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Tour Photos Can Be Seen On Sunday

There is to be a public presentation of photos and videos of the recent tour of the Canadian Rockies which was sponsored for area senior citizens by Friona State Bank last month. Members of the tour group will bring their pictures and scrapbooks to the Friendship House for display on Sunday afternoon, August 5th, at 3:00 p.m.

The public is invited to attend. Refreshments of home-made ice cream are being planned.

Please Shop Friona First

Frionans are reminded to shop locally this Friday, Saturday and Sunday and take advantage of savings during the Tax Free Holiday.

Class of '81 Reunion Seeks Help

Graduates of Friona's Class of 1981 will have a reunion during the 2001 Maize Days celebration. Graduates will get together on Saturday, September 15, 2001.

Reunion organizers need big help in gathering addresses of their 1981 classmates. Their list was on a computer and they lost the entire list.

Friends, relatives and others who know addresses of 1981 graduates are urged to contact Micah London at 250-3741; or Jisselle Hand at 250-3575.

Your quick assistance will be appreciated.

New Ownership Is Announced For Bank

Plains Capital Corporation has entered into a stock purchase agreement with Olney Bancshares of Texas, Inc., for the sale of Friona State Bank.

This transaction is subject to regulatory approval, but it is anticipated that it will be completed this fall.

Olney Bancshares of Texas, Inc., is the largest Texas-based Agricultural lender in the state, with bank locations in Borger, Stinnett, Panhandle, Vega, Breckenridge, Canadian, Follett, Childress,

Coleman, Graham, Olney and Seymour.

"Each location is independently operated, and strives to meet the financial needs of the community. Dirk Davis, with Olney Bancshares, Inc., currently of Seymour, will be joining an outstanding staff at Friona State Bank in the near future," according to a joint announcement by Steve Shafer, spokesman for the new ownership group, and Robert Neelley of Friona State Bank.

Chiefs Hit the Heat Mon. School Starts August 21

The 2001 Friona Chieftain football season starts Monday, August 6. It is the first official day workouts are allowed and signals the start of what should be an interesting season for the Chiefs.

Coach Mike Scott and his staff will get their first look at the 2001 Chieftain squad as two-a-day workouts kick off in the West Texas heat.

The heart of the team will be experienced juniors such as Adam Bandy, Nathan Haile, and Andy Carthel who have two years varsity experience already.

Seniors Dario Hernandez and Frank Dominguez will lead a squad with only five seniors returning. Others sure to be called on to step up are Chris Wiseman, Corbin Neill, Cody Grimsley, Ty Grimsley (no relation), Ty White, Brian Wiseman, Marc Haile and Steven Hunt.

Speed, agility, talent and experience will have to take the place of weight if the Chiefs are to win district.

Coach Scott has one player right now that weighs in over 200 pounds.

All Friona teachers will report for inservice from August 13-20.

Friona students report for their first day of school on Tuesday, August 21.

School officials say that coaches, foreign language and special education teachers are difficult to find this year. The 40,000+ teacher shortage across the state has allowed teachers to be more selective in their school choices.

At press time, Coach Mike Scott was still looking to hire a coach to fill the position vacated by Ryan Rhoades, who took a head coaching position in Texhoma.

FISD Superintendent Jim Parker said he attended a meeting with schools in our district this week and several of them were also having trouble filling coaching and teacher slots.

School officials convinced fourth grade teacher Erin Barnett to move up to teach high school Spanish. Mrs. Barnett grew up in Uvalde, took Spanish courses throughout her high school and college years and completed a ten-day seminar in Austin this summer.

She will teach three Spanish II classes, two Spanish III classes and one Spanish IV class. The Spanish III and IV classes are Advanced Placement (AP) classes.

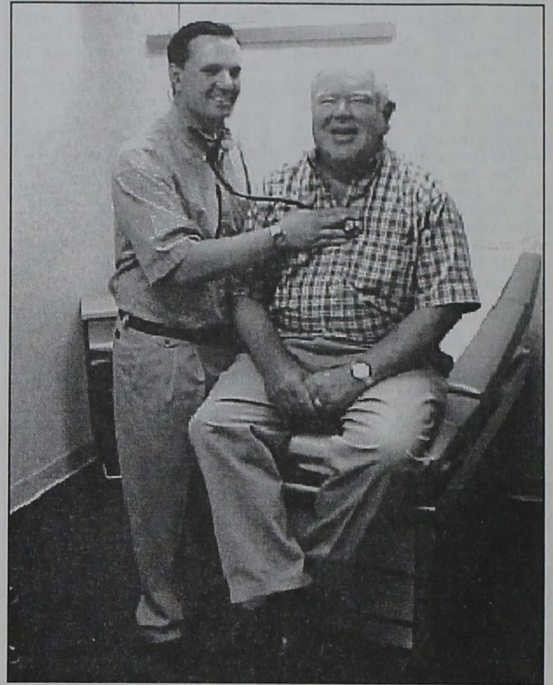
Mrs. Barnett will have two years to gain Spanish teaching certification and plans to take classes at WTA&M in the fall.

Sharon White and Kenny Austin return as primary and high school principals, respectively. The new elementary principal will be Becky Riethmayer, who served as

assistant high school principal the last two years.

Mrs. Riethmayer replaces Jerry Shelton who retired as elementary principal at the end of last year.

School calendars and additional school information will be published in future issues of the newspaper.



FRIONA'S NEW DOCTOR..Dr. Jeff Dickson saw his first patient, Cecil Maddox, on Wednesday, August 1, at the new Friona Rural Health Clinic. When Maddox was Friona junior high principal, Dr. Dickson was one of his students.

Mugging Is Investigated By FPD

As housekeeping supervisor at Prairie Acres, Kay Funk goes to work early, usually around 4 a.m.

At 3:30 a.m. Monday, July 23, Ms. Funk stopped at Town & Country for a customary fountain drink purchase. A young male was on the pay phone outside as she entered the store.

When she exited the store and headed for her car, the young man ran toward her at full speed and knocked her to the pavement. She fought with him but her head hit the concrete as he grabbed her purse, kicked her and fled on foot.

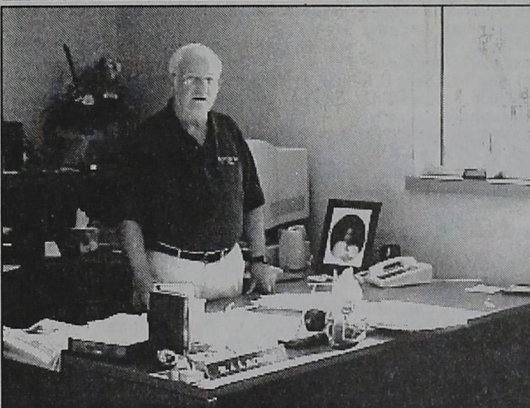
She was taken to Parmer County Hospital by Friona EMS and held for observation. She was released later that day but was off work for a couple of days. She "had a big knot on her head" and was sore from the fall and assault.

Police Chief Scott Given said they have a suspect in the ongoing investigation and expect to make an arrest in the next few days.

Church of Christ Collecting Clothes

Sixth Street Church of Christ is collecting clothes for Medina Children's Home.

If you have clothes that you would like to discard, regardless of size or condition, you are asked to bring them to the church.



NEW QUARTERS...The Friona Rural Health Clinic moved into their new building this week. Getting settled in new offices are, top, Dr. Felipe Jubay and, below, Dr. Bob Alexander. ron carr photos

ONE OF THE POINTS of interest during our recent trip to Canada was being able to compare money, both the value of and physical makeup, between our two longtime neighboring countries.

Some were pleasantly surprised that when they traded their U.S. dollars for Canadian currency, they were paid back with anywhere from \$1.50 to \$1.60 in Canadian dollars for every U.S. dollar.

And, while some of the "tourist traps" may have hiked their prices somewhat so that we U.S. shoppers would think "This is about what it would cost at home" (not taking note of the dollar value difference), most items could be bought for a nice discount due to the better value of our U.S. money.

One of my purchases was a "sort of" Western hat, so as to have it to wear at the Calgary Stampede. In Banff, the hat cost me \$50 Canadian, which would be about \$33 American. The last dress hat I bought was in Lubbock, and it cost \$80. I'm hoping it will be the last dress hat I ever need.

Ye Editor has fooled around as an amateur coin collector ever since I was in junior high, so I was very interested in the Canadian coins, as well as their "paper money."

The Canadian government has switched, cold turkey, from dollar bills to dollar coins. Their first dollar coins came out in the mid 1980s. They decided that in order to make sure their citizens used the dollar coins, they would simultaneously quit printing dollar bills (who would've ever thought?!?)

The Canadian officials then went a step further, when in recent years they introduced a \$2 coin. This apparently was done to cut down on the number of coins one had to carry.

The dollar coins, made of copper with a slight golden look, has a loon (a water bird) on its reverse. The Canadians quickly nicknamed the coins "loonies."

When the \$2 coin came out, they felt the need for another nickname, so they called it the "twoonie." (Get it? Looney-Toonies, just like the old cartoons.)

I was personally fascinated by the \$2 coin. It unusual design uses a silver-colored coin with a copper center, just slightly smaller than a penny.

The two-toned coin is very easy to detect. It has Queen Elizabeth's face on the front, and a polar bear on the "tails" side of the coin. Our tour guide said it's the first coin ever struck showing the queen's face on the front, with a "bear behind."

I was a little surprised to see that Canada's coins have Queen Elizabeth's face on every coin from penny up to the dollar. The reverse of the coins are all different. If they want a suggestion, I'd say "Why not use Princess Diana on at least one of your coins, and give the queen a rest?"

The Canadian currency is likewise much different from ours, mainly in that it comes in a variety of colors. Only one, the \$20 bill, had any green at all on the note. It also honored Queen Elizabeth.

The other bills I came across had pictures of two of Canada's favorite prime ministers, including their first, Sir John McDonald, who served from 1867-73, and again from 1878-91. All of the bills were in pastel colors. Most criticism of our U.S. currency is the government's refusal to get away from the old "drab green" on all of our bills.

I had intended to get back home with more of a variety of these Canadian bills and coins, but when you're married to someone who espouses the "Shop till you drop" philosophy....well, you know what I mean!

Star Lites

By
Bill
Ellis



Maize Days Photo Show Sept. 15

The annual Maize Days photography show will be held in the middle room of the Depot on Saturday, September 15. The show is sponsored by the Modern Study Club.

There will be a \$2 entry fee for each picture. First and second place ribbons will be given and a Best of Show trophy. Also, there will be a People's Choice Award.

Take your picture entries by Intheden Graphics, 14th and Elm, during the period of September 12-14, between the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Pictures will be judged Friday evening and will be on display all day Saturday. Pictures may be picked up the following week at Intheden Graphics.

Rules of the photo show are: 1. bring pictures that have not been entered in previous shows; 2. minimum size is 5X7, except for a collage that is framed as one picture; 3. all pictures must be matted or framed; 4. pictures may be black and white or color; 5. you may enter only pictures you have taken.

Stock Show Dinner Set In Friona

The Parmer County Stock Show Dinner will be held at 7 p.m. August 25 at the Friona Community Center.

The cost is \$100 for steaks for two persons. The famous Joe Allen of Abilene, Texas, is the caterer.

To buy a ticket, call Gary Patterson at the Farwell Banking Center of Muleshoe State Bank or Cody Hill at the Parmer County Extension Service office in Farwell.

'91 Class To Meet Aug. 4

Friona High School's class of 1991 has scheduled a class reunion Saturday, August 4.

The class will gather at the Redeemer Center, 1304 Virginia, at 9 a.m. Cost is \$20 per adult.

All classmates, spouses and children are welcome. RSVP to Carolyn Taylor Stowers at 806-265-3595.

Monday Shower Helps Attitudes

The "surprise" Monday evening shower at least helped local residents' attitude, and did at least a little good, although more of the moisture is badly needed.

The town of Friona seems to have received as much as anywhere in the local area, as 1.55 inches was measured. Added to the .20 inch from the previous Saturday, the calendar month of July kept from being a "zilch" and added 1.75 to the year's total.

The Black area likewise received from an inch to 1.5 inches. However, the rain wasn't general, at least in terms of the amount received.

Jerry Butman said that his cotton farmers received from .2 to 1.4 inches on Monday. "We could stand to get some more rain. The cotton is doing good. Most of it is still blooming, and there are some small bolls about the size of

your thumb," Butman said.

Cody Hill, County Extension Agent, said that all of the county's crops are badly needing rain. "The corn looks good from the road, but that crop is taking it hard. The ears are not developing like they need to be. Corn needs a rain within the next two weeks, or it will be too late," he said.

Hill said the cotton is loading up fairly well, but needs more moisture. Insects in the cotton crop is "about average," he said.

The area south of Farwell got about two inches on Monday. The cloud made up in eastern New Mexico, and Clovis got a good rain that evening.

The Rhea area got only about a half inch, according to Deborah Zaikowski at Sherley-Anderson's Rhea elevator. "At least it smelled

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Texas Heat Wins Tournament Title

The Texas Heat finished off the post-season tournament with a pair of wins in the last week, and based on the tie-breaker system, won the tournament title to go with their regular-season championship.

The Heat, sponsored by the Friona Star, dropped their only tournament game, 11-10, to the Red Hots, but won their last two games to finish 5-1 in the tournament, after winning the regular season title with a 9-1 record.

The Red Hots fell behind to the Texas Heat, 8-1 after one inning, and trailed 10-2 after two. But the Red Hots

RED HOTS 11, HEAT 10
Diane Perez 3-1; Teresa Lopez 3-0; Virginia 2-0-0; Denise Carreon 2-2; Toni Serekines 2-2; Diane White 2-1; Stefanie Ancira 2-1; Tracy 2-1; Jessica Abarca 2-1; Rebecca Raymond 2-1; Nancy Davis 2-0.

TX. HEAT 15, JDI 8
Perez 3-2; Lopez 3-2; Virginia 3-3; Carreon 3-3; Serekines 3-3; White 3-0; Diamond Perez 3-2; Tracy 3-1; Abarca 3-1; Raymond 3-1; Davis 2-0; Ancira 0-0.

TX HEAT 19, ANGELS 4
Carreon, lf, 4-2; Ancira, cf 3-2; Serekines, rover, 3-2; Raymond, rf 3-2; Cabazula, 3b 3-2; Diana Perez, 1b, 3-2; Lopez, 2b 3-2; Mama T, ss 3-2; Abarca, c 3-2.

NOTE: In the team photo published last week, Mary Ann Ramos was not present.

pushed across nine runs in the third inning to take the lead, and got the "Heat" out in their half of the third, with the tying run on second base.

The Heat bounced back to beat Just Do It, 15-8, then whacked the Friona Angels, 19-4 to finish out the tournament.

Denise Carreon and Toni Serekines each scored three runs for the Heat in their win over Just Do It. Carreon, Serekines, Stefanie Ancira, Rebecca Raymond, Kathy Cabezula, Diana Perez, Teresa Lopez, Teresa Serna and Jessica Abarca all scored two runs as the team ran off with their 19-4 win over the Angels.

Likes The Star:

I really appreciate the Friona Star! It gets better all of the time.

I like so many pictures! Thank you very much.

Luella Drake
Friona, Tx.



BOVINA JUNIOR RODEO PLAYDAYS is continuing tonight and next Friday night at 7 p.m. at the Roping Arena. Above, Courtney Bunker, daughter of Suzanne and Tracy Bunker; and Kendall Barnett, daughter of Ricky and Erin Barnett, sit on Gus and wait their turn. ron carr photo

Monday Evening Rainfall....

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real good, but the dryland maize really needs a rain," she said.

Terry Sharrock of West Friona Grain echoed the above as to what farmers had reported. He had just returned from a vacation in Oklahoma, Arkansas and Missouri, and reported that our area isn't the only one that has been hot and dry this summer.

"We went through Oklahoma City, Arkansas, Springfield and Branson, Missouri, and it was dry every place we visited. The ponds, creeks and lakes in those areas were 'way down from what we usually see," Sharrock said. Parts of Oklahoma City had gotten a three-inch rain the day they left, and that was bound to have made some people happy.

Friona Flashbacks

...from the files of The Friona Star

50 YRS AGO-AUG 9, 1951

Machinery was moved in, ground broken and the grading of Friona streets commenced Monday to launch the full-scale street improvements program that will net over 60 blocks of new paving within the city.

Workmen are busy this week installing the smaller machinery at the new gin at Friona, with all heavier equipment already installed and the gin erected. Manager Wright Williams states that work is on schedule for initial operation by September 13, Parmer County Fair time.

45 YRS AGO-AUG 9, 1956

A large crowd attended a free open-air Western music concert in downtown Friona last Saturday night, performed on the bandstand in the City Park. Taking part were Reaford Shirley, George Green, Delmer Shirley and Don Green.

Excitement for Friona's 50th Anniversary Celebration picked up a head of steam at a meeting in the Friona Chamber of Commerce office last Friday night.

40 YRS AGO-AUG 10, 1961

"The Golden Triangle" is the name that Ray Cowsett, mayor of Hereford, has

proposed for Deaf Smith, Parmer and Castro counties. "These three counties are the garden spot of the nation," Cowsett told a gathering at a recent meeting of the Hereford Rotary Club, and says, "Much can be accomplished through a combined effort in promoting the areas."

35 YRS AGO-AUG 4, 1966

Pam Roden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Roden, was close to the scene of Monday's mass shootings at the University of Texas campus, according to Mrs. Roden. Pam, a student at the University, was returning a book to the bookstore when her car was stopped by policemen. She went into the dress shop across the street

from the University. She hadn't been there long when an ambulance pulled up and took a man from the next-door barber shop, who had been shot in the foot through the plate glass window. In another tie-in with Friona, a former Friona doctor, Dr. Bob Stokes, helped treat many of the gunshot victims.

30 YRS AGO-AUG 12, 1971

Announcement of the opening of Friona's first cafeteria, which will be located in Malouf's Shopping Center, is being made in this issue of the Star. Mrs. Eva Marie Parker, owner of Friona Snack Bar will prepare food for the two day grand opening, which has been scheduled for Saturday and Sunday.

25 YRS AGO-AUG 8, 1976

The best general rain of 1976 was received in the Friona area the past week, with from 1.85 inches to up to five and one-half inches reported across the area.

15 YRS AGO-AUG 9, 1986

Tamara Sotelo Breiding of Goettingen, West Germany will be an exchange student in the Friona school system this year. She will be making her home with the Archie Echols family.

5 YRS AGO-AUG 3, 1996

What looked like a bleak beginning the first part of 1996 has improved with a total rainfall in the month of July of 4.75 inches reported in Friona and 3.06 inches in Bovina.

Duggins' Sister's Rites Conducted

Funeral services for Mildred Rose Sanders, 74, were conducted July 20, 2001 at the Grace United Methodist Church in Denver, with the Rev. Don Sperber and Rev. Michele Odell officiating.

Graveside services were conducted at the Marella Cemetery, a family cemetery near Griggs, Oklahoma, on Tuesday, July 24, with Rev. Loyd Mattocks officiating.

Mrs. Sanders died after being hit by a cyclist as she was doing her daily walking routine in a park near her home in Denver, Colorado.

She was born August 10, 1926, to Julius and Minnie Cox at Griggs, Oklahoma. She married Clifford Sanders on August 28, 1949.

She attended Panhandle State University, Oklahoma; earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Oklahoma, and her Master's degree from the University of Colorado. She was honored by

being listed in the Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges for 1946-47.

Mrs. Sanders taught school for six years in Oklahoma, and 32 years in Denver. She was named one of the Outstanding Teachers in America in 1973.

Mildred was an accomplished pianist, and served as the accompanist to the Harmonics Choral Group for a number of years. This group performed a musical number at her funeral service.

The family suggests that memorial gifts be made to a charity of their choice.

She was preceded in death by her parents. Survivors includes her husband, Clifford Sanders of Denver, a daughter, Teri Sanders Crowther of Laguna Niguel, California; one sister, Margaret Duggins of Friona, and one brother, Bill Cox of Stratford, as well as nieces and nephews.

Around Town

PCCH auxiliary rummage sale

The Parmer County Community Hospital auxiliary ladies will have their monthly rummage sale Friday, Aug 10. Doors open at 9 a.m. until noon. The sale is on Main Street next door to the Chamber office.

St. Teresa's Jamaica Aug 5

St. Teresa's Catholic Church will hold its annual Jamaica celebration Sun, Aug 5, on the church grounds. Food, games, and fun available. Hours are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Fajitas, tripas, carnitas, menudo, tacos de brisket, softball tournament, face painting, dunking booth, cake walk, hamburgers, horseshoe tournament, train rides, raffle. Everyone is welcome.

Canada tour pictures meeting Aug 5

Participants in the recent Canada Tour will host a meeting at the Friendship House on Sun, Aug 5, at 3 p.m. to show pictures and share memories of the trip. Everyone in the community is invited to attend.

Cheerleading camps set Aug 6-8

The FHS Cheerleaders will sponsor the Little Girl and Junior High Cheerleading Camps Aug 6-8. The cost for either camp is \$15. Both camps will be at Friona High School. Preschool girls through 6th grade will meet from 9-11 a.m. Pictures will be taken on Wednesday and cost \$8. Jr. Hi girls will meet 1-3 p.m.. No jr hi pictures are planned at this time.

Senior citizen board meeting Aug 7

Friona senior citizens board of directors meeting will be Tue, Aug 7, at 4 p.m. at the Friendship House. All senior citizens are welcome to attend.

Amer. Legion rummage sale Aug 17-18 Sale item donations will be accepted

The American Legion auxiliary is planning a rummage sale for Aug 17-18 at the Veterans Hall, 6th & Euclid. Hours are Fri., 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sat, 9 a.m. to noon. The ladies will be taking donations of good, clean, reusable items on Aug 15 from 2:30-5:30 p.m. at the Veterans Hall or call 250-3869 or 250-3298 to make other arrangements. Proceeds will be used toward the Girl's State program.

Cancer Walk Set For Aug 25

Friona's second annual Cancer Walk will be held at the Friona High School football stadium on Sat, Aug 25, at 9 a.m. Early registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. Money raised from this walk will be given to the American Cancer Society. The cost is \$20 adults and \$10 for children 12 and under. Make checks payable to: Friona Cancer Walk and mail to Erma Brown, 703 Arrah, Friona, 79035 or drop off a completed form at An Added Touch. All participants will receive a tee shirt to wear the day of the walk if registered by the Aug 10 deadline. Registrations after that date will not receive a tee shirt. Registration forms are available at these merchants: Sugar Shack, Ivy Cottage, Ingram's, An Added Touch and Bi-Wize Drug Store.

Stock show dinner Aug 25

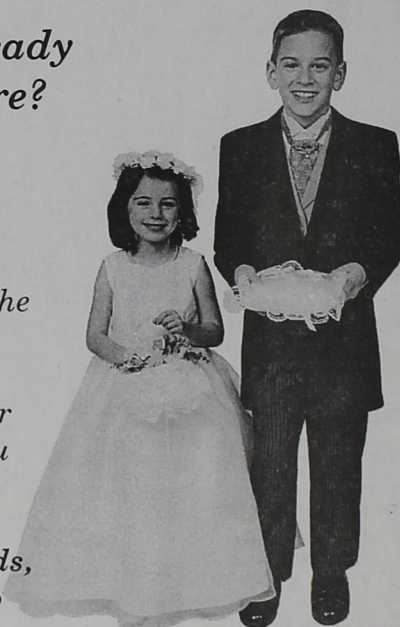
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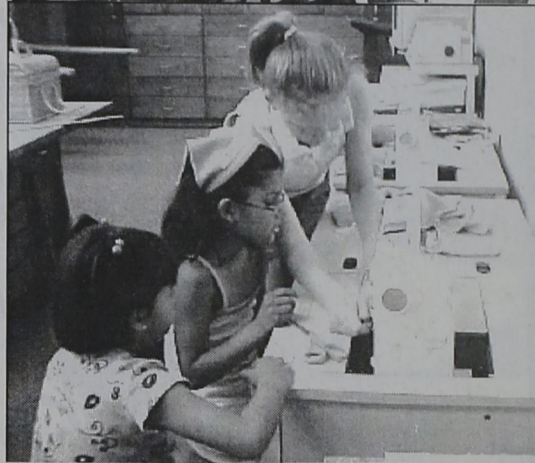
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YOUTH TOUR DELEGATES....Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative's 2001 Youth Tour delegates are: (back row, left to right) Curt Christian, Tory Roberts, Luke Schwertner and Thomas Roberts; (front row) Kelcey Scroggins and Amy Terry.



ATTEND CLOTHING CAMP....On July 25, Parmer County 4-H'ers attended the annual 4-H Clothing Camp in Littlefield. Local club members participated in creating grooming kits for the food bank, made sand paper t-shirts and learned about consumer education and fashion design. Attending the camp were: (back row, left to right) Alisha Wausom, Barbara Singleterry, FCS agent and Sarah Herington; (middle row) Michelle Wausom and Mikaela Cenicerros; (front) Crystal Reyes and Clara Reyes.



Area Students Attend 2001 DSEC Youth Tour

Each year, many of the nation's electric cooperatives send some of their "best and brightest" students to Washington D.C. The trip is known as the Government-in-Action Youth Tour and blends good old-fashioned fun with modern-day lessons about politics, electric cooperatives and life in general. This year Youth Tour drew more than 1,400 students from all areas of the nation.

Amy Terry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mitch Terry of Friona, Kelcey Scroggins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Scroggins of Bovina, Luke Schwertner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Schwertner of Farwell, Curt Christian, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vick Christian of the Oklahoma Lane community, and Thomas and Tory Roberts, sons of Larry and Kathy Roberts of Clovis, represented Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative during the 2001 Youth Tour to Washington, D.C., June 14-26.

Amy, Kelcey and Luke were sponsored by Deaf Smith Electric Cooperative while Curt, Thomas and Tory were sponsored by parents and grandparents.

Traveling with the 84 member Texas delegation sponsored by Texas electric cooperatives were 22 students from New Mexico electric cooperatives and one student

from an Idaho electric cooperative. Accompanied by 13 chaperones, the group traveled on three buses from Texas to Washington, D.C.

President Lyndon Johnson promoted and encouraged the idea of the Youth Tour during the 1950s when, as a senator, he selected outstanding young people and offered them an opportunity to observe their national government at work.

While in Washington, the Youth Tour delegates visited with their congressmen and observed the legislative process in action. Other highlights of the trip included visiting the many attractions of Washington, D.C.

Among these attractions were the White House, Arlington Cemetery, the Smithsonian Institution, Ford's Theater, the Washington National Cathedral, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, the National Archives, the FDR Memorial, the Washington Monument, the Supreme Court, and the Jefferson, Lincoln, Vietnam and Korean War memorials.

Special activities included a "Youth Day Town Hall Meeting," where the students voiced opinions and concerns about current social problems. They also participated in the wreath-laying ceremonies at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers and toured Mount Vernon.

Sales Tax Holiday Is This Weekend

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander reminds Texas families that most clothes and shoes can be purchased tax-free during the upcoming Sales Tax Holiday, August 3-5.

"This is the one weekend when hard-working Texans can keep their dollars in their pockets for their family priorities," Rylander said.

"No state or local sales tax will be charged on clothes and shoes priced under \$100," Comptroller Rylander said. "This well-deserved tax break for hard-working Texas families applies to new school clothes for the kids and work clothes for mom and dad. Uniforms for school or work can also be purchased tax-free."

"I predict the third annual Sales Tax Holiday will be the best yet, saving families \$39.6 million in state and local sales taxes," Comptroller Rylander said.

In 2000 shoppers saved \$37 million in sales taxes and in 1999 they saved \$32.6 million during the Sales Tax Holiday.

"The slowing Texas economy means many families are spending a bit more cautiously these days," Comptroller Rylander said. "The Sales Tax Holiday is an opportunity to make the dollars go farther, and I expect Texans to take full advantage of it."

The Sales Tax Holiday

applies to most clothing and footwear priced under \$100. The tax break does not apply to accessories, jewelry, watches, handbags, wallets and briefcases.

Comptroller Rylander's strong efforts to persuade the Legislature to add those items to the list, along with sewing supplies and safety equipment, such as bicycle helmets and car safety seats.

"The Legislature did not make the Sales Tax Holiday a priority," Comptroller Rylander said. "Next session, I will again urge the Legislature to make Texas families and the Sales Tax Holiday expansion a top priority."

For more information about the Sales Tax Holiday and a list of exempt and non-exempt items, see the Comptroller's Web site at www.window.state.tx.us or call the tax assistance hotline at 1-800-252-5555.

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Interstate 27 (Take Exit 11 to west side Interstate 27 Service Road And FM Hwy 1294).

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*** FIVE BIG DAYS ***

Tuesday, August 7, 2001 ----- Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.

Combines * Cornheads * Headers * Attachments * Grain Carts * Augers

Combine Trailers * Grain Equipment * Peanut Combines * Peanut Equipment

Wednesday, August 8, 2001 ----- Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.

Grain Trucks * Truck Tractors * Implement Trucks * Trucks * Trailers

Float Trailers & Other Truck Pulled Trailers

Thursday, August 9, 2001 ----- Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.

Cotton Strippers (Self Propelled) * Cotton Strippers (Tractor Mount) * Module

Builders * Boll Buggies * Cotton Trailers * Stock Trailers * Livestock Equipment

Pipe & Irrigation Equipment * Hay Equipment * Ensilage Equipment

Friday, August 10, 2001 ----- Sale Time: 10:00 a.m.

Tractors * Loaders * Front End Loaders * Tractor Make-ups * Grain Drills

Backhoes * Motor Graders * Forklifts * Crawlers * Miscellaneous Related Items

Saturday, August 11, 2001 ----- Sale Time: 9:00 a.m.

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Brandee Nelson, Edward O'Brian Are United In Church Ceremony

Brandee Denise Nelson of Lubbock and Edward Ross O'Brian of Plainview exchanged wedding vows Saturday, June 30 at 11 a.m. The ceremony was conducted in the Trinity Baptist Church of Lubbock by Terry Sanders, pastor.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Mark Nelson of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Roy O'Brian of Friona.

Dark purple, lavender and teal flowers and ribbon carried out the Precious Moments theme.

Frankie Jenkins, pianist, Jean, organist, and David Jenkins on the French horn, accompanied Angie Scott, as she sang "Through the eyes of Love."

As the bride was presented in marriage by her father, she was attired in a formal length wedding gown featuring a chapel length train. She carried a white and dark purple silk rose bouquet. Her jewelry was given to her by her grandmother.

DyAna Kerr of Lubbock served as her sister's maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Krystina Beard of Lubbock, cousin of the bride, Amanda Frost of Ray City, Georgia, cousin of the bride, and Jodie Kilmer of Lubbock.

The maid of honor wore a dark purple dress and carried lavender gladiolas. Bridesmaids wore lavender dresses and carried dark purple gladiolas.

Brad Lambert of Glen Rose, Texas and Matt Crawford of Matador, Texas served as best men. Grooms-men were Gregg Hair of Athens, Texas and Rob Ward of Plainview.

Flower girls were Kandace Kerr, niece of the bride and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shea Kerr of Lubbock, Kelsey Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Miller of Lubbock, and Brandy Merritt, niece of the groom and daughter of Sheila Merritt of Friona.

Michael Beard of Lubbock, cousin of the bride and son of Krystina Beard, was the ring bearer.

The reception was held in



Mrs. Edward O'Brian

the Trinity Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

White and purple roses with a Precious Moments top decorated the bride's cake. Allison Pritchard and Julie Robnett served from the bride's table.

The groom's chocolate cake was decorated with chocolate covered strawberries. Jean Ricketts and Elwanda Campbell served cake and coffee from the groom's table.

Following a wedding trip to Branson, Missouri, the couple is making their home in Lubbock.

The bride is a graduate of Frenship High School and Covenant School of Nursing. She is employed at Covenant

Children's Hospital.

A graduate of Friona High School, the groom received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in theology from Wayland Baptist University. He is employed by Mardel's Christian Bookstore.

REHEARSAL DINNER

The rehearsal dinner was held in the Fellowship Hall of the Trinity Baptist Church. A buffet style meal was prepared by Bigham's Smokehouse. Hosting the dinner were Roy and Paula O'Brian, Lee and Elwanda Campbell, Albert and Jean Ricketts, all of Friona, and Melvin Edwards of Lubbock. Sixty family members and friends were served.



AT THE SENIORS monthly ice cream social on Saturday, July 28, entertainment was provided by a couple of Friona pioneers. Eva Miller played piano to accompany the singing of Charles Allen, seated, as the duo renewed old music ties. Mr. Allen, who is a resident at Prairie Acres, was assisted by Jerry London.



FAMILY REUNION....Stella Varner, shown above with the youngest member of her family, great-grandson Jeffery James enjoyed the company of part of her family Sunday, July 22 in her home. In attendance were James (Jimmy) and Linda Varner, their daughter Gaylene and grandson Jeffery James Sunderlin of Phoenix, Arizona; Stanley and Martha Varner, their son Ray Lynn and daughter Nicki of Amarillo; Phillip and Juditha Varner and daughter Jessica of Colorado Springs, Colorado; and Gail and Bob Trevison and one of their daughters Stephanie of Fayetteville, North Carolina; Thomas and Jeanette Dempsey of Odessa, nephew and his wife; Doris and James Cox, niece and her husband. Martha and Jack Sheppard of Garland, Texas couldn't attend because of illness.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FRIONA....

Week of August 5-11

Friona residents observing birthdays next week include:

August 5--Lilah Gaye Gee, Michelle Stevens, Amber Drager, Ruby Stone, Earlene McCreary, Kirk Frye, Lori Woods, Cindy Adams, Lindsey S. Bowyer.

August 6--Charlotte Paiz, Mary Lou Castaneda, Paul Mohr.

August 7--Sarah Widner, Wayne Case, Jared Beard, Dusty Fleming, Jud Sims, Vicky Pipes.

August 8--Jason Vaughn, Oscar Eastep, Richard Ellis, Julia Warren, Jenny Hamilton, Judy Cummings, Kim Herring, Jeffrey Krauel.

August 9--Rickey Rector, Cheryl Weatherly, Ricky Jon Roden, Patsy Ruth Talley, Cole Pena.

August 10--Kathryn Goddard, Randall Roberson.

August 11--Leland Hutson, Clifford McLellan, Bertha Shapley, Briana Wright, Karen Schlenker, Kendrick Burns.

When you see names which should be removed from our birthday list (moved away, names changed, deceased, etc.), call the newspaper and let someone know. Thank you.

If you or someone in your family has a birthday coming up soon, please call the Friona Star office at 250-2211 and report it.

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August

13,14,15,16,17
& 20
21

Teacher Service

First Day of School

September

3
28

Labor Day Holiday

End of First Six Weeks (28 Days)

October

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3

Begin Second Six Weeks
Primary/Elementary School
Parent Conference Day

November

9
12
21

End of Second Six Weeks (30 Days)
Begin Third Six Weeks
Early Dismissal for Thanksgiving Holidays
(Nov. 22,23 & 26)

December

21
21
24 thru Jan. 3

End of Third Six Weeks (27 Days)
First Semester Ends (85 Days)
Early Dismissal
Christmas Holidays

January

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7

Teacher Service
Second Semester Begins

February

11
22
25
27

Winter Holiday Break
End of 4th Six Weeks (34 Days)
Begin 5th Six Weeks
Primary/Elementary
Parent Conference Day

March

26

Early Dismiss for Spring/Easter Break
(March 27,28,29 & April 1)

April

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12
15

First Bad Weather Day
(Holiday if not used for bad weather)
End of 5th Six Weeks (31 Days)
Begin 6th Six Weeks

May

23
24

Last Day of Second Semester (94 Days)
End of 6th Six Weeks (29 Days)
Teacher Service
If a second bad weather day is used, this will become a day of instruction.
High School Graduation

January

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Hazardous Waste Cleanup Is Slated

A Texas county cleanup, agricultural waste pesticide collection and household hazardous waste site has been set for Thursday, August 16 at the Bailey County Coliseum in Muleshoe.

The collection site is west of downtown Muleshoe on Highway 84 on the north side of the road.

Banned or unwanted pesticides, properly rinsed plastic pesticide containers, used motor oil, oil filters, lead acid batteries and household hazardous waste will be accepted. Also, lab wastes from local school districts.

If you will bring your mercury thermometers, they can be exchanged for new non-mercury thermometers.

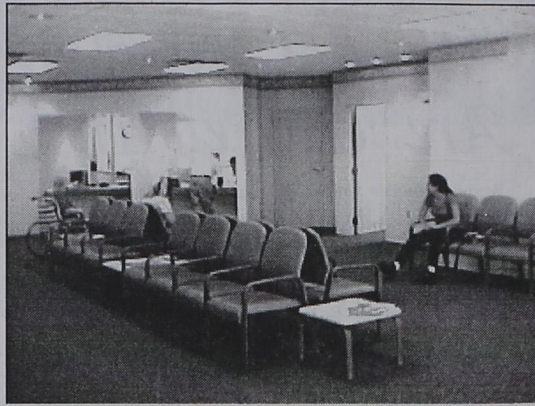
Tire collection is not available at any of these

cleanups. Empty plastic pesticide containers must be clean, triple-rinsed or high-pressure rinsed to be accepted.

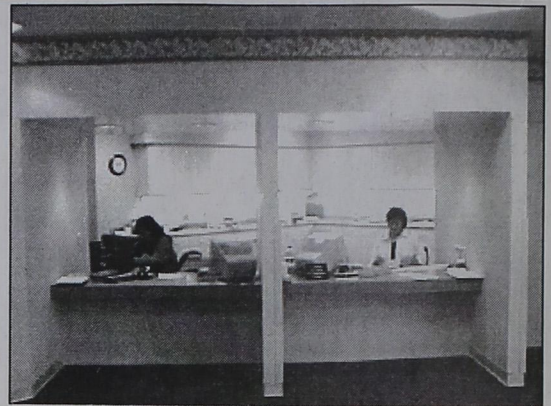
There is a two 55-gallon drum limit per participant on oil filter recycling. Filters will not be accepted from businesses that change oil for a fee.

All agricultural chemicals will be accepted excluding pesticides or herbicides containing 2,4,5-T Silvex (quantities less than five gallons can be accepted), biomedical wastes, explosives, compressed gas cylinders, fertilizers, nutrient materials that are neither hazardous nor contain pesticide admixtures, pesticides or wood preservatives containing pentachlorophenol.

For more information, contact TNRC at (512)239-4749-E-MAIL cleantx@tnrc.state.tx.us <http://www.tnrc.state.tx.us/exec/opp/agwaste/agwaste.html>.



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Genealogy Group Has Meeting

The Parmer County Genealogical Society met at the Friona Library on July 27, 2001.

Suggestions were discussed on investing some funds on genealogical books that would be of value to the public for research. The subject was tabled for the time being until further study investigations can be made.

Nancy Edleman gave an interesting account of "Bacon's Rebellion" after learning through research that she had a kindred man involved in the affair. The subject did bring back some forgotten American history to the group.

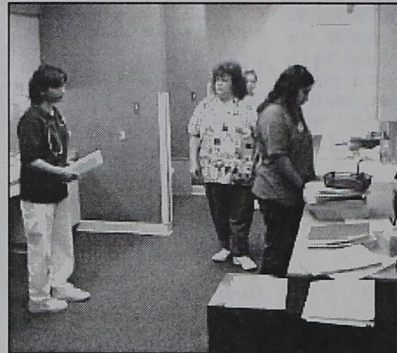
The society's August meeting will be the last Friday in the month. Subject for the meeting will be "How Texas gained independence from Mexico".

You know you are a genealogist when on vacation you beg hubby to drive 80 miles out of the way so you may try to find your grandfather's grave in 100 degree heat.

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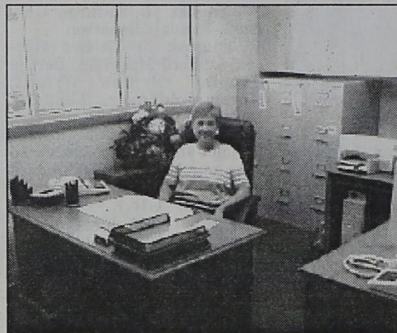
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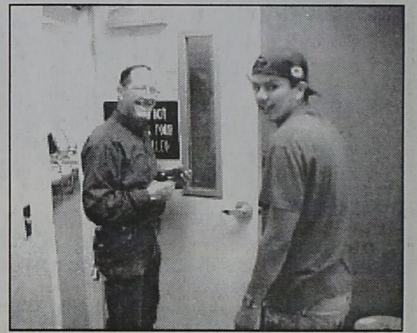
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All participants will receive a tee shirt to wear on the day of the walk. DEADLINE IS AUGUST 10. Those registering after that date will not receive a tee shirt.

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Friona News

By BECKY LONDON

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M.C. Osborn had a light stroke Saturday, July 28. He was transferred to Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo and was released Wednesday morning.
His is home now and is feeling better every day.

Jean Roberts' daughter and grandsons, Pat and James and Matthew Shirley and son, Mike Roberts, all of Houston were in town for the last couple of weeks.

They were spotted at the Friendship House and everyone enjoyed their company. They were in town to help go through their grandmother, Mary Roberts' things. She passed away in December.

Mike flew back home Sunday, July 29. Pat's

husband, Richard, who is Ralph and Stella Shirley's son flew into the Panhandle Tuesday with his brother and sister-in-law, Gary and Jalaine Shirley, also of Houston. All of the Shirleys went to Eagle Nest, New Mexico for a few days.

I was one of Dr. Jeff Dickson's first patients Wednesday. What a great new facility and a neat new doctor! Dr. Dickson was really nice and very helpful. When you get a chance—don't forget to give him a big "Hello and Welcome Home!!"

The lucky winner of the weekend stay in Amarillo and \$100 spending money from Parmer County Crimestoppers was Jaquetta Walter Walterscheid of Farwell.

Youth from Friona's First United Methodist Church volunteered at Amarillo's Food Bank Thursday and enjoyed fun activities in town later. Trane Wyatt, summer intern youth director, has kept the kids busy this summer with lots of neat things.

Daryl and Anita Harris have just moved to Odessa. Their daughter, Diana Harris lives there. Anita's Friona sons are John and Jim Taylor.

Former Frionan Rosalie Messenger Carter had a terrible tragedy happen in her family recently. Her daughter, Dr. Jennette Carter, son-in-law, Steve Wilks and grandson, Elliott, 9, were all killed in a plane crash.

The family was vacationing in Alaska and had left their older son, Alec, 17, at home in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Dr. Carter's friend and her spouse were also with the family. The friend, Dr. Carter, Steve and Elliott were all on a pontoon plane when the crash occurred. The friend's husband, did not get on the plane. He was left with the task of calling family members.

Rosalie was traveling in

Canada at the time and it took the family a couple of days to locate her. She is now living with Alec in his parents' home in Albuquerque.

Mr. and Mrs. Kip Kimbrough have been in town this week. They have been doing missionary work in Chile, and are "between assignments."

I'll try to catch Eva and Don and get a longer report next week!

Seven-year-old Madeline Garcia, daughter of Laura and Noel Garcia of Lubbock, and granddaughter of Papaw Bill and Grannie Carol Ellis, was honored last month by the Lubbock Symphony Orchestra and Barnes and Noble Bookstore.

Madeline's cello teacher was asked by the bookstore to choose a young musician to play for an occasion featuring classical music for youngsters, and she chose Madeline.

Later, the Orchestra decided to feature Madeline on their web-page, and the grandparents enjoyed calling up the picture and seeing their granddaughter on the "net."

H. Slagle Buried In Friona

Hattie L. "Skeet" Slagle, 75, of Dumas passed away July 30, 2001. Services were held Wednesday, August 1, 2001 at First United Methodist Church in Dumas with Rev. John Wagoner officiating. Burial followed at Friona cemetery.

She was born September 22, 1925 in Stratford. She was a Dumas resident since 1978.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Tilden Slagle in 1968; a son, Roy Slagle in 1990 and a daughter, Audrey Thomas in 1993.

Survivors include a son, Paul Slagle of Dumas, a sister, Demetrice Brigrance of Clifton, eight grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren.



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Check advertisement and report any error immediately. The Star is not responsible for error after ad has already run once.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 Stated Meeting-1st Tues. 8 P.M.-7th & Ashland
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 Larry J. Knowles, Sec.

PUBLIC NOTICE
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 F-tfnc-8/3

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BUILDING FOR RENT....
 West side of South Main. Across from Bunker Trucking (Southside Farm Supply building). Call 250-3991.
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Lowe's Supermarket is taking applications for assistant market manager and assistant store manager. Experience preferred, not required. Apply in person at Lowe's, 1205 West Highway 60.
 F-tfnc-8/3

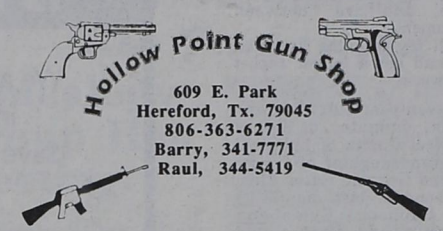
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CARD OF THANKS

Thank you to all of our friends and neighbors for their calls, food, and other acts of kindness following the loss of Margaret's sister, Mildred Rose Sanders.

We appreciate everyone, and especially those who went to the graveside services in Oklahoma. Mildred was a special person, and we appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Margaret and Baker Duggins and family.



Hollow Point Gun Shop
 609 E. Park
 Hereford, Tx. 79045
 806-363-6271
 Barry, 341-7771
 Raul, 344-5419
 F-tfnc-6/8

Need experienced office manager for Hereford area feedyard. Responsibilities include receivables, payables, commodities, payroll and general ledger. Additional responsibilities include oversight of yard computer system and supervision of office staff. Experience with Microsoft, Excel and Word a-plus. Please send resume and salary requirements to: The Friona Star, P.O. Box 789, Friona, Tx. 79035.
 F-2tc-8/3-8/10

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 F-4tc-7/27-8/3-8/10-8/17

HELP WANTED....Nursery
 worker needed at First Baptist Church, Sundays, Wednesdays and special occasions. Please call 251-1632 for an application.
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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Mary Alice Roberts, Deceased, were issued on July 25, 2001, in Cause No. 2481, pending in the County Court of Parmer County, Texas, to: Mike Roberts.

The residence of the Independent Executor is Houston, Harris County, Texas; the post office address is:

c/o: Kathryn Gurley
 Attorney at Law
 P.O. Box 729
 Friona, Texas 79035

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

DATED the 27th day of July, 2001.

Kathryn H. Gurley
 Attorney at Law
 701 Main Street-P.O. Box 729
 Friona, Tx. 79035
 Telephone: (806) 250-2050
 FAX: (806) 250-9053

By: Kathryn H. Gurley
 Attorney for the Estate
 State Bar No.: 10022700
 F-1tc-8/3

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Notification

Olney Bancshares of Texas, Inc. and Olney Bancorp of Delaware, Inc. have submitted prior notice to the Federal Reserve System of their proposal to acquire Friona State Bank, Friona, Texas. We intend to acquire 100% of the voting stock of Friona State Bank. The Federal Reserve considers a number of factors in evaluating the notification, including the record of performance of our banks in helping meet local credit needs.

You are invited to submit written comments on the notification to the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, P.O. Box 655906, 2200 N. Pearl, Dallas, TX 75265-5906. The comment period will not end before September 5, 2001, and may be somewhat longer. The Federal Reserve Board's Policy Statement regarding notice of applications and notifications may be found at 12 C.F.R./262.25. To obtain a copy of the Federal Reserve Board's procedures, or if you need more information about how to submit your comments on the notification, contact the Community Affairs Officer at the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, Nancy Vickrey, (214) 922-5271. The Federal Reserve System will consider your comments and any requests for a hearing on the notification if they are received by the Reserve Bank on or before the last day of the comment period.
 F-1tc-8/3

Now taking applications for Certified Nurse Aide classes. Beginning August 13, 2001 thru August 24, 2001 from 8:00 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday thru Friday. Apply in person: Prairie Acres, 201 E. 15th, Friona, Tx. 79035.

LEGAL NOTICE

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of John Douglas Terry, Deceased, were issued on July 25, 2001, in Cause No. 2485, pending in the County Court of Parmer County, Texas, to: NORMA JEAN TERRY.

The residence of the Independent Executrix is 1206 White Ave., Friona, Parmer County, Texas; the post office address is:

c/o: Kathryn Gurley
 Attorney at Law
 P.O. Box 729
 Friona, Texas 79035

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AMERICA'S SWEETHEART PG-13
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LEGALLY BLONDE PG-13
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JURASSIC PARK 3 PG-13
 2:00 - 4:10 - 7:05 - 9:05

RUSH HOUR 2 PG-13
 1:45 - 4:20 - 7:20 - 9:10

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- *NEW LISTING-3BR 2bath, remodeled kitchen.....\$125,000
- *MUST SEE 3BR 3BATH 2 KITCHEN AREAS.....\$125,000
- *Two 50-ft. LOTS on Main by school.....SOLD
- *Great starter home, 2BR, steel siding, in Bovina.....\$23,900
- *3BR, cellar, new floor in kitchen/bath.....\$31,000
- *Large porch 3br-2bath-1cp-remodeled.....\$37,500
- *IMMACULATE 3BR, 1bath brick.....SOLD
- *3BR, 1bath on 1 acre, new septic system.....contract pending
- *3BR, 1BATH BRICK-SELLER will pay closing costs.....SOLD
- *4BR 1bath brick w/lots of room & extras.....SOLD
- *CRP LAND...623 ACRES.....\$215,000
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Call your local used cow dealer for 7 days a week dead stock removal. Serving the cattlemen for the past twenty years. Call 247-2563 or 1-800-692-4043.
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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City of Bovina will be accepting sealed bids for the following surplus vehicles.

1. 1969 Chevrolet Flatbed Truck
2. 1982 Ford 1/2 Ton Pickup

These vehicles can be seen across from the City Barn on North Street. All bids must be submitted by 5:00 P.M. 08-09-01. The City of Bovina reserves the right to reject or accept any and all bids.
 B-2tc-7/27-8/3

WHEAT SEED?

Wheat, Beardless Wheat, Triticale, Rye, Grazing Blends. Tam 105, Tam 110, Lockett and many other varieties available. Certified, Registered and Select Classes. Bulk, Bagged, or Bin Run.

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FOR SALE....3 BR home, oversized garage, separate apartment, 1301 Columbia in Friona. Call (806)359-1657.
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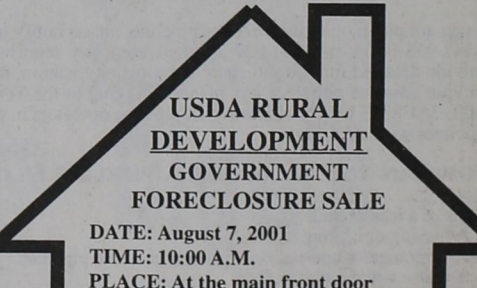
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 3 BR, 1 bath, HUD, fireplace, lg. storage.....SOLD.....\$32,000
 2 BR, 1 bath, 1 car, brick, good starter home.....\$37,000
 Small office/studio with 1/2 bath to be moved.....\$5,000
 4 BR, 2-3/4 baths, 2 storages with garage, corner lot.....SOLD...\$85,000
 2 BR, 3 BA, stucco, RV storage, Bovina...Reduced...\$49,900...\$45,000
 2 BR, 2 baths, metal siding, double carport.....SOLD.....\$39,500
 2 BR, 1 bath, cute home, good neighborhood.....\$33,000
 2 BR, 1 bath, fireplace, fenced, good street.....\$27,900
 2 BR, 1 bath, c/p, brick, near HS, good location, corner lot.....\$43,900
 Upstairs & downstairs apartment complex...Reduced...\$23,900...\$21,900
 5 BR, 2 BA, sunroom, basement, carport, large lot.....\$58,000
 Commercial building, app. 2400', ready to move in.....\$25,000
 2 BR, 1 bath, newly redone, corner lot, fenced.....SOLD.....\$25,000
 188 acres, excellent water, flat, 1 well, 1200' tile.....\$188,000
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 3 BR, 1 bath, central heat, cellar, fenced rear yard.....SOLD.....\$33,900
 3 BR, 2 bath, brick, basement, with metal shop.....\$85,000
 3 BR, 2-3/4 baths, 2-car, 2 living + off. apt. SOLD.....\$79,900
 Office bldg., brick, new heat/air, 1600 sq. ft., 2-1/2 BA, corner...\$33,900
 3 BR, 2 bath, 2 car, brick, with metal, moving.....\$55,000
 2 BR, 1 bath, newly re-done and nice.....\$27,000
 3 BR, 1-3/4 BA, brick, large lot, 2 family areas, fenced...SOLD...\$54,900



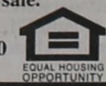
USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT GOVERNMENT FORECLOSURE SALE

DATE: August 7, 2001
 TIME: 10:00 A.M.
 PLACE: At the main front door located on the lower level of the south side of the courthouse in Farwell, Texas, in Parmer County, Texas

1117 Etta St. Friona, Texas
 3 Bedrooms, 2 bath 1,369 SQ. Feet
 Minimum Bid \$28,360.00

Total bid in cash due at the sale.

Please phone (806) 468-8600
 For further information.



1986 FHS Class Sets Reunion

Friona High School class of 1986 has set their fifteen year reunion during Maize Days on Saturday, September 15, 2001.

Class members will meet at the park for barbecue lunch and visiting. At 7 p.m. the group will meet at Dana Berend Campbell's backyard for the evening meal.

The group is also reminded that Friona will be playing football against Dimmitt Friday night, September 14, for the homecoming game. A place in the stands will be reserved for the class members.

For more information on the class of 1986, call Brad Moyer at 512-556-4791 or email bmsmoyer@yahoo.com or Melanie Gallman London at 806-250-3741 or email mmjol@wtrt.net.



PROPERTY OWNERS ARE REMINDED that the city has increased enforcement of the city ordinances that govern weeds and abandoned vehicles. Property owners will be issued citations for violations of the ordinances and have ten days to correct the problem or pay a fine. Any questions about compliance can be directed to city hall.

YOUR EYES

The Value Of Eyedrops

You get drops in your eyes during an eye examination for a good reason. Normally our pupils decrease in size when exposed to light. This small pupil size makes it difficult for a vision care specialist to use the intense lights needed to see details inside your eyes. With eye drops, it is possible to view your eyes through a large opening rather than a tiny one.



This procedure is called pupil dilation, or dilated fundus examination (DFE). The technique allows eye care specialists to examine the lens, vitreous (jelly), optic nerves and retina inside the eyes. The drops relax the sphincter muscle of the iris (colored part of the eye) and stimulate the dilator muscle to contract and open the pupil even wider. After dilation of your pupils, you may have difficulty focusing on nearby objects for several hours. Your eyes will be sensitive to light and sunglasses should be worn when going outdoors. If you don't feel confident about driving home, call someone to help you or wait in the office for a short while. Your vision will return to normal before long.

DR. HAROLD W. BRIGANCE

Optometrist O.D.

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Cotton News

from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

By Shawn Wade
The USDA Farm Service Agency announced that sign-up for the 2000-crop Quality Loss Program will begin August 13. No ending date for the program has yet been announced.

Producers can apply for quality loss payments for any crop eligible for Crop Disaster Assistance. The Quality Loss Program will provide assistance to producers of eligible crops that can demonstrate a minimum 20 percent decline in the quality/price of their 2000 crop commodity compared to a long-term average quality/price produced in the county. Producers will be able to apply for the program based on the smallest unit of the commodity for which they can produce records.

Cotton producers will be able to apply for QLP assistance on a bale-by-bale basis by providing production evidence showing the average loan value for each bale. Each bale's loan value would then be compared to the county average loan value used to compute quality adjustments for the 2000-crop

Crop Disaster Program. This comparison will then determine whether or not a qualifying 20 percent quality reduction has occurred. If the 20 percent threshold is met, then the bale would be assigned to one of five Quality Loss Levels based on the actual loss in value relative to the county average.

Payment rates for each level of loss will then be calculated as the difference between 100 percent of the Crop Disaster Program payment rate (59 cents per pound for cotton) and a percent of the affected CDP payment rate based on the assigned quality loss level for each level.

The final QLP payment rate equals 65 percent of the difference between the full CDP price and the applicable percentage of the CDP payment rate.

A combined \$80,000 "per person" payment limitation is applicable for all benefits provided through the Crop Disaster Program and the Quality Loss I Program.

The Quality Loss levels and payment rates applicable to each as follows:

Quality Loss Levels and Payment Rates for Cotton

Level	For quality losses between...		Assigned quality Loss Percentage	QLP Payment Rate	
				based on difference between 100% of CDP price and...	Upland Cotton Pay. Rate
I	20.0%	and 29.9%	25.0%	75% of CDP price	\$0.0959
II	30.0%	and 49.9%	40.0%	60% of CDP price	\$0.1534
III	50.0%	and 69.9%	60.0%	40% of CDP price	\$0.2301
IV	70.0%	and 89.9%	80.0%	20% of CDP price	\$0.3068
V	90.0%	and 100%	95.0%	5% of CDP price	\$0.3643

Producers wanting to estimate how many bales could qualify for assistance can use the following table.

Values included are the 5-Year average loan values,

for the three USDA Classing offices that process High Plains cotton. The table also includes the applicable values to trigger payments under QLP Loss Levels I and II.

Cotton Quality Loss Levels I and II Trigger Levels by USDA Classing Office

For Cotton Classed at:	Ave. Loan Value (.5160 - Ave Discount)	Level I (20 - 29.9%)	Level II (30 - 49.9%)
Lubbock	\$ 0.495507	\$ 0.3964	\$ 0.3468
Lamesa	\$ 0.50802	\$ 0.4064	\$ 0.3556
Abilene	\$ 0.489714	\$ 0.3918	\$ 0.3428

The five year average discount figures for Lubbock (0.020493), Lamesa (0.0079804) and Abilene (0.0216289) were all applied to the base loan value for cotton warehoused in Lubbock of 51.60 cents. Cotton warehoused at locations other

than Lubbock may use a slightly different base loan figure. Growers should check with the appropriate county FSA office to determine the correct average loan value to use for calculating the QLP loss percentage.

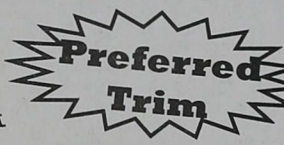
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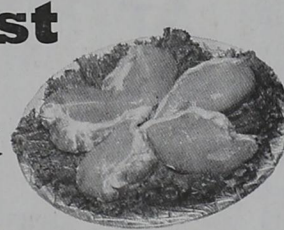
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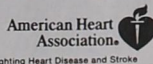
\$1.89 lb

Maybe It Wasn't That Heavy Shopping Bag.

Weakness On One Side May Mean A Stroke.

Recognizing the signs of stroke and acting fast may make a difference between life and death. Call 9-1-1 immediately if you experience one or more of these signs: sudden weakness especially on one side of the body; trouble speaking or understanding; dizziness, loss of balance; trouble seeing in one or both eyes; and severe headache with no known cause. New treatments can help reduce damage to

the brain but only in the first few hours after symptoms begin. Every minute counts. To learn more, call us at 1-800-AHA-USA1 or visit us online at www.americanheart.org/tx

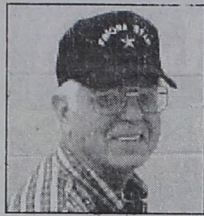


Fighting Heart Disease and Stroke



HEART ATTACK & STROKE
Read the signs. Raise a flag.

See Ya at... **LOWE'S**



Out Here

by Ron Carr

"See You at Hooters: Bring Your Pentagon Card!"

The government and its employees never cease to amaze me. When people go to work for the government it is like they step through a magic looking glass into Oz and henceforth do not inhabit the same planet as their Americans.

In fact, they seem to cease being Americans. Rules that apply to the great unwashed, do not apply to federal citizens. After all their world has benefits that yours and mine do not.

They have health benefits, regardless of height, weight, color or age. They have pensions funded from your common American taxes.

Their world has an endless supply of money, and if things get tight, they can simply confiscate some more.

They can break rules and abuse privileges willy-nilly, then when they get caught nothing really happens.

The reason they can live in their utopian federal world is because less than half of America knows, or cares, how government operates. Fewer than half of qualified voters even bother to vote.

Our elite leaders are trying now to make voting day a holiday so more commoners will vote. Yet another national shopping holiday that would cost employers a lot of money and will not increase the percentage of voters.

The main requirement for

federal employment is a complete lack of common sense. If you have any signs of common sense or logic you need not apply for one of the three hundred and eighty seven kazillion federal jobs.

In fact, common sense is the only character defect that is grounds for dismissal from a comfy government job. Adultery, fraud, lying, cheating, stealing: these are okay and can be smoothed over with both the American people and Jesse Jackson.

But common sense? If you are caught with even a shred of it, if you come out of the closet and exhibit common sense tendencies, you're out. No more government perks for you. Go back to San Diego and string beads.

The Pentagon proves the point. A "four-star no common sense" official at the Pentagon decided to issue Pentagon employees a credit card. Not all Pentagon employees got a credit card. Only 1.8 million of them.

The Pentagon and other federal agencies began issuing credit cards to employees in the 1990s to "make purchases more efficient." Now that is common sense. Give government employees credit cards to increase efficiency. Yessirree Bob, I like the way that sounds.

So if you were a government employee and they gave you a credit card, where do you think you would be

allowed to use it? That's right. For official business.

If you had common sense, would you think it is okay to use a government issued credit card to pick up a few things at Wal-Mart? I wouldn't but then I have a case of terminal common sense.

Many of the Pentagon credit cards had limits up to \$100,000 without credit checks on the employees.

All week, Congress has been investigating Pentagon credit card fraud. Having Congress investigate anything would have about the same result as spitting in the wind.

Government credit card holders did personal shopping at Wal-Mart and Home Depot. They were caught partying at Hooters and nightclubs with names like Bottoms Up. They bought DVDs, computers and pet supplies.

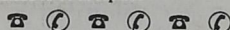
Defense officials have said the cards have sped up purchases and eliminated red tape. They say that the idea

Hazardous Waste Collection Is Set

A Texas country cleanup, agricultural waste pesticide collection and household hazardous waste site has been set for Thursday, August 16 at the Bailey County Coliseum in Muleshoe, west of downtown Muleshoe on Highway 84 on the north side of the road.

Banned or unwanted pesticides, properly rinsed pesticide containers, used motor oil, oil filters, lead acid batteries and household hazardous waste will be accepted. Also, lab wastes from local school districts.

Tire collection is not available at any of these cleanups. Empty plastic pesticide containers must be clean, triple-rinsed or high-pressure rinsed to be accepted.



shouldn't be judged by the instances of fraud.

That is what the government always says. So what. The program works just fine for the most part. One credit card company is said to have "written off" \$59 million in fraudulent debts.

Fear not. George Dubya's administration has issued a statement that takes care of the problem. They said, "We will attend the (congressional) hearings so we can hear the committee's concerns, answer their questions and make sure that any concerns are fully addressed." That's nice.

Someone should be held accountable for preposterous situations like this. Someone with common sense maybe.

Too bad no one in the government qualifies.

Wheat Production Meeting

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Farmer, Bailey and Castro Counties will be hosting a wheat production meeting on August 10, 2001 at the Friona Community Center. All producers are welcome to attend and CEU's will be given. The agenda is listed below.

- 9:00-9:30 Registration
- 9:30-10:00 Irrigation Efficiency- Mr. Leon New -TAEX
- 10:00-10:30 New Varieties ad Production Management-Dr. Calvin Trostle-TAEX
- 10:30-10:45 Break
- 10:45-11:15 Laws and Regulations- Lavon Harmon-TDA
- 11:15-11:45 Disease Management- Dr. Harold Kaufmann-TAEX

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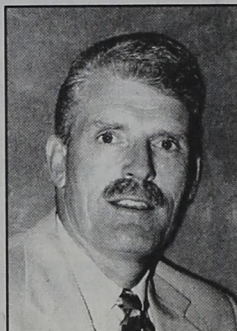
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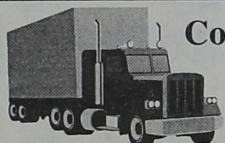
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