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Class Holding 40th Reunion

The FHS' Class of 1959 is holding their 40th reunion the weekend of July 2-3.

Members of the community, friends and former teachers, etc., are invited to attend a reception for the class members from 1:30 to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 3 at the FSB Community Room on July 3.



ELIZABETH YERGER New Classic Cable Rep In Friona

Classic Cable, which turrently serves 193,000 customers in small rural communities in eight midwestern states, has announced that Elizabeth Yerger is the new customer service representative in the Friona office.

Elizabeth grew up in Amarillo and graduated from Caprock High School.

"We are pleased to welcome Elizabeth to Classic Cable," commented Marke Hamlin, area manager for the Texas Panhandle Region. "Her contribution will enhance the Company's ability to maintain its high standard of customer service."





done with their legacy? Their 13 colonies have turned into 50 states and we have so many new inventions that would seem like miracles to these men of 1776.

But "We, The People" would be the biggest mystery of all. We win wars, but then give our conquered enemies the shirts off our backs. We know the line-up of every baseball team in the American and National Leagues, but don't know half the words to the "Star Spangled Banner." We demand that the Government balance the national budget, but we'll spend every last cent we can dig up to make a down payment on a

car and go in debt to boot. We are supposed to be the most civilized Christian nation on earth, but we still can't deliver our payrolls without using an armored car for protection. We put our dog on a leash, but let our teenage kids run wild. We are scared to death to vote a billion dollars for education, but seem unconcerned when we find out that we have spent three billion a year for cigarettes and alcohol. America has more food to eat than any other country in the world, and more diets to keep us from eating it. We run from morning to night trying to keep our earning

power up on the same level with our yearning power. We have taller buildings but shorter tempers; wider freeways, but narrower viewpoints. We spend more, but have less; we buy more, but enjoy it less. We have bigger houses and smaller families; more conveniences, but less time; we have more college degrees, but less sense; more knowledge, advertise for bids. It will take 30 days to get the needed bids, but less judgment; more experts, but more problems.

We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values. We spend too recklessly, laugh too little, drive too fast, get angry too quickly, stay up too late, get up too tired, read too we've learned how to make a living, but not a life; we've in Texas that is owned by its city. added years to life, not life to years.

We've been all the way to the moon and back, but have trouble going across the street to meet a new neighbor. We've conquered outer space, but not inner space. We've done larger things, but not better things. We read more, but learn less. We plan more, but accomplish less. We've learned to rush, but not to wait.

These are the times of fast foods and slow digestion; tall men and short character; steep profits and shallow relationships. We have more leisure time, but less fun; more kinds of food, but less nutrition. These are the days of two income families but more divorces; of fancier houses, but broken homes. It is a time of quick trips, disposable diapers, throw-away morality, one-night stands, overweight bodies, and pills that do everything from cheer us up, to quiet us down, and sometimes kill us.

With all our faults, America is still the greatest country on earth because we are free to say anything we want, and do anything within the law. We may have lost sight of the fact that these freedoms come with a certain amount of responsibility. We owe it to ourselves and to the memory of our founding fathers, to work hard to rise above these faults to become a nation of better people.



"That Ragged Old Flag"

I walked through a country courthouse square And on a park bench, an old man was sittin' there I said, "Your old court house has kind of run down." He said, "No, it will do for our little town." I said, "Your flag pole has leaned a little bit.

And that's a ragged old flag you've got hanging on it."

He said, "Have a seat," and I sat down.

"Is this the first time you've come to our little town?" I said, "I think it is." He said, "I don't like to brag, But we are kind of proud of that ragged old flag. You see, we got a little hole in that flag there When Washington took it across the Delaware, And it got powder burn when Francis Scott Key Sat up watchin' it, writing, "Oh say can you see."
And it got a little rip in New Orleans, With Packingham and Jackson tuggin' at its seams, And it almost fell at the Alamo run,

Beside the Texas flag, but she waved on. It got cut with a sword at Chancellorsville, Got cut again at Shiloh Hill. There was Robert E. Lee, Beauregard and Bragg, And the south wind blew hard on that ragged old flag.

She got a bad hole from a Bertha gun. She turned blood red in World War Two, She hung limp and low by the time that one was through. She was in Korea and Vietnam, She went where she was sent by her Uncle Sam. She waved from ships upon the briny foam, And now we've about quit waving it back here at home And in her own good land here, she's been abused She's been burned, dishonored, denied and refused, And now the very government for which she stands Is scandalized throughout the land And she's getting threadbare and she's wearing kind of thin, But she's in good shape for the shape she's in. Because she's been through the fire before, And she can take a whole lot more

On Flander's Field in World War One,

And we take her down slow every night. We don't let her touch the ground and we fold her up right. On second thought, I do like to brag Because I'm mighty proud of that ragged old flag." Anonymous

So we raise her up every morning,

Compliments of J. P. Sims of Friona

* * * * * * * * * * * **Brothers Killed** In Plane Crash

Two brothers from this intersection of Farm-to-Market area died Monday, June 28 Road 54 and County Road 31 when the plane they were about three miles east of flying crashed after hitting Petersburg in southeastern some power lines while they Hale County.
were attempting to land on a Albert Ferran, air traffic private airstrip near Peters- manager at the Lubbock

Eric Williams, 31, of had taken off from there that Farwell, was the pilot of the morning, but had already left Cessna 210L and was going the airport's communication to pick up some tractor parts radius when the crash after leaving the Lubbock occurred.

Airport with his brother, "We weren't even talking Barry Williams, 45, of Texico, to the aircraft," Ferran said. according to the Texas "They departed here, and Department of Public Safety.

The two men were line." lifelong residents of the area and were the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Williams of Farwell, longtime farmers in the Farwell area.

town at the time of the

lines, the plane crashed to the ground, exploding into flames on impact, DPS officials said. The crash occurred about

with a control tower, it's much easier to ascertain how a crash occurred, but since the The parents were out of plane flown by Williams was not in communication, it would take more time to get After hitting the power the circumstances of the crash.

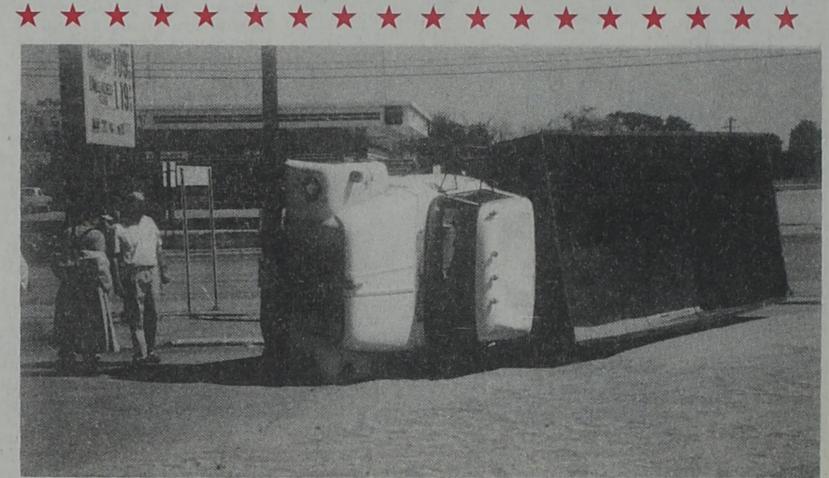
Local and state law enforcement officials were at the crash site all day Monday. The National Transportation Safety Board is investigating the crash.

apparently they hit a power

plane is in communication

Ferran said that when a

Eric, the pilot of the plane, operated Farwell Spraying. Both brothers worked on the family farm as



SPILLED THE WHEAT...On Saturday, June 26, the brakes on Hollis Horton's truck went out causing this overturned load of spilled wheat just off Highway 60 across from Town & Country. Mr. Horton was not injured. The wheat was also saved. ron carr photo



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Council OKs Means To Build Complex

The Friona City Council passed an ordinance authorizing the city to issue certificates of obligation to finance construction of Prairie Acres' new "Assisted Living Complex."

The action came this past Monday, during a special meeting of the council. The certificates are in the amount of \$1.5 million. There was no public opposition to the issuance of the certificates.

Friona State Bank made a bid for the certificates, but lost out to a higher bid by a Lubbock bank, which bid a higher interest rate.

Prairie Acres administrator Jo Blackwell said she is excited

about the city's approval, which turned out to be almost a "Everyone I have talked to in the assisted living business

tells me we won't have any trouble making our payments, with the numbers we are projecting, and given the public interest that has been generated," Mrs. Blackwell said.

Mrs. Blackwell said the next step will be to get the final blueprints from Oller Engineering of Lubbock. "Now that it is official, we're trying to 'get them in gear,' " she said, adding that she and the board are hopeful to get into construction before the cold weather comes later in the year. After the plans are completed, it will be necessary to

she indicated.

No local tax money will go into the project, much like the way Prairie Acres was financed. "Prairie Acres has never received a cent of tax money," Mrs. Blackwell said.

Fireworks Ban In City Limits Will Be Enforced

If the rocket's red glare is spotted within the Friona city limits, or within 5000 feet of the city limits, it could cost the perpetrator \$200 and/or some community service work. City ordinance Section 13-25 specifies a fine of not less

than \$25 nor more than \$200 for shooting fireworks in the city limits. Also, parents of minor children under 14-years who permit or allow their children to discharge fireworks in the city are

subject to the same fines. Already this week, Friona firemen were dispatched to a residence on Ashland where a youngster set a mattress on fire in a small storage shed with fireworks. The fire was quickly extinguished but at least three fire trucks, two police cars

and about 15 volunteers were dispatched. The young man was issued a citation which will likely result in a fine and community service. The ordinance is simple: do not shoot fireworks in the city.

Temp Hits 100-Degree Mark; Rain Total Noted

Having enjoyed a much cooler late spring than normal, the temperature finally matched the season during the past week locally.

The local area hadn't had a 90-degree reading until June 4, but it made up for that oversight by hitting the 100-degree mark on Sunday, June 27. It had topped out at 99.1 on Saturday, June 26, and climbed to 97 again this Wednesday.

With three rainy days that measured over an inch, the month of June's moisture was a welcome 5.04 inches. This was easily the most for the calendar year, doubling May's next-best, which was 2.44

inches. The month's total brought the year's rainfall to 13.87 inches, a whopping imprevement of 9.82 over the first

half of 1998, when only 4.05 was received. June's rain total was the most locally since the 6.57 inches which fell in October of '98, too late to benefit crops in an otherwise droughty

The 5.04 rainfall total is the most summer-month moisture in four years, still ahead of a wet July of 1996.

The week's temps were: Friday, June 25: 87-63; Saturday, June 26: 99-68



A RETIRING LADY....Lorena Wood, shown with Friona Postmaster Larry Rogers, was feted with a retirement party this week. Mrs. Wood and her late husband Noel operated the rural route for 36 years and traveled almost 1.5 million miles on the 130-mile daily route. She retired as of June 30. ron carr photo



FRIONA'S FIREMEN team up to carry this accident victim to a waiting ambulance. The North Carolina woman's car was involved in an accident near Excel Tuessday. Firemen were called out three times that day in the near-100 degree heat. ron carr photo



PUMPER TEAMS....Friona's men and women pumper team members are, top, 1-r, Chuck Teague, Salvador Garcia, Mac Fields; middle, Bart Bronniman, Terry Sharrock, Bryan Harris; bottom, Tracey Fields, Casey Sharrock, Christie Harris. Not pictured, Donice Jones.

Lucille Drerup.

purchase one.

AROUND TOWN

Nazareth German festival Jul 10

Afghans available at the chamber

The 27th annual Nazareth German festival will be held in

conjunction with "Suds and Sounds", on Saturday, Jul 10. An arts and crafts show in the school cafeteria from 10:30 a.m.-

4:30 p.m. (Cost of a booth is \$20. Make booth reservations by

a.m.-3 p.m. in the Nazareth Community Hall. Suds and

Sounds will get underway at 4 p.m. Bands will perform from

6 p.m. to 1 a.m. For more info contact Rose Mary Wilhelm or

The Chamber of Commerce has a new supply of the Friona

The King's Manor Founders Association will have their

Sally Walker, Emergency Services Chairman of the Tri-

The Hereford city wide garage sale is set for 8 a.m. to 5

St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Friona has scheduled their

Calvary Baptist church will have a prayer and praise

Vacation Bible School for Monday July 19 through Friday,

July 23. The hours are tentatively set from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

service for the nation on Sunday, July 4, at 6 p.m. There will

be special music and special readings by laymen of the church.

Prayers will be offered for local, state, national, and

international leaders. An ice cream fellowship and play time

will follow the evening service. The public is invited to

Friona July 2-3. A reception is set for Saturday, July 3 from 1-4 p.m. at the Friona State Bank Community Room.

The FHS class of 1959 will have a 40th reunion here in

The Friona Chamber of Commerce is already planning the annual Maize Days celebration during the week leading up to

Join in the fun at the Friona Country Club golf scramble on Monday, July 5. The scramble will begin at 1 p.m.

Participants need to sign up by 12 noon. For more info, call

September 18. If your organization is interested in sponsoring

some sort of kids games on Saturday, September 18 at the

Calvary Baptist Jul 4 prayer service

County Red Cross chapter needs volunteers to serve as Red

Cross contacts in Lazbuddie, Hart, Bovina, and Nazareth.

annual barbecue Saturday, Jul 10 on the King's Manor

Campus at 400 Ranger Drive in Hereford. Brisket, polish

sausage and all the trimmings begin at 6:30 p.m. There will

also be a quilt show, auction, games and live entertainment.

Red Cross volunteers needed

Hereford city-wide sale Jul 17

Catholic Bible school Jul 19-23

Class of '59 reunion Jul 3

Maize Days plans underway

Park, let the Chamber know at 250-3491.

Golf scramble Monday Jul 5

Everyone is invited to come by.

Judy at 250-3125.

Call 806-364-3761 if you can help.

p.m. Saturday, Jul 17.

custom woven afghans at \$40 each. Contact the Chamber to

Pumper Team Competes At Lubbock Meet

On May 15, the Friona Fire Department men's and women's pumper teams participated in the Panhandle Area Fireman's Convention in Jul 3.) A German sausage meal will be served from 11:30 Amarillo.

The men's six man team took fourth place, losing third place by only .04 tenths of a

The women's water polo team won second place for the second straight year.

Men's team members are Bryan Harris, Chuck Teague, Bart Bronniman, Terry Sharrock, Mac Fields and King's Manor barbecue Jul 10 Kevin Taylor.

The ladies pumper team members are Donice Jones, Casey Sharrock, Christie Harris, Jerrie Taylor, and Gloria Aragon.

Women's water polo team members were Donice Jones and Casey Sharrock.

On June 15, the fire department men's and women's pumper teams participated in the Texas State Fireman's Convention in Lubbock. The state competition consists of both volunteer and full-time paid fire departments. practice year around for this

The men's team finished fourth in state competition.

The women's team ran with only four women. According to Terry Sharrock, "They ran with four members when five or six are really needed. They could have walked away but didn't. When they finished the race, everyone in the competition was cheering."

He said they did win the "booby" prize for finishing last at 28 seconds. He added that the Friona firemen are very proud of the ladies'

efforts. Men's team members in Lubbock were Chuck Teague, Salvador Garcia, Terry Sharrock, Bryan Harris, Bart

Bronniman and Mac Fields. The women's team consisted of Donice Jones, Casey Sharrock, Tracey Fields and Christie Harris.

Kevin and Jerrie Taylor could not participate at Lubbock because they were off being new grandparents.

Friona Flashbacks

....from the files of The Friona Star

70 Yrs. Ago--June 28, 1929 farmers who have no daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. combine owners who are O. Drake of Friona, who was shot three weeks ago in the abdomen with a 22-caliber bullet when a rifle in the hands of her brother was accidentally discharged, died Thursday night at the Deaf Smith County Hospital in Hereford.

Work is almost completed on the wholesale station for The Texas Company in Carl McCaslin Lumber. Friona.

65 Yrs. Ago--June 29, 1934 The 1934 harvest season in the Friona territory has been unusually quiet as compared to that of the past six years, when the elevators were working double crews and long rows of trucks stood waiting in the streets for their turn to unload. Despite the fact that the harvest season appears to be at its height at this time, there are no such scenes. The fields of the locality are giving a yield of from four to fifteen bushels to the acre, with an apparent average of about eight or nine bushels.

60 Yrs. Ago--June 30, 1939 The county commissioners, in session here Monday, passed a resolution submitted by County Judge Lee Thompson, which will limit the amount of financial aid to be extended indigent persons of the county. In offering the Houston last Saturday. The resolution, Judge Thompson Star was the "second said that in recent months winningest" newspaper in its the county had received bills from hospitals for care given county residents with bills that had never been authorized officially and he felt that some action must be taken to curb practice of this nature.

55 Yrs. Ago--June 30, 1944 B. P. Abbott, of Bovina, has been in this community frequently during the past week, an employee of the Service or AAA, assisting

Pearl Drake, 12-year-old combines in contacting prepared to do service harvesting.

> 45 Yrs. Ago--June 24, 1954 Announcement is made this week of the sale of the Friona Lumber Company to Carl McCaslin of Hereford. long-time McCaslin, lumberman, will operate the local firm under the name of

40 Yrs. Ago--June 25, 1959 Plans are being made for a community wide meeting of the American Legion Hall Monday evening of next week at 8 p.m. This meeting will be open to the public and anyone interested in the upkeep and improvement of the cemetery should be

Virginia Patton, 16-yearold daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Coy Patton of the Black community, was elected Grand Representative from Michigan at the Grand Assembly of the Order of the Rainbow for Girls held in San Antonio last week.

35 Yrs. Ago--June 25, 1964 The Friona Star won awards in three of the five contest divisions, including the first place plaque for news pictures, it was announced at the annual Texas Press Association convention in bracket of weekly newspapers published in towns of 2,001-3,500 population. The Star also placed second in the "appearance" division, and third in the news writing division.

30 Yrs. Ago--June 26, 1969 Ordinance Number 411, which was adopted and approved by the Friona City Council last July 8, was underscored this week by City

July that the anti-fireworks ordinance will have been in effect, we felt we should remind the public of the ordinance, and the fact that it will be enforced," Outland

25 Yrs. Ago--June 30, 1974 Funeral services were conducted for Charlie A. Turner, a pioneer resident of the Friona area, at 3 p.m. Sunday, June 23 in Friona's First Baptist Church.

"Star Lites," a weekly column written by publisher Bill Ellis earned for the Friona Star a first place plaque in the 1974 Texas Press Association Newspaper

20 Yrs. Ago--July 1, 1979 Figures released by A. L. (Jake) Outland, official weather recorder, indicated that through June 29, a total of 8.88 inches of rain had

been logged in the city of Friona during the calendar year of 1979. 15 Yrs. Ago--July 8, 1984 Following the Pony League Baseball awards

presentation, Ted Tucker, president of the local

organization, announced his retirement from that position, after 22 years. Funeral services for Floyd C. Brookfield, 67, of Friona, were held on July 5. He owned and operated

Brookfield Drilling Company

for 25 years, retiring in 1981.

10 Yrs. Ago--July 1, 1989 Senator Phil Gramm, appeared in Friona Thursday for a report on the War on Drugs. The senator was presented both a Friona police chief's cap and a cap from the firemen.

5 Yrs. Ago--July 2, 1994 Lori Jordan, a citizen of the American Legion Auxiliary Bluebonnet Girls Parmer County Extension Manager Jake Outland. State, now in progress in

"This being the first Fourth of Seguin, at Texas Lutheran College, was elected Commissioner during the session.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Jordan and was sponsored to Girls State by the Local American Legion Auxiliary Unit #206.

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ACU Names Local Dean's List Honoree

Heather Martin of Friona was named to the Dean's Honor Roll for the spring 1999 semester at Abilene Christian University.

Martin is the daughter of Mike and Reta Martin of Friona and is a 1997 graduate of Friona High School. She is a freshman vocational home economics education major.

To make the honor roll, a student must complete at least 12 semester hours for grades and earn a 3.45 or higher grade point average.

About 150 miles west of the Dallas/Fort Worth area, ACU is affiliated with the churches of Christ and has an enrollment of more than 4,600 students.

Hospital Report

(Following is a list of local residents who had been admitted to hospitals during the past week, as we have been made aware of their situations. If you have a loved one you would like to have listed, please call the Friona Star office, 250-2211, by Wednesday in order to list their names)

SCCI, Amarillo: Dot Boatman. Bivins "Rehab", Amarillo:

Tony Duran. Methodist Hospital, Lubbock: Becky Jones.

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We will be Closed Monday, July 5th HAPPY 4th OF JULY!!

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Obituaries

Longtime Airport Owner Dies Here

Memorial services for Elvie Jennings, 84, of Friona were held Thursday afternoon at First United Methodist Church in Friona with Reverend Archie Echols of Abilene and Leon Talley, Pastor, of Friona officiating and D.L. Harguess assisted.

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Cremation arrangements were by Ellis-Blackwell Funeral Home,

Jennings died June 28, 1999, at Prairie Acres Nursing Home in Friona. He was born April 6, 1915 in Cone, Texas. He married Virginia Gayarre September 9, 1944 in Helena, Arkansas.

Jennings was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, had been active in the Boy Scouts, Friona Lions Club and was a former member of the Friona City Council.

In 1919 Elvie moved with his family to Muleshoe where he farmed and obtained his pilot's license. He attended Spartan School of Aeronautics in Tulsa, Oklahoma and became a flight instructor for the U.S. Army primary flight school during World War II.

He instructed at Thompson-Robbins field in West Helena, Arkansas. After the flight school closed, he moved to Moorhead, Mississippi where he operated the airport there. In 1945 he moved to Friona to operate the airport which was owned by the late Carl Mauer.



ELVIE JENNINGS

airport naming it Benger Air Park and has operated it for the past 51 years, where he taught flight instruction, flew air charter and later added an aerial application service. He was a member of several antique tractor associations and was an avid collector and restorer of antique tractors.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia, of Friona; one son, Rick Jennings of Friona; three daughters, Gaye Tannahill of Canyon, Jo Anne Hill-Danner of Amarillo, and Teto Milner of Friona; one brother, Bill Jennings of Muleshoe, one sister, Helen Carthel of Rio Rancho, N.M.; six grandchildren and one great-grandson.

The family suggests memorials to Make A-Wish In 1948 he purchased the Foundation or Boys Ranch.

Devault of Farwell and Nicky

Braden Johnson.

Bert Williams' family came

Rites For Brothers Are Held Friday

Funeral services for Barry Friendsville, Tn., Tracy Wayne Williams, 45, of Devault of Farwell Leithen of Dallas. Williams, 31, of Farwell, were Bert Williams' conducted Friday at Farwell's First Baptist Church. Revs.

The brothers were killed Monday, June 28, when their small plane crashed near

University, and had been a farmer for 28 years.

Eric Williams was born Tx. 79325. March 13, 1968, in Muleshoe. He married Susan Kerr August 17, 1991. He graduated from Texas Tech with an agricultural economics degree in 1990. He owned and operated Farwell Spraying service.

Both men graduated from Farwell High School. Both are survived by their parents, Bert and LaMoin (Jones) Williams, by a brother, Mark Williams, Farwell, and sisters LeeAnn Blackford of

B. Ancira's Rites Held

Funeral services were held Wednesdaym morning, June 30, for Basilio C. Ancira, Jr., 52, of Clovis.

Services were held at the First Baptist Church of Texico, with Reverend Moises Ancira officiating, and burial

in the Texico Cemetery. Ancira died Sunday, June 27 at his home. He was born October 17, 1946 at Lamesa and married Adriana Hernandez March 6, 1990. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Clovis. He was a rain truck driver, and had

lived in Clovis since 1986. Survivors include his wife, Adriana of the home; six sons, Basilio Ancira II of Lufkin, Robert Ancira of Clintonville, Wisconsin, Samuel D. Ancira, Isacc Ancira and Mike Ancira all of Clovis, and Adolfo Hernandez of Corrigan; two daughters, Alice A. Tamez of Diboll, Lisa Clark of Forth Worth.

Also, five brothers, Moises Ancira of Friona, Jimmy Ancira of Anthony, N.M., David Ancira of Farwell, Issac Ancira and Jerry Ancira both of Clovis; three sisters, Susie Moore of Belen, N.M., Gloria Escobedo of Friona and Rebecca Forsythe of Clovis; and 18 grandchildren.

Wayne Mills Is **Buried Wednesday**

Wayne Mills, 89, of Friona were held Wednesday morning at Sixth Street Church of Christ in Friona with Leon Talley, Pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Friona Cemetery, under the direction of Ellis-Blackwell Funeral

Mills died June 28, 1999, at Baptist St. Anthonys West Hospital in Amarillo.

He was born September 14, 1929 in Oklaunion, Texas. He married Joann Chitwood August 2, 1948, in Henrietta.

Mr. Mills was a member of the Sixth Street Church of Christ in Friona. He had lived in Friona since 1960, moving from Muleshoe.

He was the manager of the Credit Bureau of Friona, and had worked for the City of Friona over 20 years. Prior to that, he was employed by Friona Consumers Co-Op.

Survivors include his wife, Joann Mills of the home; one son, Michael Mills of Amarillo; one daughter, Susan Hewitt

Services Held Thursday For S. Esquivel

Funeral services for Santos Esquivel, Jr., 51, of Amarillo were held Thursday at Blackburn-Shaw Memorial Chapel, Amarillo. Graveside services were held at Friona Cemetery.

Pastor Faye Roberts of River Road Fellowship, officiated.

Esquivel died June 29. 1999 in Amarillo.

He was born at Eagle Pass and raised in Friona. He had lived in Amarillo since 1977. He did maintenance work and served in the U.S. Army in Alaska from 1970-1972. He was preceded in death by his mother, Maria, in December, 1998 in San Marcos, Texas. to the West Camp community He was a mem in northern Bailey County in Post in Canyon. He was a member of VFW

Aaron Reed officiated.

Burial was in Sunset
Burial was in Sunset
Terrace Cemetery, Farwell.
Steed-Todd Funeral Home officiated.

Survivors include three daughters, Rebecca Salazar of Miami, Florida, Rachel Keith and Mia Baca both of Amarillo; two sons Alex officiated. and sons Matthew, Tanner and John Nathan Williams, Mexico and Rocky Esquivel of all of Texico. One grandchild, Amarillo.

James Eric is survived by Soliz Nelson of Amarillo, Nina Petersburg.

Barry Williams was born
July 3, 1953 in Clovis. He married Deb Chandler
September 3, 1971. He attended Texas Tech

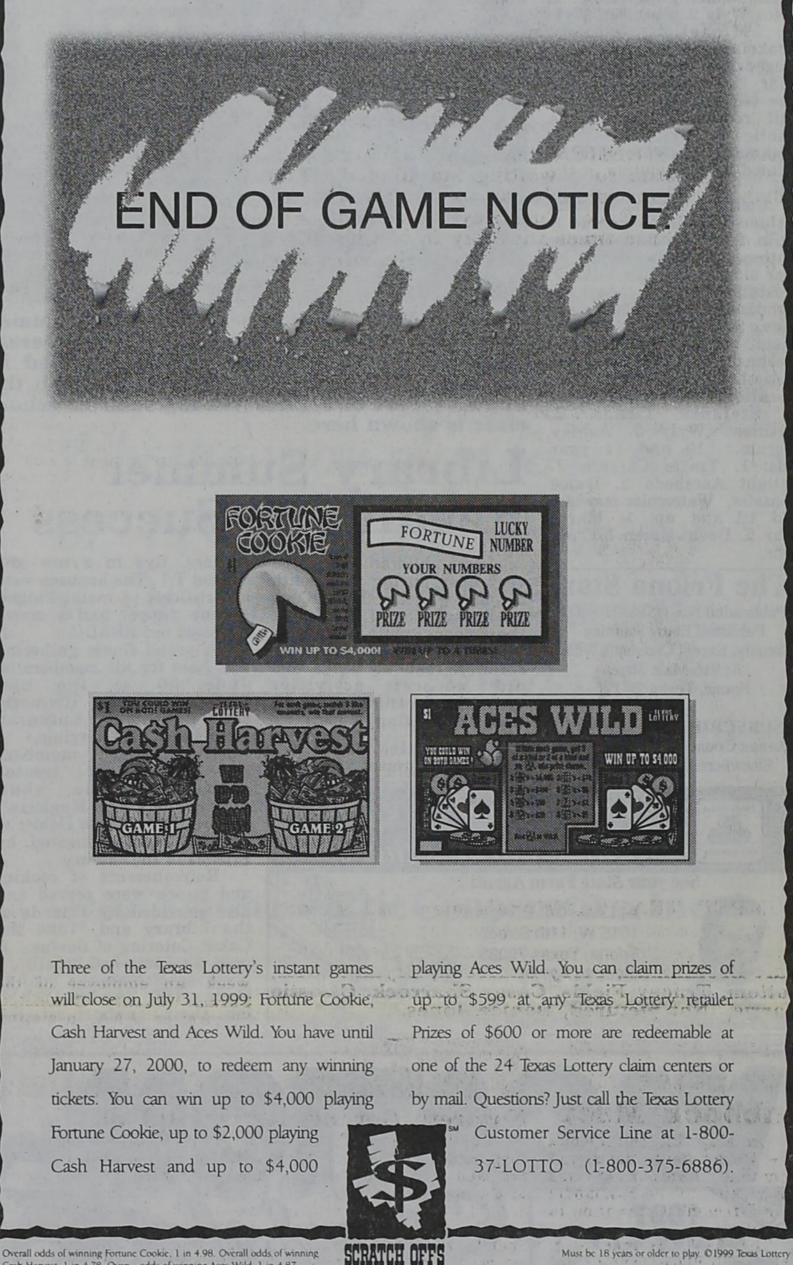
Leal of Dumas, Maria Davis of Borger, Linda Gallegos of Canyon, Diana Equivel of San Marcos, Shirley Aguirre of Muleshoe, Rosa Bocanegra of Muleshoe, Rosa Bocanegra of Martindale, and Debbie Charden and had been a Bentist Church Auditorium Garzia of Amarillo: a brother Baptist Church Auditorium Garzia of Amarillo; a brother

Funeral services for of Odessa; one brother, W.B. Mills of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Pallbearers were Rick Young, John Phillips, Tom Barton, Dan Goldsmith, Dennis Slagle and Ted Procter.



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Library Gives Names Of **Prize Winners**

Winners were announced in the Bookmark and Coloring Contests held in conjunction with the 1999 Summer Reading Club "Open a Book...On with the Show!" held at the Friona Public Library June 1-30.

Bookmark winners in the 9 and under group were: 1

9 and under group were: 1.
Erica Wyly 2. Kathleen Wyly
3. Michelle Zolman.
Bookmark, 10 and up: 1.
Magadelena Mendez 2. Maria
Fehr 3. Stephanie Hidalgo.
The two first place winners
will represent the Friona
Public Library and their Public Library and their bookmark designs will be printed for distribution in the fall.

fall.
Coloring Contest winners included: Under 5 years: 1.
Tylin Stephens 2. Benjamin Anthony 3. Kylie Boyd. 5 year olds: 1. Cristina Silva 2. Weston Wyly 3. Andrew Mendoza. 6 year olds: 1. Noe Saenz 2. J Gurley 3. Monica Saenz. 7 year olds: 1. Scott Steelman 2. Stacie Cuellar 3. Jessie London. Jessie London.

Also, 8 and 9 year olds:

1. Stefanie Tirado 2.
Kathleen Wyly 3. Ashley
Ingram. 10 and 11 year
olds: 1. Tracie Carrera 2.
Delight Ascebedo 3. Dulce
Gonzalez. Watercolor markers
and 12 and up: 1 Maria and 12 and up: 1. Maria Fehr 2. Devin Boren 3. Tina

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JTPA WORKERS at the Library this summer are (left) Sandra Mendez and Fanny Garza, right. Many local children have delighted in the medieval theme "Open a Book...On with the Show." Part of a FISD visiting summer school class is shown here.

Library Summer Reading A Success

very busy during the month of June playing "READO" a reading version of Bingo. At the Friona Public Library to receive a 'black out', the children read 20 books and did several activities including learning a magic trick and making puppets.

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Local children have been corners, five in a row and busy during the month June playing "READO" a certificate, a metal knight,

a certificate, a metal knight, a cone puppet and a crown for black-out READO.

A grand finale gathering was held for all members on June 30 at the new Redeemer Center (formerly the Redeemer Lutheran Church) at 1304 Virginia.

One-hundred members and parents were treated

and parents were treated with a magic show
"Montgomery the Magician",
performed by Monte Holder of
Lubbock and sponsored by
Friends of the Library.
Refreshments of cookies

and punch were served and also provided by Friends of the Library and "Take the Cake" Catering of Bovina. A good time was had by all.

A special thanks goes to

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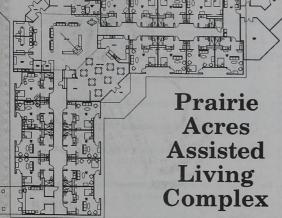
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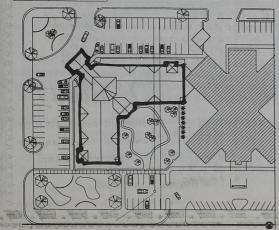


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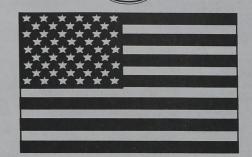




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Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,

I recently attended the 50th reunion of my World War II infantry division. Whenever I attend these reunions not only does it bring back lots of memories, but it also makes me reflect about why we all still want to get together after all these years. I think it has to do with the strong bond we formed during those days of combat in W.W.II.

My grandfather had a term that I think is a pretty good description of what it felt like to be in combat. He called it "seeing the elephant," and it meant coming face to face with terror. In the movie, "Saving Private Ryan," Steven Spielberg does a good job of demonstrating what that terror was like.

During those early days of the war, we were all very young and

thought we were invincible. We the strength of brotherhood we faced had gone into the army for love of country, hoping we could be as brave as those men in "Buy War Bonds" posters.

As we went through training the gravity of the situation began to soak in. Fears and doubts increased and we began to realize what the infantry was really like.

I think the question that kept haunting us was "Are we really brave enough to do what we have to do?" The answer came to us when we got into battle. At the Battle of the Bulge and at Thorn, Germany where we had 63% casualties, we realized that we were not brave enough individually.

We were terrified and we didn't have enough courage, but we knew that the platoon, our brothers, were depending on us. Together through

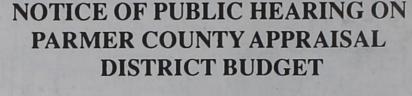
the elephant, and we all came to understand the true meaning of "Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his life for a

In a sense I think of each reunion as a pilgrimage. It is a way for me to honor the group of men that helped me be more than I thought I could be.

On the drive to the Rhine and in the Battle of the Bulge, I stood and fought, not because I was brave and heroic but because my buddies in the Third Platoon of the Reconnaissance Troop were depending on me.

I attend these reunions to recapture the bond that we had with each other during those terrible days of battle and to honor my comrades who gave the ultimate sacrifice.

Sincerely, Jack Patterson



The Parmer County Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed budget for the 2000 fiscal year

The public hearing will be held on Thursday, July 8, 1999 at 8 p.m. at the Parmer County Appraisal District Office Board Room, 305 3rd Street, Bovina, Texas.

A summary of the appraisal district budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed budget is \$190,300.00.

The total amount of decrease over the current year's budget is \$4,800.00.

The number of employees compensated under the proposed budget will be 4.

The number of employees compensated under the current budget is 4.

The appraisal district is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the appraisal district.

If approved by the Parmer County Appraisal District Board of Directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities, and towns served by the appraisal district.

A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection at the Parmer County Appraisal District Office.

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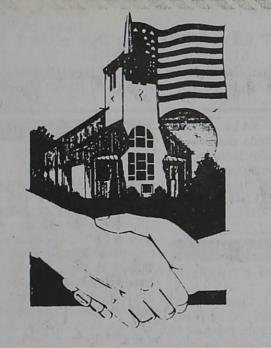


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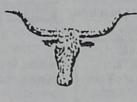
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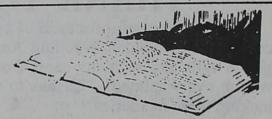
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Thank you each and everyone for your prayers and love in the loss of my daughter, Dy DeFever. The cards and flowers were beautiful. Your phone calls and visits gave us courage. Friends are so wonderful. God bless you all.

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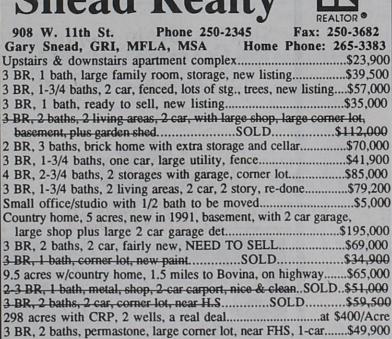
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THANK YOU

Our family would like to express our deep gratitude to the entire local community who offered such wonderful support during our time of sorrow. We wish to thank each of you who visited the hospital, brought food, called and sent flowers and cards. Most of all, we want to thank you for your prayers. We also want to offer a special thanks to the members of St. Teresa's Parish for their extra efforts and to Father Ed who did so much to help remind us that Joe's life is just beginning.

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Hearing requests or comments on the application must be received in writing at the Chief Clerk's Office, MC-105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, within 30 days after the second publication of this notice. This notice is to be published on June 25 and July 2.

The application and the TNRCC's preliminary analysis are available for review and reproduction at the TNRCC Office of Air Quality, 12124 Park 35 Circle, Building C, Austin, Texas 78753. Application documents, a compliance file if any exists, and further information may be obtained from the TNRCC Amarillo Regional Office, Air Program located at 3918 Canyon Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79109-4996, telephone (806) 353-9251. Individual members of the public who wish to inquire about the information contained in this notice, or to inquire about other agency permit applications or permitting processes, should call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, toll free, at 1-800-687-

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FRIONA ACROSPIRITS gymnasts on the way to the 1999 National Championships in Anaheim, California are, l-r, Holly Gilliam, Lucrecia Fields, Bre'Anna Valenzuela, and Halie Merket. Also competing but not pictured are Troy Turner and Jacklyn Gillelend.

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Friona ISD has been workplace," said Edwin awarded a loss control grant Thompson, TASB loss control of \$2,000 from the Texas manager. "The safety and Association of School Boards well being of all school Risk Management Fund. employees and resources are Grant Monies will help the district priorities shared by district purchase loss control the Fund, and we want to do equipment and/or training to everything we can to reduce workers' compensation and property casualty losses," he

The grants, which were

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districts and one college, focused on personal protective equipment, mechanical-lifting devices, and fall protection equipment. Also included were defensive driving and first-aid/CPR courses, bloodborne pathogens kits, fire protection equipment, electrical safety equipment, and school security equipment.

"Reducing injuries and auto/property losses is a winwin situation that saves valuable district resources and increases productivity. The grant program continues to be an integral part of our overall effort and commitment to assist our members achieve their loss control objectives," Thompson said. "Districts applying for grants did a fantastic job analyzing their exposures and requesting specific loss control equipment and training needed to mitigate identified hazards. We believe the grant program will have a positive effect on participating districts, and the Fund is dedicated to continued support of their efforts towards loss reduction," he said.

TASB is a voluntary, nonprofit association established 50 years ago to serve local Texas school districts. It includes 1,047 school districts and county school boards, 44 junior colleges, 48 tax appraisal districts, 157 cooperatives, and 20 education service School board centers. members are the largest group of publicly elected officials in the state. The districts they represent have a combined annual budget of \$21 billion and employ nearly 500,000 people.

The TASB Management Fund has been providing risk management coverages to Texas school districts since 1974. More than 1,100 school districts, cooperatives, junior colleges, and county appraisal districts participate in one or more of the Fund's coverage.

Town & Country Buyout Completed

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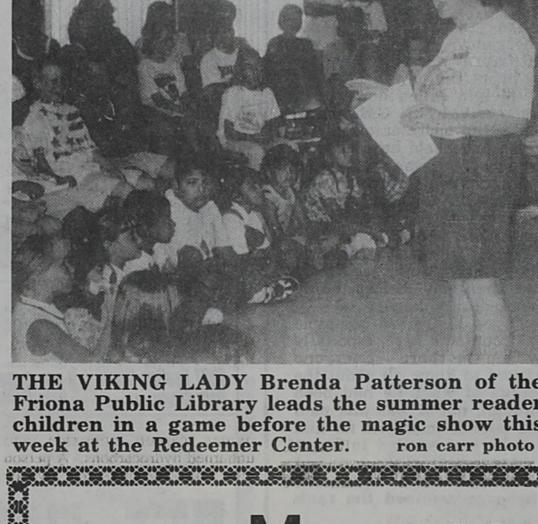
company growth, employee

& Country Food Stores, Inc. years will continue to be our has announced that the internal management buyout of the company has now been completed. Previous key officers and management are the new owners of the company. Former board chairman and CEO F.L. "Steve" Stephens will retire, as will former senior vice president, Jim Little. Don Allison, former president of the company, will assume Mr. Stephens' role as chairman of the board and CEO.

Mr. Stephens said, "We believe that this internal purchase will allow the company to maintain the corporate culture which has developed over the past 33-1/2 years, enhance the stability of employee security and benefits, and maximize the company's value both today and in the future. We also felt that it was important to keep the company ownership in existing management hands." New board chairman and

CEO Don Allison said, "Frankly, we believe that our employees and communities in which we operate will notice no difference at all in the way we conduct our business.

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THE VIKING LADY Brenda Patterson of the Friona Public Library leads the summer reader children in a game before the magic show this

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Messenger has been with Muleshoe State Bank since 1989. He and his wife, the former Sally Kendrick, have been active in Church and Civic Affairs.

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BRANDON NEAL Say a big welcome to the newest officer at the Friona

Police Department. Brandon Neal comes to Friona from the Callahan County Sheriff's Department. He is a native of Brady, Texas and has been in law enforcement for three years.

Courthouse Records

(Ending April 21, 1999) WD: William Dave Buske-Lawrence Jeffery Appling, L7 B5 Staley Add #3 Friona. WD: Leland Gustin-Darrell Cook & Bob McAfoos, E/2 of Lots 8-14 B93 Farwell. WD: A.G. Taylor Estate-Barrett-Box, LTD, Part of NW/4 S30 Blk X Johnson's Survey. WD: Robin C Isham-Luis Marin, L2 B7 Bovina; Except 10' Strip. WD: Rhea L Foster-Jill

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Jose Segovia, Jr.-Carmen Rangel. Richard B. Brawner-Danielle R. McGill. Juan Manuel Rivera-

Alma Rosa Correa.

Late Lazbuddie Native Survived "Death March"

The late Melvin O.
Treider joined the Army in the summer of 1941. He was in the 200th Division, Battery H from Clovis, New Mexico. He was sent to Fort had heard about the summer of the trees. Bliss in August of that year. He was then stationed in the Philippine Islands. He was struck by the generosity and the appreciation of the Filipino people.

They were appreciative of the American troops and treated them with honor.
War was declared on
December 7. He was stationed on the Bataan peninsula when the Japanese invaded. While fighting there the supply line was cut

off to them.

They ran out of food, supplies and ammunition. They ate anything they could find, including small monkeys

(which were very hard to eat as they looked like babies roasting over a fire).

He and thousands of other American and Filipino soldiers were captured there in Bataan in April of 1942. The Japanese were herding all the captured troops together. He thought they were bringing them all together to kill them. He laid down in a ditch to escape what he thought was certain death.

The Japanese picked him up and threw him in a truck to help build the prison camp for those captured. Later he was put to work in the copper mines. He said they used him as a mule to pull the carts of ore out of the mines.

While working in the mines he had an appendicitis attack. The Japanese did an appendectomy surger on him with very little anesthetic. The doctor commented to him that he looked just like the Japanese on the inside. Prison treatment was brutal.

The Japanese were especially drawn to him because he was a tall, big man.

They would kick him in the shins until the blood flowed into his shoes. He here the sears of their cruelty bore the scars of their cruelty for the rest of his life. They, being small in stature, thought it was funny to be able to intimidate such a big man as he with no

retaliation. He witnessed the torture of others in the camp. They would shoot at them (or just behind them) just to make them run on their way to the latrines. Melvin learned that you are only a prisoner in your mind. He would volunteer for jobs of any kind knowing this would help him

When unloading trucks of rice he told of having a small copper tube in his shirt pocket. One end of the tube was sharp so that while carrying the gunnysacks, he could open the weave of the sack and fill his pocket with a little extra rice. Rations for the prisoners were minimal. He was in various prison camps in the Philippines and also on the mainland of

Melvin had written only once to his parents (Otto and Laura Treider), and it was before his capture. Somehow he got it out of the Philippines to them. It was very short and told very little. For 3-1/2 years there



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everything he could think of to find out about his son. He had heard about Americans being held in the area of Kobe, Japan, but there was no word of Melvin. Otto Treider died in a tractor accident before any word was ever heard from Melvin.

A picture came out in the

ever heard from Melvin.

A picture came out in the Fort Worth Star Telegram newspaper when the war was over. It was a picture of four U.S. soldiers who were freed from the Japanese. One of these four men in the picture was Melvin! Gil Woolard was the Treiders' mail carrier at this time. Gil left his copy of the newspaper in Juel Treider's mailbox (Melvin's brother). brother).

When the telegram came of his release, Laura was so excited she read the letter by flashlight instead of turning on the light in the house. There was much rejoicing by family and friends.

Upon the arrival of the telegram, Laura and Raymond immediately drove

Raymond immediately drove to the house of Juel and Frances Treider. Frances said she could see they were driving so fast, and knew there must be some emergency. When they got out, Laura was shouting for joy about the news.

Melvin called home upon his arrival in California. When the operator asked for which household he wished to connect, it was then the operator told Melvin that Otto had died. This was how he learned of his father's death. The POWs were kept there for a while to be sure they were stable medically and mentally before being released to go home.

Upon his return home, he was counted a hero, especially by his mother. Everyone wanted to know all about the details of what he had been through, but it was just pain and terrible memories for him and he just wanted to forget

and he just wanted to forget it happened. He was captured as a PFC and upon his discharge attained the rank

Private Pre-School To Open

A new preschool for three and four year olds will be opening this fall in Friona. Shana (Gibson) Fleming has seven years teaching ex-perience, including the last four with Friona ISD as early childhood instructor.

The preschool will be called the Step Ahead Preschool and will be located in the former Rebekah's lodge at 701 Columbia.

A curriculum will be used in order to give each child (1) the opportunity for reading readiness; (2) ensure extensive familiarity with the alphabet, the number system, and the basic colors; and (3) introduction to computer tech-

In addition, units in science, math, music and health will be covered throughout the year. Classes will be half days from 8 a.m. to noon and will run concurrent with the Friona ISD school calendar from

August through May. The first day of classes will be Monday, August 16. Pre-enrollment is currently underway and students will be enrolled on a first come, first served basis. Class size is extremely limited and parents are urged to pre-

enroll as early as possible.

Tuition is \$40 per week plus a deposit and there are multiple child and monthly payment discounts available. A limited number of economic scholarships are available for those who qualify. For more information, or to pre-enroll, please call the Step Ahead Preschool at 250-5858.

Two Students Make SPC Dean's List

Aaron Rivera of Friona and Filemon Guzman of Lazbuddie were named to the Dean's Honor List for the spring 1999 semester at South Plains College,

Melvin Otto Treider was Melvin Otto Treider was born May 10, 1919 in Lazbuddie. He died June 12, 1999 in Temple. Funeral services were held June 15, 1999 at the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel in Muleshoe. He had a military burial June 16, 1999 at the Lazbuddie

Cemetery.

An honor guard from
Cannon AFB was dispatched.
Six members of the Muleshoe VFW were pallbearers (one of which was also a Japanese POW). The honor guard folded and gave his sons the American flag that contained three rifle casings from a 21 gun salute given in his honor. The honor guard then bugled 'taps' concluding



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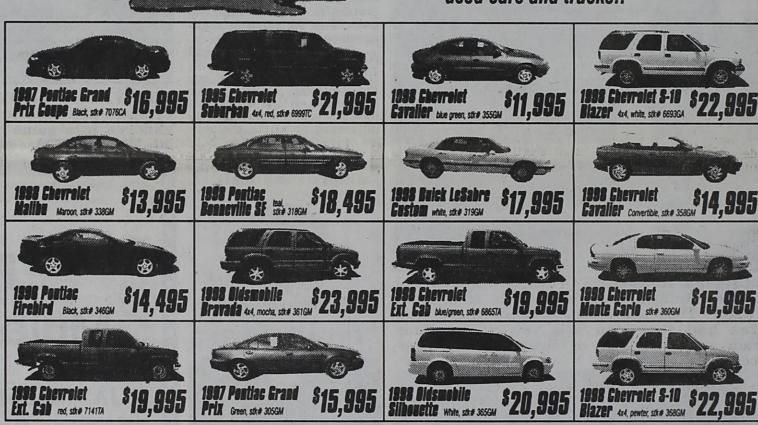
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50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY....Mr. and Mrs. William Bandy of Panhandle celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception on Saturday, June 19 at the Trinity Baptist Church parlor in Amarillo. They were also honored at a family dinner following the reception. Both events were hosted by children of the couple. Bill Bandy married the former Mary Phipps on June 12, 1949 in Friona. The couple resided there 23 years. In 1972, they moved to Panhandle, Texas. He is a farmer and Mrs. Bandy is a homemaker. The couple was honored by West Texas State University as Parents of the Year in 1985-86. Children of the couple are Kathy Adams, William C. (Bill) Bandy and Alecia Bandy, all of Amarillo, Jeannie Allbritton of Seymour and Janice Henson of Quitaque. Grandchildren are Jamie and Jennifer Adams of Amarillo, Lauren Hunt of Wichita Falls and Walt and Wes Henson of Quitaque.

Happy Birthday Friona Folks

Week of July 4-10 Friona residents having birthdays next week include: July 4--Lonnie Pederson,
Anne Spring, Myrna Hill,
Jacquessa Ryan.
July 5--Joy Osborn, Kay
Sanders, Joe Osborn, Cynthia

July 6--Max Jones, Krita Lange, Lance Gatlin, Patches July

Lange, Lance Gatlin, Patches Fleming, Bill Stephens, Deidre Ferguson.

July 7--Michael Grable, Kemal Tongate, Noel White, Jaclyn Peace, Teresa O'Brian, Erin Knox, David Gowens,

Schueler, Carrie Cox, Paula Wilson, J.D. Spencer, Jr., Raul Santillan, Greg Steen, Tyler Andrew Talley. July 9--Christeene Mann, Timothy Clark, Kyle Mars, Lra Bruce Park, Lan Wolch

Ira Bruce Parr, Jan Welch Bogard, Brent Bumpas, Mavis Burnam, Jake Zerfas, Martha (Slagle) Rutherford, Macy

July 10--Sammy Spring, LaVon Reeve, Melody Drake, M'Kell (Jarecki) Jeter, Eliza-beth McLellan, Teresa Braillif, Eva Brand, Shirley Drager, Phillip White.

If you or someone in your Fermin Reyes, Rachel Pipes.

July 8--Teresa Buske up soon, call the Friona Star McCoy, Nathan Terry, Teri office at 250-2211.



VBS SINGERS....Melodee Drake, left, has a happy group of singers in her 5-6 grade class at Calvary Baptist Bible School. They are David Davila, Michelle Stanberry, and Candace Frye. ron carr photo

YOUR EYES

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·Wear sunglasses outdoors on sunny days year-round to protect against ultraviolet rays. If you must use a sunlamp or a tanning booth, wear opaque goggles; closing your eyes is not enough.

•Never share eye makeup or use product testers in stores. Discard eye makeup every four to six months to avoid contamination.

·Wear goggles or safety glasses for sports or working with power tools or dangerous chemicals that might splash. •If you wear contact lenses, choose daily-care lenses and follow

carefully the eye doctor's recommendations for care.

·Avoid straining your eyes by working in bad light. It won't ruin your vision, but it's likely to give you a headache.

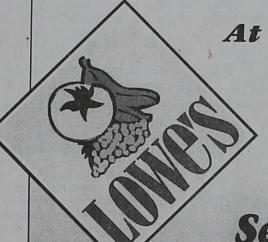
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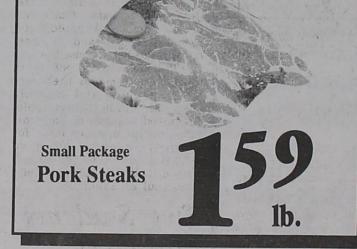


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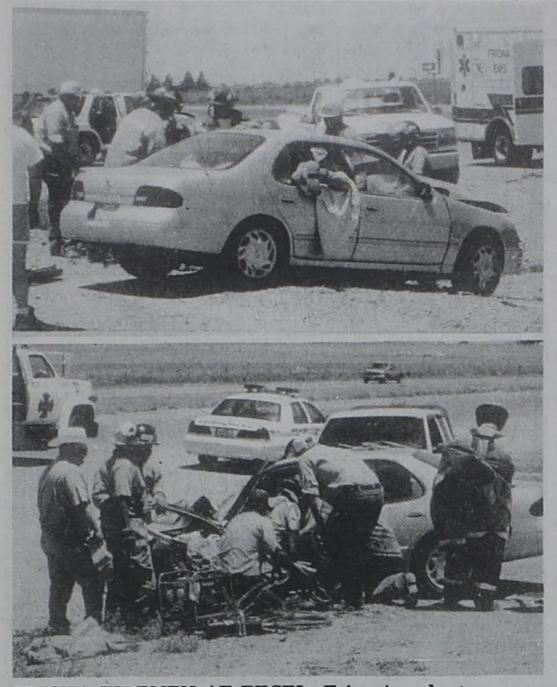
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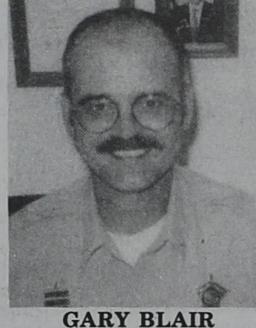
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FRIONA FIREMEN AT EXCEL...Friona's volunteers are shown at one of their three calls last Tuesday. This accident at the Excel Plant entrance involved this North Carolina car and a utility vehicle driven by Excel employee Cindy Valenzuela. She was helicoptered to Amarillo but later released. Firemen had to extricate this driver with the jaws of life. In top photo note the feet of one fireman in the rear window who broke the glass to gain access to the victim.



TIM SANDERS



Personnel Shuffle At The Parmer Co.Sheriff's Office

changes at the Sheriff's office. Former Chief Deputy Scotty Ward has accepted a position with the Tarrant

County (Ft. Worth) Sheriff's Office.

Sgt. Gary Blair, a Friona Police Department department veteran, was Sgt. Sanders had previous promoted to the Chief Deputy Sheriff's Office experience

Sheriff Walt Yerger responsible for the jail and announced some personnel administration as well as his field duties.

Tim Sanders of Friona has been hired as a sergeant to fill Blair's position. Sanders moves over to the Sheriff's Office from the

Blair will be before joining the Friona PD.

Ten Commandments, Flags, & Beanie Baby Tags!

Which of the following is the most serious crime? (a) Displaying the Ten Commandments in a school

All-American 4th of July

quiz:

Here is a brief, patriotic,

(b) Burning the American

(c) Cutting the tags off of Beanie Babies.

Seems to me that doing either one of the three, while not illegal, can still get you dropped from a few party invitation lists.

Tear a tag off a Beanie Baby or take one of those McDonald's Teenie Beanie's out of the plastic sack, and you will never again be invited to a Beanie swap meet. Your name and home address will be spread through the Beanie underground faster than a computer virus.

Beanie collectors will blacklist you like you were a serial Beanie killer. Forget about 'em letting you hold one of their Beanies. Once a tag-ripper, always a tag-

Same way with the ten commandments. You are welcome to display the two tablets anywhere you like as long as most of the American people, especially children, cannot see them.

In a great show of patriotism and bravery, the D. C. politicians and the Supreme Court has decided that after several school shootings and a general decline in the morals of Americans, it is okay to post the ten commandments in classrooms now. As though somehow "Thou shalt not kill" is a new concept.

A New York Times columnist, Maureen Dowd, snickered at the Congressional prescription for teen violence: Take two tablets; slap them above every blackboard in American classrooms."

According to another columnist, Linda Chavez, a Richmond, Va., federal court ordered a local school district to permit a 16-year-old boy

dyed bright blue and often wearing a skirt and "ghoulish" makeup. He also has a tattoo that reads "Kill 'em all."

She goes on to say that liberals would like to think there is no connection between antisocial dress or language and antisocial behavior. There is.

It's going to take more than the posting of the Ten Commandments to change the atmosphere in U. S. classrooms, Chavez wrote. Congress should explore ways to return authority to school principals and allow teachers and administrators to enforce civil behavior and appropriate dress and manners in schools.

What? Manners, civil behavior and appropriate dress in schools? I don't think so. The American people and the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) wouldn't stand for denying the rights of a first grader, much less a high school student.

Then, just as we prepare to throw a rack of ribs on the portable gas grill and celebrate Independence Day, there is the matter of burning the American flag.

The question American people have to answer is: "Is it okay to burn the American flag?" That is the question before Congress and right now they have proposed and passed a constitutional amendment that makes it illegal to desecrate the flag by burning it.

However, it remains okay to wear an American flag swimsuit or a pair of Stars and Stripes shorts. You can crank up your Harley and wear an American flag as a headband while touring America's highways.

You can use the flag in all sorts of what might be considered disrespectful ways. I once saw American flag toilet paper advertised in a mail-order catalog.

So, if it becomes unlawful to burn the American flag (and I don't think such a law would stand up in court)

to attend school with his hair what then would the punishment be?

By RON CARR

Out Here

Do you think it would be okay to go to a Federal prison because you got mad at America and burned a flag in protest?

What if you burned a flag in the privacy of your own backyard but a neighbor saw the smoke and called the law. Will there be a misdemeanor flag burning and also a felony flag burning? Is it more disrespectful to burn the flag on the capital steps than in an alley behind your house?

According to an editorial in the Hereford Brand this week, "The anti-flag desecration amendment flies in the face of the freedoms we Americans claim to cherish....It would also alter the First Amendment for the first time in more than 200 years...and is the legislative equivalent of burning the Bill of Rights...."

You can see the problem facing our patriotic, bipartisan Congressional Gentlemen and Gentle-ladies as they spend several million dollars arguing the issue.

Speaking of patriotism this July 4 holiday, try this for a topic while you are grilling your weinees: Do you think the three soldiers who were captured in Kosovo and released thanks to Jesse Jackson (remember them?) deserved the Purple Heart and five other medals?

I know how some of our local veterans feel about it but I can't print their opinions in this weekly family newspaper.

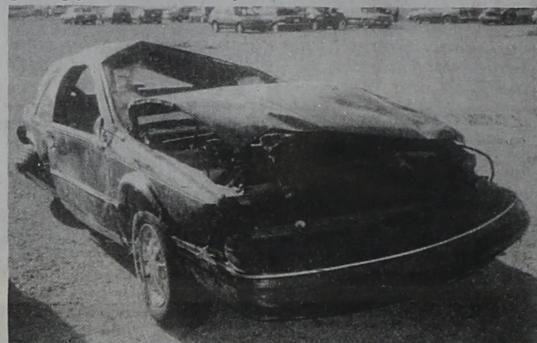
I don't think anybody should burn the American flag. If they do maybe a bunch of bubbas might consider dragging the offender out behind the barn for a good old American blanket party

I don't think bright blue hair, pierced eyebrows, and white cadaver makeup should be outlawed either. It just shouldn't be accepted as normal or as a constitutional right.

So if you want to really protest on this July 4, take a Ty Glory Bear (the one with the American flag on its chest) over to Main and Highway 60, rip off the Ty tag, set it on fire, and thumb your nose at the world.

Just don't be surprised if the world ain't paying attention.

Happy Independence Day holiday. God bless America! Please.



A ONE-CAR ROLLOVER last Sunday night on the dirt road south of the railroad tracks and west of Parmerton Hill sent two Friona teenage girls by helicopter to Amarillo hospitals. Bovina & Friona EMS and police and sheriff's deputies responded. Emma Perez and Myrna Rivera, both 17, remain in serious condition at ron carr photo



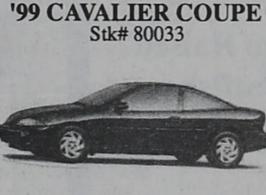


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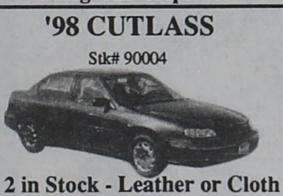


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