Hurst 247-2721

Headquarters Restaurant

1502 W Hwy 60
247-2821

Dee King Trucking

A-1 Service Center

W. Hwy 60 P.O. Box 488
Friona, Texas 79035
806-247-2731 1-800-713-4004

Mandy's Restaurant

1503 W 5TH 247-9009



Bill Condit, Mgr
West Hwy. 60
1-800-801-3396
(806) 247-2741

Stevick Sales & Service

514 Main 247-3110

JOHN B. CROZIER III, P.C.

Certified Public Accountant

715-A Main St. 247-3657

Brockman Sales, Inc.

509 WEST 11TH STREET
FRIONA, TEXAS 79035

TOMMY BROCKMAN
HOME 247-8082
BUS. 247-2219

Prairie Insurance Agency, Inc.

Continuing Insurance Service since 1934

247-2766
603 Main Street • Friona, Texas

LAKESIDE PARTS & MACHINE

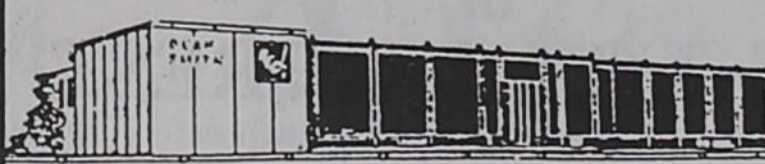
HWY 60 247-3939

FRIONA HEATING & AIR

KEVIN & VERNA PATTON

410 W. 11th St. (Hwy 60)

Ph. 247-2536



Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative, Inc.

East 1st St. • Hereford, TX
1-800-687-8189 or 364-1166

FRIONA STAR



WELCOME TO WESTERN.....Daniel Mullins, left, is a service technician and Antonio Rocha is parts manager at the new Western Chevrolet-Oldsmobile dealership in Friona.

Candidates Sought For City Elections, May 2

Local elections scheduled for May 2 will see voting for Friona mayor, two city council seats, and two school board seats.

Applications to put your name on the ballot for any of these elected positions will be available beginning Monday, February 16. The last day to declare as a candidate will be Wednesday, March 18.

Applications for mayor or city council may be picked up at Friona City Hall. School board applications are available at the school administration building.

PCG To Elect New Director

Parmer County cotton producers and agribusiness members of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. will elect a Business Director to the PCG Board of Directors at 7:30 a.m., Thursday, March 12, 1998. The meeting will be held at the Spudnut Shop Restaurant in Farwell.

Announcement of the election comes from Mark Williams of Farwell, Parmer County Producer Director to the 25-county cotton organization, and Donald Christian of Farwell, current Business Director.

Each of the counties in PCG's service area has two directors, one a business representative and the other a cotton producer. They are elected on alternate years for two-year terms. Each is eligible for re-election every second year.

All producers and businesses are invited to the meeting. However, under PCG By-Laws, only current dues-paying members of PCG will be eligible to be elected a director or to vote in the election. This provision of the by-laws will be fully explained at the meeting.

A PCG representative will conduct the election, review and answer questions about recent and planned PCG activities.

Political Calendar

The Friona Star is authorized to make the following political announcements, subject to next spring's primary elections:

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY:
DISTRICT JUDGE
 Gordon Houston Green
PARMER COUNTY JUDGE:
 Bonnie Clayton (re-election)
PARMER COUNTY
TREASURER
 Anne Norton (re-election)
COMMISSIONER,
PRECINCT 2
 Tom Ware (re-election)
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
PRECINCT 1
 Frances Euler (re-election)

Ellis' 40 Points May Be Record

(Note: Thanks to Patsy Bandy for her assistance in the research department!)

The 40 points scored by Quint Ellis Tuesday against Muleshoe may be a single-game record for boys basketballers at Friona High School.

For starters, it's the most involving some of the school premier teams, including the cracker-jack Chieftain teams of 1973-74 and 1974-75, both of whom made the playoffs. The '73-'74 team went to the state finals.

Gene Strickland, a member of the two teams from the 70s, had a 39-point performance against Farwell in 1974, and teammate Dale Cleveland scored 35 points in a game against Tulia in 1975.

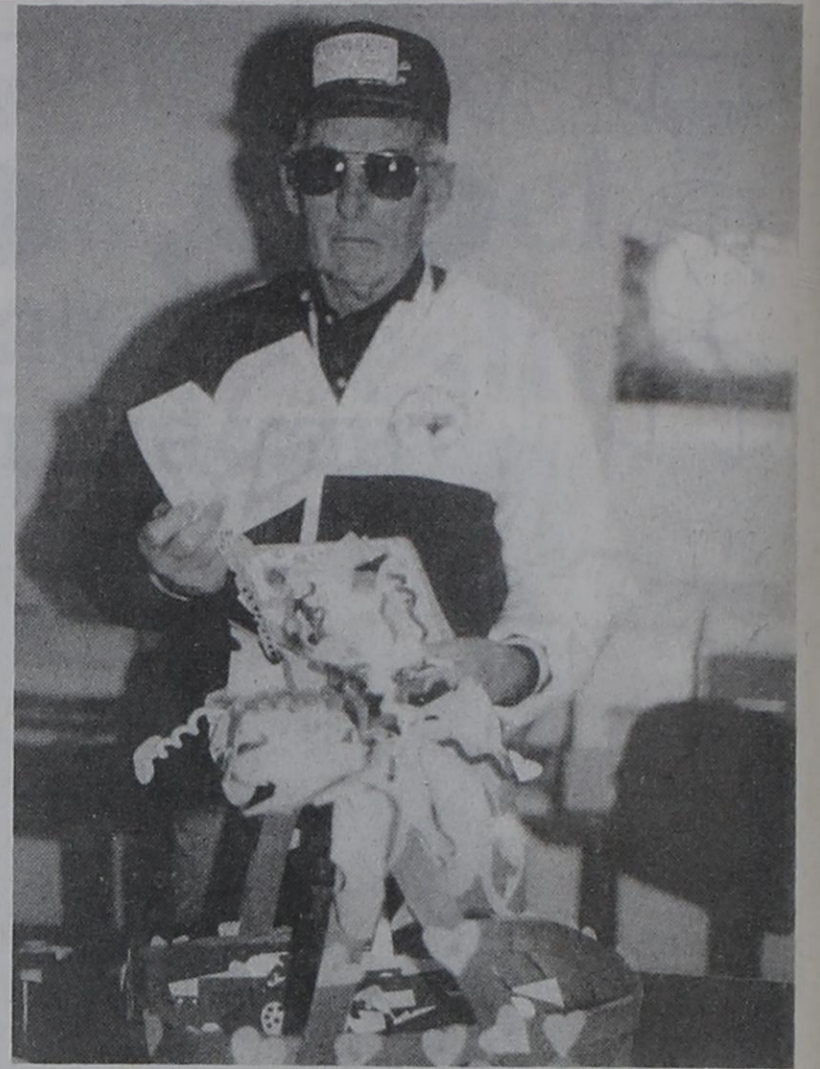
Mark Neill scored 33 points against Farwell in the Amarillo Tournament in December of 1976.

Thirty-one points have been scored by three different players. Johnny Bandy scored 31 against Littlefield in December of 1971. Dale Cleveland scored 31 points against Childress in 1973 in the Amarillo Tournament, and Strickland had a 31-point game against Channing in 1975.

Bandy scored 30 points against Dimmitt in 1973, which was one of the times the Chieftains beat the Bobcats.

The points scored in the 1970s were before the three-point rule.

(If you have a name and/or info, please call the Friona Star)



VALENTINES FOR VETS.....J. P. Sims stopped by the Star on the way to the Veteran's Hospital in Amarillo. He took a basket of valentines made by elementary school students to be distributed to patients at the hospital.

Choose Health
Choose Healthful Foods

American Heart Association
Fighting Heart Disease and Stroke

The terms of Mayor Clarence Monroe and councilmen Jim Atwell and John Taylor expire this year, leaving the mayor and two councilmen openings on the ballot.

Terms of school board members Kathryn Gurley and Danny Black expire, creating two board openings up for election.

Election date is Saturday, May 2, 1998.



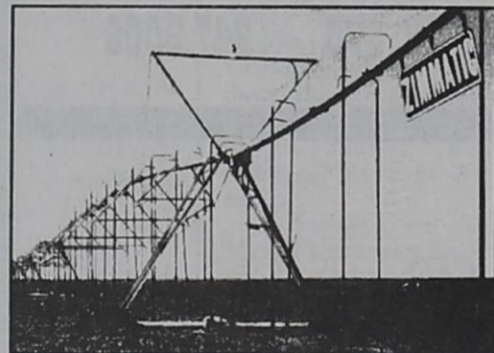
TAKE OUR PICTURE....These little pretties were all smiles when they yelled at the Star photographer to take their picture during the Kids, Inc. basketball tryouts. L-r are Ashley Smiley, Brenda Murphree, and Andrea Geries.
ron carr photo



AG DAY CHARACTERS.....On hand to entertain the kids during Ag Day were a couple of dummies, a cow, and a pig. Actually they are, l-r, FHS seniors Jeff Hamilton and Rachel Burleson, and Excel employees Don and Dawn Shepherdson.
ron carr photo

Get the Best Warranty and A Great Offer On A New Zimmatic Irrigation System

Zimmatic Irrigation Systems now come complete with the irrigation industry's leading drive train warranty 8 Year/ 8,000 Hour limited warranty. With the dependability of Zimmatic's spur-gear center drive and heavy-duty gearbox, you've got the backing of the most reliable drive train and the warranty to prove it....



You have two ways to save on the Industry's leading irrigation system when you order by February 28, 1998 and take delivery by April 30, 1998.

\$ 800 CASH REBATE*

on systems delivered by April 30, 1998
 (*Based on a 8-Tower Zimmatic)
 or
7.5% LOW INTEREST

loan or lease for 5 years with first payment delayed 12 months with 5% down.
 (Certain restrictions and conditions may apply, subject to credit approval)
 See your Zimmatic Dealer for details on program and drive train warranty.



Leadership and Strength you can Depend on Today and Tomorrow



"Encourage your children to read every day. They'll love you for it."

FRIONA STAR

THIS LITERACY MESSAGE IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY THIS NEWSPAPER AND THE NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

Amarillo Symphony & Mozart Feb 21

The February 21 concert of the Amarillo Symphony Orchestra features pianist Robert Levin performing one of Mozart's greatest concertos. One of the foremost experts on Mozart, Mr. Levin will perform two of the great composer's works; including the Minuet for Clavier, K.1, the piece Mozart composed when he was five years old, and the Concerto for Piano, No. 25, K. 503.

During the second half of the program Gail Williams of the Chicago Symphony will play Mozart's Third Concerto. The full orchestra will play Symphony #40, considered by many as Mozart's greatest work.

The concert, sponsored by the law offices of Peterson, Farris, Doores and Jones, begins at 8 p.m. in the Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium. Tickets may be purchased by calling the Amarillo Symphony office at 376-8782.



Arts/Crafts Show Set In Amarillo

The 7th annual Amarillo Arts and Crafts Festival will be held February 21-22 in the Amarillo Civic Center.

More than 130 exhibitors from throughout the Southwest will fill the main exhibit hall with original art, limited edition prints, and handcrafted items.

Hours for the show are Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. There is no admission charge.

Red Cross Sponsors Classes

The Hereford Red Cross Chapter will sponsor a lifeguarding class at the



SPECIAL HEARTS.....A Valentine party at Prairie Acres crowned Thomas Gibson and Johnnye Blackwell as the Prairie Acres Valentine King and Queen.

Aquatic Center. The class will begin on Friday, March 13 and

continue on Saturday, March 14, and Sunday March 15, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., then Monday-Wednesday from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Participants must attend all of the sessions in order to pass the course. Participants must be able to swim 500 yards continuously using the crawl, breast, or side stroke, tread water for two minutes using legs only and submerge to a depth of seven feet and retrieve a 10-pound object and return with it to the surface.

The class will cost \$45 for the books and CPR mask. Each student is required to buy the books and mask.

Call the Red Cross office at 364-3761 or come by the office at 224 South Main Street to register for the class.

Ag Expo Kicks Off Tuesday At ENMU

The New Mexico Ag Expo begins with a banquet Tuesday night, February 24.

The Farm/City/ENMU Banquet will feature entertainment by the Flying J Wranglers. The location is the ENMU Campus Union Ballroom. Tickets are \$15 per person in advance and \$20 at the door.

At 9 a.m. Wednesday, February 25, the Expo opens at the Roosevelt County

Fairgrounds with a host of activities including working dog demonstrations, weather modification seminars, and a horse training demonstration.

Seminars on dairy production management, hairy hoofwarts, and protecting private property rights and the environment are also scheduled.

From 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, women's activities are scheduled in the Women's Building.

Hours for the annual Ag Expo are 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Wednesday and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Thursday.

A Chuck Wagon dinner will be hosted by the Portales Rotary Club, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Wednesday at the Show Arena and Sheep Barn.

Happy Birthday Bovina

Area birthdays for the week of February 22-28.

Feb 22-Lawrence Widner, Penny Burklow, Larry Mitchell.

Feb 23-Shirley Garrison, Matthew Royce, Cameron Charles.

Feb 24-Ginger Bowman, Gracie Murillo, Carlene Jones Blankenship, Kody Wilson.

Feb 25-Elva Hernandez, Freddy Flores, James Roach, Georgia Foster.

Feb 26-Jill Sorley, Martha Garner, Ken Foster, Wayne Foster.

Feb 27-Jordan Barrett, Ken Langlais.

Feb 28-Catalina Garcia, Asa Smith.

To make changes or add a friend or relative to our birthday roster call 238-1523 or write Drawer B, 79009.

Godspell Presented By ENMU

The ENMU Department of Theatre and Dance will present the play Godspell.

Performances will be February 25-28, March 1, at the University Theatre Center, at 8 p.m. (2 p.m. on Sunday, March 1).

Ticket prices are \$7 general admission; \$6 senior citizens; \$5 pre-college; and \$4 ENMU students w/current activities sticker. For tickets/reservations call the box office at 505-562-2710, Mon-Fri, noon to 6 p.m.

GO FIGURE FITNESS CLUB

Inside Big Ticket Video 601 Main

Sign Up Today!

friona 247-3003

Looking good *work out with us!!*
Feeling fit

Treadmill Stationary Bike Stair Stepper

By Appointment Only - Call for more information!

Opening March 1st
Sun-Thur 1 p.m.-8 p.m. & Fri-Sat 1 p.m.-9 p.m.

ALLSUP'S ALWAYS Low Prices

ALLWAYS OPEN • ALLWAYS FAST

The Grocery Store for People on the GO!!!

MONEY SAVING COUPON



\$1.69

Regular Price \$1.79 February 15 till 28, 1998

CLIP AND SAVE

Coupon good at all Allsup's locations. Offer expires **FEB. 28, 1998**

ONE PER COUPON

Friona Star/Bovina Blade 4 00001 19061 6

MONEY SAVING COUPON



\$1.89

Regular Price \$2.29 February 15 till 28, 1998

CLIP AND SAVE

Coupon good at all Allsup's locations. Offer expires **FEB. 28, 1998**

ONE PER COUPON

Friona Star/Bovina Blade 4 00001 19062 3

Western Chevrolet-Oldsmobile
1011 Grand Ave. and Highway 60
Friona, Texas 79035
Fax 806-247-3407

1-806-247-2701 1-800-957-2438

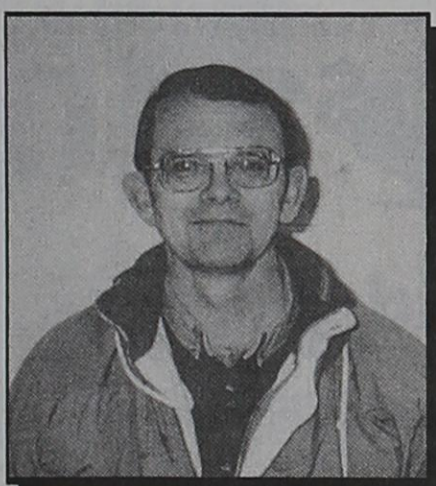
Dear Customers,

The one and only new automobile dealership in Parmer County has re-opened. We have some new people and different ideas that will improve our ability to serve you, the customer, better.


We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to come in, have a cup of coffee and a donut and let us get re-aquainted.

We are a full service Chevrolet and Oldsmobile dealership. So whether you need parts, service, a new vehicle or a used vehicle, please give us a call or come by and we will do our best to fill your needs.

Your business is greatly appreciated!

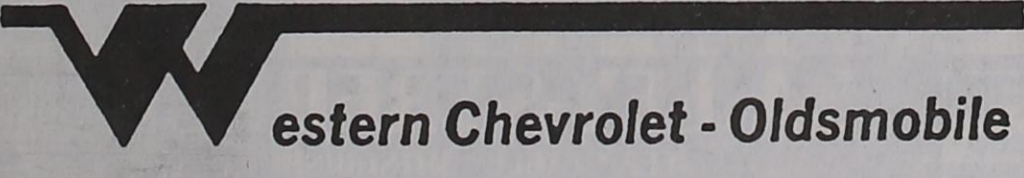


John Baxter
Sales



Mitch Terry
Service

P.S. Ask us about any parts and service on any of your vehicles.



Western Chevrolet - Oldsmobile



6pk 12 oz cans \$1.89 / 3 Liter \$1.79



89¢



2 FOR \$1.29
OR 79¢ EACH

Asst. Flavors Vista Cookies 14 oz 99¢	Angel Soft Bathroom Tissue 4 roll pk \$1.29	Shurfine Green Beans 16oz 49¢	Shurfine Dog Food 40 lb \$9.49
---	---	---	--

CHECK YOUR FRIENDLY ALLSUP'S STORE FOR ADDITIONAL MARKDOWN SPECIALS! BOVINA #18 100 3rd St. FRIONA #217 312 E 11th/ #255 1411 W Hwy 60

PRICES EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 15-28, 1998 • OFFER GOOD WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

COURTHOUSE NOTES

Out Here

By **RON CARR**



"Let's all just take a deep breath and step back and wait for the facts to come out."

I wish I had thought of that saying a lot earlier. Like some of those times my mother, or a teacher, caught me in a lie.

I could have rehearsed my story on the way to the principal's office.

"Now Mr. Brockett, let's just take a deep breath and step back and wait for the facts."

"What are the facts, Ronnie?"

"I'll have them for you sooner than later and more than less."

"Tell you what, Ronnie, while we are waiting on the facts, I'll just get my paddle, then we will call your mother."

In my childhood, innocent until proven guilty was not always the law of the land.

"Okay, I'm going to give you the benefit of the doubt, but I know you are lying."

And all the time I was thinking, *Lord, if you will just let me get out that door, I know this will all blow over.*

And so it goes in Washington, D.C. The Clintons have been caught doing something, nobody seems to know exactly what, and they have told us to take a deep breath, step back, and wait.

Isn't it nice of the Clinton family to be so concerned about us they designed a low impact aerobics workout for America. Deep breath, step back, wait.

My guess is that Billy Jeff and Hill Rod would like us to wait for, oh, say, about three years. That's the same amount of time it took to find Hill Rod's law firm records there at the White House.

This "job" as they call it, will be over in three years, after which they can sit back and laugh at all the things they managed to put over on

the American public.

(In case you want to jot this down, Billy Jeff's "job" expires at noon, Eastern time, on January 20, 2001.)

The PCI coffee bar bubbas are getting up a pot on what day Hill Rod files for divorce after that date. They are giving even odds that she files for divorce and announces her candidacy for president on the same day.

Republicans have been quiet because they want Billy Jeff to serve out those three years. He can do more harm to the Democrats than any smear campaign or conspiracy could ever accomplish. Besides, they sure don't want Al Gore to take over.

I think the Irony Of The Year award should go to Clinton's cry that Ken Starr is abusing his power. They sure know abuse of power when they see it.

Fact is that the Clinton gang does not want to be rid of Ken Starr. They need someone to attack. They need a vast right-wing conspiracy bubbling to tone down their illegal and immoral agenda.

Only history will reveal all the facts. Facts about LBJ, Nixon, and Kennedy are just now being made public. So it will be with Billy Jeff Clinton.

Mr. Ginsburg, Monica's lawyer, has now jumped on the "Starr is a bad guy" bandwagon because Starr wants Monica to tell the truth. Remember, she swore in a deposition to Paula Jones' lawyer that she never played kissey-face (or kissey-somewhere else) with Billy Jeff.

Then it seems she told several dozen other friends that she did and one of those friends turned her in and the righteous unwashed are now appalled that Linda Tripp could rat on a friend.

Well, Bob Bennett, Billy

Jeff's lawyer, called Linda Tripp a liar when she reported that Billy mauled yet another woman named Willey in the oval office.

Apparently it is not good to call Linda a liar. This time, when Monica started blabbering about her conquest, Linda taped it all. Screw friendship, take that Mr. Bennett.

Fact: None of this is about sex. Another fact: there are thousands (maybe more) of women across America, married and single, that would jump at the opportunity to have an affair with Billy Jeff.

That last fact was the result of a national survey/poll. I didn't make it up. You don't have to make up stuff about this guy. What he does in real life is better than anything we could make up.

Want to know something else? I'll bet that Billy Jeff privately laughs at all the jokes that Jay Leno, David Letterman, and others make about him. He likes to be one of the boys, so I think he is probably flattered by Leno's jabs and Letterman's commentary.

There is one thing Billy Jeff has stated publicly that I do believe. When asked by a reporter if he would ever consider resigning, he said "Never." He didn't say "I don't have anything to resign over", he just said never. I believe he will never resign nor will he ever tell the truth because he thinks those rules don't apply to him.

The last point to make is that the reason Billy Jeff is not telling the American unwashed the truth is because he is afraid Ken Starr will use it against him.

Let me make sure I understand this. I never touched Monica Lewinsky but if I explain the exact true nature of my "friendship"

Classic Cable Renews Commitment to Students

Classic Cable recently announced that the 1998 application process for the Classic Cable Scholarship Fund is underway. The fund was created in 1997 for graduating high school seniors within its eight-state service area.

J. Merritt Belisle, Classic's Chief Executive Officer, views the program as further evidence of the company's commitment to the communities served by its cable television systems. "We look forward to the opportunity to build upon the enormous success of the 1997 campaign, wherein Classic awarded over \$30,000 to 101 graduating seniors. Our commitment to the scholarship program has been bolstered by outstanding performance reports from a number of our 1997 scholarship recipients."

Specific eligibility requirements include a top 20% ranking within the graduating class, demonstrated leadership in and out of the classroom as well as participation in extracurricular activities.

Financial hardship or other circumstances will also be considered when deciding between

applicants whose abilities appear equal. In addition to the scholarship application, students must submit three letters of recommendation from the school principal, teachers or administrators, a copy of their official high school transcript showing class rank, as well as a 300 word essay on chosen goals with an emphasis on leadership and ability to reach goals.

All applications will be evaluated by a committee of employees from Classic Cable and will be judged according to the overall strength of qualifications.

Scholarship applications are available through the local high school guidance counselors or by contacting Adina Crawford with Classic Cable directly at (785)434-7620 ext. 323. The deadline for submitting applications is March 13 and the scholarship winners will be announced April 20.

Classic Cable owns and operates cable television systems in 278 rural communities in eight states. As of December 31, 1997, the company served approximately 167,000 customers.

Instrument Report Ending Feb. 4, 1998
Parmer County, TX
Bonnie Warren, County Clerk
WD-Margie M. Lawrence, Kenneth E. Miller, Ne 28.73 acres of S14 T51/2S R5E Syd Sub.

WD-Harcoop, Inc., Roger C. Lowe, Sr., 3 tracts of 3rds Installment to Staley Add; Lots 13, 14 & 15 B9.

WD-Randy Roberts, Roberts Ranches, Inc., All S33 & 34 Thomas Kelly H.

Deed-Cynthia C. Cotton, Cynthia C. Cotton, Trustee, SE1/4 S21 T6S R3E Cap Synd.

WD-Milton Frazier, James H. Jennings, SW corner Sec 101 Kelly "H".

Instrument Report Feb. 11, 1998
Parmer County, TX
Bonnie Warren, Co. Clerk
WD-Billy J. York, Ricky Black, All N1/2 S42 Kelly "H".

WD-Kerry D. Ford, L.C. Gonser, Lots 24-32 B36 OT Farwell.

WD-Sherley Max Cook, Armando Garcia, E70', Lots 7 & 8 B42 OT Friona.

WD-Jose Acosta, Jose A Salas, All Lot 2 Eastview ADD, Bovina.

WD-Diana Pena, John David Pena, N15' L14; All L13 B6 Lakeview Add Friona.



Why wait for your federal income tax refund?



Available whether we prepare your return or not
IT'S FAST! IT'S EASY!
H&R BLOCK
904 West 11th Friona, TX
247-3638

FREE Complete RCA DSS Satellite System with Receiver & Remote on Any New or Used Vehicle in Stock!

Just Arrived Program Cars 17 to choose From

97 Dodge Neon
#CE6887; \$199 cash down, \$199 per month for 36 months @ 9.2%. Price \$9,472.18. Balloon \$4,663.20. Subject to lender's approval & prior sale. On Approved Credit.
\$199 Down & Per Month

97 Plymouth Breeze
#CE9117; \$240 cash down, \$240 per month for 36 months @ 9.2%. Price \$11,571.06. Balloon \$5,738. Subject to lender's approval & prior sale. On Approved Credit.
\$240 Down & Per Month

97 Dodge Intrepid
#CE6372; \$259 cash down, \$259 per month for 36 months @ 9.2%. Price \$12,890.99. Balloon \$6,815. Subject to lender's approval & prior sale. On Approved Credit.
\$259 Down & Per Month

97 Plymouth Grand Voyager
#CE6397; \$360 cash down, \$360 per month for 36 months @ 9.2%. Price \$18,350.24. Balloon \$10,016.66. Subject to lender's approval & prior sale. On Approved Credit.
\$360 Down & Per Month

BAILEY-STREBECK
JEEP • EAGLE • MITSUBISHI
769-2277 • 2020 Mabry Dr. • Clovis • 769-CARS

TEAGUE-STREBECK FORD & **PORTALES** CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & **NationsBank** Presents **NEW MEXICO AG EXPO**

Make plans to attend the 6th annual AG EXPO

State Agricultural Trade Show FARM RANCH DAIRY
At the Roosevelt County Fairgrounds - Portales, NM
February 24-25-26, 1998

Thousands of potential buyers from New Mexico & West Texas!

Demonstrations & Educational Seminars

- Weather Modification
- Pesticide Safety
- Dairy Profit Management
- Working Ranch Horse Demonstration
- Cow Dog & Horse Training

Antique Tractor Show Farm/City/ENMU Banquet

AND MUCH MUCH MORE!

For More Information, Call:
THE NEW MEXICO AGRICULTURAL EXPO
200 East 7th Street Portales, NM 88130
(800) 635-8036
www.portales.com/expo.htm

NEW MEXICO
Enchantment U S A

CASH CROP LOST

Holly To Quit Processing Beets At Hereford Plant

Holly Sugar Corporation announced Tuesday it is discontinuing sugar beet processing at its factory located at Hereford, Texas. Holly will continue to package and distribute refined sugar products from the facility to its current customer base.

Holly Sugar, a subsidiary

of Imperial Holly Corporation, Sugar Land, Texas, has operated the beet sugar factory since its construction in 1964.

The decision to downsize the operations is a direct result of declining acreage over the last five years due to diminished sugar beet crop yields caused by adverse weather conditions and numerous plant diseases.

Because of the declining availability of acreage, operations at the facility, which accounted for less than two percent of Imperial Holly's annual production, had not been profitable for the past three years, and based on acreage available to be planted in sugar beets, the factory would not have been profitable in the upcoming crop year, a plant spokesman said.

Employees and sugar beet growers were informed of the company's decision at the Hereford factory during meetings on February 17, attended by Holly's management including its president, Roger Hill, who

made the announcement. Holly's management believes the timing of this announcement will provide sufficient notice to the affected growers to make alternative crop decisions.

The company expects to record a charge in its second fiscal quarter for the costs related to this decision. Severance and other cash costs are estimated to be \$1.2 million; the company is currently analyzing the amount of the impairment loss, if any, which may be incurred on Hereford's \$13.5 million of plant, property and equipment.

Holly estimates that 20 to 25 of the factory's approximately 110 full-time, year-round employees will remain with the distribution facility. Certain employees, based on training and skills, may be offered transfers to other areas. However, at present, it is not known which employees, if any, may be offered this option.

Company management emphasized that this action will not impact any of its

customers or Holly's other beet sugar processing factories. Holly and its sister company, Michigan Sugar, operate four beet sugar factories in California, as well as three in the Rocky Mountain States and four factories in Michigan. Imperial Holly Corporation also operates four cane refineries located in Sugar Land, Texas; Gramercy, Louisiana; Savannah, Georgia; and Clewiston, Florida.

Roger Hill, president and chief executive officer of Holly said, "The decision to downsize our Hereford factory was a difficult step. We carefully considered what effect it would have on our employees, growers, customers, vendors and the community, and on balance, we believe this was the best course available. By maintaining the packaging and distribution facilities we are maintaining a presence in the community and taking steps that will allow us to compete more effectively."

First Texas FLBA To Refund \$2.7 Million

Most of the 4,800 plus members of the newly merged First Texas Federal Land Bank Association are set to receive a generous refund on the 1997 interest paid on their loans.

At a meeting held on December 11, the board of directors declared that all borrowers whose loan payment contributed to the Association's 1997 earnings would receive a patronage refund totaling \$2.7 million during the month of January.

According to John Morris, CEO of the First Texas Federal Land Bank Association, the patronage amounts to approximately half of the Association's net earnings for 1997. The patronage will be issued in two different forms, depending on whether it is a current borrower or a borrower whose loan paid off during 1997.

"The Association will be refunding back to the borrower a portion of the net interest paid on each loan. On average, this patronage is approximately 11.11 per cent of that amount," said Morris.

William C. Liles, president of the Muleshoe Credit Office, attributes the financial success realized by his office to the stockholders who live and operate in Bailey and Parmer counties

who experienced a good crop year in 1997.

"Without the hard work of each individual member, First Texas would not be able to provide this type of a return to our borrowers," said Liles. "First Texas Federal Land Bank Association strives to maintain a cooperative long term mortgage lending system that benefits the farmers, ranchers and rural homeowners of this area."

Keith Vandivere, chairman of the board of directors for First Texas, explained that the patronage will effect approximately 4,800 loans across a total of forty South Plains and Panhandle counties.

"We want to give some benefit back to our borrowers for the successful year we had in 1997. The exceptional financial strength of the First Texas Federal Land Bank Association can be attributed

First Texas Federal Land Bank Association just completed its first year as the merged entity of nine area associations. It is a stockholder owned cooperative that specializes in long term real estate financing. There are full service Land Bank Credit Offices located in Childress, Dalhart, Lamesa, Lubbock, Levelland, Littlefield, Muleshoe, Spur, Crosbyton, Dimmitt, Hereford and Tulia.

Comptroller Delivers Feb Sales Taxes

State Comptroller John Sharp has delivered a total of \$290.5 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,090 Texas cities and 118 counties.

This month's payments include sales taxes collected by monthly filers at the height of the holiday shopping in December, plus quarterly returns for the fourth quarter and all yearly filings for 1997.

Parmer County received a payment of \$35,402.05. Comparable payment last year was \$42,387.10, a decrease of 16.47%.

The February payment was broken down to Bovina, \$3,628; Farwell, \$5,449; Friona, \$26,324. Both Bovina and Farwell had increases around 20% while Friona's revenue was down over last year by 24.55%.

Payments to date are \$53,579.41, compared to 1997 payments of \$58,909.29, an overall decline of 9.04%.

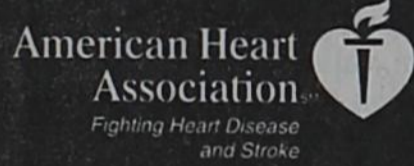
Lubbock SBA Office To Move

The Lubbock District Office of the U. S. Small Business Administration will be moving to the George H. Mahon Federal Building, 1205 Texas Avenue, Suite 408, Lubbock.

Telephone and extension numbers will remain the same. Telephone service will be unavailable on Tuesday afternoon, February 24. Normal office hours will resume on March 2.

This Is YOUR Hometown

Newspaper
Call if you have news, classifieds, photos or advertising!
Friona Star
247-2211
Bovina Blade
238-1523

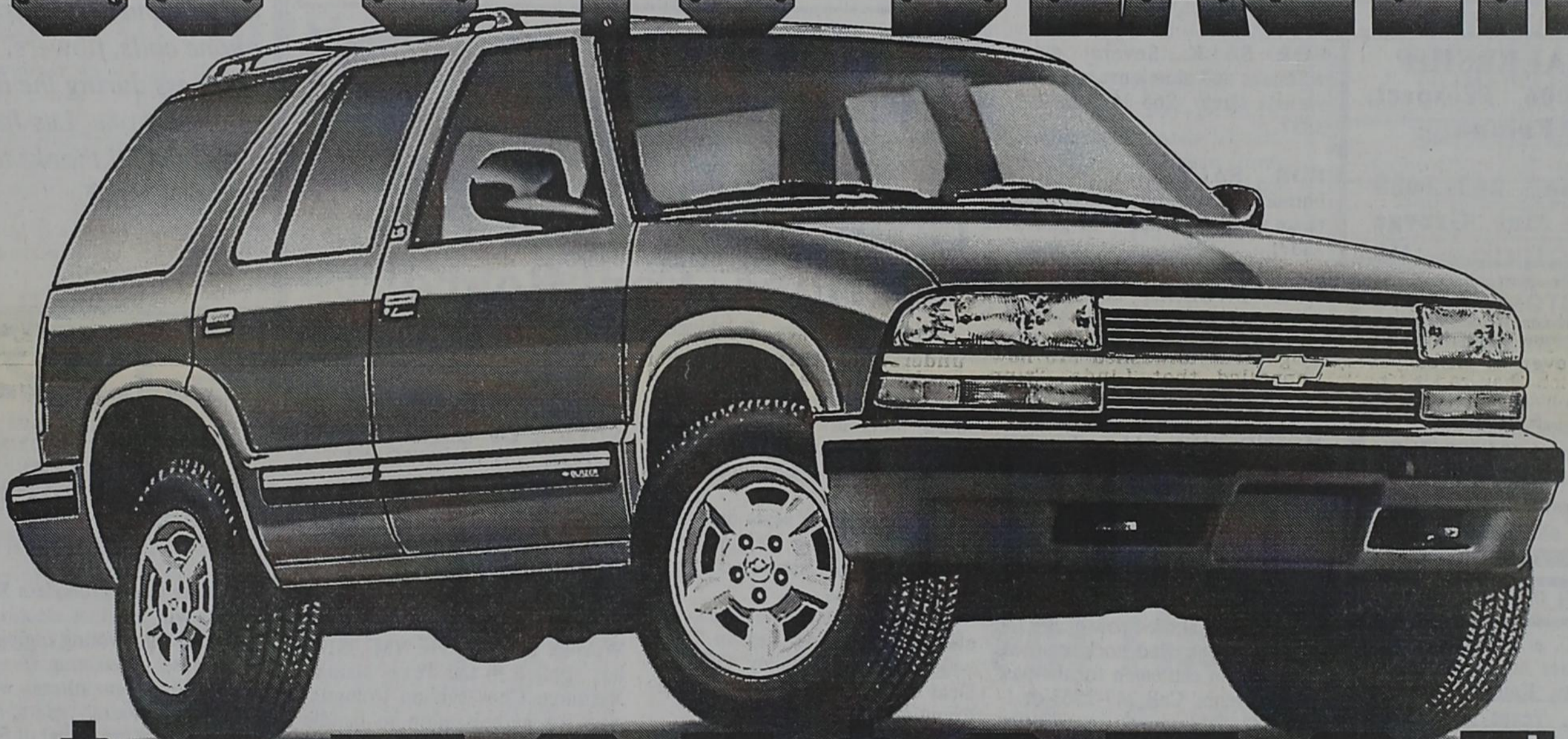


Ignore chest pain and it'll go away.

If you have chest pain, get medical help immediately. Otherwise when the pain stops, your life could too. To learn more, contact your nearest American Heart Association at 1-800-AHA-USA1 or online at <http://www.amhrt.org>

This space provided as a public service. ©1992, 1996, American Heart Association

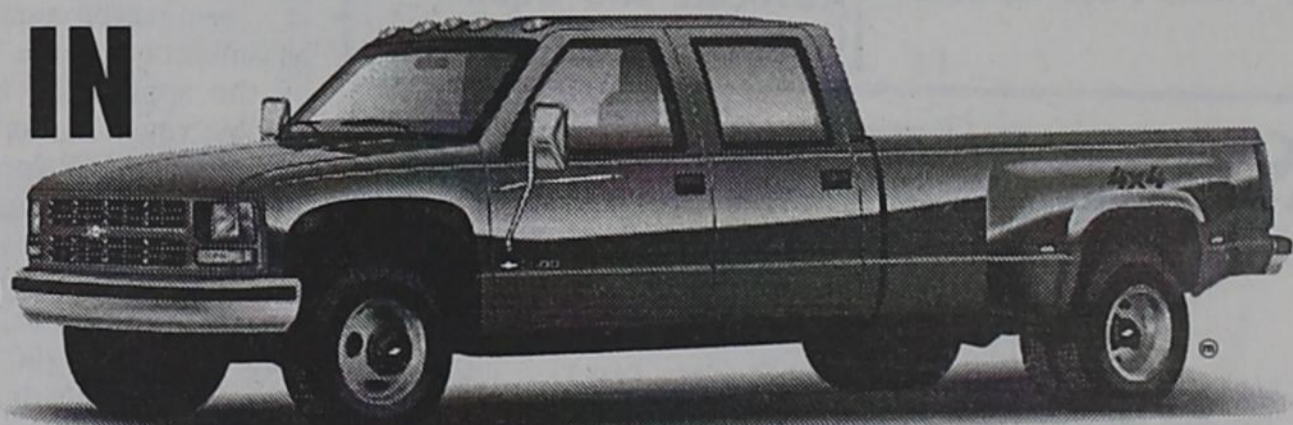
98 S-10 BLAZER



\$359 DOWN \$359 PER MO.

MSRP \$27,713.00 \$200 rebate assigned to dealer. 35 payments of \$359 @ 8.9% APR and one final payment of \$17,459.19. Subject to lender's approval and prior sale.

OVER TEN CREW CABS IN STOCK! 4X2 AND 4X4



8 SUBURBANS IN STOCK 4X2 & 4X4

BENDER CHEVROLET

2500 Mabry Drive • Clovis, NM • 763-4465

City Plans New Youth Program

(Continued From Page 1)

not have such an all-purpose building in the budget. For that purpose, the city has hired Anite Pitts as a community resource coordinator. The coordinator's job will be to organize activities for the youth. She will do this by seeking grant funding to pay instructors for lessons, acquire a building and equipment, new or refurbishing if needed.

Grant funding is not the first, or necessarily, only source of funds toward acquiring a building for youth services. "The first real step is perceiving community support for the youth program. Most grants have as prerequisite, community support in the form of matching community funds, usually in the form of fund-raising drives and events," said Pitts.

In January, a survey of activities desired by the youth of the city was given to the high school and junior high school principals. Results will be provided soon. Support from the adult population is currently being solicited. Ms. Pitts is available to discuss possibilities for the program and speak to any groups, adult or youth.

Currently, it is planned to begin an after-school program that will eventually include mentoring programs, extended education, tutoring, music lessons, arts and crafts.

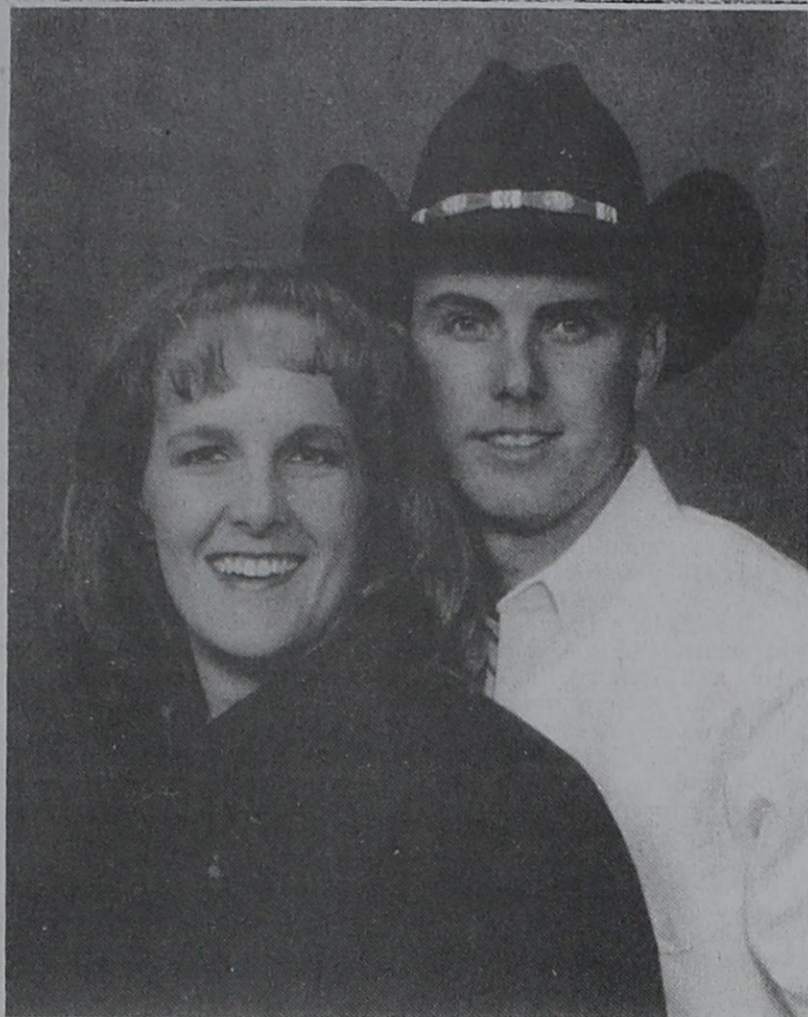
To reach the older youth, weekend activities such as lock-ins, drug-free dances, recreational leagues and games are planned. Activities expand to include indoor and outdoor soccer, flag football and softball. Some members of the youth commission foresee family leagues, such as mother-daughter and father-son.

In order to reach community members and get ideas from interested parties, please fill out the following survey form and return to the city offices:

YOUTH CENTER INTEREST FINDER

- (1) If the people of Friona decide that a youth and community center is needed, would you use it? () Often () Sometimes () Not often () Not
- (2) What of the following activities would you like to do if they were provided? () Basketball () Gymnastics () Pool tables () Baseball () Folklorios dance () Air hockey or foos ball () Kids, Inc. cheerleading () Square dancing () Skating or roller blades () Running Club meetings/separate from official track school activities/ () Weight and fitness training () Movies () Snacks/bar/machines () Arts/crafts () Volleyball () Video games () Location where you can hang out () Other _____
- (3) What kind of summer or after-school classes would you like to see provided? () Baby-sitting classes () CPR and first aid classes /can lead to winning of life-saving awards and official affiliation with emergency services/ () Child safety () Computer classes or computer lab use () Self-esteem classes () Other _____
- (4) What other summer or after-school activities are you interested in/not necessarily center-related? () Job Fair () "Computerfest"/newest computer applications/ () Creativity Fair () Tutoring for younger students () Meeting space for your organization () Other _____
- (5) What would you be willing to do to support raising of funds needed for a building for a youth and community center? () Participate in fund-raising events, such as () Talent shows () Health Fair () Halloween Carnival () Haunted house () Beauty pageant () Bake sales () Garage sales () Car washes () Run or walk () Pool parties () Other _____
- (6) Are you interested?

- (7) Fund raising, such as: () Bake sales () Garage sales () Style luncheons () Pool parties () Barbecues, fish fry or other cook-outs or cook-offs () Christmas home decorating/inside () Christmas bazaars () Mother-and-daughter dress-up tea parties () Silent auctions () Dances () Dinner dances () Dinner theatre () Show homes/of some of Friona's proud homeowners.



AMY LYNN TAYLOR AND DEWEY FRANKLIN RAMBO... Jim and Amelia Taylor of Friona announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Amy Lynn Taylor to Dewey Franklin Rambo of San Angelo. The grooms parents are Sue Kothmann of San Angelo and Jerry Rambo of Menard. The couple plan to wed June 6, 1998 at 3 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church in Friona. The bride attends Angelo State University in San Angelo. The groom is employed by Lowe's in San Angelo. No local invitations will be sent. All friends and relatives of the couple are invited to the ceremony and reception.

World Day Of Prayer Set For March 6th

World Day of Prayer Services will be held Friday, March 6 at 7 p.m. at the Templo Bautista.

Plans call for this to be a community wide service. Don Boren, pastor of the Friona, United Methodist Church will lead the service. Singing will be led by Charles Turner of the Congregational Church. Special music will be presented by a group from Templo Bautista.

A 24-hour prayer vigil will start at 7 p.m., Thursday, March 5 and conclude at 7 p.m., Friday, March 6.

Members of the Friona community are being asked to sign up at their church to pray for 30 minutes, or they can contact Teena Hughs at 247-2377 to register.

If anyone has a prayer concern, it can be listed on the prayer concerns sheet at their church, or they can contact Becky Jones at 247-2482. All prayer concerns will be compiled into one list.

All who sign up to pray during the prayer vigil will be given the list of concerns and asked to pray for these concerns.

A spokesman for the World Day of Prayer said,

"We are revamping this service in an effort to make it a true World Day of Prayer. We hope we can fill all time slots for the prayer vigil. And, we hope the community will come and join us for our prayer service on March 6."

Cash, Stovell Graduate From Tech

Two Friona High School graduates were among the more than 1,700 students at Texas Tech University who received degrees during the 1997 fall commencement exercises. Keynote speaker at the exercises was Thomas R. Phillips, chief justice of the Texas Supreme Court.

Graduating were Ryan Patrick Cash, son of Dr. Gary and Nedra Cash, and Chad Hiram Stovell, son of Bill and Marilyn Stovell.

Cash graduated with honors with a Bachelor of Science degree in Interdisciplinary Agriculture.

Stovell graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Hinkle Makes Texas A&M Honor Roll

Wade Hinkle, a junior Business Analysis major at Texas A&M University was named as a distinguished student for the 1997 fall semester.

The designation of "Distinguished Student" recognizes students who earned a 3.25 to 3.75 grade point ratio out of a possible 4.0 while taking at least 15 semester hours.

O. Ortiz Is Buried Tuesday

Services for Olivia H. Ortiz, 56, of Friona were held Tuesday at St. Teresa's Catholic Church with Rev. Ed Sweeney officiating.

Rosary was said at St. Teresa's Catholic Church Monday night.

Burial followed at the Friona Cemetery under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Mrs. Ortiz died February 13, 1998 at Parmer County Community Hospital.

She was born May 13, 1941 in Boling, Texas. She was married to Antonio G. Ortiz. He preceded her in death in 1975.

Mrs. Ortiz was a member of St. Teresa's Catholic Church. She was also a member of the Ladies Society in the church. She had lived in Friona since 1969 moving from Victoria, Texas. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include five sons, Paul Ortiz of Amarillo, Joe and Rodney Ortiz of Boling, Randy Ortiz of West Virginia, and Loin Gonzales of Friona and one daughter, Missy Ramos of Friona.

Also surviving is one brother, Joe Horta of Boling; four sisters, Lucy Quintanilla and Antonia Bermudez, both of Palacios, Texas, Delores Lopez of Boling, and Mary Horta of Rosharon, Texas; and eleven grandchildren.

Chicken Dinner Time At Veteran's Hall Feb. 22

The Veterans and their ladies are pouring up fresh cooking oil and getting ready for another batch of tasty fried chicken.

Sunday, February 22, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., the Veterans will serve up hefty portions of fried chicken, mashed potatoes, cream gravy, green beans, salad, bread, dessert, and drink for only \$6 adult and \$3 children under 12.

Takeouts will be available and walk-ins are welcome. See you at Veterans Hall at 6th and Euclid in Friona on Sunday, February 22.

Love Fund Established For Lady

A love fund has been established at Friona State Bank for Bertha Carnero of the Rhea community. Donations may be mailed to the bank at P. O. Box 549, Friona, Texas, 79035.

Mrs. Carnero is facing treatment for cancer. Her husband, Robert, also works in the Rhea Community and the couple is well known and loved. Cards may be mailed to Bertha at HCR 2, Box 120; Friona.

For further information, you may call Cecelia Schueler at 295-3855.

Women's Div. Meeting On Mon. Feb 23

The Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce will host a general meeting on Monday, February 23 at 7 p.m. at the Friona State Bank Community Room.

The program, "Personalizing Your Backyard", will be given by Mary Zinzer, master gardener from Amarillo. Zinzer will speak on garden planning.

All ladies are encouraged to attend and bring a guest. Refreshments will be served.



FRIONA BRIDAL REGISTRY

INGRAM'S
Phone 247-3291
Jessica Smith - Andy Monroe
Mark Zachary - Shannon Crowe
Amy Taylor - Dewey Rambo

IVY COTTAGE FLOWERS & GIFTS
Phone 247-8073
Jessica Smith - Andy Monroe
Shannon Crowe - Mark Zachary
Amy Taylor - Dewey Rambo
De'Ann Jones - Brock Baker



Sugarland Mall 400 N. 25 Mile Ave. • Hereford, Texas
Business Office: 364-0101 • Movie Hotline: 364-8000

Feb. 20-26

TITANIC PG-13 7:30 Fri & Mon-Thur 1:30 - 5:05 - 8:40 Sat & Sun
THE REPLACEMENT KILLERS R 2:15 - 4:05 - 7:15 - 9:05
GOOD WILL HUNTING R 2:00 - 4:25 - 7:00 - 9:25
SPHERE PG-13 2:00 - 4:30 - 7:00 - 9:25
SENSELESS R 2:15 - 4:05 - 7:15 - 9:05
THE WEDDING SINGER PG-13 2:10 - 4:00 - 7:10 - 9:00

Adults: \$5 - Kids & Seniors: \$3
Bargain Matinees: \$3
Saturday & Sunday Matinees



Room 1015.

Thinks the world is moving a bit too fast.

\$59 Climb out the window. Go out the door. Just run away. Find any way possible to escape. And escape to Marriott's Great Escape. It's a \$59 room rate that's more than 50% off the regular rate. With that savings you could enjoy nearby shopping and entertainment. Visit Pike's Peak and the sacred Indian grounds at the Garden of the Gods. Or relax in the indoor jacuzzi or sauna. Get to know each other again without making an appointment. Pencil in something different. It's what you need. It's time for a great escape.

When you're comfortable you can do anything.®

For reservations, sneak over to the phone and call (719) 260-1800 or toll free at (800) 962-6982 or call your travel agent.

COLORADO SPRINGS Marriott

5580 Tech Center Drive • Colorado Springs, CO 80919 • (719) 260-1800

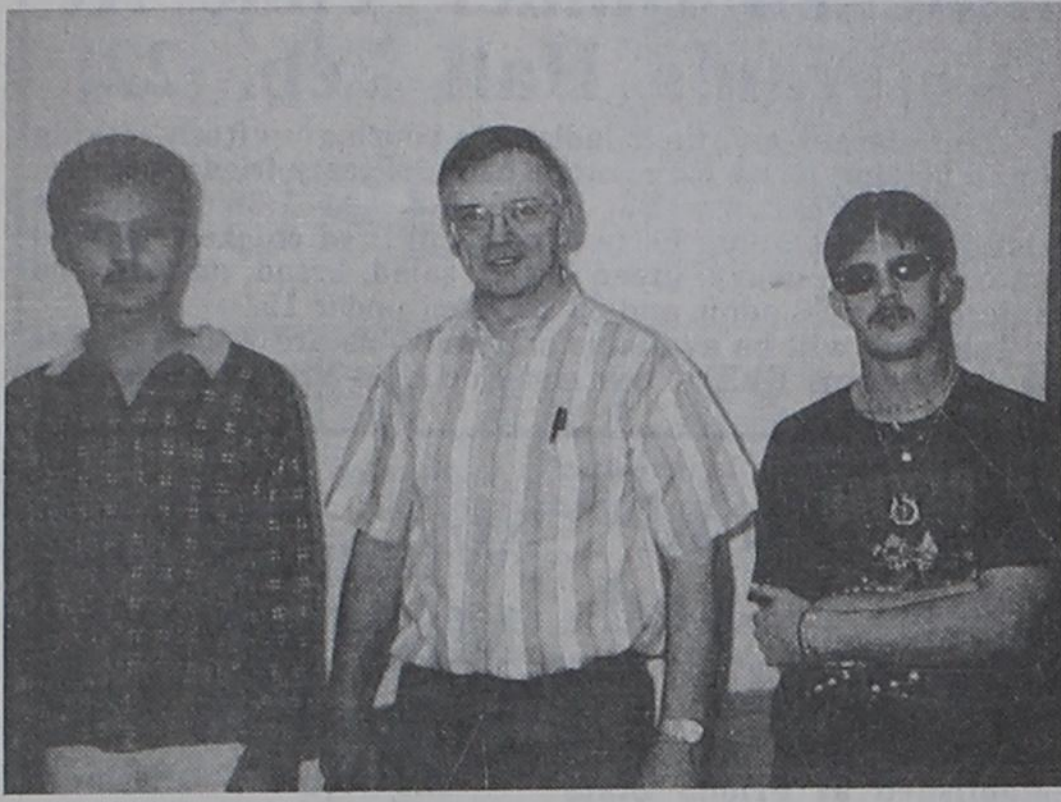
Offer expires 4/13/98. (Available 7 days a week) Rates per room, per night, subject to change without prior notice. Rate is not applicable to groups of five or more rooms or with other promotional offers.

One For The Money, Two For The Show, Three To Get Ready And Here They All Go.



The countdown starts now because as of March 2, 1998, these four will be no more: Two For The Money, Bowling For Bucks, Happy Valentines and Happy Mother's Day. And while this foursome is on its way out, you can still claim prizes through August 29, 1998. Win up to \$50,000 playing Two For The Money, up to \$8,000 playing Bowling For Bucks and up to \$1,000 playing Happy Valentines or Happy Mother's Day. You can claim prizes of up to \$599 at any Texas Lottery retailer. Prizes of \$600 or more are redeemable at one of the 24 regional Texas Lottery claim centers or by mail. Questions? Just call the Texas Lottery Customer Service Line at 1-800-377-LOTTO (1-800-375-6886).

Overall odds of winning Two For The Money, 1 in 4.61. Overall odds of winning Bowling For Bucks, 1 in 4.92. Overall odds of winning Happy Valentines, 1 in 4.97. Overall odds of winning Happy Mother's Day, 1 in 4.44. Must be 18 years or older to play. ©1998 Texas Lottery



WESTGATE MALL PATRONS.....Juan Tafoya, left, and Adam Barker are shown with FHS art instructor Bobby Wied. The young art students have works on display at Westgate Mall in Amarillo. See story for details.

Students Art At Westgate Art Show

The Texas Panhandle Student Art Show will be on display at Westgate Mall from February 21 through March 2. The show is sponsored by the Texas Panhandle Art Education Association.

Representing Friona are junior high students Zaira Villarreal with a tempera painting and Katherine Thompson with a pencil drawing and a charcoal drawing.

Also represented are high school students Juan Tafoya with an ink drawing and Adam Barker with a photo silkscreen print.

Adam Barker's piece was also selected as the best print in the show and was awarded one of the five "Best of Show" awards. For his "Best of Show" award, Barker received an engraved plaque from WTAMU and a \$50 cash prize.

His print, along with the top 200 pieces from the Westgate Mall show will hang at WTAMU from March 11 through March 27. A reception and awards presentation will be held at WTAMU on March 27.

Class Of '88 Looking For Students

The Friona High School class of 1988 is looking for former classmates.

Anyone who knows the names and addresses of these students is asked to contact Rachel Clark at HCR 2, Box 122, Friona, Texas 79035 or call (806) 295-6811.



DAYSI GARZA
* * * *

Daysi Garza Participates In Work Program

Daysi Garza is the 18-year-old daughter of Jose and Maria Garza. She is a senior at Friona High School and this is her second year in the vocational co-op program as well as her second year employed by Libby Procter at Hi-Pro's office.

By working at Hi-Pro she has improved her knowledge about the business world. It teaches responsibility and helps her make decisions about the future.

She would like to thank Libby Procter for giving her the opportunity to work at Hi-Pro. She would also like to thank all the employees who welcomed her and are always willing to help.

Call if you have news, classifieds, photos or advertising!

Friona Star
247-2211
Bovina Blade
238-1523

6.30% APY
Deposit Notes

- Due 02/20/2013
- 2013 Final Maturity
- Interest paid semi-annually
- Callable beginning 02/20/2000 at 101.00**
- FDIC insured up to \$100,000

* Annual Percentage Yield (APY)-interest cannot remain on deposit; periodic payout of interest is required. Effective 2/3/98. Market value will fluctuate if sold prior to maturity.

** This deposit note is callable at the option of the issuer, not the investor.

Call or stop by today.
Edward Jones Co.
P.O. Box 2273
508 S. 25 Mile Ave.
Hereford, Texas 79045
806-364-0041
www.edwardjones.com
Member SIPC

Edward Jones
Serving Individual Investors Since 1871

Friona Grads Eleven Named On Tech Lists

More than 3,800 Texas Tech University undergraduate students, including eleven Frionans, qualified for academic honors lists at the end of the 1997 fall semester.

Students on the President's List earned a 4.0 (A) grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of classwork. Students who earned 12 or more hours with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.9 qualified for the Dean's List.

Seth Houston, Rachelle Rice and Vacresia White were all named to the President's List.

Sheldon Burleson, Leeann Ford, Joanna Gallman, Roy Hendley, Holly Jack, Mendi Milner, Mary Frances Cass and Brent Beene were named to the Dean's List.

Sausage Meal Set At Bovina

St. Ann's Catholic Church of Bovina is sponsoring their annual German Sausage Dinner, Sunday, March 1, 1998. Serving time is 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the St. Ann's Parish Hall on Third Street in Bovina.

Ladies of the church will be serving German sausage, creamed potatoes and gravy, green beans, sauerkraut, cranberry sauce, relish plate, bread and butter, desserts and tea or coffee.

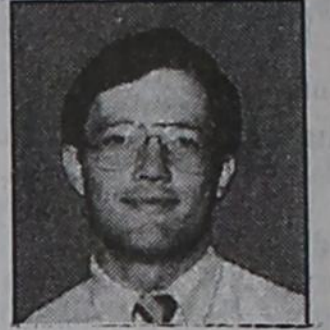
Donations will be \$6 for adults and \$3 for children eight and under. Take-out plates will be available at no additional charge. Sausage will be available by the pound the day of the dinner.

THE VOICE OF HOPE
1-800-572-1717



YOUR EYES

Why Tears?



Tears are nothing to cry about. Rather, our tears exist to cleanse and protect our eyes. Think how uncomfortable it would be if the salty, natural fluid were not there to wash away most of the dust particles that enter our eyes. As the eyelids blink--as many as 12 to 30 times a minute--tears clean the eyes thousands of times a day. Tears even contain certain bacteria-inhibiting substances.

Most people notice when there are too many tears, when they cry, perhaps, or when the eyes are irritated. Excess tears flow from the eyes through tiny ducts on the inside corners. The reason your nose runs when you cry is that some tears escape through the nose.

On the other hand, there are some people who don't have enough tears, and this "dry eye" condition is indeed uncomfortable. Most common in older people, dry eye is often a side effect of some drugs. See the optometrist to make sure there's been no damage.

"Artificial tears" eye drops effectively compensate.

Brought to you as a community service by:

DR. HAROLD W. BRIGANCE

Optometrist O.D.

426 N. Main-Suite Hereford The Atrium 364-8755

PRICES EFFECTIVE
FEBRUARY 20-24, 1998

FRIONA, TX.

NOT LIABLE FOR TYPOGRAPHICAL OR PICTORIAL ERRORS.

WESTERN UNION, MONEY ORDERS, CHECK CASHING, WIC AND LONE STAR CARDS!




ACCEPTED IN SELECTED LOWE'S STORES




**At Lowe's...
Wake up to Savings!
See ya at LOWE'S
helping you make memories since 1964**

Be Sure to Check Our Weekly Circular for Great Breakfast Buys!



Boneless Ribeye Steaks **3⁹⁹ lb.**



Golden Ripe Bananas **4 \$1 lbs. for 1**



Boneless Beef Rump Roast **1⁹⁹ lb.**

Lowe's Homogenized/ Shurfine Lowfat Premium Quality Milk All Varieties


1⁹⁸ gal. jug



Extra Lean Weight Watcher's Ground Beef **1⁹⁹ lb.**



Boneless Round Steak **1⁹⁹ lb.**



Pilgrim's Pride Whole Cut-up Fryers **79¢ lb.**



Family Pack Sirloin Tip Steak **2³⁹ lb.**

See Ya at.... LOWE'S