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This is one of the many veteran's graves honored on Memorial Day at Friona Cemetery. Over 300 flags were placed to honor our veterans. Thanks to all who helped.

Students give U.S. quilt to foreign exchange student

Carolyn Wiseman's 5th grade social studies classes completed an end-of-school class project by publishing a book about the United States of America. They also helped make a quilt to correspond with the book.

Eighty-nine students researched books and the Internet for information about a state, a national symbol, or a national landmark. They wrote two articles about their subject then typed it in Microsoft Publisher. They imported pictures to illustrate their articles.

Each student also wrote an article about himself/herself. They used a digital camera to take pictures of each other to publish on their pages. The students traced a picture on a quilt block and colored it with fabric crayons. The picture was ironed onto a fabric. Mrs. Wiseman pieced the quilt adding a large block with a map of the U.S. to the middle. Gertrude Murphree, Mrs. Wiseman's mother, helped her quilt the project on the sewing machine.

The finished project was presented to Mareike Preyer, a foreign exchange student from Germany, who lives with the Wisemans. She enjoyed speaking to the students and answering their questions about how she has liked living in the U.S. this year and questions about her homeland.

Friona City Council to hold public hearing meeting Monday, June 5

The City Council of Friona will hold a public hearing on the Consumer Confidence Report 2005 at 7:30 p.m. Monday, June 5, 2006 in the Council Chambers at 619 Main, Friona, Texas.

The regular meeting of the Friona city council for June has also been moved to Monday, June 5, at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers on Main St. next door to the Chamber of Commerce.



courtesy photo

Mareike Preyer, a foreign exchange student from Germany, is shown with her U.S. quilt given to her by Friona elementary 5th graders. Mareike has lived with Carolyn and Kevin Wiseman and attended Friona High School this past school year.

Cornyn: Can't support immigration bill

U.S. Sen. John Cornyn, chairman of the Immigration and Border Security subcommittee, made the following statement after the Senate passed the immigration bill, S. 2611, by a vote of 62-36. Sen. Cornyn voted against the bill because it still has serious flaws, but he remains committed to comprehensive immigration reform.

Cornyn will be a member of the Senate-House panel (the conference committee) that will work out the differences between the Senate and House immigration bills.

"We've had weeks of constructive debate on very important issues for our nation, but I've come to the conclusion that the Senate immigration bill as written still has serious flaws and is not a net plus for our country. So I cannot support it.

"Throughout the process I have tried to improve the legislation in preparation for a House-Senate conference, where it will be improved even more. The net result must be marked improvement in border security, employer accountability, better assimilation of legal immigrants, and compensation for state expenses incurred from illegal immigration.

"The final legislation will be written in conference committee. I'll be a member of that committee, and will work to improve it.

"I strongly believe the federal government has neglected our border security and immigration system for too long, and our country badly needs a comprehensive reform bill to correct decades of inaction. But in its current form, this bill is not where it needs to be.

"One thing is clear: The status quo is unacceptable and the only people who benefit by it are smugglers, criminals and unscrupulous employers. It's important that we move a bill to conference.

"The comprehensive bill I introduced last year with Sen. Kyl was written with an eye toward the conference committee and how to bridge the differences between the House and the Senate, because we knew there were going to be fairly significant differences in the approach. I have remained consistent to the principles that I put forth a year ago, and my hope is that I can play a constructive role in bridging the differences between those two approaches."

Below are the key problems that remain in the Senate immigration bill, S. 2611:

- Approximately 8-10 million illegal immigrants would be placed on a different, easier path to a green card and citizenship.
- The temporary worker program is anything but temporary, placing all 200,000 workers on a direct path to a green card and citizenship.
- If an illegal immigrant applies for legal status and the government denies the application, the bill would not allow the government to use the information in the application to deport the illegal immigrant.
- Rewards illegal document fraud by allowing Social Security payments for those who stole identities to work in the United States illegally.
- Illegal immigrants who apply for amnesty would not

have to pay back taxes until after first eight years and would only be required to pay back taxes for three years.

- The bill reduces the percentage of green cards that go to highly educated and highly skilled workers.
- The bill will increase direct spending by \$54 billion and discretionary spending by \$64 billion in just the first 10 years.
- The worker verification system contains "poison pills" that Department of Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff stated would make the system unworkable.

Sen. Cornyn has played a key role in the Senate immigration reform debate and continues to work to bolster border security and implement comprehensive immigration reform.

Cornyn and Sen. Jon Kyl (R-Ariz.) authored a separate bill titled: The Comprehensive Enforcement and Immigration Reform Act (S.1438). The key components of their legislation include enhanced border security and interior enforcement, employer accountability, and reform to bring the current illegal population into compliance with the law.

Sen. Cornyn is a member of the following Senate Committees: Armed Services; Judiciary; Budget; Small Business and Entrepreneurship; and Joint Economic. He is also the chairman of the subcommittees on Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship and Emerging Threats and Capabilities.

More on Cornyn's immigration proposal: www.cornyn.senate.gov/immigration

Eichenauer appointed to national advisory board

Heidi Eichenauer, Hospital Development Coordinator for Parmer County Community Hospital, was recently appointed to the National Advisory Board for Prospera, a Division of J. J. Keller & Associates, Inc., a nationally recognized safety, human resource and compliance support corporation.

Heidi joins a team of human resource and other professionals, such as the HR Manager of Sara Lee Food & Beverage, VP of Human Resources for Spirax Sarco, Inc., President of Action Staffing Group, and Corporate Recruiter for Tire Warehouse, Inc. among others.

Prior to joining the PCCH team, Heidi was Vice President/Controller of a group of 12 outpatient behavioral health clinics, Business Office Director for a behavioral health system of two inpatient facilities and 6 outpatient clinics, Administrator of a private school/daycare and Division Manager/Financial Services Representative.

As Hospital Development Coordinator, in addition to her role in human resources, staff training, and credentialing, Heidi will also be instrumental in the new building project, continued public relations development for the hospital and special projects. She will also be working to help bring in new outpatient service lines to the hospital.

"PCCH is proud of Heidi's appointment to the National Advisory Board for Prospera and we wanted to share her accomplishment with the residents of our service area," said PCCH Administrator Lance Gatlin.



Heidi Eichenauer



OUT HERE

by Ron Carr

life is in the
tea leaves

My mother has another gadget.

Bless her heart, she craves new gadgets. During her childhood and probably half of her adult life, there weren't any gadgets. Unless you call an electric iron and color TV gadgets. She mopped with a string mop and a bucket, not a Swiffer Jet Spray gadget. She has tried every item in the Swiffer line but it is hard to break old habits. She still likes old timey wet mops.

She tried some of those flushable, disposable toilet bowl brushes but is now back to an old-fashioned bristle brush and some Babo.

This weekend was mom's 87th birthday. My sister Gena and her friend Patricia were here from Friday to Tuesday. We mostly shopped, ate, and napped. Mother and the girls shopped. Rick and I joined them when it was time to eat and nap.

When a family gets together the conversation sooner or later turns to the old days. I'm sure it happens in your family too. We like to take life today and relate it to our youth 40-50 years ago.

One of mom's newest gadgets is a tea maker. One of the first things I can ever remember about life in Hillsboro, Texas, was iced tea. We always had it in big crock pitchers and iced tea glasses on a stemmed base.

Folks didn't have much to offer you when you went to visit but they always had tea. "Come on in, ya want some tea?" Even ice had to be hauled in and chipped but that didn't matter. Many a

rumor was hatched over a glass of cold iced tea.

There is no way to estimate how many gallons of tea my mother has brewed during her lifetime. Her tea gadget, and Lipton's, has made her life easier. That is if she doesn't lose the round black rubber filter that goes on the top of the tea gadget like she did Sunday.

"I can't find the damn thing that goes on top of here," which put into action a search of the kitchen and the surrounding area for a round black thing that none of us had ever actually seen.

"Look down inside the tea gadget, mom. Maybe it is in there," we suggested.

"No, it is not down under there. It won't fit under there." We looked anyway as you often do when your parent goes into contrary mode. It was there.

The tea gadget is a tall cylinder that looks like a giant thermos bottle. The top raises and that is where you

put the tea bags and the filter and pour in the water.

The two tea pitchers that come with it are big and round, clear plastic with a blue lid. The pour spout of the pitchers stick out a couple of inches and fit into the opening on the side of the tea gadget.

Fill the pitcher with ice, stick the spout into the gadget, turn the tea tower on, and in a few minutes a stream of inviting tea is running into the iced up pitcher. Unless you tear the tea bag. Mom ripped a hole in one of the tea bags. She said, "I tore one of these bags but I'm going to use it anyway. I don't think it will get through the filter."

It did. Little black tea leaf pieces sliding down the pitcher spout and swirling around what was an otherwise really inviting pitcher of tea. "Don't worry about it," mom opined, "it will all settle to the bottom." That brought back some of those child-

hood memories I mentioned earlier.

Lipton tea came in a box. Big black leaves about the size of confetti. Pour it out of the box into a pitcher or pan of water. Put it on the stove. After it boils long enough, pour the hot tea water into a crock pitcher through a large wire strainer. The larger tea leaves were strained but a few tea leaf crumbs wound up in every pitcher of tea. But they always settled to the bottom.

For a long time we used sugar to sweeten the tea but not in the pitcher. You sweetened your own glass to your taste. When saccharine tablets came along I used them. They were real small, like mini-aspirins. Drop a couple in the glass, then chase them around with your spoon to smush them against the side of the glass. It took practice but I got pretty good at it.

Later on they invented a small round metal apparatus that you put the tea leaves in, screw the top on, and drop that into the boiling water. It had a chain to hook over the side of the pan and it did a better job of keeping tea leaves out of the pitcher. Then came tea bags, instant tea, tea powder with lemon, and the ultimate: six-packs of canned or bottled tea at your favorite store.

Life is a lot like making a pitcher of tea. Don't worry too much about the small problems that get through the strainer.

Sooner or later they will all settle to the bottom.



My sister Gena Rogers and my mother Hannah Lookingbill enjoy hamburgers and hot dogs at my brother Rick's house on Memorial Day, which was also mom's 87th birthday.



Over 300 American flags dotted the landscape at the Friona cemetery during the Memorial Day weekend to commemorate those veterans who served and have passed on. Let us support and remember daily those who have gone before and those who still serve today to keep our country free. God bless America.

Tumbleweed Smith

The exploding car is back in the rodeo arena

I happened to be with legendary rodeo clowns Quail Dobbs and Leon Coffee the day Quail sold Leon his famous exploding car.

For decades, Quail entertained rodeo audiences all over the world with his slapstick comedy. His old car reared up, spun around and spewed fire, smoke, car parts and fireworks all over the arena. When he wasn't clowning with his car, Quail fought bulls and was honored many times for his work as a barrel man.

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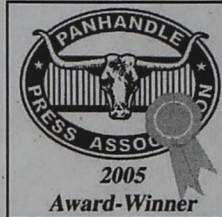
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Editorial

What part of the Constitution authorizes the federal government to spend taxpayer money and resources to aid disasters in foreign countries?

There was a tragic earthquake in Indonesia over the weekend that reportedly killed over 5,000 people and disturbed an active volcano. Once again the United States Army, Navy, and Air Force were on the scene by Sunday and Monday bringing aid. So far we haven't heard any reports of Russia, China, India, or anybody else helping although a few probably are.

But it seems to be the U.S. that always rushes to provide aid during natural disasters. The costs are high and the direct benefits low yet we always try to ride to the rescue. The question is: why? Because we are a Christian nation and it is the right thing to do? By helping others we are winning friends? Is it because we are bigger and richer and should help the poor?

Tragedies, suffering, death, and destruction are indeed horrible to cope with. So we try and help, in spite of no provision in the Constitution that allows the politicians to spend taxpayer money in that way. If there is one, please point it out.

Where were our foreign friends during the destruction of hurricanes Katrina and Rita? We didn't notice the British or Chinese Navy steaming to the rescue. We haven't seen any troops from India, or even Mexico helping us dig through our rubble.

It is time for the U. S. to reevaluate our all-things-to-all people helping hand generosity. It is time for other countries to marshal their resources and ride to the rescue once in a while. America needs some time off.

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Quail, but there will always be part of Quail in the act."

Quail says the car needed Leon a lot more than Leon needed the car. "It sat for seven years going to waste. I'm glad Leon has it."

Leon says he's been rodeoing a long time but right now he's like a kid in a candy store. "I'm just so excited to get in it and drive it. You can't imagine how troubled I was to call Quail and ask him if he would sell me that act. It's a part of Quail's life. It's a part of history that needs to be seen by generations of young people, to let them know that car's still going. It's such a great honor to be able to have it. In my eyes, Quail will be enshrined in this car."

Leon left Coahoma with the car and spent 3 solid weeks working with it to get his act together. He tried it out at a couple of college rodeos, and now he's doing it at pro rodeos all over the country.

Around Town

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

Friona Baseball Camp June 5-8

The Friona Chieftain Baseball coaching staff will host a camp June 5-8 for grades 2-5 from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and grades 6-8 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the High School Baseball Field Complex. The camp will demonstrate and teach the fundamentals of hitting, pitching and fielding needed to play baseball at all levels. Grades 2-5 will \$20 per child and \$25 for grades 6-8, with multiple child discounts available. For more information contact Greg Hazelwood at 806-265-3400 or 806-382-7193. Or pick up a form at the Friona Star office at 916 Main.

Surveys available at Friona Public Library

If Friends of the Library did not contact you during the City Survey last week (5/22/06), please call the library at 250-3200. Centennial Endowment forms are available in English and in Spanish and available also at the Friona Public Library and the City of Friona offices.

Calvary Baptist VBS June 5-9

Calvary Baptist Church will host Vacation Bible School June 5-9 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Children participating in bible school must have finished kindergarten through 6th grade. The trailer will be run as in the past. For more information call 250-3000.

Gymnastics camp at Hereford YMCA

Jumangi, described as a gymnastics survivor camp, has been scheduled at the Hereford YMCA on Monday evenings from June 5 to July 17. To register and for times and information call 806-488-2679 or 806-282-2083.

The Book Shoppe new summer hours

The Book Shoppe at 119 W. 6th in Friona will be open every Tuesday from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. starting June 6. Come by and see the great selection of gently used books. Summer is a great time to read!

Drunkard's path quilt workshop

A hands-on workshop demonstrating how to make Drunkard's Path quilt blocks will be held at 1:30 p.m. June 6 at

the Potter County Extension Office, 3301 E. 10th Street. Charlene Stark, a member of the Progressive Extension Education Club in Potter County, will be the presenter.

Attendees should bring with them the following supplies: two contrasting fat quarters of fabric, scissors, sewing machine (optional), needle and thread, seam gauge and drawing compass. The Drunkard's Path quilt blocks can be arranged in a number of ways to make a variety of different quilt top patterns.

The program is sponsored by the Potter Extension Education Association. For more info call Sue Church at (806) 373-0713.

FUMC S.P.A.R.K. to meet on Thursdays

Friona United Methodist Church S.P.A.R.K. (Students Praising a Remarkable King) will meet every Thursday morning beginning June 8 for grades 1 through 5 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided. For more information contact Jeri Lynn White at 250-3873 or Tammy Knoll at 251-5253.

Chieftain Basketball Camp June 12-15

Friona High School Coach Ky Graham would like to invite everyone in grades 3-9 to participate in the 2006 Chieftain Basketball Camp, June 12-15. Grades 3-6 will meet from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and the cost is \$25 per child. Grades 7-9 will meet from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and the cost is \$35 per child. Free t-shirts and prizes for contests will be given. Contact Coach Ky Graham to register. Forms need to be returned by June 9 to Friona High School or 1603 W. 7th. For more information call 250-3862 or 250-3452.

TDH immunization June schedules

Immunization clinics offering the vaccines that give protection against childhood diseases are scheduled for June 2006 in Friona and Bovina.

The clinic in Bovina will be Monday, June 12, in the Bovina EMS Building, 109 S. 3rd, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. The clinic in Friona will be Friday, June 16, at 616 Euclid from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

All clinic times are subject to change or cancellation due to weather or scheduling conflicts.

Christian Women to meet Jun 13

The Fellowship of Christian Women will meet Tuesday, June 13, 2006 at 7 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church. The program will be presented by Rusty Peace on the Life Gift Program. This program is on organ and tissue donation. All ladies are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served following the program.

Chamber looking for 55 gal. barrels

The Friona Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture is asking the community for donations of plastic 55 gallon barrels to be used as trash cans in the park during local activities. Anyone who has barrels they would like to donate call Chris at the Chamber Office 250-3491.

Hereford Citywide garage sale Jun 17

The Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce's annual Citywide Garage Sale will be held June 17. Maps and sale lists will be available from 7:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Chamber office the day of the sale.

Breast Cancer Clinic June 19

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center Comprehensive Breast Center will conduct a breast cancer screening clinic at Parmer County Community Hospital at 1307 Cleveland Avenue in Friona, Texas on June 19, 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.



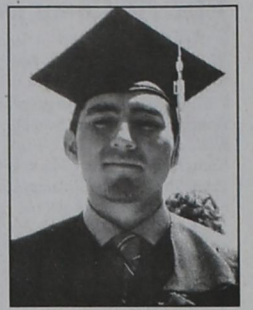
Area students graduate from Amarillo College

Amarillo College awarded degrees and certificates to 1,049 students at the 76th Commencement ceremonies recently at the Amarillo Civic Center Cal Farley Coliseum.

Frionans graduating were Kyndness Garza, Associate of Science; Rocio Lugo, Associate of Science; Betsy Clark, Associate of Applied Science; Garvin Thorn, Associate of Applied Science; Marcia Brown, Certificate of Completion; and Heather Grimsley, Certificate of Completion.

Rachel Shackelford, of Bovina, graduated with an Associate in Applied Science degree.

Amarillo College is a two-year community college serving more than 10,573 academic credit students during the fall 2005 semester and 10,401 students enrolled in Continuing Education Courses.



Daniel Rosales

Rosales graduates from WTAMU

Daniel Rosales, son of Daniel Rosales, Sr., and Veronica Rosales, graduated with a degree of Bachelor of Arts in History from West Texas A&M University on May 13, 2006.

Daniel is a 2000 graduate of Friona High School and the husband of Nancy Rosales.

Mimms graduates from LCU May 6

Kati Mimms graduated, summa cum laude, from Lubbock Christian University on Saturday, May 6, 2006. Kati is the daughter of Clay and Reta Mimms of Lazbuddie.

While at LCU, she was a member of the Aggie Club and the Alpha Chi National Honor Society, serving as an officer for both organizations.

She was also presented the Outstanding Accounting Student award of the year.

Kati has been accepted to graduate school at Texas Tech and will continue her degree in Accounting.

She is a 2001 graduate of Lazbuddie High School.

Stowers earns TT honors list

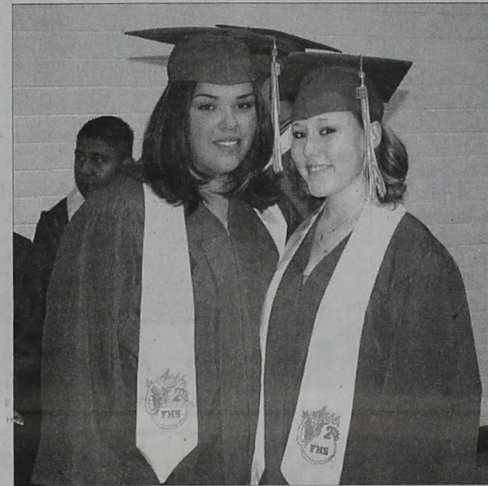
Christen Stowers of Bovina, daughter of Roy Lee and Dorothy Stowers, was named to the Texas Tech University President's Honor List for the 2006 spring semester.

The President's list is awarded only to those students who have attained a grade-point ratio of 4.0 during the semester. Christen is majoring in elementary education, will do her student teaching during the fall semester, and will graduate in December.

Grimsleys graduate from AC

Heather Clark Grimsley, daughter of Rondee and Tonda Clark, of Friona, Texas, received a certificate in Pharmacy Technician from Amarillo College Friday, May 12, 2006. Heather is employed by Walgreens Pharmacy in Clovis, New Mexico.

Heather's husband, Kyle Grimsley, son of Joan Grimsley of Friona, graduated from Amarillo College Fire Academy Wednesday, May 24, 2006. He is a 2004 Friona High School graduate. Kyle is employed by the City of Clovis.



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Tamra Aragon and Beth Bridges are all smiles as their Friona high school career comes to an end.

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By large majority

City, County votes to retain the poll tax

Friona and Parmer County joined Texans in voting to keep the poll tax last Saturday. Like the rest of the state, county voters carried just one of the four amendments (welfare), and that one by a very slight majority.

Countywide, the voters rejected repealing the poll tax by a 523-116 vote, or about four and one-half to one. In Friona, the vote was 137-29 against.

At Black, the poll tax vote was 25-5 against repeal. It was 17-3 at Lakeview, and 91-22 at Lazbuddie. The "closest" vote was at Rhea, where the tally was 15-6, still more than 2-1 against repeal.

The number two amendment, which seeks to liberalize the state's program for needy aged, blind, children and disabled persons, allowing more expenditures for this purpose, carried by a seven-vote margin in the county, 292-285.

This amendment was given approval in four precincts. Friona, Oklahoma Lane, Bovina and Lakeview, while Farwell, Black, Lazbuddie and Rhea voted against it.

The amendment to allow Jefferson County to set up retirement programs in political subdivisions in the county was defeated 365-113 countywide, with all precincts going against. Likewise, number four, which would have set aside \$150,000,000 in state bonds to

finance and extend the veterans land program, lost by 344-227 with all precincts going against.

There were 641 total ballots cast, including five absentee, about one-third the number, which voted last November, although state and district officials were on that ballot.



Oldest Voter...The oldest person casting a ballot in last Saturday's general election was J.W. (Uncle John) White, former editor of the Friona Star, who is now 95. White is shown talking with election judge Clyde Goodwine.

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Five area high school students have each been awarded a \$2000 scholarship from Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative. The following students received the scholarships: *Kinsey Reeve* Hereford High School, daughter of Mitch and Jan Reeve; *Aaron Franks* Hereford High School, son of Michael and Barbara Franks; *Kesli Urbanczyk*, Vega High School, daughter of Randy and Kathy Bromman, and Mark Urbanczyk; *Jake Hoelting*, Nazareth High School, son of James and Sandra Hoelting, and *Kandace Frye* Friona High School, daughter of Kirk and Annette Frye.

Each \$2,000 scholarship will be awarded in the amount of \$1,000 per semester for two semesters. These scholarships are available to immediate families of active members and active employees of Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative.

Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative's board of directors made the decision to provide scholarships to students within the DSEC service area through a scholarship fund. The five students were chosen from a field of highly qualified candidates by a select committee of men and women representing the entire service area.

LIBRARY NEWS

By Percy Parson

In a recent survey by the city of Friona employees, volunteers and friends of the library each residences in Friona was contacted, and in so doing a sheet was left with you or in your door.

This was for the purpose of asking your support for the permanent endowment fund being created for the Friona Public Library. Your participation in this project is requested to the extent that you feel you are able. As has been said in other articles, the endowment fund will help support our library to the extent of being able to have programs available for the residents of the community that otherwise might not be available with the current funding.

If you were missed in the survey, you may call the library at 250-3200 or if you need the form in Spanish they are available at the library.



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their children
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-No gifts please-

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Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from May 17, 2006 to May 24, 2006:

Janee Bell Jackson-Norman R. Taylor and Gaylene Taylor, W/2 S35 BLK C RHEA BROTHERS

Calvin Meissner Estate-James M. Koehn and Donna J. Koehn, NE/4 S31 BLK Z WD & FW JOHNSON

Glynn Don Hughes-Reyes Sera and Margarita Sera, B103 FRIONA

John Allen and Elsie Ruth Allen-Maria Melendez, L1 B1 TURNER William Posey McMinn and Cheryl McMinn-Don Carthel and Cindy Carthel, 290.54 S1 BLK B L E MCMINN

John Neil Agee and Sharon Agee-Gary Scott Hicks and Tiffany Dyann Hicks, SE/4 S14 DOUD & KEEFER

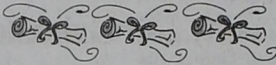
Shirley Harris, Ruthie Hardin, Johnny Stokes, Sylvia Gibson, Billy Gene Zachary, Jerry Zachary, and Gordon Stokes-Tomasia Cruz, L9-10 B5 FRIONA

E.W. Nickels Farm, Inc., Double Nickel Cattle, Co., Eddie Wayne Nickels-Mack Kizer and Shirleen Kizer, NE/4 S23 DOUD & KEEFER, W/2 S23 DOUD & KEEFER, E/2 S22 DOUD & KEEFER

Pete DeGroot, Jr. and Jean Marie DeGroot-Pete DeGroot, Jr. and Jean Marie DeGroot, W232.4 AC S532.18 AC OF S9 BLK B

Robert Achterberg and Denise Pope Achterberg-Richard W. Kyle and Valerie Kyle, L27-28 B28 FARWELL

B.K. Buske and Janet Buske-Armstrong Kerr, L17-18 S/2 L19 B34 FRIONA



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Class of 2006 historian Fabian Dominguez receives his FHS diploma from school board member Mitchell Smiley.

Friona Baseball Camp
June 5-8
Grades 2-5
from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
Grades 6-8
from 11 a.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Sheriff's Report

The following is reported weekly by Parmer County Sheriff Randy Geries office:

May 24, 2006, Edward Jacobs, 39, of Friona, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with cruelty to animals, pending County Court.

May 24, 2006, Luis Delatorre, 45, of Bovina, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with theft, pending County Court.

May 25, 2006, Ricky Luna, 28, of Friona, Texas, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with aggravated assault, pending Grand Jury.

May 25, 2006, Veronica Gonzalez, 24, of Levelland, Texas, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with possession of a controlled substance more than 400 grams, pending Grand Jury.

May 25, 2006, Donna Gonzales, 46, of Roswell, New Mexico, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with possession of a controlled substance more than 400 grams, pending District Court.

May 26, 2006, Rogelio Martinez, 47, of Bovina, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with assault, pending County Court.

May 26, 2006, Jose Gonzales, 32, of Friona, Texas, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with assault, pending District Court.

May 27, 2006, Joe Rodriguez, 25, of Bovina, Texas, was arrested by Bovina Police Department and charged with public intoxication, pending Justice of the Peace Court.

May 28, 2006, Albert Acevedo, 48, of Dimmitt, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with driving while license suspended, pending County Court.

May 28, 2006, Leon Molina, 28, Amarillo, Texas, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces, pending County Court.

May 28, 2006, Christian Zatarain, 23, of Farwell, Texas, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with driving while intoxicated, pending County Court.

May 29, 2006, Claude Tamez, 21, of Bovina, Texas, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces, pending County Court.

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May 29, 2006, Bruce Ramos, Jr., 21, of Friona, Texas, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with evading arrest with a vehicle, pending Grand Jury. He was also charged with reckless driving, pending County Court. Additional charges were driving while license suspended, pending County Court.

May 29, 2006, Moses Ortiz, 22, of Friona, Texas, was arrested by the Friona Police Department and charged with driving while intoxicated, pending County Court.

May 29, 2006, Brian Hernandez, 24, Friona, Texas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with driving while license suspended, pending County Court.

May 29, 2006, Cesar Rodriguez, 35, of Dodge City, Kansas, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with criminal non-support, pending District Court.

In 287th District Court with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

—May 12, Rickey D. Conner, 43, of Amarillo, Texas, charged with possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver (meth), was sentenced to 5 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, \$291 court costs, \$2,500 fine, \$350 attorney fees and \$140 restitution. On a charge of unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon, he was sentenced to 10 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, \$291 court costs, \$1,000 fine and \$350 attorney fees.

—May 12, Juan Humberto Flores, Jr., 21, of Texico, New Mexico, charged with evading arrest/detention with a vehicle, was sentenced to 2 years in a state jail facility, \$291 court costs, \$750 fine, and \$350 attorney fees. On a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle, he was sentenced to 2 years in a state jail facility, \$291 court costs, \$750 fine, and \$350 attorney fees. On a charge of aggravated assault on a peace officer with a vehicle, he was sentenced to 2 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, \$291 court costs, \$1,000 fine and \$350 attorney fees.

—May 16, Charles C. Kisner, Sr., 46, of Tucson, Arizona, charged with possession of a controlled substance (meth), was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred 2 years, \$316 court costs, \$750 fine, \$140 restitution.

—May 16, Bruce Ramos, Sr., 40, of Friona, Texas, charged with possession of a controlled substance (meth), was sentenced to 180 days to 2 years in a state jail facility, deferred 2 years, \$316 court costs, \$1,000 fine, \$140 restitution and to obtain substance abuse counseling.

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Friona Elementary awards assembly results

Friona Elementary held their annual awards assembly Friday, May 19, 2006.

Perfect Attendance Awards-2nd grade: Rafael Calvillo, Germain Garcia, Elizabeth Rocha and Manuela Ticum; **3rd grade:** Joselito Cigarroa, Pedro Dominguez, Cassandra Ganska, Rae Garcia, Brent Hickman, Andrea Juarez, Arnulfo Mendez, Lydia Ortiz, Eduardo Salinas, Gladwyn Senibalo, and Perla Trevino; **4th grade:** Rosa Calvillo, Michael Garcia, Nicolette Guerra, Trent Hickman, and Omar Ramos; **5th grade:** Benjamin Anthony, Colton Drake, Krystin Gonzales, Zoe Herring, Darion Irons, Nohely Juarez, Linda Ramos, Eduardo Rojas, Jesus Salinas, Francisco Sarabia, Andres Silva, Daniel Soltero, Anthony Tapia, and Javier Trevino.

Music Awards-Outstanding Students-2nd grade: Isabel Bautista and Josue Ojeda; **3rd grade:** Sabrina Vargas and Mason Loflin; **4th grade:** Becca White and Isaac Gallardo; **5th grade:** Jessyca Rivas and Rowdee Rhodes.

Physical Education Awards-2nd grade: Johnna Thompson and Rafael Calvillo; **3rd grade:** Emily Campolla and Antonio Adame; **4th grade:** Kendall Kimbrough and Trent Hickmah; **5th grade:** Shantelle Pruitt and Samuel Silva.

Wellness Activity Awards-Blakey Mills, Marcella Mendoza and Miguel Dominguez.

Art Awards-Golden Palette Art Awards-2nd grade: Manuela Ticum and Blakey Mills; **3rd grade:** Kayla Alexander and Jacob Dickson; **4th grade:** Destiny Sandoval and Jacob Osborn; **5th grade:** Macy Herring and Francisco Sarabia.

Resource Awards-Diligence and Good Work Habits for 2005-2006- Rosy Calvillo, Brenda Dominguez,

Jesus Mendoza, Liliana Amezcua and Abel Palacios.

Lifeskills Awards-Outstanding Effort-Samuel Silva.

Bilingual Awards-Outstanding Students-3rd grade: Yaqueline Franco and Cassandra Ganska; **4th grade:** Jesus Robles; **5th grade:** Idalia Velazquez.

Accelerated Reading Program-Students reaching 150 or more points-2nd grade: Mario Bolivar, 150; Salma Estrada, 150; Eva Alvidrez, 174; and Jay Soto, 175; **3rd grade:** Brent Hickman, 150; and Haden Smiley, 150; **4th grade:** Alejandra Garcia, 155; Shayle Swink, 161; Esdras Rodriguez, 166; LynDe Collins, 207; and Marcella Mendoza, 219; **5th grade:** Kalley Preston, 160; Macy Herring, 173; Magali Morales, 179; Krystin Gonzales, 193; Denise Juarez, 201; Jessyca Rivas, 217; Stephen Dominguez, 232; and Cheyenne Harris, 301.

Conservation Coloring Contest-2nd grader Courtney Bunker, 1st place.

Duke University Talent Identification Program talent search winners-4th grade: Isabel Davila, Trent Hickman, Kendall Kimbrough, Brandi Ramos, Destiny Sandoval, Shayle Swink and Rebekah White; **5th grade:** Brady Hansard, Macy McLennan, Sajal Patel, Jessyca Rivas, Jose Rivera and O.P. Vazquez.

A/B Achievement Honor Roll-3rd grade: J'Nae Ortiz, Justin Rocha, Kreisun Dominguez, Andrea Juarez, Justin Collier, Arnulfo Mendez, Emily Campolla, Breanna Campos, Gavin Douglas, Madeleine Graham, Edgar Guerrero, Paulina Jaramillo, Lupita Salinas, Tyrone Shelby, Chelsy Villanueva, Kayla Alexander, Giovanni Centeno, Julissa Gallego, Cassandra Ganska, Keaton Irons, Emmanuel Rosales, Lee Caywood, Karina Hernandez, Mason Loflin, David Martinez, Dan O'Brian and

Isaac Oroasco.

4th grade: LynDe Collins, Kailey Lucas, Isabel Davila, Kendall Kimbrough, Brandi Ramos, Kelsey Davis, Hector Garcia, Jacob Osborn, Karina Tafoya, Rainey Williams, Holly Johnston, Amy Osborn, Destiny Sandoval and Mark Schwab. **5th grade:** Denise Juarez, Macy McLennan, Kalley Preston, Linda Ramos, Krystin Gonzales, Macy Herring, Magali Morales, Sajal Patel, O.P. Vazquez, Stephen Dominguez and Diana Origoza.

All A Honor Roll-3rd grade: Brandon Berend, Brent Hickman, Haden Smiley, Tyler Hough and Brayden Pope; **4th grade:** Mykelti Rhodes, Marcella Mendoza, Shayle Swink, Gaby Chavira and Alejandra Garcia; **5th grade:** Rowdee Rhodes and Kylie Boyd.

3rd grade Commended TAKS Test Students-Kayla Alexander, Reading and Math; Bianca Arellano, Reading; Brandon Berend, Reading and Math; Breanna Campos, Math; Jimmy-Lee Caywood, Reading and Math; Giovanni Centeno, Reading; Justin Collier, Math; Jacob Dickson, Math; Gavin Douglas, Reading; Yaqueline Franco, Reading; Cassandra Ganska, Reading and Math.

Manuel Grado, Reading; Madeleine Graham, Reading; Edgar Guerrero, Math; Angela Hernandez, Reading and Math; Brent Hickman, Reading; Tyler Hough, Reading and Math; Christian Huckins, Math; Keaton Irons, Reading; Paulina Jaramillo, Reading; Mason Loflin, Reading and Math.

Arnulfo Mendez, Reading; Dan O'Brian, Reading and Math; Bianca Robles, Reading and Math; Justin Rocha, Reading; Emmanuel Rosales, Reading and Math; Arizbeth Salinas, Reading; Eduardo Salinas, Reading; Haden Smiley, Reading and

Math; and Chelsey Villanueva, Math.

4th grade Commended TAKS Test Students-Gabriela Chavira, Reading and Math; Jose Flores, Math; Isaac Gallardo, Writing; Alejandra Garcia, Reading, Math, and Writing; Marcella Gomez, Writing; Holly Johnston, Reading and Math.

Kailey Lucas, Math and Writing; Amy Osborn, Math; Omar Ramos, Writing; Mykelti Rhodes, Reading; Esdras Rodriguez, Reading and Math; Destiny Sandoval, Math; Mark Schwab, Math; and Shayle Swink, Math and Writing.

5th grade Commended TAKS Test Students-Kylie Boyd, Reading, Math, and Science; Cody Campolla, Reading; Jake DeWit, Math; Stephen Dominguez, Reading, Math and Science; Colton Drake, Math; Alex Escobedo, Reading; Omar Gomez, Reading and Math; Krystin Gonzales, Reading, Math and Science.

Brady Hansard, Reading and Science; Cheyenne Harris, Reading; Macy Herring, Reading, Math, and Science; Denise Juarez, Reading and Math; Nohely Juarez, Reading; Marissa Lozoya, Reading and Math; Sawyer Lytal, Reading and Math; Macy McLennan, Math and Science; Diana Origoza, Math.

Sajal Patel, Reading and Math; Kalley Preston, reading and Math, Adrain Prieto, Reading; Shantelle Pruitt, Science; Gaby Quintana, Reading; Linda Ramos, Reading and Math; Rowdee Rhodes, Reading, Math and Science; Jose Rivera, Reading and Math; Richard Rodriguez, Math; Eduardo Rojas, Reading; Alexys Romero, Reading and Math; Tylis Stephens, Math; Maria Goretti Torres, Science.



Roses, ribbons, and trophies were on display as band director Ron McWilliams welcomes the audience to the spring concert.



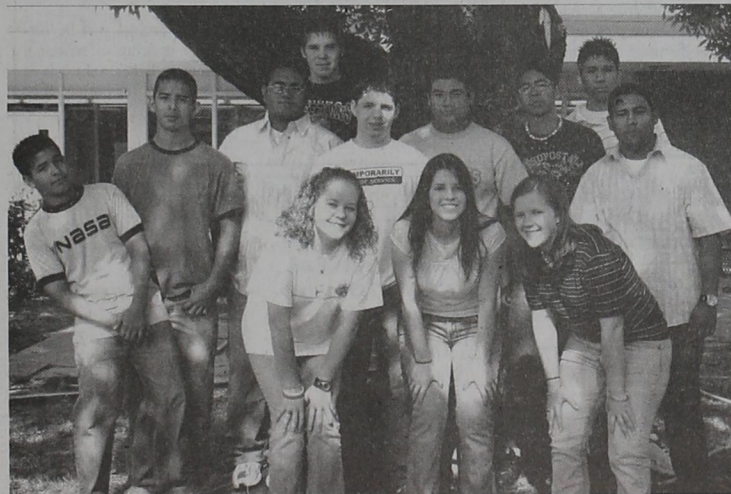
Senior band member Kimberlee Jones receives the John Phillip Sousa award and a farewell hug from director Ron McWilliams.

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Choir state qualifiers, back row, l-r, Shayli Reed, Christian Haile, Dillon Welch, Tolby Wilcox, Caleb Miller and Aaron Hand. Middle row, l-r, Luis Hernandez, Crystal Garcia, Hannah Stovall, Krista Graham, Brooke Herbert, Blair Smiley, Miranda Frye, Tommy Carranza, and Victor Parra. Front row, l-r, Nora Castanon, Allison Jones, Deirdre Johnston, Meghan Hendrickson, Erica Davila, and Tamra Aragon



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Band state qualifiers, back row, l-r, Rolando Castanon, Alonzo Rojas, Jonathan Rocha, Hunter Monk, Brett Field, John Torres, Raul Licerio, Justin Dominguez, and Luis Hernandez. Front row, l-r, Kimberlee Jones, Sandra Godoy, and Kathy Anthony.

FHS music department scores big with State qualifiers

Friona High School music students did very well in recent UIL Region 1 Solo/Ensemble competition qualifying thirty-one students to move on to the Texas State Solo/Ensemble contest in San Marcos, Texas on May 29, 2006.

Students qualifying in the vocal area were: Tamra Aragon, Tommy Carranza, Nora Castanon, Erica Davila, Miranda Frye, Crystal Garcia,

Krista Graham, Christian Haile, Aaron Hand, Meghan Hendrickson, Brooke Herbert, Luis Hernandez, Deirdre Johnston, Alli Jones, Caleb Miller, Victor Parra, Shayli Reed, Blair Smiley, Hannah Stovall and Tolby Wilcox.

Students qualifying in the instrumental area were: Kathy Anthony, Alonzo Rojas, John Torres, Luis Hernandez, Sandra Godoy, Jus-

tin Dominguez, Hunter Monk, Raul Licerio, Brett Field, Kimberlee Jones, Rolando Castanon and Jonathan Rocha.

"We are very pleased with the music department and Friona High School," stated band director Ron McWilliams. "These students exemplify the standard of musical excellence we strive for every day."



Minnie Aguirre receives a rose from her son Andrew, a senior and member of the Chieftain band.



The Friona high school band warms up before their annual spring concert.

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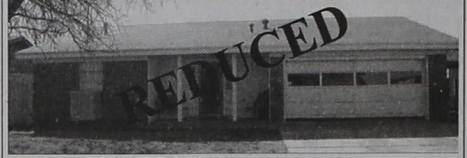
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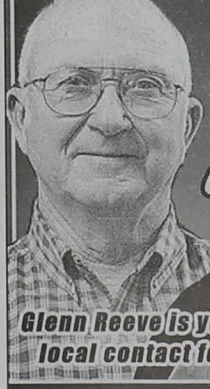
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TOWN TALK II

by ron carr

The Memorial Day weekends seem to get longer the older I get. I used to look forward to 3-day weekends but now they feel more like 3-week weekends.

The junior high auditorium was packed again for the Class of 2006. The students gather in the gymnasium before the ceremony to adjust their caps and gowns and pose for pictures. Every year I have been there the gym is hot. They turn on a couple of big oscillating fans but it doesn't help much. How about it, school board? A little air-conditioning couldn't cost that much.

My sister Gena Rogers was here to visit for the weekend and to celebrate our mother's 87th birthday Monday. Gena took mother shopping Saturday while my brother Rick and I put together a jumbo storage cabinet for mother's garage. It was her birthday surprise. Sunday we had burgers and hot dogs in Rick's backyard and a really obscene birthday cake my sister-in-law Sherry made. It had German Chocolate cake mix, ice cream caramel topping, and Skor candy bars all mixed in. I'll get her to write out the recipe and include it in a later paper.

Thanks again to all the volunteers that put out the flags at the cemetery for Memorial Day and to the city for maintaining it. I went out Monday and it looked really nice. Dry but nice. The hot weather and drought is affecting everything we do.

I spoke to Dennis Anthony at the graduation festivities. He had

attended a Great Plains Ag Credit board meeting in New Orleans recently. He said you cannot imagine the total destruction of the area until you actually see it firsthand. His group took a tour of areas like the Ninth Ward which was among the hardest hit and is still not being reoccupied or rebuilt almost a year later.

Many will remember the Echols family. They had left before I moved here in 1995. Archie Echols was pastor at the Methodist Church. His son Daniel graduated from FHS and was quite an athlete I'm told. Last week Daniel was in Friona for the funeral of Jill Herring Cotoia. He stopped by the Star office to visit. Daniel is now the pastor of the Methodist Church in Haskell, Texas, which happens to be the hometown of Friona Star office manager Marlene Mueller. They had a lot to chat about.

While we were all at graduation Friday night, a thunderstorm with lightning moved through the area. Lightning caused grass fires all across the county. Every volunteer fire department in the county was out battling grass fires until after midnight. Fires were also reported in Bailey and Deaf Smith counties.

Lowe's grocery manager David Figueroa attended the high school graduation of his sister in Kermit, Texas over the weekend. David is from Kermit, a city of about 6,000 down near Odessa and Monahan.

Angela Villarreal of Bovina is now a nurse. Angela, valdicio-

rian of her Bovina Class of 2002, graduated May 13 from West Texas A&M with a bachelor's degree in nursing and has begun her career at Parmer County Community Hospital. She is the daughter of George and Nickie Villarreal of Bovina. Congratulations Angela.

Kendall Barnett, daughter of Erin and Ricky, is scheduled for surgery Friday, June 2, to have a benign cyst removed from behind an eardrum. A Methodist Church email from Erin asked that Kendall and her surgeon, Dr. Schneider, be kept in your prayers.

Rene and David Hough's young son Truman will have surgery today (Thursday June 1) to have a cyst on his chest removed and a hernia in his groin area. The surgery will be done at BSA Outpatient Surgery in Amarillo and the doctor said he should be up and about on Friday if nothing serious happens.

Ruby Hassenpflug had a surprise for her 86th birthday Friday, May 19. Local daughters Tamela Bandy of Friona and Anita Lyons of Hereford, planned to take Ruby to dinner that night. While Ruby was in the back room getting dressed, a surprise waited in the living room.

Unbeknownst to Ruby, her son Bud Hassenpflug and his wife Kathie, and her niece Barbara and son Shawn had all flown in from Phoenix to surprise her for her

birthday. When she came out of the back room they were waiting in the living room. Anita's daughter Chris Alexander of Canyon also came down to join the surprise. The group then went to Hardin's Steakhouse for dinner. Ruby said it was a beautiful birthday. The Phoenix folks left Sunday morning.

Floyd Reeve brought by a picture of the 1960 FFA judging team, of which he was a member. He thought about it when the local Miller-Wilson Chapter of the National Honor Society had their induction ceremony recently.

The picture was of the beef judging team at the 1960 Houston Livestock Show. Two of the young men, Johnny Miller and E. C. Wilson, drowned in the summer of 1960 in floodwaters about four miles north of town. The next year the NHS Chapter was formed and named after them.

Floyd said the other boy in the picture, Craig Coon, graduated from Texas A&M, has taught in Washington and Minnesota and is presently teaching at the University of Arkansas. He has a PhD in animal science and has lectured across the world, including Russia. Floyd said Coon is an expert on the topic of amino acids in soy beans, the topic of many of his lectures. Appreciate you sharing the story with us Floyd.



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The 1960 Friona FFA judging team, l-r, Craig Coon, Johnny Miller, E. C. Wilson, and Floyd Reeve. See Town Talk II for story.

Thrips & spider mites found in corn and cotton

BY MONTI VANDIVER

Texas Co-op Extension

Most of the corn is up and off to a good start. Some of the early planted cotton has had to be replanted due to emergence problems, most of which are a result of poor environmental conditions, "big shank" and seedling disease. Much of the dryland cotton does not have adequate moisture to germinate the seed. Limited capacity irrigated and furrow irrigated cotton is also struggling, dry winds have made it very difficult to establish an acceptable stand. For the most part cotton which was planted after the cold snaps at the end of April and first of May has emerged and is off to a good start.

Thrips are moving into emerged cotton fields. Thrips are slender, straw colored insects about 1/15 inch long, with rasping and sucking mouthparts. Adults are winged and capable of drifting long distances in the

wind. One thrip per plant should be used as the treatment level from plant emergence, through the cotyledon stage, to the first true leaf. If there was a soil applied insecticide or seed treatment applied for thrips control there should be 30% or more immature thrips present to justify a subsequent treatment. Most thrips populations were below economic threshold this week but adults are abundant and are actively moving. Several fields which had no preventative treatment (seed treatment or soil applied insecticide) and some which had a seed treatment have exceeded economic threshold. Cotton should be monitored closely to prevent excessive damage. Once adults begin to move, unprotected cotton can be quickly overwhelmed. Do not assume that a preventative treatment is working, close inspection of plant leaves and terminals for adult and immature thrips will tell the tale. If infestation is assessed by visual plant damage you will be late. Not all seed treatments are equally effective on all thrips species. Western flower thrips are the dominant species in the Northwest Plains of Texas.

Conditions are favorable for spider mites and mites have been observed in higher numbers than normal this spring. Plans for spider mite management in corn should be developed within the next week or so. Options include preventative treatments, early remedial treatments, rescue treatments, or do nothing and hope for the best. A good integrated pest management plan should consider all factors including potential infestation, environmental conditions, and available effective treatment options.

Wheat producers vote to improve farm bill

The Texas Wheat Producers Association (TWPA) voted in their quarterly meeting, held this month, to adopt the following statement regarding the development of the 2007 Farm Bill:

"The TWPA supports writing a new Farm Bill that builds on the successes of the 2002 Farm Bill. The 2007 Farm Bill should correct the imbalance between wheat and other commodities. The TWPA supports the preservation and extension of the existing budget baseline. In addition to a new Farm Bill, the TWPA encourages Congress to strengthen the current crop insurance program."

This statement reiterates testimony given by TWPA President Jack Norman before the U.S. House Committee on Agri-

culture earlier this month.

"The 2002 Farm Bill has worked, and worked well for most commodities. However, wheat farmers have not been able to take full advantage of the Commodity Title programs," said Norman.

Norman testified that the loan rate and target price for wheat were set too low in the 2002 Farm Bill, leaving wheat producers unsupported by price-triggered programs in times of crop failure.

The TWPA looks forward to working with the House Committee on Agriculture, the administration and the USDA in constructing a future Farm Bill that will benefit all producers, said Norman.

Cotton 60 percent planted

BY SHAWN WADE

Even though rain showers have been a regular visitor to the area the past few weeks they have generally been a hit or miss proposition for High Plains cotton producers in 2006.

Despite the challenges posed by generally dry soil conditions cotton producers have made good progress in planting the crop. The area's usual pattern of planting irrigated crops first and dryland acreage second is holding true to form as producers wait as long as possible for a planting rain to get their dryland crops off, to the best possible start.

Unfortunately, planting rains haven't fallen yet in many dryland areas. If the Memorial Day weekend fails to provide the necessary rainfall, dryland growers will begin dry planting their acres and hope that moisture to

germinate the crop arrives soon thereafter.

Since the majority of the High Plains' non-irrigated acres exist in counties with federal crop insurance final planting dates of June 5 or June 10, Memorial Day is often the date many producers will start dry planting cotton in order to meet federal crop insurance planting deadlines.

Heading into Memorial Day the High Plains is estimated to be around 55-60 percent planted. The majority of the unplanted acres are non-irrigated and located south of Lubbock.

Planted crops appear to be faring well and warm daytime temperatures that have taken hold across the area are helping keep things headed in the right direction.

Rabbits can cause health problems

Jackrabbits and cottontail rabbits could present a health problem in the Texas Panhandle this summer. A case of tularemia, also known as rabbit fever, has been found in Potter County.

State and local health officials confirmed a positive tularemia test in a jackrabbit found in an uninhabited area on Rick Husband Amarillo International Airport property.

An unusual number of deaths in the jackrabbit population prompted health officials to test for tularemia, a bacterial infection in rodents and rabbits that can be transmitted to humans, according to Amarillo Bi-City-County Health District officials.

Rick Gilliland, Texas Cooperative Extension-Wildlife Services district supervisor, found the suspected animal at the airport after a number of rabbits were reported dead. This initial tularemia die-off seemed limited to few hundred yards, but signs indicate it is spreading a little bit, he said.

"It's very probable it will spread," Gilliland said. "The most important thing now is damage management. Do not go close to sick or dead rabbits. The fleas and ticks in the region are potentially infected. Discourage rabbits in your yard."

Tularemia occurred earlier in the year in the Presidio and Fort Davis area, spreading through about half of the county before it died off, he said.

The rabbit population has exploded during the past two years following prior years of abundance of spring and summer rainfall, Gilliland said. Disease can sometimes be a natural part of the cycle and it will likely play a role in the decline of numbers in the next couple of years.

While currently no human cases of the disease have been reported in this region, tularemia is a potentially serious illness that occurs naturally in the Panhandle, health district officials said.

Tularemia can spread by handling infected carcasses, being bitten by infected deer flies, horse flies, ticks or fleas, eating contaminated food, or breathing in the bacteria, health officials said.

Symptoms, usually appearing three to five days after exposure, include: sudden fever, headaches, diarrhea, muscle aches, joint pain, dry cough, progressive weakness, ulcers on the skin or in the mouth and swollen or painful lymph glands.

The Texas Department of State Health Services made the following recommendations:

- * Report large die-offs of rabbits, rodents or other animals to public health agencies.
- * Do not let pets roam loose.
- * Do not handle unknown or wild animals, alive or dead, specifically rabbits.
- * Use insect repellent when outdoors to prevent flea and tick bites.
- * Use an effective flea and tick control product on pets.
- * Treat lawns and property to prevent fleas and ticks.
- * Avoid resting or camping near rodent or rabbit burrows.
- * Eliminate sources of food and shelter for rodents around homes, work and recreational areas.

Dr. Jim Alexander, regional Health Services zoonosis control veterinarian in Canyon, said tularemia can be pretty explosive.

"If the rabbits from the infected population communicate with other populations, it could spread quite a ways," Alexander said. "Also, coyotes can carry ticks and move it into another area."

While the disease can spread, he said the only modern cases he knew of in the Panhandle were near Canadian in 2002 and in Donley County in 2005.

In both situations, the disease died out fairly quickly without spreading too far.

Alexander said he does not know of any human cases occurring in this region.

TexZona takes second in cattle competition

The annual Fed Beef Challenge was recently held at the Amarillo Livestock Auction facility in Amarillo. The event is sponsored by the Texas Cattle Feeder's Association.

Steers and heifers are entered by several feedyards around the Panhandle area. J. B. Douglas, chief financial officer for TexZona Custom Cattle Feeders in Friona, said he thought there were about 20 feedyards entered in the competition. The cattle are put into pens of three and judged by livestock judging teams from several universities.

They are judged on a base index of 100 points, then the cattle are killed and dressed to see how close they conform to the judges opinions.

TexZona Custom Cattle Feeders won 2nd place in the steer division with a pen that netted 280.4 points in the judging. Feedyards like TexZona sell their cattle to packers and the price is largely determined by the quality of the dressed beef. "Winning a competition like this, said Douglas, "gives us some marketing clout when we sell our cattle."

Food safety program offered

Eating out has never been more popular. Almost half of the money we spend on food is spent away from home. Each year, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate that approximately 1 in 4 Americans will get sick from eating contaminated food at home or at food service establishments. This summer, Texas Cooperative Extension, Bailey and Cochran county, is offering training to reduce those numbers of illnesses.

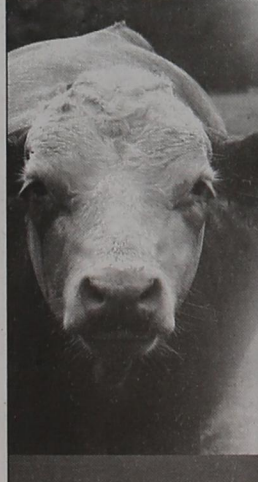
The Food Manager Certification Training Program, called "Food Safety: It's Our Business" seeks to reduce the risk of foodborne illness. By taking the course, food service managers can receive the latest information on personal hygiene, how to use thermometers, how to store food safely, how to prepare and serve food properly and how to keep the food preparation areas clean and sanitized.

Participants can fulfill requirements for food manager certification if they pass the certification exam offered at the end of the course.

The training session will be offered for \$79 on June 15 and 16, 2006, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at the Muleshoe Church of Christ, 2201 W. American Blvd. The cost includes training materials and the State food manager certification examination. Deadline for registration will be June 8th.

For more information contact Mandi Seaton, Bailey County Extension Agent - Family and Consumer Sciences, 306 West Second, Muleshoe, TX 79347, 806-272-4583.

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The joy of Holiness #1

BY T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

God intends for us to live a life of Joy. Of course, the only real joy is found in Jesus Christ. We must be a Christian to experience real joy. The idea that holiness is associated with a sour disposition is a travesty of the worst sort. Actually, the opposite is true.

Note what Jesus said in John 15:10-11. "If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete." It is not that His love is conditioned on our obedience. That would be legalism, the point is, our experience of His love is dependent on our obedience. God loved us before our obedience. That's why He sent His son. But, the love of God should create within us the desire to obey God in all that He asks. Then by following our love, we are rewarded in a special way by God's love because we obey Him.

Joy comes to the Christian because of the freedom one has in Jesus Christ. Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him. "If you hold to my teachings, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." (John 8:32)

GOD'S HOUSE IS ALWAYS OPEN

Space Quest VBS

Grace Baptist Church at 1601 N. Euclid will host Vacation Bible School every Wednesday in June-7, 14, 21, 28-from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. for grades one through

six. The theme this year will be Space Quest. They will have Bible study, music, crafts, food and recreation. Come join us!

Aren't committee meetings one of the seven deadly sins?

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

The only two things in life that are inevitable are breathing and serving on a committee. In many churches breathing is a prime qualification when considering someone for a committee. To get a more colorful picture of committees, I have researched some little-known quotes. Will Rogers once said, "God made committees a little lower than the angels, and they've been getting a little lower ever since."

Who could forget the fear in the hearts of the colonists when Paul Revere rode through countryside with his ominous warning: "The British are forming committees! The British are

forming committees!" William Prescott followed that warning with his battle cry at Bunker Hill, "Do not fire until you see the whites of their committees." We saw committees at their best in Mel Brooks's 1974 parody of churches in the Old West, *Blazing Committees*, especially the scene with the audiovisual committee sitting around the campfire.

The best way to really understand committees is to ask a question and answer it with the title of a song. What did everyone say as they left that last building and renovation meeting? *We Gotta Get Out of This Place*. What did Bubba do in youth committee that cleared the room? *The Answer, My Friend, Is Blowin' in the Wind*. What short prayer do you say before

ENGAGEMENTS



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The children of Norma Griffin and C.B. Eddins are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their parents. Vows will be exchanged on Saturday, June 24, 2006 in the home of the bride.

The bride elect resides in Portales, New Mexico and the prospective groom is from Friona, Texas.

Women's summer bible study to start

The Friona United Methodist Church will host a Women's Summer Bible study starting Wednesday, June 21 at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Classes will run for six weeks. The study is a Women of Faith study called "Giving God Your All". The study book is \$4 and all women are invited to attend this hour-long study. For more information contact Teena Hughs at 250-2377.

each finance meeting? *Help Me Make It through the Night*. Why don't you serve on the nominating committee? *Haven't Got Time for the Pain*.

What if I told you that meetings were going to be exciting from now on? *That'll Be the Day That I Die*. Who usually ends up being chairman of the library committee? *Lucretia MacEvil*. Why don't you want to serve on the kitchen committee? *What Kind of Fool Do You Think I Am?* What did the nursery committee come up with as a theme for their potty-training seminar? *Baby, What a Big Surprise*. What is the new standard uniform for the baptismal committee? *Itsy Bitsy Teeny Weenie Yellow Polka Dot Bikini*.

I could go on and say that the early committee gets the

work, and a committee a day keeps the preacher away, but I think you get the picture. Oliver Wendell Holmes said, "I hate being placed on committees. They are always having meetings at which half are absent and the rest late."

We can keep our tongues planted firmly in our cheeks when we joke about committees, but we could not get along without them. The most important thing to remember is that committees are not a power trip but a road to servanthood. If we keep an open mind, a sense of humor, and faith in a patient God, we will do well.

To paraphrase a familiar verse in Matthew 28, "Lo, I am with you always, even until the end of the committee meeting."

Rogers~Chrisman

Randy and Stacy Rogers of Lubbock, Texas are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Amber Dion, to Brandon Scott Chrisman, son of Nathan and Gay Chrisman of Plainview, Texas.

Miss Rogers is the granddaughter of C.R. and Joyce Roberts of Amherst, Texas, JoAnn Rogers of Olton, Texas and Harold Smitherman of Morton, Texas. She is a graduate of Coronado High School in Lubbock and attended South Plains College in Levelland, Texas. She is presently a student at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, Texas.

Mr. Chrisman is the grandson of David and Pat Chrisman of Roswell, New Mexico and Dee and Wyona Clark of Friona, Texas and the great-grandson of Nola Myrick also of Friona. He is a 2003 graduate of Plainview High School and is a student at Hardin-Simmons.

The couple will be exchange vows June 3 at Indiana Avenue Baptist Church in Lubbock.

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BY JOHN LEHTI

ONE SON REMAINING!

WHEN KING SAUL ORDERED THE SLAUGHTER OF THE CHIEF PRIEST AT NOB AND ALL HIS HOUSEHOLD BECAUSE HE THOUGHT THEY WERE IN LEAGUE WITH DAVID AGAINST HIM, 85 PRIESTS WERE KILLED THAT DAY-- BUT ONE SON ESCAPED! THIS WAS ABIATHAR, THE LAST REMAINING PRIEST OF THE LINE DESCENDED FROM THE HIGH PRIEST ELI! ABIATHAR ESCAPED AND AS WAS NATURAL, FLED TO DAVID IN THE WILDERNESS (1 SAM. 22:20-23). FROM THEN ON, ABIATHAR REMAINED AS A PRIEST WITH DAVID AND WHEN DAVID AT LAST ASCENDED THE THRONE, IT WAS ABIATHAR AND ANOTHER PRIEST, ZADOK, WHO APPARENTLY SHARED THE DUTIES OF THE HIGH PRIESTHOOD BETWEEN THEM (1 SAM. 15:24-29). ABIATHAR REMAINED LOYAL TO DAVID THROUGHOUT HIS REIGN, BUT AFTER KING DAVID'S DEATH HE FAVORED ADONIJAH OVER SOLOMON-- FOR THIS HE WAS DEPOSED FROM THE HIGH PRIESTHOOD AND ZADOK, A MUCH LOYAL PRIEST WAS PUT IN HIS PLACE. (1 KINGS 2:26-27) THIS WITH ABIATHAR'S DOWNFALL, THE END OF THE HOUSE OF ELI, AS HIGH PRIESTS, CAME TO BE, AS FORE- TOLD IN THE OLD PROPHECY WITH WHICH ELI WAS THREATENED! (1 SAM. 2:31-35).

IF I CAN MAKE MY WAY TO DAVID, THERE WILL I FIND SAFETY!

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Perry signs largest tax cut in Texas history into law

Gov. Rick Perry today signed into law House Bill 1, which provides the largest tax cut in Texas history, a \$2000 across-the-board pay raise for teachers, and major education reforms. "I wholeheartedly believe this is one of the most significant legislative accomplishments for Texas in a generation, because it is one of the most significant steps we have ever taken to improve opportunity for the next generation," Perry said.

Perry thanked Senator Florence Shapiro of Plano and Representative Rob Eissler of Magnolia, who were present at the bill signing, for their work to secure the votes to pass House Bill 1. The measure passed with an overwhelming margin of 167-8 votes in the Texas Legislature.

"Because of their leadership, homeowners and businesses will save \$15.7 billion on school property taxes over the next three years - enough to lower rates by 33 percent - and make the dream of homeownership more affordable for millions of Texas families," Perry said. "And this is a tax cut Texans can take to the bank, and count on in the years to come."

Taxpayer protections included in HB 1:

- School districts can raise the tax rate only 4 cents one time. Beyond that, if local leaders want more money from taxpayers, they have to get voter approval. Under current law, local school boards can raise tax rates by 6 cents every year without giving voters any say at the ballot box. (HB 1)

- If appraisal creep yields more revenue than voters have authorized, school districts must automatically seek voter approval to keep it. This provision will not lower the cap on appraisal increases - something Perry strongly supports - but it caps the amount of money school districts can receive from higher appraisals without a vote of the people.

"I have often said that Texans not only want more money for education, they want more education for their money. House Bill 1 achieves both of these important goals," Perry said. "Teachers are the heart of any successful education effort, and their salaries should reflect the outstanding job they are doing to prepare our children for a lifetime of success. And those who have the greatest impact in the classroom should be rewarded even more."

Education reforms included in HB 1:

- A \$2,000 Pay Raise for Teachers: Legislators passed a \$2,000 across-the-board pay raise for teachers, restoring the full amount of the teacher health stipend and building on the positive trend in teacher compensation that has seen salaries increase by \$11,700 for teachers in the classroom since 1999.

- Performance Pay for Excellent Teachers: The legislation will create the largest performance pay plan in the nation to reward classroom excellence. With \$260 million for bonuses of up to \$10,000 per teacher for locally-designed incentive programs, and another \$100 million for the Governor's Educator Excellence Awards Program, Texas will take the national lead in rewarding educational excellence and attracting top-performing teachers to struggling campuses.

- Improving High Schools: HB 1 provides more than \$1 billion over three years to reform Texas high schools and further the goals of the governor's high school initiative, which are to reduce the dropout rate, replicate successful school models and prepare more students for college.

- Raising the Bar: Legislators strengthened the curriculum by requiring four years of math and science to better prepare students for the high-tech economy.

- Robin Hood Relief: By 2008, close to \$1 billion in local property tax revenues will remain in local districts to be spent on local students instead of being exported to other areas of the state.

- Greater Funding Equity: The state will make a historic commitment to funding fairness, achieving up to 94 percent funding equity on enrichment dollars.

- Teacher Mentoring: Millions of dollars will be dedicated to teacher mentoring programs to keep young educators in the classroom.

- More Money for Schools: With \$1.8 billion to fund teacher pay increases and classroom excellence initiatives, as well as funding provided last session, legislators have increased school funding by \$3.4 billion in the current fiscal biennium.

- State Share Increases Dramatically: By next year, the state share of education funding will increase to 50 percent, reversing a trend scheduled to take us to 34 percent in FY2007 if nothing had been done.

"This session was a tremendous success. We passed a historic property tax cut, implemented business tax reforms supported by dozens of employer associations and chambers of commerce, and raised salaries for Texas teachers, even while lowering the overall tax burden by \$7 billion," Perry said. "And because of House Bill 1, school finance is now out of the courthouse, and back on constitutional footing."

For more information on the historic school finance legislation, visit www.governor.state.tx.us.

OBITUARIES

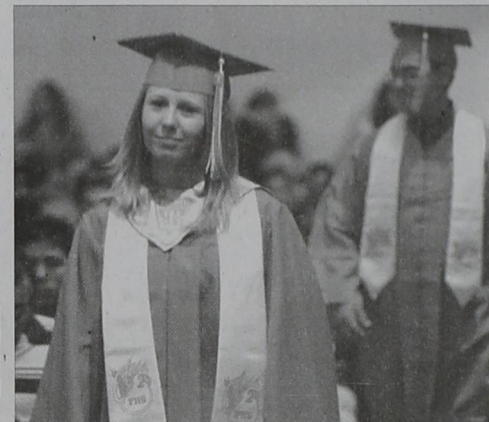
Maj. Chris Len Tannahill

Retired Maj. Chris Len Tannahill, 58, died Wednesday, May 24, 2006 in Denton. Services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 30, 2006 in Denton Funeral Home in Denton. Burial followed in DFW National Cemetery in Dallas.

Maj. Tannahill was born June 18, 1947, to Collis Wilborn Tannahill and Mildred Tress Allen Tannahill in Plainview, Texas. He married "Gigi" Glenda Creech on January 19, 1968, in Canyon, Texas. Mr. Tannahill was a retired major in the U.S. Army with 25 years of service. He currently was employed with CAE SimuFlite at DFW Airport, where he was a flight instructor.

He is survived by his wife; a daughter, Christie Lynne Hale (active duty with U.S. Marine Corps) and husband Patrick Jay Hale of San Diego, California; a son, James Wilborn Tannahill (patrolman for Highland Village Police Department) and wife Missy of Grapevine, Texas; two sisters: Sherri Taylor and husband John of Friona, Texas and Patricia Pleasants of Austin, Texas; a brother, Richard Craig Tannahill and wife Cathy of Chaplin, Connecticut; a brother-in-law John Creech and wife Ida of Houston, Texas; a sister-in-law, Lisa Hale and husband Mike of Midland, Texas; two cousins, Eugene Tannahill of Lockney, Texas and Miffy Tannahill of Keller, Texas; seven grandchildren; and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Pallbearers were SimuFlite employees, Jim Bloomberg, Tim Dewhurst, Chris Litherland, John Moore, Pete Purnell and Lew Smalley.

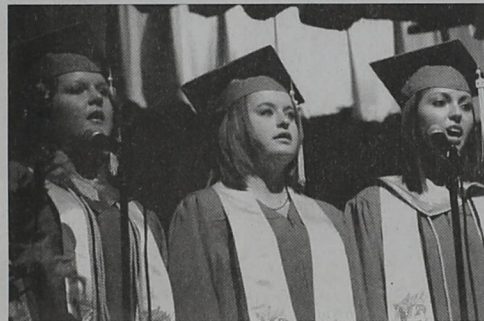


Michelle Stanberry enters the auditorium during the Class of 2006 procession.

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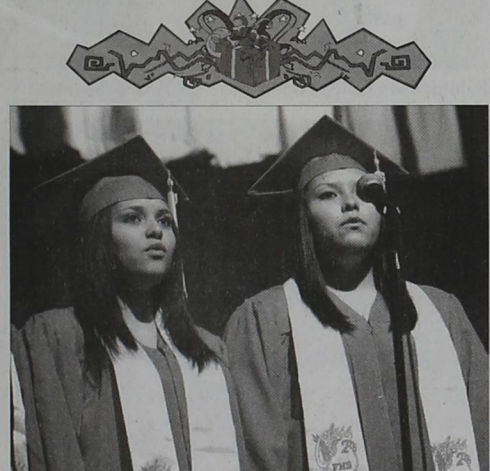
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- June 10-Teresa Alexander, Vohnya Tongate, Raymond Auburg, Fred Cook, Bonnie Glover



Graduates, l-r, Kandace Frye, Lindsey Neill, and Kayla Estrada were members of a group that sang "Remember Me".

Reprints of these and other graduation photos

are available at frionaonline.com



Hillary Rando, left, and Yvette Ramos were part of the entertainment at the 2006 graduation.



A final lineup, l-r, Cody Jamerson, A. J. Cordova, Andrew Chico, Fabian Dominguez, Antonio Monreal, Daniel Aguilar, Steven Sanchez, and Patrick Soto.

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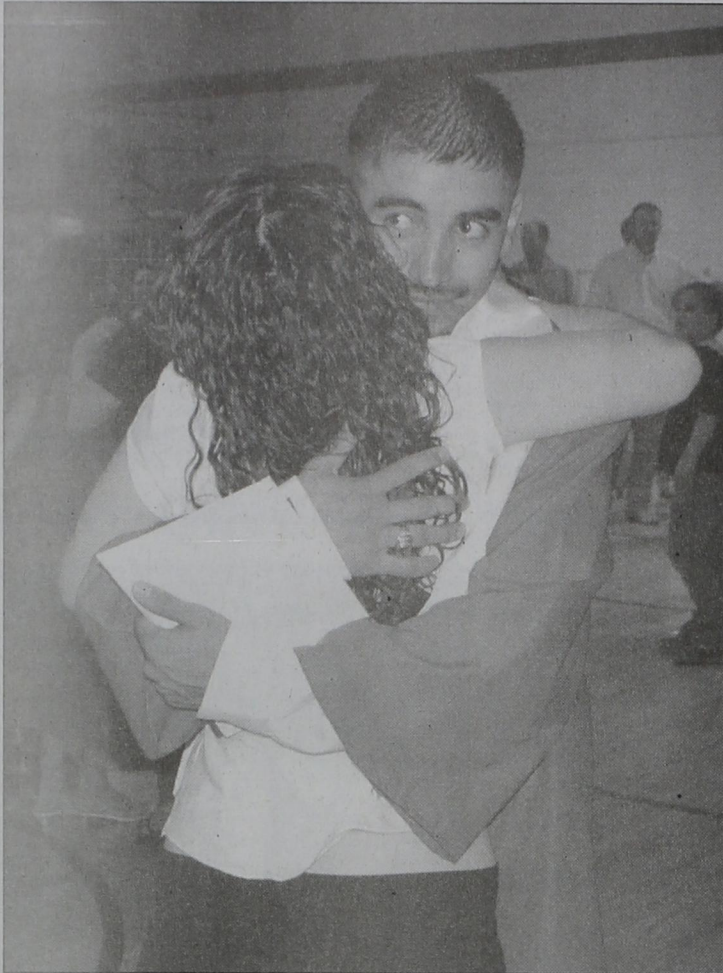
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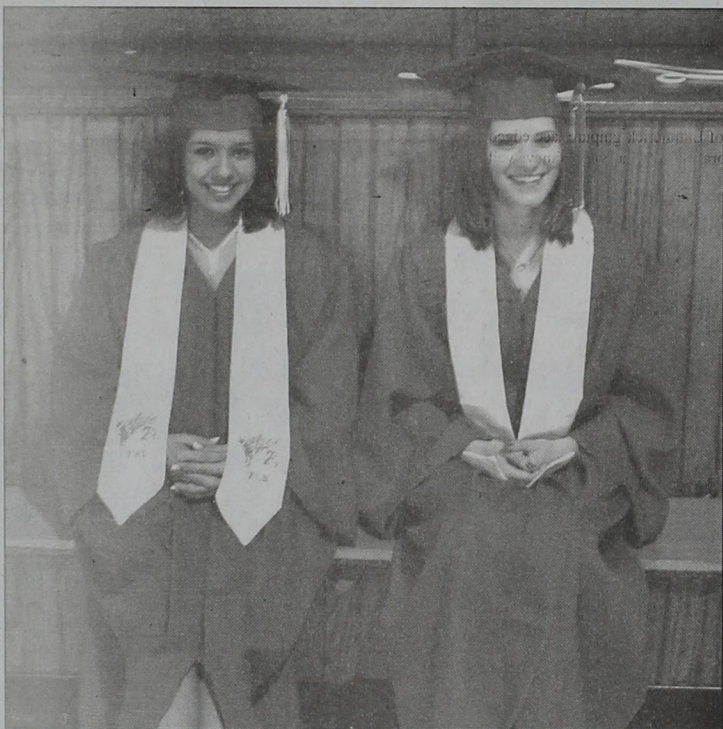
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Luke London is congratulated by Debbie Lewellen, left, and his mother Susan London after Friday's graduation.

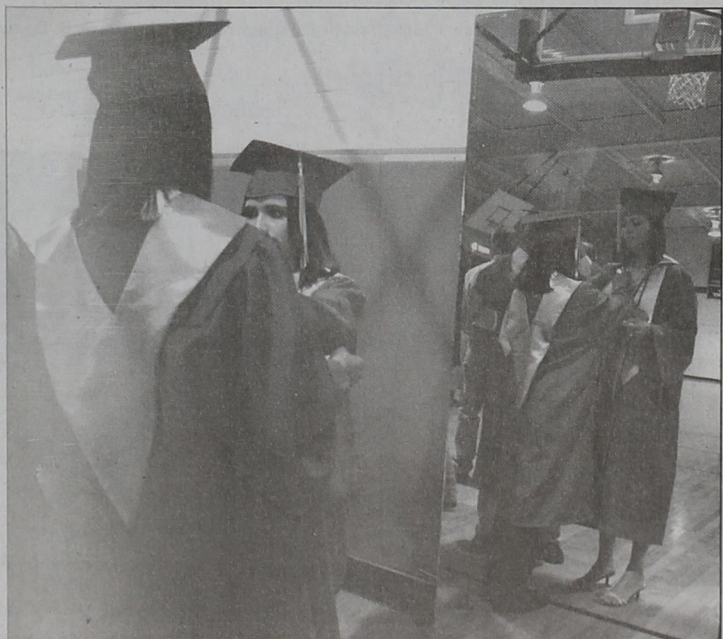
Graduation 2006



Steven Sanchez gets a hug from a friend.



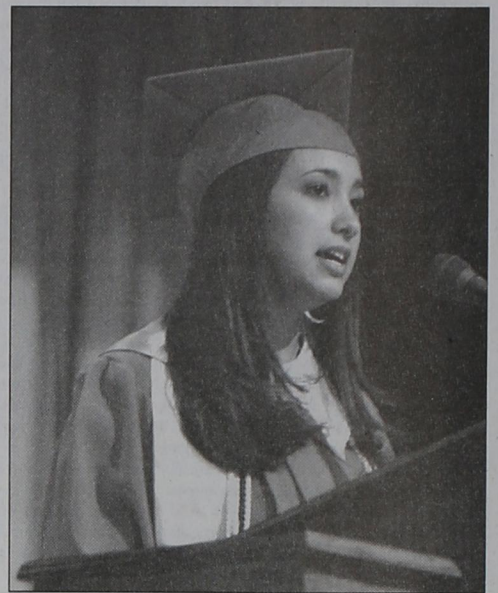
The waiting game. Beth Nava and Kourtnee Williams wait for the procession.



Natasha Lafuente helps Kayla Estrada with her cap and gown.

For more photos see the FHS grad album at frionaonline.com

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Valedictorian Morgan Leal delivers her commencement address.



Kimberlee Jones and Salutatorian Caleb Hidalgo are ready to graduate.



That's Breann Barnett in the middle of a big family photo after her graduation.

Notice of Hearing

Parmer County Appraisal District

The Review Board hearings will be held on July 7, 2006, starting at 9:00 a.m. until all appointments have been met. The hearings will be held at the Appraisal District board room at 305 Third St., Bovina, Texas.

In order to be entitled to a hearing, you must file a written protest by Friday, June 23, 2006.

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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)

Never A Bride...The Story of Carrie DeWitt

by Terri Lynn Wilson Cox And Students

Note: Terri Lynn Cox came across this story a couple of years ago and thought it might be a good service learning project. The grave had never been marked, so Terri handmade an old-fashioned baby dress from the era for the students to raffle chances in order to raise money for a gravestone for Carrie.

Edits by Darla Bracken fridarla19@yahoo.com

Our project began with a newspaper clipping from a 1931 issue of the *Amarillo Daily News* regarding a woman named Carrie DeWitt whose fiancé never returned from the Civil War. We also obtained a corresponding article from the local paper, *The Friona Star*.

Our community is celebrating its centennial in 2006. The city of Friona, with the aid of the Friona Cemetery Association, has maintained the local cemetery very well; however, in 1995 a tornado struck the cemetery, causing a great deal of damage—destroying almost all the landscaping and fences and overturning almost all the upright tombstones, as well as destroying the newly-built gazebo. The Cemetery Association and the city of Friona have repaired most of the damage and new landscaping has been planted.

One item of concern, however, is that there are several graves that do not have markers, perhaps because at the time of death the families could not afford them or because a marker that was less permanent than stone or cement has deteriorated. The Cemetery Association is encouraging the placement of markers at these grave sites, not only as a matter of respect but also because cemeteries are one of the repositories of family and local history.

Carrie DeWitt, the woman from the newspaper clipping, is buried in an unmarked grave. As part of our project, we raffled a handmade infant dress representative of the time period in which she lived. We used the proceeds to buy a student-designed marker for her grave.

From a clipping from the *Amarillo Daily News* in 1931—FRIONA WOMAN DIES AT AGE OF 88; WAITED 71 YEARS FOR HER SOLDIER LOVER, WHO NEVER RETURNED

FRIONA, April 11—Carrie DeWitt, daughter of the old south, today had joined her Civil War sweetheart for whom she had waited 71 years in vain.

She died here at the age of 88 after a lifelong vigil for a Confederate soldier who never came back, and was buried in the 1860 wedding dress which she never wore. With the bands playing Dixie, Miss DeWitt, then a girl of 17, kissed her sweetheart goodbye in 1860 and vowed to wait for his return. She waited 71 years until her death.

Others came back but her sweetheart did not. She turned a deaf ear to all suitors and continued to fill her hope chest until she became known as "Aunt Carrie," a charitable old lady noted for her good deeds. A few who know her history compared her to Longfellow's Evangeline.

She did not bore her companions with her story and her neighbors here today could not even agree upon the name of the long missing soldier sweetheart. He was supposed to have joined a unit which was incorporated in Hood's Texas Brigade. This force suffered heavy losses at Chickamauga, Sharpsburg and Gettysburg, and was almost wiped out in the Wilderness.

Some said that it was definitely established that the soldier had been killed and that the news was kept purposely from the girl. Others said that his fate was never determined. "Aunt

Carrie" held on to her hope until the last and on her deathbed asked that she be buried in the wedding dress which she had guarded for 71 years.—*Amarillo Daily News*

Local STAR article

This article is from the Friona Star at the time of her funeral:

Carrie DeWitt Goes to Reward Monday Morning

Miss Carrie DeWitt, age 88, died at the home of V.E. Weir Monday morning, April 6, at 8:20 o'clock, and was buried in the Friona cemetery, Wednesday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock, funeral (sic) services, with the Rev. Mr. Cummins officiating, being held from the Church of Christ. Miss DeWitt was born in Indiana and came to Friona in 1910. She is survived by the following relatives: V.C. Weir, Mrs. C.L. Lillard, Scott Weir, Worth Weir, Glenn Weir, Hereford, and H.D. Weir of Chillicothe, Ohio. Miss DeWitt, who was affectionately called "Aunt Carrie" by her numerous friends in Friona, was loved and respected by all who knew her. She was a true friend, and goes to her reward in Heaven for the true Christian life she had led, mourned by all who knew her.

Although of such cheerful disposition, romance and sorrow marked the entire life of this little old lady. Way back just before the Civil War, when she was in her young girlhood, she found the man she loved, the man she expected to marry. They were engaged and she worked industriously on her hope chest and made her wedding dress. Then, to forever cloud her life, came the Civil war (sic), where friends were overnight turned into enemies and brother fought brother. This most splendid young man to whom she had pledged herself, did as a man should do, and volunteered to fight for his country. He went away, but he never returned. What happened to him no one knew. In all probability he lay an unknown dead on an unknown battlefield, but "Aunt Carrie" loved him and she saved her wedding dress and she waited his return for approximately 70 years — until she died. Her last request was that she be buried in her wedding dress which she had saved all these years, and this was done.

Such love and such constancy enduring through the long years in honor of a promise marks the high character of Miss DeWitt, who possessed a character of such sterling quality as is attained by but few people.

—*The Friona Star*, April 1931

I think it is very interesting that this project was completed and that Carrie now has a gravestone marker. When I think of her, I am touched by her story: she was born in 1848 and had the dress made in 1860, but the Civil War intervened and her fiancé never came back; so she never married.

An 1860 wedding dress would have been quite an affair. A picture of one such dress was made of Victorian ivory satin. This dress had a mid-19th Century veil of Limerick guipure lace edged with a nine inch border of floral motifs, a very fancy veil measuring 65 by 62 inches was typical of the elegant style of the era. The bridal bouquet was not yet common so the dress and the veil made the fashion statement of the day. The elegant yet simple ivory satin would have had a wide gathered skirt attached to a bodice with a laced closing. What would have told another story were the undergarments made to wear with the Victorian era wedding dress. Layers of full petticoats were worn with a crinoline hoop to achieve the full billowing skirt effect typical of the early 1860s fashion. The bride would have also worn a corset over an embroidered chemise—not exactly your everyday burial clothing in 1931, even in the year of her death. Of course the bride would have had a trousseau: a traveling gown for shopping and street wear, a party gown for visiting, luncheons and receptions, a pretty 'at-home' dress of pale grey cloth, an evening wrap, a satin or taffeta dress and a short cloth skirt and some thin summer frocks, a dressing jacket of silk or flannel, and lingerie monogrammed with the bride's initials—eight of each undergarment—including night dresses, drawers, chemises, corset covers, skirts, and undershirts of silk or wool. There were also shoes, slippers, corsets, gloves, hats, an umbrella and as 'many dozen

handkerchiefs and stockings as can be afforded'. The trousseau also included the family linen: sheets, pillow and bolster cases, shams and spreads for each bed plus a coverlet of silk. Tablecloths and napkins, doilies—a dozen or so are added.

Carrie was 88 years old and had saved her dress for over 70 years. I have visited her grave and am pleased that this story reappeared in the 21st Century thanks to Mrs. Cox and her students.

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- 9 wrapped up hay
- 10 TXism: "he _____ barbed wire for dental floss"

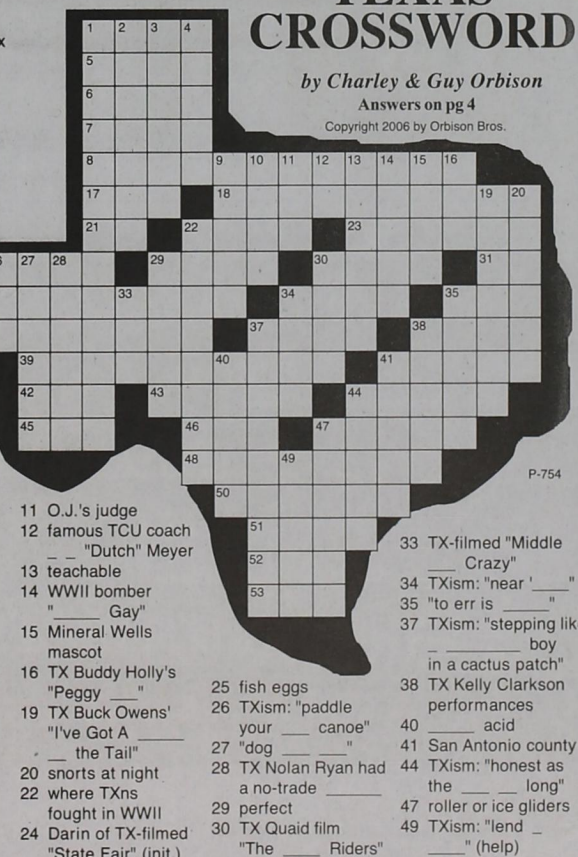
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- 11 O.J.'s judge
- 12 famous TCU coach _____ "Dutch" Meyer
- 13 teachable
- 14 WWII bomber _____ "Gay"
- 15 Mineral Wells mascot
- 16 TX Buddy Holly's "Peggy _____"
- 19 TX Buck Owens' "I've Got A _____ the Tail"
- 20 snorts at night
- 22 where TXns fought in WWII
- 24 Darin of TX-filmed "State Fair" (init.)
- 25 fish eggs
- 26 TXism: "paddle your _____ canoe"
- 27 "dog _____"
- 28 TX Nolan Ryan had a no-trade _____
- 29 perfect
- 30 TX Quaid film "The _____ Riders"
- 33 TX-filmed "Middle _____ Crazy"
- 34 TXism: "near ' _____"
- 35 "to err is _____"
- 37 TXism: "stepping like _____ boy in a cactus patch"
- 38 TX Kelly Clarkson performances
- 40 _____ acid
- 41 San Antonio county
- 44 TXism: "honest as the _____ long"
- 47 roller or ice gliders
- 49 TXism: "lend _____" (help)

Grass fires



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Friday night grass fires lit up the sky northwest of Friona as a lightning storm moved through the county.

Lessons and Lap Swim

By DaLinda Black, Pool Manager

The first day the Friona Swimming Pool was opened was on May 29th. We did open a little late and we appreciate the patience of those parents and children who waited. Overall the turn out was great. The guards and I were excited to see the patrons, and we were especially happy to see everyone having fun and playing safely. We also wanted to say thank you to all the people who helped us in whatever way on their Memorial Weekend.

As always, our primary focus this year is safety. Part of safety is educating everyone. One aspect of our water education is swimming lessons. This year, we are offering a wide variety of lessons. Starting this coming week the Friona Swimming Pool will start these lessons. We will be dividing the students into three different groups depending on age and ability.

Our first group of students is what we refer to as Level One students. This level will include those students who have no or little water experience. Level One has no prerequisites. Instead we will help the students feel comfortable in the water and enjoy water safety. The students will learn elementary aquatic skills and will start developing good attitudes and safe practices around the water. We will explore movement in the water and build on their strengths.

Next, we will offer Level Two lessons. This level will include students who have swimming basics and are more comfortable with the water. The objective of Level Two lessons will be to give students success with fundamental skills and improve their abilities to advance to Level Three lessons.

Students entering Level Three lessons will be to provide additional guided practice. At this level they will be able to coordinate all of the front strokes and the leg positions. And as always, present additional safety skills.

Something new we are offering for two weeks only will be Parent and Child lessons. This will provide an opportunity to have parents bond with their children, 6 months to 3 years. Supporting and holding techniques and when to use them will be addressed. Also, how to help children learn and practice skills appropriate for their ages and current ability levels.

Another offering we have new to the Friona Swimming Pool this summer is lap swim. There are many benefits to lap swim. It is for those of us who want a low impact and aerobic workout. Lap swim is exactly how it sounds: swimming back and forth providing an all over work out while burning calories and building muscle strength.

For a schedule of lessons please call the Friona Swimming pool, or check out the Swimming Pool Spotlights located at the Friona Public Library, Allsup's, and Bi-Wize.

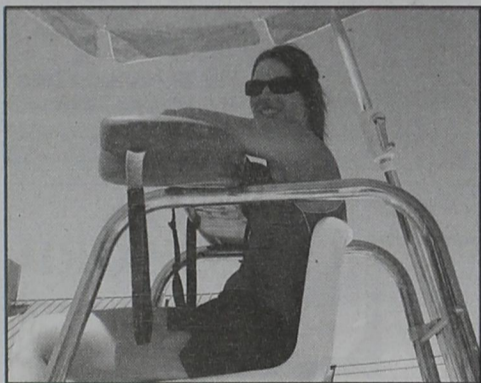
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These three young swimmers have fun and cool off during Monday's pool opening.



Lifeguard Ashley Ingram



Lifeguard Molly Carthel



The Friona city swimming pool opened on Memorial Day to a big crowd of swimmers and parents.

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