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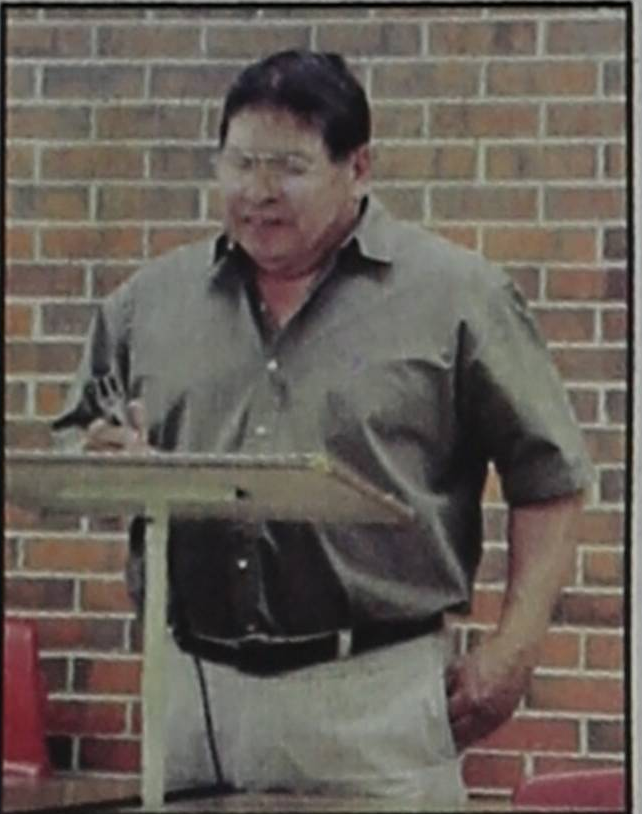
THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 2011

TEN PAGES

Grief bereavement support group meet

Bluebonnet Home Health and Hospice will hold its monthly grief and bereavement support group meeting Tuesday April 26 at 6 p.m. at their office, 304 E. 11th in Friona.

This is a community service offered to Friona and the surrounding area. It is operated on an open agenda curriculum. For more information call 806-247-0057.



ron carr photos

Friona Texas Federal Credit Union president Nancy Davis and credit committee member Joe Santellana give reports during the credit union annual meeting Tuesday evening.



ron carr photo

Friona High School choir director Allison Johnston, l-r, and choir members Julie Wiseman and Holly Johnston entertained at the Friona Texas Federal Credit Union annual meeting Tuesday evening at the junior high cafeteria. Several of Mrs. Johnston's choir students entertained at the meeting. Julie and Holly are two of about 30 choir students who qualified for state solo/ensemble competition.

Wildfires leave hungry cattle and downed fences

BY KAY LEDBETTER

Even if ranchers were able to move their livestock away from the racing flames, damages continue to mount as ashes pile up behind the wildfires that have blackened terrain across the state, according to Texas AgriLife Extension Service personnel.

Whether it is the estimated 2,000 acres in Young County or the 191,000 acres so far in Presidio and Jeff Davis counties, ranchers are losing valuable grass and fencing, not to mention livestock, according to Dr. Andy Vestal, director of the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Program for AgriLife Extension. Dr. David Anderson, Agri-

Life Extension livestock marketing specialist in College Station, said the damages as a result of the wildfires will rise into the millions of dollars as ranchers look at anywhere from \$10,000-\$12,000 per mile to replace fence, and having to feed cattle where pastures were lost.

Almost 1 million acres of Texas has burned recently in the numerous wildfires, according to the Texas Forest Service. Just how many miles of fence must be replaced in that acreage, as well as how many livestock are injured or dead, might not be known for a week or more after the fires are all put out, Vestal said. "Some

of these wildfires are still raging and entrance for loss assessment purposes is limited to some extent," he said.

But AgriLife Extension agents across the state are working with the Texas Department of Agriculture, Texas Animal Health Commission, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, Texas Independent Cattle-

men's Association, Texas Cattle Feeders Association and Texas CattleWomen to set up livestock supply points in five different locations.

The Texas Department of Agriculture recently announced donations can be made to the State of Texas Agriculture Relief, or STAR, Fund. The STAR Fund may be used to rebuild fences, restore operations and pay for other agricultural relief

efforts. Monetary donations can be made by visiting www.TexasAgriculture.gov and clicking on STAR Fund under "Most Popular Links".

The Texas Department of Agriculture Hay and Grazing Hotline is a service also being offered to help locate forage and hay supplies. The online link to it can be found on the agency's website by clicking on "Disaster Assistance".

Walmart shows Heart for Jessica

Walmart Heart is a program started by Walmart truck drivers to lift the spirits of children or adults with chronic medical conditions or special needs. Typical Walmart Heart events include a ride in a Walmart truck and presentations of a Walmart cap and driver uniform shirt.

On Saturday April 9 Jessica Izaguirre of Friona experienced the Walmart Heart tradition at the Hereford Walmart. Jessica is the 11-year-old daughter of Ricky and Michelle Izaguirre. She was injured when her bicycle was hit by a pickup on 5th St. and has been paralyzed from the waist down since the accident.

Inside the store in the deli section a table was filled with a cake and gifts for Jessica. She was greeted by Walmart truck drivers and local Walmart employees. Jason Salisbury, store manager, gave her a gift card.

The driver's presented Jessica with an official Walmart driver's uniform shirt and cap and a certificate naming her an honorary driver for a day. She was driven around the parking lot in a Walmart truck. The driver, Dennis McDowell, is the brother of Debbie Williams of Friona. More than 100 Walmart drivers across the U.S. are involved in the Walmart Heart program.



courtesy photo

Parmer Medical Center lab employees invite you for a tour Tuesday April 26 from 2-4 p.m. during National Medical Laboratory Professionals Week. From left are PMC lab staff Sunette Lawas, Leah Onod, lab manager Tonya Lookingbill, and Brandy Hernandez.

Lab professionals week at PMC

Parmer Medical Center invites you to help celebrate National Medical Laboratory Professionals Week April 24-30. The PMC laboratory professionals are Tonya Lookingbill, lab manager; Leah Onod and Sunette Lawas, medical technologists; Brandy Hernandez, phlebotomist; Andrew Hoot, M.D., pathologist; and Carol Jackson technical consultant.

The lab staff will provide tours for the public Tuesday April 26 from 2-4 p.m. They invite you to come take the "What happens to my sample once I leave the lab" tour. The lab staff is also sponsoring a food drive that week to benefit our local food pantry in Clovis which helps the Friona Christian Ministry. Please bring non-perishable food items to

the Parmer Medical Center laboratory or for pickup call Tonya Lookingbill at 250-2754, extension 187, or cell at 806-346-2738.

Clinical laboratory professionals are key members of today's health care team and quality medical care depends on them. Every day, nurses, physicians, and other healthcare workers rely on laboratory professionals to perform tests on blood or other body fluids, interpret the results, and help provide answers for a complete picture of a patient's health.

Without this precise and valuable information medicine would simply become guesswork. Approximately 70% of a patient's diagnosis is determined from the accurate answers provided by the laboratory.

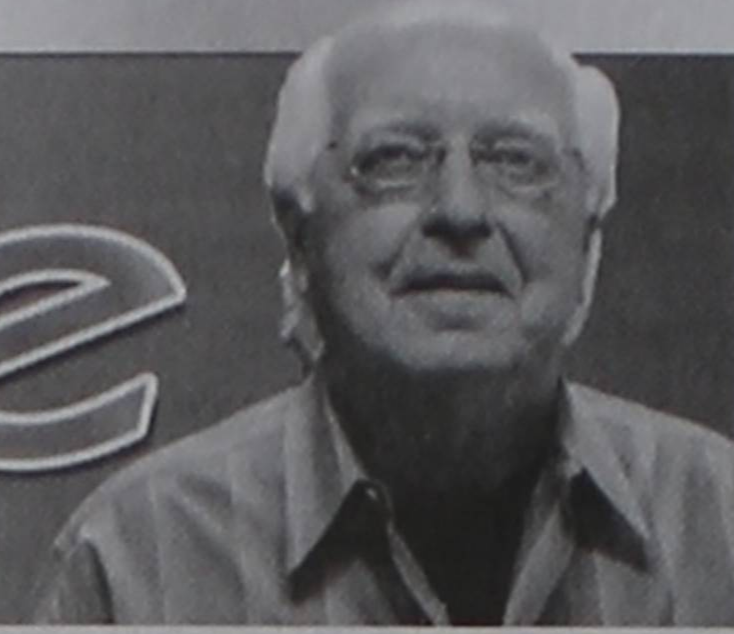


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Jessica Izaguirre of Friona was recognized by Walmart Heart truck drivers Saturday April 9 at the Hereford store. She was an honorary driver for a day and presented gifts from the store. Back row, l-r, Jesse DeLaRosa, Brent Bentley, Roger Caffey, Steve Fairweather, Larry Roberts, Ted Baker; front, l-r, Eli Vargas, Mark Lescalette, Marshall Kirk, Jason Salisbury, Dennis McDowell, and Carlos Sandoval.

Out Here

By Ron Carr



whatever happened to that civility thing

Cut spending. Two little words. Not difficult to understand. Two little words that are not in the vocabulary of Democrats. I have yet to hear a Democrat outline a plan to reduce federal government spending. On the contrary, they rally troops to protest spending cuts. They still blame Bush.

What they are good at is bashing any spending cut proposal with scare tactics, hiding behind children and old people. Did you see TV clips of the anti-Tea Party protesters over the weekend. One guy shouted into the camera, "I wipe my a** on the American flag every night." There were others just as vile.

While being interviewed by Neil Cavuto on Fox News, Eddie Bernice Johnson, an African-American Democratic Congresswoman from Dallas, said the 2012 Republican budget proposal to cut \$6 trillion would, "cause poor children to have no clothes, running around barefoot and eating off the ground." Later in the interview she called Cavuto 'ignorant'.

If you care to see how Mrs. Johnson abuses her power Google her name and check out a bit of

her history in Congress. How folks like her continue to be re-elected is one of life's great mysteries.

Senator Harry Reid, the most dangerous man in American politics, told fellow senators that the Republican spending cut plan would mean 'little boys and little girls would no longer be able to attend Pre-Kindergarten school'. We have the Nevada Tea Party to thank for sending Reid back to Washington in the last election. The best the Tea Party could come up with to oppose old Harry was a doofus named Sharon Angle. So we got Harry back for 6 more years.

Reid also whined that his daughter and granddaughters would be without proper medical care under the Republican plan, which of course is so much B.S. The Reid family is not exactly among the poor that will be eating off the ground.

Reid fought any budget cuts until finally forced to compromise at about \$36 billion. He also has an earmark buried somewhere to provide several hundred thousand dollars to the Cowboy Poets of

Nevada. Nancy Pelosi, the speaker, said the Republicans are proposing to starve 6 million senior citizens with their budget. She wanted to compromise at 3 million. Not really. She wanted no cuts anywhere for any reason to any government program.

The Dems like to hint that if you tamper with the government entitlement programs we are all going to starve to death slowly and die broke and naked. Not long ago President Obama appealed to all Americans to return to civility in dealing with each other. Be nice to each other was the message. So how did that work out for us? Watch Fox News and MSNBC. Switch back and forth if you want an overall view of the lack of civility in America these days.

The once popular Glenn Beck became vitriolic, prejudiced, and racist. Advertisers for his program began deserting, and Fox booted him. Even though he has hinted he will be producing some specials, I doubt we will ever see him again. He lost his civility and his job. Too bad that cannot be applied to elected officials.

This week Standard & Poor's changed America's financial prognosis. The stock market dropped accordingly. All of the alleged brain power in Washington is unable to act to fix the financial problems. As the April 18 tax day arrived reports were that 47% of Americans pay no taxes. Another report from the Government Accounting Office (GAO) said that \$17.5 billion was paid in improper unemployment payments. Fraud is rampant in all government entitlement programs yet no one can seem to root it out and prosecute those responsible.

At your house or your farm or business if your expenses exceed your income one solution is to cut spending. Most of us know how to do that without calling people names and being uncivil. Watching our elected officials, whose main goal is to get re-elected, continue to belittle each other and spend beyond our means is very frustrating.

We are headed for a disaster. The question is whether you really care. I'm thinking not. Let's all pray for America and pray for rain.

And not necessarily in that order.

Letters to the Editor

U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-Texas) released the following statement in reaction to President Obama's speech on deficit reduction:

"The president's so-called plan for reducing deficits and bringing down the debt does not add up. We cannot tax our way out of debt, and raising taxes will not curtail our deficit spending. Washington has a spending problem, not a revenue problem. It is unconscionable to punish American families, small businesses, and farms through higher taxes when reckless government spending is the cause of our fiscal crisis. We've yet to see a serious budget or a forward looking plan from this administration that signals a sincere commitment to bringing down the \$14 trillion debt."

Congressman Randy Neugebauer (R-TX), issued the following statement regarding his vote to repeal ObamaCare and to defund Planned Parenthood:

"Yesterday I voted on resolutions to stop ObamaCare in its tracks and defund Planned Parenthood. Both resolutions passed the House with strong support. The Senate chose not to pass the resolutions, but I am confident the GOP's efforts in this regard will ultimately prevail."

"Our country cannot afford to wreck the world's greatest health care delivery system, and our government's funding of abortion must cease as quickly as possible. Not only is this the morally correct approach to take, but the federal government cannot continue to fund unnecessary programs when American taxpayers are hurting financially."

Congressman Randy Neugebauer (R-TX) issued the following statement following Standard and Poor's (S&P) Rating Service cutting its outlook on the United States' sovereign debt:

"After four years of Harry Reid and Nancy Pelosi ignoring the nation's growing debt, I am saddened but not surprised by today's S&P report saying there is a one in three chance the nation's debt rating will be cut in two years. To add insult to injury, S&P lowered our country's financial outlook from "stable" to "negative".

"America has a debt problem - that is the result of its spending problem, and we have to address it now. Our country's financial radar screen shows an iceberg dead ahead, and if we continue to deny we have a serious problem, there will be no change in course and we will suffer the consequences."

"We do have a choice in Congress to avert a financial catastrophe - Congressman Paul Ryan's (R-WI) budget proposal, 'Path to Prosperity' steers a clear and effective course to cut federal spending and lower the debt. I hope President Obama and Senate Democrats will show leadership on this issue so we can exhibit to the American people we have their best interests in mind."

Devilishly good for you

BY RON CARR

Probably do not need to tell anyone around here about deviled eggs. They are a staple at church gatherings, funerals, family reunions, birthday parties and the like.

Southern Living Magazine says eggs are not as sinful as you may think, deviled or not. They are low in saturated fat and a good source of Vitamin D. The magazine published an article with different recipes for stirring in the yolks of deviled eggs. Quite interesting. Never knew there is more than one way to serve deviled eggs. Here are a few ideas from Southern Living.

Simply deviled eggs

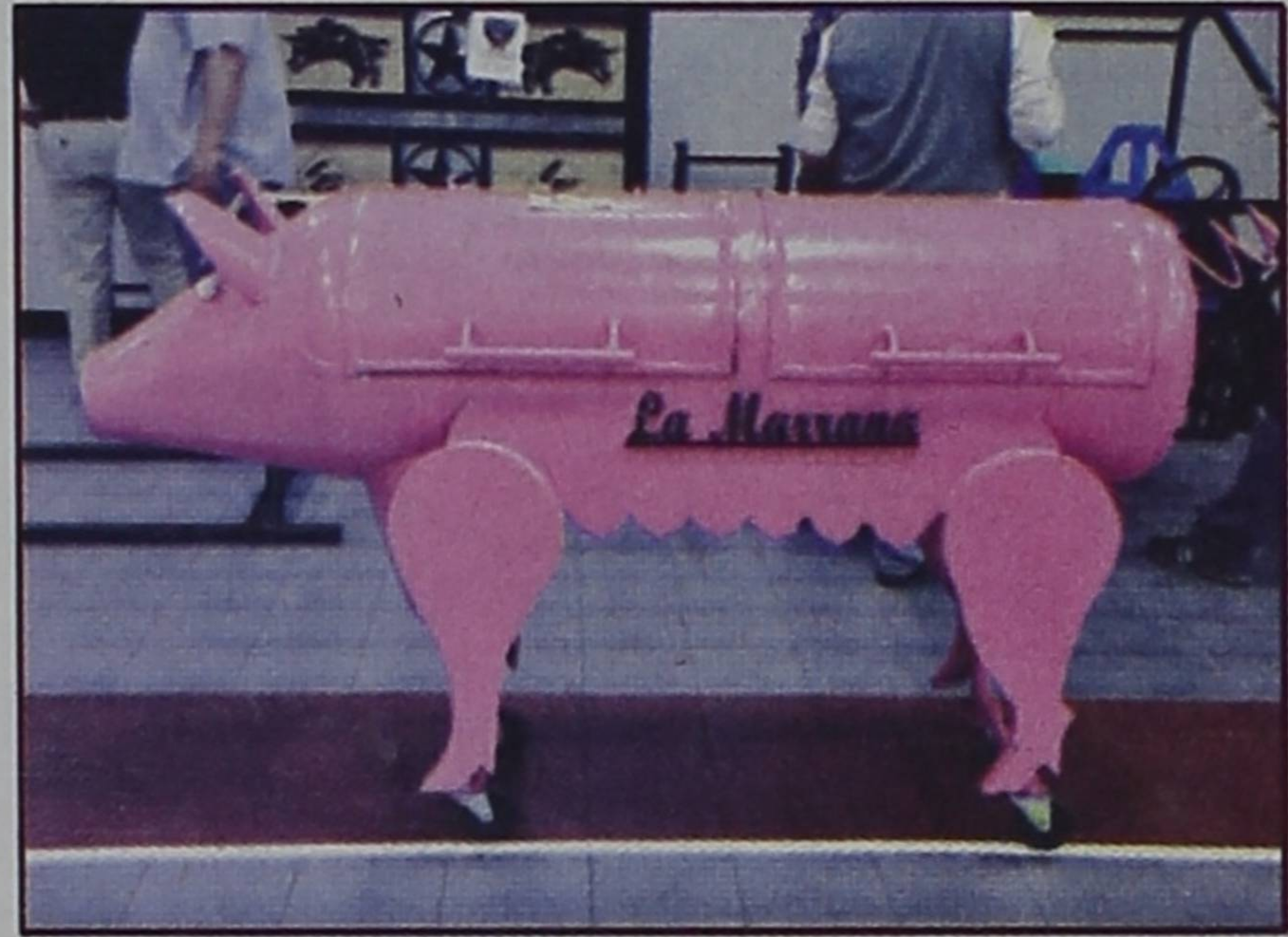
Makes 2 dozen

- 12 large eggs
- 1/3 cup fat-free Greek yogurt
- 2 oz 1/3 less-fat cream cheese
- 1 tbsp chopped fresh parsley
- 1 tsp Dijon mustard
- 1/8 tsp salt

1. Place eggs in a single layer in a stainless steel saucepan. (Do not use non-stick). Add water to depth of 3 inches. Bring to a rolling boil. Cook 1 minute. Cover, remove from heat and let stand 10 minutes. Drain.
2. Place eggs under cold running water until just cool enough to handle. Tap eggs on the counter until cracks form; peel.
3. Slice eggs in half lengthwise and carefully remove yolks. Mash together yolks, yogurt, and next 4 ingredients using a fork until smooth. Spoon yolk mixture into egg white halves. Serve immediately or cover and chill 1 hour before serving.

Try these stir-ins with stuff on top to make your own signature deviled eggs. Prepare recipe as directed stirring one of these combos into the yolk mixture:

1. Creole Shrimp: 1/2 cup finely chopped cooked shrimp, 3 tsp sautéed chopped green bell pepper, 1 minced green onion, 1/4 tsp Creole seasoning, 1/4 tsp hot sauce. Top with cooked shrimp.
2. Texas Caviar: 3 tsp chopped roasted red bell pepper, 1 minced green onion, 1 tsp minced pickled jalapeno pepper, 1 tsp chopped fresh cilantro, 1 tsp Italian dressing mix. Top with canned black-eyed peas and fresh cilantro leaves.
3. Georgia Peach: 3 tsp peach preserves, 1/4 cup finely chopped country ham, 1 tsp grated Vidalia onion, 1/2 tsp apple cider vinegar, 1/4 tsp pepper. Top with sliced fresh peaches and chopped toasted pecans.
4. Triple Pickle: 3 tsp chopped bread-and-butter pickles, 2 tsp chopped capers. Top with pickled okra slices.



ron carr photo

This big pink pig BBQ grill project, complete with a curly tail, was an entry in the high school industrial arts regional competition in Canyon last week. It is not a Friona project but we thought it was worth sharing.



ron carr photo

Canna's cookie confection closeup. One of the many colorful cookies prepared by Friona top chef Canna Ray for the Friends of the Friona Library annual meeting held Sunday at the Redeemer Literacy Center.

ACROSS

1 some "American" cotton is grown in West TX

5 nat'l Olympic grp. (abbr.)

6 TXism: "___ rattle-snake whistle? (no)"

7 TX DL, e.g.

8 TXism: "put on the feed bag"

9 TXism: "mad ___ hen"

15 smallest particle

16 TX George H.: "The liberation of ___ begun" ('91)

19 "___ a wrong"

21 after you ___ gun, don't point it at anybody

22 TXism: "safe as a squirrel ___ car"

27 car

28 popular song: "___ Romantic?"

29 UT '70s & 80s star tennis player Kevin

30 TX Michael Johnson ___ the crowd after winning gold in '92, '96, & 2000

32 "Sha Na ___" (band)

33 book: "1941: Texas ___"

36 honky tonk light

37 female fowl

38 in La Salle Co. on I-35

39 Mavs coach, after Richie Adubato, before Quinn Buckner

41 Padre Island path? (2 wds.)

44 TX Jim Reeves recorded hymn "___ Fly Away"

45 TXism: "he was around when the Dead ___ was only sick" (old)

46 this Steve starred in '99 film, "Happy, Texas"

47 TX Willie recorded "Don't ___ Around Much Anymore" ('78)

48 TXism: "___ whole hog" (dedicated)

51 gem

52 game for youngsters

53 TX Gilley's "A Headache Tomorrow ___ Heartache Tonight"

54 TX Rip of "Men in Black" films (init.)

55 gem

56 game for youngsters

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58 TX Rip of "Men in Black" films (init.)

TEXAS CROSSWORD

by Charley & Guy Orbison

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DOWN

1 utilities regulator in TX (abbr.)

2 Steinbeck: "Texas ___ state of mind"

3 newspaper in Mineola or Naples

4 TX Berkeley

5 Breathed's UT comic strip ('78-'79)

6 what TX Clyde Barrow cut off in prison (2 wds.)

7 NAPA or AutoZone purchase (3 wds.)

8 dir. to Dublin from Fort Worth

9 Mineola h.s. class

12 Dallas "Woodrow ___ School" produced 2 Heisman winners

13 English boys school

14 TXism: "___ dog won't hunt"

15 TXism: "hard as putting up ___ windstorm"

16 Houston's KIAH-TV in the beginning

17 "greasy spoon" (2 wds.)

18 "___ waited" (cooled my heels)

19 bean from India

20 arena where Spurs play the Bulls (abbr.)

23 wrinkly small dog

24 small Eurasian deer (2 wds.)

25 fashion directions

26 "Baby Jessica" effort in Midland in '87

28 Grand Prairie has "Believe ___ Not" Odditorium

31 "got a raw ___"

34 TXism: "___ horse town" (small)

35 TX Kristofferson album: "Jesus ___ a Capricorn"

37 "___! Who goes there?"

40 Robert ___ last command in U.S. Army was in TX

42 old cleaning cloth

43 TXism: "don't give ___ a holler"

49 a long story

50 first Cowboy coach, Tom (init.)

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Water residue

With dry conditions in the area, the High Plains Conservation District agricultural producers are urged to use water wisely. "It has been a year with numerous record droughts. The National Weather Service predicts that in 2011 for 0.55 of an inch annually. That's 2.20 inches of rain. Amarillo and Lubbock. Because of the water use water wisely. Plains Water District. High Plains Water. There are many water farmers and hiccups during spring. On the farm, agriculture water waste. Water does not escape. pre-plant irrigation. Commonly known as "ter", this water was depletion of ground. erode topsoil, and conserve water and summer, outdoor water. 50-80 percent of this is wasted through.

And if you have their nuisance anonymous When soon won't even



Town Talk II

By Ron Carr • Phone: 250-2211 • Fax: 250-5127 • Email: frionastar@wtrt.net

The big news here is drought and fire danger. Our volunteer firefighters from Friona, Bovina, Lazbuddie, and Farwell spent Sunday afternoon in New Mexico assisting with a wildfire south of Clovis, between Clovis and Portales. Later Sunday evening the Friona firemen were called to a grass fire east of town on CR 28, north of Highway 60. EMS was also dispatched to that one to standby because of a residence that might be threatened.

The firemen and EMS were also called to the Hub intersection Friday evening about 9 p.m. for a two-vehicle accident. A car and SUV collided when one of them ran the stop sign. One person was transported to PMC but no serious injuries. Been a while since an accident happened at the notorious county intersection. I can't say enough about our emergency volunteers that give their time and talent in serving the community. Thanks and God bless them.

The Parmer County Historical Commission meeting scheduled for Thursday April 21 has been canceled due to this being Holy Week. Some churches have Maundy Thursday services so Chairman Gladys Spring says the meeting will be rescheduled sometime after Easter.

About 40 Friona ladies attended a Women's Conference in Oklahoma City over

the weekend. Some left on a chartered bus Friday morning. Holly Campbell reports they saw 11 trucks overturned due to the wind. The normal 5-hour trip took 8 hours as the bus driver compensated for the wind conditions. Friday evening speaker was Sarah Palin. Popular author Karen Kingsbury was a Saturday speaker. The group returned to Friona about 7 p.m. Sunday.

I went to Canyon Thursday evening to judge the photo entries in the Regional Industrial Arts competition. Entries include woodworking, welding, architecture drawings, graphic arts designs, and photography. Several Friona woodworking projects qualified for the state competition in Waco in May. There were no Friona photo entries but we enjoyed the judging. As you could expect, many of the photos entered were taken with cell phones which does affect the quality of the photograph.

One of the metal/welding entries was a bright pink pig BBQ grill, La Marrana, which I found out means "the pig" in Spanish. I took a photo and it is included in today's Star in full pink color just for fun.

A love fund to assist with medical expenses has been established at First National Bank for Sha Woodard, a Parmer Medical Center dietary employee, who has been diagnosed with liver cancer.

Apparently the former Brix Steakhouse in Hereford, which has been closed for over a year, will soon be reopened as Dakota's Steakhouse. At least we saw a Dakota's sign on the property Thursday while driving to Canyon. The same folks who operate the Dakota's Steakhouse in Clovis have Hereford connections.

The Methodist Church senior class banquet will be Monday April 25 at 6:30 p.m. in the church fellowship hall. All Class of 2011 seniors are invited.

The 2011 Friona High school senior prom will be Saturday April 30 at the high school cafeteria. Once again senior moms and dads will work their magic to decorate the tables and the cafeteria walls for the festivities. The all-sports banquet will follow on May 10. Graduation and the all-night drug free party is May 27. I'll bet many parents are looking forward to the summer.

A city-wide Easter egg hunt will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. at the city park for all area youngsters. The annual event is sponsored by the Calvary Baptist Church.

The next Friona blood drive is scheduled for May 12 at the Calvary Baptist fellowship hall from 12-7 p.m. The Noon Lions will furnish French fries and either hot dogs or corny dogs. More details later.

Happy birthday to my first daughter and first true love Candee Holmes. She will be 45 on April 24, which is Easter Sunday this year. She lives in Coppell with husband Walt and three kids, Hayley, Harrison, and Hudson. My granddaughter Hayley graduates high school this year and will be attending the University of Arkansas. Very happy birthday Candee Caye. You make me proud.

My second daughter Kirsten and husband Jamey were at a BBQ cookoff Saturday at Possum Kingdom Lake when they were told to evacuate the cookoff area due to the wildfires. The roads out of the lake were closed so they spent Saturday night with friends before being able to leave Sunday for home. The good news: their cook team, High Voltage BBQ, won 2nd place in the brisket competition. The bad news: two-year old grandson Holden locked himself in the motor home. They had to break a window to get in. Kirsten said, "How is it a kid knows how to lock a door but doesn't know how to unlock it?"

Congratulations to the FHS one-act play for a great year. At the regional competition in Odessa last weekend they did not advance but are the alternate for state competition. Weston Wyly was selected best actor, Laci Austin was all-star cast, and Isaac Gallardo was honorable mention all-star cast. Way to go troupe and hats off to director Erika Montana and the crew.

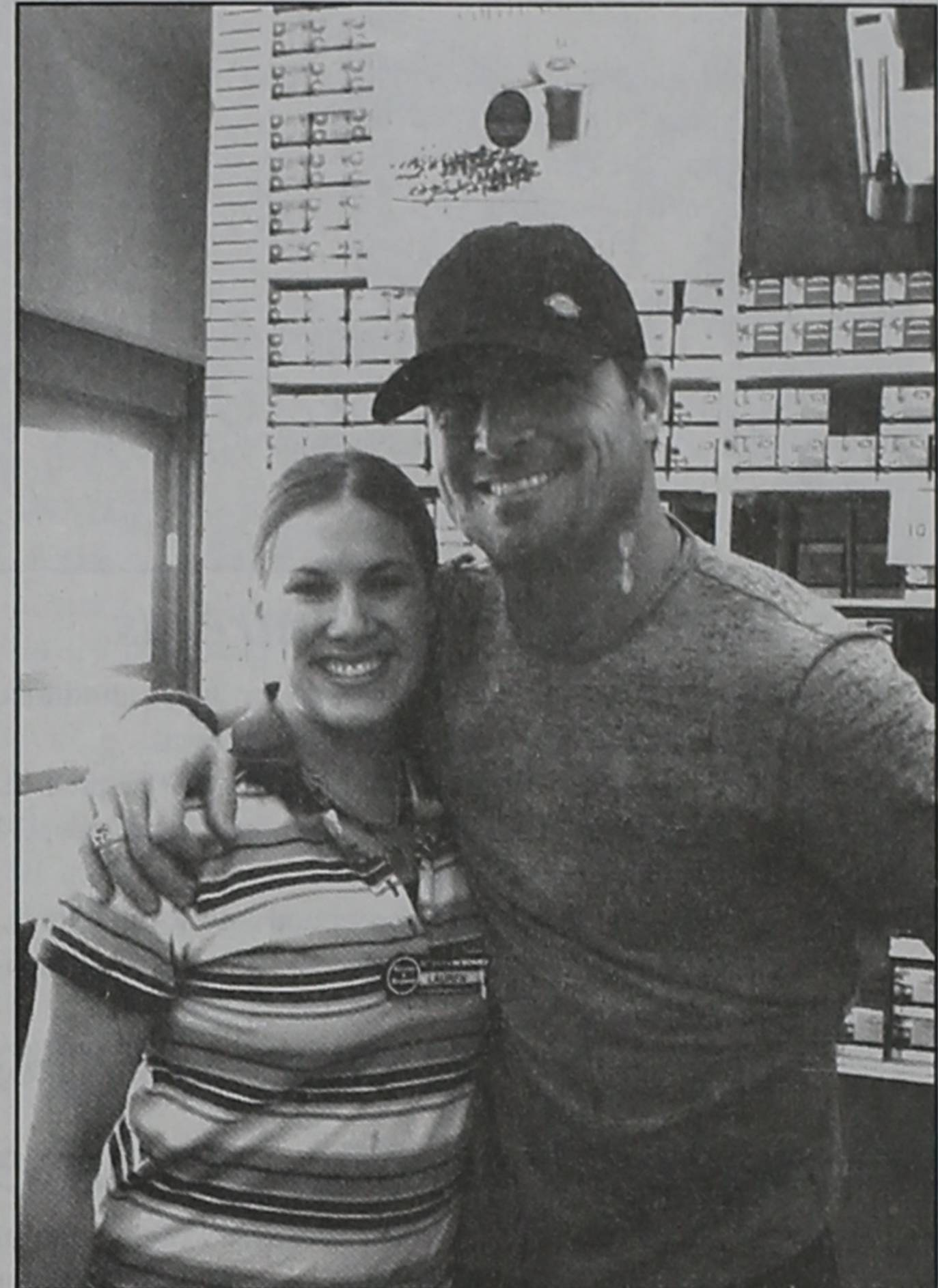
According to the 6th St. Church of Christ hotline (250-3495) Clydie Black and Joy Graham are both in rehab at Parmer Medical Center. Joy

is recuperating after finally getting a knee replacement repaired. Clydie fell and broke a femur bone just below her hip. We hope both ladies will continue to improve and know they are being looked after by the fine PMC staff.

Enjoyed the Friends of the Library annual meeting Sunday. About 35 folks in attendance. A couple of awards were given, the ten baskets were raffled, and we enjoyed those great creative Canna Ray cookies. There are photos and a Library Corner by

Darla Bracken elsewhere in this issue of the Star with many more meeting details. Thanks to the Library Friends for supporting our outstanding local library.

Several of the photos in today's Star were sent by readers that I contacted. We appreciate everyone who participates in the newspaper. Folks enjoy pictures and news of present and former residents. Thank you all for being a part of the news. Happy Easter! See you next week. Until then!



courtesy photo
Lauren Buske with George Eads who plays Nick on CSI. Lauren, daughter of Dave Buske and Teresa McCoy, works at Bed, Bath, and Beyond in Temple. Eads is from the Temple area. His dad lives there and often visits with Lauren at the store. She is the granddaughter of W.D. and Reba Buske. Dave lives in Burleson and works for ReMax Realtors.

Water district officials urge residents to avoid water waste

With dry conditions lingering throughout the area, the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 encourages area agricultural producers, businesses, and homeowners to use water efficiently to avoid waste.

"It has been a very dry winter and spring with numerous Red Flag warnings issued by the National Weather Service. Rainfall totals to date in 2011 for Amarillo and Lubbock are 0.55 of an inch and 0.84 of an inch, respectively. That's 2.20 inches below normal for Amarillo and 1.47 inches below normal for Lubbock. Because of this, it is important to use water wisely without waste," says High Plains Water District Manager Jim Conkwright.

High Plains Water District officials say there are many water management practices that farmers and homeowners should keep in mind during spring and summer.

On the farm, agricultural producers can reduce water waste by making sure irrigation water does not escape from their fields during pre-plant irrigation and/or the growing season. Commonly known as irrigation "tailwater", this water waste can cause unnecessary depletion of groundwater in a localized area, erode topsoil, and create safety hazards if the water enters roadways.

"Allowing irrigation water to escape from fields is a violation of both state law and High Plains Water District rules," says Conkwright. The High Plains Water District prefers to work with producers and address the problem whenever irrigation water waste is reported to its Lubbock office. In most instances, that is successful. In those few cases where there is habitual waste, the district must seek a court injunction against the landowner and/or well operator to halt the waste.

"Businesses and homeowners can also help conserve water and reduce waste. "During the summer, outdoor water use can account for 50-80 percent of home water use...and much of this is wasted through inefficient landscape

watering. It is disheartening to see water running off landscapes and into streets as our region deals with drought and the issue of managing limited water supplies," he said.

Run times and frequency of automatic landscape sprinklers should be adjusted according to weather conditions and plant water needs. Sensors can be added to automatic sprinklers to shut them off during rainfall events.

Soaker hoses, rather than sprinklers, should be used to irrigate curbside turf areas and other narrow vegetative strips. Drip irrigation systems can be used to irrigate bedded plants and gardens.

Businesses and homeowners should check their landscape irrigation systems regularly to make sure sprinkler heads are working properly and that they have not popped off. This can cause large streams of water to be applied to nearby sidewalks or roadways.

"There are many other landscape water conservation techniques that can help save water. For example, some of these include: not watering landscapes on windy days, abiding by local landscape watering ordinances-if applicable to your town, using mulches in flowerbeds and gardens to reduce evaporation losses, and positioning hose-end sprinklers so that the landscape is irrigated and not sidewalks and driveways," says Conkwright.

While most urban water use is for landscape purposes, he reminds all residents to be mindful of their daily water use habits and reduce the amount of water used whenever possible. For example, persons can conserve water on an individual basis by taking shorter showers, turning off the faucet when brushing their teeth, installing high-efficiency plumbing fixtures, repairing leaking faucets, and making sure the clothes washer and/or dishwasher have full loads before they are operated.

"It's important to remember that there is no substitute for water. Conserving our limited surface water and groundwater resources today preserves them for use tomorrow."

Anonymous Call Rejection

If you have caller ID, you know that some people choose to block their numbers from appearing on your caller ID unit. With anonymous call rejection, those calls won't bother you anymore. When someone with a blocked number calls you, your phone won't even ring. Their call is automatically routed to a recorded announcement.

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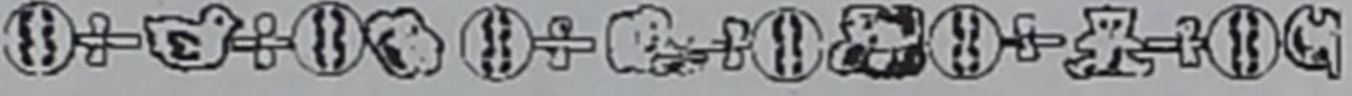


Jayleigh Raye Contreras

J.C. and Raquel Contreras, of Friona, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Jayleigh Raye Contreras.

She was born on March 9, 2011, at 12:48 p.m. at Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo. She weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces, and was 19 1/2 inches long.

She has two siblings, 7-year-old Xavier and 6-year-old Nicole. Jayleigh's grandparents are Jorge and Rosa Mendez of Friona, and Lino and Juanita Contreras of Bovina.



Douglas has hole-in-one

Fourteen year-old Gavin Douglas scored a hole-in-one at Friona Golf Club Sunday April 17. The ace was on hole number seven using a 5-iron. Witness to the feat was Trent Hickman.

Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from April 11, 2011 to April 13, 2011:
Janean Ellison Grissom and Pat Ellison Read - Dorothy Latrelle Mierher, L1 NE 13 L2 B1 RIDGELEA.
Gilbert Diaz, Mike Diaz II, Debbie Fought, and Ruben Diaz - Juan Rivera and Alma Rivera, L10 B7 FRIONA.
Raymond Morris Robertson and Elouise Robertson - Rhonda Webb, L31-32 B 35 FARWELL.
Aviu L. Rocha and Noelia C. Rocha - Eduardo Rodriquez and Teresa Rodriguez, L4 B92 FRIONA.



New Arrival



Audrey Leigh Rushing

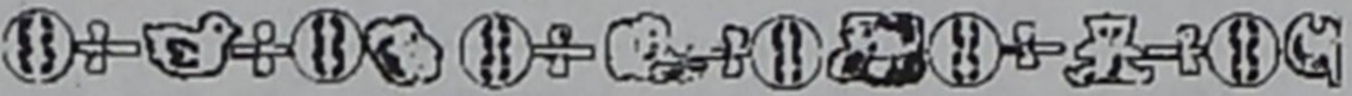
Michael and Leigh Anne Rushing, of Friona, are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, Audrey Leigh.

She was born on March 26, 2011 at 6:28 a.m. at Baptist St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo. She weighed 6 pounds 14 ounces and was 19 3/4 inches long.

She was welcomed home by her two big brothers, Ethan and Nate.

Grandparents are Eric and Linda Rushing of Friona, Lynn Sims of Happy, Texas, and Johnny Haley of Bullard, Texas.

She also has two great-grandmothers, Minnie Grabbe and Rosymings, both of Canyon, Texas.



Sheriff's Report

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

April 15, 2011, Fredrick Saenz, 26, of Hart, was arrested by the Friona Police Department charged with furnishing alcohol to a minor, pending County Court.

April 15, 2011, Rodolfo Gomez, 22, of Dimmitt, was arrested by the Friona Police Department charged with furnishing alcohol to a minor, pending County Court.

April 15, 2011, Guadalupe Mancinas, 25, of Dimmitt, was arrested by the Friona Police Department charged with furnishing alcohol to a minor, pending County Court.

April 15, 2011, Timothy Harper, 40, of Utah, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office charged with failure to register as a sex offender, pending District Court.

April 16, 2011, Lindsey Bramlett, 17, of Los Alamos, New Mexico, was arrested by the Farwell Police Department charged with driving with an invalid license, pending County Court.

April 16, 2011, Darren Yeater, 20, of Richland, Virginia, was arrested by the Farwell Police Department charged with public intoxication, fined \$200.

April 17, 2011, Severo Sanchez, 42, of Friona, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office charged with driving while intoxicated (2nd), pending County Court.

April 17, 2011, Faustino Salinaz, 31, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department charged with resisting arrest, pending County Court.

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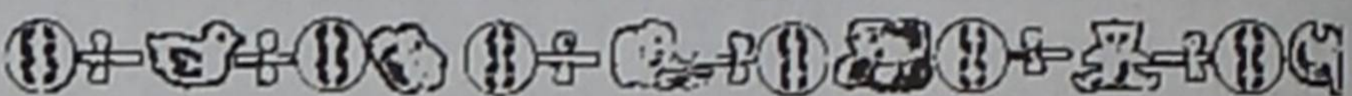


Molly Elizabeth Neelley

Jackson, Miles, and Mason Neelley proudly announce the birth of their sister Molly Elizabeth.

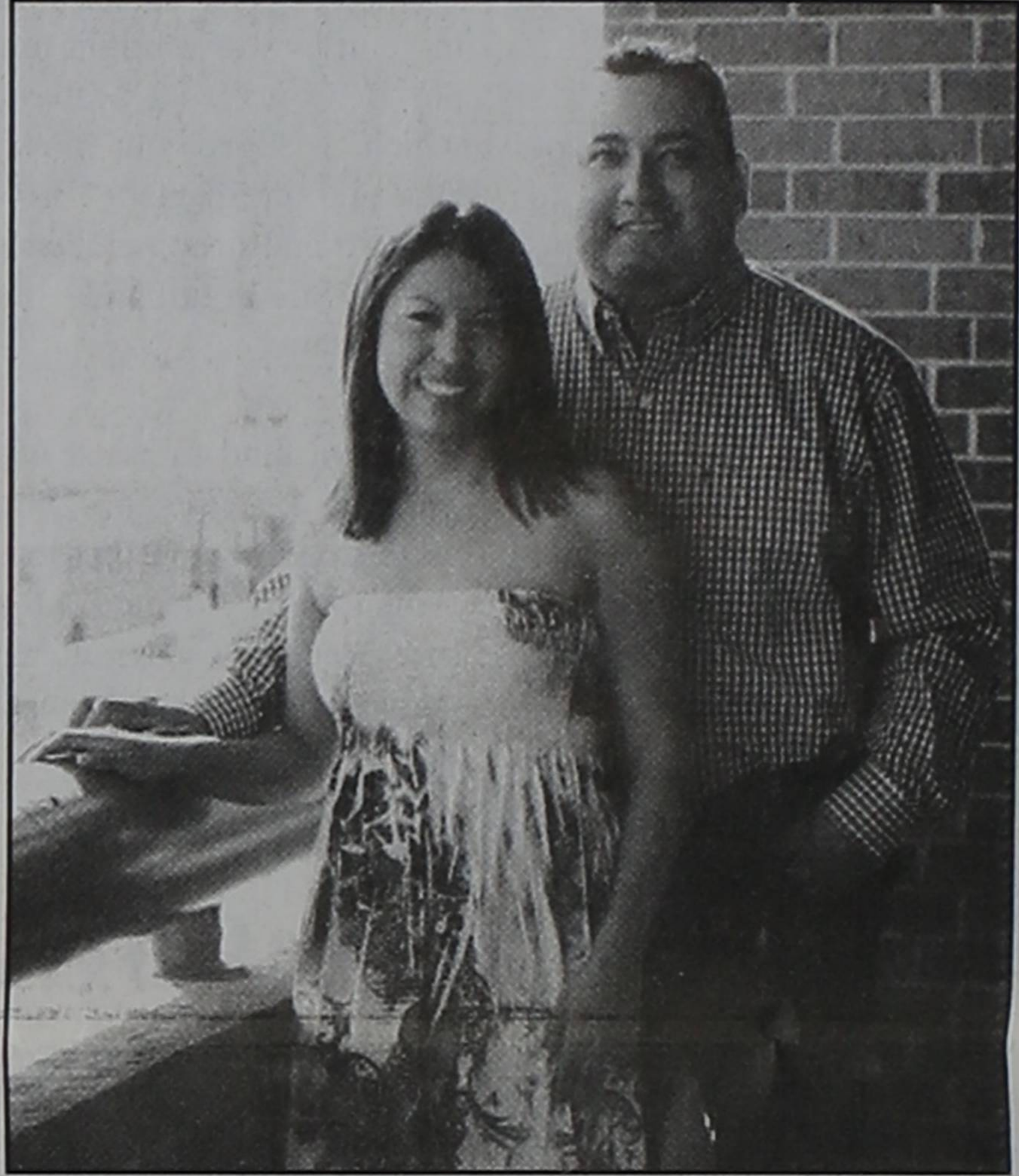
Molly was born March 3, 2011 at 5:02 p.m. at Northwest Texas Hospital. She weighed 8 pounds 3/4 ounces and was 20 3/4" long.

Molly's proud parents are Dan and Shanda Neelley. Grandparents are Robert and Connie Neelley of Friona, Texas, and Luther and Sue Gulleddge of Cleveland, Texas.



ENGAGEMENT

Arellano & Rodriguez

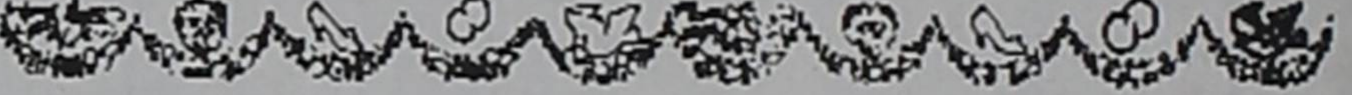


Netta Arellano & Alonso Rodriguez

Manuel and Elvira Arellano, of Friona, are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Netta Arellano, to Alonso Rodriguez, the son of Jose and Evangelina, of Booker, Texas.

Their wedding will take place on June 18, 2011, in Amarillo, Texas. Netta is a 2002 graduate of Friona High School and a 2007 graduate of West Texas A&M University. She is employed by West Texas A&M University.

Alonso is a 1999 graduate of Booker High School and a 2003 graduate of Northwestern Oklahoma State University. He is employed with the Railroad Commission of Texas.



Happy Birthday

April 24 - April 30, 2011

(To add, delete or change a name on our birthday list, please call us at 250-2211 or e-mail to frionastar@wrt.net.)

Apr. 24-Evelyn Hart Romero, Trista Hand, Bill Nichols, Josh Kerby, Mark Montoya, Cherlyn Pruitt

Apr. 25-Allison Hardgrove, Levi Landrum, Darrell Roth, Mike Riethmayer, Felicia Florez, Dalton Cockerham, Penny Dutton, Jack Clayton, Joshua Lucero, Michael Wales, Allison Fluck, Mariann Boeckman

Apr. 26-Ben Osborn, Mark Petchinsky, Karla Dixon, Pamela Schipang, Ami Schueler, Honey Gist

Apr. 27-Clint Homfield, Diane Mendoza, David Whately, Tony Baca, Gena & Tena Willard, Von Edelman, Glaytus Wylie, Kevin Smith, Sarah Speters, Blanca Alexander

Apr. 28-Joe Romero, Davy Hamilton, Naomi Perez, Julie Goddard, Wade Davenport, Lynn Pope, Kade Carthel, Cory Evan Reeve, Cody Widner, Will Rushing, Elias Fuentes, Katelyn Sifford, April Lancaster, Lillian Reece Cramer

Apr. 29-Chance S. Butman, Bernard Govens, Wayne Davis, Vincent Koelzer, Karen E. Burns, Rudy Torres, Marci Street

Apr. 30-Wanda Reeve, Teresa Ready, David Rebbber, Andy Gomez, Kay Williams, Genevive Ezell, Brennan Montoya, Amber Hancock

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OBITUARY

Marie Cecelia Duke

Marie Cecelia Duke, 88, of Friona, died Friday, April 15 in Lubbock. Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, April 18, 2011 at the Calvary Baptist Church in Friona, with the Rev. Rick Burton, Pastor, officiating. Burial followed in the Friona Cemetery by Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Mrs. Duke was born April 13, 1923 in Alvin, Texas, to Ashby William and Angeline Regina Bonneau Underwood. She married Robert Landon Duke on July 8, 1943 in San Antonio. She was a lifetime member of the VFW Auxiliary, was a secretary for Hi Pro Feeds for 15 years and a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a son, Robert L. Duke Jr., a brother, Eugene Underwood, and a sister, Johnnie Anderson.

Survivors include, three sons, Billy G. Duke of Hutto, Texas, John E. Duke and wife Deanna of Friona, and Gary W. Duke and wife Dee Dee of Seabrook, Texas; three daughters, Regina G. Peek and husband Mike Cortese of Austin, Catherine L. Keck and husband Royce of Levelland, Texas, and Linda K. Steinman and husband Greg of Albuquerque, New Mexico; two sisters, Edith Casper of Victoria, Texas, and Christine Torno of Sinton, Texas; one brother, Bedford Underwood of Warren, Texas, one daughter-in-law, Janice Duke of Florence, South Carolina; 17 grandchildren; and 23 great-grandchildren.

Memorials can be made to Whisperwood Nursing and Rehab, 5502 4th St., Lubbock, Texas 79416, or The National Parkinson Foundation Gift Processing Center, P.O. Box 5018, Hagerstown, Maryland 21741-5018.



Cecel Duke

Environmental Tip

Furnished by Gayle Murdock's FCCLA Human Services Environmental Ambassadors classes.

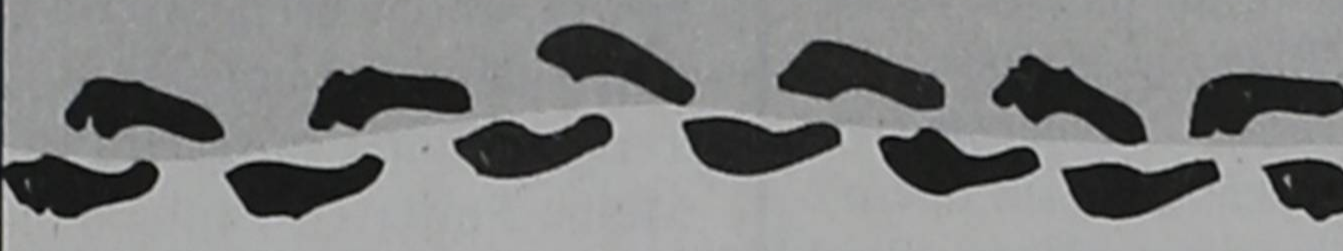
How Big is Your Footprint?

Did You Know...

- During the past five months we have given you twenty tips for reusing, reducing or recycling projects.
- Our project placed sixth at the Texas FCCLA Environmental Ambassador contest.
- April 22, 2011 is Earth Day.
- Please do something on Earth Day to help our planet.
- *Use a cloth bag at the grocery store.
- *Recycle used clothing.
- *Take cans to the senior trailer by the police department.
- *Use a reusable water bottle.

We would like to thank Mr. Carr and the Friona Star for printing our column each week. We would also like to thank those of you that read it and make a change that reduces the carbon footprint you make.

Marissa Lozoya, Magali Moralez, Joe Rivera, and Mrs. Gayle Murdock.



Learn camping skills at Palo Duro

Texas Parks and Wildlife will conduct a Texas Outdoor Family Workshop to teach you and your family the basic camping skills needed for a great time outdoors.

They supply all the equipment including tent, lantern, stove, and cookware. You provide the willingness to learn and create lasting memories with your family. In addition to camping skills you will learn about wildlife, safe hiking, and geocaching.

At a cost of only \$65 for a group of six you can have an affordable getaway while learning new skills. Palo Duro Canyon State Park is sponsoring the workshop May 14-15. To make a reservation or for more information call 512-389-8903 or check their website www.tpwd.state.tx.us/outdoorfamily.

Troublesome tidings

BY BRETT HOYLE, Pastor, First Baptist Church

On the night that Jesus was arrested, he spent hours with His disciples preparing them for His impending crucifixion and resurrection. For example, he spoke to them of betrayal, love, joy, the Holy Spirit, bearing fruit, prayer and the trouble they would have in this world.

In John 16:33, Jesus said, "I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation (trouble). But take heart; I have overcome the world."

In this world we do have much trouble, sometimes because of our own sin and stupidity, at other times as a result of living in a fallen world, and for Christians there is the reality of persecution.

Jesus knows each and every trouble you face, and in spite of them, he calls people to himself, the only source of lasting peace. Do you have the peace that Jesus gives, and is a fruit of walking with Him? Jesus wants to give you peace and hope, will you go to Him?

Jesus goes further in this verse, declaring that He has overcome the world. What marks our world? Sin, evil, chaos, death, suffering, tribulation; Jesus has conquered all of these through the cross.

Satan is defeated, sin and death have lost their power, and tribulations you face on earth are only temporary. Because Jesus lives, we can live through any circumstance or trial, trust in Him and share in His victory over the troubles of this world.

Panhandle Parables

When hope is empty

BY JEFF PROCTER, Minister, Sixth St. Church of Christ

The word empty, does not often fill one with hope. (No pun intended.) When traveling down the road and you look down to see the fuel gauge nearing empty it is not good news. Of course, right now, even filling it up is not good news either with gas prices climbing, as if, attached to a rocket.

When sitting at the table and the management of food vs. drink leaves you with an empty glass and one more bite, it is not good news. When the last child leaves home and the nest is empty, there is a little sadness. No one usually brags coming home from a fishing trip "empty handed".

I am sure I could go on for a while depressing you with one empty story after another. In fact, some may already be saying, "Ok Jeff, I got it, empty is bad..."

So when is empty ever good? Is there anything in history that could redefine the word empty that would inspire hope? One Sunday morning some twenty centuries ago, a tomb was found empty, and in an instance eternal hope was born. This was not just any empty tomb, but the tomb of Jesus the Christ.

I can only imagine the thoughts of the ladies showing up to hear an angel say, "He is not here, He has risen." I am sure there were many thoughts dealing with the how's and why's, but the fact remained the tomb was empty and that would forever give the term new meaning. Hope! There are few things in this world that carry the power of hope. Hope gives purpose. Hope fills us. Hope came and empty turned out to be good news. Jesus is ALIVE!

I still don't like the fuel gauge getting to "E", but it now serves as a gentle reminder that there is one great thing found empty worth celebrating, and that gives me hope.



Send your church news to the
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First Baptist Church

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Happy Easter

FBC SONSHINE SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

First Baptist Church announces enrollment for SonShine School beginning immediately. SonShine School will start on September 6, 2011. The program will combine Christian teachings and values with early childhood learning.

Days for SonShine School will be Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. with earlier drop off available upon request. There will be classes offered for 2's, 3's and 4's. Placement of the child will depend on the child's age as of September 1, 2011.

Registration begins immediately and spaces are limited. A non-refundable \$40 enrollment fee will reserve your child's spot. Additionally, a \$50 supply fee is due at the beginning of each semester. Monthly tuition is \$75 with an additional cost if early drop off is used.

A discounted rate is available for multiple sibling registrations. Registration forms may be picked up at the church office at 404 W. 5th, Monday - Thursday, 9 p.m. - 12 p.m. or 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. or they are available on our website - www.fbcfriona.com. For further information, contact Candice Schueler at 250-3933.

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LIBRARY CORNER

by Darla Bracken

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Library friends celebrate success

Friends of the Friona Public Library held their 48th annual membership meeting April 17, 2011 at the Redeemer Literacy Center 1304 Virginia. The Literacy Center Project has been the top priority project for the Friends in 2010-2011. Special refreshments of punch and decorated cookies delighted the approximately

35 members attending the meeting.

After a short business meeting, the Friends presented reader awards to library patrons who have made use of the library the longest, plus the youngest beginning readers. Ethan and Nate Rushing, sons of Michael and Leigh Anne Rushing, received the New Reader Award. Each

of them received their own copy of "Waiting for Wings" by Lois Ehlert plus a 'Very Hungry Caterpillar' game to share in addition to their award. Mom, Leigh Anne, also received a *Very Hungry for a Good Book* Friends T-Shirt for bringing them to the library.

Betty Talley, longtime local resident and library

patron since our doors first opened in 1963, received the *Lifetime Reading Award* and also a Friends T-Shirt, but was unable to attend. (See her story on this page.)

Friends member and former officer, Terri Cox, presented a very informative program on ebook readers with hands-on experience, handouts, and a Q & A session for the group. Vickie Field, President, recognized and thanked her fellow officers—Tracy Ellis, Vice-President/President Elect; Larry Johnston, Treasurer; and welcomed new Secretary Candi Geske by acclamation. Vickie also recognized the committee chairs who were present: Terri Ellis, membership, Terry Hunt, hospitality, Melba Smiley, scrapbook, and Darla Bracken, endowment.

After a brief report on the Literacy ESL project, Darla Bracken announced that WT Services of Friona & West Texas Rural Telephone of Hereford have agreed to donate Internet

service to the center. She also welcomed new lifetime members, Bi-Wize Pharmacy & Furniture owners, Joe DeBons and Jon Riddle, and thanked them for their help in discounting and delivering the new refrigerator for the Redeemer Literacy Center.

Literary Basket Results are:

1. *Camp out with a good book*, \$175 value, donated by Friona Primary School Staff. Winner: Hollis Horton.
2. *Family Time*, \$346 value, donated by Larry Johnston. Winner: Connie Neelley.
3. *Grandma's Teapot*, \$185 value, donated by Ivy Cottage Flowers & Gifts, Kip and Misty Frye. Winner: Terri Ellis.
4. *A to Zebra*, \$120 value, donated by All Seasons' Boutique Jewelry & Gifts, Tino & Seasons Salinaz, Jr. Winner: Dana Campbell.
5. *Puzzle Mania*, \$141 value, donated by Retired Teachers of Parmer County. Winner: Melody Drake.
6. *Country Living*, \$210

value, donated by Veterinary Industries, Eldon Reeb. Winner: Danny Allen.

7. *Gardens Galore*, \$175 value, donated by Farmhouse Designs Greenhouse, Wendy Carthel. Winner: Glenda Downey.

8. *Don't get cooked reading your Nook!*, \$218 value, Friends of the FPL. Winner: Tracy Ellis.

9. *Rustle up a good book!*, \$175 value, Friona Elementary School Staff. Winner: John Jarecki.

10. *Surround yourself with the comforts of home*, \$339 value, donated by Ingram's, Chris & Sylvia Ingram. Winner: Mickey Griffin.

The Friends of the Library wish to thank the gracious donors of these Literary Baskets for the raffle which raises money to support the Friends. We also wish to thank Ron Carr and the Friona Star for their continued support for the Friends, and for donating both the on-line and print versions of the Friona Star to the library each year.

Lifetime Reading Award honors Betty Talley

BY DARLA BRACKEN

As I have often shared with others, there is this one patron who has come faithfully every two weeks to our library since the doors opened at the Women's Clubhouse in June 1963. But her love of books, reading, and libraries began long before that.

As a child in Ashland, Oregon, her mother read to the family every long winter's night as they gathered around a warm fire for the evening. Even after the children could read for themselves, her mother continued to read to them instilling in those children what would become a lifelong love of reading.

When the time came for her to go to school, she rode her horse "Peggy" to a little one room schoolhouse near their farm with grades 2 through 7. And there, in one corner of the room, was a library! Her teacher ordered books from the Oregon State Library and often asked the students which types of books they would prefer to read. As a child, she loved Jack London stories, animal adventures, and Nancy Drew mysteries.

Then, when she was old enough for high school grades 8th -12th, she went to Enterprise, Oregon to stay with her maternal grandmother during the week. As it turned out, her grandmother wasn't used to having someone stay up late to read—so she had to read under the covers with a flashlight!

After that, she boarded with a family with four daughters while she attended school. Every week on Friday when her parents

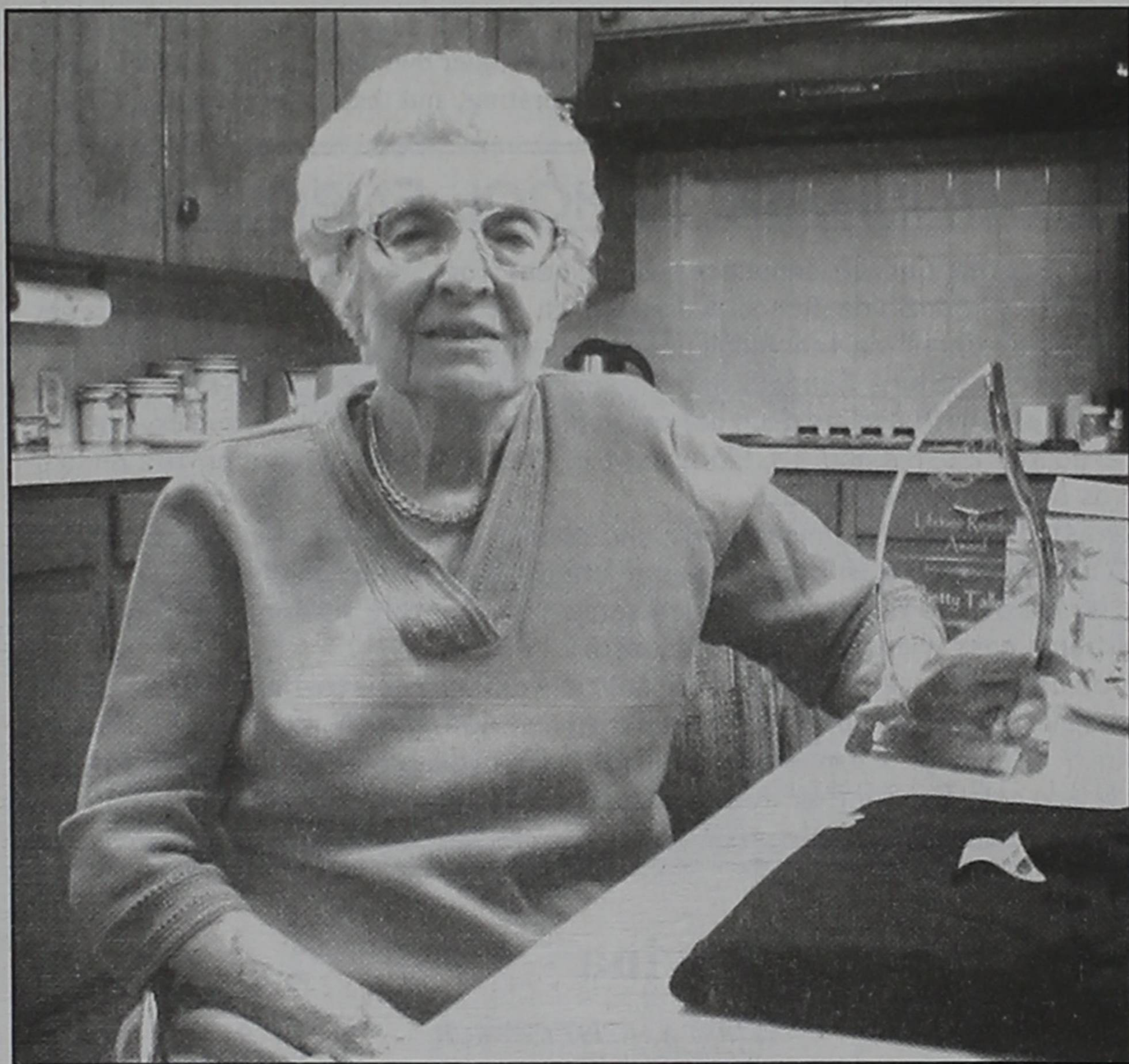
came to pick them up, the family made a bee line to the Carnegie Public Library in Enterprise where they would 'stock up' on books for the weekend. When the librarian wouldn't allow her to check out "Gone with the Wind", her mother borrowed it for her.

Her favorite book of all time is "Little Women" by Louisa May Alcott. Today, she still enjoys action stories, murder mysteries, and romantic suspense, but she doesn't shy away from reading biographies and any other non-fiction. Throughout her life she has kept a list of every book she has ever read, but the one book she reads faithfully everyday, without fail, is her Bible.

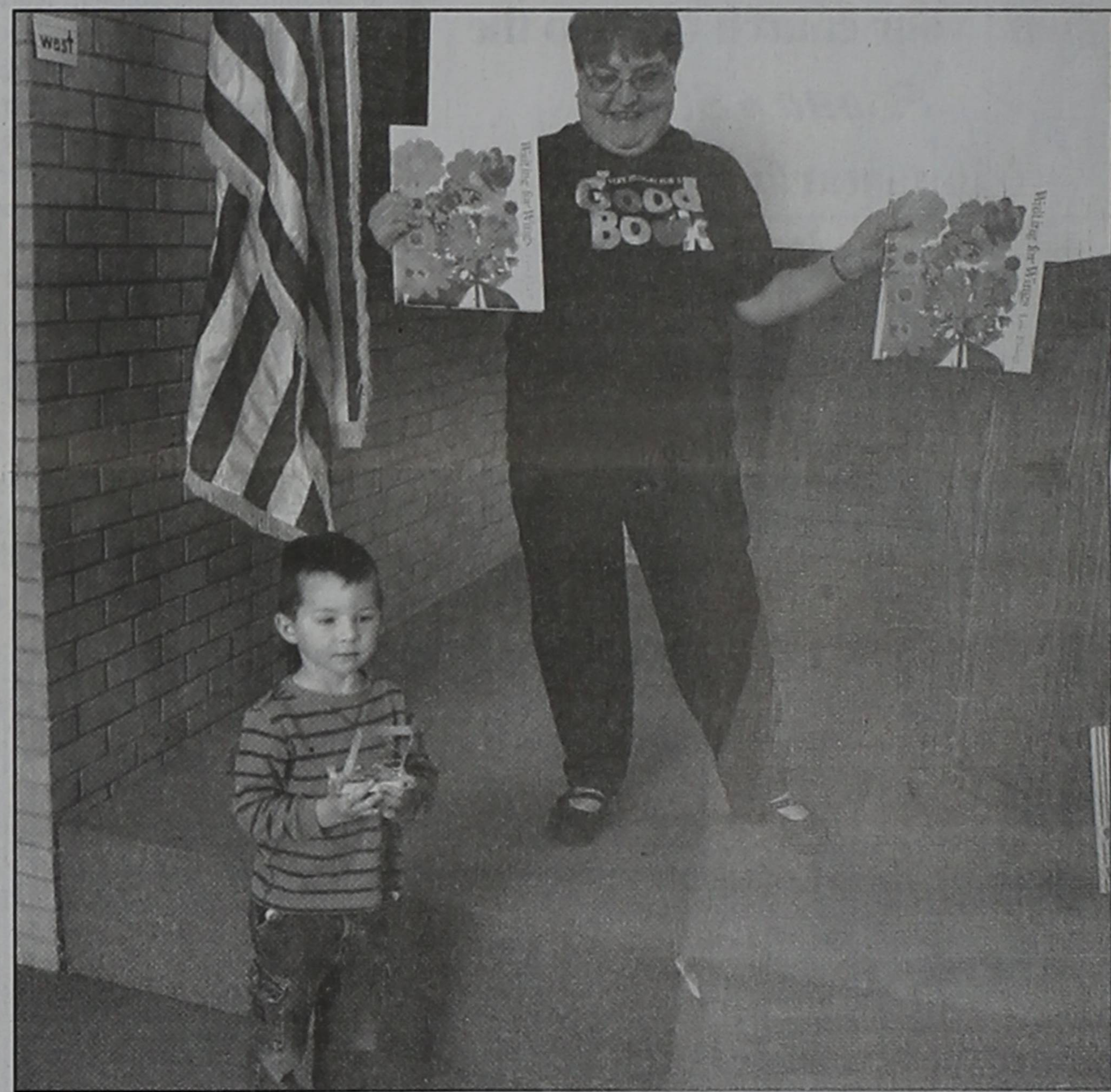
After she married and moved to Friona, she and her family lived out on the farm and she joined a book club. When they moved into town in 1960, she donated 169 books to the Friona High School Library and 40 of her son's books to the Grade School Library. All of the books were on the librarian's wish list!

After that, she quit subscribing to the book club, but she began using the High Plains Bookmobile. Since June of 1963, she has been a faithful reader and patron of the Friona Public Library. I first remember her for the fantastic book review she did for our high school FHA group on Sam Levinson's book "Everything but Money".

(Mrs. Talley received the Library Friends' Lifetime Reading Award at Sunday's annual meeting.)

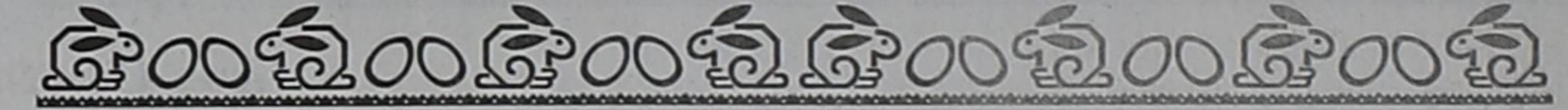


Betty Talley
Lifetime Reading Award



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Ethan Rushing, son of Leigh Anne and Michael Rushing, received a New Reader Award from Library Director Darla Bracken during the Friends annual meeting Sunday. Ethan's mom has been taking him and his brother Nate to the library every week to encourage them to form good reading habits.



NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Pursuant to the Local Government Code Annotated Chapter 116, notice is hereby given that the Parmer County Commissioners Court will select a depository bank for Parmer County Funds and Parmer County School Funds.

Sealed applications must be brought or mailed to Trey Ellis, County Judge, 401 Third Street, Room 104, P.O. Box 506, Farwell, Texas 79325, to be received no later than 10:00 a.m. Friday, May 5th, 2011 at which time all applications will be considered.

The Parmer County Commissioners Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications. The Depository Contract will be awarded at the Commissioners Court meeting on Monday, May 9th, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.

By order of the Parmer County Commissioners Court, Trey Ellis, County Judge.

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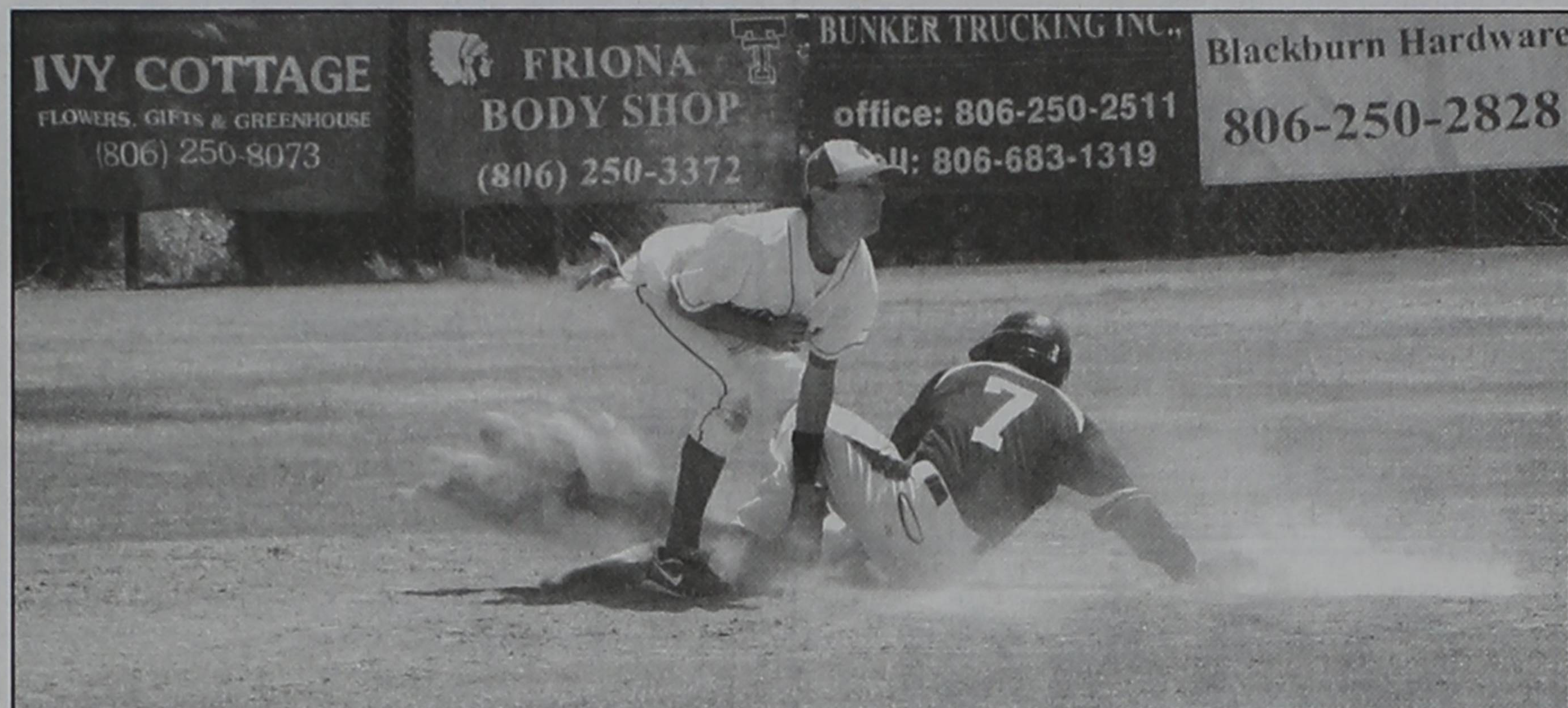
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Foul Ball! This pickup belongs to Chieftain senior Kirby Frye. He is a starter on the Chieftain baseball team. During Saturday's game with Muleshoe at the Friena ballpark a foul ball found its way to his windshield in the parking lot.



ron carr photo

Chieftain second baseman Matthew Teague tags a Muleshoe runner out at second during Saturday action at the Chieftain ballpark. Muleshoe won the game 10-4 in seven innings. The Chiefs host Floydada Friday April 22 at 12 p.m. for the final game of the season. More photos from the game at frionaonline.com.



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Chieftain shortstop Jacob Pena (17) slides under the Muleshoe catcher to score as teammate Collin Thompson (12) looks on. More baseball photos at frionaonline.com.



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Friends of the Library vice president Terri Ellis was a basket raffle winner at Sunday's annual Friends meeting. She won this basket furnished by Ivy Cottage. List of basket winners in the Library Corner elsewhere in this issue.

Lazbuddie News

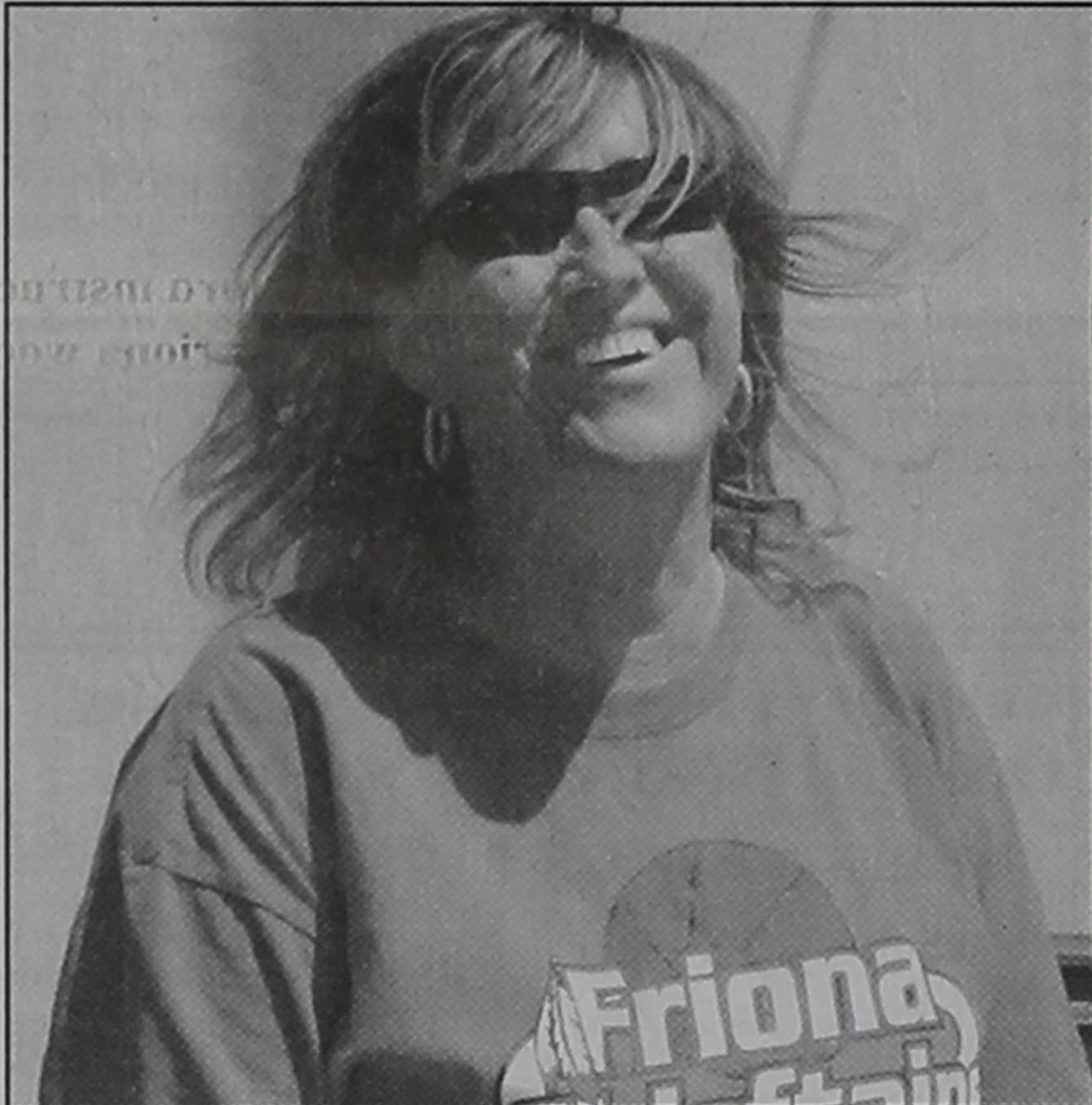
The Lazbuddie Elementary has a new look! Elementary teachers along with staff came together on March 13 to paint the halls. We would love to show them off! Join us on Thursday, May 5th for our Elementary Open House and Dinner. Family, Friends, and Community will have a chance to enjoy dinner, visit the elementary classrooms, and participate in a live cake auction. The festivities begin at 6 p.m. and run thru 8 p.m. with Pre-K and Kindergarten registration taking place from 5:30 to 7 p.m. that evening. Dinner will be served from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. with a cake auction following at 7:30 p.m. For more information call 965-2152.



**Stephanie Corralez
Elementary School**

Elementary principal for a day

Stephanie Corralez, a 5th grade student in Mrs. Gilley's class, served as elementary principal for a day on April 14. Qualifications for principal for a day are obtaining 300 A.R. points. Stephanie visited with Superintendent Kenny Austin about school and student concerns. Her full schedule included announcements at 7:30 a.m. and encouraging students to participate in "Whose in the House" shout-outs for classrooms that have had perfect attendance for several consecutive days. She also observed students and teachers in the classroom, listened to 2nd graders read, assisted in the lunchroom, filed paperwork, met with teachers about scheduling concerns, and encouraged students to fulfill their educational obligations. Principal Martha Soliz said, "Stephanie did an excellent job fulfilling her duties. She said the worst part of her job was her feet hurt from all the walking around." Stephanie is the daughter of Brenda and Miguel Corralez.



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Friena high school math teacher and Chieftain baseball mom Sandra Berend enjoying a windy Saturday at the Chieftain ballpark.



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Friena High School senior Julie Wiseman, left, and Meredith Hays of Hereford High School received the Daughters of the American Revolution Citizens of the Year Awards at a reception in Hereford Sunday April 17. Linda Knowles presented the awards.

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SCHOOL MENU
April 25 – April 29

Monday, April 25

- B) Cereal, breakfast bagels, grape juice, milk
- L) Fried chicken, rolls, corn, carrot salad, gelatin, milk

Tuesday, April 26

- B) Cereal, bean burritos, orange-pineapple juice, milk
- L) Tacos, ranch beans, Mexican rice, Mandarin oranges, milk

Wednesday, April 27

- B) Cereal, breakfast biscuit, fruit blend, milk
- L) Popcorn chicken, rolls, mashed potatoes, cole slaw, gelatin, milk


Thursday, April 28

- B) Cereal, breakfast pizza, graham crackers, fruit blend, milk
- L) Steak fingers, rolls, pasta, green beans, applesauce, milk

Friday, April 29

- B) Cereal, donuts, canned fruit salad, assorted juice, milk
- L) Hamburger, baked beans, chips, oranges, milk

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Lions Club News



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The Evening Lions Club met Thursday April 14. Presenting the program were FHS band members who qualified for state competition. From left are assistant band director Chris Rackley, state qualifiers Kailey Lucas, drums and Jessica Rivas, flute, and band director Ron McWilliams.



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Among the attendees at the PMC hospital auxiliary luncheon were, l-r, volunteers Donita Martin, Tommie Mercer, and Elizabeth McLellan.

Hospital auxiliary honored at luncheon

On Tuesday, April 12, members of the Parmer Medical Center hospital auxiliary were honored at a luncheon hosted by PMC staff to express their appreciation for the numerous activities the auxiliary promotes throughout the year.

The hospital auxiliary at PMC is an active group of volunteers who assist the hospital in numerous ways. As active 'greeters' the auxiliary assists the staff in making patients and visitors feel welcome at the hospital. Directing individuals to the proper location for registration, treatment, or visitation in the primary function of the greeters.

The auxiliary also helps the hospital main-

tain its supply of patient care for both acute and swing bed patients. The annual Christmas Card Project and sales of their recent cookbook has allowed the auxiliary to raise funds for needed equipment. The auxiliary is active in preparing Vials of Life that are distributed throughout the county.

Honoring the physicians and staff by celebrating National Doctor's Day and National Hospital Week are other ways the auxiliary supports the hospital. The auxiliary meets at 2 p.m. the second Tuesday of every even month. Meetings are held at the hospital's conference room. Everyone is encouraged to join.

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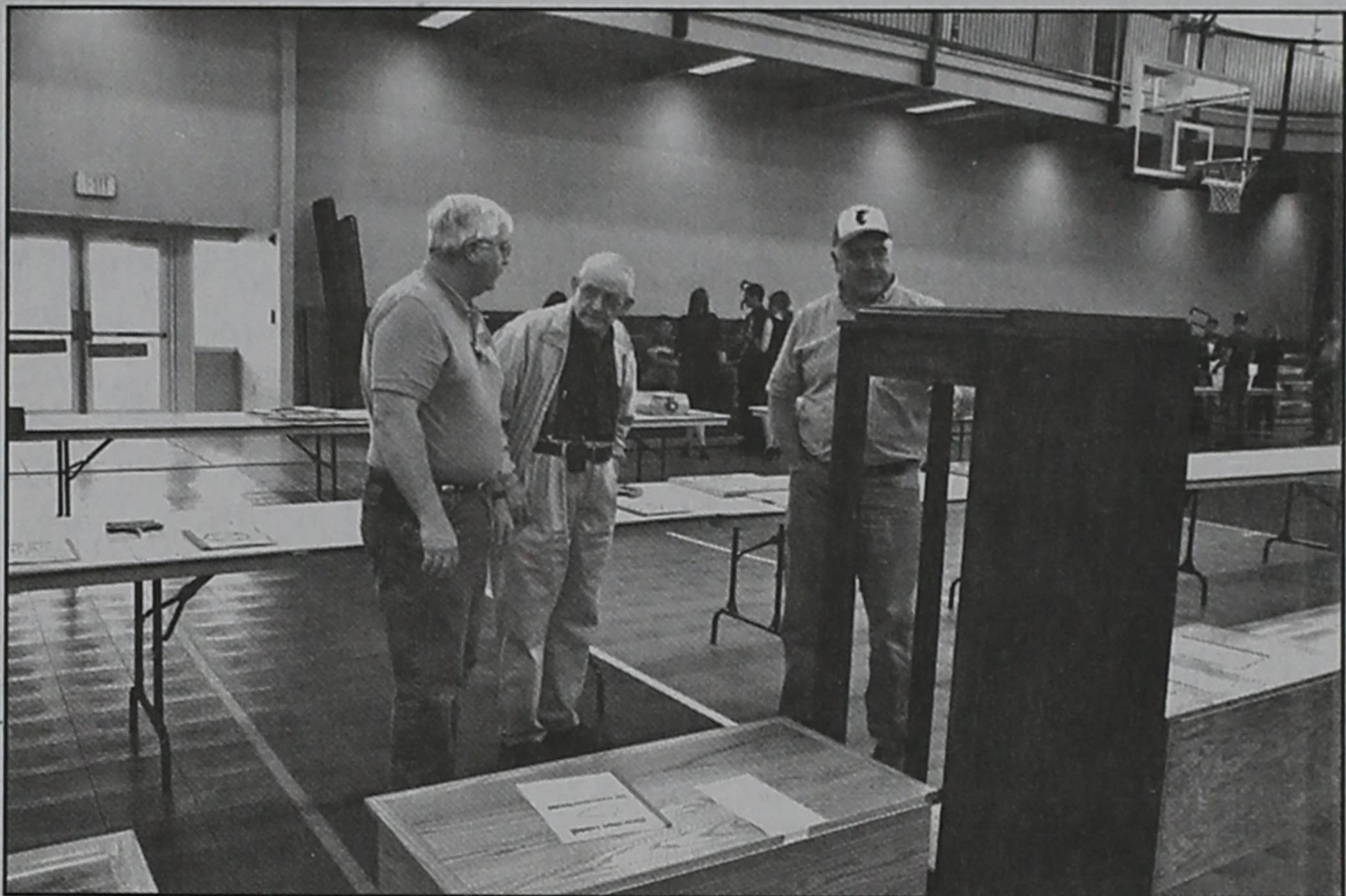
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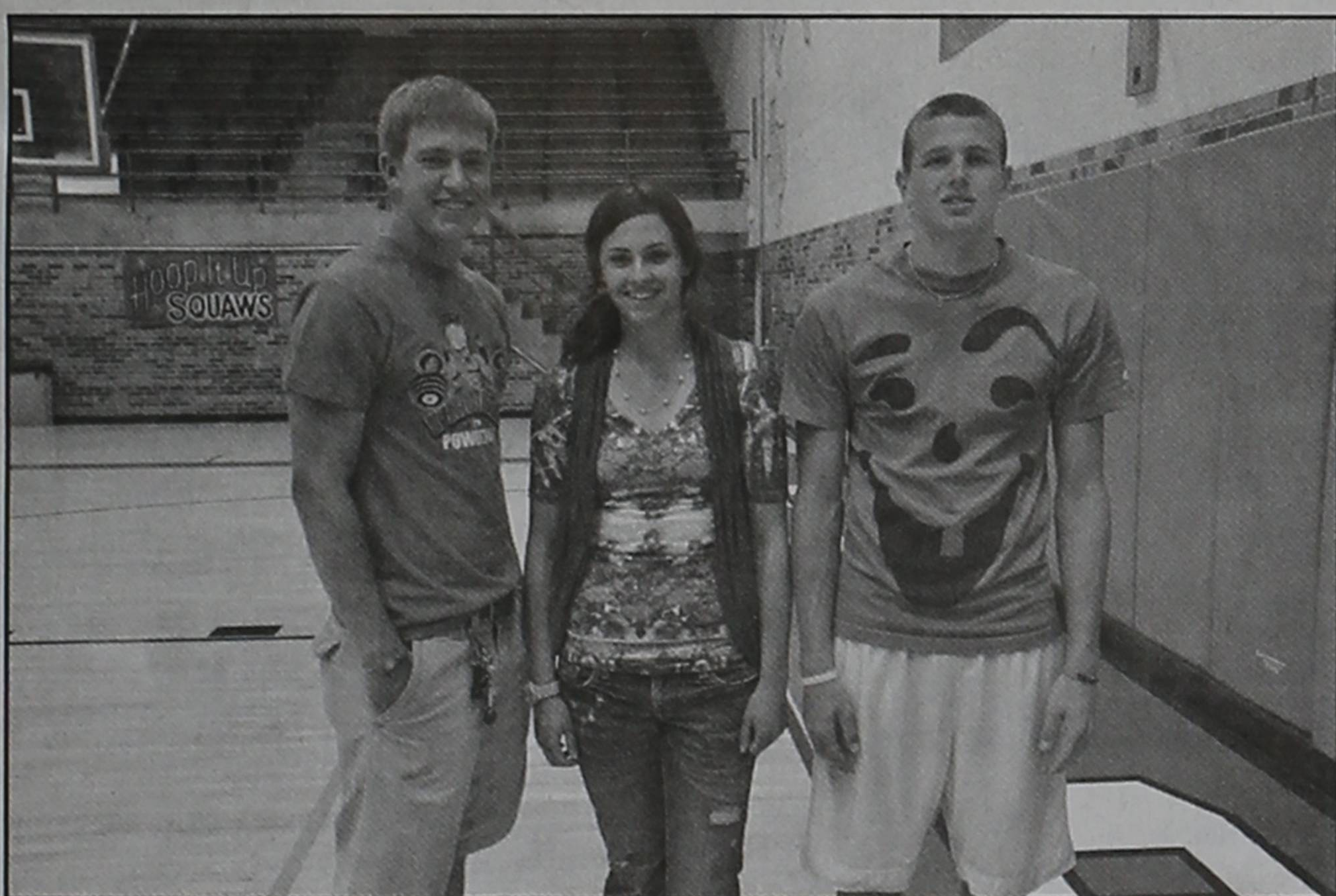
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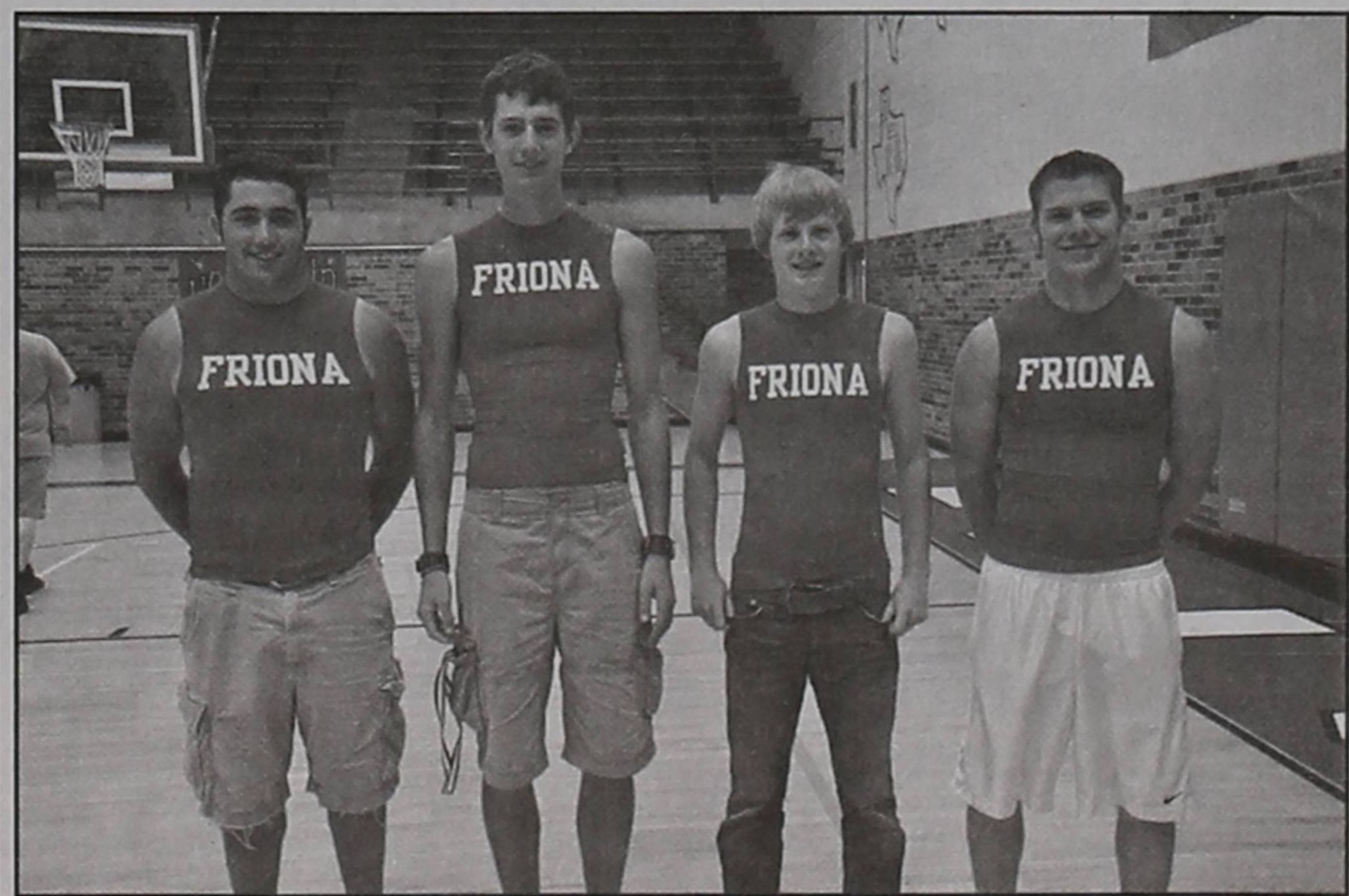
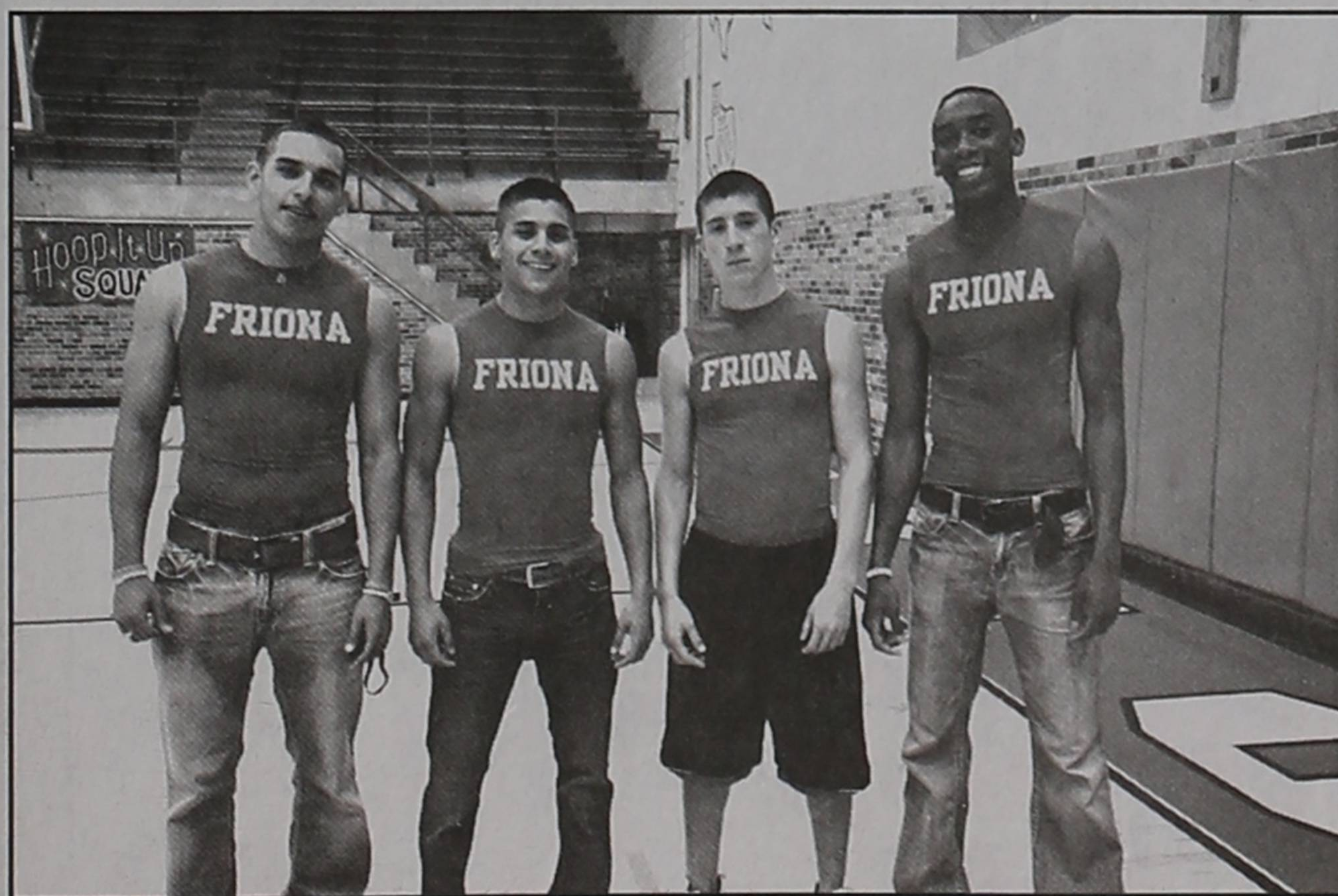


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Visiting at the regional industrial arts competition in Canyon last week are, l-r, Hereford instructor Bill Caraway, former Friona resident Richard Perkins, and Friona woodworking instructor Danny Campbell.



Congratulations and Good Luck to Chieftain/Squaw Track and Tennis at Regionals



Cargill Friona

Producers face drier soil conditions at start of this planting season

Producers will encounter drier soil moisture conditions as compared to last year when they prepare to plant their 2011 crop, according to the annual pre-plant soil moisture survey conducted by the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1.

An "abbreviated" pre-plant soil moisture survey was conducted between January 28 and February 22 as a result of reorganization of the district's agricultural group and hiring/training of two new field technicians in late 2010.

Data were collected at 87 permanently-installed soil moisture monitoring sites, selected to provide an even distribution of data throughout the district's 16-county service area. It should be noted that no sites were included for Swisher County as it was just annexed into the district in November 2010.

Moisture meters were used to gather data at permanently-installed soil moisture monitoring sites. Readings are taken at six-inch intervals throughout the five-foot soil profile by lowering a special probe into an aluminum access tube. These data were processed to calculate the current moisture level in the soil (available moisture) and how much moisture can still be added (deficit moisture) to the soil for plant growth.

The overall average 2011 per-plant soil moisture deficit reading was 3.2 inches in the upper three feet and 4.87 inches in the upper five feet of the soil. This means that, on average, 3.2 inches of water was needed by rainfall or irrigation to fill the upper three feet of the soil profile or 4.87 inches was needed to fill the upper five feet at the time of the survey.

These values are slightly dryer than last year due to the lack of rainfall or other precipitation in winter/spring 2011. The overall average pre-plant soil moisture deficit for 2010 was 2.98 inches in the upper three feet of the soil and 4.78 inches in the upper five feet of the soil.

An illustrated step-by-step procedure to determine soil moisture is found in the Water District's Water Management Note, Estimating Soil Moisture By Feel and Appearance. Printed copies are available free of charge to district residents by calling (806) 762-0181. A PDF file of the document is available for on-line viewing/downloading at www.hpwd.com/downloads.



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The Friona High School varsity girls golf team participated in regional competition in Odessa Monday and Tuesday. From left are Brittny Herbert, Abby Jones, Kami Kerby, Caitlin Bronniman, Kendall Kimbrough, with Coach Jeff Isom.

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