



Friona Star

Chamber banquet marks Friona's 100th birthday

Over 325 people attended the 2006 Friona Chamber of Commerce banquet held Thursday, March 2, at the Friona Community Center. The event was highlighted with a 100th birthday celebration for the City of Friona, part of a year-long observance.

A continuous slide show of historical photographs ran throughout the evening and a massive birthday cake was constructed to mark the event. Birthday cake slices at each plate were provided by Kenda Dunnam of Sugar Shack. TexZona Custom Cattle Feeders provided complimentary big steak knives for attendees to use and keep. Tyler Jameson, Friona Star graphics employee, put together the slide show with Chris Alexander, Chamber executive vice-president.

At the end of the program, each attendee was provided with a "champagne" flute of bubbly cider for a toast to Friona. Once again, many volunteers pitched in for decorations, food service, and planning to make the annual banquet a big success. New banners, provided by a TexasYes! grant, were on display. The banners will be placed about town to promote Friona's image.

Chamber president Danny Campbell was master of ceremonies for the evening. First Baptist Church Pastor Mark Stovall gave the invocation. The local post office had a display for the March 16 official cancellation stamp mark-



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Percy Parsons & Lucy Beth Hinkle
2006 Man & Woman of the Year

ing the 100th birthday. Among the many guests was State Representative Warren Chisum who presented a Texas flag that had flown over the state capitol.

Dumas Chamber of Commerce director Sam Cartwright was the featured speaker. Miss Friona Hollis Gurley sang a local ditty she composed about eatin' out in Friona. Local teachers Patsy Allen and Gayle Murdock were mothers once again for a great group of FCCLA and Service Learning students that served the meal, filled tea glasses, picked up plates and filled the room with friendly service.

The 2006 Woman of the Year is Lucy Beth Hinkle. She was described as a "servant leader" by her nominator. She goes about doing good, never drawing attention to herself. She attended grade school at Dawn, graduated from high school in Hereford, and is a graduate of Hendricks School of Nursing in Abilene.

Mrs. Hinkle has worked as a nurse at Farmer County Community Hospital, at the hospital in Canyon, and in Lawton, Oklahoma. When their children were young she read to pre-schoolers at the library.

She and her husband Jerry served as class sponsors and participated in booster clubs

for sports and music. She was on the Board of Directors at Prairie Acres from 1987 to 1995. She has delivered Meals on Wheels since it started in 1985.

Mrs. Hinkle reads the Bible for residents at Heritage Estates, helps clerk during elections, and has helped with the UIL speech and debate tournaments for 20 years. For 25 years she and Jerry have prepared a Christmas dinner for widows of the community serving 25-40 ladies each year.

Community choirs, the Living Christmas Tree, playing piano for weddings, funerals and thespian plays are among her musical activities. She teaches Sunday School and Bible Study at First Baptist, where she also welcomes new members, often with a meal or a batch of cookies.

She and Jerry have three children, Brent, Wendy, and Wade. The children and grandchildren surprised her with their attendance at the banquet.

Percy Parsons is the 2006 Man of the Year. He was described by his nomination letter as a "silent saint" and "one of the good guys." He has been on the Chamber of Commerce board, was instrumental in establishing Prairie Acres and served on its first

board of directors, and is a member of the Evening Lions Club.

Percy is active in the United Methodist Church, serving on the administrative board, finance committee, Sunday school class president, and in other capacities. He and wife Margaret have been instrumental in the senior citizen lunch program and providing leadership on the board.

In his retirement years he can be found taking someone to Amarillo for chemo, picking up mail for people on cold days or calling to check on them.

He came to Friona as owner and manager of Parsons-Ellis Funeral Home and has made difficult times less difficult for many people with his compassionate and caring spirit. He and Margaret are parents of Mike, Rhonda (Murphree), and Dale.

The 2006 Most Courteous Employee is Bobby Thompson. His co-workers describe him as a blessing to be around. He is kind on the phone and when visiting in person. Bobby will do whatever it takes to get a job done, has excellent organizational skills, and is ex-

tremely easy to get along with.

He has been employed by Friona ISD for six months, responsible for the school's transportation, vans, and school buses.

Kimberlee Jones was chosen as Girl Student of the Year for 2006. She is a senior at Friona High School where she has maintained excellent grades, is consistently on the 90 and above honor roll, and has been offered the Superior Scholastic Achievement Scholarship from Texas Tech University.

Kimberlee is a gifted musician, a member of the Chief-tain Band for four years, and a state qualifier in the 2005 Solo and Ensemble contest.

She has delighted audiences with her acting abilities. She has participated in area competitions for one-act plays in 2003-05. In the summer she helps with the Summer Drama Workshops.

Kimberlee has helped with the Relay for Life as a team captain for the last three years and participated in the cancer walk for two years. She started helping with the firemen's Fill the Boot campaign when she wasn't much bigger than the boot and continues to help today. She earned the Good Citizen Award from the DAR in 2005, was 2nd runner-up in the 2005 Miss Friona contest, and stays busy with activities at Calvary Baptist Church. Her mom is Donice Jones.

The Boy Student of the Year is Kelby Monroe. He is described as intelligent, polite, respectful, and with a tenacious work ethic. He is consistently elected to positions of leadership in the student council, FFA, American Legion, Texas Farm Bureau, and in Service Learning projects.

He is active in the Ag in the Classroom program, has presented ag programs to various civic clubs and Friona junior high biology classes, and provided support to special needs students who were raising animals.

Kelby has been a member of the basketball team and baseball team for four years, has run cross country, and attended American Legion Boys State in Austin. He is

servng as senior class president, achieved his Lone Star Farmer degree this year, and is vice-president of the Friona United Methodist Church youth group. His parents are Alan and Leigh Monroe.

The 2006 Citizen of the Year is Teddy Jones. As a high school student in Iowa Park, Texas, her teachers praised her writing and she considered a career as a writer.

She earned two college degrees in nursing and a PhD in education. She became a teacher of nurses, was founding dean of the new School of Nursing at Texas Tech University Health Science Center, became a Family Nurse Practitioner, and learned a lot about people.

Her years in Lubbock piqued her interest in farm and ranch life. Focusing on rural health promotion she became a columnist for The Farmer Stockman, writing a column titled "In the Middle of it All". Teddy is currently president of Friends of the Library and on the Centennial Endowment Committee. She has written grants for the City of Friona and the library. She is married to Jim Bob Jones.

Tammy Gammon was chosen the 2006 Teacher of the Year. Tammy is described as a caring teacher who goes way above and beyond to help people of all ages. She has a true gift for teaching. Her students go to her for advice and her goal is to make her classes interesting and fun.

Her classes have been known to launch pumpkins from catapults, make styrofoam and silly putty, and donate bath ponchos to Prairie Acres. She earned her college degree in chemical engineering, a field she worked in until starting a family.

Tammy is a member of the 6th Street Church of Christ. She is always checking on people and has a red velvet cake in the freezer in case someone needs it. She currently teaches math at Friona High School, changing to math this year after many years of teaching science. She and her husband Mark are parents of Heath and Matt.

For Chamber banquet pictures, please see page 9.

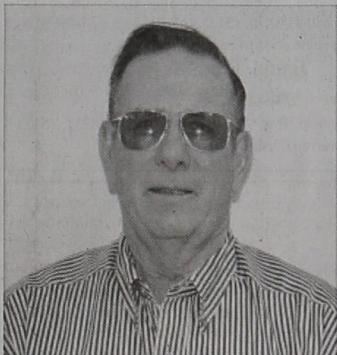


Lt. Jerry Redding

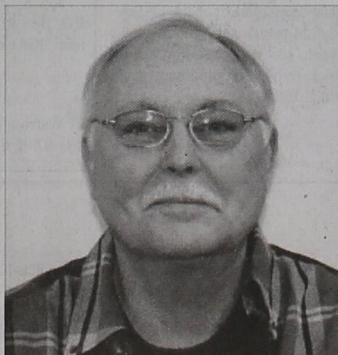
New lieutenant at Friona PD

Friona police chief Tino Salaniz has announced the hiring of Jerry Redding as the new lieutenant in the Friona Police Department.

Lt. Redding, a 14-year law enforcement veteran, moves to Friona from Floydada. He is a Central Texas native of the Hico and Hamilton areas. Lt. Redding will be second-in-command at the six-officer department.



James Clayton



Larry Hodnett

Clayton, Hodnett in runoff for Precinct 2 commissioner

In the only contested race in the county on Tuesday's Republican primary ballot, the Precinct 2 commissioner position, James Clayton received 41.60% and Larry Hodnett received 28.67% of the vote. Since none of the four candidates received

more than 50% of the vote, County Clerk Colleen Stover said there will be a runoff election set for April 11, 2006.

Of the other two candidates, Ben Osborn received 24.12% and Galen Carson got 5.59% of votes cast. Houston Bartlett,

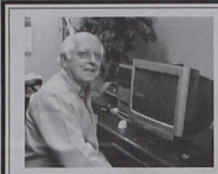
the lone commissioner candidate on the Democrat ballot, will challenge either Hodnett or Clayton in the November general election. The term of a county commissioner is four years.

Congratulations



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Bovina's Deanna Curtis and Andy Garza were honored at the Bovina Chamber of Commerce banquet as the 2006 Man and Woman of the Year. More pictures and banquet story on page 11.



OUT HERE

by Ron Carr

voter fraud? not here

Valton Howard won in a landslide.

Were you one of the 606 people that voted in Parmer County Tuesday? According to records in the county tax assessor's office there are 4,915 registered voters in Parmer County. So Tuesday about 12% of you voted. That is not very many. As near as I can tell, of the 606 that voted, about 50 voted Democrat.

At least they can't accuse us of voter fraud here in Parmer County. We don't have enough voters to make a good fraud.

Primary elections don't get much attention anyway. Nobody that was voted for will take office. All they get is a chance to run again in November. Let me repeat this once again: regardless of which party you chose Tuesday you can vote for any candidate on the ballot come November. You can vote half and half or any other combination.

Like most everybody else in the county I voted on the Republican side Tuesday. I enjoy voting with Elizabeth McLellan's crew at Calvary Baptist. That's my precinct and they are a bunch of friendly, sweet ladies that work the election.

When you go in they have a Democrat table and a Republican table. It is a

tough decision because the ladies at both tables are just as nice as they can be and I hate to pick one table over the other. But they were cheerful no matter which table you chose.

Nevertheless, I chose the Republican ballot, mainly because I really wanted to vote for Elizabeth Ames Jones for Railroad Commissioner. I think she will make a really great Railroad Commissioner don't you? She was running against Buck Werner and I don't think a politician named Buck can be trusted, much less run the railroads.

I had a tough time deciding between Pat Pirtle and Walt Weaver in the race for Appeals Court Justice District 7 Place 3. Walt won Parmer County with 57.25% of the vote. He got 229 and Pat Pirtle had 171. Can someone tell me if Pat Pirtle is a man or a woman? I have no idea and do not recall which one I voted for. I'll bet you don't either.

I'm being silly of course.

It is time we citizens rise up and demand that we stop being required to vote for judges. None of us know anything about the judges and a judgeship is too important to be left up to uninformed voters. Judges should be appointed by the legislature, like the big boys in Washington do.

The exception would be local judges like county judge and district judge. We know those folks. They live among us and should be accountable to us. But who among us know anything at all about appeals court judges and supreme court justices? I don't and I never feel qualified to vote for them.

I am of the opinion that many voters stay away from the polls because they are confusing and they don't know the candidates. It is time for change in the electoral process. I can hardly wait until the November elections. At least we will have a choice between a Kinky cowboy singer and a tough grandma who will be running

against Governor Goodhair.

In November here in the county, either James Clayton or Larry Hodnett will square off against Houston Bartlett for Precinct 2 county commissioner. Incumbent Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace Vi Hutto will face challenger Gaylon Rhodes, incumbent County Judge Bonnie Heald will oppose challenger Jody Lewellen, and Valton Howard should win by another landslide.

The main reason Mr. Howard won by a landslide is because nobody ran against him. Judge Howard is the current Justice of the Peace of Precinct 1 in Friona. His office is about a half-block from the Friona Star. If we can keep him from falling out of trees or wrecking his motorcycle again, he shouldn't have any trouble winning the November election since nobody will be running against him then either.

I love elections. God Bless America.

Stuff!

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"I used to have a handle on life ... but it broke!"

Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture's Women's Division presents their annual

SPRING

Luncheon
Saturday, April 8,
2006
Watch the Friona Star for more details.

Valuable crop insurance decision tool available

BY DR. JOHN R.C. ROBINSON

In most parts of Texas, cotton growers have already signed up for some form of crop insurance. In North and West Texas, growers have until March 15 to finalize this decision.

Having done so, dryland cotton growers may now face an important choice: They can either plant in very dry soil conditions, applying recommended practices, and see if the crop even comes up. Assuming it does not, they will collect the maximum on their

crop insurance under the terms of a "failed crop". The other decision is to not plant at all and file a claim of "prevented planting" which provides a percentage of their crop insurance coverage.

The default prevented planting percentage is 50%, although North and West Texas growers still have the opportunity to "buy up" this percentage prior to their sales closing date of March 15. The choice of to plant or not will depend on variables their likely costs of

planting, their actual date of planting, and the projected insurance payment for failed acres. These will vary for individual farms, so growers need to pencil out the alternatives using values from their current crop insurance policies, expected planting costs, and average planting date.

My colleagues Dr. Larry Falconer and Dr. Luis Ribera have developed a handy downloadable Excel decision tool which can help evaluate this farm-specific choice. People

can go to this website: <http://agfacts.tamu.edu/~lfalconer/newweb/software.htm> and download this Excel tool.

Due to the complexity of crop insurance issues, growers faced with this decision should also a) check with their insurance agent, and b) check USDA Risk Management Agency regulations to clarify decision deadlines, re-plant requirements, and other issues.



Tumbleweed Smith Have podium, will travel

I really get excited when I'm asked to make a speech somewhere. Within a 5-week period from mid-January to mid-February I spoke in McCamey, Dayton, Burkburnett, Stonewall, Brenham and Fort Stockton. I've never had so many speeches this early in the year. In March I speak in Rankin, Colorado City, Midland, Sweetwater and Big Lake. Speaking is so much fun! I love to look at the audience and see all those smiles. Finding out some background on the communities where I speak is fascinating. McCamey used to have rattlesnake races. Somebody drew a big circle, put a bunch of snakes in the middle of it and the first one out of the circle was the winner.

McCamey was founded as an oil field town. It's named for the wildcatter who hit pay dirt in 1925. Now the sound of pump jacks is joined by the soft pulsating whirr of wind turbines on nearby Mesas, earning McCamey the title of wind energy capital of Texas.

Dayton is on the coastal plain, where the marshland meets

the tall trees and water, wildlife and woods combine to show off nature at its best, offering a paradise to people who love the outdoors. Residents of Burkburnett call their city Burk. It is named for Burk Burnett, the owner of the 4-6's Ranch, which had its first headquarters just outside of town. In 1918, Burkburnett had one of the biggest oil booms in Texas.

Of all the oil booms before and after this was the one to be documented and made legendary by Hollywood. The boom at Burk was the inspiration for the movie BOOM TOWN, starring two of the biggest stars to ever appear on the screen: Spencer Tracy and Clark Gable.

When I spoke at the Stonewall Chamber banquet, we stayed

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Thank you,

The Friona Chamber of Commerce says thanks to everyone involved in making our 2006 banquet a success.

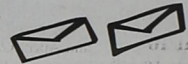
Special thanks to Patsy Allen and the FCCLA students who helped serve the meal, to the Friona Star for the publicity, to the Women's Division, Chamber Board, and Chamber members who volunteered their time to help setup, decorate, and coordinate the evening.

Thanks to Charlie Pope and his Cargill Meat Solutions crew for preparing the prime rib, thanks to Mayor John Taylor and the city officials and employees for their assistance before, during, and after the banquet.

Thanks to Chamber executive vice-president Chris Alexander and her assistant Betty Lamb for their hard work and dedication.

Congratulations to our 2006 citizen honorees. And the biggest thanks of all to each and every one that attended the banquet. We appreciate your support.

Danny Campbell, Chamber president
and the Chamber Board of Directors



Windbreak tree sales end next week

The Parmer County Soil and Water District reminds everyone that windbreak tree sales end next week. They will take orders until noon Wednesday, March 15.

For more information or to order contact Cassandra Smallwood at the SWCD office in Farwell.

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Around Town

To get your area events published, call 250-2211 or email frionastar@wtrt.net

Single dances in Amarillo

Area Single dances are back in Amarillo. The next dance will be held March 11, 2006 at the EpiCenter at Hillside and Sony from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. For more information call the Association for Single Christian Fellowship 806-378-8328.

Valor scholarship deadline Mar 15

VALOR Telecom is reminding West Texas customers that the application deadline for the *Community Leader Scholarship* program, which recognizes area high school seniors for volunteerism and academic achievements, is Wednesday, March 15, 2006.

This year, VALOR will award \$1,000 scholarships to as many as 12 students living in communities served by the company. Qualified applicants must be high school seniors who demonstrate strong community leadership through volunteerism and civic involvement. They must also plan to enroll in an accredited two- or four-year college, university or vocational school, and must have maintained a grade point average of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale). Applications need to be postmarked by March 15, 2006. Scholarship recipients will be announced in April 2006.

For more information or to receive an application, visit www.valortelecom.com and click on the *Community Connection* tab.

Historical Commission will meet March 16

The Parmer County Historical Commission will meet Thursday, March 16, 2006 at 2 p.m. at the County Commissioners' room at the court house in Farwell. Meetings are open and anyone is welcome to attend.

Mar 16 Centennial postmark reminder

Don't forget the Centennial Postmark! Mark your calendars. A reception is planned for the Centennial Cancellation Stamp and the 99th Anniversary of the Post Office on Thursday, March

16, 2006 from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Post Office. Mail may be presented for cancellation with the Centennial Stamp all day, March 16, during regular business hours 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The stamp will continue to be available for non-postal services for one month or until April 16, 2006.

CCC to offer ESL classes

The Center for Student Success at Clovis Community College will sponsor English as a Second Language (ESL) classes in St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina, Texas. The classes will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The Church is located at 401 3rd Street. The classes are FREE and will start on Tuesday, March 7, 2006. For more information you can contact Annette Maldonado at 507-769-4084.

El "Center for Student Success" en "Clovis Community College" estara auspiciando clases de Ingles en la Iglesia Catolica de St. Ann en Bovina, Texas. Las clases seran los Martes y Jueves do 7 p.m. a 9 p.m. La Iglesia está localizada en el 401 de la calle 3. Las clases son GRATIS y comienzan el Martes, 7 de marzo de 2006. Para mas informacion se pueda comunicar con Annette Maldonado al 505-769-4084.

CASA volunteer training dates set

Great Plains CASA for Kids, the local Court Appointed Special Advocates organization, will hold volunteer training in March and April. CASA volunteers advocate on behalf of kids who have been removed from their home and placed in the care of the state due to alleged abuse or neglect. Often CASAs are referred to as the eyes and ears of the court.

The volunteer training will consist of 20 hours of in-class training and 10 hours of independent study. There will be four training sessions that be-

gin Friday, March 24 at 5:30 p.m., continuing on March 25 and April 21-22. For more information contact Elizabeth Holguin or Jackie Francis at 363-1211.

Breast cancer screening Mar 20

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a Breast Cancer Screening Clinic at Parmer County Hospital, 1307 Cleveland Ave., in Friona on March 20, 2006.

Breast cancer affects one in eight women. The key to winning the battle against cancer is early detection by having an annual breast exam, mammogram and performing a breast self-exam each month.

Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are done by appointment only.

Call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

Chieftain band boosters to meet

The Chieftain band boosters will meet Tuesday, March 21, 2006 at 7 p.m. in the Friona High School band hall to discuss the upcoming band trip and the state qualifier trip. All Chieftain band parents are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Cowboy poetry breakfast Sat.

A cowboy poetry breakfast will be held Saturday, March 11, at the Big Texan in Amarillo starting at 8:30 a.m. Charolyn Gouley and her 5-year-old granddaughter Cammie will perform. The cowboy breakfast costs \$6.50 and includes scrambled eggs, pan-fried potatoes, bacon or sausage, biscuits, gravy, waffles, burritos, rolls, and fruit. For more information call Marianne Logan at 374-4354.



Lions Club News

BY RON CARR, PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN



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Boss Lion Clint Mears, left, welcomed Bob Naylor and Bill Dufur to the last meeting. The two gave a program about our U.S. National Parks. Noon Lions meet the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at noon at the clubhouse at 9th and Pierce in Friona.

The Friona Noon Lions met Thursday, March 2, with 13 members and 3 guests present. Club sweetheart Breann Barnett, Bill Dufur and Bob Naylor were guests. Breann is a senior at FHS and told us she has been accepted to attend WT A&M in Canyon next year.

Boss Lion Clint Mears announced the official Lions mop and broom sale will be held May 18 at the city park. The club will also cook burgers and fries in Canyon May 5-6 in conjunction with a Lions district meeting.

The program, presented by Mr. Dufur and Mr. Naylor, was about our National Parks. Naylor is a retired Park Ranger and Dufur, a resident of Hereford, has visited all the U. S. Na-

tional Parks. He gave an interesting talk and slide show about the Capulin Volcano National Park near Clayton, New Mexico.

He gives a program the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Hereford Senior Citizen Center on a different national park. The

program is from 9:30-11 a.m. and the public is invited. Admission is free. The Hereford Center is at 426 Ranger Street.

The next meeting of the Noon Lions is Thursday, March 16. Visitors and prospective new members are always welcome.

Texas Tech grads and honor rolls

Nathan King, son of Dee and Cindy King, has graduated from Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Science degree in agricultural and applied economics. He graduated in the 2005 fall semester.

The Texas Tech fall semester honor roll includes Andy Carthel and Holley Hand, both juniors at Tech, on the President's List, and Frank Dominguez III, a senior, on the Dean's List. Carthel is majoring in agricultural and applied economics, Hand is majoring in marketing, and Dominguez is a business administration major.



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FlashBacks

75 Years Ago

March 20, 1931

Friona-Maurer's Ready-to-Wear is the only store of its kind in the Friona trade territory. This is a modern store, with fixtures and furnishings, which are attractive to the eye of visitors. They carry a complete line of ladies' dresses, coats, hats, shoes, stockings, lingerie, and accessories. They also have a men's department. In addition to the ready-to-wear, Mr. Maurer operates the Maurer Machinery Company, dealers in Rock Island and Minneapolis-Moline tractors and farm machinery.

70 Years Ago

March 20, 1936

Friona—On Sunday night as F.A. Spring and Dan Ethridge were returning to Friona from Lubbock, they were met in the neighborhood of Jesko School by the severe dust storm, which swept over this locality that night. The dense wall of dust came upon them so suddenly that before their car could be stopped, it had taken to the barbit. Spring walked about a mile until he came to a farmhouse and secured aid in getting the car back on the road. The group in the car waited at the farm home until the worst of the dust storm had passed.

55 Years Ago

March 22, 1951

Friona—Friona's crack farm skill demonstration team traveled over 700 miles carrying several pigs and a bale of hay to take first place in the Chapter Farmer division of the state leadership contests for the second straight year. Members of the team were Keith Brock, M.C. Osborn, J. Vonne Fuiks, Ralph Reed, and Jack Redfeam.

35 Years Ago

March 18, 1971

Friona—Jayn Massie, previously honored as an all-district performer and an all-star selection from the Panhandle, was chosen "Guard of the Year" by the Amarillo Globe-News this week. Also honored was Coach F.G. Crofford, the honorable selection for "Coach of the Year" in the girl's rank.

25 Years Ago

March 22, 1981

Friona—The Friona area was still "picking up" late in the week from a severe wind and dust storm on Tuesday, March 17. The area's first duster of 1981 brought winds, which were clocked at 85-90 miles per hour in area.

15 Years Ago

March 30, 1991

Friona—Benny Pryor and Peggy Monroe were honored as Man and Woman of Year by the Friona Chamber of Commerce. Gayle Murdock was chosen Teacher of the Year, and Peggy Stowers as Most Courteous Employee at the 1991 banquet on Monday.

DID YOU KNOW?

Frio Draw rises in eastern Curry County, N.M. near the Texas state line and runs east-northeast for 50 miles through northern Parmer, northwestern Castro, and southeastern Deaf Smith Counties of Texas and reaches its mouth on Tierra Blanca Creek. Never a perennial stream, it is subject to flash floods that have occasionally caused damage, particularly in Parmer County just south of downtown Friona.

Handbook of Texas Online

Sheriff's Report

The following is reported weekly by Sheriff Randy Geries office:

February 28, 2006, Clicerio Garcia Medrano, 71, of Bovina, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with public intoxication, posted bond to appear before Justice of the Peace.

February 28, 2006, Jerome Marroquin, 31, Amarillo, Texas, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with a Moore County warrant, paid fine and released.

February 28, 2006, Carlos Garcia, 18, of Bovina, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with driving while intoxicated, fine, court costs, and 10 days in jail.

March 3, 2006, Nancy Castaneda, 27, of Friona, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with theft by check, pending County Court.

March 3, 2006, Robert Martin, 44, of Calvert City, Kentucky, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with driving while intoxicated 2nd, pending County Court.

March 5, 2006, Martin Mendoza, 47, of Friona, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with driving while intoxicated 2nd, pending County Court.

Welfare report

A Friona Methodist Church email says Ronnie McLellan is home now. Ronnie was in a semi-truck accident in Amarillo a few weeks back.

Chance Field, nephew of Jon and Laura Field, is still in critical but stable condition. Laura says his parents met with a team of doctors who advised he will continue to improve but his legs will be paralyzed. Chance was in a car accident in California.

George Frye had a tussle with a cow Monday and the cow won. George was kicked in the knee while sorting cattle and suffered broken bones in the kneecap. He is in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo for surgery and family says he will need a knee replacement.

Jennifer Gonzales says her husband Jim is now in rehab at a Dallas hospital and will be there for several months. Jim suffered head and other injuries in a fall through the roof at the maintenance shop at Friona Feedyard several weeks ago.

E. G. Phipps is back home and doing well after surgery at Northwest Hospital on his carotid artery. His daughter Tricia Phipps reports he is back home in his chair and doing well. Tricia's son Boone, who lives in Austin, is also on the road to recovery after a four-month illness. He has regained 26-pounds she said, about half of what he lost during his illness.

We will publish welfare concerns and updates as they are reported to us. If you have welfare concerns to share give us a call at 250-2211 or email frionastar@wrt.net.

Amarillo Chamber to host legislative conference

The Amarillo Chamber of Commerce is hosting a West Texas Legislative Conference on Thursday, March 30, 2006 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. to be held in the First United Bank Center at West Texas A&M University located at 3301 4th Avenue in Canyon, Texas.

The conference will begin at 8 a.m. with a continental breakfast followed by guest legislators including Senator Kel Seliger, Secretary of the State Roger Williams, Representative John Smithee, Rep-

resentative Warren Chisum and Representative David Swinford addressing education topics including the financing of public education in the state of Texas. Lunch will be provided. The cost for the conference and luncheon is \$50.

The conference will feature Luncheon Speaker John Sharp, former Texas comptroller, who currently heads the Texas Tax Reform Commission or Blue Ribbon Task Force, a bipartisan group of 24 Texans appointed by Governor Rick Perry



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Employee of the Month at Parmer County Community Hospital is Linda Jarnigan. Hospital administrator Lance Gatlin says Linda had several nominations, each one giving specific examples of how she has helped patients, other employees and the hospital in general. Gatlin said her willingness to help out in a time of urgent need is an example of the teamwork, cooperation and sacrifice that is appreciated by all.

Friona Fire Department News

By DARRELL BARLOW, Reporter

The Fire Department has been out on several grass fires along Highway 60 and other areas. The fires may have been started by someone throwing out cigarettes along the highways. Please use your ashtrays to put out your cigarettes.

Several vehicle accidents have occurred and the Fire Department and EMS have responded to them.

The Fire Department is checking out foam units to add to our fire trucks. The foam will help on putting out fires with less water; it also works in CRP land where the grass is matted together.

Conditions are still in extreme fire danger so be careful when working outside with cutting torches and welding. Also be careful when burning trash in underground incinerators. Wet down the area with water before burning.

This will be my last article for the Fire Department, as I am moving and will be retiring from the Fire Department. The Friona Volunteer Department is the best Fire Department in the Texas Panhandle. The men in the Fire Department are the best because they work together so well and have respect for each other. I will miss the Fire Department and Friona.

—Reporter Darrell Barlow

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LIBRARY CORNER

by Darla Bracken

The Friends Book Shoppe had a very successful open house and first month of operation. It will be open again this month on Wednesday, March 8 from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Thursday, March 23 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. We appreciate all of you who have supported this endeavor in any way.

We have received many quality donations and the Book Shoppe looks very nice!

We are fortunate to have people who share their books. We have a lot of in-kind donations that we are able to use on our shelves and our library is always first in line for the donations. We then channel most of the remainder to the Book Sale. Donations have also been shared with the Veteran's Hospital in Amarillo, Beginning and/or very small libraries in the Panhandle, our outlets at Heritage Estates, Friona EMS, Parmer County Hospital, recently Blue Star Mothers for troops in Iraq and elsewhere and Friona Senior Citizens. We also shared a large donation of children's books with victims of Hurricane Katrina.

Proceeds from the Book Shoppe will go to Friends of the Library Endowment Fund.

New Arrivals on the bookshelf: *Brush Country* by Elmer Kelton; *Cell* by Stephen King; *Light from Heaven* by Jan Karon-LP, CD, Cassette; *Mad River Road* by Joy Fielding; *Pale Horseman* by Bernard Cornwell; *Redemption-Rejoice-Return-Reunion* by Karen Kingsbury; *Sea Change* by Robert Parker; *World is Flat* by Thomas Friedman; *More Than Friends* by Barbara Delinsky; *Last Dance* by John Feinstein; *All Night Long* by Jayne Ann Krentz; *Nothing but Trouble* by Michael McGarrity; *Hostage* by WEB Griffin; *Orbit* by John Nance; *Red* by Ted Dekker and *5th Horseman* by James Patterson.

Memorial donations have been made by: Cass Perkins, Rex Brackens, Gene Zacharys, Wesley Barnett, Fay Reeve, Pam Ellis (Fletcher, NC), D.C. Herrings and Lewis Gores to ZORA GAEDE; Allen Stewarts, Cass Perkins, Joe Burks, Jim Bob Jones, Clydie Black, JeDon Gallmans, Joe Talley, Harold Taylors, Fay Reeve, Billy Joe Mercers, Rex Brackens, Tom Jarboes, Iona Renner, James Murphrees, Marca Herring, Friona Cemetery Association, Baker Duggins, Johnson Family Los Alamos, NM, Mickey Griffins, Gary Renners, W.S. Grahams, Joy Morton to ROY V. MILLER, SR; Jim Bob Jones, Hub Ladies Club, Gary Renners, Joy Morton, Friona Wheat Growers to DUB INGRAM; Kenneth Fords, Wessie Hand to KELLY JONES; Kenneth Fords to LAWRENCE COOPER; Eddie Halls to DORIS MATNEY; Jim Bob Jones to MAC WHANCOCK, JR.; Jim Bob Jones to LOIS ANN JOHNSON; Cass Perkins to GRACE MILLER; Butch Barkers, Gary Renners, Joy Morton, Cass Perkins, to EDITH JOHNSON; Anne Spring, Cass Perkins to WANDA HART; Fay Reeve to GRACE WHITEFIELD; Joy Morton to JOHN BACA; Cass Perkins to BRUCE PARR; and Cass Perkins to MARTHA CLEMENTS.



Friona Country Club Golf Special

Through April 15, all Friona residents can play golf at Friona Country Club!

Green fee \$12
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The country club is closed on Mondays!
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Meet the Class of 2018

Jade is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. His parents are Richard & Jennifer Collier. He has four brothers, Jared, Justin, Brandon, Brian.

Jade likes playing outside. His favorite food is pizza and his favorite color is red.

Jade Collier

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YOUR EYES

Eyelid Bumps

Have you ever thought about the valuable function your eyelids serve? Not only do they help to circulate tears and keep the eye moist, but they shield it from excess light and injury. Your eyelids can develop a number of problems requiring attention, though.

One of the more common eyelid "bumps" is the sty. This is sometimes painful, but is simply an infected oil gland within the lid. It's related to the chalazion. These generally stay around much longer, but are painless. Your doctor can tell the difference between the two and start appropriate treatment.

Cysts are also a rather common cause of lesions on the eyelids. Most all of them are caused by a blockage of the "drainage duct" for the eyelid glands. They're not likely to develop into anything serious. Unfortunately, the eyelid can also develop tumors. As you may have guessed, you must take these seriously as they may be malignant. The best advice is to see your eye doctor for any suspicious growth on your eyelids. Early treatment is always best.

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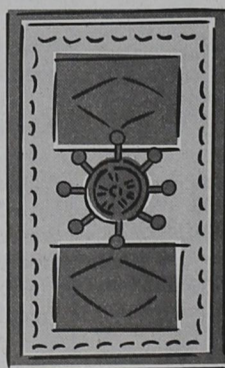
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BASKETBALL

Chieftain Relays draw huge crowd to Friona

BY RON CARR

If you drove along 7th St. past Friona High School last Friday afternoon or all day Saturday maybe you noticed there was no place to park. From Grand to Etta, 7th St. was a solid line of yellow school buses, all bringing lots of student athletes and coaches to town for the annual Chieftain Relays track meet.

Friona Athletic Director and Head Coach Bob Ferguson and his staff coordinated the 7th grade through varsity track competition. Estimates were that more than 1,500 people were in town to participate. A group of volunteers, mostly parents and grandparents and friends, served as timers, judges, runners, gophers, and concession stand workers during the two-day event.

Ricky Barnett, Dennis Field, and Kirk Frye kept two huge grills going. They grilled 1,500 hamburgers and cooked sausage until the supply ran out about mid-afternoon Saturday. Nachos, chili pie, candy, soft drinks and water were big sellers also. Workers finally sold out and closed the concession stand late Saturday.

The school cafeteria served as a hospitality lounge for visiting coaches. The local coaching staff hosts provided 300 breakfast burritos Saturday morning and ordered 50 pizzas from Fast Stop for lunch Saturday. In addition, visiting buses could be seen at many of the local restaurants during the weekend.

It is a big showcase and economic opportunity for the city and the school. Here is a pat on the back for the many people involved in another successful Chieftain Relay event.

Here is a summary of the results and how the local athletes fared during the meet:

In team rankings the 7th grade girls finished 8th. Dalhart 7th grade won 1st place; 8th grade girls were 5th, Bushland was 1st; 7th grade boys were 2nd behind Dalhart; 8th grade boys were 10th, Bushland 8th boys were 1st.

The varsity girls finished in 7th place, Dalhart varsity girls were 1st; Friona JV boys were 8th, Clovis was 1st; and the Friona varsity boys had a 2nd place finish behind Boys Ranch.

For the varsity girls: 200m dash, Anayeli Ramos 5th 28.58; 1600m run Jordan Monroe 4th 6:25.02; 100m hurdles Erica Davila 4th 17.08 and Miranda Frye, 6th, 19:58; 300m hurdles Erica Davila 4th 50.07; 800m relay Breanne Barnett, Beth Nava, Darcy Daniel, Heather Sandoval 4th 2:01.86; high jump Miranda Frye 4th 4'06"; Kambree Davila 5th 4'04"; Darcy Daniel 6th 4'04"; pole vault Molly Carthel 4th 7'00"; shot put Briar Barnett 5th 29'00"; discus Briar Barnett 4th 91'04".

For the varsity boys: 100m dash Juan Reyes 1st 10.52, Eddie Ortiz 2nd 11.20; 400m dash Ryan Geries 6th 56.58; 110m hurdles Phillip Saiz 6th 17.92; 300m hurdles Phillip Saiz 1st 43.18; 400m relay Eddie Ortiz, Aminidab Alviridez, Javier Sanchez, Andrew Aguirre 4th 46.49; high jump Ryan Schwab 6th 5'06"; pole vault Antonio

Monreal 4th 11'00"; long jump Juan Reyes 1st 22'02"; Ryan Schwab 3rd 20'03"; triple jump Ryan Schwab 1st 38'11"; discus Dillon Welch 1st 137'08"; Stephen Campbell 3rd 120'07"; Chris Haile 4th 108'09".

JV boys: 100m dash Josh Jameson 3rd 12.27, Eric Martinez 6th 12.49.

For the 7th girls: 400m dash Karina Trevino 5th 1:16.52; 1600m run Elizabeth Trevino 4th 6:39.36; 100m hurdles Regan Anthony 2nd 18.68; 1600m relay Elizabeth Trevino, Regan Anthony, Caitlin Bronniman, Karina Trevino 4th 4:59.83; high jump Regan Anthony 4th 4'00"; shot put Brittany Herbert 6th 24'04.5"; discus Julie Wiseman 3rd 53'08".

8th grade girls: 200m dash Anyuli Lopez 5th 29.87; 400m relay Yesenia Rojas, Monica Dominguez, Diana Bolivar, Anyuli Lopez 3rd 56.83; 800m relay Yesenia Rojas, Monica Dominguez, Diana Bolivar, Sasha Estrada 3rd 2:03.58; 1600m relay Yesenia Rojas, Monica Dominguez, Diana Bolivar, Anyuli Lopez 6th 4:52.49; high jump Taryn Jamerson 3rd 4'02";

triple jump Lacey Lookingbill 5th 26'02"; shot put Diana Bolivar 2nd 28'04"; discus Diana Bolivar 2nd 76'02".

For the 7th grade boys: 100m dash Michael Chico 3rd 13:18; 200m dash Michael Chico 3rd 27:40; 400m dash Michael Chico 6th 1:06; 110m hurdles Kirby Frye 3rd 21.11; 300m hurdles Duncan Welch 1st 51.68, Kirby Frye 3rd 53.81, Devin Brown, 6th 55.71; 400m relay Devin Brown, Chris Garcia, Zack Fair, Ernesto Monreal 4th 54.71; 1600m relay Ernesto Monreal, Duncan Welch, Nicolas Ortiz, Chris Garcia 2nd 4:25.41; high jump Duncan Welch 5th 4'10"; pole vault Devin Brown 2nd, 6'06"; shot put Kirby Frye 1st 35'03"; Clayton Smiley 5th 32'06"; discus Duncan Welch 5th 96'00".

8th grade boys: 400m dash Jesus Sarabia 6th 1:07.11; 110m hurdles David Schwab 6th 22.62; 300m hurdles Alex Ferguson 4th 52.61; 400m relay Matthew Stanberry, Stetson Reed, Steven Mendoza, Oscar Reyes 4th 51.86; shot put Matthew Stanberry 6th 35'07".



Tolby Wilcox
6-2A all-defensive team



Hector Sanchez
6-2A all-district



Ryan Geries
6-2A all-district



Sawyer Reed
Newcomer of the Year
District 6-2A

Chiefs named to 6-2A basketball all-district

Chieftain sophomore Sawyer Reed was selected as district Newcomer-of-the-Year in 6-2A all-district basketball selections released this week. Reed led the Chiefs in scoring with 432 points in 31 games for a 13.9 points per game average, and led the Chiefs to the playoffs for the first time since 1974.

Junior Hector Sanchez and sophomore Ryan Geries were all-district first team selections. Junior Tolby Wilcox was chosen to the all-defensive team.

Cody Jamerson, Chance Lewellen, and Caleb Miller were honorable mention selections. Others on the 6-2A all-district team were Payte Beedy and Douglas Williams of Floydada as co-MVPs; Junior Limas, Omar Cantano, and Nick Ortiz of Dimmitt; Oscar Garza and Jacob Reedy of Floydada; Dahlen McCarter and Trevor Morris of Lockney; Daniel Subealdea of Tulia; and Tracey Deberry of Olton.

Final stats for the Chiefs showed Sanchez with 223 season points, Caleb Miller 207, Cody Jamerson 175, Ryan Geries 159, Chance Lewellen 100, Ryan Schwab 73, Hayden Patton 69, Tolby Wilcox 40, Sean Lookingbill 33, and Kelby Monroe 24.

Miller led the team in rebounds with a total of 118, Jamerson had 102, Reed 93, Geries 88, Sanchez 77, Lewellen 71, Schwab 58, Wilcox 54, Lookingbill 35, Patton 27, and Monroe 16. The Chiefs season record was 15-16.



ron carr photo

Leading the field in the varsity 100m dash, I-r, Eddie Ortiz, Juan Reyes and Javier Sanchez. Reyes went on to win the race with a time of 10.78.



Meet the Class of 2018

Caitlin is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. Her parents are Doug & Traci Carthel. She has a sister, Cailee.

Caitlin likes to read. Her favorite food is waffles and her favorite color is yellow.

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Please give us at least 48-72 hours notice when possible. Remember, Easter is just around the corner.

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Powerlifters off to state meet. Sabrina, left, and Stephanie Barber with powerlifting coach Jimmy Arias. The girls qualified for the state meet to be held in Killeen, Texas, on March 17. They both placed third at the regional powerlifting contest in Abilene.

AUCTION

Wednesday, March 15, 2006 Sale Time 9:37 A.M.

Located: Spade, Texas 1 mile north on F.M. Hwy. 168 then 3 1/4 miles east on CR 282 or from Abernathy, Texas 3 miles north on Interstate 27 then 13 miles west on F.M. Hwy. 54 then 4 miles north on CR A then 1/4 mile west on CR 282 (Spade, Texas is 10 miles east of Littlefield, Texas on FM Hwy 54)

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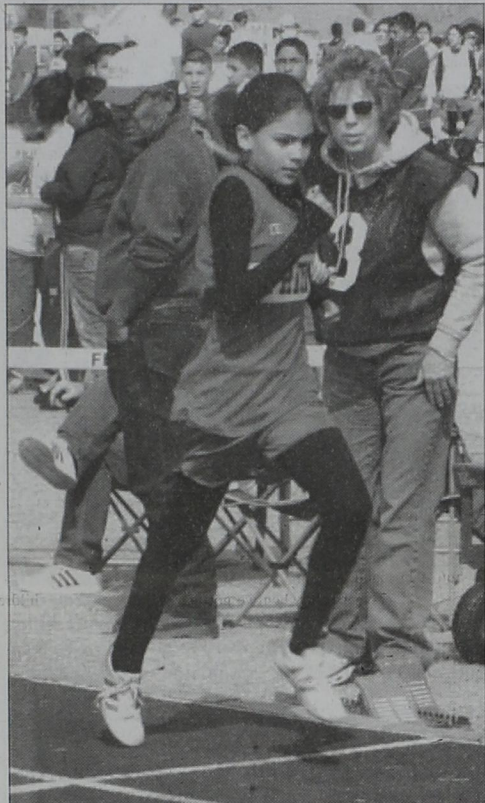
2006 Chieftain Relays



Erica Davila, left, and Miranda Frye compete in the 100m hurdles.



Friona junior high's Stetson Reed off the blocks in the relays.



Karina Trevino won her heat in the 800m run.



Eddie Ortiz runs a leg of the relays.



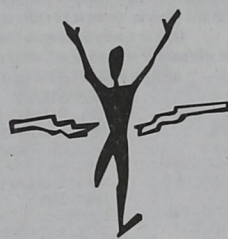
Dillon Welch won the discus competition.



Regan Anthony flies to the finish in the junior high hurdles.



Kirby Frye shows good form in the hurdles.



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Junior high runner J Gurley runs against the wind Saturday.

Thank you

Track workers, volunteers, concession workers, and fans. We would like to say thanks for your help at the Friona Relays. It's because of your dedication to our kids and to the sport of track that Friona has continued to host a track meet of this caliber. Once again, thanks.

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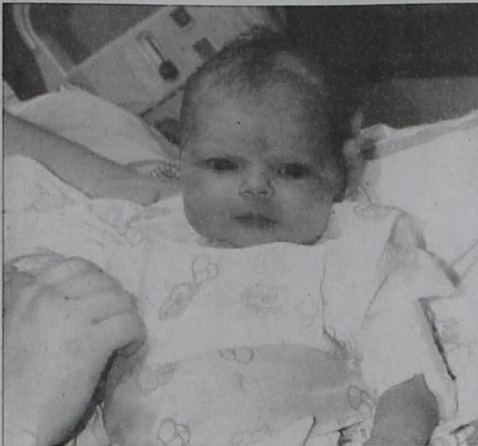
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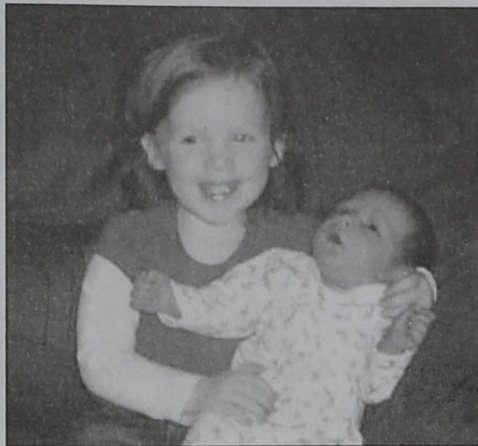


Eleanor Kathryn McEuen

Charles and Melodee McEuen, of Portales, New Mexico, are the proud parents of Eleanor Kathryn McEuen born January 31, 2006 at Plains Regional Medical Center in Clovis, New Mexico.

Eleanor weighed 8 lbs, 12 oz and was 20 1/2 inches long. Her proud grandparents are Mike and Betty Lamb of Friona, Texas, Bill and Karolyn Sailer of Clovis, and Mike and Chris McEuen of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Nathan Alexander Moore



Kaytlyn Nicole and Nathan Alexander Moore

Kaytlyn Nicole Moore, 2-years-old, is pleased to announce the birth of her new baby brother Nathan Alexander.

Nathan was born December 3, 2005 at 3:03 p.m. at Midland Memorial Hospital. He weighed 8 lbs, and was 20 inches long.

Jeremy T. and Jennifer L. Moore are his proud parents. His grandparents are Jesse W. and Janice Kay (McBroom) Moore, Layn Barry and Lynn Barry of Odessa, Texas.

Nathan's great grandparents are Freeman Moore and the late Louise Moore of Odessa, the late Ralph McBroom and the late Bulah Mae McBroom of Friona, the late Dr. Hubert Seale and Alva Seale of Littleton, Colorado and Lester and Marilyn Barry of Abilene, Texas.



Lela Mae George

My Life Story

By Lela Mae George

Every month, a resident of Prairie Acres Nursing Home or Friona Heritage Estates, writes a story about his/her life's history for the home's newsletter, "The Prairie Times", for printing in this issue. This month we feature Lela Mae George.

I was born May 1, 1916 in Crowell, Texas, to Clifton and Margaret White. I had a half brother, Harry Prior, and a sister, Ruby Alice White.

When I was two years old my parents divorced. Ruby and I went to Dalhart and lived with daddy.

Daddy worked as foreman for several of the larger cattle ranches, for a long time.

We went to school at Dalhart and Bunker Hill. We stayed with a lady that we called Granny Stanley. She would send us to school.

In the summer we would go to the ranch where daddy was working and help him with the chores. When we got older we stayed at the ranch and rode a horse part way to school. We would ride the horse 5 miles to the neighbors and then catch the bus, and that is where the bus would drop us off and we would ride the horse back home.

When it rained we weren't allowed to ride the horse because when it came to a creek the horse would drop and roll, saddle and all, so we would have to walk. We took turns riding behind the saddle.

Daddy bought a small place at Rosebud, New Mexico. We went to Nara Visa high school, where I graduated and met my future husband, Merlin.

I was 17-years-old when we got married. We had five children: Cleta Faye, Margaret Ann, Douglas Henry, David Merlin and Kathleen. I have 16 grandchildren.

When Kathleen was a junior in high school, I decided to take nursing classes at Amarillo College. I stayed with a lady during the week and went home on the weekends. I worked at St. Anthony's, where I got my certificate as an LVN.

I worked at Union General Hospital for many years. In 1976, Merlin and I bought a ranch and moved our cattle to Crane, Missouri. We raised Simmental cattle. We showed the cattle and even won at a few shows.

My first job there was at a hospital in Monnett, Missouri. I became the school nurse at Crane; I worked at the school for five years.

Merlin passed away in 1983. In 1994, I sold the cattle and the ranch and moved to Friona, Texas.

I stayed at home and didn't work. I got into painting and I loved it. I have taken lessons from several teachers. I became a member of the Friona Art Association

I live at Friona Heritage Estates now. This is a very nice place, even though it comes close, it is not home.

NEW ARRIVALS



PRAIRIE ACRES Nursing Home Resident of the Month is Martina Dominguez and Employee of the Month is Jennifer Baize.

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March 12, 2006-March 18, 2006

- Mar. 12-Justin Boyd, Lonnie Wilkerson, Amy Geries, Mindy Wilson, Justin Grimsley, Mike Mills, Dianne Hendricks, Berta Cooper, Elaine White Harmon, Susan Kerby, Alberta Shephard
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- Mar. 14-Jacob Osborn, Rudy Rios, Goldie Harrelson, Adabeth Smith
- Mar. 15-Randol Allen, Lucky Hernandez, Christian Alexander, Ricky Vera, Amber Martin Drake, John Rule, Moses Reyes, Gary Zerfas, Emily Fager, Misti Cooper
- Mar. 16-Kylie Boyd, Glenda Sifford, Wendell Jones, Parker Reeve Banfield, Amy Murphree, Seth Murphree, Gary Wright, Julie Reeve, Tommy Jones, Robert Tapia, Luke Steelman, Jack Patterson, Bill Gist
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| March 13—Erma Stowers | March 14—Kristy Grenko |
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- 1 Remington painting in Fort Worth's Amon Carter Museum: "A _____ for the Timber"
- 5 "Lady Bird" name: Claudia Taylor Johnson
- 6 TXism: "bone _____" (study)
- 7 TX Audie Murphy's "To Hell and _____"
- 8 TX fiddle master Robertson
- 9 Southlake Carroll athletes
- 16 Austin spring plant sale "Flora _____"
- 18 TXism: "still wet _____ ears"
- 21 TX Super Handyman Carrell
- 22 TXism: "plays his cards close to the _____"
- 23 TXism: "does a fat man sweat?" (abbr.)
- 24 Gib Lewis' hometown
- 30 TX Audie '59 film: "No _____ Bullet" summer cooler (abbr.)
- 35 TX Alan Bean walked _____
- 36 Galleria in Houston or Dallas in Parker Co. on farm road 2376
- 37 trees you'll find in TX High Plains region (2 wds.)
- 43 book: "Texas Goes _____"
- 44 sentence stopper? _____ Paso
- 45 TXism: "half _____" (title)
- 47 "believe _____"
- 49 cancel an order
- 52 2,000 lbs.
- 53 TX Roger Miller tune: "Dang _____"
- 54 loud metallic sound

DOWN

- 1 TXism: "mud _____" (wasp)
- 2 TX H.L. Hunt novel
- 3 Ozona newspaper (or cattleman)
- 4 TX singer Thompson
- 9 this TX Blocker was "Hoss" (init.)
- 10 Colt .45
- 11 TXism: "active as a fox in _____ house"
- 12 the central idea
- 13 TXism: "you can bet the farm _____"
- 14 in '70 UT beat this team to be nat'l champ (abbr.)
- 15 pig enclosure
- 17 San Antonio arena
- 19 "_____ shoulders above the rest"
- 20 social companion
- 24 TX Shelley Duvall's "Popeye" character (init.)
- 25 legendary TX pitcher Ryan (init.)
- 26 flightless bird
- 27 TXism: "mad enough _____ nails"
- 28 TXism: "useless as panty _____ a pig"
- 29 golf club (2 wds.)
- 31 Olympic TX runner Whitfield
- 32 UT grad Wallach
- 33 running off to wed
- 38 TV "Dallas" clan
- 40 Abilene's Dyess _____ Force Base
- 41 TX gov't. bldgs. are _____-smoking
- 42 TX Bush family has been involved in a mess of these _____
- 48 school book
- 50 TXism: "gave his pall bearers the _____" (recovered)
- 51 TXism: "he _____ strut sitting down"
- 56 TX Randy Quaid's _____ of the Starving Class
- 57 Homer epic poem

Baseball

Chiefs go 0-4 in baseball action

The Friona Chieftains are trying to find the winning combination as baseball season goes into full swing.

The boys competed in a tough Littlefield tournament last weekend. Against host Littlefield the Chiefs gave up 7 runs in the third inning in an otherwise close game to fall to the Wildcats 12-3 in five innings. Friona scored 3 runs on 5 hits and had 3 errors.

Against district rival Tulia, the Chiefs lost a 9-5 decision, on 6 hits and 3 errors. Cesar Prieto led hitters as he went 2 for 3. The Chiefs left 7 runners on base.

In a Saturday game with Slaton, the Tigers shut out the Chiefs and won 13-0. Friona did have 6 hits but committed 4 errors. Hayden Patton and Stephen Campbell each were 2 for 3 to lead Friona hitters.

On a long road trip, the Chieftains traveled to Sanford-Fritch Tuesday. Fritch won 9-3 as the Chiefs managed only 3 hits and hurt themselves with 8 errors. Next up will be a game here against West Texas High Friday March 10 at 4:30 p.m. On Friday March 17 the Chiefs will play Bovina at Bovina in a doubleheader at 4:30 p.m. District play opens March 21 as the Chiefs host the Dimmitt Bobcats.



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Chieftain catcher Trent Hudson snags a called strike in action against Sanford-Fritch Tuesday.



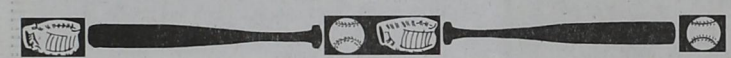
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Chieftain duo. Catcher Trent Hudson confers with pitcher Sean Lookingbill.



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Chieftain slugger Stephen Campbell waits on a pitch at Sanford-Fritch.



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100th Birthday Celebration Banquet



Patsy Allen visits with State Representative Warren Chisum



Chamber president Danny Campbell



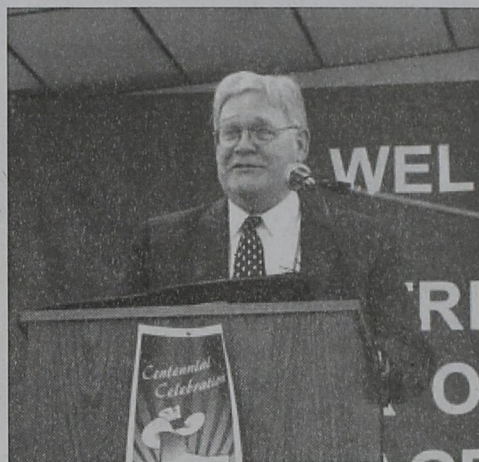
Kimberlee Jones & Kelby Monroe Students of the Year



Miss Friona Hollis Gurley entertained



Women's Division president Dana Jameson and outgoing president Lori Davila



Banquet speaker Sam Cartwright

Birthday Celebration!

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Little Miss Friona Sydney Frye



The Chamber of Commerce Women's Division did a great job decorating the community center for the banquet.



Patsy Allen, l-r, Hollis Gurley, Erin Austin, Daniel Aguilar, and Hector Sanchez, part of the FCCLA group that served the meal.



Teddy Jones, Citizen of the Year; Bobby Thompson, Employee of the Year; Tammy Gammon, Teacher of the Year.

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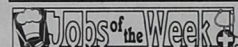
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Bovina unveils new motto at Chamber banquet

BY RON CARR

The annual Bovina Chamber of Commerce banquet was held Saturday, March 4. A capacity crowd enjoyed the steak and baked potato meal with cobbler and ice cream for dessert. Ed Henry and Eldon Reeb of Veterinary Industries in Friona cooked the steaks, which were donated by Cargill Cattle Feeders. Cafeteria cooks Rosalinda Garcia and Tina Uriegas prepared the rolls and salad and potatoes. Servers were Bovina high school student volunteers.

Other major contributors were Valor Telecom, Kenneth Waters, Tony Neal, the Bovina Fire Department, Marie and Elton Venable, Mike McCallum, and Tom George of Bailey Co. Electric.

Chamber president Mindy Neal-Widner presided over the evening which was themed The Wild Wild West. Many door prizes were given away and awards were presented to outstanding Bovina citizens. After the meal and awards the crowd adjourned to the school auditorium and were entertained by cowboy poets and singers Andy Wilkinson and Andy Hedges.

A highlight of the evening was the announcement of Bovina's official motto after a competition was held for local citizens to submit their ideas for a town motto. The selection, announced at the banquet, is "Home of Good Neighbors". The winning motto was submitted by Deanna Curtis who was also honored later as woman of the year.

The Man and Woman of the Year were Deanna Curtis and Andy Garza.

Her introduction said Deanna Curtis is always where the action is, helping with community projects and anyone that is in need. She has helped with Little Dribblers, Little League baseball, served on the Bovina EMS, helped organize the community-wide cleanup, planned and worked for the Festival on Cresto. She is an active member of the Bovina United Methodist Church and did the church bulletin last year.

When a friend's house burned recently the family lived with her for two months until other arrangements could be made. Deanna is married to David and has two sons, Jeremy and Justin.

Man of the year Andy Garza has been an active member of the community. He serves on the Bovina volunteer fire department, Economic Development Board, and is a member of the First Baptist Church. Andy is always willing to help out. He is involved in the 4th of July activities, helped with the baseball field, and helps the Lions Club put out flags.

Andy is a native Texan, born in 1933 in Pharr. He was married in 1952 in Idaho to Connie Jimenez. They moved to Bovina in 1960. Andy has worked for the city for 42 years. He and Connie have three children, eight grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Leticia Martinez was chosen Teacher of the Year. She is a graduate of Roswell Goddard High School and attended Eastern New Mexico University where she received both bachelor's and master's degrees in education. She began her teaching career at Clovis High School in 1974, retiring in 2001. She was named Hispanic Educator of the Year at Clovis in 1988. She came to Bovina in 2002 as a Spanish teacher.

Martinez and her husband Arnold ran a group home for troubled boys in Clovis from 1976 to 1990. Many troubled boys were given a second chance and became productive citizens through this program.

Her Bovina students have placed 1st and 2nd at the Spanish festival at ENMU the last two years. She and Arnold have been married 31 years. He is a retired juvenile probation officer in Clovis and teaches criminal justice at Clovis Community College.

They have three children: Phillip is an attorney in California, Felicia will graduate in June with a doctorate in English from Stanford, and Joseph is a junior at MIT studying neuroscience and chemistry and plans to attend medical school.

The Students of the Year are Michael Ortiz and Irma Rocha. Irma has lettered in band, basketball, participated in FCCLA, and student council. As a junior she lettered in track, basketball, and cross country, was on the A/B honor roll, in Honor Society, and volunteered for the food drive.

She was selected all-district in basketball in both her junior and senior years. Irma is the daughter of David and Irma Rocha.

Mike Ortiz has been active throughout his Bovina high school career. He has participated in football, baseball, basketball, track and golf. He has been a member of the student council and a class officer.

During his sophomore year he was named all-district defen-

sive back. As a junior and senior he was first string offense and defense, was All South Plains defensive back his senior year, was District 4-1A Offensive MVP in basketball, and has been all-district in baseball.

Mike has also volunteered at the nursing home, planted flowers around the school, and participated in the Spanish Festival at ENMU. He is the son of Noel and Susie Ortiz.

Earl and Norma Whitten were recipients of the 2006 Heritage Award. The Whittens have been active in Bovina during their 40-years as residents. Earl was Man of the Year in 1999, Norma was Woman of the Year in the 1970s. Both have been on the Bovina School Board, Earl for 9 years and Norma for 15. Earl

was on the city council for one term and Norma held all the offices in the Bovina Women's Study Club.

Both have supported the county livestock show for many years where Earl has purchased many animals. They have faithfully supported the Chamber and have been active through the years in church activities and furnishing food for every community need. The Whittens have one son, Bret, who is a veterinarian. He is married to Sherri Brown of Friona. They have two children Megan, 15, and Colby, 11.

Earl has been employed with Sherley Anderson for 40 years. Sherley Anderson has always been a supporter and an asset of the Bovina community.



Bovina Chamber president Mindy Neal-Widner was master of ceremonies.



J. T. Hammond looks pleased at the steak served by student volunteer Elizabeth Ortiz.



Michael Ortiz, Leticia Martinez, Irma Rocha Students and Teacher of the Year



Deanna Curtis & son Justin with the framed billboard of Bovina's new motto "Home of Good Neighbors". Curtis suggested the motto chosen for the city.

Celebrate!

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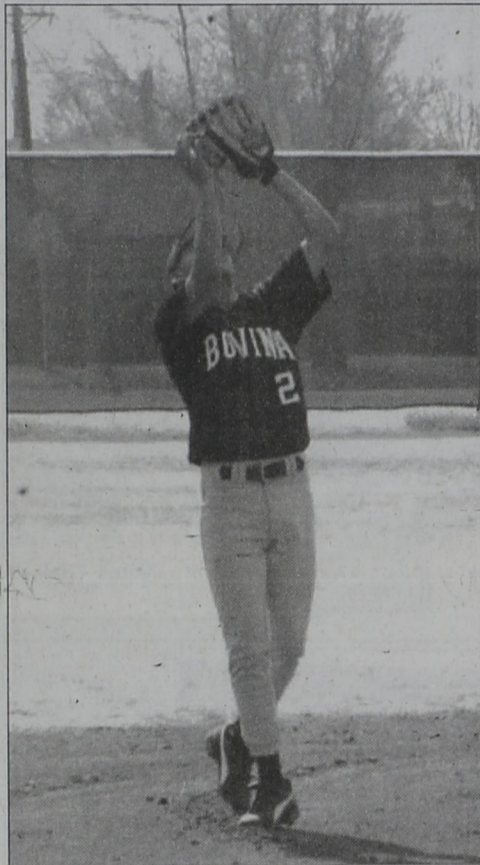
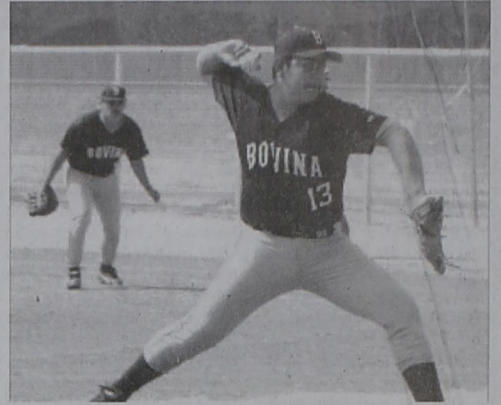
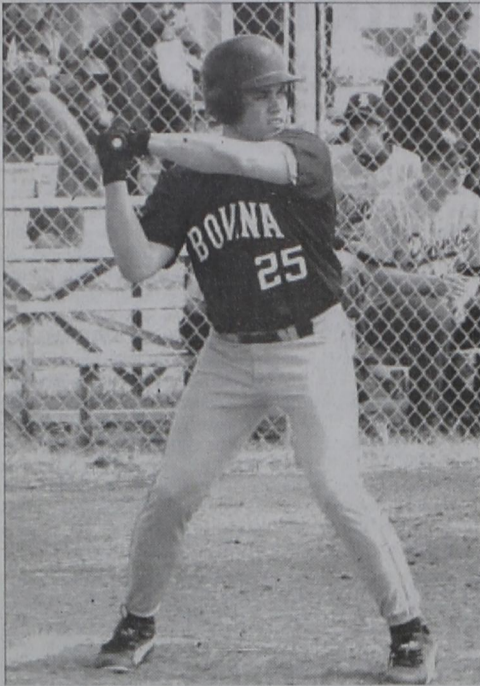
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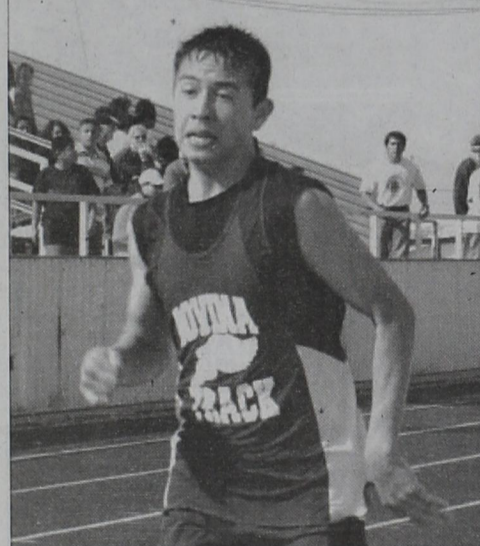
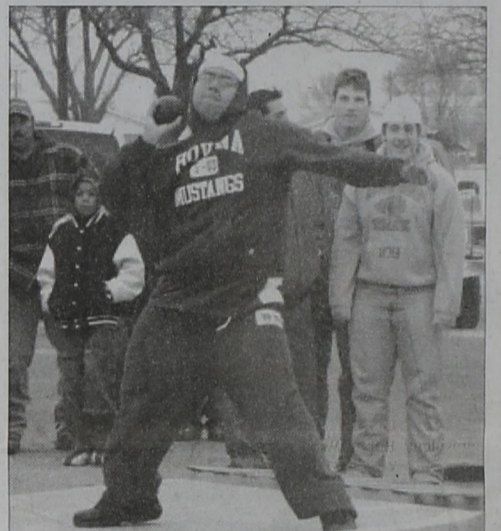
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April 8	Hale Center	Away	Noon
April 11	New Deal	Home	4:30 p.m.
April 14	Nazareth	Away	4:00 p.m.
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Parmer County Museum notes

A report from Wendy Carthel, Museum curator.

A board meeting is set for Tuesday March 14 at 6 p.m. at the museum. We would like to encourage anyone interested in supporting the many upcoming activities to attend. We are extremely excited with the progress being made.

Basement renovations will be complete May 1. All lighting has been installed. Because of county support the efforts of our kids, and their association with the Learn & Serve America Corp. and the Texas Center for Service Learning, the museum is well on its way to success. Phone service is being provided by WT Services and hopefully will be in place by May 1. The Hub Community has also made a generous contribution to the museum's future.

The Parmer County Museum in honor of National Museum Day will be having the 1st annual Living History Day Thursday, May 18, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. This event is open to the public and all Parmer County is invited.

Parmer County schools participating are Farwell, Bovina, Lazbuddie, and Friona. The Nazarene Christian Academy will be bringing second thru sixth grade. Events planned are knitting, branding, music, butter churning, a May pole, a school-room, and times will be schedules for oral histories to be shown.

Cowboy Ministries Chuck Wagon will be providing a lunch of a barbecue sandwich, potatoes, cobbler, and campfire coffee. This is going to be a very special time for the museum and Parmer County; we look forward to helping Friona celebrate our centennial.

Retired Teachers & School Personnel meeting report

The Parmer County Retired Teachers & School Personnel Association met on March 7 in the community room of the Friona State Bank. Jim Bob Swafford, noted artist and resident of Bovina, presented the program.

He described and illustrated his working procedure from the original concept of a painting through the various stages leading to the completion of the work. He also showed examples of his finished work.

The major item of business was election of officers for the coming year. They are Sharon White, president; Carolyn George, first vice-president; Sandra Randall, second vice-president; Bobby Wied, secretary; and Karen Renner, treasurer.

Sandra Randall gave a report on a project the organization previously had agreed to

undertake to supply books to every kindergarten and first grade student in the Friona and Bovina schools. She reported that the books are excellent and that they will be distributed to the students as soon as the shipment arrives.

The meeting adjourned to refreshments provided by Sarah Owen and Faye Reeve.

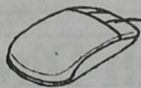


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Mrs. Tonda Clark's fifth grade Science classes met the challenge with a recent assignment. The classes were asked to design musical instruments for a special class project. The instruments reflect how sound is transmitted. Students have been studying a science unit about sound waves, pitch, vibration, etc. Mrs. Clark was very pleased with the quality of the instruments the students made. These clever instruments will be on display Thursday, March 9 at the Elementary Open House from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Pictured with Elementary Principal Becky Riethmayer and Tonda Clark are, l-r, Rowdee Rhodes, Brady Hansard, Darian Irons, and Diana Ortigoza.

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We need to be swift to hear

By T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

Someone has said that listening is the lost art of man. We don't listen, as we should. We don't know how or when to listen to one another. The problem of the hearer is not the fault of the speaker. This is especially true when it comes to listening to God. In view of the fact that God is the provider of all good things, we ought to be swift to hear what He has to say.

God has spoken to us from the beginning and he speaks to us today through His Son. (Hebrews 1:1-2) The message has been revealed to us, and we will be judged by how we hear and respond to it. (Eph. 3:3-5; John 12:48)

Acceptable hearers are those who are swift to listen, quick to consider and ready to obey. Read James 1:19.

What kind of hearer are you?
Think about it.

We would like to thank everyone who called, came by the hospital to visit or sent gifts and cards. But mostly we would like to thank everyone who said a prayer for Trent and ourselves. You touched our lives very much.

*Thank you,
Terry and Aprilie Hudson*

I need a Rocky Mountain high because I've reached a Barry Manilow

Rewritten from "When Did Caesar Become a Salad and Jeremiah a Bullfrog" by Martin Babb

Many of us probably have several events in our past that bring tears to our eyes whenever we are reminded of them. Mine include spending almost the entire decade of the 1980s looking for a Cabbage Patch doll, receiving the bill for my daughter's prom dress, failing to get either of my Chihuahuas to talk like the Taco Bell dog, and being convinced by my son to buy an aquarium.

We all have special movies that bring us to tears just by thinking about them. Some past favorites (depending on your age) might include *Casablanca*, *Lassie Come Home*, *Love Story*

and *Ghost*. I am glad one particular movie was never released: *Bambi and Old Yeller Board the Titanic*. My favorite tearjerker movies of all time are *Stripes*, *Animal House*, and *Blazing Saddles*.

Scientists have discovered that the ability to form tears is one of the many characteristics that separate us from animals. Other differences include humans being able to build up immunity to off-key solo renditions of "The Star Spangled Banner" and the ability of the human male to totally tune out the female while the female tells him about her day.

Scientists also believe tears were first noticed when one of the early descendants of Adam invented fire. (Although Adam

was continually on the hot seat, we do not believe he invented fire.) Of course, once people learned how to start a fire with sticks instead of their fingers, the tears went away...until wives discovered their husbands would rather burn their fingers than talk to them. Scientists do agree that tears are healthy and we all need an occasional cry. At our house we just listen to old Barry Manilow records.

Did you ever have one of those days when you felt like crying a river of tears? It is OK to cry...even for men. God created us as emotional people. No matter how big a river of tears we cry, He always provides a bridge to the other side. Whether we are from

Chicago, Kansas, Boston, or a Foreigner from Nazareth, God can revive us during our darkest and coldest nights.

As Christians, we may shed tears as we go through *Dire Straits*, open wrong *Doors*, or battle with *Temptations* on our *Journey*. We are not alone. Because of God, who composed the music of life and sent us the *Bread of Live*, we can sing with the *Byrds* and soar with the *Eagles*. If we are having a *Three Dog Night*, He can send us a *Creedence Clearwater Revival*. No matter how difficult the circumstances, our task is simple...believe in the *Son and Cher* His music.

Thank You

The family of David Caballero would like to express a debt of gratitude for all the acts of kindness, prayers, food, flowers and cards. We appreciate the generosity and support that has been shared with all of us. Thank you to all that came to his service, it meant so much to all the family.

Ramiro & Matilda Caballero

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Friona is a wonderful place to call home. It is a place where "caring" is a way of life. Edith not only taught others how to care, she provided that care to many, and then graciously accepted care from you. Thank you, to each one of you, for caring. We especially thank the staff at Prairie Acres and Parmer County Community Hospital for their compassionate care.

*Kay & Dave VanValkenburg & family
Joe Bob & Connie Johnson & family*

The family of Jimmy Gonzales would like to tell everyone in this great place to live and work "THANK YOU" for all of the kind words and prayers. Jim is now in Dallas for rehabilitation. Please continue to pray for us as we begin the long journey to recovery. God Bless each and every one of you.

*Jennifer, Jacob, Jodi, & Kayla
Brandi & Evan*

The family of Virginia Steele would like to send their heartfelt thanks to the dear friends and community members who expressed their sympathy with flowers, food and prayers on the passing of our Mother. Thank you so much.

*Charlotte & Bob Middleton
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FRIONA CENTENNIAL MOMENTS

(This is one of a series of weekly articles pertaining to Friona's 100th anniversary, which will be observed throughout 2006)

“Neither snow, nor rain, nor heat, nor gloom of night...a history of the Post Office at Friona, Texas by Darla Bracken

One of the most important aspects of life in any new place was the ability to send and receive mail. In Colonial times friends, merchants and native American Indians carried messages back and forth between the colonies. The first 'postal service' was in Massachusetts in 1639. Later,

local authorities in each colony opened postal routes. William Penn established Pennsylvania's first post office in 1683. The Post Office Department, as it was then known, was centralized in 1691.

Benjamin Franklin was appointed Postmaster by the British Crown in 1737 when he was just 31 years old. As a struggling printer and publisher, Ben Franklin was editor of the *Pennsylvania Gazette*. Under Franklin, the Postal Department operated 'at a surplus', a feat evidently equally difficult even in colonial times. By the time he left office in 1760, post roads extended from Maine to Florida and from New York to Canada. In July 1775 Franklin was appointed the first Postmaster General of America by the Continental Congress. In fact, much of our current postal system stems from the early system he planned and put into action.

[Benjamin Franklin would have been 300 years old January 17, 2006.]

By the time the Post Office Department was established by the new President George Washington in 1789, there were 75 post offices and 2,000 miles of post roads. The department consisted of the Postmaster General, a Secretary Comptroller, 3 surveyors, one 'inspector of dead letters and 26 riders. It operated in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania until it was moved to Washington D. C., the new capitol, in 1800 in its entirety in two horse-drawn wagons. The first Chief Postal Inspector position was created in 1830.

The U. S. Post Office in Friona, Texas was established March 16, 1907 just 4 months after Friona was surveyed, mapped and registered at the Deaf Smith County Clerk's Office in November 1906 by George G Wright.

If a town were fortunate enough to be established alongside the railroad as Friona was, the mail could come in by rail. Sarah D. Olson was appointed the first Postmaster.

In fact, the first 3 postmasters were women, a testimony to the important role women played in early Friona.

As a cattle shipping point on the Pecos and Northern Valley Railroad, later the Sante Fe, Friona had that early advantage not only for mail, but for vital transportation to and from Friona. Many of you can remember the familiar mail bags and the outgoing mailbags that were 'hooked' by the moving trains.

Our first Post Office building (no pictures yet) may have been on Main, and the second building was on Main in a building shared by the Friona Star. The third location was where Prairie Insurance (formerly Ethridge Spring Insurance) is now located. The West Wing of the Library encompasses the fourth location at 7th and Euclid, the Post Office from 1955 to 1975. The fifth and current location on North Main has been home to the post office since 1975. Home delivery was started in the 60s. Mail from the Parmerton Post Office was transferred to Friona in 1908 and from the Rhea Post Office to Friona in 1924 and from Black Post Office to Friona in (1977).

Postmasters who served at Friona and their dates appointed are:

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Cheri Maddox	Officer-in-Charge	02/27/2003
Jack B. Glover	Postmaster	07/12/2003



In the photos shown above are: Friona's first newspaper The Sentinel run by A. H. Harris and the first depot -- a boxcar. Does anyone out there have a picture of the first Post Office? If so, we would like to have it for the Centennial Cancellation Stamp Reception March 16th.



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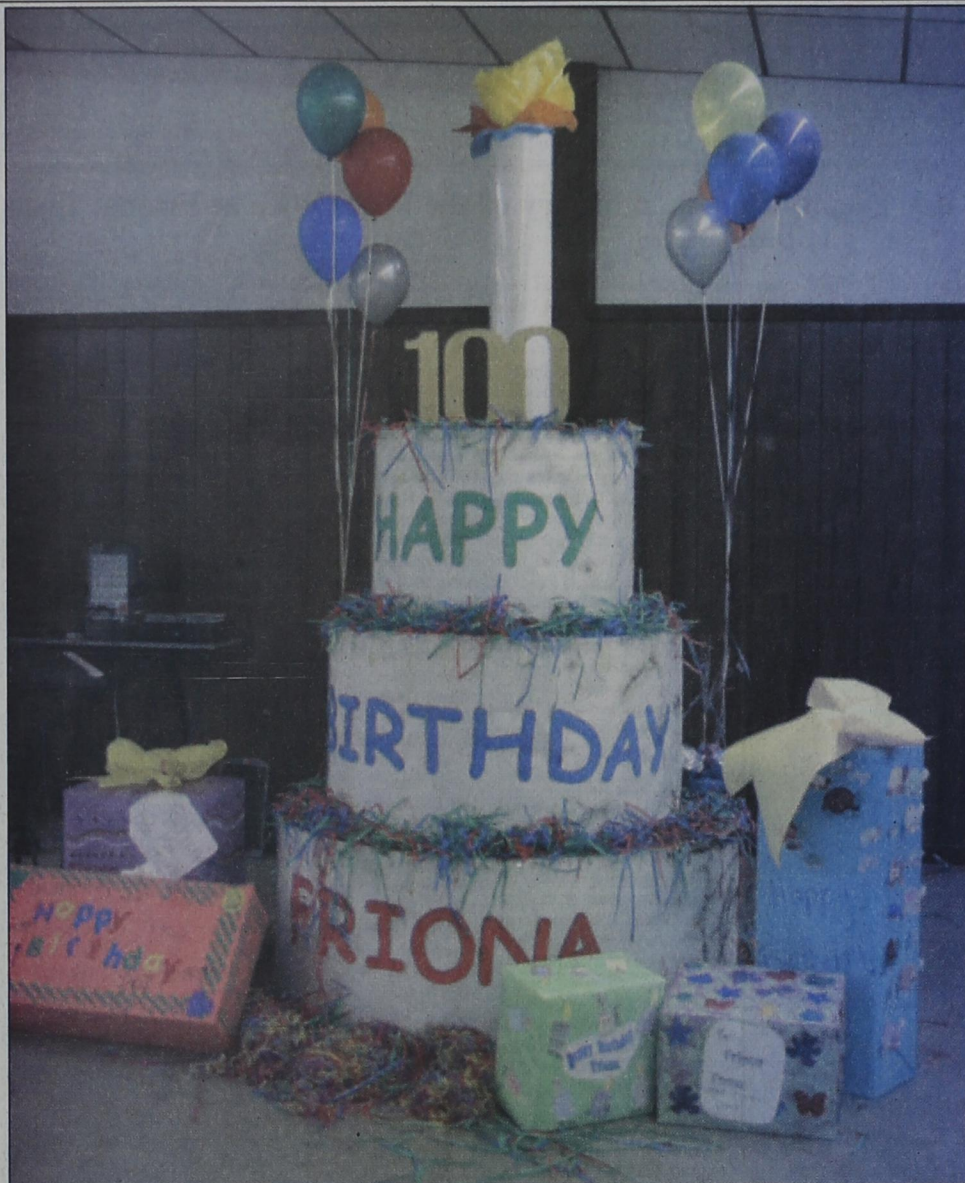
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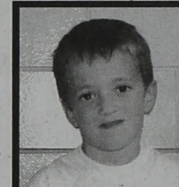


Friona Chamber Vice President Lance Gatlin.



Jamie Slagle and Women's Division President Dana Jameson serve sparkling cider at the conclusion of the Friona Chamber Banquet.

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Ron Carr



Meet the Class of 2018

Matthew is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. His parents are Jeff & Becky Dickson. He has a sister, Rachel and four brothers, Ricky, Joey, Jacob, Lucas.

Matthew likes playing sports. His favorite food is candy and his favorite color is red.

Matthew Dickson

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