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Top prize split in football contest

The 2011 Friona Star football contest has come to an end after 12 weeks of fierce competition. Thank you everyone for participating, especially our contest sponsors who make all the fun possible.

In the final Week 12 contest, William Martin of Farwell was the winner of the \$25. He was the only player who guessed 16 of 18 correct. Contestants with 15 of 18 correct were Rusty McFarland, Chris Brummett, Mack McFarland, Jesse Morales, Rodney Shelby, and Jeremy Dearing.

The overall winners were Rusty McFarland of Friendswood, Texas, and Chris Shufelberger of Bovina. The pair ended the season with 150 total points and will split the \$150 top prize. McFarland entered the final week one point behind Shufelberger in the standings. Both men trailed Jimmy Walker of Canyon. But Walker managed only 12 correct in the final contest. Shufelberger had a nice 14 correct entry and McFarland's 15 correct tied the two with 150 points each.

The top ten point standings, with totals, are: Rusty McFarland 150, Chris Shufelberger 150, Jimmy Walker 149, Eric Geske 148, Sandra Berend 147, Myrtle Melton 146, Jeremy Dearing 146, Darrin Gilley 146, Ronald Diaz 145, and Sue Walker 145.

Thanks again to all. Hope to see you next year.

Candidates file for county offices

Filing for Parmer County offices began Monday November 28. The deadline for filing is December 15.

Republican Party chairman Floyd Reeve says Precinct 1 County Commissioner Kirk Frye and County Judge Trey Ellis have filed for re-election. County Tax Assessor Bobbie Pierson and Precinct County Commissioner Ronald Byrd are expected to file for re-election. Chairman Reeve said that Kenny White, an Oklahoma Lane resident, has indicated he will enter the race opposing Mr. Byrd for the Precinct 3 commissioner position.

Commissioners extend burn ban

Parmer County Commissioners met Monday November 28 in Farwell.

They extended the county burn ban for 90 days until February 28. In case the area gets some adequate moisture in the meantime, the county judge can lift the burn ban for a temporary period of time.

In other items of business, the Friona ISD was approved to receive \$1,348,585.22 from the county's permanent school fund to be used for construction projects. The Lazbuddie ISD will receive a portion of their permanent school fund money, \$15,900.

Commissioners discussed the indigent burial policy in the county. They voted to approve a policy of direct cremation up to a maximum of \$1,000. Kirkland & Kirkland, CPAs were approved to conduct the 2011 county audit. The Farwell firm has been the county auditor for several years. The commissioners also canvassed the votes from the November 8 general election.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2011



ron carr photo

The Christmas spirit was evident on a sunny Sunday afternoon at Parmer Medical Center. Christmas is arriving in Friona as decorations and trees are springing up around town. Hospital staff could be seen putting up decorations, including this nice lobby tree, over the weekend.



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Firefighter Albert Trevino pulls a hose through a window that was shattered by a gas explosion Monday morning. The residence is located in the 800 block of Virginia. One man was seriously burned in the explosion and transported from Parmer Medical Center to Lubbock via AeroCare. More photos from the scene at frionaonline.com.

Man burned in gas explosion

A gas explosion Monday morning seriously burned a local man. Friona EMS and firemen were called to a small stucco residence in back of a trailer home in the 800 block of Virginia.

The man was inside the residence when it exploded, shattering windows and catching him on fire. A Friona police officer said when he arrived the man's shirt was still burning. The charred remains of a shirt could be seen

on the ground outside the residence. The structure was charred from the explosion but did not burn.

The unidentified victim was rushed to Parmer Medical Center then transported by AeroCare helicopter to a Lubbock hospital burn unit. It was believed he was a farm or dairy laborer in the area. Officials say the explosion likely occurred when the man tried to light the gas cook stove and/or pilot light.



ron carr photo

Parmer County Medical Center personnel assist the AeroCare flight crew in loading a burn victim Monday morning. A gas explosion in the 800 block of Virginia caused serious burns to the man, who was flown to the burn unit in Lubbock.

Texas Tech students to present Reeve Lake landscape plans

A group of Texas Tech Landscape and Architectural students were in Friona recently to survey the Reeve Lake area and design various plans to beautify the area and make it more available for recreation activities. The project is being done as part oAf their course at Texas Tech.

The students will be in Friona December 6 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Depot in City Park to present their plans and drawings to the public. The meeting is open to the public and interested folks are urged to attend.

Later the same day the group will present their plans to the Friona city council and the Friona Economic Development Corporation. No action will be taken by either group at that meeting.

Opportunities to give this Christmas season

As Christmas approaches, Friona citizens have several opportunities to give to local charities and causes.

The Empty Stocking Fund is a charity to assist needy children with clothing, coats, socks, and a few toys. Needy kids are identified by our local school and money from the Empty Stocking Fund is used to purchase items for them. Donations can be made at Friona State Bank or by contacting Peggy Monroe. Last year Peggy and her volunteers were able to assist more than 70 children.

Project Christmas Card is a long time holiday program in which folks were urged to donate the money that would be used to send Christmas cards. It has grown into a project coordinated by the hospital auxiliary that accepts donations and uses the money to purchase equipment for the hospital. Donations can be made at the local banks or in collection boxes and many local businesses. Donors will be listed on a special page in the Friona Star Christmas issue.

Adopt-A-Resident at Prairie Acres. Many residents at Prairie Acres have no close relatives nearby. Others have little contact with family or have no family left. You can adopt a resident and purchase Christmas gifts for them. Many need warm clothing, robes, pajamas, socks, etc. The annual Prairie Acres Christmas party is Tuesday, December 13, so time is short. Call Elizabeth Romero, activities director at Prairie Acres, and she will be able to help you find a resident and give a short list of gift items needed. The number is 250-3922.

Ho! Ho! Home for the Holidays. Several local merchants are participating in the Chamber's Shop Local program called Ho! Ho! Home for the Holidays. When visiting one of the local participating businesses, sign up for a drawing to win \$25 Friona Bucks at that business and maybe \$100 in Friona Bucks to spend at any business. Locations are A-1 Service Center, Bi-Wize, Blackburn Hardware, Fast Stop, Friona Fitness Center, Friona Star, Ingram's, Ivy Cottage, Kendrick Farm Store, Hometown Hardware, Lowe's, Malouf's, Veterinary Industries, and W.T. Services.

Last but not least, the Friona United Way drive is underway. Donations can be made at Friona State Bank. The UW board is also sending letters to past donors. This year's budget goal is \$60,300. The United Way assists many local groups. A large portion of the fund goes to various kids and senior citizen projects.

Your support for any/all of the above will be greatly appreciated.

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some might call it amnesty

Eleven million.

Or is it twelve or fourteen million. No one really knows how many illegal immigrants are in the United States. The numbers you hear bandied about on television are estimates based on not much more than guesswork.

For the purpose of this discussion let's say eleven million and Mexico. I'm sure there are illegal immigrants from other countries here as well. Guatemala comes to mind. So what do we do about them?

Some will say round them up and send them back. Easy to say, not so easy to do. How long would it take and how much would it cost to find eleven million people and transport them back to their homeland? A virtually impossible task as I see it.

We should have been able to keep people from entering America illegally but we didn't, so now what? It is true that illegal immigrants who commit crimes here should be deported. They give peace-loving illegal immigrants a bad name.

It is also true that legal/illegal immigrants are willing to do jobs that white folk American laborers do not want to do. That is a fact. Our area

of the Panhandle is a good example.

There are folks living among us, legal or perhaps not, that many of us never really see. For the most part they are productive citizens, just trying to earn a living and take care of a family.

Among the current Republican presidential candidates, a debate is ongoing about the illegal immigrant situation. Governor Perry was said to have dropped in the polls when he advocated in-state tuition for illegal immigrant students. I couldn't figure out why people were so negative about it. He didn't recommend free tuition, just the in-state tuition rate.

Newt Gingrich, who is moving up in the polls, suggested a plan to allow the eleven million illegal immigrants a means to become closer to legal. He says, and rightly so, that families that have lived here for many years as productive citizens should be allowed to stay under some classification.

Children of illegal immigrants, who had no choice in coming here with parents, should be allowed, on some basis, to go on to higher education and enjoy the benefits of living

in America.

Some will call it amnesty, which seems to be an unacceptable word to many. When Democrats propose a broad amnesty the Republicans go into a total meltdown. Yet Mr. Gingrich, a Republican, suggests that some form of amnesty should be adopted. I agree and applaud Mr. Gingrich for suggesting a plan while others do nothing but talk.

Many right-wingers will say that giving amnesty to illegal immigrants already here, will being a torrent of even more illegals into the country. That is an opinion, not a proven fact.

They are here. They do hard labor working for landscape companies, washing dishes in cafes, do farmhand labor, pick crops, work in dairies or packing plants, doing work that other people do not want to do. Some of them need to be sent home, most others are peace-loving, hardworking, trying-to-get-by.

I say let's raise their level of residency by some means to allow them a better life and the promise of a more successful and less stressful future. Some might call it amnesty.

I say it is the human thing to do.

Bluebonnet Home Health Christmas Memorial Tea

Bluebonnet Home Health & Hospice, 304 E. 11th, will host a community wide Christmas Memorial Tea on Tuesday, December 6. This is a come and go tea to be held from 5-7 p.m. Spokesperson Rhonda Sanders said, "Come join us for this special occasion of honoring your loved ones." For more information call 806-247-0057.

Girls day out, spa day

Shana Fleming, AgriLife extension agent, is planning a Girls Day Out for junior high and high school girls. The Spa Day will be Saturday December 10 from 2-5 p.m. at the Extension office on the 3rd floor of the Courthouse in Farwell. Cost is \$15 per person.

Girls will learn about hair care and styling, skin care and makeup, nail care and polish techniques, and how to make your own spa products. RSVP to 806-481-3619.

Heritage Estates sets open house

Friona Heritage Estates will hold a Christmas open house Friday, December 9, from 3 - 5 p.m. Refreshments will be served and the public is invited to come by and visit with the staff and residents. Friona Heritage Estates is the assisted living facility adjacent to Prairie Acres.

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Parmer Medical Center, my

mom, Hannah Lookingbill,

came home Monday. She

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dent on a walker. Gets tired

easily but is glad to be home.

Thanks for all the prayers

and support she has received

Forecast says possible

snow and ice starting as

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ter go to the store and stock

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Go to the Friona Star Fan sage, biscuits, country gravy,

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Bi-Wize Pharmacy has

announced an open house

Friday, December 9, from

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If you have a tip where they

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Pheasant season starts Sat-

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Town Talk II

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

Saturday felt like Sunday then Sunday was a bonus day. Last Saturday out here we had sustained winds of 20-40 with gusts to 60 mph. And it was cold which made the wind chill near zero. Thanksgiving day was calm and warm, just right for frying

Thanksgiving week sure the turkey. Friday afternoon messes up what day it is. a rain storm blew through Friday felt like Saturday and for about 10 minutes and left around 0.15" of moisture. What a weekend.

> There were 10 folks at the house for the Thanksgiving spread. We had enough food for 25 folks at least. Stayed up a couple of nights playing

Trivial Pursuit. My team won

both times. My daughters and I were at Wal-Mart in Hereford Thursday night around 8 p.m. for a couple of items. Space was cleared for the rollout of the pallets with all that sale merchandise. Quite a few people were already hanging out in the aisles waiting for the midnight sale to begin. Its madness but then if its fun for folks, I say go for

There are five issues of the Friona Star in December, this being the first one on December 1. Our Christmas paper will be December 22 and our final paper of the year is Thursday December 29. Alto start thinking about Santa letters. Deadline to get your Santa letter in the Christmas issue is December 15.

A reminder that Santa in the Park is tonight, December 1, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Depot. If the weather is wet they will move over to the Fire Station so as not to mess up the floor in the Depot. So if you are coming to visit Santa, bring a coat and wipe your feet.

The Clint Hurst family spent Thanksgiving at the Waco Fall Classic Stock Show. Trey Hurst won Reserve Breed AOB with his heifer and Cade won 1st place in his class with his Chi heifer. Clint said they had Thanksgiving dinner at the Golden Corral, which seemed to be the only place open in Waco and it was busy. Congratulations to the Hurst boys

for a nice showing.

The burn ban in the county was extended for 90 days by county commissioners at their Monday meeting. The extension is until February 28. The ban can be temporarily lifted by the county judge if the area receives an adequate amount of rain or snow. Under the burn ban no outside burning is allowed and violators can receive citations and fines.

Melvin Smith will get back to teaching at Friona junior high on Monday after battling cancer and will undergo chemo later after visiting ways hard to believe when the with an oncologist. We hope of full size wooden windmill years fly by so fast. It is time Mr. Smith makes a full re- parts or parts to assemble. covery. Also, Jon Field had They want Chicago Aermotor back surgery this week.

Parmer Medical Center administrator Lance Gatlin was doing some research this week in the Friona Star archives. The question was raised as to when the Parmer County Hospital stopped delivering babies. An announcement was found in the January 20, 1985 Friona Star that PCCH would no longer offer obstetrics (i.e. deliver babies). Lance said hospital records show that 100 babies were delivered at PCCH in 1984 and three in 1985.

Tuesday, December 6, at the Depot in City Park a group of Texas Tech students will present their ideas on improving facilities at Reeve Lake. It is a class project and the public is invited (encouraged) to attend. Time is 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Should be interesting and the students deserve an audience. Come if you can.

Check us out on Facebook.

Methodist Church in Hereford, 501 N. Main, Saturday morning from 5:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. For a donation you get

scrambled eggs, bacon, sau-Call these decorating divas for all your holiday needs: decorating, baking, wrapping!!



Until then!

Dana Campbell 265-5213 Blaire Herring 265-5705



It's Christmas time at Bi-Wize Pharmacy

DaLinda Black dba Caterpillar Clubhouse, a Texas State Licensed Home Daycare, is currently accepting applications for children ages 18 months and older. Caterpillar Clubhouse is proud to provide the children of the Friona community and surrounding areas dependable and quality care.

The year-long thematic lessons and centers will promote a variety of learning/playing opportunities. For more information please call DaLinda at 806-206-4271 or 806-250-3524.





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We at Friona State Bank want to be the first to wish you a happy holiday season. We like the cheer and good will that this season brings out in us all. One of our wishes would be that we would all take the time to really appreciate our blessings throughout this entire season.

One of these blessings is the privilege to shop in the hometown in which we live. We hope that you are planning on shopping in Friona first. Sometimes you will find your gifts a little cheaper in area towns, but how is that helping Friona? Does Clovis, Lubbock or Amarillo help pay our school taxes? Can you count on proper maintenance out of town? Ingram's Department Store, Hometown Hardware, Lowe's Grocery, Malouf's, Bi Wize Pharmacy, Ivy Cottage, Dollar General, Blackburn Hardware, and others in Friona all count on you to keep their businesses open. Let's give them a chance to serve





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Budget cuts send local man to different career

Thomas Reed was a long time employee of the Friona Soil and Water Conservation District office in Friona. Caught in the budget cuts of the Texas Legislature, the Friona office was closed and Reed was forced into early retirement. The former district office location is now a Thai Restaurant and Reed has a new career.

He is now the area sales representative for Books Are Fun, the world's leading display marketer of books and gifts, according to their press release. They are said to be renowned for offering the best book selection, gifts, and educational products at savings of up to 80% off retail price.

According to Reed, the Corporate Book Fair Program conducts one to three day events held at large corporations and hospitals once or twice a year, offering a selection of hundreds of different titles to employees. "Many of our hot items are Books Are Fun exclusives that you cannot find in any other marketplace. Our goal is to bring you the best product imaginable," Reed said.

His territory is basically all of the Texas Panhandle, South Plains, and Eastern New Mexico, including Amarillo, Lubbock, Midland, and Abilene. "We have some really big events such as Pantex, Bell Helicopter, and several large hospitals and we have several small events in nearby hospitals as well," he said. "In addition to books we carry a large assortment of gift items such as card sets, home items, toys, and games."

Books Are Fun will not operate a store front in Friona, but local residents can participate at future events to be held in Friona. In addition, Friona residents may contact Reed at 806-626-1996 to shop for books and gifts available at upcoming warehouse sales.

Friona Bridal Registry

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Happy Birthday

December 6 – December 10, 2011

(To add, delete or change a name on our birthday list, please call us at 250-2211 or e-mail to frionastar@wtrt.net.) Dec. 4-Brock Field, Glenda Schueler, Erin Barnett, Billie Mueller, Myrna Barraza

Dec. 5-D'Aun Watkins, Charles Wilkins, Teena Hughs, Allison Johnston, Matthew Locke Ratliff, Larry Hodnett

Dec. 6-Tim Mercer, Mike Taylor, Sherri Wilkerson, Alicia Rando, Allison Jones, Roy Dominguez, Roy Don Smith, Jessie Fuentes, Darin Hofferichter, Marixa Rocha, Kendall Morrow

Dec. 7-Hortencia Bermea, Carla Sue Scott, Lauri Rector, Melanie London, D'Lynn Carr, Brenda Busch, Karlee Osborn Dec. 8-D.L. Osborn, Jesse Estrada, Kandace Frye, David Lopez

Dec. 9-Bill White, Robert Martinez, Jake Brozek, Robert Rocha, Doug McLemore, Cassidy Malone, Candice Malone, Casey Meeks

Dec. 10-Rick Roden, Don Ready Connie King, Kenneth Wilkerson, Sharon Newton, Michael Johnston, Sabina Schilling





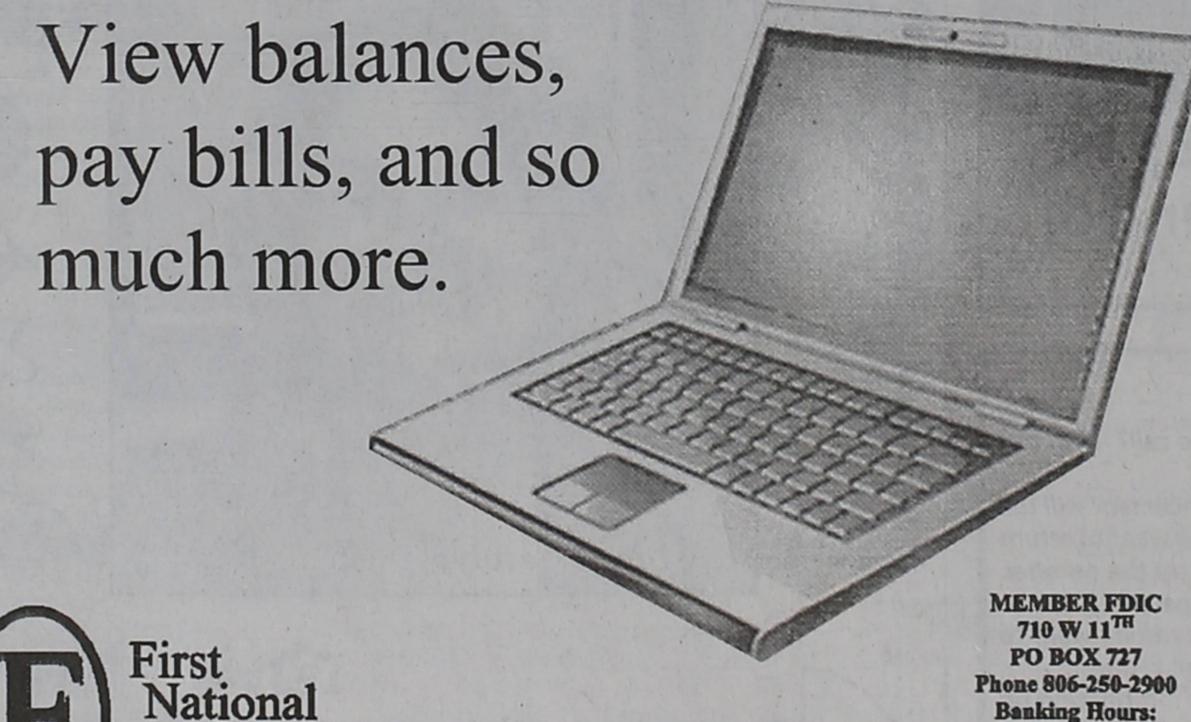
In time for Christmas, Bovina's McCain Brothers have released a new album, "The McCain Brothers—Best So Far" The country rock 'n roll album has 14 songs and can be purchased through their website, killertumbleweeds.com or you can contact them at 310-313-2919 or email

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

November 20, 2011, Noe Alonzo-Cama, 22, of Bovina, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office charged with possession of a controlled substance, pending Grand Jury.

November 20, 2011, Domingo Alonzo Cama, 27, of Bovina, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office charged with driving while intoxicated (1st offense), fine, court costs, and 45 days in County Jail; and coercion of public servant, fine, court costs and 45 days in County Jail.

November 21, 2011, Billie Ray, 42, of Clovis, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office charged with motion to revoke (possession of marijuana), revoked and will serve 60 days in County Jail.

November 22, 2011, Juan Salayandia-Vidana, 32, of Farwell, was arrested by the Farwell Police Department charged with driving with a suspended license, paid fine and released. November 22, 2011, Brandon Cox, 45, of Muleshoe, was arrested by the Farwell Police Department charged with driving while intoxicated (3rd or more), pending Grand Jury.

November 25, 2011, Heremejildo Carpio-Delgado, 33, of Friona, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office charged with interfering with an emergency call, pending County Court.

November 26, 2011, Santiago Chavez, 30, of Hereford, was arrested by the Friona Police Department charged with driving while intoxicated, pending County Court.

November 27, 2011, Johnny Dones, 18, of Dimmitt, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office charged with no driver's license, fined \$250, paid and released.

On November 11, 2011, in the 287th District Court with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

Oscar Torres, 22, of Texico, charged with possession of a controlled substance, was sentenced to 18 months in a State Jail Facility, probated for 3 years; \$384 court costs; and \$450 attorney fees.

Crime Stoppers Crime of the Week

The Parmer/Bailey County Crime Stoppers and the Farwell Police Department need your help. On November 18, 2011, unknown individual(s), between the hours of 8-10 p.m. caused damage to two businesses in Farwell.

The unknown individual(s) shot a BB/pellet gun at the front glass windows of Heavenly Scent and Big Mike's Bikes causing damage to the glass windows.

On November 23, 2011, in the early morning hours unknown individual(s) egged a house and a pickup located on the 800 block of 4th Street in Farwell as well as egged the Parmer County Courthouse.

If you have any information at all about these crimes, or any other crime, please call the Farwell Police Department at 806-481-3600 or the Parmer/Bailey County Crime Stoppers at 806-481-9178 or 800-774-8477. You will remain anonymous and if your tip leads to an arrest you may earn a cash reward

SCHOOL MENU December 5 – December 9

Monday, December 5

B) Cereal, toasters, apple juice, milk L) Chili beans, cornbread, flavored baked potatoes, green beans, banana pudding, milk

Tuesday, December 6

B) Cereal, ham egg & cheesee burrito, fruit blend, milk

L) Corndog, brocolli, chips, grape juice bar, milk

Wednesday, December 7 B) Cereal, waffles, sausage, grape juice, milk L) Pepperoni Pizza, pickle

Thursday, December 8

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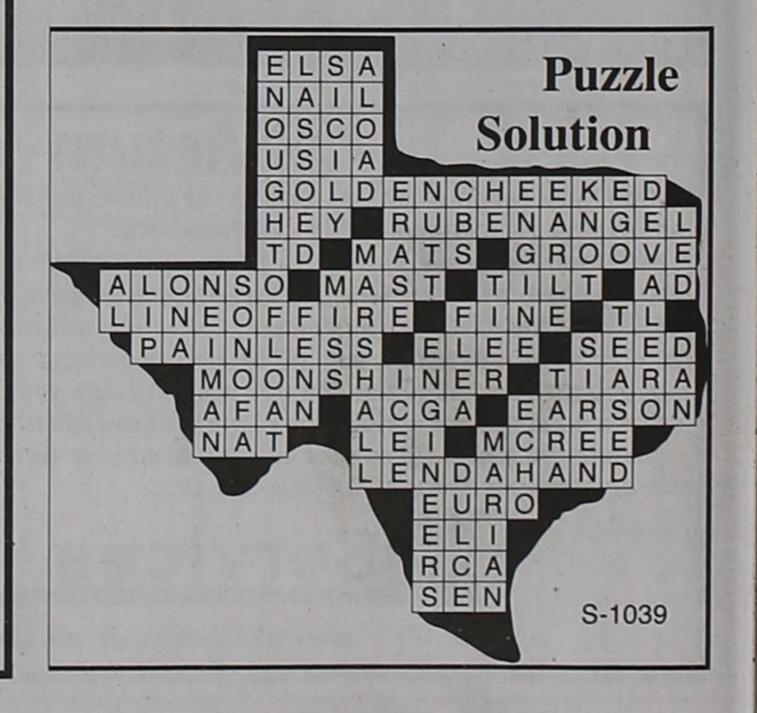
B) Cereal, breakfast pizza, graham crackers, orange juice, milk L) Hamburger, baked beans, french fries, oranges, milk

Friday, December 9

B) Cereal, pancake & sausage on a stick, orange-pineapple juice, milk L) Ground beef & mac, hot rolls, cauliflower, green beans, red gelatin, milk

B) Breakfast

L) Lunch



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Everett J. McBroom

Celebration of Life services for Everett McBroom, 81, a long time Friona area farmer and businessman, were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, November 30, 2011, at the Lazbuddie Church of Christ with Casey McBroom, a nephew, officiating. Interment followed in the Lazbuddie Cemetery under the direction of Parkside Chapel Funeral Home of Hereford. Mr. McBroom passed away Sunday, November 27, 2011, in Amarillo.

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Everett Joseph McBroom was born June 16, 1930 in Canyon to Jack and Mabel Tucek Donna McBroom of Tulsa, McBroom. He was a veteran Oklahoma; two brothers, Bilof the Korean War. He met and lie McBroom of Happy and fell in love with Paula Daniel. Delbert McBroom of Greeley, They were married on Septem- Colorado; one grandson, Branber 18, 1953 in Canyon. She don Renner and wife Cristie of 18, 2002. He was a member Misty Hightower and husband of Lazbuddie Church of Christ Jason of Ruidoso, New Mexand had been a farmer for ico; four great grandchildren,

death by his parents, four Hightower of Ruidoso. brothers, Jack McBroom, Alvin McBroom, Jimmy McBroom, and Orin McBroom, and two sisters, Martha McBroom Plains Children's Home, 11461 and Dorothy Allison.

ters, Susan Renner and husband Conrad of Amarillo, and parksidechapelfh.com.



Everett J. McBroom

48-years before his retirement. Sydnie and Branson Renner of He was also preceded in Abilene, and Caleb and Kelbey

The family suggests memorials in Mr. McBroom's name be made to The High S. Western, Amarillo, Texas Survivors are two daugh- 79118-4119. To send online condolences please visit www.

The First Baptist Church Clothes Closet will be open Saturday, December 3 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Merry Christmas Carols

BY BRETT HOYLE, Pastor, First Baptist Church

This Christmas Carol is a paraphrase of the last part of Psalm 98 and an exhilarating exaltation of Jesus the Messiah. While many Christmas Carols are fixed on shepherds, angels, or wise men, this one does not mention them, instead this masterpiece focuses solely upon the sounding joy that should fill the earth, because the one who rules the world in truth and grace has arrived.

Although this carol was originally composed over two and a half centuries ago, by Isaac Watts, it has been an anthem enjoyed by numerous generations of worshippers during Christmas. Today you would recognize the first verse, but what about the third verse, which says, "No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground; He comes to make His blessings flow far as the curse is found."

Did you guess it? The song is "Joy to the World". Jesus' birth brings joy to the world because through Jesus the curse of sin is nullified and reconciliation with God is accomplished through Christ. Jesus also brings joy to each person who has been forgiven by trusting in Jesus, and now has life in His name. Can you celebrate true joy this Christmas?

(Song information gleaned from Kenneth W. Osbeck, Amazing Grace: 366 Inspiring Hymn Stories for Daily Devotions; Grand Rapids, Michigan: Kregel Publications, 1990.)

Panhandle Parables Don't feed the animals!

If you have been to a zoo or wildlife refuge, it is not uncommon for you to see a posted sign that simply reads, "Do not feed the animals". This sign serves to protect each side, the critters and the folks viewing

the critters. I have seen advertised videos of occasions when this simple rule was not followed. A bear attacks a car or a deer makes a human its sparing partner all because this one little rule was not followed.

Many think back to the days of "Grizzly Adams" and want to get a closer look at the wild animal. Every little piece of popcorn or corndog leads the animal a little closer to striking distance, and you wonder what in the world you did to provoke such wrath. Two words, WILD ANIMAL!!

What about the nature of the flesh? Isn't it sinful? Do you feed that particular animal? We must be alert to the nature of our flesh and not do things that will feed it. "One drink doesn't make you a drunk". "It was just a little lie..." "I am too tired to attend services". "It is ok to look at that stuff on the Internet, because it doesn't hurt anybody".

The problem is the animal always wants more. No passed away on September Abilene; one granddaughter, matter how good we think we are, we cannot face the devil alone. Paul talks about two natures in Romans 7. In concluding the conflict Paul says, "Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!"

If you are standing in the lion cage with a whip in one hand and a pork chop in the other, then know that the appetite of the flesh wants the pork chop more than it fears the whip. Besides, you don't know how to use the whip anyway! DON'T FEED THE ANIMAL!

Sign-up for local resident Christmas lighting contest

The Chamber of Commerce will award \$100 in Friona Bucks to a local resident in the annual Christmas lighting contest. To participate, call the Chamber at 250-3491 and give them your address. Deadline is 3 p.m. December 16. Judges will go by each location signed up and select the winner.

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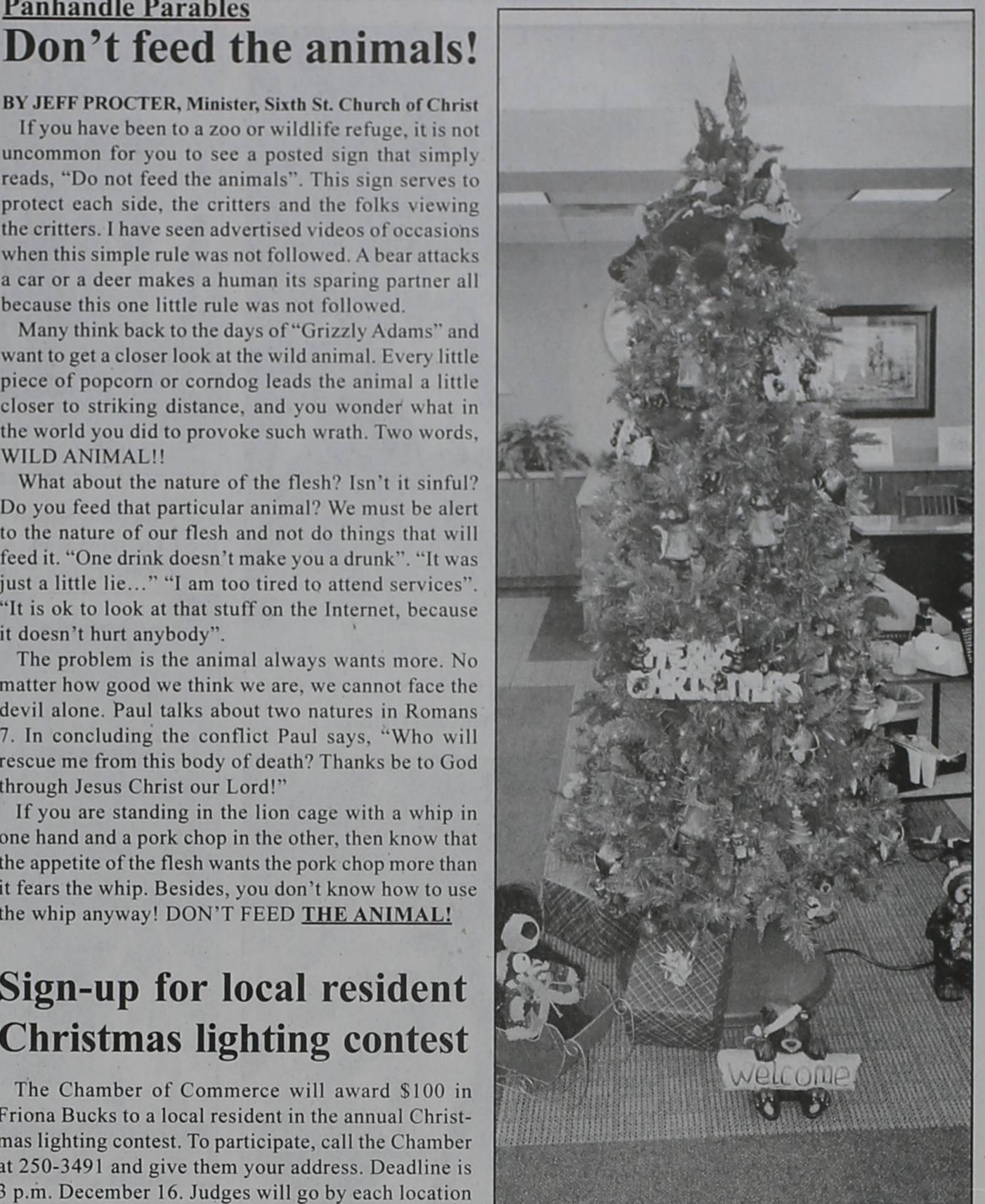
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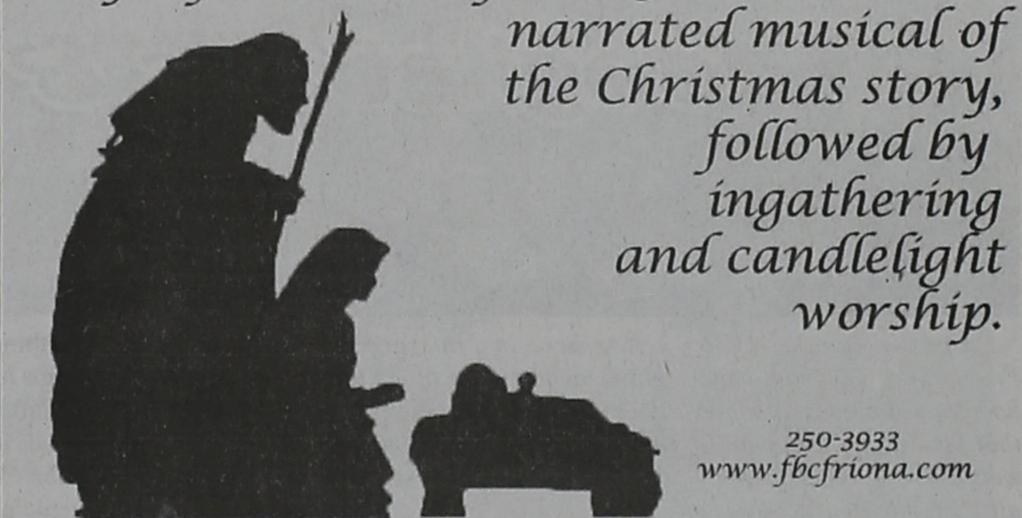
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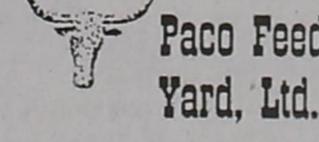
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Nohely Juarez (12)

COGIITATIONS & APHONISMS OF JOCIOK By Uncle John White • 1868 - 1965

From the June 5, 1936
Friona Star. The front page
had several photos of floods
that hit Friona. The photos
were taken by Buck Falwell
and Frank Pruitt. Uncle
John had a few words to say
to people who were evidently
saying negative things about

living here in "this great plains country" in order to get money from the government. Sound familiar? Imagine Friona in 1936.

Owing to the limited area covered by the Friona Star, I am not egotistic enough to

even imagine that anything I may have said through its columns has had any influence, either good or bad, in moulding public opinion for or against this great plains country, but if my few readers will just take time for a brief retrospect of my ru-

minations, cogitations, and aphorisms during the past two or three years, they will find that I have, at all times held up for and extolled the virtues of this great Panhandle country, showing at all times, that for the uses and purposes to which it has

been put, it is a good, and in many respects, better than all other countries devoted to a similar use.

At the same time I have Saturday. not intentionally tried to obscure any of our greatest calamities or handicaps, but have mentioned them and depicted them in all the grime and gruesomeness to which they are justly due. But at the same time also, showing that our droughts and dust storms are insignificant when compared with the devastations of life and property caused by the plagues of floods, cyclones, earthquakes, hurricanes and long continued snow and ice storms and subzero weather, some of which has struck nearly every other

part of our great land. For this reason, I have all along felt vexed at the attitude of our people who have, during the past two years, presented such a morbid view of our country to the authorities at Washington simply in order to get larger slices of the "filthy lucre" that was being handed out by "Uncle Sam." And, somehow, it seems that I am feeling just a very small mite of satisfaction in the fact that it is being handed back to us.

And there is something else while I am on this matter of "free money" from Uncle Sam. I have heard it many times and still hear it, almost daily, remarked that this "free money" has done our people more harm morally than it has done us good financially. However, I am not posing as a judge in this matter, although I do doubt the truth of it.

A few bits from the June 5, 1936, front page:

J.B. Vassey of Bovina was a business visitor in Friona Saturday

Earl Booth of Farwell was

L.L. Robinson, meat cutter in the J.L. Landrum Market for the past three months, has resigned and departed for Lovington, New Mexico, where he has accepted a similar position.

Mrs. Naomi Todd and sons, Billy and James Edward, are visiting relatives this week in Lubbock.

Wilmot Crow of Lovington, New Mexico, spent the week end here as the guest of his parents Mr. and Mrs. L.M. Crow.

Mr. Hoover and daughters,
Misses Edna and Ruth, of
Adrian visited friends here
Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Griffith and sister, Miss Lucille Curry, spent Monday as the guest of Mrs. Fred Rogers.

J.B. Jennings, manager of the local hatchery, spent Monday and Tuesday in Clovis. He was attending the Old Settlers Celebration there.

T.A. O'Brian, whose farm home lies about three miles east of the Syndicate Hotel, was in the Star office for a few minutes visit last Friday and reported that Mrs. O'Brian had deserted him. He did not, however, evince any uneasiness or deep concern over the matter and a little questioning brought out the fact that Mrs. O'Brian had gone to Oklahoma for a few days only for a visit with relatives and friends at their former home there.

REQUEST FOR APPLICANTS AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Since the official 2010 Census for Parmer County exceeds 10,200, the district judge having jurisdiction in the county is required by law to appoint a county auditor.

To be qualified for appointment as a county auditor, a person must be:

1. a competent accountant with at least two years' experience in auditing and accounting;

2. thoroughly competent in public business details; and

3. a person of unquestionably good moral character and intelligence.

(There is no requirement that a county auditor be a licensed accountant or a certified public accountant.)

The term of office of a county auditor is two years. The Local Government Code prohibits any personal interest in a contract with the county by the county auditor. The Texas Constitution requires a county officer to reside in the county.

The appointment is expected to be a part-time position with the county auditor required to be in the office approximately one-half of the time the courthouse is open. A salary commensurate with the time worked will be set; also, health insurance and retirement benefits will be provided in accordance with county policy.

Any qualified person interested in the appointment should submit a written resume of their qualifications to the Office of the District Clerk, Parmer County Courthouse, Farwell, Texas, prior to 5 p.m. on Monday, December 12, 2011. The resume should include a statement of the positions of public or private trust previously held and the length of service in each of these positions.

A public hearing will be held in the District Courtroom, Parmer County Courthouse, Farwell, Texas, on Wednesday, December 21, 2011, at 11 a.m. to determine the compensation for the county auditor.

Gordon H. Green, Judge 287th Judicial District Parmer County, Texas



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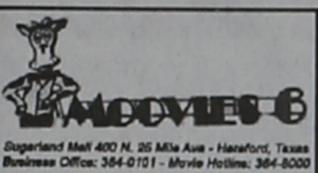
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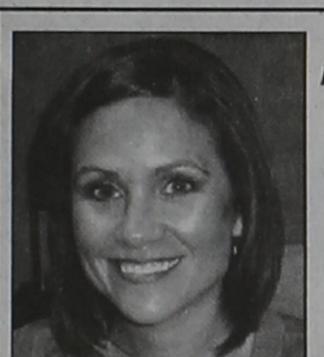
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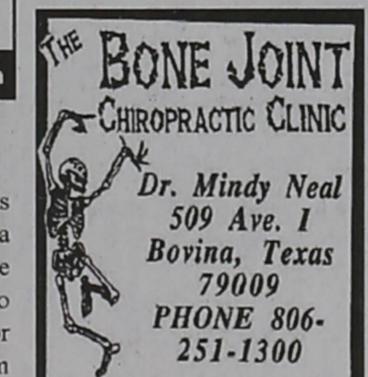
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BRISCOE CO., TX. - 122 acres, 7 wells, row irrigated, wind energy lease. HEREFORD CITY BLOCK - 15th Street - adjoining cleared

lots near YMCA. 100 ACRES - +/- South edge of Hereford City Limits, CRP,

UNION CO., NM - Amistad area, 960 ac. w/612 ac. formerly under pivot irr., presently in CRP program balance in native grass, 6 irr. wells in shallow pumping area.

EDGE OF TUCUMCARI - 42.7 acres with 2 bdrm/1 bath home, basement w/elevator, garage, barns, bunk house, cultivation and native pasture, wells, Arch Hurley Conservancy District water rights, pavement, scenic.

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Agenda: Discussion of Federal Programs and Funding

Plans for increased parental involvement in school **Evaluation of the Parental Involvement Policy**

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