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St. Teresa's annual Mexican dinner

St. Teresa's Catholic Church of Friona will hold its annual Mexican Dinner on Sunday, March 6 in the parish hall from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children.

Chamber banquet tickets available

Make plans to attend the Chamber of Commerce banquet Tuesday March 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the community center. Tickets are available for \$15 at the Chamber of Commerce office, 621 Main St. Tickets will not be sold at the door. For banquet information call the Chamber at 250-3491.

Playa landowner education session Tuesday March 8

Ogalla Commons is offering a playa landowner education seminar Tuesday March 8 at Friona State Bank. The session will discuss playa wetlands, their ecological services, and the link between playas and recharge of the Ogallala Aquifer. Registration begins at 9 a.m. and the schedule concludes at 2:40 p.m. There will be a lunch education session with landowners and educators.

The host for the meeting is Darryl Birkenfeld, Ph.D., Director of Ogallala Commons, from Nazareth. Other speakers from Texas Tech and Lubbock are scheduled throughout the day. Thomas Reed and Tonda Clark of Friona are also on the agenda.

Friona schools open houses Monday Mar 7

The Friona ISD calendar shows open house at all school campuses on Monday March 7. All parents are urged to participate. The schedule is:

High School 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Junior High 6 - 7 p.m. Elementary 5:30-6:30 p.m. Primary/Project RED 5 - 6 p.m. in junior high cafeteria.

World Day of Prayer Friday

World Day of Prayer is an international event that unites Protestant, Catholic, Orthodox, and other Christian men and women in 170 countries in "informed prayers and prayerful action." The women of Chile developed this year's theme, "How Many Loaves Have You?" In Chile, as in many countries, the abundant riches of some do not reach many who do not have enough to eat.

The local World Day of Prayer service will be at the Friona United Methodist Church at 12 noon Friday March 4. A meal will be served followed by a short prayer service. An offering will be taken for Youth With a Mission, based in Tyler, Texas.



holly campbell photo

The Chieftains participated in the Olton baseball tournament last weekend. They lost 6-2 to Olton on Saturday. Coach Styler Haddock, right, gives the team a pep talk. From left are Mark Schwab (22), Matthew Teague, Jacob Pena (17), Kirby Frye, Jason Berend, Nathaniel Gonzales (14), and Hunter Sundre. The Chiefs open district play Tuesday March 8 here with Littlefield. Game time is 4:30 p.m. More photos from Olton at frionaonline.com.

Meeting March 9

Water restrictions would damage the economy

Draft regulations approved by the High Plains Underground Water District #1 to restrict irrigation use of water from the Ogallala Aquifer could stifle economic activity across much of the South Plains.

"If these draft regulations are put into place, they will definitely reduce agricultural production and the job-producing income that agriculture contributes to Parmer and Deaf Smith Counties' economies," said Mark Howard, Texas Corn Producers Board director and producer near Farwell.

The restrictions in the draft regulations include: A limit of 15 acre-inches of water per contiguous control acre per year beginning January 1, 2012; "High decline" areas will be identified by May 31, 2011, meters must be installed on all wells in these areas by January 1, 2012, and annual reports must be submitted beginning the 2012 growing season; Allowable water use will be reduced by an additional 5 percent each year that a high decline area exceeds an allowable decline.

"Such severe regulations implemented this quickly would drastically affect income, land values, loan repayments, business expenditures and our tax revenues, in ways that would greatly impact our entire area," Howard said. "As producers, I hope we can work with the water district to find alternative approaches to reach mutual water conservation goals."

Unlike irrigation restrictions adopted by other areas, the draft regulations approved by the High Plains District would not provide any flexibility in the annual limitation to account for rainfall variations from year to year.

The public will have an opportunity to comment on the draft regulations in

a series of public meetings that will be scheduled by the water district. The board members voted to hold five public meetings throughout the 16-county district, after rejecting a request from agricultural producers to hold more hearings in counties that will be hardest hit by the regulations.

The Corn Producers Association of Texas (CPAT) has scheduled several educational sessions in effort to ensure those in areas greatly affected by the regulations fully understand the impact it will have on their businesses and community as a whole. CPAT staff and board will explain the details of the regulations and be available to answer any questions, so citizens can prepare written testimony and comments to present to the water district board members.

An educational session

on draft regulations will be held on March 9, at 1:30 p.m., at the Farwell Community Center, 209 9th St., in Farwell.

"I encourage everyone in

our area to read these regulations as soon as the district makes them available to the public, and then attend the public meetings, so the water district will understand

how they are affecting our livelihood," Howard said. "It's imperative that we make our voices heard - especially when faced with government regulations such as these."

Commissioners reinstate county burn ban

Parmer County commissioners met Monday February 28 in the county court room in Farwell. The burn ban in the county was reinstated for a period of 60 days. "The ban on all outdoors burning will remain in effect for the period of 60 days, unless sufficient moisture is received to rescind the ban," said County Judge Trey Ellis.

Violators of the burn ban are subject to citations and fines. In other business, the commissioners heard an update on the Mariah Wind Project from Jim and Kay Swafford, approved reappointment of members of the Parmer County Historical Commission, and tabled consideration of purchasing a new patrol vehicle for the Sheriff's department.

Of major concern to the commissioners is the possibility of having to hire a full time county auditor. A discussion was held about the county being mandated to hire the full time person due to the recent census. State regulations say that a county with a popula-

tion over 10,200 is required to have a full time auditor. The 2010 census has Parmer County at 10,269 population, 69 persons over the minimum.

Judge Ellis was preparing a letter to the state requesting the minimum population requirement of 10,200 be raised or waived. Otherwise the district judge will hire and appoint an auditor and set the salary and benefits. This would be an added expense for the county with no state funding.

A case of rabies in the county was reported February 24. A resident west of Bovina encountered a skunk, which was killed and tested positive for rabies. Commissioners urge all animal owners to have their pets and animals vaccinated for rabies.

Official numbers from the US Census website show the following populations: Bovina 1,868, Farwell 1,363, and Friona 4,123. The state of Texas population was pegged at 25,145,561.

Honoring a Veteran

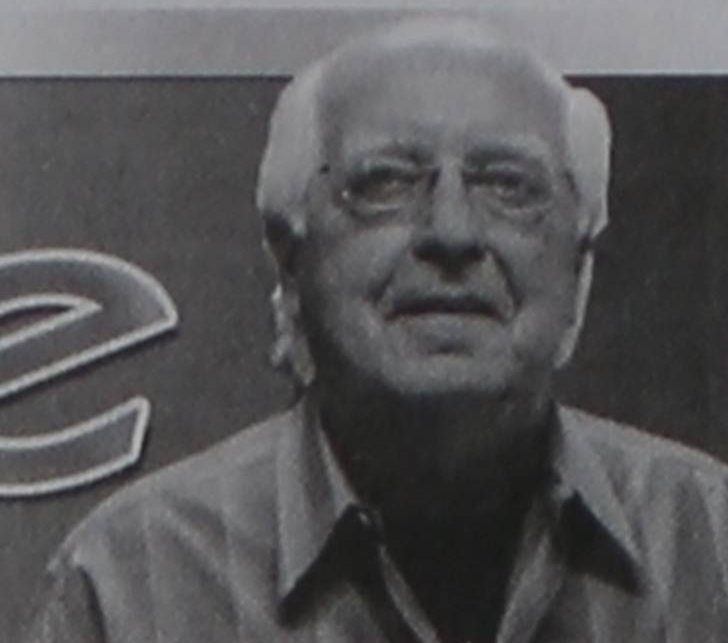


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U.S. Army SSgt Janice Pleasant presents the U.S. flag to Marie Venable at the First Baptist Church in Bovina during memorial services for her husband, Elton Venable Friday February 25. Mr. Venable, 93, was a decorated WWII veteran and longtime Bovina resident. SSgt Pleasant and two other soldiers, all stationed at Ft. Hood, Texas, served as the military honor guard at the memorial service.

Out Here

By Ron Carr



we are still going to have gravy

Good morning Libya and thank you very much.

I know it is probably not all your fault that gasoline prices in Friona are rising faster than a pan of homemade biscuits but in America we are blaming you anyway. We are going to throw in Egypt, Yemen, Tunisia, and anybody else we can think of for some of the blame too.

Gasoline is up 20-cents the last week and some say it will be at \$4 by the summer if not sooner. That might be good news for some but not for me and you. I heard a guy on TV the other day predict \$5 a gallon. Need to quit listening to guys on TV.

With all the revolution and unrest going on in the middle east oil-producing countries we are in a pickle here at the pumps. Our government can't figure out whether to support the dictator tyrants or the peasants rioting in the streets.

Not a big deal. We can switch sides depending on who is winning tomorrow. If the dictators flee the scene and some sinister group like the Muslim Brotherhood takes over and converts the peasants to terrorists we may all be driving one of those little peddle cars.

Great timing for me. My son Zac is graduating from college May 7. He will perform in his final theater production April 2. That means two roundtrips to Georgetown in the next couple of months in my 16-mpg Chevy Tahoe. That's about 1,600 miles and 100 gallons of petrol. The quick math at around \$3.50 a gallon is \$350, not counting the snacks during the drive.

This comes at a time when the automobile industry seems to be rebounding. Lot of neat auto commercials on TV and in the newspapers. Big pickup trucks and SUVs are still popular, especial-

ly here in the wide-open spaces where hauling and towing are a necessary way of life. (I'll go out on a limb and predict that electric cars will not be a big seller in the Panhandle).

I was in Hereford Saturday and stopped in to visit with Glenn Reeve at Stevens 5-Star Car & Truck Center. The new Chevy Cruze has been advertised a lot and I wanted to see for myself if it is as glamorous as the TV commercials.

They can make any vehicle look really appealing on TV. Have you seen the one where the guy checks his new girlfriend's Facebook posting as he drives away in his Cruze? Or the one where a guy's wife locks and unlocks the car in the driveway from her cell phone while she is at the airport?

Stevens 5-Star had a new blue Cruze on the lot. Nice looking little vehicle. It was a 4-door with several options on it. All GM vehicles come with a few months of free OnStar. This one had turn-by-turn navigation and plugs for cell phones, Bluetooth,

and a USB port. The keyless remote would unlock the doors, pop the trunk, and start the engine.

The back seats (for medium to short people) are 60-40 seats meaning one is wider than the other. They can be laid forward to give more room to carry stuff in the trunk. There was ample radio sound for even the youngest person.

The Cruze was listed at 27mpg city and 34mpg highway. The sticker said depending on individual driving habits highway mileage could range from 30-44mpg. While a basic Cruze begins about \$15,500, this one was sticker priced at \$21,130. With deals and rebates it would go for about \$20,000 according to Glenn.

Across the street at Whiteface Ford, Friona's John Baxter can sell you a Ford Focus, which is comparable to the Chevy Cruze. John says the Focus sells for \$18,000 to \$24,000 and will get up to 34mpg.

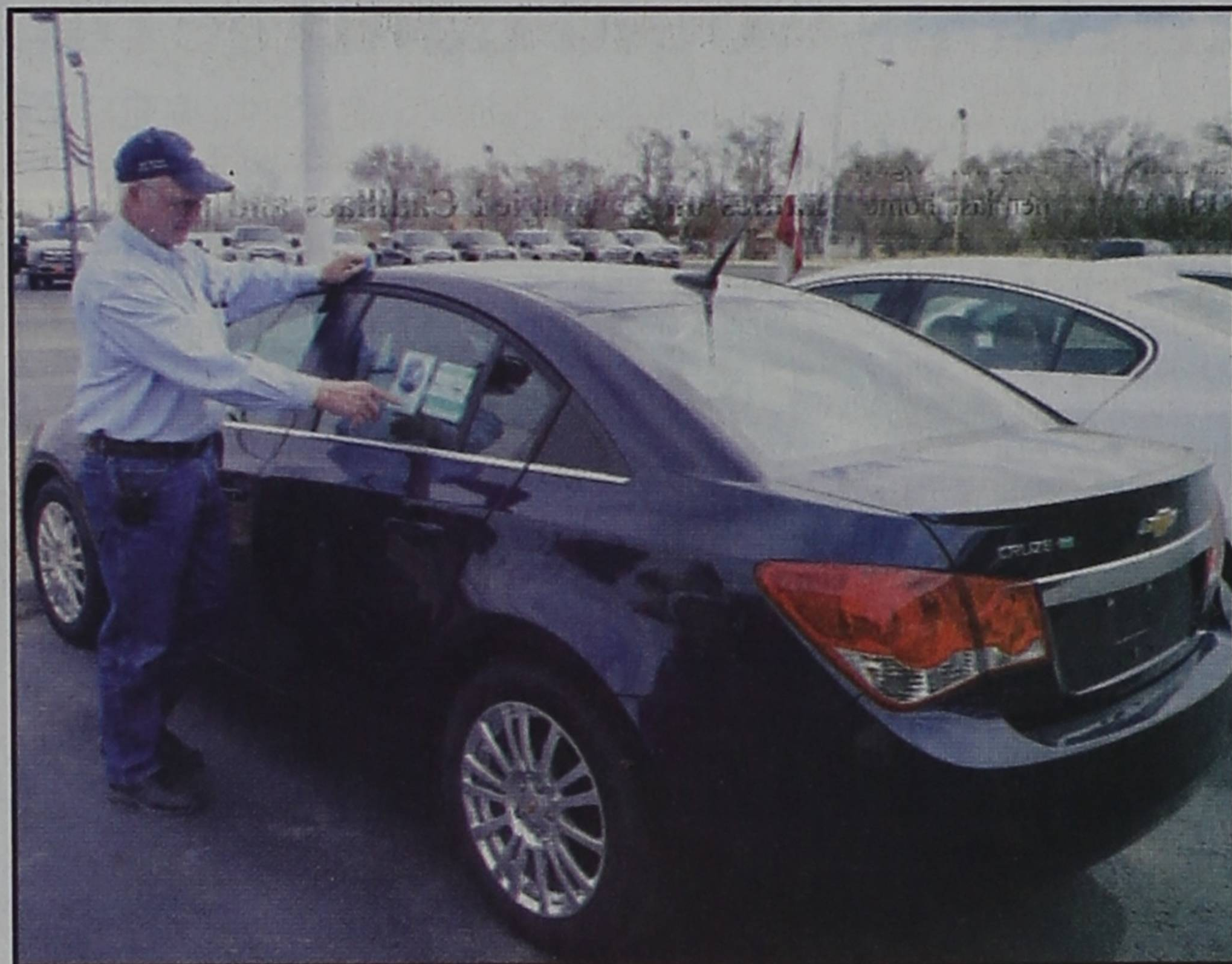
Both Glenn and John say they do not sell many Cruze and Focus vehicles. Here in the wide-

open spaces we like our SUVs and pickup trucks. It would be pretty difficult to tow a cattle trailer or haul hay bales behind a Chevy Cruze or Ford Focus. Glenn says they still sell a bunch of Suburbans and John said he was delivering a couple of Expeditions this week.

The folks I feel sorry for are the Dee Kings and Tracy Bunkers who run 100 semi-trucks hauling cattle, grain, and freight at 6-7mpg with diesel fuel even higher than regular unleaded. It is a volatile business climate to try and maintain a profit.

So thanks Libya and all you other middle east sheiks for rattling the world market and giving the folks that control the oil an excuse to raise gas prices. We like our SUVs and trucks out here and will probably keep on driving as gas prices climb ever higher. If you are in the market for either one, go see Glenn or John. I'm gonna stick with my Tahoe.

Like my granddaddy used to say, "We don't care if gravy costs 50-cents a sop, we are still going to have gravy."



ron carr photo

Friona's Glenn Reeve points out the mile-per-gallon rating and other features of the 2011 Chevy Cruze at Stevens 5-Star Car & Truck Center in Hereford. With gas prices on the rise, Friona Star editor Ron Carr was checking out economical modes of transportation.

Letters to the Editor

U.S. Congressman Randy Neugebauer (R-TX) issued the following statement following the arrest of Khalid Ali-M Aldawsari by FBI agents in Lubbock:

"Our country's intelligence agencies, the FBI and local Lubbock law enforcement have my thanks and appreciation for their arrest yesterday of Khalid Ali-M Aldawsari. Americans can be proud that our communities and families are being protected by these capable law enforcement organizations and officers. This should be a lesson to us that we must remain diligent in our fight against terrorism. Additionally, we must remain alert and aware everywhere, including Lubbock, Texas, because terrorism isn't just a New York City or Washington D.C. threat."

Hi, Ron,

Would you please print the days and hours that the Library Bookshoppe is open when you have space and time? I would appreciate it. We are usually open every Monday and the third Wednesday of each month. We close on some holidays and during bad weather. Our hours are 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. A bag of books costs \$1.00. We are located at 6th and Euclid.

Thank you,
Linda White

Ron,

I wish to thank the city employees for placing speed limit signs on W. 4th Street. Spring, summer, and school being over are just around the corner. Children will be out playing in the streets and our street has its share of children. We are concerned when they run into the street.

Thank you Trisha and City Employees for placing the signs.
Susan Gonzales

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- 1 seat of Oldham Co.
- 5 TXism: "packed like sardines in _____"
- 6 El _____ (the bull)
- 7 identifying number in TX (abbr.)
- 8 TX Willie covered this song in '75. "Fire _____ Rain"
- 9 TXism: "you can take _____ the bank"
- 15 TX Kristofferson's "Lovin' Her Was Easier (Than Anything I'll _____ Do Again)"
- 16 TXism: "active as a fox in _____"
- 19 film about '80 U.S. Olympic hockey team go in _____
- 21 "lock _____" (get ready)
- 27 TXism: "fought tooth and _____"
- 28 book: "1941: Texas _____ War"
- 29 TXism: "_____ eye to eye" (agree)
- 30 Pasadena is part of "_____ Houston"
- 32 NFL QB Roger who played only in Dallas (init.)
- 33 TX sends about 140 of 'em to the RNC
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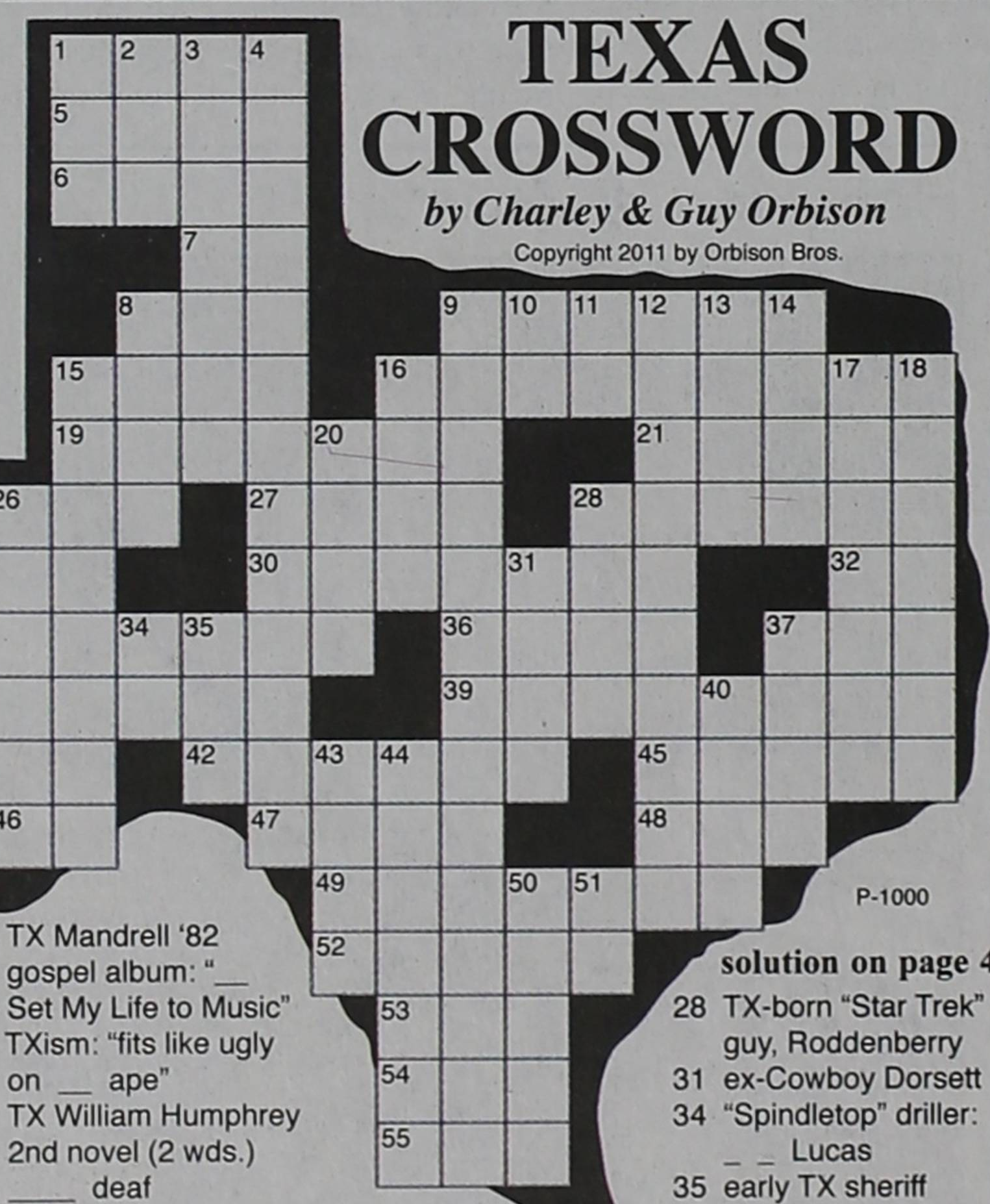
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TEXAS CROSSWORD

by Charley & Guy Orbison

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- 23 "Jim _____ Creek" was dammed to form Lake Coleman
- 24 _____ in the heart of TX"
- 25 pale violet color
- 26 single unit of a herd (2 wds.)

- 28 TX-born "Star Trek" guy, Roddenberry
- 31 ex-Cowboy Dorsett
- 34 "Spindletop" driller: _____ Lucas
- 35 early TX sheriff wore a "_____ star"
- 37 in Hays Co. on I-35
- 40 TXism for "many" (2 wds.)
- 43 in San Patricio Co. on hwy. 181
- 44 unlawfully in TX: "_____ aliens"
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- 51 TXism: "turn about _____ fair play"

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Town Talk II

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Someone mentioned fried chicken and I had a flashback to those Sunday fried chicken dinners the local VFW chapter would hold several times a year, usually in the fall since the VFW building was not air-conditioned. Unfortunately the VFW members moved, got older, or passed on so the VFW chapter passed on too. So did the fried chicken dinners. We still have community Mexican dinners and steak dinners but those fried chicken dinners were sure popular. I miss them.

Speaking of dinners, the St. Teresa's Catholic Church Mexican dinner is Sunday (March 6) from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Catholic ladies are experts in preparing Mexican food, especially their salsa. Take the family over to the parish hall Sunday and enjoy some enchiladas, tacos, beans, rice, chips and salsa and plenty of homemade desserts. I'll be there early. Donation is \$8 adults and \$4 children.

Friona volunteer firefighters were called out Sunday about noon during the windstorm to a hay fire at Black Ridge Dairy. Then one of the trucks responded to help area fireman at a grass fire at Pleasant Hill just inside Curry County. Bovina firemen also responded to that one. About midnight Sunday they were

called back to Black Ridge Dairy when some ensilage flared up again. It was a busy (and tragic) day for many volunteer firefighters up and down the Panhandle as more than 30,000 acres and 50 homes burned during the 50-70 mph sustained winds.

Friona graduate and Doctor of Chiropractic Kayla Smiley has relocated her chiropractic practice from Dallas to Oklahoma City. She said her best friend opened a practice in OKC and she decided to join her. She said she is still learning her way around OKC and reminded me she is still a Texan. Good luck to Dr. Kayla and much success.

Condolences to Jon and Laura Field and family on their losses. Jon's dad James Field passed away Saturday and Jon's grandmother Helen Quigley passed away Monday. Within a couple of days Jon's mother, Jo Field lost her husband and her mother. Obituaries for both are included in this week's Star. Jon's parents, James and Jo Field were recently inducted into the Tascosa High School Hall of Fame for their loyal support as Tascosa fans.

I attended the memorial service for Elton Venable at the First Baptist Church in Bovina Friday. Mr. Venable, 93, was a decorated WWII

veteran. An honor guard of three soldiers traveled from Ft. Hood for the memorial flag ceremony which was presented to his widow Marie. The young soldiers, two men and one woman, were very respectful and professional. I asked SSgt. Janice Pleasant if they had trouble finding Bovina. With a smile she said they used the GPS on their cell phones with no problems. I should have known but I'm an old guy. Thank you young soldiers and RIP Elton.

Agriculture Secretary Vilsack has been writing a weekly press column putting a positive spin on Obamacare and the stimulus spending and how it benefits rural America. Since we live in rural America I have been running Secretary Vilsack's weekly writing. Although I don't agree with all of his opinions we like to be fair and balanced like the big boys. Haven't received feedback from our local farmers about his columns. Hope some are at least reading them.

Potential candidates for the Friona city council or Friona ISD school board have until 5 p.m. Monday March 14 to fill out an application and get on the ballot. The election is Saturday May 14. There will be three seats on the council and two on the school board up for election. At press time there was one sign up for the city and four for the school board. Information is available at city hall and the school administration office.

Congratulations to Staci Murphree, a senior at Wayland Baptist University, who has played basketball at WBU for four years and recently was honored on Senior Night as she played her last home game in Plainview. Lots of family was present including her grandmother Gertie Murphree. Staci received a framed #32 jersey and an abundance of hugs from family. A photo of Staci and her parents Jim and Rhonda is elsewhere in this week's Star. Congrats Staci, you made us proud.

Had a nice visit this week with Sheri Rector. After a lot of years living in the Dallas/Garland area, Sheri has moved back to Friona. Her dad Lloyd Rector recently passed away and Sheri moved back to be near family, especially her mom Betty Louise. Sheri is a 1977 FHS graduate and has made her living as a professional photographer the past few years. She has three daughters and eleven grandchildren, all of whom still live in or near the Metroplex. Sheri hopes to line up some photo shoots for weddings,

quinceaneras, or commercial photography here in the Panhandle so give her a call.

If you haven't heard already, Coach Ky Graham has resigned as FISH coach and teacher. Future plans are indefinite at this point. Ky has an ag business degree so perhaps the private sector might be a possibility. Basketball coaches Michael Hurley, Liz Burton, and Amy Hand will also be leaving us at the end of the school year. Michael plans to return to missionary work in the Czech Republic, Liz is getting married in June

and living in Nashville, Tennessee, and Amy and family will be permanent residents in Plainview where A.J. works for David Murphree in the plumbing business. We wish them all well in their future endeavors.

Hope to see you at the Chamber banquet Tuesday evening. It starts at 6:30 p.m. but you might get there early to bid during the silent auction. God bless our military and those who are ill and grieving. Send us your news and photos. See you next week. Until then!



The Chris Morrow family visited Cadillac Ranch in Amarillo. The daughters, l-r, Brinley, Maddie, Kendall, and Emma, had fun painting the buried Cadillacs and posing for photos by mom Laura. It was a colorful adventure.

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A good tax deal for small businesses

BY AGRICULTURE SECRETARY TOM VILSACK

Over the past two years, America has worked to rebound from the worst recession in decades.

At President Obama's direction, USDA has focused on building a robust future for the rural economy, putting in place a framework for long-term growth by investing in new technologies like broadband, making better use of natural resources, opening new markets for agricultural producers, and supporting production of renewable energy. We have provided financing to help thousands of small and emerging rural businesses expand, grow and innovate - creating and saving hundreds of thousands of jobs.

This work is beginning to pay off. We have seen private sector job growth each month for a year - and unemployment in rural America is dropping. However, our work won't be done until every American who wants a job can find one. In rural America, that means getting small businesses - which employ nearly two-thirds of rural Americans - hiring again.

Last December, President Obama brought both parties together to pass a tax relief bill that will do just that. Economists across the political spectrum say it will strengthen economic growth and stimulate the economy.

The tax law contains an important incentive to help small businesses, farms and ranches throughout rural America. This year, all busi-

nesses, large and small, can write-off 100 percent of their new investments. Grocery store owners can write off the purchase of new freezers. Farmers can replace a tractor that needs repair. A corner store or local manufacturer can buy the computers and tools they need to start selling their products online.

This means that businesses across rural America will be encouraged to purchase the new equipment they need to modernize, grow and hire. And those investments will create demand for manufactured products, stimulating more economic growth across the nation.

President Obama and I believe that to win the future, Americans will need to work hard and innovate. This tax write-off makes it easier for small business to be innovators. It is allowing them to get creative. To buy the tools they need to develop a new product or offer a new service.

Time and time again, rural Americans have reinvented themselves, their businesses, and their farms to meet new economic challenges. Today's challenge to innovate is no different.

The 100% write off for investments is sending a clear message to small businesses that it is their time to drive job growth with new ideas and skills. We need to build an economy that makes, creates, and innovates again. And President Obama's tax cut compromise is helping American business owners do just that.

A Golden Opportunity



Friona State Bank wants to remind you about another reason for you to consider us for your banking needs.

This month we are re-introducing a golden opportunity for people who want to get more enjoyment out of life - and their banking relationship. Our FSB Senior Bank Club is designed to provide just that! Tailored exclusively for folks over 50 years of age, this club combines an unbeatable combination of banking services and opportunities for group travel.

To join is easy! All that is required is to be a FSB customer and over 50 years of age. We invite you to stop by and join our FSB Senior Bank Club.

This year, we are planning on taking a trip to Branson MO Oct 10-15, 2011. This is one of our favorite places to visit. You don't have to worry with parking, getting tickets to shows or having to make those reservations at motels or restaurants. It is a worry free trip because the arrangements have already been made.

Please give us a call for details on our FSB Senior Bank Club or our trip to Branson.

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Lesser Prairie-Chicken aerial surveys begin

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Texas Tech University, and the U.S. Department of Energy, are collaborating to conduct a large-scale aerial survey for Lesser Prairie-Chicken breeding areas known as leks or "booming grounds" across the Texas Panhandle.

Surveys begin March 1 and continue through mid-May. The joint operation is designed to improve knowledge regarding Lesser Prairie-Chicken distribution and population status in Texas. Information from these surveys will be used by TPWD to aid in the conservation of the species, in partnership with landowners and private industries including oil and gas, wind energy, and electric utilities.

The aerial surveys will cover roughly three-fourths of the current estimated range of the bird in Texas and will be conducted from TTU and TPWD helicopters. TTU researchers have randomly selected 180 twenty-square-mile blocks across 19 Panhandle counties. The 2010 surveys focused on the northeastern portion of the Panhandle, while samples of the southwestern portion will be surveyed this spring.

Survey sorties will be flown at 35-40 mph approximately 50 feet above ground. Pilots will fly north-south transects every

400 yards across selected blocks. Towns, feedlots, and houses will be avoided. Pilots involved in the surveys have extensive experience conducting these types of operations and will make special efforts to avoid hazing livestock.

Get heart smart about sodium

From SHANA FLEMING, Family Consumer Science Agent

Heart disease and stroke are the nation's first and third leading causes of death. Having too much sodium in your diet may increase your blood pressure and raise your risk for not only heart disease, but also stroke and kidney disease. Recently, sodium has been in the news a lot and not for good reasons. According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Americans on average get over 3400 milligrams (mg) of sodium a day, with the majority coming from packaged, processed, store bought and restaurant/fast food. It is recommended that adults reduce their sodium intake to 1500 to 2300 mg of sodium a day. That is about 1/2 to 1 teaspoon of salt a day. Check out the following tips to get heart smart about sodium.

Lower the Sodium Threshold: The preference for salty foods is something you learn, which means that over time you can reduce your cravings for salty foods or adding salt to your foods at meal times. Start by adding fresh fruits, vegetables, and whole grains into your diet more often. Gradually experiment by adding salt-free herbs and spices into your favorite recipes. Black pepper, garlic powder, curry powder, cumin, dill seeds, basil, ginger, coriander and onion, are the most effective in replacing the taste of salt. Omit the salt when cooking and check labels to see if "salt" or "sodium" is listed among the ingredients.

Sea Salt vs. Table Salt: There is a lot of publicity about sea salt in the media lately. Many people are wondering if sea salt is better for them than regular salt.

Here are some facts that might help you educate yourself about salt: 90% of sodium we consume is in the form of salt. Sea salt is typically marketed as being a healthier alternative compared to table salt. Although they differ in taste, texture and processing, they have the same basic nutritional value.

Taste, Texture, and Processing: Sea salt: Produced through evaporation of seawater, usually with little processing. Trace elements and minerals left behind add flavor and color, which also comes in a variety of coarseness. Table salt: Mined from underground salt deposits, more heavily processed to eliminate trace minerals, usually has an additive to prevent clumping, and most has added iodine (nutrient that naturally occurs in tiny amounts in sea salt).

Bottom Line: By weight, they both have about the same amount of sodium chloride. In other words, sea salt is still salt. No matter which one you prefer because of taste, texture, or processing, you should still reduce your intake to 1,500 to 2,300 mg of sodium a day if you're a healthy adult.

Being heart smart about sodium will help you make better choices and stay healthier.



Sheriff's Report

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

February 22, 2011, Jacob Gonzales, 21, of Friona, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office charged with driving with an invalid license, pending County Court.

February 23, 2011, Laura Rosales, 36, of Friona, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office charged with theft by check, fine, court costs, restitution, 15 days in jail, probated for 6 months.

February 26, 2011, Frank Aragon, 31, of Friona, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office charged with evading arrest with a vehicle, pending Grand Jury.

On February 15, 2011, in the 287th District Court, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

Samuel Auburn Singletery, 30, of Texico, charged with DWI, was sentenced to 4 years in the institutional division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, probated for 4 years; 10 days confinement in County Jail; completion of a rehabilitation program as recommended by the Community Supervision and Corrections Division (CSCD); \$518 court costs; and \$1,000 fine.

Christina Alma Mora, 34, of Friona, charged with forgery, was sentenced to 2 years in a state jail facility, probated for 5 years; completion of a rehabilitation program as recommended by CSCD; \$358 court costs; \$500 fine; and \$455 restitution.



Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from February 22, 2011 to February 23, 2011: Desmel Rannals and Wilma Rannals - Charles Smith and Marilyn Smith, S3/4 OF NE/4 S46 BLK Y WD & FW JOHN-SON.

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Pesticide training offered March 9

Training for private applicators of pesticides is scheduled in Hereford on Wednesday, March 9, at the Nita Lea building, 903 14th St., according to Rick Auckerman, County Extension Agent for Agriculture and Natural Resources.

The class will be offered for agricultural producers and interested individuals who want to obtain a private applicator pesticide license. Those applicants who pass the test will be eligible for licensing through the Texas Department of Agriculture.

The fee for training materials will be \$20 per person. Training will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will end about 1:00 p.m. The test will be administered in Amarillo on Thursday, March 10, at the District AgriLife Extension Office, 6500 Amarillo Blvd. West.

Those with questions or wanting to sign up to take the class should call the Extension office at 364-3573.

Happy Birthday

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Mar. 10-Jerry Poarch, Park Weatherly, Patsy Gresham Riggin, Beth Bridges, Victor Favela, Tony Chisom, Maisie Rainey, Pattie Hanes

Mar. 11-Bryan Walker, Corbin Riethmayer, Koby Rogers, Jeffery Rogers, Candy (Field) Valterton, Jeanette Thurman, Nellie Spicer, Amelie Champenois, Mason Schueler

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Real housewives of the wild frontier

Before the soccer mom and even before June Cleaver, women lived by the motto "cleanliness is next to godliness". Literally.

In Real Housewives of the Wild Frontier on Saturday, March 12 at 2:00 p.m., at Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum, Dr. Evelyn Montgomery demonstrates the reality of the socially demanding life of a Victorian housewife.

Victorians believed that everything about the home, its appearance, cleanliness, decoration and arrangement, influenced the morals of all the residents and told the world that the housewife and homeowner were respectable.

But, hold your dust rag and consider that some of these Victorian wives moved to the frontier environment where all the prior domestic standards were nearly impossible to maintain. Even under dusty, dirty, grueling conditions, women succeeded anyway, wallpapering with newspapers, building home-

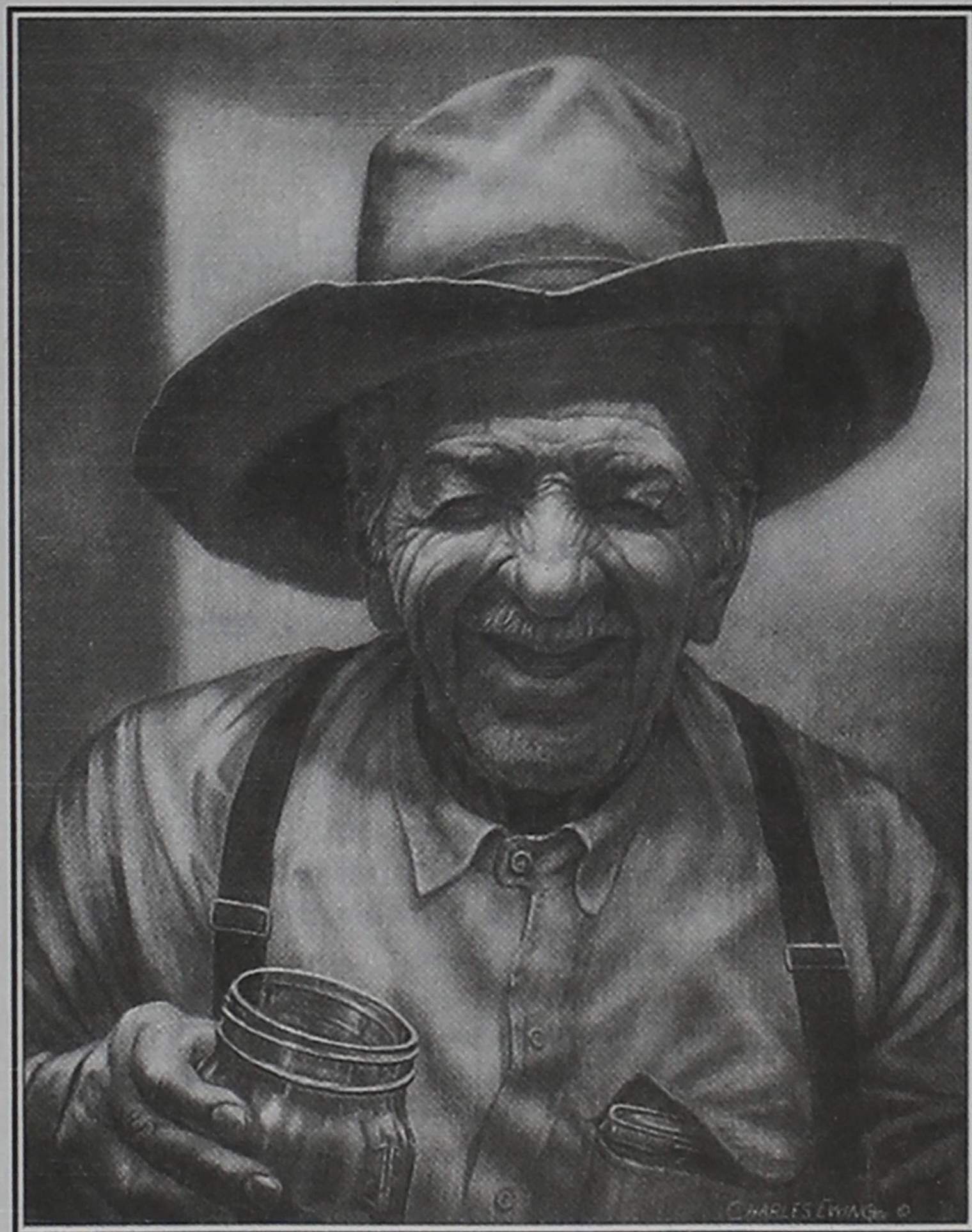
made whatnot shelves for the "parlor" corner of the cabin, and planting gardens of eastern flowers in western soil.

Montgomery, curator at the Dallas Heritage Village at Old City Park, has researched the life of American housewives in the 19th century, extensively, and explains her findings in this presentation.

Reservations are required by Thursday, March 10. To RSVP go to panhandleplains.org or call Elaina at (806) 651-2258. The program is free for Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum members, WT faculty, staff and students, and is included in the museum admission price for all others. People vying for the trip to Paris will receive a stamp in their PPHM to Paris passport at this event.

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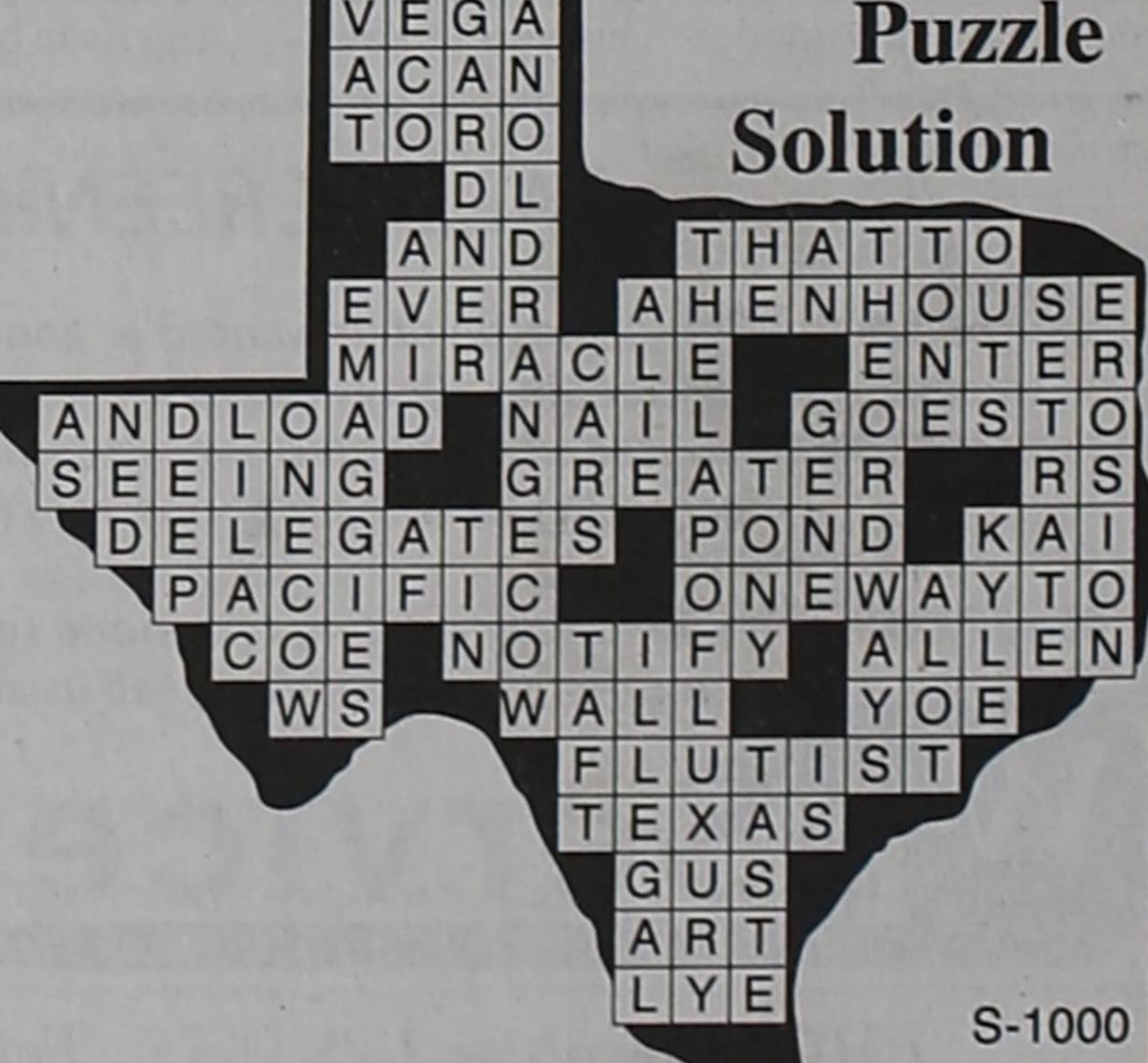
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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

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Attorney at Law
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DATED the 28th day of February, 2011.

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OBITUARIES

Mildred Howell

Funeral services for Mildred Howell, 92, of Friona, were held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, February 28, 2011, at the First Baptist Church, with Rev. Brett Hoyle, Pastor, officiating. Burial followed at on Monday at 3:30 p.m. at Resthaven Cemetery in Lubbock. She died Friday, February 25, 2011, at Parmer Medical Center in Friona. She had lived in Friona for the past four years moving from Canyon, Texas.

She was born February 28, 1918, in Blanco, Texas, to George and Tiny Belle Clayton Smith. She married Gid Howell on August 4, 1933 in Olton, Texas.

She and her husband farmed in the early 30's thru the early 60's. In the 60's to 70's she owned a women's apparel shop and three floral shops in Olton, Earth, and Muleshoe. Currently she was a member of the First Baptist Church of Friona. Previously, she had belonged to the Muleshoe, Dimmitt, and Canyon First Baptist Churches and was a founding member of the Springlake First Baptist Church. She was a past District WMU President and active in the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by four sisters; one brother; two grandchildren, Michael Barrett in 1994 and Christina Smith in 1995, and a great-grandson, Matthew McClure in 1985.

Survivors include one son, G. R. "Shorty" Howell and wife Bella of Sulphur, Oklahoma; two daughters, Marie Winders and husband Dale of Lubbock, and Renee Smith and husband Clinton of Greenville, South Carolina; 11 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and 9 great-great-grandchildren.



Mildred Howell

Homer Oscar Lindeman

Homer Oscar Lindeman, 80, of Friona, died on Saturday, February 26, 2011 in Friona. Memorial services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 2, 2011 at the Friona United Methodist Church, with Pastor Steve Friskup of the Cowboy Church in Muleshoe, and Jeff Proctor, Minister, of the Sixth Street Church of Christ in Friona, officiating. Arrangements were by Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

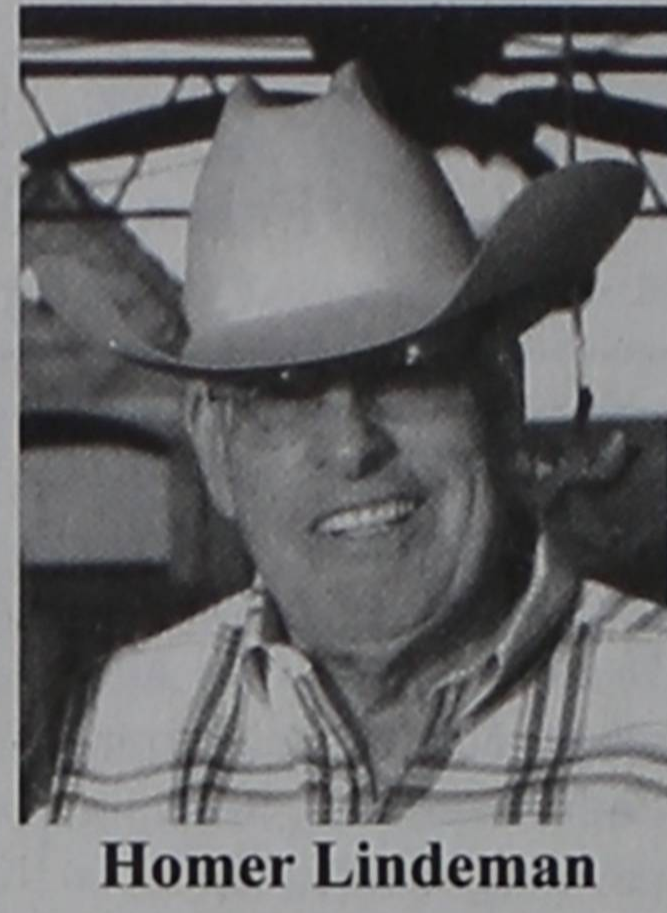
Mr. Lindeman was born May 17, 1930 in Kress, Texas, to Henry Otto and Lilly Mae Jewell Hammons Lindeman. He married Frankie Wilcox in Hereford, Texas on December 23, 1990.

He was a member of the Friona Masonic Lodge, Boy Scouts of America, the American Heart Association, American Quarter Horse Association, Friona United Methodist Church, Sixth Street Church of Christ and the Cowboy Church of Muleshoe.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Rhoda Lindeman; a brother, Fred Lindeman; and a grandson, Rev. Russell Lindeman.

Survivors include his wife of Friona; three sons, Russell Lee Lindeman and wife Lea, and Ted Kirk Lindeman and wife Joan, all of D'Hanis, Texas, and Terry Royce Wilcox and wife Varla of Friona; three daughters, Connie Sue King of Clovis, New Mexico, Pamela Jan Campbell and husband Mark of Gunnison, Colorado, and Kimberly Ann Glorioso of Trinidad, Colorado; two sisters, Sally Van Gilder and husband Bill of Lubbock, and Alvena Spain of Ocean Springs, Mississippi; 13 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests that memorials be made to The American Heart Association, 2514 82nd St., Suite B, Lubbock, TX 79423, or Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, P.O. Box 1890, Amarillo, TX 79174.



Homer Lindeman

Helen Mae Quigley

Helen Mae Quigley, 97, died Monday, February 28, 2011 in Amarillo, Texas. Services were held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 3, 2011, at Lincoln Street Baptist Church in Dalhart, Texas, where she was a charter member. Burial followed in Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Horizon Funeral Home of Dalhart. Officiating will be Rusty Hancock, Pastor, Lincoln Street Baptist Church in Dalhart.

Helen Mae Simpson was born November 14, 1913, in Walters, Oklahoma, to John and Millie Coleman Simpson. Helen married Frank Pierce Quigley on November 2, 1931 in Clayton, New Mexico.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; three brothers, Jack, Lloyd, and John Jr.; one sister, Iva Pitts; one son-in-law, James Field; and one granddaughter, Jo Ann Chavez.

Survivors include her daughter, Jo Field; her son, D.G. Quigley and special friend Brenda; ten grandchildren; thirty great-grandchildren; twenty-six great-great-grandchildren; and one great-great-great-grandson. Helen, the great matriarch of the family was followed by five generations, resulting in six living generations at the same time.

Helen was a resident of Dalhart, Texas for seventy years. She worked in the roundhouse of the Rock Island railroad, cleaning engines during WWII. Later she worked in the office as the superintendent's administrative assistant. She returned to Dalhart High School with her daughter, Jo, to take typing and shorthand classes.

In 1998, she moved to Amarillo to live at The Canyons Retirement Center, where she was the Wii bowling champion. "Granny", a beloved nickname for Helen, which embodies her spunk and zeal for life, will be dearly missed by friends and family.

The family would like to suggest memorials to Lincoln Street Baptist Church, 1019 Lincoln Street, Dalhart, TX 79022.



Helen Quigley



Choose your battles wisely

BY BRETT HOYLE, Pastor, First Baptist Church

In 2 Samuel 2, David has become King and there are many things to do and various battles to fight. He must choose his battles wisely, and decide when to fight and when it just isn't worth it. The same is true for you and I. Whether it is in parenting, marriage, school, or work, you must pick your battles wisely, and realize that not every hill is a hill to die on.

If you and I will pick our battles wisely, first we must make sure we fight for what is right. So much time, money, talent and energy goes into fighting for causes that promote sin and evil in our world today.

Just recently our nation passed the 53 million mark on abortions, Obama says gay marriage is okay, safe sex education in our nation's schools (as opposed to God's plan-no sex till marriage), and the promotion of drugs, alcohol, gambling and lust in the name of fun, are just a few of the causes that consume so much God given talent and ability, in order to promote evil. Are you fighting and funding the battle for what is right? Do you stand for truth, or shy away from it?

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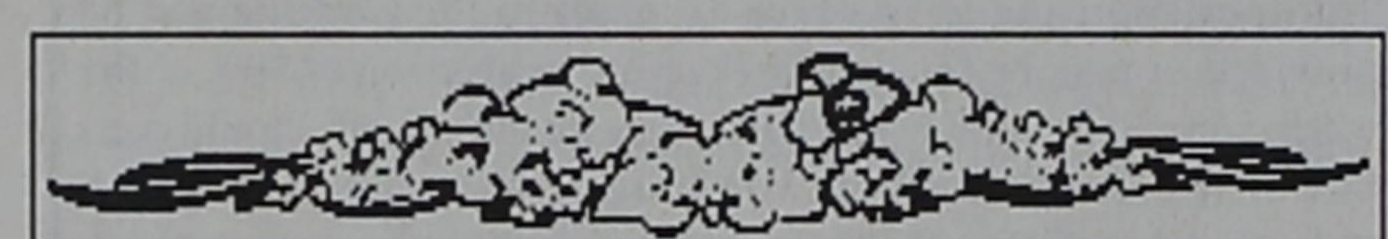
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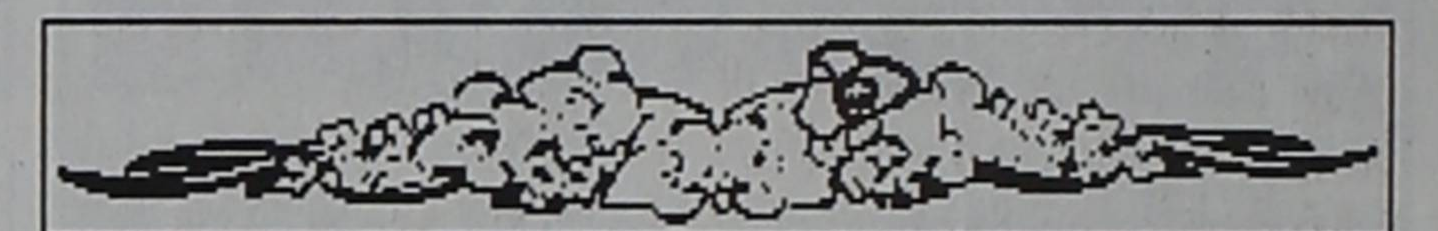
The temperature is 110F in the shade, if there was any shade. The sand burns the feet and the steps are taken quickly, yet painfully. The sun beams down and blisters the skin to a light red. A staggering walk, then a mere crawl, as life begins to slip away.

He sees something. Is it a tree? Yes, an OASIS!!! He jumps and runs with his last bit of energy. He jumps into--to nothing? It was a stick in the sand, not a tree and no water. The man is left hopeless. What a terrible ending. Lets try again.

As he crests the next sand dune, he sees something. Is it a tree? Yes, an OASIS!!! He jumps, yells and runs with his last bit of energy. He reaches the place and jumps into a pool of cool water. He waits for a caravan to stop, and water there, and take him home. That is a better ending, don't you think?

The question is, what do Christians offer people? What do we offer their souls? Would you deny a dying man a drink? If the answer is a swift NO, then don't deny them Christ either.

For the people who come into contact with you each day, you are either an oasis or a mirage by the way you live. Jesus told the woman at the well that he was the water that quenched all thirst. (John 4) A person without Christ is as desperate as the man lost in the desert. That choice remains yours, Oasis or Mirage, which will you be today?



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OBITUARY

James Burton Field

James Burton Field, 85, of Amarillo, died on Saturday, February 26, 2011 in Amarillo. A celebration of his life was held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 2, 2011, at Lifeway Fellowship Baptist Church, with the Rev. Robert E. Field, brother, officiating. Interment was in Llano Cemetery by Rector Funeral Home Osage Chapel. Pall Bearers were former Tascosa High School football players.

James was born January 16, 1926 in Gordon, Texas, to Tim and Dessie McNabb Field. James was born the third child in an eleven-child family. He married Mary H. "Jo" Quigley on November 1, 1947 in Clayton, New Mexico.

"Slick" a nickname picked up because of his ability to dodge tackles, grew up in Southland Texas. He was proud to be a Southland Eagle where he lettered in basketball, football, and track and field. He had plans to attend Texas Tech and become a coach, when the U.S. Army called him to service for WWII. He was stationed in Honolulu where he transported wounded soldiers by ambulance. His call to fame was doing a summersault in midair, in order to catch a fly ball, winning an intramural baseball game between two army bases.

After the war, he returned to Dalhart and began farming with his Dad. He met the love of his life on Sadie Hawkins Day, who invited him in for a coke at the Dalhart Soda Fountain. Jo swept him off his feet with her beautiful blue eyes and has kept the ardor of his heart for 63 years of marriage.

Slick and Jo moved to Texline, Texas to do dry land farming after breaking into

farming with his Dad in Dalhart. The Field clan moved back to Dalhart after living in Texline for 11 years where the oldest three children graduated from high school. The



James Field

last move to Amarillo came after living in Dalhart for 11 years where the youngest three children graduated, after James sold the farm and retired from farming.

In Amarillo James took a job at Amarillo College as a security guard and continued to work for 20 years. During this time, he adopted the Tascosa Rebels and became their number one fan. James and Jo remained faithful to sporting events, traveling to both girl's and boy's events including football, basketball, volleyball, track and field, soccer, and tennis games, as well as a few wrestling matches. Many times, he was asked to say a prayer prior to the sporting events. After years of writing encouraging letters to players, coaches, and sports editors, he received the crowning honor of he and Jo being inducted, as the first married couple, to the Tascosa Hall of Fame.

James was known for "loving babies" from his little

brothers and sisters to his own children and grandchildren. He and Jo loved attending functions, which included high school and college graduations, weddings, and school events.

James loved to talk about Jesus, and many knew him as 'Barnabas the Encourager'. He enjoyed lay preaching and took a mission trip to Seoul, Korea. He was a member of Texline Baptist Church, and served as a deacon at First Baptist Church Dalhart.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers; Lewis and Foy; and daughter, Jo Anne Chavez. The family would like to convey a special appreciation to the staff of Palo Duro Nursing Home in Claude and Ussery-Roan Texas State Nursing Home.

Survivors include his wife, Jo; sons, Mike and wife Patti, Rusty and wife Gail, all of Amarillo, and Jon Mack and wife Laura of Friona; daughters, Judy Montoya and husband Pete of Amarillo, and Kim Geiger and husband David of Chattanooga, Tennessee; son-in-law, Frank Chavez of Amarillo; twenty grandchildren; twenty-four great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; sister-in-law, Frances, Mack and wife Janice, Mary Lou and husband Curtis Ritchey, all of Dalhart, Albert and Edwina of Muleshoe, Bobby and wife Mary, Connie and wife Carol, Bonnie and husband Jack Dooley, all of Amarillo, Tim and Fern of Guymon, Oklahoma, and Roy of Annapolis, Maryland.

The family suggests memorials be made to Lifeway Fellowship Baptist Church or favorite charity. To sign the online guest register, go to www.rectorfuneralhome.com.

NRCS can help with recovery assistance following wildfires

High winds, low humidity and prolonged dry conditions in Texas have led to increased threats for wildfires. While some parts of the state have already been affected by damaging wildfires, other parts remain at risk.

Landowners impacted by recent wildfires are encouraged to contact their local USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) district conservationist. The NRCS provides technical, and in some cases, financial assistance, to install measures that reduce post-fire damage and aid in the rehabilitation process.

"Wildfires can provide valuable control of brush species, but may cause damage to perennial grasses if special care is not taken to allow recovery of the range," states Mickey Black, Assistant State Conservationist for the High Plains and South Plains regions. "Loss of vegetation not only affects forages for livestock and wildlife habitat, but it can lead to increased soil loss due to erosion by wind and water."

Practices such as grazing deferment, cross fencing, reseeded and water development are effective post-fire strategies to help reduce erosion. "We can also provide assistance

that will enable landowners to accelerate the health and vigor of affected rangeland," said Black.

He suggests landowners consult with their local NRCS district conservationist to develop a conservation plan, which can be an effective strategy for pasture and rangeland recovery and mitigating the effects of the prolonged drought Texas is experiencing. Wildlife habitat can also be impacted by the wildfire and NRCS can provide technical and financial assistance in re-establishing the habitats for desired species.

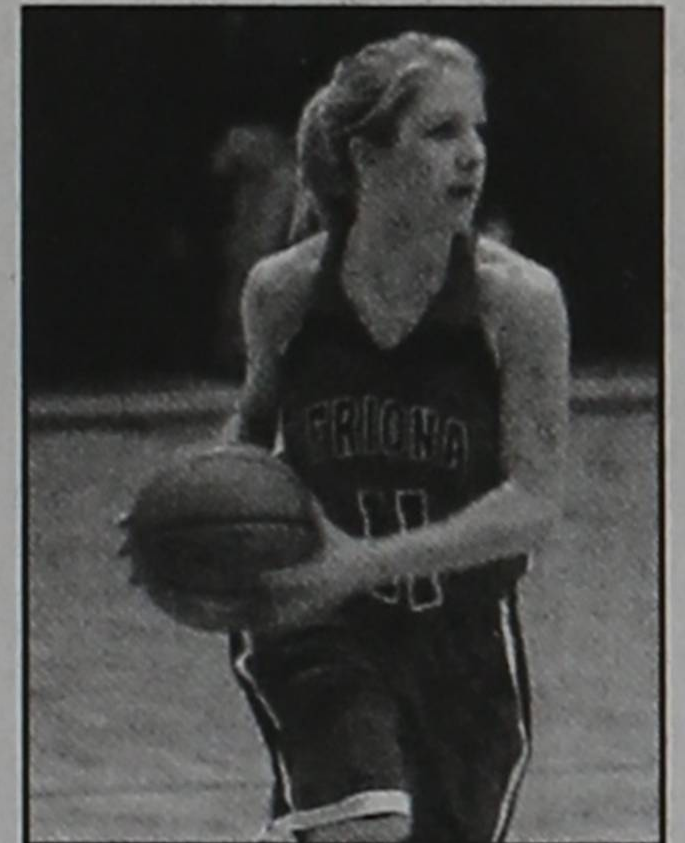
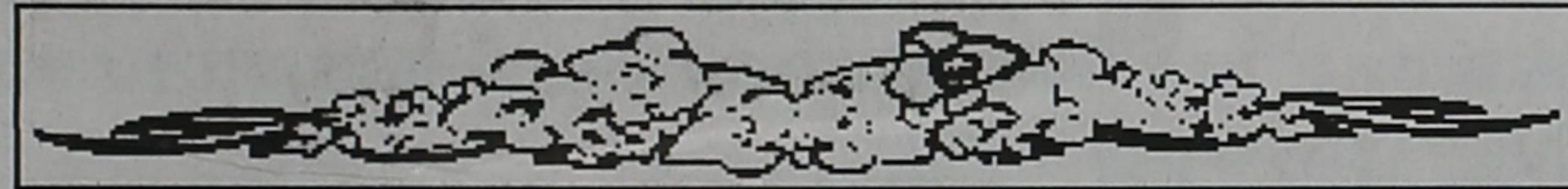
NRCS services and programs are voluntary and offered without a fee to all agricultural producers. NRCS helps landowners and land managers protect and improve the natural resources on their property, including soil, water, air, plants, and animals.

For further assistance in evaluating your land and planning practices, or to address concerns following a wildfire, contact your local NRCS or Soil and Water Conservation District. USDA Service Center offices are located in almost every county and are listed in phonebooks under federal and state government, or online at www.tx.nrcs.usda.gov.



holly campbell photo

Chieftain designated hitter Collin Thompson takes a hefty swing at Olton last Saturday. The Chiefs lost to Olton 6-2. The Tuesday game with Hale Center was canceled because Hale Center is in the basketball playoffs. The Chiefs are in the Ralls Tournament this weekend and host Littlefield to open district here next Tuesday March 8 at 4:30 p.m. More game photos at frionaonline.com.



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Squaw senior Regan Anthony was selected as 2-2A first team all district. Teammate Ester Sarabia was honorable mention all district

Boy's Olton track results

Track coach Victor Soliz provided results for the boys' participation at the Olton track meet. Varsity boys: 1st place Sawyer Osborn 300m hurdles; 2nd place Dillon Kelley pole vault; 2nd place Duncan Welch discus.

JV boys: 1st place Esdras Rodriguez 1600m run; 1st place Coke Capshaw discus; 1st place Tuffy Henry pole vault; 2nd place Jesus Sanchez long jump; 3rd place Daniel Meza discus; 4th place Andy Ortiz triple jump.

The Chieftain Relays track meet is at Chieftain Field Friday March 4, the first meet held on the new track which was installed last summer.

Golf results Tulia

Golf results from Coach Jeff Isom from the Tulia Tournament February 23.

Boys: Duncan Welch 102, Clayton Smiley 111, Simon Zajcek 114. Girls: Kami Kerby 113, Brittny Herbert 123, Kendall Kimbrough 135.

Both boys and girls will be in action at the Friona Invitational Tournament March 2-3. Girls will play March 2 and the boys March 3.

Chieftain Relays track meet schedule

The Friona Chieftain Relays track meet is Friday March 4 on the new track at Chieftain Field.

Varsity girls, junior varsity boys, and varsity boys will be participating.

Meet begins with Field Events: (Tentative timetable due to a rolling time schedule).

at 2:30 p.m. VG long jump & shot put; JVB pole vault high jump; VB triple jump & discus:

at 3:30 p.m. VG high jump & discus; JVB triple jump shot put; VB pole vault & long jump:

at 4:30 p.m. VG triple jump & pole vault; JVB long jump & discus; VB high jump & shot put.

Track Running Finals: Order is varsity girls, JV boys, varsity boys.

at 2:30 p.m. 3200m run - at 6 p.m. order of events

400m relay	400m run
800m run	300m hurdles
100m hurdles	200m run
110mhurdles	1600 m run
100m run	800m relay

SCHOOL MENU

March 7 - March 11

Monday, March 7

- B) Cereal, breakfast bagel, fruit, juice, milk
- L) Chicken fajitas, carrots, tossed salad
- Mandarin oranges, milk

Tuesday, March 8

- B) Cereal, waffles, juice, milk
- L) Chicken nuggets, rolls, mashed potatoes
- mixed vegetables, mousse, milk

Wednesday, March 9

- B) Cereal, bean burrito, juice, milk
- L) Cheese nachos, pinto beans, Mexican rice, oranges, milk

Thursday, March 10

- B) Cereal, pizza, juice, milk
- L) Chicken pattie, rolls, carrots, broccoli & cheese, tropical fruit, milk

Friday, March 11

- B) Cereal, donuts, fruit, juice, milk
- L) Baked potato, rolls, fresh veggie dippers
- corn, cherry freeze, milk

B) Breakfast L) Lunch



ron carr photo

JV Chieftain Blake Stowers takes a swing. The junior varsity Chiefs scrimmaged the Smyer varsity Thursday February 24 at the Friona ballpark. A few more JV - Smyer photos at frionaonline.com.

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Former Friona Squaw basketball standout Staci Murphree was honored on Wayland Baptist University Senior Night at Hutcherson Center in Plainview last Thursday. Staci has played basketball at Wayland four years and was a member of WBU head coach Tory Bryant's first recruiting class. She is shown with, l-r, her parents Jim and Rhonda Murphree and Coach Bryant.



Friona one act play cast members, l-r, Ryan DeWit, Connor Woods, and Weston Wyly in rehearsal for "A Would-Be Gentleman." A public dress rehearsal will be presented Sunday, March 20 at 2:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

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