Friona Star

citizen awards Ellis, Hurst named Woman and Man of the Year chamber names citizen awards at annual banquet

Commerce banquet was at the community cen-

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The annual Chamber of the room as the Chamber of the Hereford High of ceremonies. board and volunteers did School JROTC. The tions.

FRIONA, TEXAS

The citizen award winners were Woman of the

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the Year Bob Hurst, Citi-During the dinner the zens of the Year Greg and held Tuesday evening a great job with decora- JROTC also posted the folks were entertained by Jamie Lewellen, Teacher colors and led the Pledge Miss Friona Kalley Pres- of the Year Erika Mon- more photos from the ter amid leis, palm trees, The meal was prepared of Allegiance. First Bap- ton and magician Monte tana, Employee of the banquet are available on Year Rocio Hernandez, the Friona Star website, and Students of the Year frionaonline.com. Con-Tenna Montana and gratulations to all on a Year Carol Ellis, Man of Miguel Soto. Information job well done.

on each is included elsewhere inside.

TEN PAGES

Citizen awards and

and tropical dress. Over by Cargill employees tist Church pastor Brett Holder from Lubbock. 300 people attended. The and served at the tables Hoyle gave the invocation. casual Hawaii theme by Parmer County 4-H Chamber board President was evident throughout students and members Jeff Ray was the master



Carol Ellis & Bob Hurst 2012 Woman & Man of the Year

Tenna Montana & Miguel Soto 2012 Students of the Year

Council faces brief agenda, no city election

The Friona city council regular monthly meeting will be Monday March 12 at 6:30 p.m. in council chambers, 619 Main St. All council meetings are open to the public.

The tentative agenda has only five business items, assuring a short meeting. One of those items is a resolution appointing election officials for the May 12 city officers' election, setting the pay rate, and designating an early voting ballot board. The deadline for candidates to sign-up for the three expiring council seats was Monday March 5. Mayor J.B. Douglas and councilwoman Martha Barker signed up for re-election. Incumbent councilwoman Cheryl Weatherly did not sign-up for reelection. Newcomer Greg Lewellen added his name to the ballot last Thursday. Since

there are three seats and three candidates the council will pass a resolution later canceling the city election.

The May 12 school board election will be held in the city council chambers. Four candidates will vie for three seats on that board. They are Mitchell Smiley, Brent Loflin, Andy Montana, and Antonia Rocha. Smiley, Loflin, and Montana are the incumbents.



Other items Monday will be approval of the previous minutes, accounts payable, and February financial statement. Approval of a variance for a trailer house is the final item on the short agenda. These items are a tentative agenda and are subject to change. The final official agenda is posted on the city hall window on Friday, 72 hours prior to the meeting.



Erika Montana 2012 Teacher of the Year



Greg & Jamie Lewellen 2012 Citizens of the Year

Rocio Hernandez 2012 Employee of the Year



a little family history

One sixteenth Choctaw. Thanks to my cousin Charles Wilson Beavers of Fort Worth and his genealogy search, we may be eligible for some Native American benefits. He recently discovered that we are one-sixteenth Choctaw. Not sure what that qualifies us for but may be worth checking out.

Charles is a year older than me. We spent many

ing our family tree all the way back to the 1700s. We reconnected a few years back and he shared his research with me. It is extensive.

My great-great-grandfather on my mother's side, Charles Fauntleroy Allen, was born in Virginia June 7, 1840, and served under Stonewall Jackson during the Civil War. Another great-great-grandfather on mom's side, Marcus Bozman, was born February 26, 1826 in Alabama. He also served in the Confederacy during the Civil War. They came to Texas and settled in the Cottonwood community near Wylie, Texas. My great-grandparents, Walter and Mollie Allen, lived all their lives near Wylie. Marcus Bozman died in April, 1904 and is buried in the Wylie Cemetery. It is said great-

great-grandpa Marcus paid for his land and his cemetery lots with gold because he didn't trust paper money.

Genealogy can be confusing the farther one goes back and the bigger the family tree gets. Here is just one paragraph for example: Children of Marcus and Malissa Bozman were: W.E. Billy, who married Hattie Whitley; Bobbie, who married Charles Lovelace (parents of Mae Belle Lovelace Collins); Mattie, who married Joe Bowman; Marlin, who married Rosa Singleton; Mollie, who married Walter Lee Allen; and John F. Bozman. It is hard to keep it all sorted out.

lived in Hillsboro but we had many road trips to Wylie.

Then there is this, uncovered by my cousin Charles. On my dad's side of the family, my grandmother Mamie Sanders Carr's grandfather (my greatgreat-grandpa), William Harrison Sanders, was full blood Choctaw, which makes cousin Charles and me one-sixteenth.

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Election Calendar

May 12 - Local elections for city, school board, hospital district board. May 29 - Democrat and Republican primary election.

May 14-25 – Early voting for primary election.

July 31 – Runoff election if necessary. November 6 – National election



"It is time for the Obama administration to stop playing politics with women's health and approve the Texas women's

days together in our youth. His mother and my dad were brother and sister. I lived in Hillsboro and they lived in Ft. Worth but I spent weeks in the summer with them.

As often happens, Charles and I and our families drifted apart over the years. He and I are now about the oldest and only living relatives on my dad's side of the family. Charles has spent many days and many miles trac-

My grandmother Bobbie Era Allen Brown, was named after her mother's sister Bobbie. And so it goes. My grandparents

To be honest I wasn't too interested in my family history until I got older. I'm preserving as much as I can for my kids to ponder when they grow older. It is interesting that I have a connection to the Civil War and beyond. There are a lot of branches on every family tree. Do some research. You might be surprised.

Thanks to my ancestors for giving me a twig on the big tree.

health waiver. This specialized Medicaid program, which provides preventative health services to women, saves lives and money. The waiver also allows Texas leaders to design cost-effective health delivery strategies rather than being forced to accept the Obama administration's approach to healthcare."

"As Comptroller, I have consistently opposed using taxpayer dollars to fund abortion services and Texas should be able to provide important, basic care without being compelled to provide money to organizations like Planned Parenthood. Women's health is too important to be used as a political pawn by Washington politicians. I urge President Obama to do the right thing, ending this intrusion on our state sovereignty while allowing our state to provide healthcare for women with limited economic means."

Susan Combs Texas Comptroller



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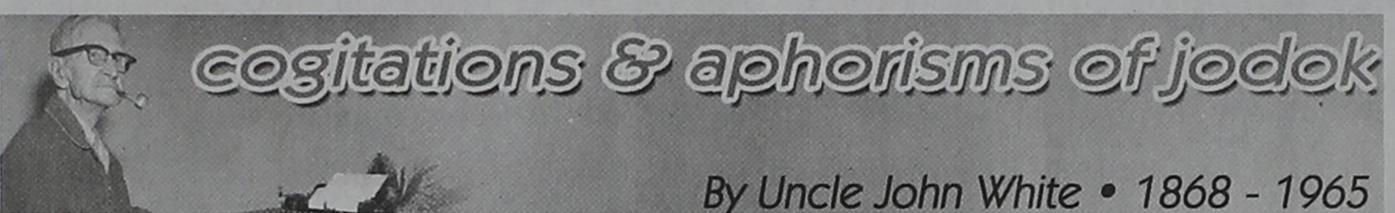
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News from the Friday, January 7, 1938 Friona Star. Words of wisdom: A silver dollar may be brighter than a penny and a hundred times as great but seldom goes to church as often. This was from a column that appeared in the Star called, "Taint Narry Bitta Use" by Cavishem. Not sure who 'Cavishem' might have been. If anyone remembers let me know. He is a new name that has appeared in the early Stars.

The basketball report mentions playing

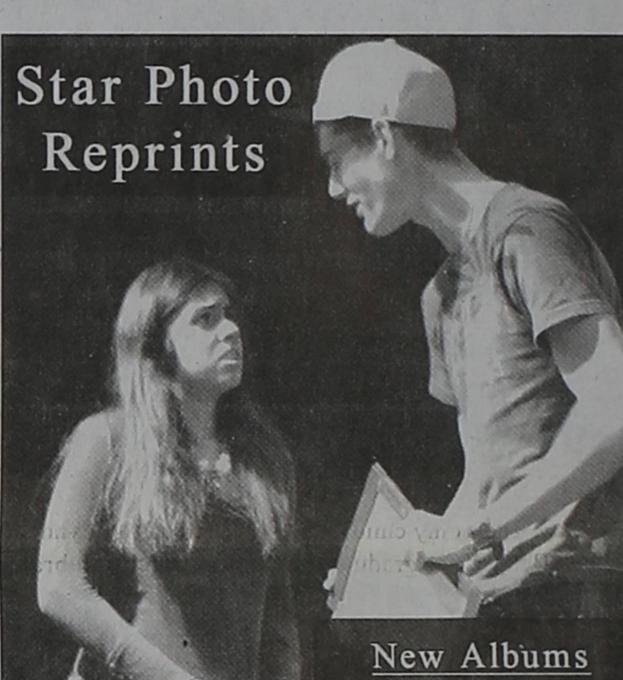
and Massie, two valuable men, failed to make this trip.

On Tuesday of this week both the Chiefs and the Squaws visited Farwell and entered combat with the Farwell Steers and the girls' team there. The Squaws played a very exciting and good game, which they won over the Farwell girls by a score of 29 to 31. Taylor was high point girl with 14 points to her favor and is reported as somewhat improved. for the Squaws while Anderson was in the M lynad D flight best s blig lead for Farwell with 12 points.

idly as it formed, which resulted in the explosion.

> An eye witness to the affair stated that parts of the tank were thrown over a hundred feet up in the air and lighted within a few feet of where the explosion occurred. One of Mr. Gowers' eyes was so badly injured that it was necessary to remove it. He was rushed to a hospital in Amarillo,

SOLD RECREATION HALL



at Lakeview. Apparently the Lakeview school had a gym or did they play somewhere else? I thought Lakeview was a small country school and didn't realize they had a basketball court and/or gym. The paper mentions a recreation hall, "Bek's Place". Anyone know where it might have been located? Just curious. Imagine Friona in 1938.

FRIONA SPORTS NEWS

On Tuesday of the holidays the Friona Chiefs played the Rangers of Hollene. The score was 26 to 49 in favor of the Chiefs. Captain Brookfield was highpoint man for the home lads with 23 points, and Harrison was high-point man for the visitors with 10 points.

On Thursday of last week the boys left for a series of two games with Lakeview. The first game resulted in favor of Lakeview, with a score of 21 to 25. In the second game the Chiefs won by a score of 27 to 23. Hughes

The Chiefs were slow about getting started and in the earlier part of the game Farwell was ahead; but when the final whistle blew the score was 41 to 21 in favor of the home boys. Brookfield was high point man with 17 points. Crume was high point man for the Steers with 8 points.

MAN SEVERELY **INJURED IN EXPLOSION**

On Saturday afternoon, while R.C. Gowers, one of the employees of the highway construction contractors, was doing some work with an acetelyne outfit, the tank exploded, doing him severe bodily injury.

It appears that Mr. Gowers was not a professional at this kind of work, and had merely lighted the torch to heat some iron so that it could be bent, which he had done but on undertaking to clean out the tank, had not made arrangement for accumulating gas to escape as rap-

Bethel Hicks, who for the past two or three years has been proprietor of the recreation hall, known as "Bek's Place," has recently sold the business to a Mr. Miller. Mr. and Mrs. Hicks departed Tuesday for Seagraves, where he hopes to secure employment, failing in this he stated that he will likely return to Friona after a month or two.

Finally, these words of wisdom were in the 'Cavishem' column on the front page. Seems as though they are still pertinent 74 years later:

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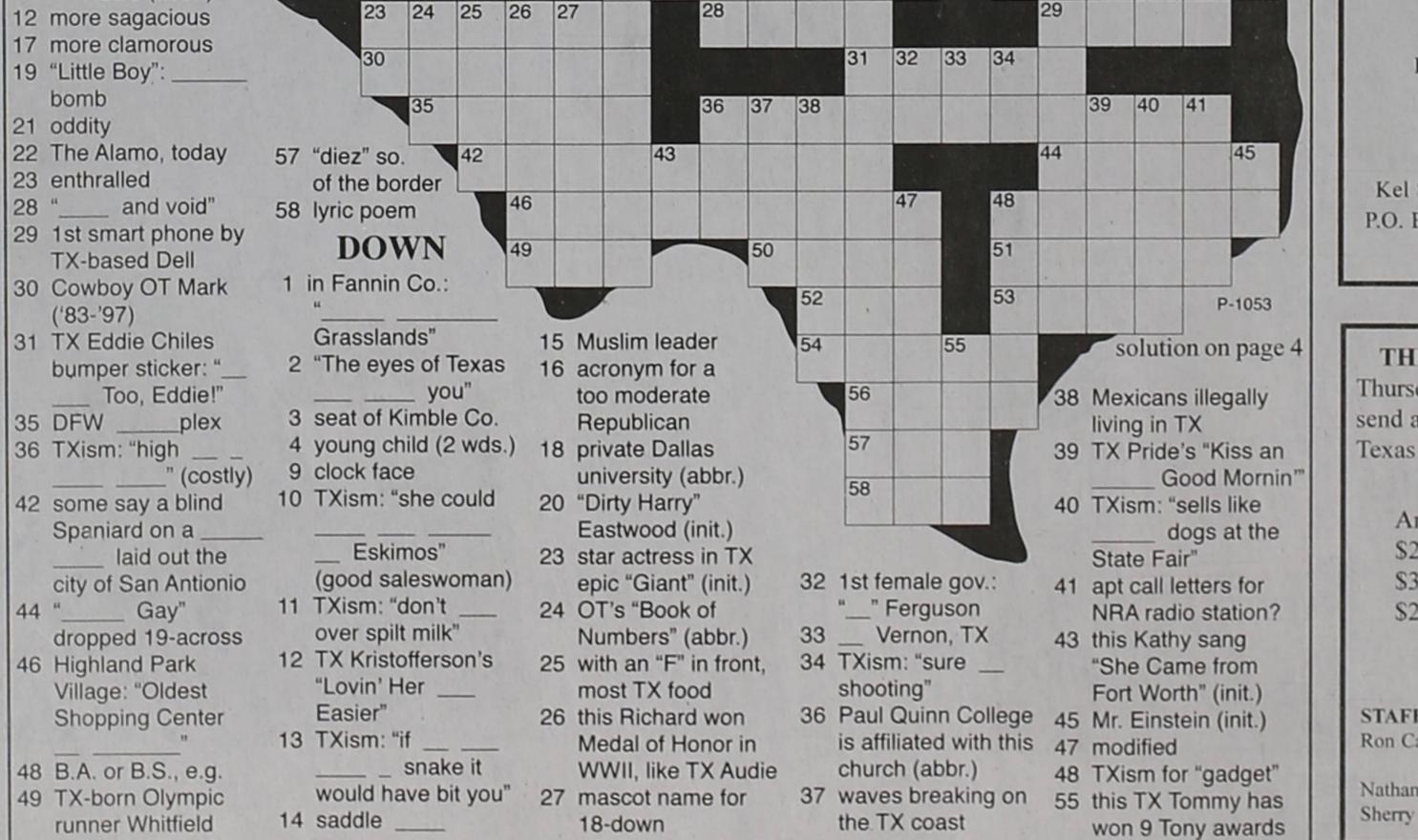
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Town Talk II

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This Sunday, March 11, you lose an hour and won't get it back until November 4. Spring forward. Daylight Saving Time starts at 2 a.m. Sunday. Set all of your clocks and watches ahead one hour before you go to bed Saturday night. *****

City manager Patricia Phipps emailed that she received notification that Parmer County has reported two rabid skunks already in 2012. Might pay attention and take precautions with your outdoor pets.

Several days recently the temperature and wind speed have been about the same. Temps have been generally nice, in the 50s to 70s. And

day and Friday evening last

went until 9-10 p.m. but I gave

to take photos of the one-act

play rehearsal. It was way too

cold for this old guy, especially

Friday. Felt sorry for the kids

in their track shorts.

News from Prairie Acres/ the wind has been 30-50mph Heritage Estates; Tricia Rowith some higher gusts. Guess winter is about over. First day cha, RN, Director of Nursing of spring is Tuesday March 20. I went by the junior high and * high school track meets Thurs-

Later Monday I got a phone call from Slim's granddaughter Zonya Reed. She said Slim's family is included in the first Parmer County history book. He was a hard worker in spite of losing his arm in a cotton gin accident when he was 17-years-old. Zonya said Slim was a custodian at FHS for 22 years. He moved to Borger in 1982 to live with her. He passed away in 1984. Mrs. Reed also said her dad, Frank Reed, Jr., who will turn 79 in May, is in an Amarillo hospital

suffering with bone and foot infections and neuropathy. He is expected to be hospitalized for a couple of weeks. *****

have it. If ya'll are having any special anniversaries or birthdays let me know and we'll mention it.

I noted on Facebook that our Bluebonnet Home Health & Hospice office passed their state inspection with no deficiencies. The home health folks have been very nice and caring the past few months coming by and checking on my mother after her illness last year. She is doing much better now. Took her to the St. Teresa's Mexican dinner Sunday and she enjoyed seeing many friends. Way to go Bluebonnet. Thanks and congratulations. P.S. Went home with a quart of Catholic

to confirm it. Anyone have any more info let me know.

There was a big meeting last week in Farwell to discuss the future of EMS service in the county. Lack of volunteers is a problem for most EMS groups. EMS certification requires many hours of classes and the cost is steep. Some volunteers cannot leave work or risk losing pay. Ambulances are getting older and are costly to replace. Friona has two paramedics and a paid staff but they still have trouble getting folks to volunteer and join EMS. Public feedback on the future of local ambulance services can be given by calling city hall.

Next week is spring break. March 19 is the senior class banquet at St Teresa's Catholic Church. The Senior Class of 2012 steak dinner is being planned for Sunday April 15. After spring break each year it seems the rest of the school year flies by. Graduation is Friday May 25.

While you are marking your calendar, The Deaf Smith Electric Co-Op annual meeting is March 20 and the West Texas Rural Telephone Co-Op annual meeting is March 27. Both are on a Tuesday at the Hereford Bull Barn. *****

The 6th Street Church of

Campos is still in Northwest in Amarillo showing some improvement. Marilyn Stovell was having surgery in Dallas this week. We also learned that Lana Bracken had gall bladder surgery at Northwest in Amarillo. Keep all of these folks and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

Congratulations to all of the citizen award winners at the Chamber of Commerce banquet Tuesday night. Thanks to Chris and Betty and the Chamber board for all the hard work producing the banquet and to the Cargill guys and ladies for another super cooking job. Thanks to Shana Fleming and the 4-H kids and the Hereford

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I asked for info about Slim Ashcraft last week. Heard from a couple of folks. Bill Hardin emailed: Frank Reed was Slim's son-in-law and was married to Betty. Now lives in Amarillo. Grandson Ronnie Reed lives in McPherson, KS. Granddaughter Zonya Reed lives in Amarillo. Also, Luellen Wittenbach sent along this email: Slim and wife Jewel were friends of our family but I was a teenager and only remember he was custodian in the schools, had only one arm, and was a very nice fellow. Their only child, daughter Betty Zon, graduated around 1954. There must

be several classmates of hers

at Prairie Acres has been named the acting administrator while the management team searches for a new adweek. It was cold. The meets ministrator. Eileen Gomez and Leticia Salas, dietary staff members, were thanked up by 7 p.m. and went inside for their 15 years of service at P.A. The Family Council will meet March 15 at 7 p.m. in the boardroom. All are welcome, input appreciated. The resident-of-the-month is Iona Cook and employee-of-

the-month is Mario Carrasco. *****

Andy Carthel is officially a Friona resident again. His last day at the bank in Floydada was Wednesday Feb 29. He made it back in time to be a guest at our Noon Lions meeting last Thursday along with his dad Davy. Andy has returned to the land and we are glad to have him. *****

Happy birthday to Friona pioneer lady Clydie Black who celebrated her 91st birthday on March 1. D'Lynn and Rick Jamerson celebrated their 28th wedding anniversary last week. I celebrated

Church ladies' great salsa, the best ever.

The next Friona blood drive is in two weeks, March 22 from 12 – 7 p.m. at the Calvary Baptist Church fellowship hall. Every eligible donor will get a Hoops Madness t-shirt and a chance to win a flat screen TV and a fajita party for 20 at Jorge's Mexican Bar & Grill in Amarillo. More details next week. Mark your calendar.

As noted in a photo in this week's paper, Matilda Caballero has been cooking for the St. Teresa's Catholic Church annual Mexican dinner for 43 years. Sunday was her final day as she is retiring from the Catholic ladies cooking crew. The ladies had a nice small tribute to Stella Shirley in a corner of the parish hall Sunday. Stella passed away last week and was also a long time member of the church and the cooking crew. *** **

Have heard a rumor more than one time that Sweet Bran is planning to build a feed mill facility on land west of Bovina near where the roadside park

Parmer/Bailey County Crime Stoppers is organizing a garage sale, flea market, crafters mall for Saturday, March 31 from 8 a.m. to 2

p.m. at the Friona community center. Booth space rental is \$15 for one table, \$25 for two tables. Admission will be \$1 for 12-years and over. Proceeds from booth rental and admission will go to Crime Stoppers. Any business, individual, or group is invited to participate. I believe the event is being sponsored by Cargill. Drawing at 12 noon for an iPad. For information call Dee Lewellen 806-295-8348, or Carol Ortiz 806-295-8319.

On May 12 there will be a school board election. Candidates for the three seats will be Mitch Smiley, Brent Loflin, Andy Montana, and Antonio Rocha. No city council election will be held. There were three openings and three candidates signed up. Mayor J.B. Douglas, Martha Barker and newcomer Greg Lewellen will be elected. Incumbent Cheryl Weatherly did not run for re-election.

Christ hotline (250-3495) reports that Eugene Bandy had knee surgery and William Gromowsky had a couple of stents this week. Both are home recovering. Taylor

High School JROTC for their service at the banquet. And special thanks to all who attended for your support of our community. See you next week. Until then!



ron carr photo

A tribute to Stella Shirley was displayed by her fellow Catholic Church ladies during the annual Mexican dinner Sunday. Stella passed away last week. She was active for many years as a cook during the church's annual Mexican dinner and other church events. Her apron, a photo, flowers and a candle paid tribute to their memories of Stella.

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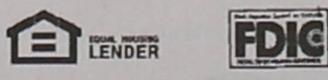
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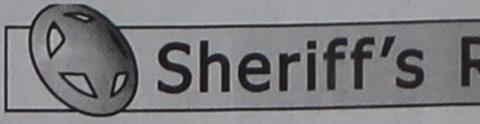
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Sheriff's Report

The Friona Noon Lions regular meeting Thursday March 1 had 12 members and 11 guests present. The guests included Erika Montana and six of her students that swept the district CX debate competition. Four of them (two teams) are headed to the state CX debate meet in Austin. Also guests were Davy and Andy Carthel.

The students were Holly Johnston, Haden Smiley, Ryan and Jake DeWit, Tenna Montana, and Weston Wyly. Each student spoke about their research and preparations for the debates. Mrs. Montana praised the students for their dedication to the debate, especially since each one is involved in many other school activities.

Lions Club News

The next meeting of the Noon Lions will be Thursday March 15 at Headquarters Restaurant. Prospective members are invited to come check us out and let us pressure you into joining.



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

February 29, 2012, Victor Alvarado, Jr., 30, of Friona, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office charged with assault and motion to revoke (driving with an invalid license), both pending County Court.

March 1, 2012, Jordan Shivers, 21, of Clovis, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office charged with motion to revoke (burglary of a habitation), pending District Court.

March 1, 2012, John Lamas, 32, of Bovina, was arrested by the Farwell Police Department charged with driving with an invalid license, pending County Court.

March 2, 2012, Broc Crochet, 28, of Tucumcari, New Mexico, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office charged with burglary of a habitation, theft, and failure to appear (possession of a controlled substance), all pending District Court.

March 2, 2012, Graciela Derey, 52, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police Department charged with forgery, pending District Court.

March 3, 2012, Lucario Balboa, 19, of Clovis, was arrested by the Farwell Police Department charged with injury to a child, pending District Court.

March 4, 2012, Julio Cisneros, 46, of Bovina, was arrested by the Friona Police Department charged with driving with an invalid license, pending County Court.

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These FHS CX Debate students gave the program at the Noon Lions Club meeting. Front, I-r, Coach Erika Montana, Haden Smiley, Holly Johnston, Weston Wyly, Tenna Montana; in back, Ryan and Jake DeWit.

Crime Stoppers raffle

Parmer/Bailey County Crime Stoppers will be holding a raffle to give away a large flat screen TV, a Kindle Fire, and a navigation system for the car. Crime Stoppers spokesperson Janice Clement said, "We are trying to raise money to make our reward fund larger and also to fund projects that will help get the word out as to what we are and what we do to help stop crime."

The raffle drawing will be held at the Border Town Days celebration in Farwell in July. You do not have to be present to win. Tickets will be \$5 each and will be available from all Crime Stoppers board members and officers. They will go on sale in a couple of weeks and will be available March 31 at the Friona Community Center during the Cargill Garage Sale to benefit Crime Stoppers.

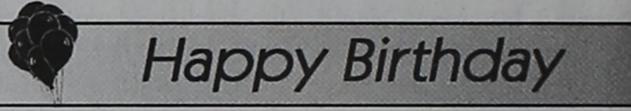


ron carr photo **DPS Trooper Izzy Carrasco talks with Mr. Ramon** Sanchez, the driver of the pickup that rolled after a rear tire blow out. Sanchez was traveling south on Hwy 214 last Friday when a rear tire blew causing him to veer across the northbound lane, hit a barrow ditch, and roll one time into an adjacent field. Friona firemen and EMS and Parmer County Sheriff deputies responded to the scene. There were no injuries and no transport by EMS.

Crime of the Week

The Parmer/Bailey County Crime stoppers and the Bovina Police Department need your help. On February 7, 2012, unknown person(s) committed a theft of property at the Bovina High School. The thieves went into the band hall and stole two red in color Cecilio alto saxophones.

If you have any information at all about this crime please call the Bovina Polcie at 806-251-1133 or Crime stoppers at 481-9178 or 800-774-8477. You can also post a tip on the Crime Stoppers website at www.pbcstips.com. You will remain anonymous and if your tip leads to an arrest you may earn a cash reward up to \$1,000.



March 11 - March 17, 2012

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

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

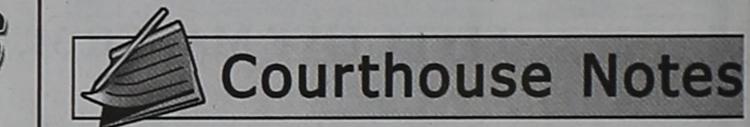
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Mar. 13-Holley Hand, Larry Moyer, Connie Reed Parker, Leslie Adams, Jayson Grimsley, Mollie Seright Warren, Rainbo Snyder, Lisa Fulks, Eric Espinoza, Tommy Tatum, Sheldon Turley, Bro. Brett Hoyle, Sophie Turner

Mar. 14-Jacob Osborn, Rudy Rios, Goldie Harrelson, Adabeth Smith, Chloee Whitten. Elijah James Garcia, Gene Goodner Mar. 15-Randol Allen, Lucky Hernandez, Christian Alexander, Ricky Vera, Amber Martin Drake, Johne Rule, Moses Reyes, Gary Zerfas, Emily Fager, Misti Cooper, Willie Ray Page Mar. 16-Kylie Boyd, Glenda Sifford, Wendell Jones, Parker Reeve Banfield, Amy Murphree, Seth Murphree, Gary Wright, Julie Reeve, Tommy Jones, Robert Tapia, Luke Steelman, Bill Gist

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Mar. 17-Delwin Allen, Ron Smiley, Amanda Boeckman, Ray Whatley, Frankie Allen, Mendon Dixon, Matthew Mata, Tammy Atkins, Gabriela Benavides



The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from February 23, 2012 to February 29, 2012: First National Bank of Hereford - Rodrigo Nunez, Pamela Sanchez, 5 AC E/PT S2 CHARLES E HARDING. Vicki Landrum Dryer - Gerald Smith, VOL 95 PG 125. Epifanio Soltero, Amelia E. Soltero - Servando Soltero, Norma A. Soltero, L6 B69 FRIONA. Joe F. Reeve - Glenn E. Reeve, Jr., Margaret C. Reeve, 75' x 160' OF NW/PT NE/4 S1 T3S R3E. Don A. Reeve - Glenn E. Reeve, Jr., Margaret C. Reeve, 75' X 160' OF NW/PT NE/4 S1 T3S R3E. Max E. Reeve - Glenn E. Reeve, Jr., Margaret C. Reeve, 75' X 160' OF NW/PT NE/4 S1 T3S R3E. Joy V. Graham, Stanley C. Dement, Cynthia Gail Dement, Ky Brent Graham, Lanis Rhea Graham - Bernard Suparamany, Khamsomphou Douangchanh, W61' L14 E19' L15 B6 THIRD INSTALLMENT STALEY #3. Victor Huizar - Jesus Nunez, L1 B40 BOVINA. Marcos Socorro Martinez - Richard M. Barrett, Brenda Barrett, E 70.13 AC SE/4 S1 BLK W WARREN; W 90 AC SE/4 S1 BLK W WARREN. Randall Dwayne Dale, Rickie Lane Dale, Patricia Ann Randolph, Lyneldon Randolph - James Michael Tarrant, Alisha Lynn Tarrant, 341.628 AC S19 DOUD & KEEFER; 291.846 AC S20 DOUD & KEEFER. Federico Vela, Lorena Vela - Manuel De Jesus Ramos, L6-8 B21 BOVINA.

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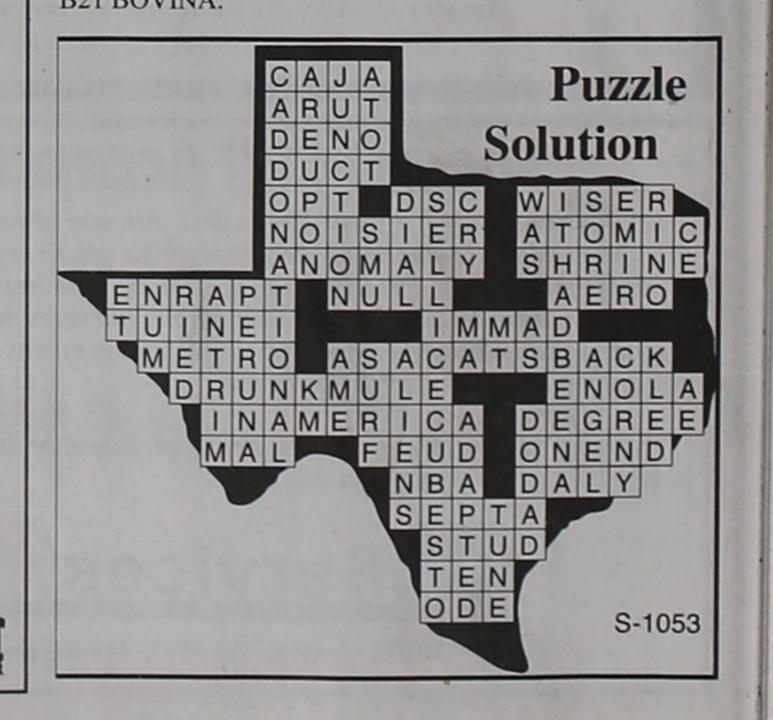
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Alzheimer's support group meeting Mar 20

The local Alzheimer's support group will be meeting on Tuesday, March 20, 2012, at 6 p.m., at the Bluebonnet Home Health & Hospice office located at 304 E. 11th, in Friona. This is a community service and anyone is welcome to attend. For more information, please call 806-247-0057.

Panhandle Parables "Drizzle"

BY JEFF PROCTER, Minister, Sixth St. Church of Christ Seems like if there is nothing to talk about with someone, weather is a good topic. Weather for me is often a reminder of both the greatness of God and the unpredictability of life. It is always changing and as the saying goes, "If you don't like the weather, hang around a half hour and it will change." In some types of weather, like a thunderstorm or even a nice warm sunny day, I see a purpose.

I am amazed by the power produced by a tornado, hurricane, or even a hailstorm. Things are changed, destroyed or refreshed. That being said, I have come across a segment of weather that I find purposeless and frustrating. It is called "Drizzle". I realize that I am not a scientist and there may be a perfectly good explanation as to why we have drizzle, however, it is the most irritating type of weather. Why? It is not rain, or snow, or any other form of significant moisture. It simply messes up a clean pickup, spots my glasses and can ruin a good afternoon outside. "Jeff, you are being harsh on this little misty cloud." The Lord called the church at Loadicea, lukewarm. It was neither hot nor cold. For the sake of my analogy, it was drizzle. As irritating as drizzle is to me, it reminds me just how irritated God is when we live spiritual lives without substance, in essence, drizzle. Spiritually, neither rain nor shine, just a grey hazy day with a little mist. Here is a partial description: When we go to worship (sometimes), when we read His Word (occasionally), when we love our neighbor (at our convenience). This is drizzle. If your spiritual life is but a mere drizzle, then I encourage you to make a choice about Who you serve. Commit yourself to God and His work and do it with all your might. Live a life of substance. One that is meaningful to God.

We would like to express our appreciation and love to each of you for the many deeds of kindness shown for my husband and our daddy,

Thank You

T.A. Kelley. Thank you to all of you at Bluebonnet Home Health who have diligently cared for him for so long. Thank you so very much to his doctors, nurses, and staff at our hospital who took such excellent care of him for over a month. To the many of you who brought food, sent cards or flowers, said a prayer, came by to visit or just remembered us in any way during this time, you will never know how much it meant to us and we say "Thank You" with all our heart!! May God bless each of you, is our prayer. Ann Kelley

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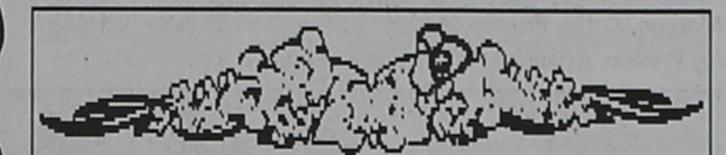
Daniel Rtodriguez

Daniel Rodriguez, 66, of Bovina, died Saturday February 25, 2012 in Lubbock. Memorial services were held Wednesday, February 29, 2012 at 3:00 p.m. at the Santa Pentecosta Church in Bovina, with Pastor Armando Socedo officiating. All arrangements were by Blackwell-Mullins Funeral Home of Friona.

Mr. Rodriguez was born July 21, 1945 in Dinero, Texas, to Julian and Lorenza Camacho Rodriguez. He was in the construction industry.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and two sisters, Emma and Julia Rodriguez.

Survivors include two daughters, Cynthia and Priscilla Rodriguez of Clovis; three sons, J.D. "Julian", Daniel Ray Rodriguez, and Anthony Chavez of Albuquerque, New Mexico; two brothers, Rodulfo and Jaime Rodriguez of Clovis; ten grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces, cousins, aunts and uncles.



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Free pre-natal classes & baby items at PMC

The Healthy Baby coalition of Parmer County is having sign up for free pre-natal classes Saturday March 10 from 9-11 a.m. Registration is in the conference room of Parmer in West Park Cemetery in Medical Center.

All expectant mothers are encouraged to register for the tion of Parkside Chapel free classes. Mothers who participate in the classes earn Funeral Home of Hereford. points to use for free baby items for their newborn. Classes A Rosary and Mass were are available in both English and Spanish.

The coalition will also be accepting donations of new or ning, at 6:15 p.m., at St. gently used baby items at the same time. For more infor- Teresa's Catholic Church. mation about the coalition contact Heidi Eichenauer, 806-250-2754, or JoDonna Terry at 295-8291.

Costly worship

BRETT HOYLE, Pastor, First Baptist Church

2 Samuel 24, is the account of King David's sinful and costly census. His census was sinful because he succumbed to temptation from Satan to have a census, and in taking the census he ignored God's guidelines in Exodus 30. The census was costly because God disciplined David by sending plague upon the land, in which 70,000 people died.

After this tragedy, David's repentance is followed by ing floor owned by another man, but David had clear directions to worship there, leading him to purchase this location. When David first inquired about buying the location, the owner offered to give it to him for free, but David refused saying, "No, but I will buy it from you for a price. I will not offer burnt offerings to the Lord, my God, that cost me nothing," (v.24). In other words, David knew worshipping God would cost something. Worship will cost you, be it time, energy, money, possessions, attention, affection, or your life. Worship is focusing my heart's affection and my mind's attention toward God. When you have this down, you realize worship does cost, but it is a far greater delight to worship God and know Him. In fact, we are only able to worship God, because He has paid the ultimate price of His Son, who died for my sins and forgave me, so that I could give of my life as a living sacrifice to Him.

Area Church Directory

Stella Shirley

Mass of Christian Burial for Stella Shirley, 84, a long time Friona resident, was held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, March 2, 2012, at St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Friona, with

the Reverend Ed Sweeney, and the Reverend Anthony Swamy Aakula as celebrants. Interment followed Hereford under the direccelebrated Thursday eve-Mrs. Shirley passed away in Houston on Sunday, February 26, 2012.



Stella Shirley

Stella Guggemos was

born November 6, 1927 in Nazareth, to Joseph and Loretta Kleman Guggemos. She attended Nazareth Schools graduating from Nazareth High School and played basketball for the Nazareth High School girl's team. She met and fell in love with Ralph Shirley. They were married August 7, 1949 in Hereford and moved to Friona in July of 1951.

Mrs. Shirley was very active in the American Legion Auxiliary, the Friona Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary, Friona Senior Citizens, and a very active member of St. Teresa's Catholic Church.

Left to mourn her passing are two sons, Gary Shirley and wife Jalaine of Houston, Texas, and Richard and wife his obedience in worshipping the Lord on a hill outside Pat of Katy, Texas; two sisters, Rita Huffman of El Paso, the city of Jerusalem. This hill was the home of a thresh- Texas, and Betty Bartles of Hereford; five grandchildren, James Shirley of Richardson, Matthew Shirley of Houston, Michael Lee of Houston, Jennifer Rollins of Friendswood, Texas, and Margery Davis of Seattle, Washington; and six great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; a daughter, Jan Shirley on August 13, 1966; her husband, Ralph on September 11, 2003; two brothers, Vincent and Leonard; and three sisters, Alice Fisher, Rosemary Wilhelm, and Lucille Drerup. The family suggests that memorials in Mrs. Shirley's name be made to the Friona Public Library, 109 West 7th Street, Friona, Texas 79035, or Friona Senior Citizens, 1410 Washington Ave., Friona, Texas 79035.

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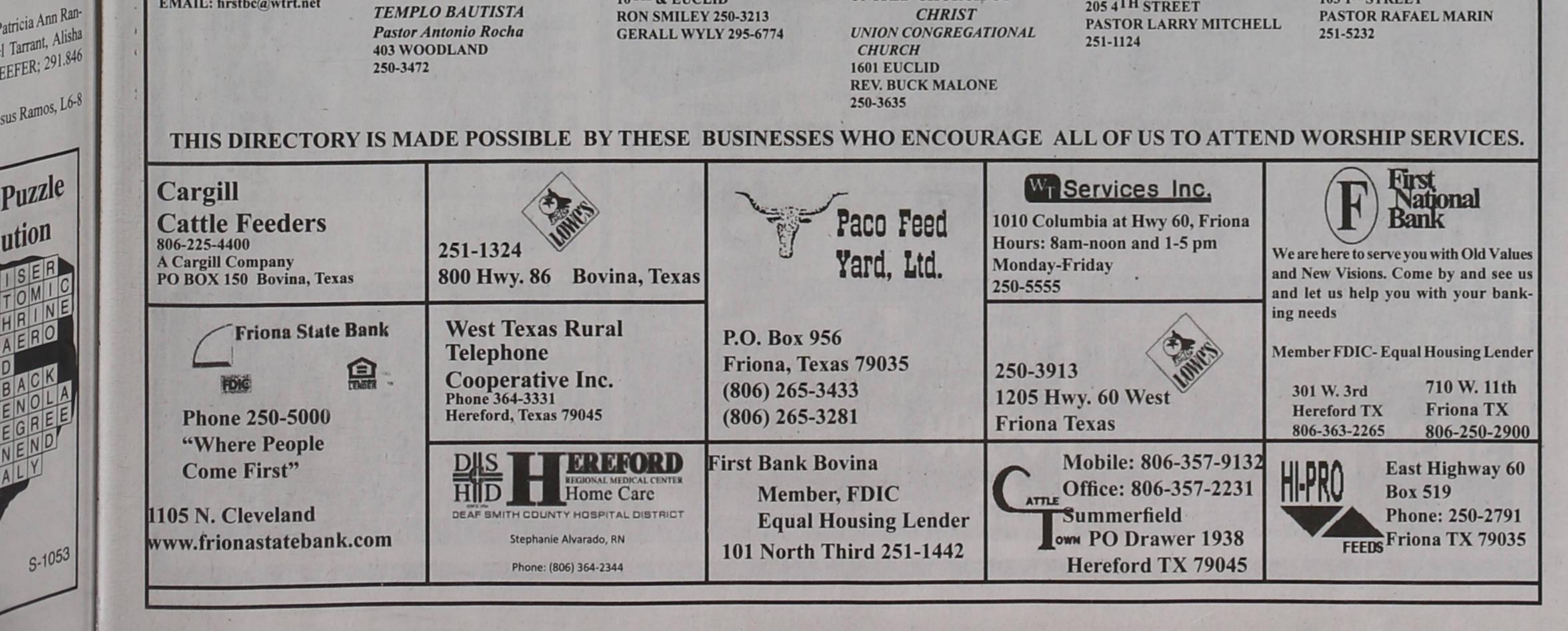
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The Friona Fighting Chieftain Relays were held Friday March 2 on a blustery cold evening at Chieftain Field. Twelve schools participated in the meet: Bushland, Muleshoe, Happy, Dimmitt, Springlake-Earth, Amherst, Lazbuddie, Levelland, Abernathy, Bovina, Hart, and Friona.

In the women's team rankings Bushland was 1st place. Friona girls were 2nd place with 95 points. In the boys' meet, Levelland was 1st. Friona was 4th with 59 points. In junior varsity boys, Bushland was 1st, Friona 6th with 64 points.

Varsity girls results: 100m dash Yari Avilez 11th, Brianna Miller 22nd; 200m dash Dakotah Hicks 7th, Brianna Miller 12th; 400m dash Katie Osborn 9th, Dakotah Hicks 13th; 800m run Katie Osborn 3rd; 100m hurdles Tamra Stormes 4th, Kendall Kimbrough 11th; 300m hurdles Tamra Stormes 8th, Ashli Smith 10th.

400m relay 2nd Yari Avilez, Arianna Moreno, Kalley Preston, Rachel Dickson; 800m relay, 1st place Yari Avilez, Arianna Moreno, Kalley Preston, Rachel Dickson; 1600m relay 3rd Kal-. ley Preston, Arianna Moreno, Katie Osborn, Rachel Dickson.

Triple jump 3rd Rachel Dickson; Shot put 1st place Kailey Lucas; Discus 1st place Nohely Juarez, 3rd Kailey Lucas.

Chieftain Relays track results

Varsity boys results: 1600m run 2nd Connor Woods; 3200m run 1st place Connor Woods, 6th Jose Flores; 110m hurdles 2nd Ryan DeWit; 300m hurdles 4th Ryan DeWit, 9th Michael Ortiz; 400m relay 4th Jesus Sanchez, Justin Rocha, Valentin Rocha, Richard Rodrigurz; 800m relay 6th Justin Rocha, Jesus Sanchez, Ryan DeWit, Lorenzo Garcia.

High jump 1st place Ryan DeWit; pole vault 2nd Dillon Kelley.

Junior varsity boys: 100m dash 7th Adan Hernandez, 8th Michael Garcia; 200m dash 3rd Jose Zamudio; 3200m run 2nd Esdras Rodriguez; 400m relay 2nd Cole Stowers, Kadyn Hicks, Adan Hernandez, Brad Stowers; 800m relay 3rd Saul Delgadillo, Timothy Trevino, Adan Hernandez, Brad Stowers.

High jump 1st place Kadyn Hicks, 4th Brad Stowers; pole vault 2nd Jacob Dickson.



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The Chieftain Relays track meet was Friday March 2 at Chieftain Field. It started at 4 p.m.



In spite of the cold weather, Katie Osborn warmed up the track for a 3rd place finish in the varsity girls 800m run at the Friona track meet Friday March 2.

and ended about 9 p.m. with cold weather that got even colder as the sun went down. Yes there were even a few light snow flurries and the customary wind chill. Brad Stowers and Tamra Stormes try to stay warm between events. Results elsewhere inside.



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Rachel Dickson runs the anchor leg of the 400m relay as she edges a Muleshoe runner for 2nd place. The girls relay team also won 1st place in the 800m relay and 3rd place in the 1600m relay at the Fighting Chieftain Relays track meet Friday February 2 at Chieftain Field.



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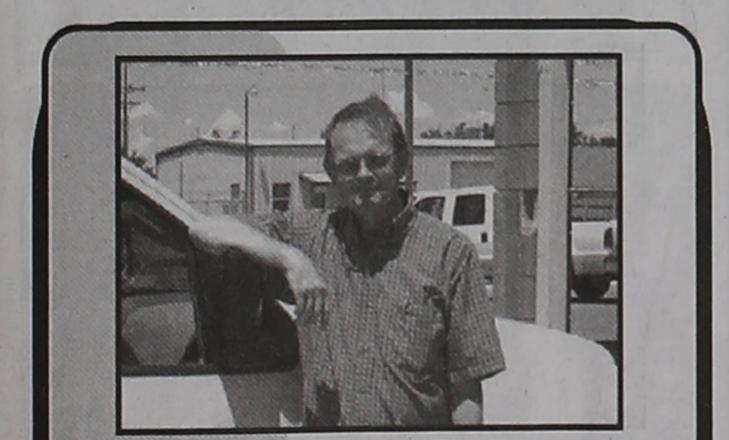


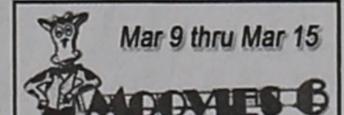
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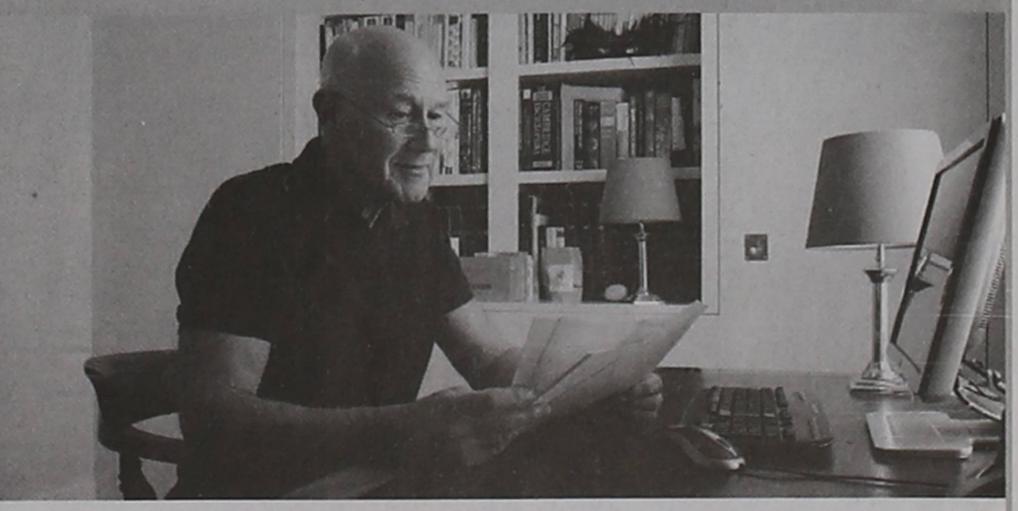
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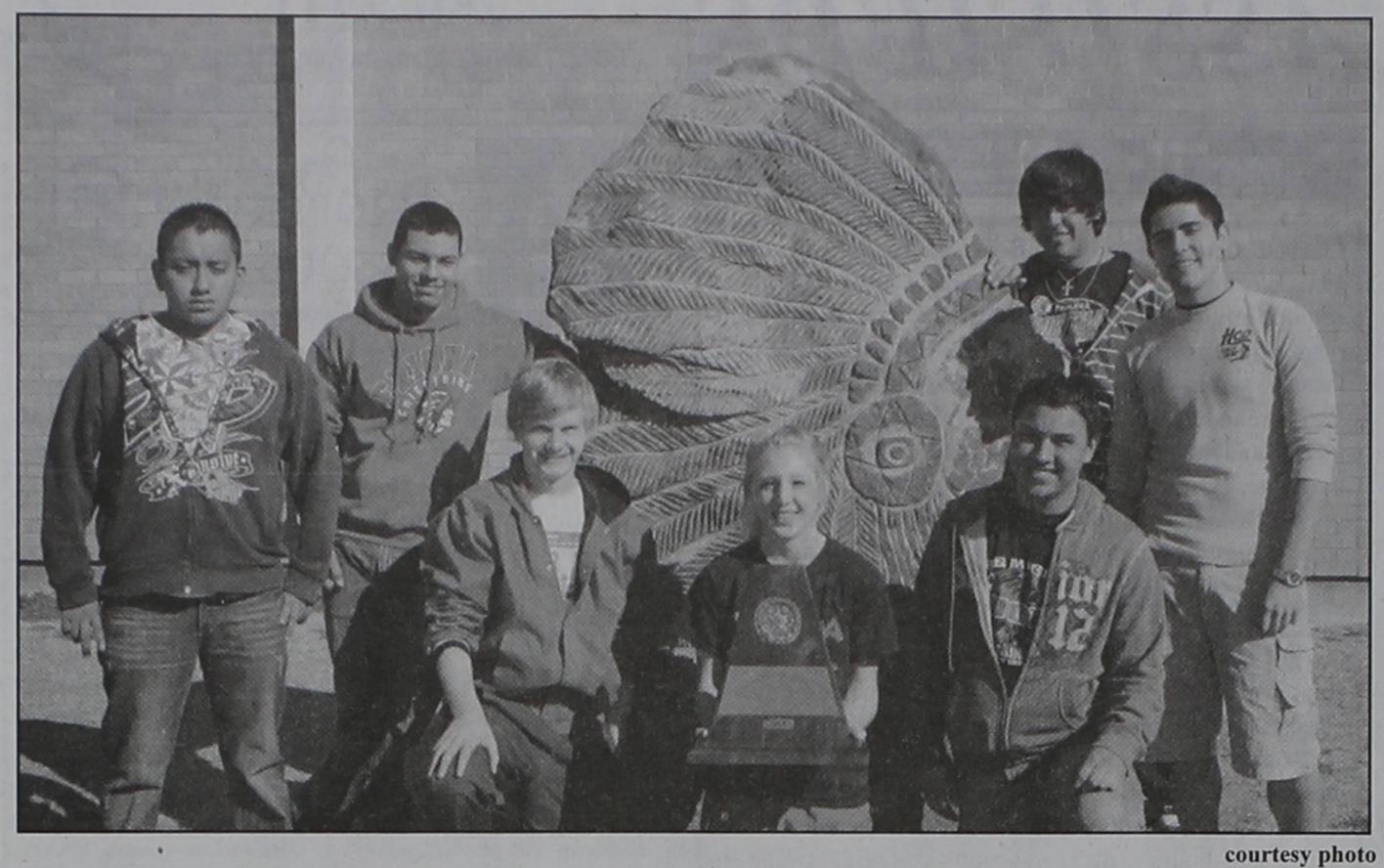
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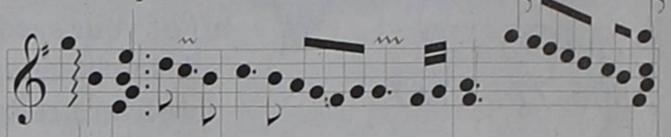


Chieftain band success at UIL contest Feb. 29

The Chieftain Band traveled to Panhandle High School Wednesday February 29 to participate in the annual Region 1 UIL Concert/Sight Reading contest. The band received first division ratings from all three judges in both concert and sight reading and returned home with a UIL Class B Sweepstakes trophy.

Judges in the area competition were Matt Knight, band director at Abernathy High School; Barry Hurt, retired, formerly at Plainview High School; Dale Stelzer, Lubbock Cooper Middle School. Judges for sight reading were Mack Bibb, Lubbock Coronado High School; Robbie Edwards, Plainview; and Ray Lashaway, retired, formerly Lubbock.

Ron McWilliams, Chieftain band director said," We are extremely proud of our students' hard work and their dedication to strive for excellence. Our kids deserve a lot of credit for their success but without the contributions of Allison Johnston and Chris Rackley our preparation would not have been complete. Once again I am proud for both our kids and our staff for this most recent accomplishment."



Chieftain band seniors with the sweepstakes trophy, I-r, Alberto Nicolas, Alex Torres, Connor Woods, Katie Osborn, Miguel Soto, Christian Rangel, and Dakota Hernandez.

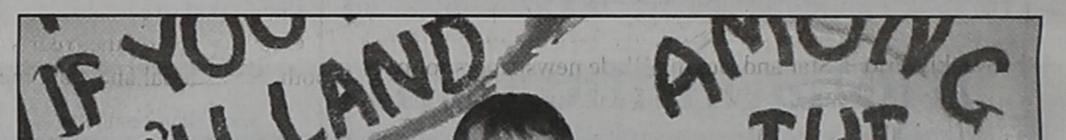
Pantex Science Bowl 2012

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The Friona High School Science Bowl team advanced to the finals competition on February 25, 2012, at the annual Pantex Science Bowl and were eliminated in the third round of the finals. The team was made up entirely of freshman students. Pictured, I-r, Coach Tammy Gammon, and members, Dan O'Brian, Candice Malone, Hayden Smiley, and Cassidy Malone.



The Friona High School one-act play, The Sins of Sor Juana, will present a dress rehearsal public performance at the high school auditorium Sunday, March 18, at 2 p.m. Three of the main performers, shown during a recent rehearsal, are, l-r, Tenna Montana, Haden Smiley, and Weston Wyly. More photos from the rehearsal photo shoot at frionaonline.com.





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The St. Teresa's Catholic Church ladies served their annual Mexican dinner Sunday. Matilda Caballero was preparing tacos in the kitchen for the last time. Mrs. Caballero is retiring after 43 years of kitchen duty at the church. Her friends and fellow cooks say thanks and wish her well.

Lazbuddie powerlifters, I-r, Mercedes Morin, Dallas Cox, and Angel Samarron. Mercedes placed 2nd in the Sudan meet. She will compete in the 198 weight class at regionals in Monahans. Angel and Dallas competed in the Bovina meet. Angel will compete in the 123 weight class at regionals in Sundown.



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Friona Bridal Registry

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The Dr. Suess birthday party was a big hit at story time at the Friona Library. Mrs. Arias' FHS class helped with planning and furnishing snacks. "Thing 1", a character from a Dr. Suess book, made an appearance to the delight of all the children.

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Congratulations to these 2012 Chamber of Commerce award winners

Citizen Awards biographical information Here are biographical sketches of each citizen award winner as presented by Chamber board president Jeff Ray at the Chamber of Commerce banquet:

Bob Hurst

Man of the Year

Our 2012 Man of the Year has lived in Friona for the past 37 years. He has been described as a behind the scenes person and that's the way he would prefer it. His employees say that he makes them feel more like family rather than employees.

Even at a young age, being the second oldest of six boys, the great commandment of love of God and neighbor has always been strong in his heart.

He was born in Ft. Worth, Texas. The family later moved to Lorenzo, Texas where he attended school and graduated in 1962. He went to Texas Tech to sign up for classes to become a coach. The line for becoming a coach was longer than the agriculture line so he got in the shortest line and was glad he did.

He graduated from Texas Tech with a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture in 1966. He taught vocational agriculture for seven years in Lorenzo before moving to Dalhart, Texas where he again dedicated himself to teaching and helping his students develop themselves into respectful adults.

He would often use his personal money to help students buy animals for a project and then helped buy the feed for them. Our Man of the Year is a major supporter of Friona's FFA program. He often buys so many boxes of fruit that he ends up sharing with customers that come into his store. For the past several years he has been the major buyer at the Parmer County Livestock Show and was noted to go and buy his animals at the Hereford Livestock Show also. He donates time, money, and support to any youth who is in need of extra help. Not only does he look out for and love the youth in our city, he is just as kind-hearted to our farmers in the area. When our farmers are in need of help, he is always there to lend a helping hand. Please congratulate along with his wife Roxanne and sons Clint and Clay, the 2012 Man of the Year, Bob Hurst.

sociation Hall of Fame in 2004. Please help me congratulate the 2012 Woman of the Year, Carol Ellis.

Greg and Jamie Lewellen Citizens of the Year

This year the Chamber of Commerce is privileged to honor two recipients of the Citizen of the Year award. They are team players. They both go out of their way to make Friona a better place in which to raise a family.

There is an old saying that goes, "If you want something done, ask the busiest person you know." That statement is so very true of these great citizens of Friona. Their fingerprints are all over Parmer County. They both possess a fire and a passion for life. If they are in charge of a project they perform with their whole heart.

He has served on the Chamber Board of Directors and she has been on the Women's Division. He has been described as very diplomatic and polite to everyone he meets.

She is described as one of our best and brightest. Some of you will remember her as a very small child playing the part of the door mouse in the Summer Drama production of "Alice in Wonderland."

They work tirelessly giving to our community, such as the Channel 10 Celebration in the Park, the Cheeseburger Festival, and Maize Days. Their days are spent looking around them and meeting the needs of so many.

Our winner is a winner. She had huge shoes to fill when she replaced Joy Morton. It could have been intimidating for her but she jumped into the job and took off where Joy left off. Teaching kids to speak in front of judges and/or audiences is a life-changing experience for some of them. That is what our Teacher of the Year does, teach and change lives.

Please congratulate along with her husband Andy and children Tenna, Drew, and Amy our 2012 Teacher of the Year Erika Montana.

Tenna Montana Girl Student of the Year

Our 2012 Girl Student of the Year has given her time freely to represent FHS in academic and extra-curricular activities as well as helping to clean up Friona, and to help stop the age-old problem of bullying.

She has helped raise money for the Parmer County Cancer Coalition. She has been an awesome ambassador for FHS. She is a worker, a leader, a doer, not someone who is out for herself. She has been active in her four years at FHS. Cheerleading, basketball, National Honor Society, National English Honor Society. Fall musical, UIL one-act play, UIL informative speaking, UIL prose, Lifesmarts, speech club and thespian troupe, just to name a few.

Carol Ellis Woman of the Year

Our 2012 Woman of the Year met the man of her dreams at journalism school while attending Texas Tech University in the late 1950s. Her civic accomplishments are numerous. During the 60s and 70s she helped with the Queen Pageants for Maize Days and was a member of the 1986 Texas Sesquicentennial committee, headed by Friona's Modern Study Club.

She aided in the project to move the old Santa Fe Depot building into the city park. This committee evolved into the Depot Heritage Society. In 1987 along with fellow artists Bobby Wied and Judy Cummings started Friona Art Association. They held meetings and art shows in the Depot during Maize Days every year.

Her most recent civic project was the securing of a fiberglass longhorn statue for the corner of the city park to commemorate Friona's Centennial in 2006. She involved her artist friends in painting local scenes on the longhorn statue.

Our Woman of the Year assisted her husband in publishing the weekly Friona Star and Bovina Blade newspapers for over forty years. Her popular "My Turn" column was established in 1985 and ran on the front page every other week until they retired in 2003. She was inducted into the Panhandle Press As-

They were instrumental in founding the Parmer County Cancer Coalition. Friona and the entire area are truly blessed to have Jamie and Greg Lewellen as the 2012 Citizens of the Year.

Rocio Hernandez

Employee of the Year

This year's Employee of the Year has been described as "busy as a hunting dog." However she always takes the time to greet each customer. She is equally pleasant and helpful to her employees.

Our Employee of the Year is a long time resident of Friona. She has had opportunities to transfer to other cities with her company, but has chosen to remain here as an employee for 28 years and has been manager for 8 years.

She has been recognized as one of the top bosses of her business and trains employees of that business who will then be transferred to other locations.

Please help me congratulate, along with her husband Jessie and daughter Brandi, our 2012 Employee of the Year, manager of the Dairy Queen, Rocio Hernandez.

Erika Montana

Teacher of the Year

Our 2012 Teacher of the Year is one of those teachers that get under your skin. She is passionate about her work, her - students, and is very professional. She possesses talents and character traits that most of us wish we could have.

She is a true and loyal friend, trustworthy and will go to battle for anyone who needs it. She has changed the lives of so many students. Our award winner has taken them to heights that they never dreamed they could reach. She pushes them to be the best they can be. She gives them the tools that will stand them in good stead for the rest of their lives.

Our Teacher of the Year's speech team has made trips to both the regional and state meets. She spends countless hours with her students outside of the school day helping them to

She makes good grades and has worked to make Friona a better place to live. She is the oldest of three children and is a good example for her younger siblinfgs. She inspires others to exceed beyond their expectations. She is presently serving as the Noon Lions Club sweetheart.

Please join me, along with her parents Erika and Andy Montana, in congratulating our 2012 Girl Student of the Year, Tenna Montana.

Miguel Soto

Boy Student of the Year

The 2012 Boy Student of the Year has been a member of the band since he was in sixth grade. He has been a section leader for the bass clarinet section since he was a freshman in high school. He is a valuable leader for the band.

His leadership skills and musical contribution are a large reason for the FHS band's success.

He is also a member of the choir. He advanced to the state solo and ensemble contest his junior year with his solo receiving a gold medal at regional and a silver medal at state. He was also a member of the one-act play his junior and senior years and is a member of the thespian troupe.

He has shown himself to be a leader in all organizations. He is a role model for all who know him. He is a diligent worker with a work ethic not often seen in students. He will be one of those students who will positively impact our world.

Our Boy Student of the Year has been a member of the yearbook staff for two years, serving as the junior high campus editor last year and co-editor of the entire book this year. He was instrumental in planning the Migrant Leadership Retreat this year ans was an attendee as a junior.

He volunteers his time around our community willingly, specifically in the "Clean Up Friona" campaign and served as a mock accident victim for our emergency services training session. He does all this while maintaining a spot on the honor roll consistently throughout his high school career.

Please help me in congratulating, along with his parents Mario and Rebecca Soto, our 2012 Boy Student of the Year, Miguel Soto.

prepare. She does the same with her theatrical productions.



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Cargill Service Awards Banquet

The Cargill Friona plant held their annual Service Awards banquet Saturday March 3 at the Hereford Country Club. The annual event honors employees for 25-, 30-. 35- and 40- years of service.

Training manager Rick White organizes the event. Employees receive gifts from the company. A contest to guess the total number of years represented at the banquet is held and a beef tenderloin is given away. This year the correct guess was 1125 years and the winners were Ramiro and Lisa Alaniz.

Cargill general manager Jon Surman welcomed everyone and introduced the various department heads who in turn recognized their employees for their service. Not all employees eligible for the awards were able to attend the banquet. A complete list of employees follows, by department and years of service.

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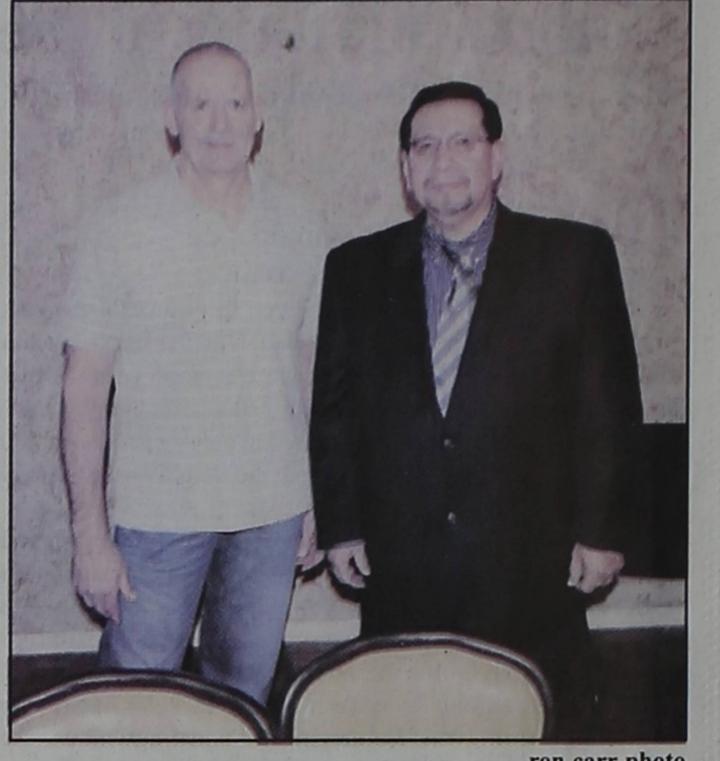
Francis, Robert Tapia, Francisco Garcia, Victor Lira, Alberto Soto, Juan Sanchez; 30 years, Joe Perez, Jesus Mendoza; 35 years, Jaime Villarreal; 40 years, Jerry Landrum.

Fabrication: 25 years, Ramiro Alaniz, Eufemia Cardenas, George Richardson, Gerardo Rivera, Jose Rocha, Aaron Salinas; 30 years, George Guillen, Bacilio Viernes, Rodney Shelby; 35 years, Wilbert Ransom, Lorenzo Claudio.

Maintenance: 25 years, Michael Williams; 30 years, Jose Ortega; 35 years, Lupe Garza, Victor Arzola, Sam McIntosh, Andres Garza, Jr.

Accounting: 25 years, Pat Scott; 35 years, Walter Hudson. Human Resources: 30 years, Diamond Perez; 35 years, Pablo Martinez, Rick White.

Sales Cooler: 25 years, Valente Casas; 30 years, Manuel Arellano; 40 years, John Ortiz.





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Cargill employees receiving 35 year awards, standing, I-r, Rick White, Wilbert Ransom, Pablo Martinez, Sam McIntosh, Lupe Garza; front, I-r, Victor Arzola, Walter Hudson, Lorenzo Claudio, Andy Garza.



Cargill employees receiving 30-year awards, back, I-r, Jose Ortega, Joe Perez; front, I-r, Bacilio Viernes, Diamond Perez.

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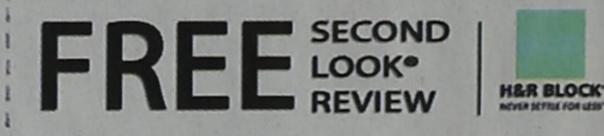
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Cargill employees receiving 25-year awards, standing, I-r, George Richardson, Gerardo Rivera, Janie Cardenas, Mike Williams, Valente Casas, Albert Soto, Juan Sanchez; front, l-r, Jose Rocha, Ramiro Alaniz, Don Donovan, Juan Tijerina, Pat Scott, Aaron Salinas, Francisco Garcia.



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