



Elections Signup Deadline

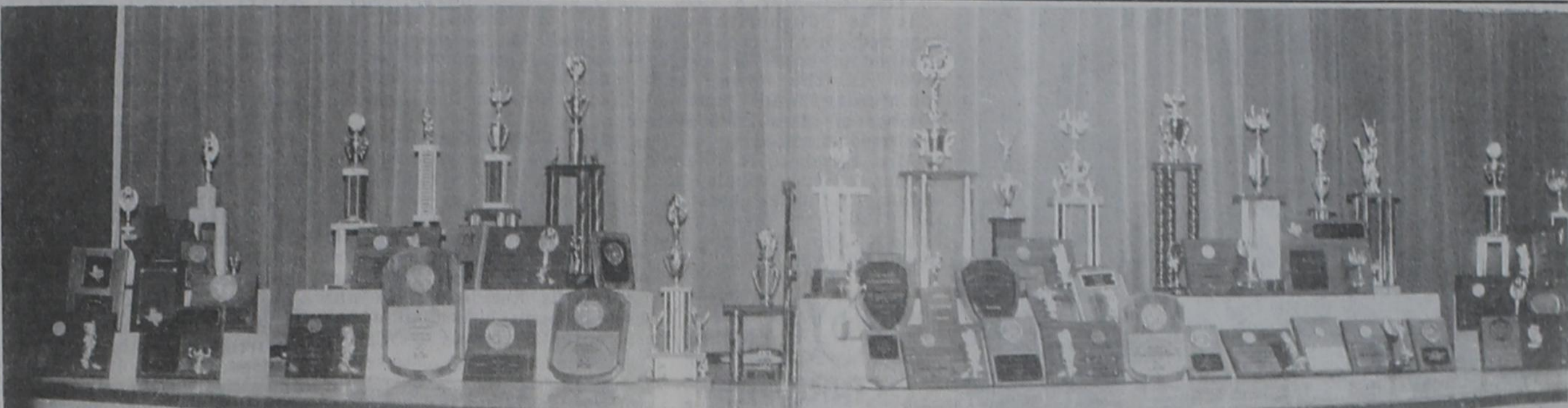
The deadline for signing up as a candidate in the school board and city council elections of May 1 is March 17 by 5 p.m.

On the school board there will be two openings for the election. At press time, incumbents Jayson Grimsley and Alan Monroe have signed up for the election.

Anyone interested in placing their name on the school board ballot may sign up at the Office of the Superintendent, 909 E. 11th St. in Friona.

For the city council election there will be three positions open for vote. Signed up so far on the ballot are incumbent John Gurley and Sandra Turner.

Anyone wishing to run for a city council position should go by city hall before the deadline of March 17.



A SOLID COLLECTION of trophies was on display during the UIL presentation to Joy Morton. Above is approximately 70 of the trophies and plaques won by Morton's FHS students over the years. ron carr photo

\$2,500 Award Is Won By Library

Friona Public Library was notified this week that it is among the 100 recipients of the 1998 Texas Book Festival Awards.

The \$2,500 award is to be used to purchase books for the library, as part of an overall goal to place books within the reach of all Texans, young and old.

Recipients will be recognized at the annual conference of the Texas Library Association April 22 by Laura Bush, First Lady of Texas, and one of the driving forces behind the creation and success of the award.

Each year there is a gala affair to raise money for the awards with many authors, celebrities, and librarians donating their time and talents to the event. Libraries are encouraged to apply each year for the awards. This is the third year for the event.

"Our Library is extremely proud to be named among the recipients," said Darla Bracken, Library Director, "and we appreciate the wonderful opportunity this work has created for small libraries like ours," she said.

Officers Will Hold Benefit Tourney

Police and Sheriff's Department officers from Parmer, Castro, Bailey, and Deaf Smith counties have organized a basketball tournament to be held Saturday, March 13, at the

Friona high school gym. The games will start at 10 a.m. in the double elimination tournament.

The games are being organized to benefit Parmer County Crimestoppers and donations will be accepted at the tournament.

Everyone is invited to come over and support our law enforcement officers and Crimestoppers.

'Net Classes Are Offered

The first adult Internet Training Class was well-received this past week. Two more sessions are being offered by Claudia Hanes on March 23 and 30, free of charge.

Each session will be from 8:15 a.m.-10:30 a.m. in room 6 at Friona High School.

The two-hour session will focus on information for the novice Internet user.

To reserve a date, please call Judy Rhodes or Tonya Gober at 250-2747 to register.

Reception Honors J. Morton

Joy Morton was recognized with the Southwestern Bell Sponsor Excellence award at a reception on Tuesday, March 9 at the high school.

Bobby Hawthorne, UIL Director of Academics from Austin was present to congratulate Morton and present her award.

Friends, faculty, and former students gathered for the presentation followed by refreshments in the school cafeteria.

Morton established the UIL Academic program at FHS in 1962. She has coached extemporaneous speaking for 36 years, one-act play for 30 years, debate for 27 years, and journalism for 25 years.

She has served as UIL coordinator for 20 years. Since 1971, FHS has won 22 district academic championships, had 303 regional qualifiers and 38 state qualifiers. Her one-act plays have advanced to area 17 times, regional 6 times, and state one time.



SHARING AN EVENING at Joy Morton's reception are, l-r, FHS superintendent Jim Parker, former superintendent Hal Ratcliff, Joy Morton, FHS principal Frank Belcher, and Bobby Hawthorne, UIL Director of Academics from Austin. ron carr photo

Who's Who Honors 1999 FHS Student Personalities

The 1999 selections for Who's Who honors were announced on Tuesday, March 2, in the high school auditorium.

The theme for the evening was Hawaiian. Mistress and Master of Ceremonies were V'Lynnda Wilcox and Justin Daniel.

The "Envelope" kids were Halie Merket and Jeremy Barnes.

Technical support for the evening was provided by Thespian Troupe 1379 and the slide crew was April Guterrez and Cody Williams.

The 1999 Mr. and Miss FHS awards went to seniors April Pope and James Evans.

The other annual syrup bottle statuettes for 1999 went to:

Most School Spirited, April Pope and Tony Duran; Most Courteous, Courtney Clark and Jeff Rando; Most Dependable, M'Kell Jarecki and Osvaldo Almaguer; Most Talented, Whitney Ellis and Justin Daniel; Most Stylish, Lynette Jubay and Jesse Allen.

Most Likely To Succeed, Kayla Wyly and James Evans; Friendliest, Sheri Fiel and Barry Procter; Most Cheerful, Crystal Morton and Florian Reul; Most Studious, Lesli Fiel and Clint Burney; Best Sense of Humor, Tania Hand and Jose Frias.

Class Favorites were; Freshman, Amy Terry and Osvaldo Almaguer; Sophomore, Valerie Bandy and Cason White; Junior, Jamille Hand and Landon Martin; Senior, April Pope and Barry Procter.



1999 MR & MISS FHS....Seniors April Pope & James Evans were chosen as Mr. & Miss FHS at the Who's Who Assembly. April was also selected Senior Class Favorite and Most School Spirited. James was also chosen as Most Likely To Succeed. ron carr photo

Combest Hits Department For Delays

House Agriculture Committee chairman Larry Combest (R-TX) has issued the following statement in relation to the farm relief program:

"It has been over four months since we gave the Secretary of Agriculture near-complete authority to administer the six billion dollar farm disaster program. To date the vast majority of farmers haven't been signed up to receive relief.

"I don't know what's going on down at the Department, but I do know that our farmers can't wait forever for this money, and they shouldn't have to.

"We gave Secretary Glickman an unprecedented amount of authority over this program and we haven't seen it implemented. He's got to act before it's too late."

WHERE HAVE YOU GONE, Joe DiMaggio? A lonely nation has a broken heart.

It was almost like losing a parent, or other loved one this week when the news came that Joe DiMaggio, baseball's consummate hero, had died. Like an older relative, you know he had to go sometime, but you never would be ready.

My readers who are sports fans already know the part about DiMaggio being the last of a dying breed: a sports hero who was modest, gracious and always the gentleman. In spite of his many accomplishments, Joe DiMaggio was "just Joe."

Today's athletes could learn a lot by watching the old videos that we saw on Monday, when the TV networks dug up the old black-and-white footage that showed DiMaggio in some of his accomplishments, or doing an interview.

None of the clips showed DiMaggio doing a "hot dog" routine after blasting a winning home run, or getting the hit that established baseball's longest hitting streak. That's because he never engaged in this sort of activity. Very few members of his generation did.

You need to remember that for all of DiMaggio's career, professional baseball was THE main sport in America. The National Football League was mainly a New York City and Chicago situation, with a few other little-known teams. The NFL couldn't hope to draw a crowd equal to what Texas Tech does when it hosts Texas or the Aggies.

And the NBA consisted of a handful of teams made up of a bunch of short, white guys, trying, mainly in vain, to prove that there could be basketball past the college level.

DiMaggio hit the baseball stage when the nation needed something (or someone) to help the U.S.A. get over a devastating depression which had sapped the country's energy and had it reeling for one of the few times in its history.

DiMaggio sparked the Yankees, already known as the best in baseball, to ten league championships in his relatively short 13-year career. His career would have been longer, but he volunteered for the Army during World War II.

Joltin' Joe is best known for a record he set 58 years ago this coming season. In the summer of 1941--the summer prior to Pearl Harbor--DiMaggio broke the old pro baseball record of getting at least one hit in 45 straight games. His streak stretched from the middle of May until July 17--56 games in all.

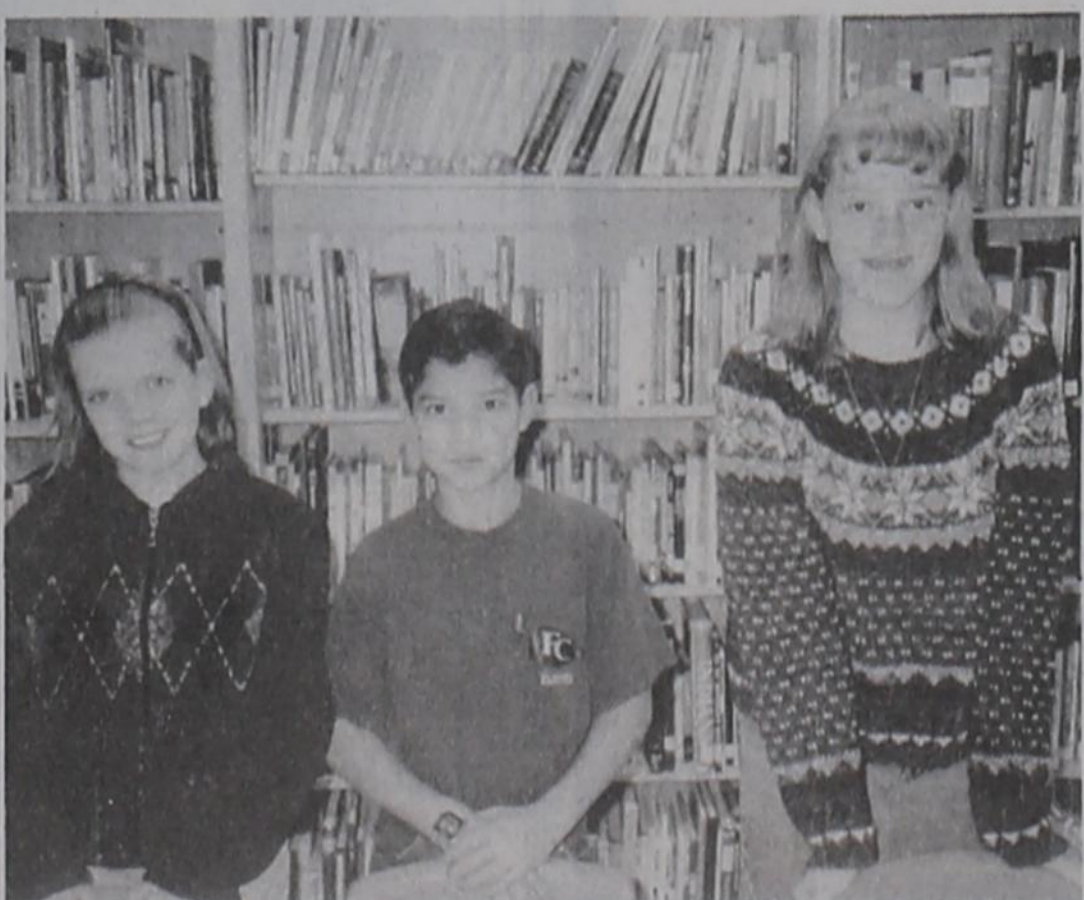
In all the years in between, no one has seriously challenged this hitting record. Pete Rose was the only player for the rest of the century who might have broken the mark, but had to settle for a new National League mark when his streak was stopped at 44 games.

"The Streak," as DiMaggio's feat was known, sparked a popular song. Several years later, Simon and Garfunkel had the hit song "Mrs. Robinson," which contains the tribute to DiMaggio that contained the first line quoted at the start of this column.

Then, the hit musical South Pacific's music had a mention of the baseball player...."Her skin is tender as.....DiMaggio's glove." Ye Editor can't think of anyone, in sports or out, who has been accorded this type of recognition.

What's that you say, Mrs. Robinson? Joltin' Joe has left and gone away? (hey, hey, hey) this time to stay.

Star Lites By BILL ELLIS



TOP SPELLERS--Spelling bee winners were, l-r, Brittany Anthony, second place, David Davila, first place, and Stephanie Jones, third place. Brittany and David are sixth graders. Seventh grader, Stephanie, who is the daughter of Steve and Donice Jones, went on to win the county bee this week. She will advance to regional competition in Canyon.



HEATHER NOELLE DuPREE and DAVID REX REED.... Mr. and Mrs. Franklin M. DuPree of Gilmer, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph R. Reed of Friona are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their children Heather Noelle DuPree and David Rex Reed. The wedding will take place in the Church of Christ in Gilmer, July 10, 1999. Heather is a junior at Texas Tech University in Lubbock. David is a 1990 graduate of Friona High School and a 1995 graduate of Texas Tech University. David is employed by the Texas Department of Banking.

Brenda Patterson's Father Is Buried

Funeral service for Jimmie Robison, 66, were held Monday, March 8, 1999 at the Westway Baptist Church with Reverend Jack Lee of Shamrock and the Reverend Ray Sanders of Hereford officiating. Burial was in West Park Cemetery in Hereford under the direction of Parkside Chapel Funeral Home. Robison was born to W.H. and Grace Robison on June 12, 1932 in Littlefield. He had lived and farmed in Deaf Smith County for 37 years, moving there from Littlefield. He married Wanda Leonard November 23, 1954

in Fort Smith, Arkansas. Robison was a member of the Westway Baptist Church in the Westway Community. Survivors include his wife, Wanda of the home; two sons, Steve Robison and Bruce Robison, both of Hereford; and one daughter, Brenda Patterson of Friona. Also, two sisters, Billie Jones of Hereford and Laverne Charbonneau of Portland, Oregon; four grandsons and one granddaughter also survive. Memorials may be made to the Westway Baptist Church or to a charity of your choice.

Friona Flashbacks

...from the files of The Friona Star

70 Yrs. Ago--Mar. 8, 1929
It is authoritatively reported that there are a number of cases of scarlet fever in the town, and community and that a number of cases have been confirmed at school.

Mrs. Elizabeth N. Shelby, mother of Ben G. Shelby and widow of a famous general in the Civil War, died at the home of her son here last week. She was 88.

65 Yrs. Ago--Mar. 9, 1934
J. A. Guyer, who has served as postmaster and assistant postmaster for the past ten years, has left the post office as of this week.

60 Yrs. Ago--Mar. 10, 1939
Friona FFA chapter's dairy judging team won the first place trophy in the meat identification division in competition at Lubbock last week. Team members are Duan York, B.O. Wyly and Francis Rector. Wyly was high point individual in the contest, which drew 107 teams.

55 Yrs. Ago--Mar. 3, 1944
The Friona Lions Club has elected officers for the ensuing year. Elected were O.F. Lange, president; J. R. Roden, secretary-treasurer; C. C. Mauer, lion tamer and Dr. E.B. Knolhoff, tail-twister.

The Friona Squaws won the District 9 tournament at Hedley recently, and qualified for the state tournament. At Hedley, the team defeated Samnorwood, 16-7; Shamrock, 27-2 and Quail in the finals, 21-14.

45 Yrs. Ago--Mar. 4, 1954
A contract has been signed with Pioneer Natural Gas Company for the construction of natural gas lines north of Friona. Some 62 miles of line will be laid, serving between 100 and 120 irrigation wells.

40 Yrs. Ago--Mar. 5, 1959
Customers who drive will now be able to conduct their banking business in a matter of seconds since the new electric drive-in window was put into service by the Friona State Bank on March 3. The window is constructed of bullet-proof glass and framed in stainless steel.

Former superintendents of Friona Schools will be special guests at a dedication of the new building on the school campus at 2 p.m. Sunday.

35 Yrs. Ago--Mar. 5, 1964

Two men were killed in separate accidents on the eastern outskirts of Friona the past week. Robert Newton Isbell, of Clovis, was killed Monday when a freight train struck the cattle truck he was driving at the crossing two miles east of town. Last Friday, Cristobal Rodriguez, an employee of I.T. Graves, was killed in a freak tractor accident just outside the city limits near Benger Air Park.

30 Yrs. Ago--Mar. 6, 1969
John Frazier, parts department manager for Parmer County Implement Company, was honored with the monthly "most courteous employee" award at the meeting of the Friona Association of Retail Merchants last Thursday.

Leland Hutson, local White Auto Store owner and R. L. Fleming, contractor, announced this week that Fleming will build a new building for the White Store, at 11th and Prospect Streets.

25 Yrs. Ago--Mar. 10, 1974
The annual Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture banquet will be held Monday night at the new Community Center, Art Holst, National Football League funny-man, is the featured speaker for the event.

The Friona Chieftains, state finalists in basketball, placed three players on the All-District 3-AA team. Making the squad for the Chieftains were juniors Dale Cleveland and Gene Strickland and senior Dale Parsons. Cleveland was the top vote-getter on the team.

20 Yrs. Ago--Mar. 11, 1979
Brian Hall will be the speaker at the Friona All-Sports Banquet to be held March 23 at the Community Center. Hall is the son of former Friona residents, Paul and Doris Hall, and is the brother of Roxanne Hurst.

15 Yrs. Ago--Mar. 18, 1984

The Friona Chamber of Commerce honored its outstanding citizens at its annual banquet Thursday night at the Community Center. Those honored were Man of the Year, Geary Brogden; Woman of the Year, Kathryn Goddard; Teacher of the Year, Mary Bavousett; Most Courteous Employee, Helen Fallwell; Diane Johnston and Shayne Woodard, Outstanding Young People.

Ground was broken this week for Millard Warehouse. The cold-storage warehouse containing approximately 70,000 square feet or 1,680,000 cubic feet of space, at a cost of \$3,000,000 will be built in Friona. Millard Warehouse of Omaha, Nebraska, which has seven refrigerated warehouse operations in Nebraska and Iowa, chose Friona for its first Texas plant.

10 Yrs. Ago--Mar. 11, 1989
Cody Burney, senior member of the 1988-89 Friona Chieftain basketball team, was one of ten players named this week to the all-District basketball team announced by District 2-3A coaches.

Senior Cindy Preston was honored on the Girls' All-District basketball team announced this week. Monty Schueler was the individual trophy winner in Friona Junior High School's Science Fair.

5 Yrs. Ago--Mar. 12, 1994

Thirty-two members of the sixth grade Intermediate Band, competed this past Saturday, March 5, in the El Desayuno Kiwanis Club Contest held at Clovis High School. "This was the first time the sixth grade band had been involved in competition and I feel they performed very well," stated Ron McWilliams, band director.

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Accidental poisoning is one of the leading causes of child death in America. Last year, over 3000 accidental poisoning deaths were reported — many of them children. National Poison Prevention Week was established to alert the American people of the dangers of accidental childhood poisoning and encourage learning preventive measures.

Join with us in observing National Poison Prevention Week, March 20-26. By following a few common-sense rules, we can all do our part to reduce accidental childhood poisoning. Always keep harmful substances out of reach of children. Learn first-aid treatment for poisoning — or keep a first-aid book or chart handy. And finally, educate young children about the dangers of playing with all harmful substances.

An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, especially where children are concerned. National Poison Prevention Week reminds us to safeguard our children from accidental poisoning — a killer that can be beaten.

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Out Here

By Ron Carr

"Coach Dewitt On Dribbling, Teaching, & Life"



I often write this column in the form of a "Dear Coach Dewitt" letter to my old high school coach, David Dewitt of Hillsboro, Texas.

Lest you think he is a figment of my imagination, Coach Dewitt is indeed alive and well. He is 76-years-old and retired after 34 years of teaching and coaching.

What I haven't shared (until now) is that he brought along a nickname from his college playing days--Dizzy Dewitt.

Fellow coaches and other adults called him "Diz". They say he got the name because of his "dizzying" moves on the basketball court.

A few weeks ago I wrote a Coach Dewitt column in which I wondered why they call bouncing a basketball dribbling and what he thought about social promotion.

This week I received a letter from Coach Dewitt. I know he will not mind if I share it with you. It should demonstrate why, after more than 40 years, Diz Dewitt is still my hero. This is what the coach wrote:

Dear Ron, Hope this letter finds you and yours in good shape and thoroughly enjoying life.

I have really enjoyed the Friona Star, especially the "Out Here" which is superbly written. I have said this before, but you guys have a great newspaper.

Your sports pages are some of the very best I have seen. Your photos and Bill Ellis' write-ups are really great. I like the way you spread your sports program photos to all pages of your paper. This should help the kids interest to participate in sports.

I was sorry to hear about Friona basketball teams losing in the play-offs. I wish the Squaws could have beat Muleshoe so that Whitney, April, and Sheri could have some peace of mind. I know that both teams tried hard to win but it just didn't work out. Does Nathan King remind you a lot of yourself when you played for the Eagles?

Overall Friona High had a good basketball year. The Friona kids play so hard that they overcome any lack of ability that they may have. That's what it takes, Ron!

I would like to answer your letter about "what is dribbling" or rather, why do they call it by that name?

I watched the first basketball game for me when I was six years old. I was attracted to the town gym by all the noise of thumping, running feet and whistles.

As I remember, the players were bouncing the ball up and down as what we know as dribbling. This was back in 1929 so dribbling has been around a long time. As long as I have been interested in basketball, I can't remember it being called anything else.

When I first started playing basketball in the early '30s the dribble was frowned on by most coaches. Instead, you were to pass the ball instead of dribbling.

It is my understanding that basketball was invented so as to occupy the time between football and baseball. It is the only game that we play now that originated in the United States.

As you stated in your article, peach baskets were used for goals and after each goal a ladder was used to retrieve the ball. As you can see there was little or no fast breaks at that time.

The early basketballs had a slight oval shape to them and were a little erratic to deal with. The nice perfectly round basketballs came in the late '30s and '40s.

They tried to introduce rubber basketballs to high school play in the early '40s but you would have to rebound the dang things at mid-court.

The dribble they use now is a lot different than it was when you played. Back then you could not place your hand in the middle or under the ball while dribbling. Now the guys dribbling can carry the ball some distance before returning it to the floor. There is also a lot of "traveling" now which was strictly called when you played.

Ron, on the baseball coaching picture at Hillsboro High, I helped coach baseball when I came to HHS in 1953. I wasn't hired to be a baseball coach but wound up helping out whenever I could. I had a lot of fun coaching baseball and could have gotten good at coaching it had the people in charge desired

to have a successful baseball program.

In those days, football coaches called just about all the shots and baseball wasn't on their agenda. Need I say more?

I know you took your baseball seriously and it wasn't fair to kids like you that really wanted to play the sport. They finally eliminated baseball from the program entirely.

Your article about Public School Week was right on the money. Education is important to everyone but is especially important to the young folk. Not every child is educatable the way we would like to educate him.

This fact causes, to some extent, what we know as social promotion to occur. For one thing, social promotion is so diversified from one school district to another that there is nothing close to a standard for it. It is very hard to establish a hard and fast rule for it.

I personally never have believed in social promotion. I believe the problem must be solved in, perhaps, the early grades--kindergarten through the 3rd or 4th.

I taught 8th grade science for many years and I would have some students who could read only at 2nd or 3rd grade level. At the end of each year the 8th grade teachers

would have a meeting to decide on the social promotion for certain students. It was a real mess and I didn't like doing it.

I think you can see that the problem of social promotion must be remedied at the lower grades. If a kid messes around all the school year and doesn't pass a course, it is very unwise to pass him to a higher grade.

I had kids that were several years too old to be in my 8th grade class. I once had a kid that had to be absent one day so he could report to the draft board to be registered (18 years old).

I will try to write you some more on this subject later on. I loved all 34 years of my coaching and teaching and I believe that most kids are good kids.

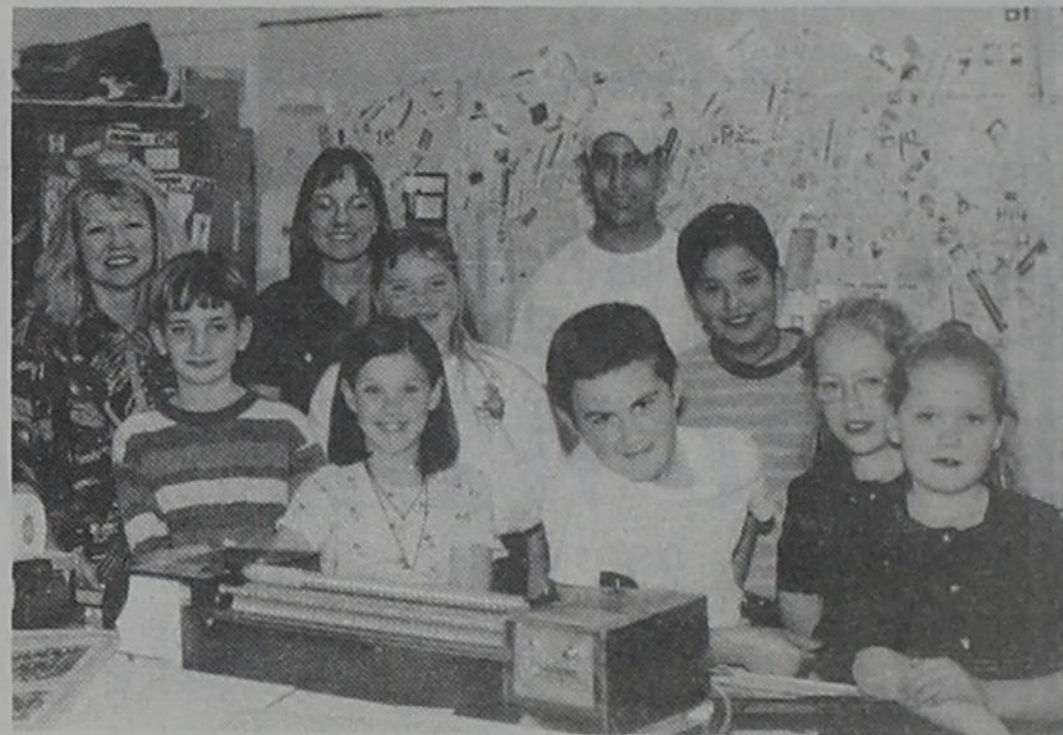
Ron, I really appreciate the nice things you write about me. I am very proud of you in many ways. Keep up the good work, Ron!

Your friend and coach
Coach Dewitt

Thank you coach. Good to hear from you. Your influence and wisdom will be appreciated in the future as it has been in the past. Please feel free to write me anytime and thank you for reading our newspaper. You're the best! ron



50TH ANNIVERSARY....JE Sherrill, Jr. and Patsy Clem, were married March 21, 1949 in Tahoka. There will be a reception held in their honor at the Hereford Country Club, Sunday, March 21 from 3-5 p.m. The reception is being hosted by the couple's children, Steve Sherrill of Panhandle, Terry Sherrill of Gruver, Wendy Curry of Canyon, and Patti Brown of Wellington. They have lived in Bovina for 46 years, and owned and operated Sherrill Lumber Company for thirty-two years. Mr. and Mrs. Sherrill have eight grandchildren. The family would be honored with your presence.



LAZBUDDIE VISITORS to the Friona Star office this week were these 3-8 grade youngsters. They were in Friona for the county spelling bee and stopped by for a newspaper tour. Standing in back, l-r, Teachers Sarah Black and Marca Morris and Monse Melendez. The students, l-r, are Zack Ballanger, Amberlee Steinbock, Madison Smith, Richard Welker, Raul Mata, Castle Crawford and Crescent Crawford.

Meeting To Explore Community Goals

The Parmer County Extension Office is conducting an Open Forum to ask your views about the future for you, in your community and in this county.

The Open Forum will be held Tuesday, March 16 at the First United Methodist Church on 205 4th Street in Bovina. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. and conclude at approximately 9 p.m.

The outcome of this forum will be a prioritized list of items that you and your fellow residents think could be done to help achieve the goals you might have for yourself, your family, your business or your community.

This list of items will be a basis for implementing

programs and activities by the Parmer County Extension Service and other agencies within Parmer County for the next four years.

The forum in our county will be one of a series held in every county in the state. The Texas Communities Futures Forum is sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Services and the Texas A&M University System.

"We look forward to your participation. We ask that you call the Extension Office at (806) 481-3619 if you are able to attend. We must have an accurate count in order to properly plan for facilities and supplies," said a spokesman for the Extension Office.

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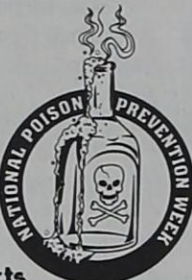
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3. I don't use Syrup of Ipecac to induce vomiting until the Poison Center or my doctor tells me to.
4. I have a safe storage area, such as a cabinet which is high and locked, for all dangerous products.
5. I have a list of all important emergency medical information. It is current and it is kept near the telephone in my house.
6. I have a list of all my household plants, identifying both their common and scientific names. It is stored with my emergency medical information.
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Mrs. Diaz Is Buried In Bovina

Funeral services for Tomasa Diaz, 86, of Bovina were held Wednesday at St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Friona with Father Ed Sweeney officiating.

Rosary was said at St. Teresa Catholic Church in Friona.

Burial was in Bovina Cemetery, under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Mrs. Diaz died March 7, 1999, at Dumas Memorial Hospital. She was born September 22, 1912, in Mexico.

She married Seberiano Diaz in 1933, in Loraine, Texas. He died October 30, 1995.

Mrs. Diaz was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina. She had lived in Parmer County since 1956 and in Bovina since 1988, moving from Lorraine. She was a housewife.

She was preceded in death by a son, Robert Diaz July 18, 1998.

Survivors include four sons, Luis Diaz of Sweetwater, Jessie Diaz of Amarillo, Tomas Diaz and Johnny Diaz both of Amarillo; six daughters, Hope Cardenas of McAllen, Lupe Garcia of Bovina, Carmen Ramirez of Dalhart, Rosa Quiroga of Bovina, Frances Trevino of Dumas, and Benita Trevino of Mesquite.

Also, two sisters, Antonia Godina of Colorado City, and Pomposa Vasquez of Sweetwater, Texas; 36 grandchildren; and 82 great-grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Area Has Shot At Moisture

Thursday was a foggy-drizzly day, with more beneficial moisture in the forecast, some possibly coming as snow. Last Sunday's shower measured .32 inch at Friona's recording station.

Temps: Friday, Mar. 5: 68-27; Saturday, Mar. 6: 53-31; Sunday, Mar. 7: 39-33; Monday, Mar. 8: 62-27; Tuesday, Mar. 9: 63-31; Wednesday, Mar. 10: 74-34; Thursday, Mar. 11: 36-31.



PARMER COUNTY BEE.....County spelling bee champions are Sean Lookingbill, junior champ, and Stephanie Jones, senior bee champ. Stephanie advances to regional spelling bee competition in Canyon in April. ron carr photo

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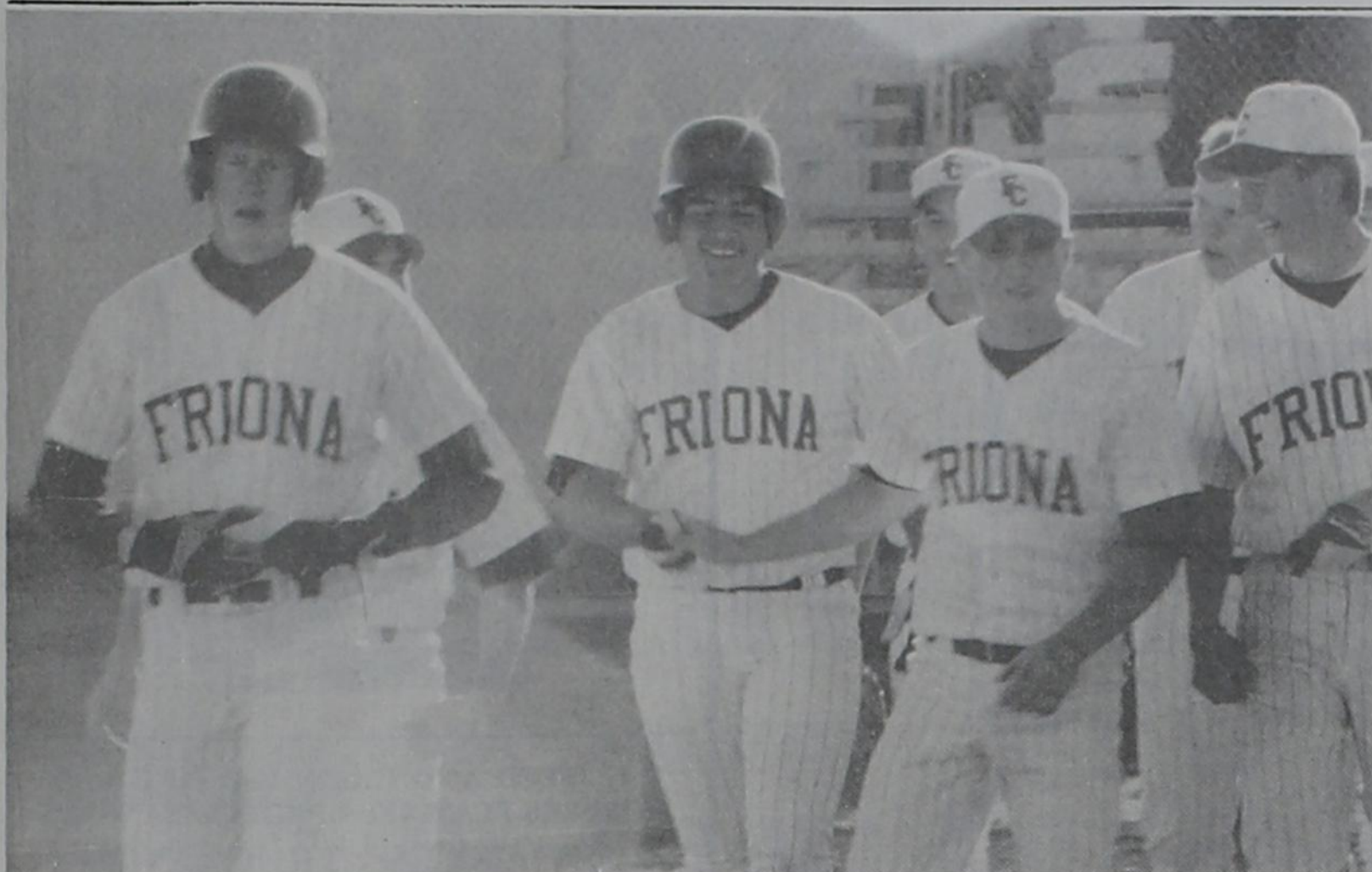
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GOOD PITCHING EFFORTS FHS Baseball Team Tops Tulia, Dalhart



GREETING HITTER/PITCHER....Daniel Rosales, second from left, is greeted by Josh Burleson after Rosales socked a three-run home run here Tuesday. At left is Justin Daniel, with Zach Barrett at right, partly visible in the back are Noel Grajeda and Corben Baxter. Rosales pitched a two-hitter and had five RBIs to pace the 13-1 win over Dalhart. (ron carr photo)



ABOUT TO SCORE....Coach Chip Mayfield waves Nathan King home as the Chieftain rounded third King scored four runs as Friona pounded Dalhart, 13-1. (ron carr)

Chieftains Land Three All-District

Friona High School's Chieftains, who tied Littlefield for third place in District 2-AAA during the regular season, landed three players on the all-district team announced this week by the district.

Landing three spots was as good as any other team did except for champion Muleshoe, who had four players honored.

Chosen from Friona were Justin Daniel, 6-4 senior post and Nathan King, 5-4 junior guard on offense.

Landon Martin, another junior, was named to the All-District defensive team.

Muleshoe's Dustin Cleavenger was the district's MVP. Mitch Mason and Carlton Lewis also made it for the Mules. D. Hudson and Dustin Hill of Shallowater and Morris Randle and Steven McCain of Littlefield were named to the offensive team.

Each district team landed one player on the defensive team.

HARRELSON IS MEDALIST Squaws Win Own Invitational Golf

The Friona Squaws' golf team won their own invitational meet here last week, besting nine other area schools.

Friona placed first with a score of 414, edging Canyon, whose team score was 421. Sanford-Fritch placed third at 423.

Other team scores were: 4. Muleshoe 444; 5. Littlefield 453; 6. Tulia 469; 7. Roosevelt 484; 8. Hart 497; 9. Olton 505; 10. Dimmitt 533.

Goldie Harrelson was the medalist with a score of 82. Leslie Mullens of Fritch was runnerup with a 90, and Nikki Sutton of Muleshoe shot a 93.

Friona's individual scores were: Goldie Harrelson 82; Jamie Slagle 106; Lindsay Buske 110; Tania Hand 117; J'mae Randolph 134.

Other competitors for Friona included Alice Allen (124); Mandy Daniel (138) and Monica Santellana (128).

Friona also hosted a small school/junior varsity meet on Thursday, March 4.

Bovina won the team championship with a score of 348. Petersburg was second at 355. The Friona JV team placed eleventh with a score of 432.

Other teams competing included Petersburg, Hereford frosh, Olton, Dalhart JV, Morton, Hart, Roosevelt JV, Dimmitt JV, Adrian, Amherst, Whiteface and Muleshoe (not competing for a medal).

Barry Procter led Friona JV with a score of 94. Justin Grimsley was second at 108; Dale Williams shot 110; A.J. Carrasco 111 and Trevor Field, 117.



REGIONAL POWERLIFTERS....Advancing to regional competition in powerlifting are, l-r, Jesse Allen, James Evans, and Hugo Rivera. See story elsewhere for more. (ron carr photo)

POWERLIFTING Three Chieftains Regional Qualifiers

In the first year of powerlifting competition at Friona High School, powerlifting coach Cory Barnes said that three Chieftains have qualified for regional competition. The regional meet will be held in Colorado City tomorrow, Saturday, March 13.

James Evans, a senior, is ranked number one in the 148-pound class with a lift total of 1,065 pounds.

Hugo Rivera, a senior, is ranked number eleven in the 220-pound class with a lift total of 1,145 pounds.

Jesse Allen, a junior, is ranked number eight in the 181-pound class with a lift total of 1,105 pounds.

These three young men will be competing to qualify for a trip to the state meet to be held on March 27. In

order to qualify, a lifter must place either first or second in their weight class.

Youth Basketball Season Underway

Action began last week in the Friona Youth Basketball program. Results are as follows:

**FRIDAY, MARCH 5
ELEMENTARY GYM**

Belles 18, Lady Raiders 4
B--Erin Anthony 4; Alexis Guerra 6; Tiffany Vazquez 6; Briana Wright 2. LR--Miranda Frye 2; Blair Smiley 2.

Raiders 15, Spurs 11
R--Kaison Graham 2; Nick Kane 1; Caleb Miller 4; Juan Reyes 6; Phillip Saiz 2. S--Sawyer Reed 8; Jesus Tafoya 2; Tolby Wilcox 1.

Lady Lakers 12, Lady Pacers 10
LL--Lucretia Field 2; Sandra Godoy 6; Krista Graham 4. LP--Britney Maldonado 2; Courtney Adams 2; Shayli Reed 2; Michelle Yannis 4.

Pacers 14, Lakers 4
P--Chris Haile 2; Eric North 2; Brett Field 6; Fernando Garcia 2; Sean Lookingbill 2. L--Ryan Geris 2; Chance Lewellen 2.

**JUNIOR HIGH GYM
Lady Lakers 28, Belles 8**
LL--Kristen Garcia 4; Michelle Stanberry 2; Andrea Geris 6; Maegan Ingram 2; Katy Welch 14. B--Brenda Murphree 6; Yvonne Ramos 2.

Lakers 28, Spurs 22
L--Justin Mercado 4; Ben Santiago 2; Leo Muniz 2; Jonathan Nava 20. S--Hayden Patton 7; Steven Sanchez 6; Orlando Bustos 2; Adrian Rivas 3; Ty Taylor 4.

Lady Pacers 8, Queens 8
LP--Yvonne Vega 5; Mary Ann Yannis 1; Misty Adams 2. Q-

-Kyla Graham 4; Trisha Winebrinner 4.

Celtics 33, Pacers 18
C--Fabian Dominguez 4; Ramey Alaniz 4; Willy Castillo 2; Rudy Gonzalez 13; Matt Gammon 10. P--Kelby Monroe 2; Jimmy Salinas 2; Isaac Romero 6; Sergio Saenz 4; Joshua Shelby 2; wrong basket 2.

**MONDAY, MARCH 8
ELEMENTARY GYM**
Queen Bees 8, Rockettes 8
QB--Melissa Collier 2; Staci Murphree 2; Isabel Romero 4. R--Monica Sanchez 2; Brandy Hutson 2; Sharmaine Jackson 4.

Raiders 20, Lakers 4
R--Garrett Clark 2; Nick Kane 4; Caleb Miller 6; Phillip Saiz 2; Bobby Silva 6. L--Alex Gurley 4.
Lady Lakers 12, Belles 0
LL--Kathy Anthony 2; Sandra Godoy 8; Krista Graham 2.

**JUNIOR HIGH GYM
Raiders 20, Spurs 9**
R--Antonio Monreal 2; Derek Fairweather 2; Michael King 6; David Mendez 6; Freddy Reyes 4. S--Hayden Patton 2; Orlando Bustos 3; Adrian Rivas 3; Ty Taylor 1.

Lady Raiders 10, Queens 10
LR--Kayla Estrada 2; Kristin Butman 6; Jennifer Cardenas 2. Q--Molly Carthel 2; Chance Barrett 8.

Pacers 17, Lakers 13
P--Daniel Aguilar 4; Kelby Monroe 2; Chad Hutson 2; Sergio Saenz 7; Joshua Shelby 2. L--Justin Mercado 2; Leo Muniz 1; Jonathan Nava 10.

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APPLIED TECHNOLOGY, senior division...Ashlee Hunt and INTERPERSONAL COMMUNICATION, junior division...Cara Evans, Alice Allen and Crystal Lynette Jubay.



FHA/HERO MEMBERS pictured here include (back row, left-right) Crystal Padilla, Bricia Gamboa, Brook Stevick, D'Nae Murphree, V'Lynda Wilcox, Barry Procter, Juan Tafoya, Kristie Jack, Quentin Shelby, Rusty Peace and Kahlie Ingram; (front row, l-r) Cara Evans, Tania Hand, Lynette Jubay, Ashlee Hunt and Alice Allen.

Andy Cruz Is Buried In Friona

Funeral mass for Andy Cruz, 63, of Friona were held Monday at St. Teresa's Catholic Church, with Father Ed Sweeney officiating. Rosary was said Sunday, March 7 at St. Teresa's. Burial was in Friona Cemetery, under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home.

Cruz died March 5, 1999 at Parmer County Community Hospital. He was born January 18, 1936 in Robstown, Texas.

He married Janie Guerra December 5, 1959 in Muleshoe.

Cruz was a member of St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Friona. He had lived in Friona 40 years, moving from Robstown. He operated a service station in Friona for a number of years.

Survivors include his wife, Janie of Friona; one son, Joe Cruz of Friona; seven daughters, Norma Mendoza and Velma Escalante, both of Canyon, Gloria Aragon, Diana Perez, Yolanda Cruz, Sally Cruz and Roxy Cruz, all of Friona.

Also, one brother, Joe A. Cruz of Arlington; three sisters, Marina Luera and Delores Valero both of Clovis, New Mexico, and Oralia Garza of Robstown and nine grandchildren.

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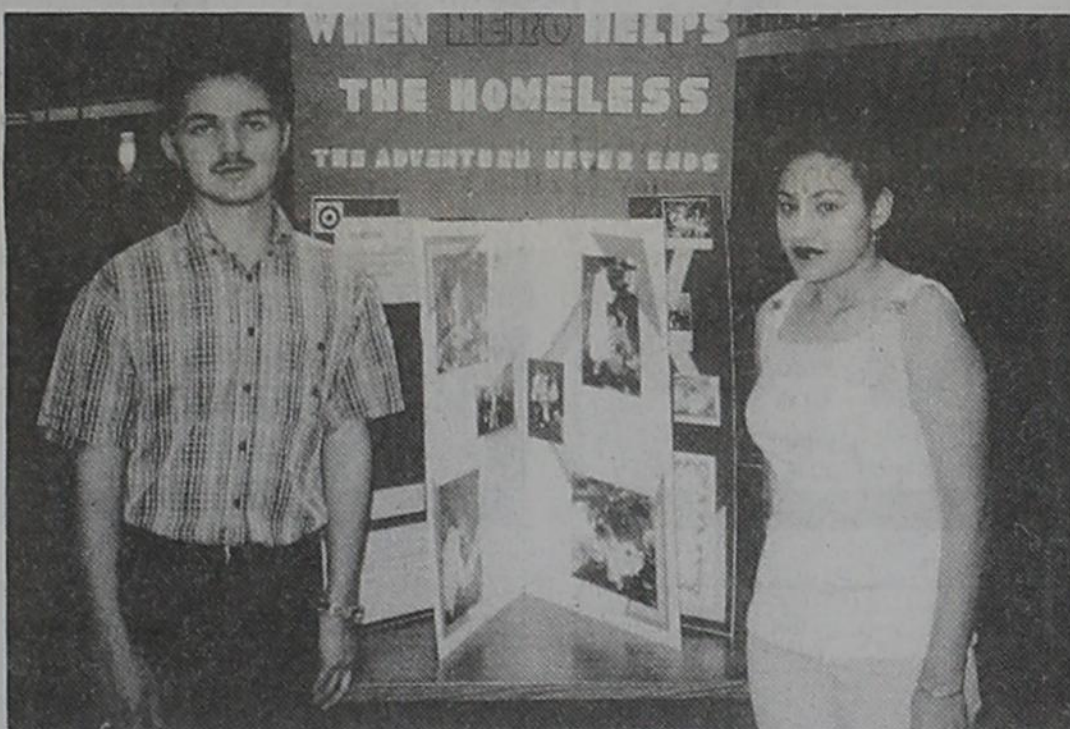
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CHAPTER SERVICE, job specific division...D'Nae Murphree, Brook Stevick and Rusty Peace.



EARLY CHILDHOOD STUDENTS, 'Focus on Children' event...Juan Tafoya and Bricia Gamboa.

FHA/HERO Youths Compete In Events

On February 26, the Friona FHA/HERO members competed in Star Events at the Region I meeting at Tascosa High School in Amarillo. Sixteen students competed in five different events.

Each event is run in three different divisions: grades 7-9 as junior division; grades 10-12 as senior division; and Home Economics Related Occupation or HERO students as job specific division. Everyone qualified to compete at the State Meeting.

Alice Allen, Cara Evans and Crystal Padilla competed in the interpersonal communication, junior division. The project was titled, "Trying Times Are Times To Keep Trying." The project dealt with conflict resolution. This project won first place.

Ashlee Hunt and Lynette Jubay competed in applied technology, senior division. Their portfolio was titled "A Better You." The project dealt with the prevention of eating disorders in children. This project won second place.

D'Nae Murphree, Rusty Peace and Brook Stevick competed in the chapter

service, job specific division. This project was "HERO Helps The Homeless." All the projects done for the Tyler Street Mission Headstart including the sanitation parks, the bears and bags, the conflict resolution puppet show, nutritious snacks, the book drive and the furniture for the reading area. This project received second place medals.

The parliamentary procedure team consists of president, V'Lynda Wilcox; vice president, Kahlie Ingram; secretary, Tania Hand; treasurer, Barry Procter; members, Kristie Jack and Quentin Shelby.

This consists of a 15-20 minute meeting which includes motions, amendments, point of order, point of information, division, opening and closing ceremony and two problems which are drawn in the planning room. This team finished in third place.

Bricia Gamboa and Juan Tafoya, early childhood students, competed in the "Focus On Children Event." Their project was titled "When HERO Helps the

Homeless the Adventure Never Ends."

This project involved helping children at the Tyler Street Mission Headstart with reading activities that included a Christmas present that included a book and a puppet, a book drive used to set up a check-out library and furniture for the reading area of the center. This team won fourth place.

On Saturday, February 27, the students listened to speaker, Keith Davis. Davis played for the New York Giants and is noted for his strength. He provided an on-site demonstration which included tearing an Amarillo phone book in half, breaking a baseball bat and bending a steel rod. He then spoke on the topic, "Dream Makers and Dream Breakers." This was followed by the award session.

Students qualified to compete at the State Star Event competition, April 21-25 in Corpus Christi. Students were accompanied by Mrs. Patsy Alle, Emily Allen, Ms. Gayle Murdock and Glendal Jones, bus driver.

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Everyone is invited to the annual Friona senior class steak dinner. Proceeds will go to fund the alcohol/drug free graduation celebration.

Advance tickets are \$7 adult and \$5 for children 10 years and under.

At the door, the price will be \$8 and \$6. Seniors and their parents have tickets to purchase.

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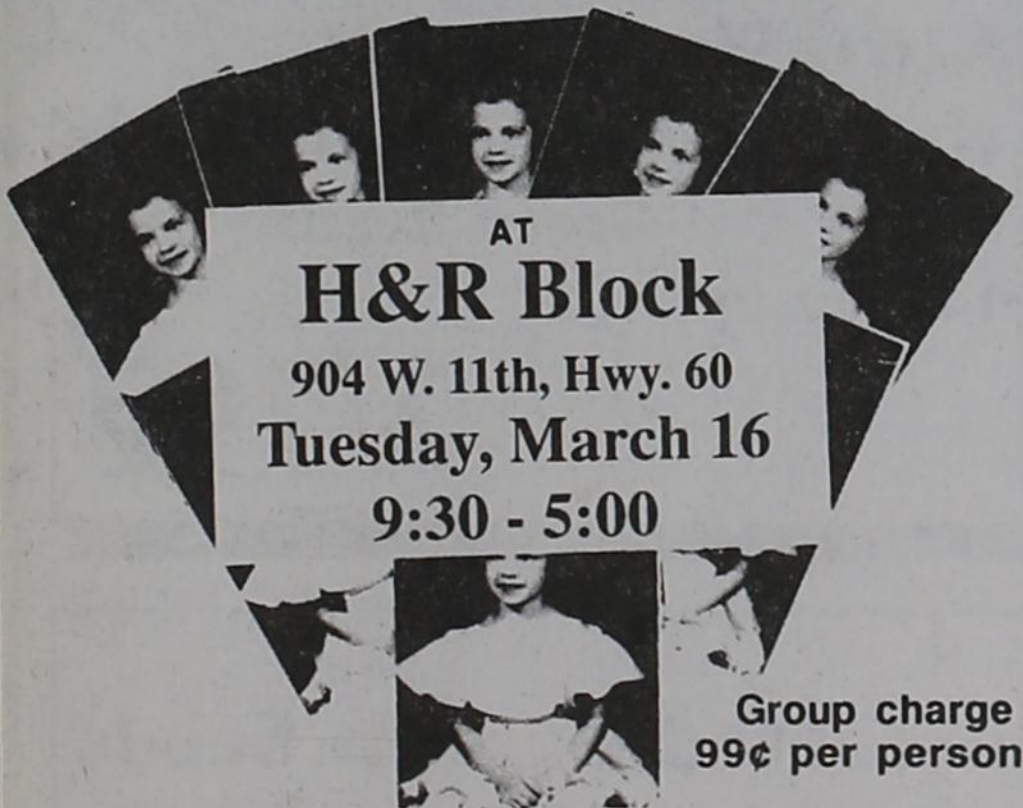
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AROUND TOWN

St. Patrick's dance Mar 13

A St. Patrick's dance will be held Saturday, Mar 13 at the Nazareth Community Hall from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Music will be provided by Janet Denton. The dance will benefit the Catholic Family Services and is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Admission will be \$10.

Pick up your Valentine pictures

Parents and grandparents are reminded to pick up their Valentine pictures which were used in our Valentine issue. The pictures are available at the Star office Mon-Thurs.

Cans for seniors needed

Don't forget that the trailer in city park is available for the collection of your aluminum cans to assist the FHS senior class with their drug/alcohol free graduation party. The trailer is across from the police department and is open 24-hours a day.

Prairie Acres quilt drawing Mar 31

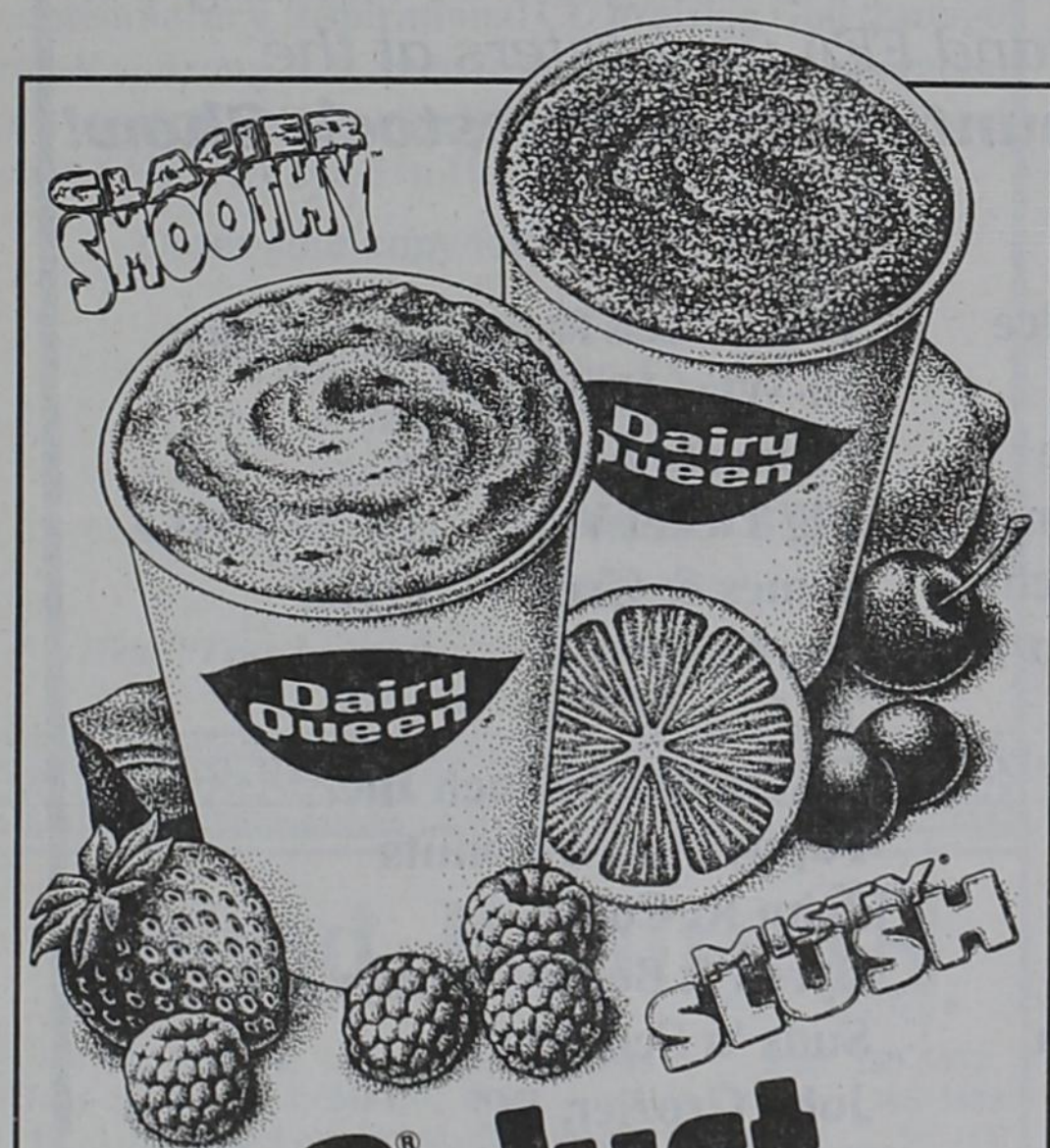
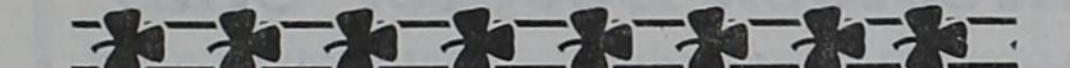
Stop by or call Prairie Acres and buy a few raffle tickets for the quilt to be given away in a March 31 drawing. The quilt is on display and the tickets are \$2 each.

Veterans brisket sale Mar 27

Friona's VFW Post 1413 will be selling smoked briskets for pickup on Saturday, Mar 27. Contact any VFW member or Post Commander Avis Henry at 250-3762 to place your order.

Costume winners at Primary school

During the Public School Week open house at the Primary School, wild west costume winners were: pre-K, Lupita Aguilar & Eddie Hernandez; kindergarten, Duncan Welch & Kaitlin Bronniman; 1st grade, Alex Ferguson & Sasha Estrada. The parent winner was Melanie London.



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Week of March 14-20
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 March 14--Jacob Osborn, Rudy Rios, Goldie Harrelson.
 March 15--Randol Allen, Ricky Vera, Amber Martin, John Rule, Moses Reyes, Gary Zervas, Christian Alexander.
 March 16--Glenda Sifford, Gary Wright, Tommy Jones, Julie Reeve, Wendell Jones, Robert W. Tapia, Amy Murphree, Parker Reeve Banfield.
 March 17--Frankie Allen, Ron Smiley, Mendon Dixon, Matthew Mata, Tammy Atkins, Gabriela Benavides, Amanda Boeckman.
 March 18--Ryan Cash, Bobby Drake, Mac Fields, Ben Johnson, Beth Weatherly, Paula Tucker Bolten, Ralph Shirley, John Carson.
 March 19--Coby Clark, Ray Rando, Billie Manuel, Jered Cunningham.
 March 20--Doris Barnett, Claudia Hanes, Joyce Wells, Tammy Spencer, Jesse Estrada, Madge Loflin.
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1. Keep your hands away from your eyes; 2. Wash your hands thoroughly and frequently; 3. Use a new towel and washcloth daily; 4. Wash clothes after each time you wear them; 5. Change your pillowcase daily; 6. Throw away eye makeup you've been using.

To avoid catching it from someone else, don't use other people's eye makeup and don't share towels and handkerchiefs with others.

You can soothe the discomfort of conjunctivitis by applying warm compresses to the eye and eye area.

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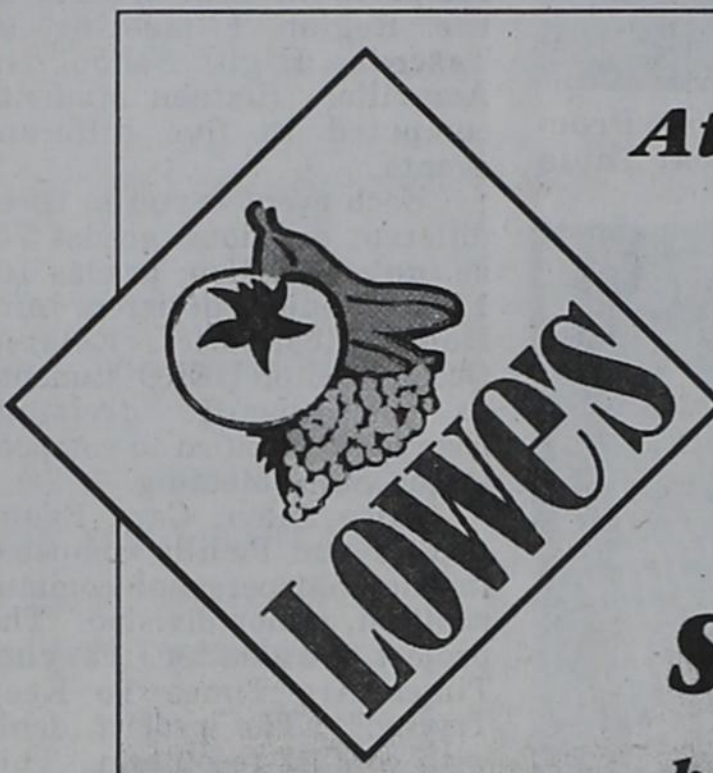
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