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FHS graduation videos available

Videotapes of the Friona High School Class of 2005 graduation ceremonies will be available for purchase. The graduation exercises will be held at 8 p.m. Friday, May 27, at the junior high auditorium.

Mike Hutson and Clint Mears will be videotaping the ceremonies. Copies will be available for purchase. VHS tapes are \$10 and DVDs are \$15. Order your keepsake copy in advance or afterwards by calling Mike Hutson at Prairie Insurance, 250-2766, or Clint Mears at Intheden Graphics, 250-5200.

Bovina Summer food service program

Bovina Independent School District announces the sponsorship of a Summer Food Service Program through the Texas Department of Human Services in June. The program will run concurrently with the Summer School Program from June 3, 2005 through June 30, 2005. Meals will be served from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at the Bovina School Cafeteria located at 500 Halsell Street in Bovina. The Summer Food Service Program provides free meals to all children ages 1 to 18. Adults will be charged \$2.75. No proof of income, registration or meals tickets are required.

People who are eligible to participate in the program must not be discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, religion, or political belief. Anyone who believes that they have been discriminated against should immediately write to: Director, Civil Rights Division, MC W-106, Texas Department of Human Services, P.O. Box 149030, Austin, Texas 78714-9030 or the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250. NOTE: Discrimination complaints based on religion or political beliefs must be referred only to the Director, Civil Rights Division, Texas Department of Human Services.

Swimming & wading off limits at city lake

According to a press release from the Friona city manager's office, swimming and wading in Reeve Lake is prohibited by city ordinance 518. The ordinance reads "It shall be unlawful for any person to swim in or to wade in or to play dangerously near the water located in Reeve Lake Park, located within the city limits of the City of Friona, Texas."

Members of the Friona Police Department are authorized to arrest without warrant all violators of this ordinance. Any person, or the parents of children under eighteen (18) years of age, violating the ordinance, upon conviction, shall be fined in accordance with the general penalty provisions of the Friona City Code.

The Reeve Lake Park has become a popular recreation spot since the Sunday May 15 Youth Fishing Day. Over 900 pounds of catfish were stocked for the event and since then a lot of people have been fishing in the lake.

The city and the local game warden check on the lake often. Swimmers and waders are warned that debris hidden in the lake can create a safety hazard and there are no life-guards so swimming could also be a danger for drowning or other injury.

The public is encouraged to enjoy the park but to obey the ordinance and be safe.



Chamber announces summer activities

BY RON CARR

You can buy a horse or a longhorn for \$50 from the Friona Chamber of Commerce.

Pokey the Clown, aka Doug Smith of Panhandle, Texas, is

bringing his WRCA Junior Ranch Rodeo to Friona July 16. The event is a stickhorse rodeo and local businesses or individuals can "sponsor" a

stickhorse or longhorn for \$50. The sponsor's name will be painted on the stickhorse and during the rodeo an auction will be held for the sponsored

animals.

The winning team of each age group qualifies for the WRCA World Championships in November in Amarillo. The

Ranch Rodeo events on July 16 here in Friona will include Pony Express race, cow doctoring, wild cow milking, and calf branding. Each team will compete in four events. The team with the most points after all four events will win the rodeo. Call the Chamber at 250-3491 to reserve your stickhorse then get your team together for a lot of fun.

Pokey the Clown's Friona appearance will be sponsored by Stevens' 5-Star Car and Truck Center of Hereford.

The Chamber of Commerce also advises that the deadline for getting your recipes in for their cookbook has been extended until May 31 so hurry ladies and send Chris and Betty your favorite recipe.

Plans are also underway at the Chamber for the 4th of July celebration which will be held this year beginning in the early evening at the football field. This year Friona will celebrate the 4th of July on the 4th of July, not on the 1st as in the last couple of years.

Golfers mark your calendars to tee it up in the Chamber's annual golf tournament at Friona Country Club. The tournament will be held Saturday June 11, 2005, beginning at 10 a.m. For more information or to sign up call the Chamber at 250-3491.



THE FRIONA high school choir held its Follies variety show and dessert evening fundraiser Monday. Among the many ensemble performers were, l-r, Blair Smiley, Miranda Frye, and Erica Davila. Choir director Allison Johnston says thanks to everyone that attended and made it a special evening for the choir program. ron carr photo

Neugebauer supports ethical stem cell research

Congressman Randy Neugebauer voted Tuesday to support cord blood stem cell research and to oppose research that results in the destruction of human embryos. Cord blood stem cells - taken from discarded umbilical cords and placenta - are already treating thousands of patients with 67 diseases, from Leukemia to Sickle Cell Anemia.

"Although the two bills before the House on Tuesday both concerned stem cell research, they have vastly different consequences," Neugebauer said. "One furthers ethical research that treats human life with the

respect it deserves and has already produced cures, while the other leads to the intentional destruction of human life with tax payer dollars."

The House considered two pieces of legislation on Tuesday dealing with stem cell research. Neugebauer voted in favor of the Stem Cell Therapeutic and Research Act of 2005 (H.R. 2520), which passed 431-1. However, Neugebauer voted against the Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act of 2005, H.R. 810, which would allow additional federal funding of embryonic stem cell research. H.R. 810 passed 238-194, however

President George W. Bush issued a statement on Tuesday that said he would veto the bill if it passes both the House and the Senate.

Stem cells taken from cord blood are already treating more than 67 diseases, including Osteoporosis and Lymphoma. Published studies have shown that cord blood stem cell have the capacity to change into other cell types, and thus have the potential to ethically treat debilitating and terminal diseases including Parkinson's, diabetes, heart disease and spinal cord injury without killing a human embryo. Alternatively, no effective

treatments have been developed from embryonic stem cell research.

In addition to encouraging research, H.R. 2520 provides federal funding to increase the number of cord blood units available to match and treat patients who need them most. H.R. 2520 creates a national cord stem cell blood "bank" to assist in the collection of quality human cord blood to be made available for transplantation.

H.R. 810 reserves President Bush's federal stem cell policy announced on August 9, 2001. This policy prohibited federal funds from being used for the

derivation or use of stem cell lines derived from newly destroyed embryos, the creation of any human embryos for research purposes, or the cloning of human embryos for any purpose.

"An embryo is a human at the earliest stage of life and deserves the same respect that we give infants, adolescents, and adults," Neugebauer said. "In that light, Congress should focus its resources on supporting medical research initiatives, such as cord blood and adult stem cell research, that respect human lives and have an actual track record of leading to cures."

Tx. Plains Trail Region board holds meeting in local depot

By CAROL ELLIS

The Texas Plains Trail Region held a Board of Directors meeting last Thursday, May 19, in the Friona Depot in the City Park with about 20 people present.

The Plains Trail Region covers 52 counties across the Texas Panhandle area, with offices located in Borger. The Plains Trail is a project of the Texas Historical Commission designed to promote tourism and historic preservation in each region of the state.

The Thursday meeting opened with an informative program given by Judy Cummings on the history of Friona's Depot. Judy told of her experiences while actually working in the Santa Fe Depot as a young lady of age 18. She currently serves as secretary of the Depot Heritage Society.

Other local persons who were present for the meeting were Nancy Edelson, Heritage Society President; Carol Ellis, Heritage Society Publicity/Historian; Chris Alexander, Chamber of Commerce Manager; and Thomas Reed, representing the local USDA.

Officers of the Plains Trail Region Board who were present were: President Bobby Hill of Wheeler, Secretary Lynn Hopkins from Borger, and Treasurer Marie Neff of Post. Other

members were also present from Borger, Sudan, Crosbyton, Lubbock, Clarendon, Stratford, and Canadian.

Following a catered luncheon in the Depot, the group conducted an afternoon business meeting. It was announced that the next meeting will be held June 16 in Tulia.

There are eight Trails Regions in the State of Texas. The program began in 1998 with the Texas Forts Trail Region encompassing much of West Central Texas. The Trails program now also includes: Texas Brazos Trail Region, Texas Forest Trail Region, Texas Independence Trail Region, Texas Lakes Trail Region, Texas Mountain Trail Region, Texas Tropical Trail Region, and our own Texas Plains Trail Region.

The Texas Heritage Trails Program recently received the "Preserve America" Presidential Award presented in a special White House ceremony. The Trails Program was selected for its exemplary efforts in demonstrating a commitment to the protection and interpretation of America's cultural and natural heritage assets.

As you travel your home state, watch for the little blue signs along the highways, which indicate which "Trail Region" you are entering. Each

region has much to offer in the way of interesting tourist and

historical sites. Before planning a trip, check the Texas Heritage

Trials Program website at www.the.state.tx.us.



OFFICERS and directors of the Texas Plains Trail Region met at Friona's Depot in the city park. Judy Cummings, left, briefs the board on the Depot's history. Others are, l-r, Bobby Hill of Wheeler, president; Lynn Hopkins of Borger, secretary; and Marie Neff of Post, treasurer. ron carr photo

Get your kids fingerprinted Wednesday

The Friona Police Department urges all local parents to register their children's identification information. In the unfortunate event a child is missing or some other circumstance requires a child's ID info, the Friona PD wants to fingerprint and register

as many children as possible.

Operation Ident-A-Kid will be held Wednesday, June 1, from 2-6 p.m. at Lowe's Grocery Store in Friona. The operation is being held courtesy of the Friona Police Department. They

will fingerprint your children and provide an information form to be filled out as the children are registered.

All families are urged to take advantage of this service. It could be very important someday.



OUT HERE

by Ron Carr

All over America during the month of May, commencement speakers are delivering words of motivation and encouragement as graduating students begin new lives.

It is a new life when you break free of the shackles of the classroom. That is why it is called commencement. You will be "commencing" a new life, a new career, free to get in debt, marry, unmarried, get a job, change jobs, or to experience the many other phases of life that people like me have already botched up.

Pursue your dreams, they will tell graduates. Never give up, if you fall down get up, always look up, and keep on climbing up the ladder of success. My favorite one is "failure is a stepping stone to success." Right.

Commencement rhetoric is a final bit of encouragement, which of course every high school or college graduate needs because the future can look pretty scary.

The problem with long, flowery, commencement speeches is most graduates don't listen to them. Their retention meter lasts until they get to the parking lot.

I'm pretty sure we didn't have a speaker at my 1957 Hillsboro High School graduation. Nor do I remember who the valedictorian was. Probably Bill Bond or Joe Ed Dossey, both of who went on to become doctors I think. If there were any encouraging words I have long since forgotten them.

Over the years, from motivational speakers, preachers, and my mother, I have had a steady stream of do's and don't's advice. I once read 'Everything I Need to Know

I Learned in Kindergarten' before I realized I never went to kindergarten.

In the mid-60's I experienced a close death for the first time when my eternal friend Bobby Payne died after a car wreck. We had been close buddies since 6th grade, graduated together, and both lived in Dallas at the time. I lifted his 5-year-old son up at the funeral home so he could peer into the coffin to say goodbye to his daddy. It was an experience that commencement did not prepare me for.

Bobby had not accomplished anywhere near the success he could have known. He was 28-years-old. A flame that burned out too soon. I realized then that life was fragile. The suddenness of his death was tough enough. But the worst part was he died because he did something stupid. I'll spare

the details. He had a 3 a.m. car accident. Alcohol was a factor.

After all the inspiring words I have listened to, from Zig Ziglar to Billy Graham to Oral Roberts to Willie Nelson, I have narrowed them all down to four words that would have made my life smoother. It is simple advice and would be the ending to my commencement speech if I were ever invited to give one.

The words are simply these: don't do anything stupid!

We have all, each and every one, had a case of the stupids from time to time on life's journey. We have made decisions, and taken actions, knowing all the while that it was a stupid thing to do. And after it is all over, you feel even stupider. "I can't believe I did that" is just another way of saying "that

was really stupid."

It is especially troubling when a bunch of people witness our display of stupidity and point it out: "Man, that was really stupid. What were you thinking?". The answer is we weren't thinking. We knew better but we did it anyway which compounds the stupidity.

If I were offering advice to graduates embarking on their new lives it would be simply this: master the following two suggestions and your ladder to success will be shorter and not so steep. If you want your journey to be fun, pleasant, rewarding, and successful, if you want to win friends and influence people, and gain the respect of your fellow man, remember this:

Don't be a pain in the ass and don't do anything stupid!



CAPITOL COMMENT

U.S. SENATOR

KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON



Remember to read during summer vacation

With summer vacation approaching, most students freed from school are anticipating a great many activities: swimming, playing baseball, hiking and camping. These are wonderful pastimes, but I would urge parents to make sure there is something else on that list: reading.

A brain needs exercise just as much as muscles do. Encouraging our children to continue reading not only makes summer more interesting, it also gives them a head start on the coming school year.

A fascinating study published by the John Hopkins University examined the impact of summer vacation on student achievement. Since 1906, researchers have discovered students score better on standardized tests at the beginning of summer than they do at the end of summer when they are "rusty".

Low-income students tend to experience significant losses in reading comprehension and word recognition while middle-income students have slight gains in reading skills over the summer. This goes a long way toward explaining different performance in school between students from families of different economic backgrounds. Studies show these students make similar progress during the school year, but those from lower-income families tend to lose ground each summer. Educators believe a lack of emphasis on reading in some homes could lead to this disparity.

During the summer months, middle-income students lose an average of one month of combined math and reading proficiency, while low-income students lose an average of three months. Over the 12 years of primary and secondary schooling, those cumulative losses leave low-income students far behind their middle-income peers.

Some educators use this information as an argument on behalf of year-round education. Others say more summer education programs should be made available to students. All of them agree that parents need to do as much as they can to keep little minds active.

The 2000 Census found that seven to 15 million "latchkey children" return home to an empty house each afternoon. After-school programs meet only half this demand, but during summer months, not even this is available. Only ten percent of students attend public schools during summer months but I am pleased to say there has been progress. Over a period of 25 years, the largest school districts offering summer programs rose from only 50 percent to nearly 100 percent.

Another approach, which has proven effective for participants, is the Texas Summer Reading Club Program promoted state-wide by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC). This summer, the theme is "Go wild...read!" TSLAC provides materials and information, while local libraries implement their own programs to encourage summer reading.

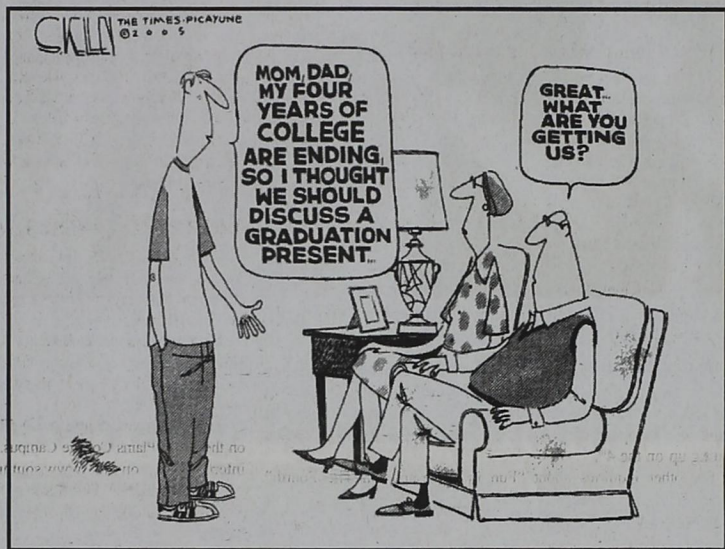
David Price, County Librarian for the Burnett County Library System, tells me his program reaches 50 percent of the children in the county at a very important age.

"In those early years, up through fifth grade, they are extremely energetic and very curious and they want to learn," he said. "It is the perfect time to develop their reading skills."

This investment in reading programs is cost-effective. According to the John Hopkins study, the cost of making up the summertime loss of learning is expensive. Nationwide, taxpayers provide \$7,000 per year per student. The time spent getting students back up to speed averages \$1,540 per pupil per year. The large urban school district of Baltimore, Maryland, with 90,000 students, finds itself spending nearly \$138 million per year helping students make up ground lost during the summer.

The worst loss is not financial: it is time. You can recoup monetary losses, but time can never be recovered.

Consult your library for a summer reading program. If your children are too old to participate in that program, consider giving them a summer reading list with a reward for reading 75 percent of the books on it. It will expand their horizons and give their brains a good healthy workout.



DAR Los Ciboleros chapter installs new officers

The May meeting and luncheon of the Los Ciboleros Chapter NSDAR was held May 14 at the Hereford Country Club. Regent Patricia Robinson welcomed guests, Ruth Newsom of Amarillo, Lelia Groneman of Vega, Sue Rector and Betty Renner of Friona, and Brenda Campbell, Elizabeth Anthony and Janice Carr, all of Hereford. Member Marca Herring was also present.

Regent Robinson and Chaplain Ruth Knox led the opening ritual. Lesta Lee Neill led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Olive Massie led the group in the American Creed. Margaret Bell led the recitation of the Preamble to the Constitution, and Ruth Knox led the singing of "America". Mrs. Arthur B. Clark acted as Recording Secretary.

Linda Knowles, Vice Regent, presented the message of NSDAR President General Linda Watson. Charlotte R. Clark gave a review from the *National Defender*, "Industrial Leadership at Risk", an article concerning the trends in the U.S. with respect to our global share of science, technology, engineering and mathematics expertise. Newsome gave a report on the State Resolutions.

Clark gave an American Indian Highlight on Quannah Parker and the Treasurer's report was given by Margaret Bell. Registrar Clark presented applications for membership from Elizabeth Anthony, Lelia Groneman, and Betty Renner.

Mrs. Carroll Newsom, past Regent of Los Ciboleros Chapter and now Regent of Arredondo Chapter DAR in Amarillo, was introduced as the Installing Officer. She used the theme of a Flower Garden, and each officer was bestowed a specific task as a garden specialist. Installed were Regent, Linda Knowles; Vice Regent, Patricia Robinson; Chaplain,



CHAPTER DAR OFFICERS are (standing, l-r), Mrs. Carroll Newsom, Regent of Arredondo Chapter, Amarillo; Mrs. Larry Knowles, Regent; Mrs. Jess L. Robinson, Vice Regent; Mrs. Charles Bell, Jr., Treasurer; and Mrs. Arthur B. Clark, Registrar. Seated, l-r, are Mrs. Stanford Knox, Chaplain; Mrs. William M. Massie, Librarian; and Mrs. Kenneth W. Neill, Corresponding Secretary. Not pictured are Mrs. Charles Watson, Recording Secretary, and Mrs. Murray M. Capp, Historian. *courtesy photo*

Ruth Knox; Corresponding Secretary, Lesta Lee Neill; Treasurer, Margaret Bell; Registrar, Charlotte Clark; and Librarian, Olive Massie. Recording Secretary, Marlene Watson and Historian, Jean Capp were not present.

Following installation a short called meeting was held to conduct secret balloting to elect new members. Elected were Betty Renner, Lelia Groneman, and Elizabeth Anthony.

The meeting was adjourned and the luncheon was enjoyed followed with a program by June Rudd, "Patches from the Past...the history of Quilts". Mrs. Rudd spoke of the history, purpose, materials, equipment, and progress of quilting techniques and showed samples of her hand quilting hobby.

The Los Ciboleros Chapter was awarded 25 Certificates of Merit at the Texas DAR State Conference held in March 2005.

Supreme Court upholds beef promotion act

Congressman Mike Conaway (TX-11) celebrated the U.S. Supreme Court's 6-3 vote as it upheld the Beef Promotion and Research Act of 1985, more commonly known as the Beef Checkoff.

"I am very pleased that the Supreme Court overturned the lower court's decision and ruled in favor of the Beef Checkoff Program. This is a victory for all cattlemen in the U.S., along with every other commodity group that has a checkoff program."

A checkoff assessment has been collected since 1922; first as a voluntary program and then, after the Beef Promotion and Research Act was added to the 1985 Farm Bill, it became mandatory in 1987. Also showing support, 113 state and national beef industry and general agricultural organizations signed a friend-of-the-court amicus brief in support

of the checkoff program after the Supreme Court accepted the case in May 2004.

"It is clear that the majority of our cattle producers and agriculture groups recognize how vital and important our checkoff programs have become. Producers clearly see the good that the checkoff programs have done for

their local industries and economies."

"It is now more critical than ever that we all join forces and support the checkoff's educational, research and promotional programs that are targeted at increasing demand for beef at America's and the world's dining tables."



Larisa Garcia

Meet the Class of 2017

Larisa is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. Her parents are Marisa and Artemio Garcia. She has one brother, Artemio Jr.

Larisa likes to play in the school, her favorite food is soup and her favorite color is yellow.

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Letter to the Editor

Put house numbers on your curb

I am Ramey Alaniz, a member of the Boy Scouts in Friona. I have been in Boy Scouts for 10 years and I am working on my Eagle Scout Merit Badge, the highest ranking in Scouts. To accomplish this I am required to do a community service project that will benefit the city. As my project I want to paint the house numbers onto the curbs of the citizen's driveway. If you need or want your house number painted or repainted on your driveway curb, I will be happy to do it. I plan on getting started in the second week of June. Please contact Mercedes Williams or myself as soon as possible and please leave a message with your name, address, and phone number, if we do not answer.

Thank you.
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Mercedes Williams: 250-2406

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LIONS Club members, l-r, Larry Knowles, Justin Jeter, John Gurley, Anthony Montelongo, and Edward Martinez assembled the mops and brooms last Thursday during the Lions Club sale. Thanks to everyone that purchased supplies. The Lions Club appreciates your support.
ron carr photo



Lions Club News

BY RON CARR, PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN

The regular meeting of the Friona Noon Lions was held last Thursday at Friona city park during the annual mop and broom sale. The sale is a joint effort between the Noon Lions and the Evening Lions. A big thanks to everyone that bought mops, brooms, and cleaning supplies from us. We had a successful day thanks to you.

The Noon Lions cooks were busy with burgers on May

15 at the youth fishing day, french fries at the Friona all-sports banquet, and finished off the leftovers with a burger cook-out last Thursday at city park.

Members put out the U. S. flags, Saturday May 21 for Armed Forces Day and will fly them again June 14 for Flag Day. Next up will be another burger and fries cookout July 4 during the evening's activities at the football field.

Boss Lion Albert Ricketts completes his term as Noon Lions president this month. New president is slated to be Boss Lion Clint Mears. New member prospects are invited to come check us out as our guest for lunch. The next meeting of the Noon Lions will be Thursday, June 2, at the clubhouse at 9th and Pierce.

Five locals earn degrees from AC

Amarillo College awarded degrees and certificates to more than 860 students at the 75th Commence-

ment ceremonies recently at the Amarillo Civic Center Cal Farley Coliseum. Dr. Steven W. Jones, AC President, provided comments and introductions before the presentation of the John F. Mead Faculty Excellence award by Robert Boyd, Faculty Senate President, and Matt Johnson, Student Government Association President. Receiving the award was Tom Hodges, longtime English professor. Dr. R.E. Byrd, Vice President for Academic Affairs,

presented the graduates.

Orlando Monarrez graduated with an Associate of Applied Science degree, and Dawn Henry graduated with a Certificate of Completion. Both completed their studies in fall 2004. Christina Salinas Moreno graduated with an Associate of Applied Science degree this spring. John Rule and John Spring graduated with Certificates of Completion this spring. All attended Friona High School.

Around Town

FUMC Vacation Bible School set

The Friona United Methodist Church announced that "Creek Banks & the Creator" Vacation Bible School will be held May 31 through June 3 from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each day for 3 year olds to 6th graders as of June 1. Everyone is invited to the program and cookout Friday, June 3 at 11:45 a.m.

Go Wild...Read!!!

Friona Public Library's Summer Reading Club is June 1 through June 30. Sign up starts June 1. The Muleshoe National Wildlife Refuge will present the first program Wednesday, June 8, at the Friona Jr. High Auditorium from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. All Summer Reading Club members are invited. Door Prizes will be given.

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Calvary Baptist garage sale set

The Calvary Baptist Church is collecting items for its June 27 garage sale. The proceeds from the sale will equally benefit the Friona Public Library, Friona Pioneer Heritage Museum and the J. P. Sims Memorial Scholarship for Friona Youth.

Annual Dimmitt garage sale set

The Dimmitt Chamber of Commerce will sponsor its 18th annual city-wide garage sale Saturday, June 4, 2005. The sale will start at 8 a.m. and maps will be available at the traffic light, Computer Solutions, 220 N. Broadway, Higginbotham-Bartlett Co., 109 N. Broadway, The Mercantile, 105 E. Bedford and Antiques Plus, 117 SE 2nd. Over 100 families are participating this year. Come join us for shopping, fun and food. For further information call 806-647-2524.

Vendors being sought in Muleshoe

July 4th activities in Muleshoe have been moved to one centralized location on Main Street. Business and vendors are being asked to set up outside business on Monday, July 4. Anyone interested in having a booth on Main Street for July 4th in Muleshoe should contact Carolyn Johnson at 272-5911 or Jim Ella Clemmons at 272-4726. A minimal fee is being charged for each booth participating.

A BBQ cook-off is still in the works. Those who would like more details about this event should contact Terral King at The Connection Warehouse at 272-5532.

The "Carrying On" committee of the chamber will be running this year's softball tournament at the new city park July 2-4. Other tournament plans haven't been finalized as of yet, but teams interested in playing should contact Stacy M. Thompson at 272-3652 for more details.

Those interested in being a food vendor at the new city park on July 4 also need to contact Stacy. No outside vendors will be allowed to set up at the park July 2-3, but the chamber concession stand will be open. There will be a minimal fee for food vendors setting up on the 4th.

For other inquiries about "Fun in Muleshoe On The Fourth", contact Chamber President Heather Foley at 272-4102 or any of the chamber board members listed above.

Smiley graduates from Austin College

Austin College's 156th academic year came to a close Sunday May 15 with 290 Bachelor of Arts candidates and 28 Master of Arts in Teaching candidates participating in commencement ceremonies.

Among the graduates was Kayla Smiley, daughter of Kim and Mitchell Smiley of Friona. Kayla earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in history and political science.

Austin College is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church and is an independent, liberal arts college located 60 miles north of Dallas in Sherman, Texas.

Summer classes at SPC/Muleshoe

South Plains College Interactive Two-Way Video classes scheduled for the summer of 2005 will be held at the Muleshoe High School ITV classroom. Registration for these classes is Thursday, May 26 at 6:00 at the Civic Center.

The 8 a.m. class will either be ENGL-1301, GOVT-2301 or MATH-1314. The 10 a.m. class will either be PSYC-2301, HIST-1301, MATH-1314 or ECON-2301. Which class is offered, will be determined by the number of students enrolled.

Students may also register for internet classes or for classes offered on the South Plains College Campus. To see what is offered through the internet, log on to www.southplainscollege.edu/online/internet/courseschedules.html. First Summer Session is May 31 through June 30. The ITV class offerings are a part of the effort to provide SPC classes locally.



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Sheriff's Report

May 12, Sean Cash, 32, of Clovis, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with forgery, pending Grand Jury.

May 15, Andrew Saldana, 22, of Amarillo, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with possession of marijuana with intent to deliver, pending Grand Jury.

May 15, Vicente Rey, 27, of Friona, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with DWI, pending County Court; and theft by check, pending County Court.

May 20, Tonya Thompson, 30, of Wisconsin, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with possession of marijuana-less than two ounces, pending County Court.

May 20, James Kelnhofer, 56, of Wisconsin, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with possession of marijuana-less than two ounces, pending County Court.

May 20, Gaylord Washington, 37, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol and charged with possession of marijuana, pending County Court.

May 20, Joe T. Williams, 56, of Deming, New Mexico, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with public intoxication, pending JP Court.

May 20, John Jordan, 41, of Friona, was arrested by the Sheriff's Office and charged with possession of a controlled substance, pending Grand Jury.

May 21, John Lafuente, 45, of Dimmitt, was arrested by the Friona Police on a Randall County warrant for theft by check, posted bond and released.

May 21, Antonio Monreal III, 17, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with possession of a controlled substance, pending Grand Jury.

May 22, Michael Davila, 32, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with violation of probation (credit card abuse) Lubbock County, pending transfer.

May 22, Lawrence J. Appling, 28, of Friona, was arrested by the Friona Police and charged with aggravated assault, pending Grand Jury.

On May 10, in 287th District Court, with Judge Gordon Green presiding:

— Michael Mack, 33, of Oklahoma City, charged with DWI with a child under the age of 15, was sentenced to 180 days to two years in a state jail facility, deferred for two years; \$378 court costs; \$500 fine; 120 hours of community service; and obtain substance abuse counseling at own expense.

— Rosie Isabel Mireles, 38, of Friona, charged with possession of a controlled substance (cocaine), was sentenced to two to ten years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, deferred for five years; \$278 court costs; \$1,000 fine; \$350 attorney fees; 160 hours of community service; and obtain substance abuse counseling.

— Richard Izaguirre, 32, of Friona, charged with subsequent DWI, was sentenced to three years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; \$378 court costs; \$1,000 fine; and \$350 attorney fees.

— Josie Lopez (now known as Josie Dominguez), 41, of Perryton, Texas, charged with attempted aggravated assault (reduced from aggravated assault with a deadly weapon), was sentenced to two years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice; \$278 court costs; and \$1,000 fine.

— Juan Manuel Rivera, 28, of Friona, charged with subsequent DWI, was sentenced to two to ten years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, probated for three years; ten days in Parmer County Jail as a condition of community supervision; \$403 court costs; \$1,000 fine; 160 hours of community service; loss of driver's license for 18 months; and obtain alcohol counseling at own expense.

— Moises Ventura, 44, of Knoxville, Tennessee, charged with unlawful transport of persons for pecuniary benefits, was sentenced to six months in a state jail facility; \$278 court costs; \$500 fine; \$350 attorney fees; and forfeiture of \$2,421 in cash and a 1995 Ford Econoline van.



KARINA CHIHUAHUA & PRINCIPAL BECKY RIETHMAYER

A SAFETY POSTER created by Friona 5th grader Karina Chihuahua has been selected to appear in Xcel Energy's 2005-06 Energy Safety Calendar. Judges reviewed more than 5,200 safety poster entries and selected 13 to appear in the calendar. Congratulations Karina. dana d jameson photo

Trail of Sales promotes tourism and commerce

Yard sales, flea markets, and food will attract 100s of shoppers on June 4, but part of the bargain they find will be a little bit of tourism and history.

Bargain hunters will find sales like oases along a 75-mile stretch of highway that follows the XIT Trail through Channing, Hartley, Dalhart and Texline.

The annual "XIT Trail of Sales" is sponsored by Texas Cooperative Extension and Dalhart Area Chamber of Commerce. The tour will be filled with yard sales, flea markets, food and fun, said Susie Breitling, Extension family and consumer sciences agent serving Dallam and Hartley counties.

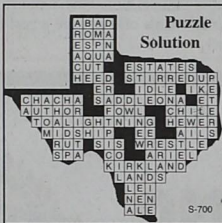
"We designed activities to foster rural tourism and commerce with a tip of the hat to bygone days once filled with a trail full of cowboys and cattle herds," Breitling said.

The string of sales from Channing via state Highway 385 to Hartley then via Highway 87 to Dalhart will bring visitors into

the heart of XIT country. Texline will be the fourth and final stop, via state Highway 87 from Dalhart.

For visitors from New Mexico, Colorado and Oklahoma, the trail will be reversed.

Selling begins at 8 a.m. and runs through 5 p.m. Shoppers may start at any community involved. Locator maps, with sales sorted by address for each of the participating communities, will be available at the Channing Mercantile in Channing located at 918 Seventh Street in Hartley, Prairie Dog Junction in Dalhart and the Oasis Convenience Store in Texline.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

May 29, 2005-June 4, 2005

May 29-Kim Barnett Martz, Carolyn Buchanan, Leroy Widner, Mark Outland, Clara Gast, Evelyn Mars, Hannah Lookingbill, Bruce Sossaman, Noel Garcia

May 30-Carry Harris, Milon Dixon, Ben Weatherly, Shasta Copley, Andrea Gerles, Kim Hofferichter

May 31-Tomas Fuentes, Jr. Dorothy Ellison, Rhonda Field, Blaire Herring

June 1-Cherith Randolph Watson, Rodney Ortiz, Wes Phillips, David Spencer, Pam Alvarado, June Spring, Heather Barnett, Katherine Harbison, William Drumma

June 2-Tonya Clark, Jason Hesse, Michael Davila, Richard Dickson, Jo Hamil, Brian Carrol Huddleston, Les McCain

June 3-Cara Brockman Speer, Kiley Dee Gibson, Debbie Sweatt, Terri Cummings Zerfas, Ann Barker, George Frye, Kristi Cheney, Kyle Grimsley, Kayla Alexander

June 4-Pam Hamilton, Ruth Tucker, Lucy Villalobos, Deb Hendley, Kenton Randolph, Jesse Allen, Tara Schilling



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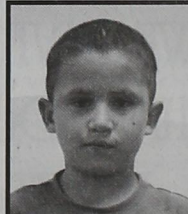
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Kevin Daniel Morales

Meet the Class of 2017

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Kevin likes to watch cartoons. His favorite foods are cereal, papitas, and hamburgers. His favorite color is red.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ricardo Antillon of Bovina and Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Rios of Eunice, New Mexico, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Marisol Antillon and Christopher Rios on June 4, 2005, at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina at 2:30 p.m.

Marisol is a 2000 graduate of Bovina High School and is currently attending West Texas A&M University in Canyon. She will graduate in December 2005 with a Bachelor's degree in Nursing. Chris is a 1999 graduate of Eunice High School and is currently employed by Cargill Meat Solutions.

All friends and family are invited to attend.

THINK ABOUT THIS

God's library #3

By T. LEON TALLEY, Sixth Street Church of Christ

We've identified three books in God's library. The *Book of Nature*, *The Book of Remembrance*, and *The Book of His Will*. The Bible. This article identifies a fourth. This book is also of tremendous importance because it is the *Book of Life*.

The Apostle Paul mentions some faithful brethren whose names are written in the *Book of Life* (Phil. 4:3).

Our Lord Himself speaks of the *Book of Life*. He promised the church at Sardis, that for each person who has not defiled his garments with the corruption of the world, He would not blot their names out of the *Book of Life* (Rev. 3:5). Those whose names are not written in the *Book of Life* will find their place in the lake of fire (Rev. 20:15).

Whose name is written in the *Book of Life*? It will be those who have committed their lives to Jesus Christ. It will be those of all ages who have proved faithful to God. Hebrews 11 records the names of some of these people.

Is your name written in the *Book of Life*? Think about it.

ATTENTION MINISTERS

The Friona Star invites all area ministers to submit articles for publication on our church page. Please keep your message 250 - 300 words on the topic of your choice. Deadline is Tuesday at 5 pm. We look forward to hearing from you!

New Arrivals

Hailey Grace Storey

Chris and Heather Storey, of Collierville, Tennessee, are proud to announce the birth of their second daughter, Hailey Grace, born on Friday, April 22, 2005 at 3:03 a.m. in the Women's Baptist Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee. She weighed 8 pounds 6 ounces, and was 21 inches long at birth.

Hailey has an older sister, Hannah Kate, who is 18 months old.

Her grandparents are Mike and Reta Martin of Friona, and Dan and Sandra Storey of Memphis, Tennessee.

Great-grandparents are Clarence and Wynona Martin of Friona, Vera Heck of Tulia, James and Jerrie Horton of Hart, Texas,



HEATHER & HAILEY STOREY

Leona Brock of Corinth, Mississippi, and Gladys Storey of Memphis, Tennessee.



JAMES ELLISON & KATY BAIZE

K. Baize & J. Ellison to marry in Lubbock

Katy Beth Baize and James Robert Ellison, of Lubbock, will be married at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 11, 2005, at the Clawson House Bed & Breakfast in Lubbock.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. S.D. Baize of Perryton and the granddaughter of Jean Baize of Friona.

The future groom is the son of Mr. James Ellison of Shallowater and Mrs. Debbie Butterfield of Kermit.

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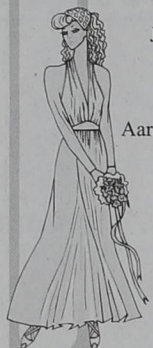
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Thoughts from the pastor

By STEVE PATTERSON, First United Methodist Church

Have you heard the old saying, "Be careful what you pray for ... you might get it"?

Many people assume that if we get what we ask for, our prayer was answered; if we didn't get what we asked for, it wasn't. That is not true. God answers prayer in three ways; yes, no, and wait a while.

Looking back across your life, do you wish you had received everything you prayed for? Probably not. Sometimes, the best answers God gives us are silent ones. As the Greeks said, "The gods answer all the prayers of those they wish to punish." Only the most thoughtless parents would instantly give their children everything for which they ask.

If the answers to the last prayer you prayed was silence, be thankful. It means Jesus was right. We have a loving Father rather than a Father willing to give us everything we want.

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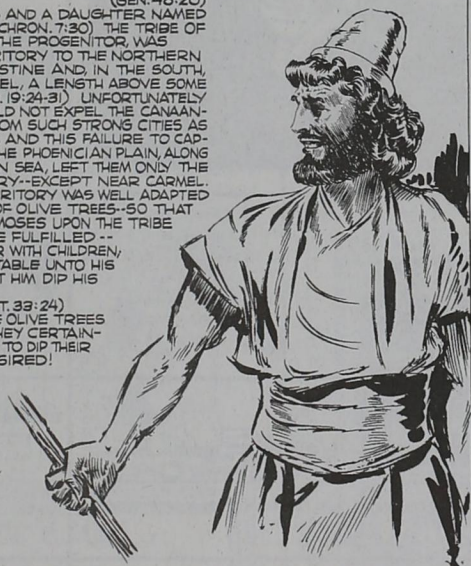
Facts About The BIBLE BY JOHN LEHTI

THE EIGHTH SON OF JACOB!

ASHER WAS THE SECOND SON OF ZILPAH, LEAH'S MAID SERVANT (GEN. 30:2,3,35:26) HIS BLESSING GIVEN BY JACOB ON HIS DEATHBED IS THIS WORDED: "OUT OF ASHER HIS BREAD SHALL BE FAT, AND HE SHALL YIELD ROYAL DAINTIES" (GEN. 49:20)

HE HAD FOUR SONS AND A DAUGHTER NAMED SERAH (GEN. 46:17, 1 CHRON. 7:30) THE TRIBE OF WHICH ASHER WAS THE PROGENITOR WAS ASSIGNED THE TERRITORY TO THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY OF PALESTINE AND IN THE SOUTH BOUNDED BY CARMEL, A LENGTH ABOVE SOME SIXTY MILES. (JOSH. 19:24-31) UNFORTUNATELY THE ASHERITES COULD NOT EXPEL THE CANAANITE INHABITANTS FROM SUCH STRONG CITIES AS SIDON, ACCHO, TYRE, AND THIS FAILURE TO CAPTURE AND OCCUPY THE PHOENICIAN PLAIN, ALONG THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA, LEFT THEM ONLY THE INLAND HILL COUNTRY--EXCEPT NEAR CARMEL. HOWEVER, THIS TERRITORY WAS WELL ADAPTED FOR THE GROWING OF OLIVE TREES--SO THAT THE BLESSING OF MOSES UPON THE TRIBE OF ASHER COULD BE FULFILLED-- "BLESSED BE ASHER WITH CHILDREN; LET HIM BE ACCEPTABLE UNTO HIS BRETHREN AND LET HIM DIP HIS FOOT IN OIL." (DEUT. 33:24)

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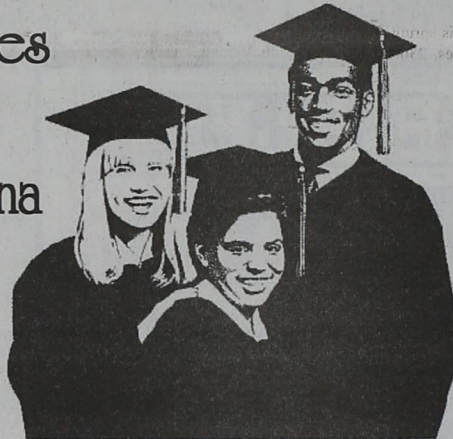
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Bovina all-sports banquet honors 04-05 athletes

The 2004-05 Bovina all-sports banquet was held Thursday May 19 in the school cafeteria.

Top honors for the evening were given to Dorothy Martinez and Jeff Casas as Fillie-of-the-Year and Mustang-of-the-Year. Roy and Teresa Shelby were named as Fans-of-the-Year. The Booster Club honored Cargill Meat Solutions as its Business-of-the-Year.

In addition, senior football players Jeff Casas, Roger Martinez, and Hugo Martinez were given football plaques by the coaches. Basketball coach Tony Epps also presented framed basketball memorabilia to the four graduating senior Fillies: Elizabeth Alonzo, Giselle Alvarado, Jennifer Reyna, and Isabel Guevara. Reyna was named Fillie basketball most valuable player and also received the Fighting Heart award.

For varsity boys basketball, Jeff Casas was named most valuable player and Michael Ortiz was given the basketball Fighting Heart award. There was only one boy on the golf team. Trent Quintana, to the applause of his fellow athletes, was named boys golf most valuable player. Giselle Alvarado won MVP for girl's golf.

The girl's cross country team had a good year. Regional qualifiers Hilda Quintero and Anna Rodriguez were honored and Quintero was named as MVP. For boy's cross-country, Edgar Ortiz and Isai Saucedo were the only two participants. Ortiz was applauded for his third straight appearance at the state track meet. He won the bronze medal for his third place finish in the 1600m run.

This was the first year for Bovina to participate in powerlifting. A total of 13 athletes competed and the coach was Hector Guevara.

In girl's track, Jessica Bachicha was the high point in field events and Lucero Saucedo was high point in track events. Dorothy Martinez was given the track Fighting Heart award and Hilda Quintero was track MVP.

In boy's track, Alfie Espinoza earned the Fighting Heart award and Edgar Ortiz was track MVP. Hugo Martinez was



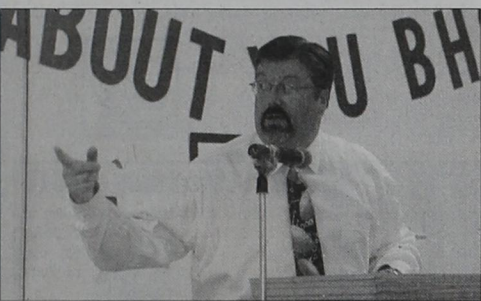
SENIOR Fillie basketball players, l-r, Elizabeth Alonzo, Giselle Alvarado, and Jennifer Reyna with their framed basketball memorabilia given to them by coaches at the all-sports banquet. Not pictured is Isabel Guevara.

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high point in field events and Ortiz was high point in track events.

In Mustang baseball, also a new sport again this year, coaches selected Michael Ortiz as the baseball MVP. Football

honor went to Jeff Casas as MVP, Hugo Martinez the Fighting Heart award, and Roger Martinez was both the offensive and defensive lineman-of-the-year. Michael Ortiz was picked by coaches as the recipient of the Gold Helmet award.



ATHLETIC Director and Head Coach Kent Torbert presided over Bovina's All-Sports Banquet.

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Antonio Flores is ENMU graduate

Antonio Flores, of Bovina, is among the 330 graduation candidates at Eastern New Mexico University this spring. Twenty-nine students have applied for associate's degrees, 236 for bachelor's degrees, and 65 for master's degrees.

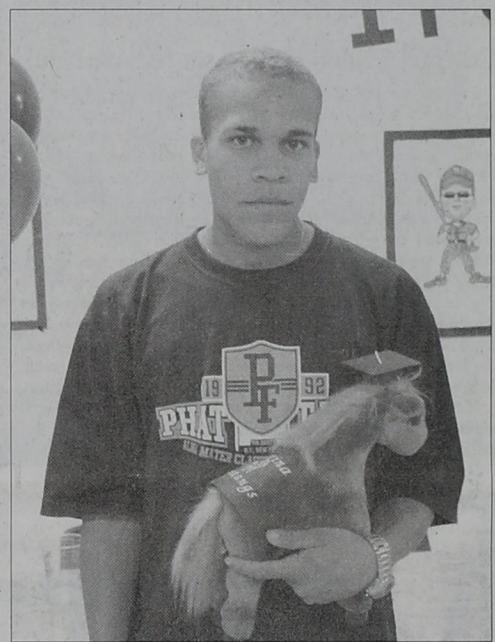
Students with a cumulative grade point average of 3.8 to 4.0 will graduate summa cum laude, while 3.7 to 3.79 will graduate magna cum laude. Cum laude graduates must have a 3.6 to 3.69 GPA and students with a 3.5 to 3.59 GPA will graduate with distinction.

Flores is a candidate for a Bachelor of Business Administration in Computer Information Systems and Business Administration.



THE TOP ATHLETES for Bovina high school's 2004-05 year were Dorothy Martinez, Fillie-of-the-Year and Jeff Casas, Mustang-of-the-year.

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BOVINA senior Josh Shelby poses with his stuffed toy Mustang at the all-sports banquet. All graduating senior athletes were given one of the stuffed toy Mustangs.

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Friona Chieftain basketball camp set for June 6-9

Friona high school's new varsity boys basketball coach Ky Graham has announced the 2005 basketball camp to be held June 6-9.

The camp is open to boys that will be in grades 3-9 during the 2005-06 school year. Graham says this will be a great opportunity to improve basketball skills and fundamentals. Free T-shirts and prizes for contests are part of the camp.

Camp cost for grades 3-6 is \$25. The 3rd-6th graders will attend the camp each day from 1-3 p.m. Camp cost for grades

7-9 is \$35 and they will attend camp from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Forms need to be turned in to Coach Graham by June 1. They are available at the high school or you can contact the coach at the school at 250-8800, at his home 250-3452, or cell phone 265-5769.



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Patrol leader goes on campout

By ETHAN WALES, Senior Patrol Leader

Boy Scout Troop 56's Senior Patrol Leader, Ethan Wales, went on a Venturing Survival weekend at Camp Don Harrington in Palo Duro Canyon April 23-25. Venturing is like Boy Scouts except it is more high-adventure than Boy Scouts. Venturing is also co-ed and the minimum age in Venturing is fourteen.

At the survival weekend, we spent most of Friday night getting to know each other and playing capture the flag. The next day, we spent the morning working on challenges as a team, which included filling a bucket that had holes in it with water, building a cube out of pool noodles while blindfolded, and getting a hula-hoop over a twelve foot pole without letting myself or the hula-hoop touch the pole.

After lunch (which was unexpectedly good), we harnessed up and got to go on the ropes course, which teaches people rock climbing skills while not on rocks, just telephone poles and ropes. One of the challenges was to climb up a twenty-foot telephone pole, stand on top of it (which is very hard to do), jump off and catch a ring that was suspended above.

The "pamper pole" as it was called takes concentration and

full trust of the rope that is tied to you to catch you if you fall. The pamper pole was the hardest thing to do the entire weekend. But that wasn't the only thing on the ropes course, we also went on a forty-five foot high zip line (very fun), and two others, both of which required you to balance on telephone wires. On all of these challenges, the only thing keeping you from hitting the ground was the rope that you were harnessed to, and it was very hard to trust this rope, but everyone did, even the adults. My mom, Tara, went on the zip line, screaming all the way.

By the time we were through at the ropes course, it was nearly time for supper, so to pass the time, we had a water balloon fight, which was extremely fun.

After dinner (again very good), we split into teams of four and had a scavenger hunt in the dark, and my team got first place even though we had an extra clue.

Of course after this, we were extremely tired, so the boys went to their area of the camp and went to sleep immediately and didn't wake until breakfast time. After that, we had a quick church service and off we went, back home. I had tons of fun.

Cowgirl Ranch Rodeo set in Amarillo

Cowgirls from Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Kansas, and Colorado will compete in Amarillo's inaugural Cowgirl Ranch Rodeo on Saturday, June 4, 2p.m. to 4p.m. at the Tri-State Fairgrounds. Four-woman teams representing area ranches will compete in sorting, branding, doctoring, team tying, and Ranch Horse Competition. The winning team will perform at the evening performance of the Coors Ranch Rodeo on Saturday night. The event is presented by Cowboy Roundup USA.

"Cowboy Roundup USA has a remarkable 18-year history of celebrating the cowboy spirit," said CRR Chair Phyllis Payne. "The

Cowgirl Ranch Rodeo recognizes the tremendous contributions of women to our ranching heritage."

"These competitors are real cowgirls from some of the region's most celebrated working ranches," Payne said. "They represent the true spirit of our Western culture."

Payne added that there will be no charge for admission to the Cowgirl Ranch Rodeo. In conjunction with the event, attendees have the opportunity to win a Coolhorse saddle, with proceeds to benefit the Susan G. Komen Foundation. The saddle will be on display at the Amarillo National Center, and tickets for the opportunity to win are \$5 each.



ETHAN WALES tops the human pyramid at the Venturing Survival weekend last month. The other scouts pictured are from Texas Panhandle troops. courtesy photo

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CCI special trade mission brings Pakistani textile officials to High Plains May 19-20

By SHAWN WADE

A group of Pakistani textile officials visited the Lubbock area May 19-20 as part of a Cotton Council International COTTON USA Special Trade Mission touring the U.S. Cotton Belt.

During their stay in Lubbock the group participated in a seminar sponsored by the Texas Cotton Association and the Lubbock Cotton Exchange.

Lubbock Cotton Exchange President Manfred Schiefer and Lubbock Mayor Marc McDougal welcomed the group to Lubbock and the High Plains production region.

Seminar topics included a discussion of the High Volume Instrument classification system by International Textile Center Director Dr. Dean Ethridge, and an overview of the High Plains region and other Texas cotton production regions from PCG Executive Vice President Steve Verett.

Current Texas Cotton Association President Peter Wierzbka brought the seminar to a close by providing an overview of the Texas cotton production and marketing chain.

Record yield is \$4 billion boost for West Texas

By ELLIOTT BLACKBURN, Morris News Service

The cotton industry added \$4 billion to the regional economy after a record-setting 2004 harvest, according to estimates from a farming advocacy group.

The money will filter through restaurants and retailers to boost the area economy, but farmers appear to have been more likely to service debt than to invest in new equipment.

"They had a good crop this last time; they made some financial recovery," said Don Ethridge, director of the Cotton Economics Research Institute at Texas Tech. "It sort of increases their willingness to gear up for, hopefully, a better crop year."

More than 4.7 million bales valued at \$1.3 billion were produced last year, according to numbers from the Plains Cotton Growers, which covers a 41-county region on the South Plains. That money is tripled as it is spread out across the local economy, like turning up the water pressure on a sprinkler system, Ethridge said.

"You pump more production in,

you pump more money, if you will, into the system, and the speed increases and the more money you create," Ethridge said.

Most farmers used revenue from 2004 to pay off operating costs and debt service, said Mike Wright, an agricultural loan officer at City Bank. Some producers are upgrading equipment after waiting for years, but getting rid of debt is a high priority, he said.

"It's been very well rounded," Wright said. "A lot of that money is getting back into the community."

Some farmers have had their best earnings in nearly a decade, he said. Cotton prices are still low, and so farmers are being careful, Wright said.

"It's not worth a plug nickel, hardly," he said. "We've got to be careful about going into this crop - we've got to watch our purchases; we don't need to get our debt up too high because we're still in the same thing."

The 2004 yield was not a wind-fall, but was enough to replace

aging trucks and take advantage of expiring programs that credit investment in equipment, said Don Langston, a farmer west of Slide.

"Last year, the price wasn't all that good, but we made up for it in pounds," Langston said of the 2004 yield. "Best I've ever had in 46 years."

"I know a lot of neighbors traded some 10- and 12-year-old planters for some newer ones," Langston said. "Quite a few of them traded in some older tractors."

The high-yield year translated into a moderate increase in equipment sales, said Joe Hurst, general manager of Hurst Farming Supply. "The average age of equipment out here is still pretty old, but we are seeing some sales increase," Hurst said.



Meet the Class of 2017
Aaron is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. His parents are Jesus & Sandra Tafoya. He has two sisters, Jessica and Karina. Aaron's brothers are Jesus Jr., Celio, and Alan. Aaron likes to play video games. His favorite food is a tuna sandwich.

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Maria Francisca Bautista

Funeral services for Maria Francisca Bautista, 66, of Farwell, will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, May 27, 2005, at the Temple of Adoration Church in Friona with Reverend Ruben Rivera officiating. Burial will follow in the Friona Cemetery by Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Mrs. Bautista died on Monday evening, May 23, 2005 at Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. She was

born on December 22, 1938 in Mexico.

A Farwell resident for the past five years, she moved there from Friona, where she had lived for the past 38 years. Maria married Juan R. Bautista, Sr. on August 7, 1956 in Los Fresnos, Texas and was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Juan; four sons, Juan Bautista, Jr. of Idalou, Texas, Pedro Bautista of Amarillo,

Larry Bautista of Los Fresnos, and Frankie Bautista of Farwell; four daughters, Rosa Chavez of Farwell, Maria Chavez of Amarillo, Annabell Bautista of Muleshoe, and Gracie Ortega of Dallas; two sisters, Juana Herrera and Eladaia Bautista both of Los Fresnos; two brothers, Natividad and Isidoro Saldania both of Los Fresnos; 25 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.



MARIA BAUTISTA

William Volley Hodges

William Volley Hodges, 89, passed away on Saturday, May 21, 2005 in Amarillo.

A graveside service was held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 24, 2005 in Llano Cemetery with Reverend Robert Field officiating. Arrangements were by N.S. Griggs & Sons Funeral Directors.

Mr. Hodges was born in Maude, Oklahoma. He served in the U.S. Navy during WWII. Volley lived and farmed in the Lazbuddie and Friona communities for over 50 years. For the previous six and a half years, he had lived in Amarillo.

He was preceded in death by Wilma, his wife of 56 years, on January 1, 2005; one daughter, Tommie Walters; and five sisters.

Survivors include one son, Larry Hodges of Farmington, Arkansas; one daughter, Linda Soffjczuk of Amarillo; six grandchildren, Hank Walters, DeeDee Deeter, Stacie Whately, Lance Frazier, Gary Hodges, and Eddie Joe Hodges; ten great-grandchildren; five sisters; and two brothers.

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County receives May sales tax

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"Last year's tax amnesty program brought in \$256.5 million in sales tax that might not have been collected otherwise from delinquent taxpayers," Strayhorn said. "Adjusting for my successful tax amnesty program, state sales tax revenue in April 2005 increased 3.6 percent compared to April 2004."

May's sales tax allocations to local governments represent March sales that were reported to the Comptroller in April by monthly tax filers, and January, February, and March sales reported to the Comptroller in April by quarterly tax filers.

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation will be made on Friday, June 10.

Parmer County's May 2005 payment totaled \$76,386 broken down as Bovina \$16,434; Farwell \$30,738; and Friona \$29,214. In May 2004, the tax payment total was \$45,185.

Comparing May 2004 to May 2005 tax receipts, Bovina is up 129.85%, Farwell is up 330.55%, and Friona is down -5.44%.

For the year 2005, Parmer County cities have received a total of \$238,566 compared to \$175,924 for the same period last year. For the year, Bovina tax revenue is up 46.07%, Farwell is up 202.30%, and Friona is down -4.25%, for an overall increase of 35.60% for the county.



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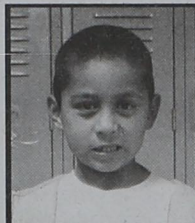


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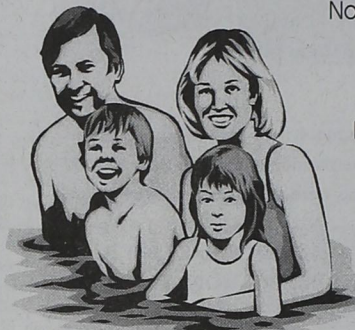
Jose is a kindergarten student at Friona Schools. His mother is Veronica Cabrales. He has one brother, Francisco.

Jose likes to play. His favorite food is milk and cereal. His favorite color is red.

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- 1 TXism: "___" (mean)
- 5 in Starr Co. on 83 cable net covering TX pro sports
- 7 light bluish green
- 8 TXism: "can't ___ the mustard"
- 9 holdings left by rich TXns
- 16 pay attention
- 18 TXism: "___ a hornet's nest"
- 21 TXism: "let ___ rip"
- 22 TXism: "just chewin' and whittlin'"
- 23 Denison-born president, familiarly
- 24 ballroom dance
- 30 TXism: "useless as a ___ sow"
- 34 Liz of TX-based "Giant" (init.)
- 35 TX Larry McMurtrey chicken
- 37 "___ con queso"
- 39 TXism: "attracted like lightning ___ rod"
- 43 one who shapes with an ax
- 44 TX Perot at the naval academy; ___ man
- 45 boot width
- 46 TXism: "It's good for what ___ ya"
- 47 TXism: "lower than a snake's belly in a wheel ___"
- 48 bro's sib
- 50 pronounced "rassle"

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- 1 "that's a bit of ___" (stretch)
- 2 Meridian newspaper: "___ County News"
- 3 participants in Olney's "One-Armed Dove Hunt"
- 4 famed A&M coach
- 9 "is" south of the border
- 10 Marie sang "You're ___ to Me"
- 11 film by Gene in 40-down: "Crimson ___"
- 12 this Guthrie performed at TX
- 13 Willie's Farm Aid III deep ditch
- 14 fashionable resort
- 15 Charley & Guy are ___ creators of TC
- 16 first steamboat on the Rio Grande
- 17 in Childress Co. off 287
- 18 Lyndon B. Johnson National Grass ___
- 19 Hawaiian "howdy"
- 20 this Robb went from Tex to Fla to SF
- 21 pub brew
- 24 state capitol designer ___ Myers
- 25 TX Bush's "Star Wars" (abbr.)
- 26 CB Newman was Cowboys' 1st ___ with Parcels
- 27 instrument played by TX Ginger
- 28 this Bernadette was in "The Jerk" with TX Martin
- 29 Mexican general at Palo Alto battle
- 30 TX Joe ___ Baker
- 31 TX Joe ___ Baker intoxication offense in TX (abbr.)
- 32 ___ pool is nice in January
- 33 Houston & Parton sang "___ Always Love You"
- 34 Gene in "Wyatt Earp" with TX Dennis Quaid (init.)
- 35 TXism: "til Gabriel blows ___ horn"
- 36 actress Page of TX-filmed "A Trip to Bountiful"
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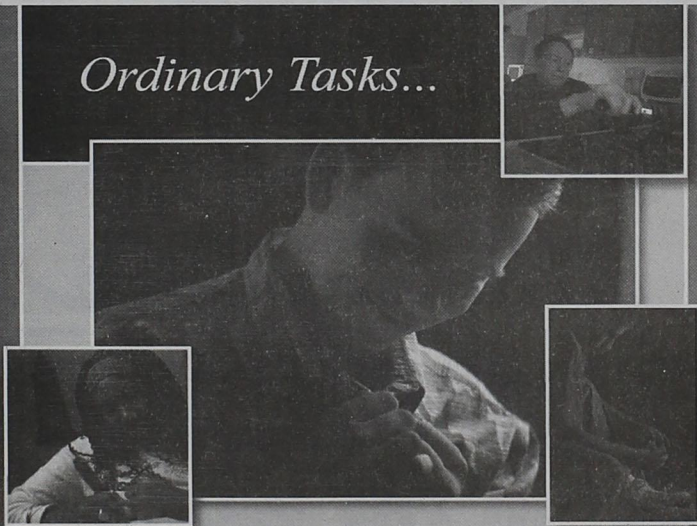


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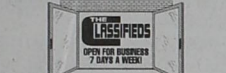
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DEPARTMENT AWARDS

English: Lucinda Rios; Math: Misty Adams; Science: Matt Gammon; Social Studies: Andrea Gerles; Foreign Language: Lupe Estrada; Family & Consumer Science: Crystal Prieto; FCSCP: Michael Saiz; MOCT: Chris Carrillo; Business: Laura Rosas; Computer: Tyler Jameson; Industrial Tech: Jessie DeLaCruz; Voc. Agriculture: Richard London; Art: Pamela Sanchez; Mechanical Skills: Gerardo Gonzalez; Speech: Pedro Ramos; Drama: Juan Carlos Silva; Choir: Meghan Hendrickson; Band: David Davila.

SCHOLARSHIPS

WTAMU Scholarships: Britany Anthony, Department of Music & Dance; Ramiro Alaniz, Franklin Endowed; Chance Barrett, Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo; Kristin Butman, Residential Hall; Matt Gammon, Bennie & Donald Vittrup and C.J. "Red" Davidson; Luci Rios, Leon Trekel and Meek Lane Doss; and Trey Widner, Tuition Assistance.

Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship: Andrea Gerles.

Southwestern College: Shanel Patterson, Academic Scholarship, Activity Scholarship, Southwestern Legacy Grant, and Roy L. Smith Endowment Award.

West Texas Rural Telephone Scholarship: Britany Anthony.

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Sarah and Dustin Campbell Memorial: Jeremy Campbell, \$500; Knights of Columbus: Eduardo Godoy, \$100; Service Learning-Boy: Kyle Jamerson, \$500; Service Learning-Girl: Maegan Ingram, \$500; Raymond Cook: Kristin Butman, \$500; First National: Eduardo Godoy, \$100;

Also, Friona Wheat Growers: Brenda Murphree, \$500; Prairie Insurance: Chad Hutson, \$100; Slagle Memorial: Juan Carlos Silva, \$250 and Chad Hutson,

\$250; Lilah Gee; Shanel Patterson, \$500; Paco Feed: Will Hughs, \$200 and David Mendez, \$200; Kendrick Oil: Derek Fairweather, \$500;

Also, J.P. Simms: Jeremy Campbell, \$1,500; Brittany Anthony, \$1,500; Richard London, \$1,500; Luci Rios, \$1,500; and David Davila, \$1,500; Delores Jubay Memorial (former teacher): Misty Adams, \$500;

Also, Friona Country Club: Chance Barrett, \$100; Jack Hamil Memorial: Tyler Jameson, \$500; FTO: Matt Gammon, \$500 and Andrea Gerles, \$500; Bi-Wize Pharmacy: Lupe Estrada, \$500; Friona Evenings Lions Club: Erandy Lara, \$500; High Plains Dairy: Laura Rosas, \$250;

AWARDS

NSDAR Good Citizen Award: Andrea Gerles.

U.I.L. Scholar Awards (top 11% of Senior Class & Participated in a U.I.L. Event): Misty Adams, Andrea Gerles, Brenda Murphree, Tyler Jameson, Guadalupe Estrada, Kristin Butman, Erandy Lara, Lucinda Rios, Trisha Winebrinner, and Matt Gammon.

President's Education Awards (100-Grade Average for 7 Semesters; 85% Standardized Achievement Test): Andrea Gerles, Misty Adams, Tyler Jameson, Kristin Butman, Matt Gammon, Laura Rosas, Eduardo Godoy, Chad Hutson, and Trey Widner.

Highest Scholastic Average for 2004-05: Girl, Andrea Gerles; Boy, Tyler Jameson.

Top Ten Seniors: Misty Adams, Valectorian; Andrea Gerles, Salutatorian; Brenda Murphree; Tyler Jameson; Guadalupe Estrada; Kristin

Butman; Erandy Lara; Lucinda Rios; Trisha Winebrinner; and Matt Gammon.

Girls State: Morgan Leal. Boys State: Kelby Monroe.

ACADEMIC AWARDS

9th Grade: Emily Allen, 90 or Above, FCCLA State & National Qualifier, FFA Area Qualifier; Erin Anthony, 90 or Above; Morgan Anthony, 90 or Above; Erin Austin, 90 or Above, FCCLA State & National Qualifier, FFA Area Qualifier, Area OAP; Sabrina Barber, 90 or Above, Perfect Attendance;

Also, Briar Barnett, 90 or Above; Stephanie Barber, Perfect Attendance; Michael Boyd, 90 or Above; Justin Bridges, FFA Area Qualifier; Jordan Carr, 90 or Above, UIL Band State Qualifier; Miranda Frye, 90 or Above; Monica Garcia, 90 or Above; Yvette Garcia, 90 or Above;

Ryan Gerles, 90 or Above, Area OAP; Perla Guerrero, 90 or Above; Alex Gurley, 90 or Above, Perfect Attendance; Hollis Gurley, 90 or Above, UIL Regional Academic Qualifier, UIL Band State Qualifier; Christian Haile, 90 or Above, Area OAP; Brooke Herbert, 90 or Above, FCCLA State Qualifier, UIL Choir Solo State Qualifier;

Also, Trent Hudson, 90 or Above; Lauren Hughs, 90 or Above, UIL Regional Academic Qualifier, UIL Band Solo & Ensemble State Qualifier, Perfect Attendance; Ashley Ingram, FCCLA State Qualifier; Deirdre Johnston, 90 or Above, UIL Choir Solo State Qualifier, UIL Band State Qualifier;

Also, Eric Mendoza, 90 or Above; JoAnn Mendoza, 90 or Above; Casey Merritt, FFA Area Qualifier, State Industrial Arts; Tyler Miller, FFA Area Qualifier; Jordan Monroe, 90 or Above, FFA Area Qualifier; Eric North, 90 or Above; Dulce Ortoigo, 90 or Above; Adrienne Osborn, 90 or Above;

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10th Grade: Brenda Acosta, 90 or Above, UIL Band Solo & Ensemble State Qualifier; Courtney Adams, 90 or Above; Connie Amezcua, 90 or Above; Kathy Anthony, 90 or Above, UIL Band Solo & Ensemble State Qualifier; All-Area Band, Perfect Attendance;

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Also, Allison Jones, 90 or Above, FCCLA State Qualifier, Area OAP, UIL Choir Solo & Ensemble State Qualifier; Chance Lewellen, 90 or Above, Area OAP, State Industrial Arts; Sean Lookingbill, 90 or Above, State Industrial Arts; Edgar Macias, Perfect Attendance; Caleb Miller, 90 or Above, State Industrial Arts;

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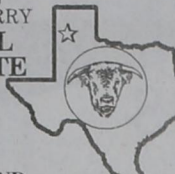
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**70 Yrs. Ago
June 7, 1935**

Much of the news due to appear in the Friona Star today does not appear because a first class mail sack was stolen from the Santa Fe station in Panhandle Tuesday night, which contained letters from Friona with news and advertisements, as well as hundreds of other pieces of mail. The mail pouch, according to bank officials, contained a large number of checks for panhandle banks.

**55 Yrs. Ago
May 28, 1950**

The Friona substation of the Southwestern Public Service Company, has been completed and is ready for operation, C.D. Hardesty, dis-

trict manager for the Southwestern Public Service Company, announced this week. The installation of a new voltage regulator completed the project, Mr. Hardesty added.

**45 Yrs. Ago
May 19, 1960**

The preliminary census at 1,032—far below many expectations but only slightly under the estimate of city officials.

**40 Yrs. Ago
June 3, 1965**

Open House for the new \$100,000 addition to Parmer County Community Hospital in Friona will be held from 2-5 p.m. Sunday.

**25 Yrs. Ago
June 22, 1980**

The first load of wheat was delivered to Friona Wheat Growers on Monday, June 16, by Ernest Osborn. The first load of barley had been brought to the elevator by Merle Massie on Thursday, June 12.

**20 Yrs. Ago
May 29, 1985**

A pair of first cousins are the top two graduates in Bovina's class of 1985. Misti Boozer is the class salutatorian and Casey Riddle is the valedictorian. Less than .2 of a point separated the two in the grade averages.



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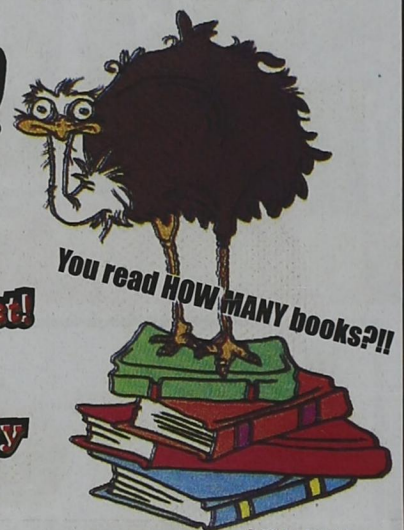
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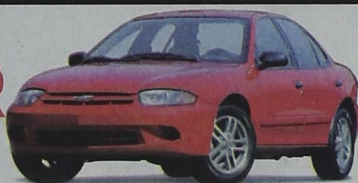
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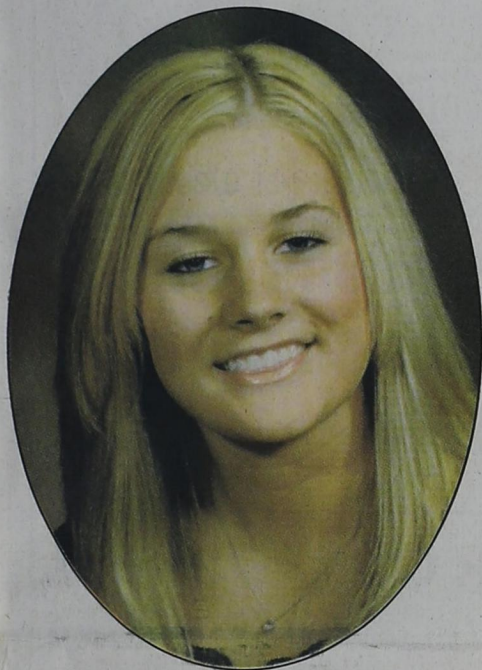
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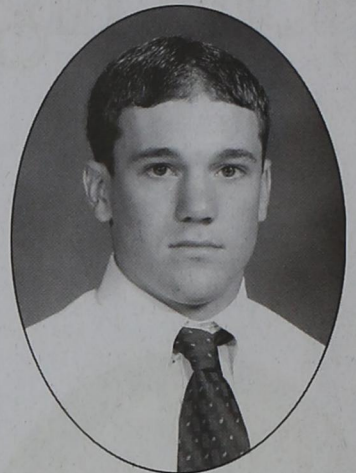
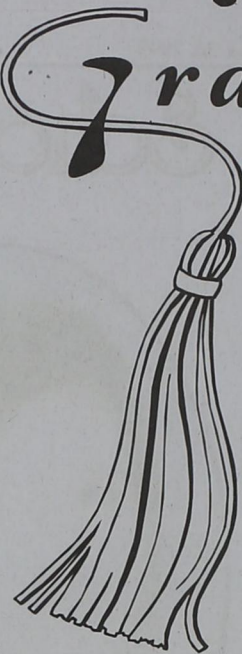


TOP TWO scholastic students for the 2004-05 school year were Tyler Jameson and Andrea Geris. dana d jameson photo



THE TOP ten graduates for the Class of 2005 were, clockwise from left: Trisha Winebrinner, Misty Adams, Erandy Lara, Guadalupe Estrada, Lucy Rios, Andrea Geris, Brenda Murphree, Kristin Butman. The boys in the middle are, l-r, Matt Gammon and Tyler Jameson. dana d jameson photo

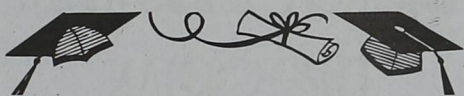
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THE 2005 PROM King & Queen are Trisha Winebrinner and Rudy Gonzalez. dana d jameson photo

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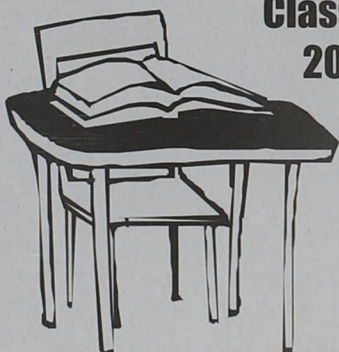
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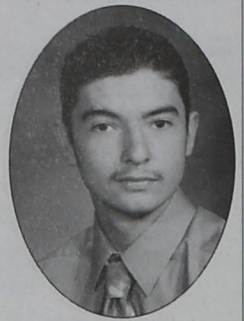
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Misty Adams

MISTY ADAMS is the 18-year-old daughter of Tim and Shonda Adams. She plans to attend Midwestern State University. Misty's accomplishments include All-District Basketball Defensive Team 2005, Who's Who Among High School Student's, 90 and above for four years, FCCLA state and nationals, Area One Act Play, and President of FCCLA. She was member of FCCLA for four years, FFA for one year, Thespians for two years, Spanish Club for two years, NHS for three years, and Science Club for one year.



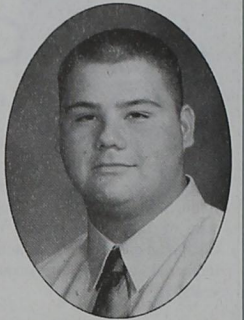
Ramiro Alaniz

RAMIRO ALANIZ (RAMEY) is the 17-year-old son of Ramiro and Lisa Alaniz. He plans to attend West Texas A&M University. His achievements include Basketball King, 90 and above, and Tennis Regional qualifier. He was also a member of the Spanish Club for one year, DECA for one year, and Band for three years.

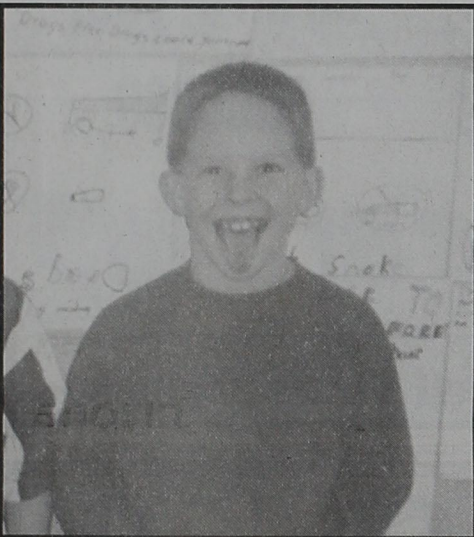


Brittany Anthony

BRITTANY DIANE ANTHONY is the 18-year-old daughter of Mark and Belinda Anthony. She plans to attend West Texas A&M University and major in Music Education. Brittany's achievements while attending FHS include perfect attendance (since 2nd grade), 90 and above, Music department award, 1st Division State Solo, 3rd Division State Ensemble, 1st Chair in the region, State Parliamentary participant, District One Act Play participant, class officer (secretary/treasurer), drum major, vice president of the FCCLA Parliamentary team, vice president in 4-H, and One Act Play cast member. Brittany was also a member of the band for four years, FCCLA for four years, Thespians for three years, Spanish Club for three years, Student Council for three years, Choir for one year, Class Officer for two years, Lions Club Sweetheart for one year, and 4-H for two years.



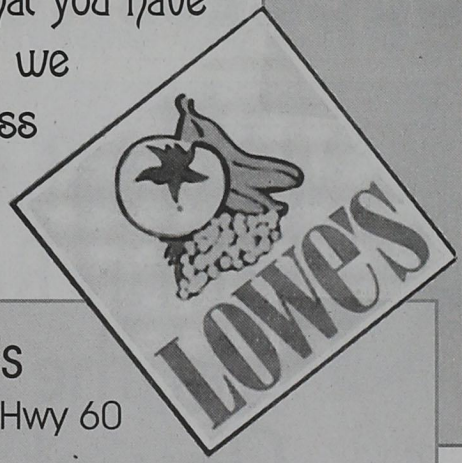
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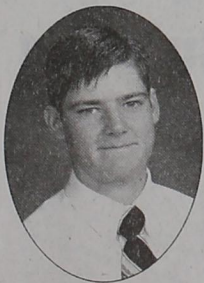


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Will Hughs



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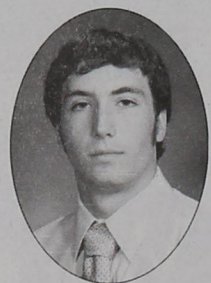
Katy Welch



Brittany Anthony



Brenda Murphree



Matt Gammon

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Chance Barrett

CHANCE BARRETT is the 18-year-old daughter of Angie Barrett. She plans on attending Texas A&M University. She was on the AB Honor Roll for four years, was Regional qualifier in Golf for both individual and team for four years, she was Best All-Around golfer for four years. Chance was in FFA for four years and held the offices of Chapter secretary and Chapter advisor. She also participated in Thespians for one year, Spanish Club for one year, Science Club for one year and was Student President in Woodworking for one year.

Kristin Butman

KRISTIN BUTMAN is the 18-year-old daughter of Jerry and Cindy Butman. She plans to attend West Texas A&M University and major in Food and Nutrition. Kristin's achievements include FCCLA Vice President, National Honor Society Social Chairman, Forensics Vice President, and Student Council Treasurer. She was a member of FCCLA for two years, Thespians for two years, Spanish Club for one year, NHS for three years, Forensics for four years, Student Council for three years, Science Club for two years, and ECP for two years.



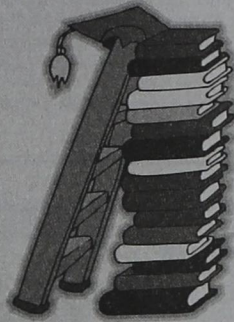
Jeremy Campbell

JEREMY CAMPBELL is the 18-year-old son of Randy and Deborah Campbell. He plans to attend Wyotech in Laramie Wyoming and major in Diesel Mechanics. Jeremy's achievements include several Best in State awards in Industrial Arts, FFA awards including a Letter Jacket for Junior Chapter Conductor, Top 10 in TCPA honors in the state of Texas, and several Grand Champion and Breed Champion awards. He was a member of FFA for four years, Industrial Arts for four years, and played Golf for three years.



Jennifer Cardenas

JENNIFER CARDENAS is the 18-year-old daughter of Janie Cardenas. She plans to attend WT or SPC. Jennifer was a member of the NHS for three years and played Basketball her freshman and sophomore years.



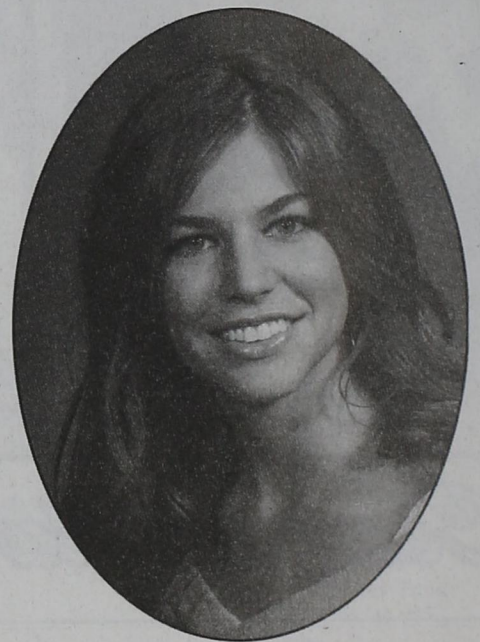
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Class of 2005
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endeavors



Kristin Butman

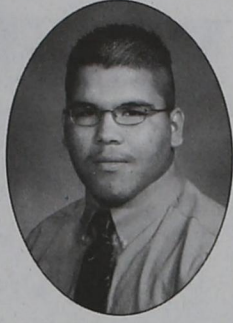
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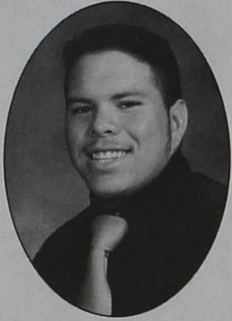
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Pedro Carrasco



PETER CARRASCO is the son of Pedro and Juanita Carrasco. He plans to work at Hi-Pro for a year and then attend Southwest Tech School in Kansas. Peter took Woodworking for four years.

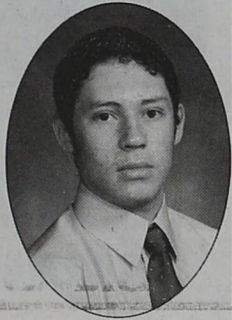


Christopher Carrillo

CHRISTOPHER CARRILLO, JR. is the 18-year-old son of Chris and Tina Carrillo. He plans to attend college. Christopher received honorable mention center in Football and was a regional qualifier in Track. He was a member of the Band for four years and DECA for one year.

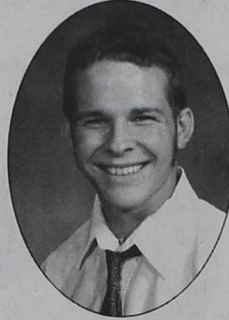


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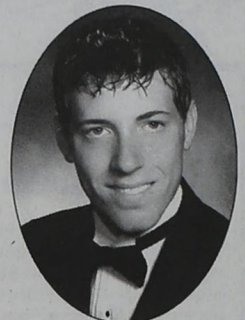


WILLY CASTILLO is the 18-year-old son of Maria and Juan Castillo. He plans to attend Amarillo College. Willy participated in Football for four years, Basketball for three years, and Track for two years.

We Salute the Class of 2005 and these special graduates in honor of our DSEC board member Clarence Martin

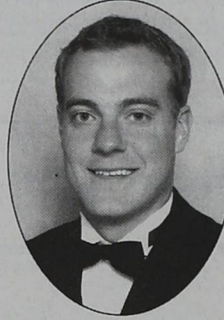


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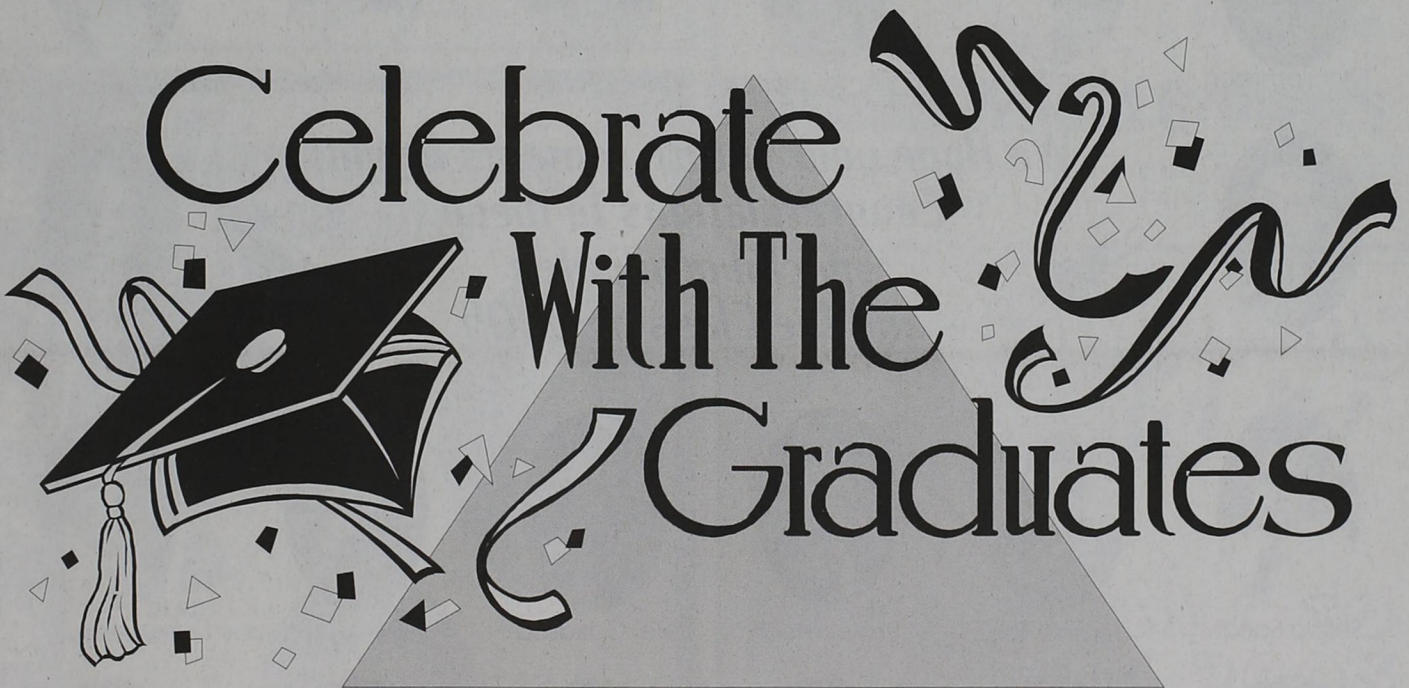
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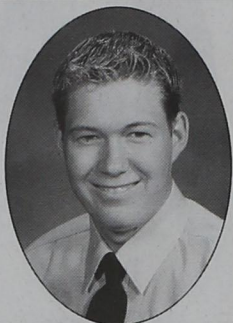


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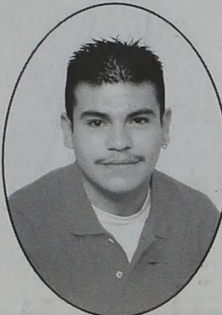
Thomas Cook

TOMAS COOK is the 19-year-old son of Thomas and Sheryl Cook. He plans to attend UTI and get his electrical apprenticeship. Thomas received a Mechanic Award, was a member of the Spanish Club for one year, Thespians for one year, and FFA for one year. He also played Football for three years.



Tommy Cruz

TOMMY CRUZ is the 18-year-old son of Tomasa Cruz and Inocencio Cruz. He plans to join the Marine Reserve and attend Amarillo College Law Enforcement. Tommy played Football in his freshmen and sophomore years.



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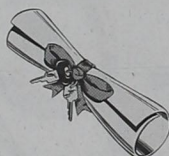
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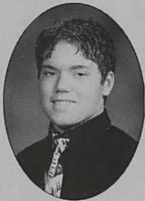
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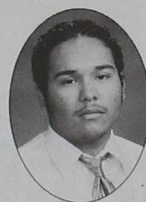
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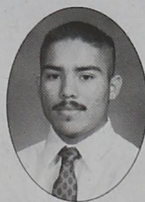
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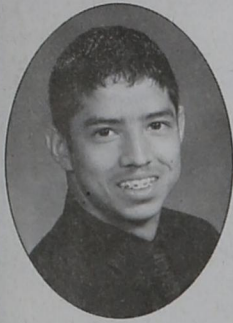


Chance Barrett



Thomas Cook

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David Davila

DAVID DAVILA is the 17-year-old son of David and Beth Davila. He plans to attend West Texas A&M. David's achievements include 1st Team All-District Football secondary in his junior year, 2nd team All-District Football secondary in his senior year, Regional Qualifier in Track in the 800m, and won State Solo/Ensemble Contest for three years. David was also a Band Member for four years, participated in Football and Track for four years.



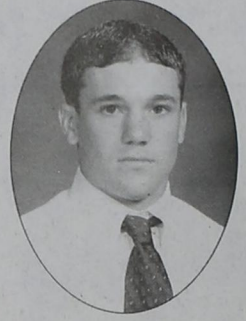
Perla Derma

PERLA DERMA is the 19-year-old daughter of Francisco Derma and Golla Lujan. Perla was a member of the Spanish Club.



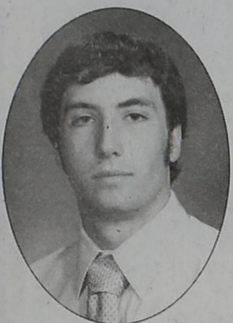
Guadalupe Estrada

LUPE ESTRADA is the 18-year-old daughter of Remedios and Elva Estrada. She plans to attend Amarillo College (unknown major). Her achievements while attending FHS include Female Highest Scholastic Average in 2003-2004-97.71, 90 and above for four years, NHS for three years, Spanish Club for three years, Annual Staff for two years, FCCLA for three years, Choir for two years, and Band for three years. Lupe also played Tennis her freshman year.



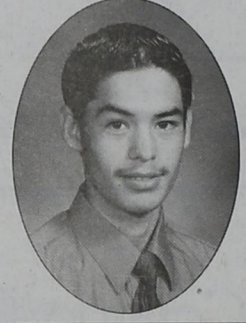
Derek Fairweather

DEREK FAIRWEATHER is the 18-year-old son of Alan and Brenda Fairweather. He plans to attend college at San Angelo. Derek received honorable mention all-district quarterback and 2nd team all-district pitcher. He played Football for four years and Baseball for three years. He was also a member of FFA for one year and NHS for four years.



Matthew Gammon

MATT GAMMON is the 18-year-old son of Mark and Tammy Gammon. He plans to attend West Texas A&M University and major in Mechanical Engineering. He was a member of FFA for two years, NHS for three years, Science Club for two years, and Student Council for one year. Matt's achievements include Junior Class Officer and UIL Science team, senior year, Pantex Science Award. He also played Football for four years receiving academic all-state honorable mention his senior year, Basketball for four years, Tennis for four years receiving district double championship for two years, and Cross Country for one year and was a regional team qualifier.



Artemio Garcia

ARTEMIO GARCIA is the 18-year-old son of Juan and Gaudencia Garcia. He plans to attend Amarillo College. Artemio's achievements include UIL area marching in his freshman year, 90 and above for four years, perfect attendance for two years, NHS for two years, and 2003/2004 Woodworking state. He was a member of the Band for four years and the Spanish Club for three years.



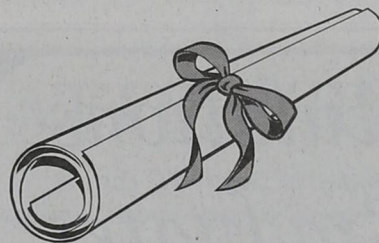
Andrea Gerles

ANDREA GERLES is the 17-year-old daughter of Randy and Sarah Gerles. She plans to attend Angelo State and major in Journalism/Communications. Andrea's achievements include TABC Academic All state, All-District team in Basketball, Girls State Delegate, DAR Good Citizen Award, OAP All-Star cast, TSA State participant, a Regional Tennis Qualifier, a Regional Track Qualifier, 90 and above, Basketball Queen, Regional UIL, Class Officer for four years-Vice President senior year, Student Council President, Co-Editor on Annual Staff, NHS President, and Thespians officer/reporter. She was a member of FCCLA for two years, NHS for two years, Student Council for four years, Science Club for two years, FCA for four years, and OAP for one year.

We Salute your achievements and wish you continuing success



Kristin Butman



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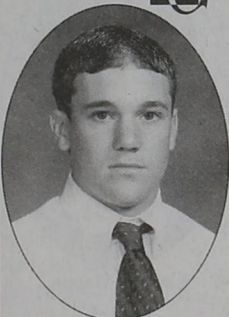
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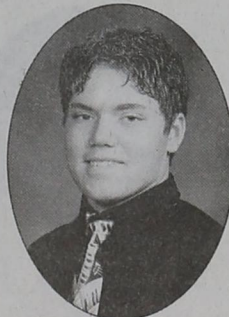


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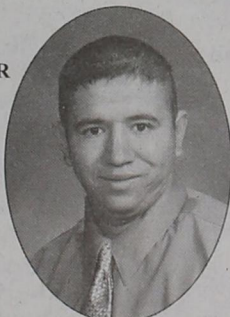
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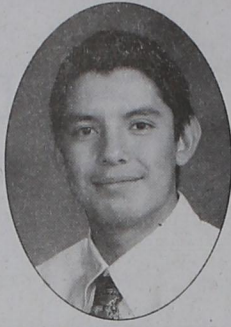
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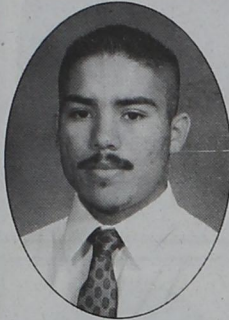
Eduardo Godoy

EDUARDO GODOY is the 17-year-old son of Salvador Godoy and Maclovia Godoy. He plans to attend West Texas A&M University. Eduardo's accomplishments include first team 2004 All-District Football defensive end, second team 2003 All-District Football defensive end, and 2005 Powerlifting Regional qualifier. He was also a member of the Spanish Club for one year.



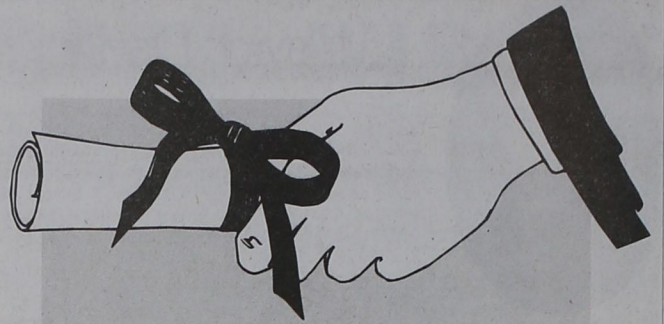
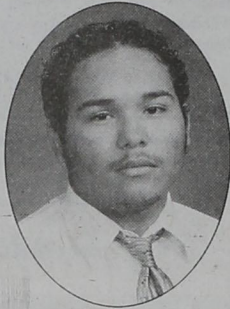
Bobby Gonzalez

BO BOBBY GONZALEZ is the 18-year-old son of Ramon and Josephina Gonzalez. He plans to attend college. Bo was a member of the Thespians, the Spanish Club, the NHS, and U/4 Rudy Car Club. He played varsity Football, Track, Soccer, and Mrs. Osborn's track.

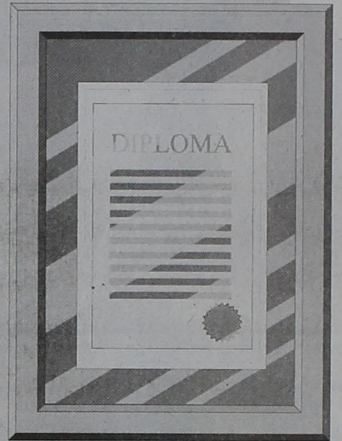


Gerardo Gonzalez

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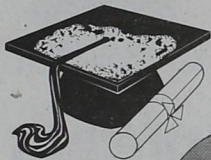
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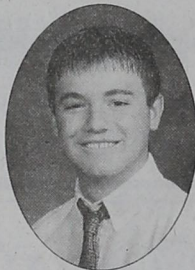
We Wish you a very bright future

Friona Feedyard

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Andrea Gerries



Chad Hutson



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Matt Gammon

You've made our community proud,
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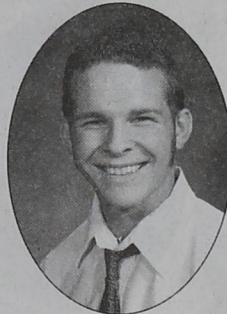
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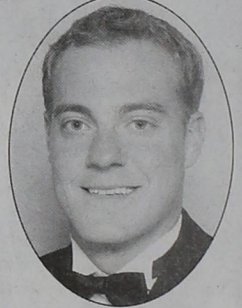
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Landon Martin



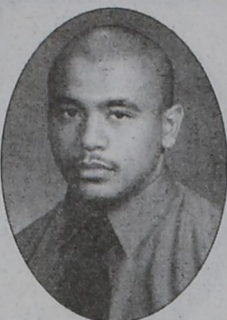
Amber Smock

A MOMENT TO REFLECT...As you take one last trip through the hallowed halls of your alma mater, stop for a moment and reflect with pride all that you've accomplished here. We would like to wish every graduate the best of luck. Our Friona High School graduates are Amber Smock, Jeremy Campbell, Trey Widner, and our Texas Tech graduates are Tisha Brown & Landon Martin.

Calvary Baptist Church

Rudy Gonzalez

RUDY GONZALEZ is the 18-year-old son of Martha and Rodolfo Gonzalez. He plans to attend Amarillo College to begin studies as a Radiologist. Rudy's accomplishments include 2004 Fighting Heart Award and 2004-2005 Basketball All-District defensive season. He participated in Football for four years, Basketball for four years, and Track for three years. Rudy was also a member of DECA for one year and the Spanish Club for one year.

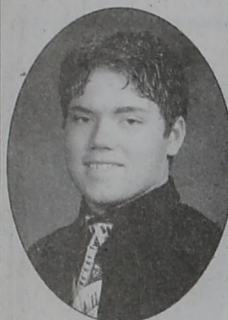


Alyssa Hernandez



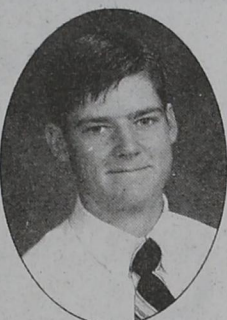
Jacob Hoon

JACOB DANIEL HOON is the 18-year-old son of Daniel Hoon and Rhonda Hoon. He plans to attend San Angelo University. Jacob's achievements while attending FHS include 1st team all-district in Football his senior year, 2nd team all-district in Baseball his sophomore year and honorable mention his junior year. He was also a member of the Spanish Club for one year, the Science Club for one year, and Choir for one year.



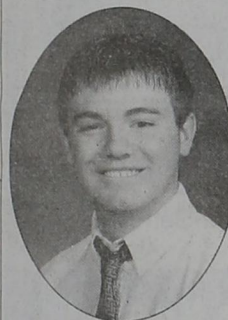
Will Hughs

WILL HUGHS is the 18-year-old son of Feller and Teena Hughs. He plans to attend Sul Ross State University where he will major in Business and minor in Animal Science. Will was a member of the Spanish Club for one year, the Science Club for one year, FFA for four years, and served as FFA Treasurer in his senior year. He was a member of the FFA Parliamentary Procedure team in his freshman and senior years where he placed 2nd and qualified for Area both years and a member of the FFA Judging teams in his sophomore and junior years. He played Basketball in his junior and senior years, Tennis in his freshman and sophomore years, and showed lambs and pigs in his freshman and senior years. Will is a member of the Friona United Methodist Church and Secretary of the church Youth Group.



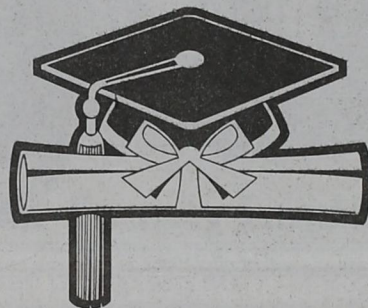
Chad Hutson

CHAD HUTSON is the 18-year-old son of Mike and Lynn Hutson. He plans to attend West Texas A&M University. Chad was Tennis District Champion and participated in Athletics for four years. He was also a member of Thespians for four years, Annual Staff for two years, and Science Club for one year.



GOOD GOING, GRADS!

The Class of 2005 is a wonderful group of young adults. We want to congratulate all of them for their accomplishments.



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Randy Thomas, Manager

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HERE'S TO YOU,

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Adam Avalos
Chance Barrett
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Chris Carrillo
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David Davila
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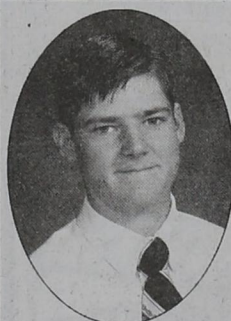
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Denise Perez
Crystal Prieto
Yvonne Ramos

Freddy Reyes
Luci Rios
Robert Rocha
Geraldo Rosas
Sergio Saenz
Michael Saiz
Ruben Salazar
Pamela Sanchez
Rojelio Sanchez
David Tafoya
Francisco Tafoya
Jose Torres

Our Sincere Best Wishes



St. Teresa's Catholic Church



WILL HUGHS



MAEGAN INGRAM



**TODAY'S GRADUATES
TOMORROW'S LEADERS**

As you celebrate graduation, remember the hard work and dedication it took to get where you are. The future is sure to hold many challenges, but you've proven that you're willing and able to meet them.

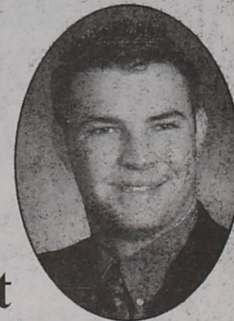
We're proud of our graduates-
Will Hughs, Maegan Ingram,
Shanel Patterson and John Schueler.



SHANEL PATTERSON



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JOHN SCHUELER
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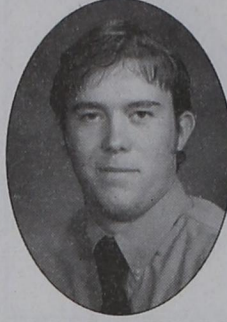
Maegan Ingram

MAEGAN J'MAY INGRAM is the 18-year-old daughter of John and Beverly Ingram. She plans to attend Angelo State University. Maegan's achievements include Student of the Year, Cheerleading Captain, All American Cheerleader Nominee, FCCLA Vice President, National Honor Society Treasurer, and Forensics Secretary/Treasurer. She was a member of FCCLA for four years, FFA for four years, Spanish Club for two years, NHS for three years, Forensics for four years, TSA for one year, ECP for two years, and Cheerleading for three years.



Kyle Jamerson

KYLE LAWRENCE JAMERSON is the 18-year-old son of Ken and Tracy Jamerson. He plans to attend South Plains University for years then transfer to Texas Tech to attain his degree in Business. Kyle currently has acquired his private pilots license and plans to pursue a career in commercial aviation. Kyle was a straight "A" student.



Tyler Jameson

TYLER JAMESON is the 18-year-old son of Coy Jameson and Dana Jameson. He plans to attend Amarillo College and earn a certificate in Graphical Design. Tyler attended Friona Schools for 12 years and his achievements while attending include State Qualifier in Woodworking for two years, Assistant Athletic Trainer for two years, Yearbook senior editor for one year, Honor Roll for four years, NHS for three years, TCU Trainers Camp certification, Advance Placement classes for five years, created the 2004-2005 Yearbook cover and received Best In State, Computer department award in his junior and senior year, Who's Who Among American High School Students for three years, National Honor Roll for two years, created Prom 2005 slide show, senior year TSA state he won three Best In State awards, four 1st place awards and two 2nd place awards. He also played J.V. Baseball and Football for one year. Tyler's favorite color is blue; his hobbies are reading and listening to music; and his favorite class is Yearbook.



Kristi Lanier

KRISTI LANIER is the 18-year-old daughter of Jerry and Patricia Lanier. She plans to attend Eastern New Mexico University. Kristi attended State FCCLA Parliamentary in her junior and senior years, a member of the band for four years, FCCLA for two years, and the Color Guard for one year. Kristi is also a member of the Sixth Street Church of Christ.



Erandy Lara

ERANDY LARA is the 18-year-old daughter of Juan Manuel and Margarita Lara. While attending FHS Erandy achieved 90 and above all four years. She was a member of the Band for two years, FCCLA for three years, Annual Staff for one year, Spanish Club of three years, and NHS for three years.



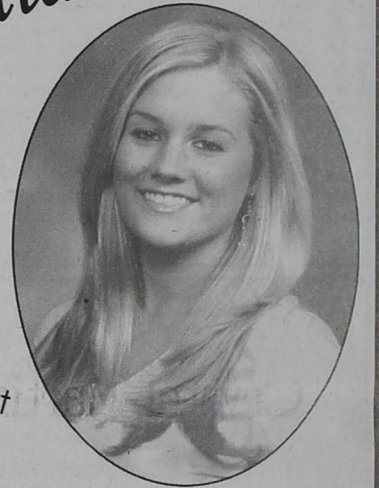
Richard London

RICHARD LONDON is the 18-year-old grandson of Richard and Peggy London. He plans to attend college. Richard participated in FFA for three years and served as FFA Reporter.



Congratulations

We want to thank Andrea Geries for serving as our Club Sweetheart this past year.



Andrea Geries

**Friona Noon
Lions Club**

Congratulations, Graduates!

**Best Wishes to the
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God Bless You All!**

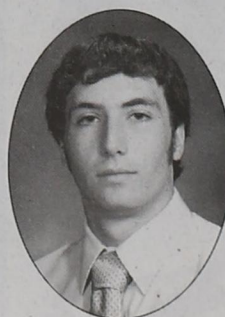
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Congratulations You did it!

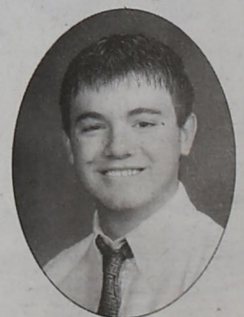
Graduating is a big accomplishment. We have three very special graduating members of our congregation.



Kristi Lanier



Matt Gammon

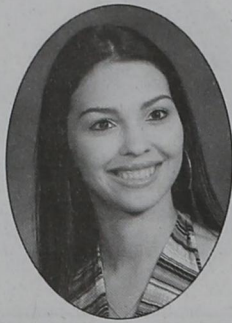


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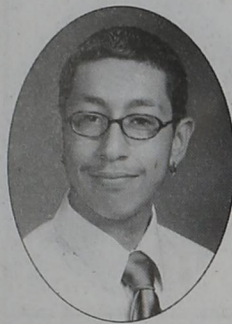
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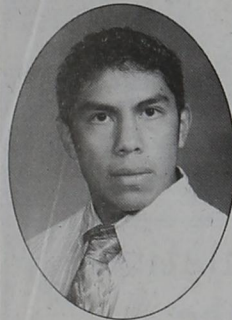
FRANKY MARTA is the 17-year-old son of Francisco and Graciela Marta. He plans to attend Indianapolis College and study Auto and Collision. Franky earned a BCIS Honor and participated in Athletics including Baseball.



Crystal Martinez

CRYSTAL MARTINEZ is the 17-year-old daughter of Rachel and Philip Martinez. Crystal plans to attend Clovis Community College or South Plains in Levelland.

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David Mendez

DAVID MENDEZ is the 19-year-old son of Lazaro and Edelmira Mendez. He plans to attend Sul Ross State University. David played Football for four years, Basketball for two years, Track for three years, and took Powerlifting for two years where he took 5th place in regionals.



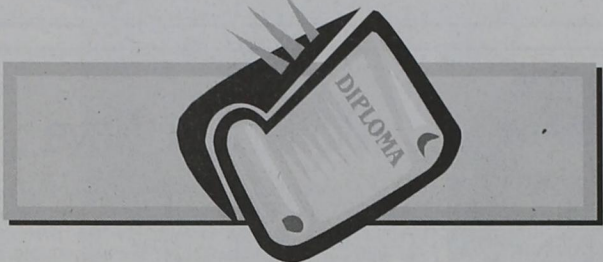
Amanda Mendoza



Jennifer Mills

JENNIFER MILLS is the 18-year-old daughter of Olga Mills and Ernest Mills. She plans to attend college to become an X-ray Technician. Jennifer was a Band member for two years.

WE CONGRATULATE ALL 2005 FRIONA GRADUATES ON A JOB WELL DONE!



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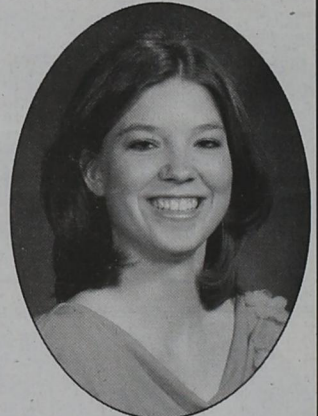
ALL THE BEST TO THE CLASS OF 2005



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GRADUATE Congratulations Misty! Good luck in all your future Endeavors



Misty Adams

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Brenda Murphree

BRENDA MURPHREE is the 18-year-old daughter of Jim and Rhonda Murphree. She plans to attend Southern Nazarene University. Brenda's achievements include honorable mention All-District Basketball her senior year, Tennis Regional qualifier her junior and senior years, 90 and above for all four years, senior class president and junior class secretary. She was member of FCCLA for one year, Spanish Club for two years, NHS for three years; Student Council for four years, Choir for one year, Science Club for two years. She also played Tennis and Basketball for four years.



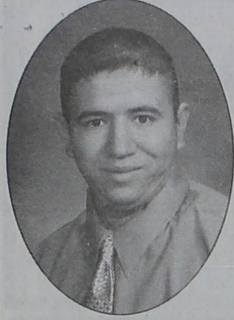
Shanel Patterson

SHANEL PATTERSON is the 18-year-old daughter of Steve and Sabra Patterson. She plans to attend Southwestern Methodist College in Winfield, Kansas-BSN, Discipleship Team and Keynotes Praise Team. Shanel's accomplishments include All-District Golf, All-Region Tennis, freshman/warrior, senior/Chieftain mascot, FCCLA State Qualifier for two years, Choir State Qualifier for one year, FCCLA president, Student Council class representative, and 461 service learning hours. She was a member of Band for three years, FCCLA for two years, Thespians for three years, Student Council for one year and Choir for one year.



Jonathan Nava

JONATHAN NAVA is the 19-year-old son of Jesus and Mary Nava. He plans to attend Eastern New Mexico University. Jonathan's achievements include Honorable Mention-senior year Basketball and first team All-District first base-senior year Baseball. He played Football for three years, Basketball and Baseball for four years.



Denise Perez



Crystal Prieto

CRYSTAL PRIETO is the 18-year-old daughter of Manuel and Lupe Prieto. She plans to attend Clovis Community College. Crystal was a member of FCCLA for two years and ECP for two years.



Yvonne Ramos

YVONNE RAMOS is the 18-year-old daughter of Bruce and Valerie Ramos. She plans to attend Amarillo College to become a certified phlebotomist and continue school to become an x-ray technician. Yvonne played Basketball and ran Track in her freshman and sophomore years, was a Cheerleader in her junior year, and second in state in FCCLA for the parliamentary team in her junior year.



GRADUATION DAY WISHES

May all the days ahead of this year's graduating class be filled with success and happiness

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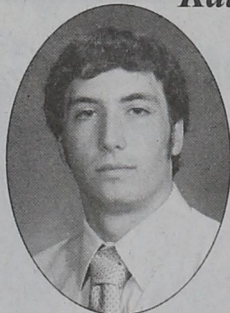
Good Luck Ang!

TO OUR GRADUATES

Friona Farmers Co-Op Gin would like to recognize three special graduates-Kristin Butman, Matt Gammon and Katy Welch.



KRISTIN BUTMAN



MATT GAMMON



KATY WELCH



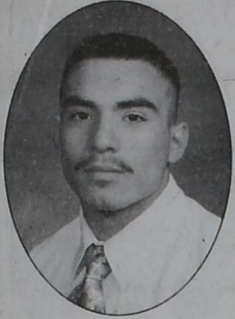
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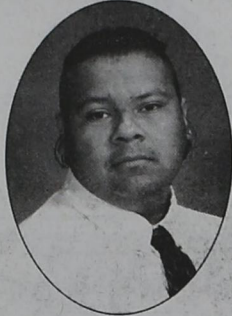
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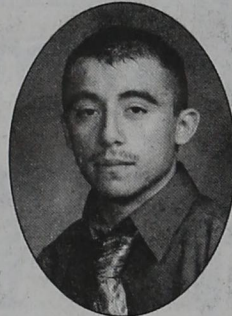
Robert Rocha

ROBERT ROCHA is the 18-year-old son of Lupe Martinez and Jose L. Rocha. He plans to seek employment after graduation. Robert was a Band member for eight years and played trumpet for six years and baritone for two years.



Laura Rosas

LAURA CRYSTAL ROSAS is the 18-year-old daughter of Sammy and Maria Rosas. She plans to attend Lubbock Christian University. She was a member of the Band for three years, the NHS for two years, Choir for one year, Science Club for one year and played Tennis for two years. While attending FHS, Laura achieved the honors of 90 and above and UIL State Solo & Ensemble her sophomore and junior years.



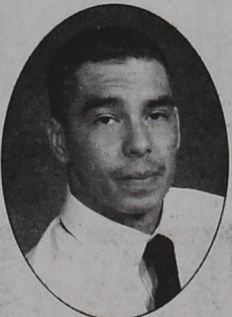
Michael Saiz

MICHAEL ANTHONY SAIZ is the 18-year-old son of Daniel and Jovita Saiz. He plans to attend Full Sail, a Tech School for Music Production, in Florida. Michael participated in Football for two years, Golf for three years, and Baseball for one year. He was also a member of FCCLA for one year, Band for one year, and Choir for one year.



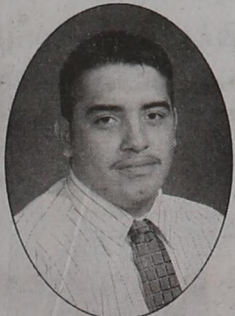
Lucinda Rios

LUCI RIOS is the 18-year-old daughter of Norma Mata. She plans to attend WTAMU. Luci was a member of the Band for four years, FCCLA for one year, Annual Staff for one year, Spanish Club for one year, NHS for three years, and Art Club for one year. She was also NHS Vice President and Art Club President.



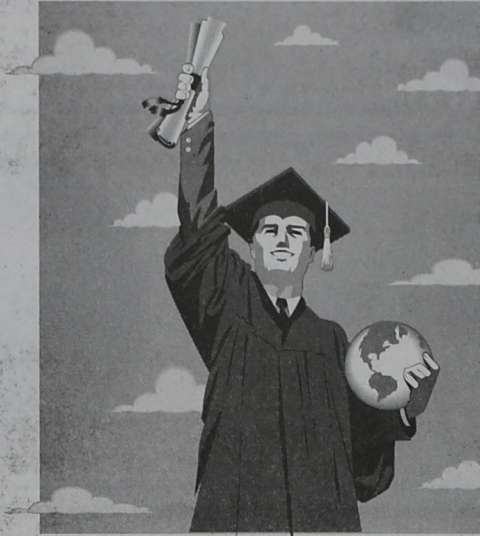
Fermin Rosas

FERMIN GERALDO ROSAS is the son of Fermin and Irene Rosas. He plans to attend Amarillo College and major in Automotive Technology. Fermin has attended Friona schools for 12 years and was a member of the Friona Chieftains Football team and the Spanish Club. He is actively involved in the Catholic youth and enjoys working on vehicles and playing X-Box.

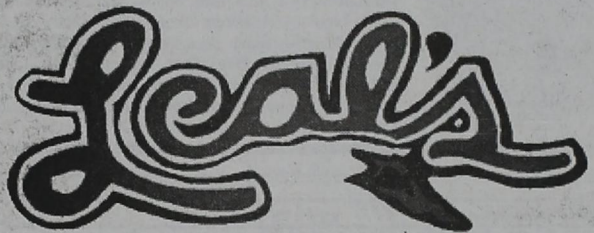


Sergio Saenz

Congratulations 2005 FHS Graduates



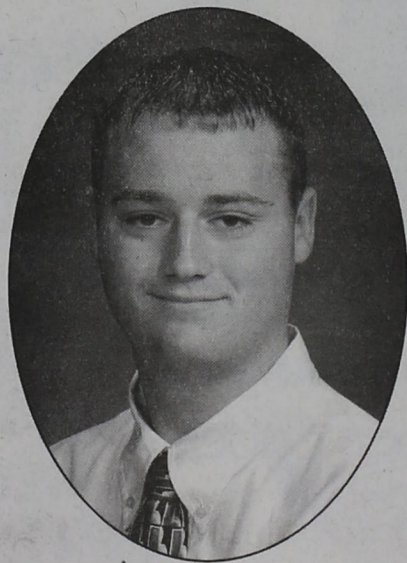
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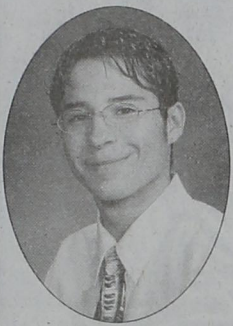




Ruben Salazar



Pamela Sanchez



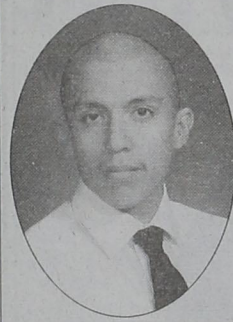
Juan Silva

JUAN CARLOS SILVA is the 18-year-old son of Aurelio and Cynthia Silva. He plans to attend Amarillo College, earn a degree in Auto Collision and become a business owner. Juan's achievements include Thespians One Act Play for four years, All Star cast for two years, honorable mention for two years, area for two years, Speech for two years 1st place Humorous Improv., and State Solo and Ensemble in his senior year. He was the Speech reporter, Thespians One Act Play officer and music/technical crew, and Who's Who Prince Charming. Juan is a member of Temple of Adoration Church where he is a Youth Leader and drummer for the praise and worship team. He likes to play the drums, hang out with friends, listen to music and make people laugh.



Dusty Stowers

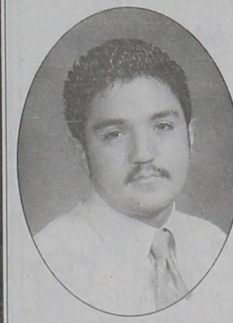
DUSTY STOWERS is the 17-year-old son of Teresa Burkart and Gaylord Stowers. Dusty plans to attend Amarillo College.



Rojelio Sanchez



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David Tafoya

Good Luck 2005 Graduates



BRENDA MURPHREE



KATY WELCH



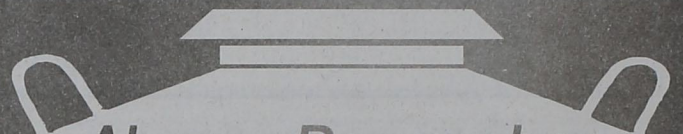
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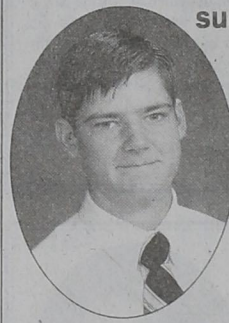
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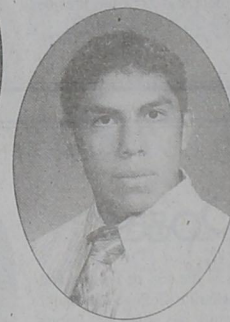
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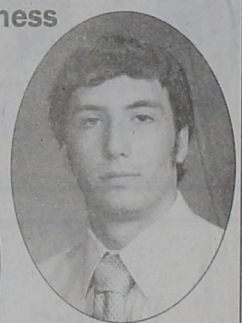
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WILL HUGHS



DAVID MENDEZ



MATT GAMMON



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Francisco Tafoya

FRANCISCO ABRAHAM TAFOYA is the 18-year-old son of Sandra Tafoya and Francisco and Adelina Tafoya. He plans to join the Marines. Francisco participated in Track and Field for one year while attending FHS.

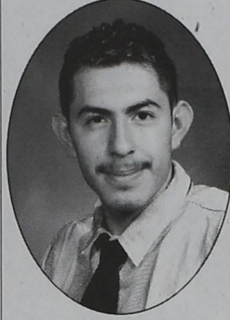
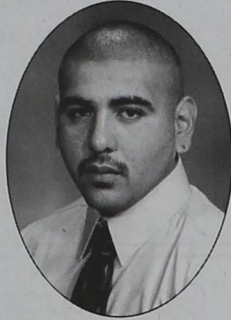


Moraima Tarango

MORAIMA TARANGO ANCHONDO is the 18-year-old daughter of Emilio Tarango and Marta Anchondo. Moraima was a member of FCCLA and the Spanish Club.

Jose Torres

JOSE TORRES is the 19-year-old son of Jose M. Torres and Rosario Torres. Jose plans to join the Marines and later attend UTI in Houston.



Luis Vera

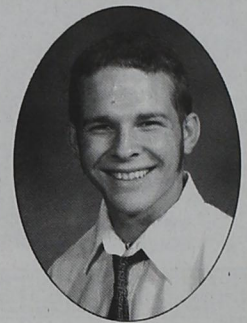
Katy Welch

KATY WELCH is the 18-year-old daughter of Kevin and Linda Welch. She plans to attend Texas Tech University. Katy's achievements include 2004 Amarillo Globe News Super Team Newcomer of the Year, 2004 5-AA All-District Newcomer of the Year, 2005 6-AA All District, 2005 Golden Spread All-Star game, 2005 Track & Cross Country Regional qualifier, Student Council vice president her senior year, senior class secretary her freshman, sophomore, and vice president her junior class, Forensics president her senior year. She was member of FCCLA for one year, Thespians for three years, Spanish Club for three years, NHS for three years, Forensics for four years, Science Club for one year, Student Council for four years, TSA for one year, and FCA for three years. Katy was also participated in Basketball for four years, Track for three years, and Cross-Country for three years.



Trey Widner

TREY WIDNER is the 18-year-old son of Debbie and Larry Martin of Friona, and Larry Widner of Alamogordo, New Mexico. He plans to attend West Texas A&M University to earn a Mechanical Engineering degree. Trey's achievements include Best in State with Architectural Design and Wooden Scale Model the following year. He also played Football for three years, helped with local and county Stock Shows, and served as a Counselor at Vacation Bible School. Trey was a member of FFA for three years and Student Council for one year.

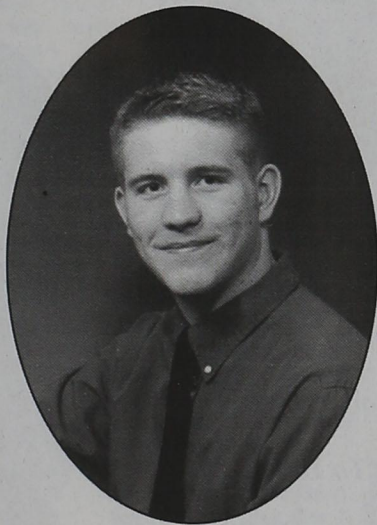


Trisha Winebrinner

TRISHA WINEBRINNER is the 18-year-old daughter of Danny and Dawna Roach. She plans to attend McMurry University and play basketball. Trisha's achievements include 90 or above for four years, NHS for three years, Honorable Mention All-District-sophomore year, District Champion-Area Qualifier-1st Team All-District-junior year, Amarillo Globe News Super Team-junior year, District Runner up-senior year, Bi-District Champions, Area Qualifier, District Co. MVP, All Region, All South Plains, Golden Spread All Star, All State, TABC All Star, Track-Regional Qualifier-Discus-sophomore, junior and senior years, Regional Qualifier-Shot Put-senior year, TSA for two years and President her senior year, and Cheerleader for two years. She participated in Basketball for four years and Track for four years. Trisha was also a member of FCCLA for one year, Annual Staff for one year, Spanish Club for one year, NHS for three years, Student Council for one year and Choir for 1 year.



CONGRATULATIONS TYLER!



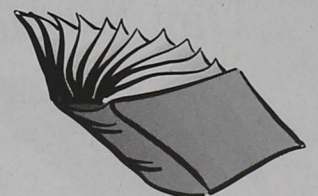
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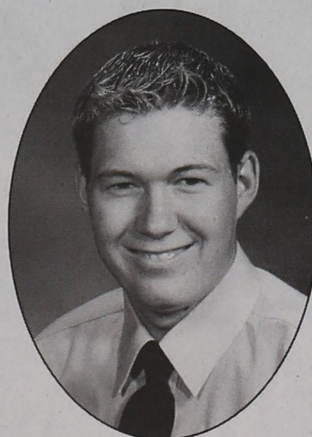
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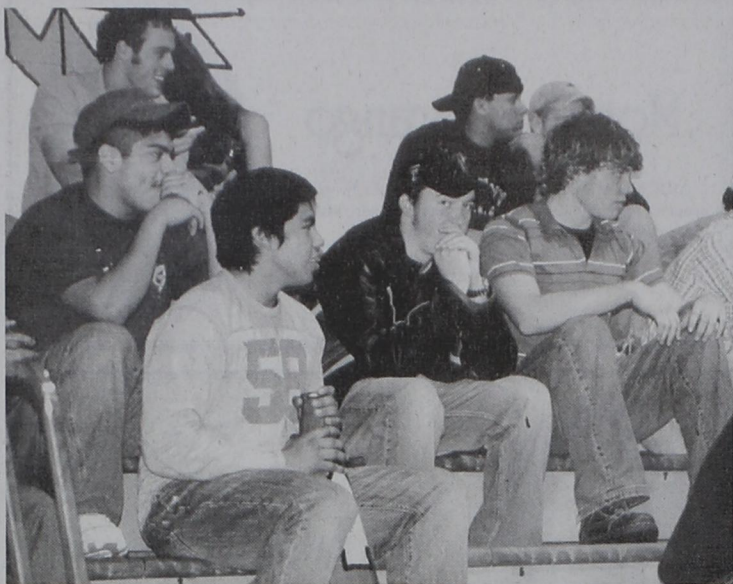
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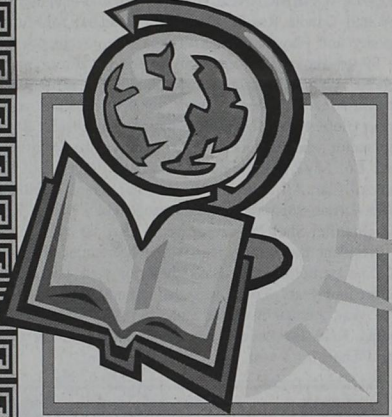
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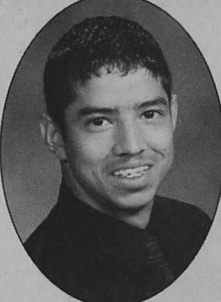
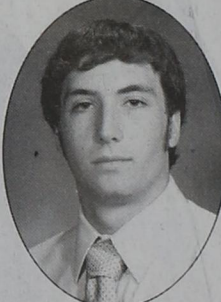


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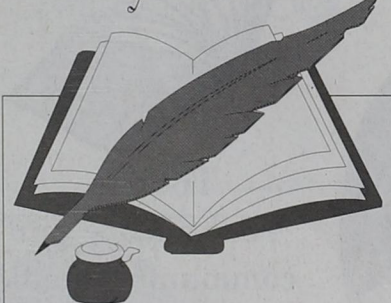
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Misty,
 We are thankful and feel truly blessed that God chose us to be your parents and let us be a part of your life. You have grown into an amazing young woman, who not only is very smart but also a beautiful person inside and out. We appreciate your hard work, good decision making, and the fact that you always try to do the right thing. Thank you for making the high school years easy for us! We can't wait to see what happens next! Remember, always stay true to yourself.

We love you and couldn't be prouder.
 Mom and Dad



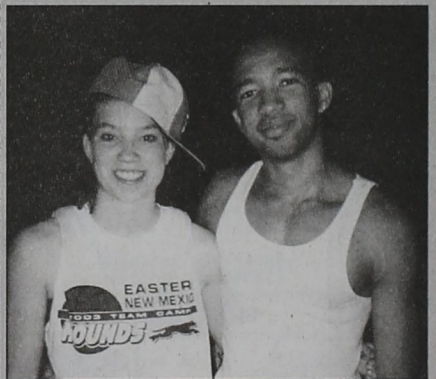
Misty,
 Congratulations to a most delightful young lady. We are so proud of your achievements your first 18 years. Your accomplishments will give you a good foundation for the future. Always keep that beautiful smile and winning attitude. We love you.

Nana & Grandpa



Misty,
 I hope you know how proud I am of you. Thanks for making the family look good! I know your future is going to be great because you are so smart with such a kind and caring heart and soul. You are truly a beautiful person. Congratulations and good luck. Awesome Job!! I love you!

Aunt Nita



Misty,
 Congratulations! We are very proud of you.

Love, Mike, Aunt Denise, Brooke, Mackenzie, Autumn, and Austin



Congratulations and Happy Graduation

Congratulations Misty!!

We're so proud of you. All your hard work has finally paid off!

Dearest Granddaughter, Misty

We are blessed to have you in our lives, your love and kindness has made you so special to us. We ask God to keep you in His heart always, and continue to guide you through your life here on this earth. We love you and we are so very proud of you.

Love, Uncle Glenn and Aunt Georgia

Mert,
 We are so proud of you! Congratulations! We love you so much.

Stan and Angie

Love and Prayers Pops and Grannie



Misty,
 I've looked up to you for the 16 years that I've lived. You have done more for me than you will ever know. You've helped me with math homework and boy problems. Not only are you my sister, but you are my friend. I am so proud of you and I love you very much!

Courtney



Misty,
 We are so proud of you. Congratulations on all of your accomplishments. And good luck in all of your future plans

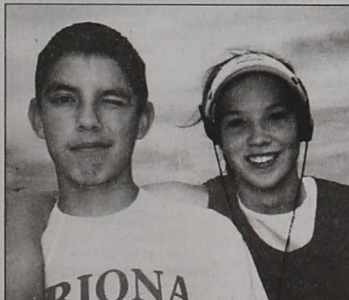
Love Ya, Uncle Greg, Aunt Denise, Chandler, & Branston

Misty,
 We are so proud of you. Would you please pass on your secret to Maddie who is in desperate need. Good luck in all of your future adventures! Don't forget that God goes with you wherever you go.

Love, Uncle Al, Aunt Becky, Maddie, Roselyn, Sam, and Calvin

Misty,
 You did a great job! Congratulations and may all your dreams come true! We love you!

Uncle Charlie, Aunt Robin, Tori, and Bree



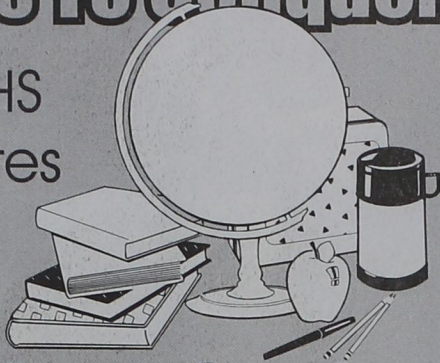
Mitter the Spitter:
 You have grown up to be such a wonderful person with so many accomplishments. We are all proud of all that you have done and will do. You are a great cousin (even if you are more like Angie than me). I still love you anyway, and wish you all the happiness in the world as you make your way to college next year. May all your dreams come true! Congratulations. Love you.

Michael, Amie, and Sydney



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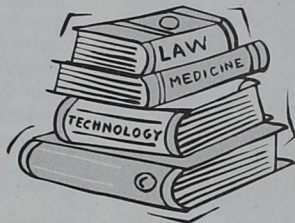
For four years we have been privileged to take photos and write stories about your accomplishments in Athletics and Academics. Thanks for being part of the Friona Star.

We Wish you all the best.
Have a Great Future!
Don't Forget Us!



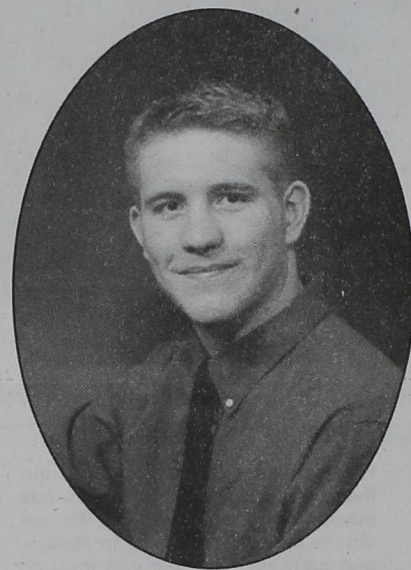
Trisha Winebrinner

Congratulations Trisha



May your future be full of happiness and success.

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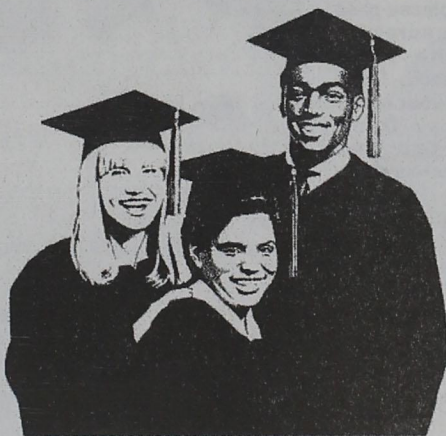


Special thanks to a Special Grad!
Tyler Jameson

From All Of Us At The
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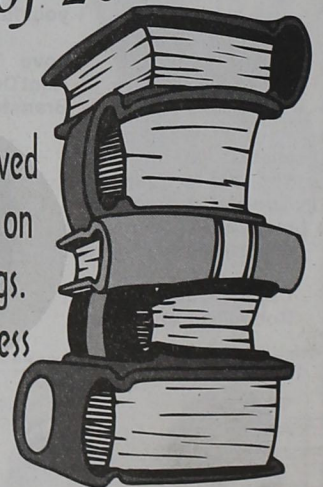
You've made our community proud, not just for your accomplishments in the classroom, but everywhere!



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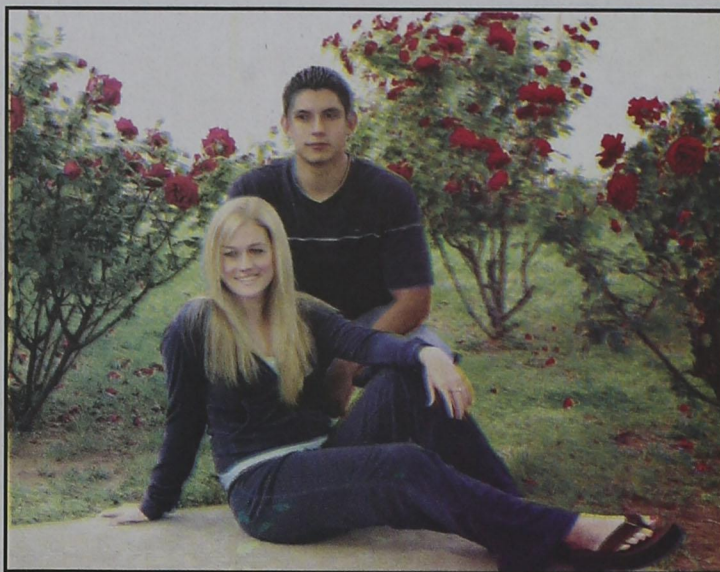
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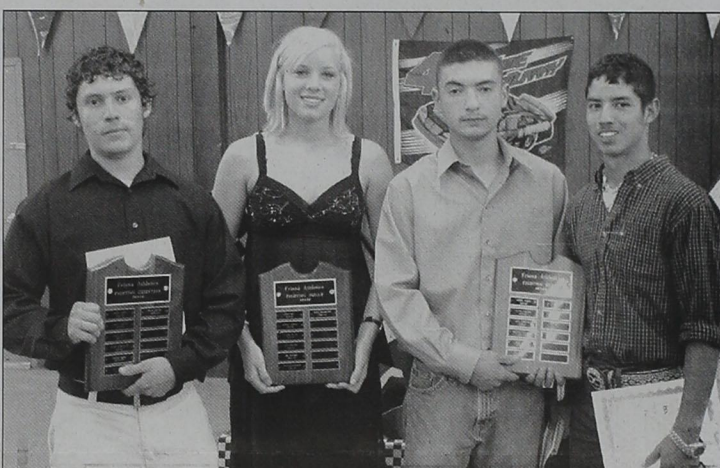


MR. & MISS FHS for 2005 are Andrea Geries and Eduardo Godoy.

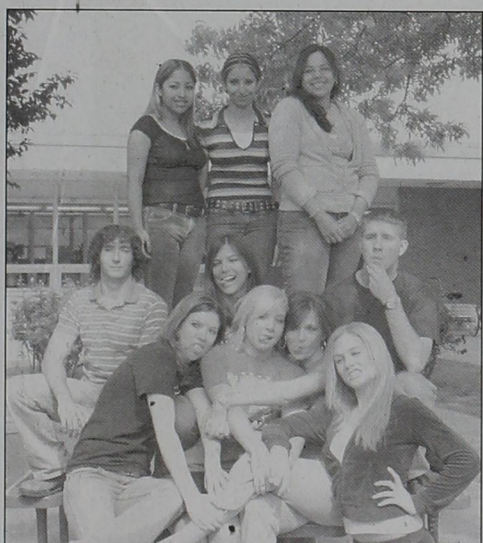
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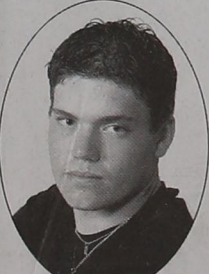
THE 2005 Friona High School yearbook is dedicated to Randie Hamilton, left. Mrs. Hamilton served as high school secretary and retired last year after 25 years with Fisd. Andrea Geries and Tyler Jameson presented her with the surprise announcement and a gift at the awards assembly. dana d jameson photo



TOP 2005 SPORTS HONORS were given to, l-r, Willy Castillo, Fighting Chieftain; Trisha Winebrinner, Fighting Squaw; Ramey Alaniz and David Davila, co-winners of the Fighting Heart Award. ron carr photo

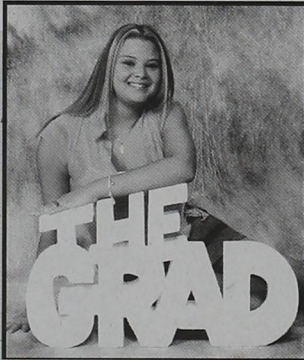


A FINAL farewell look at the prestigious and intellectual Top 10 academic scholars of the Class of 2005. dana d jameson photo

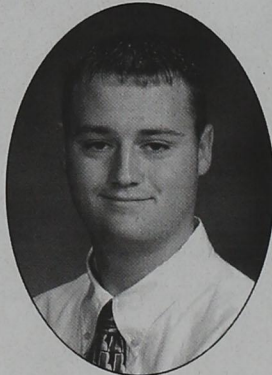
Jacob,
 Congratulations on your high school graduation! Where has the time gone? Only six short years ago you moved to Friona and became a Friona Chieftain. We have enjoyed watching you grow and mature into a fine and handsome young man. You have made us very proud and we wish for you the best that life has to offer.
 Love you, Jayn and Dad

Congratulations "Nene"



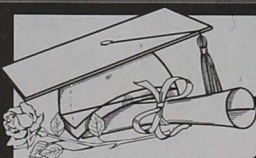
God Bless You and we love you, and we are so proud of you, good luck and best wishes
 love,
 Dad, Mom, Danielle & Roxy

Congratulations & best wishes Jeremy!




Jeremy Campbell
We are very proud of you!
Mom & Dad

Best Wishes

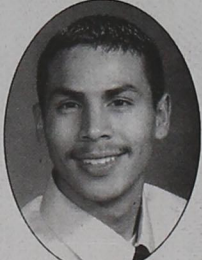


Your grandparents are very proud of you.
 Congratulations on all your accomplishments.
 We wish you the best as you enter another adventure in life. We are very lucky to have a granddaughter like you. We could not be prouder.



Brenda Murphree
 your grandparents,
 Percy & Margaret Parsons
 Gertie Murphree

CONGRATULATIONS Graduate!



Sergio Chico
 The proud parents of Sergio Chico, Scott & Dalia Verlod want to announce the graduation of Sergio. He will graduate in Dalhart, Texas on May 27, we would like to thank all his teachers for all their hard work and attention. Especially Mrs. Montana.
 Thank you,
 Scott & Dalia Verlod

Congratulations Friona Class of 2005

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We wish you all Great Success In The Future

