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Teacher retirement tea set for May 18

A retirement tea will be held Sunday May 18 from 2-4 p.m. at the Friona ISD administration building honoring Becky Riethmayer, Carolyn Lane, Joyce Dickson, and Kevin Wiseman. Everyone is invited to attend.

Volunteers needed to place cemetery crosses

American Legion Post 206 will place crosses and U. S. flags at the Friona cemetery for Memorial Day. Assistance is needed on Friday, May 23 at 6 p.m. to place the crosses.

American Legion member Bill Hardin says there are approximately 300 graves to be marked. The crosses are driven into the ground at each veteran's grave and the flags are later placed in the crosses.

Hardin said the Legion Post needs volunteers with hammers in hand to assist in the placing of the crosses since the local Post has only six members and several are elderly.

"We extend an invitation to the community to join us in honoring those who have served our country," Hardin said. All groups, organizations, and individuals are urged to consider assisting.

Honor Society induction at FHS

The Miller-Wilson Chapter of the National Honor Society of Friona High School will hold its annual induction ceremony for new members Tuesday, May 20, 2008, at 6:30 p.m. in the high school library. A reception will follow.

New members to be inducted are Leonardo Castaneda, Joshua Duenes, Sasha Estrada, Alex Ferguson, Maria Garcia, Corinne Hinton, Anyuli Lopez, Anna Murphree, Kenneth Newhouse, and David Schwab.

Sports physicals Saturday 9-12

Friona High School sports physicals will be given Saturday, May 17, from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at the gym. The cost is \$15 and will be good for all 2008-09 sports.

This will be the only day the physicals will be provided by the school at a reduced cost. Questions contact Bob Ferguson at 250-3862 or Todd Kilpatrick or V'Laura Sundlie at 250-2788. Officials ask that you pay for the physicals in cash if possible.

Sophomores, juniors, and seniors report at 9 a.m.; 9th graders at 9:30 a.m.; 8th graders at 10 a.m.; and 7th graders at 10:30 a.m.

Coach Ferguson is headed for Paradise

Friona Head Coach and Athletic Director Bob Ferguson has resigned to accept a position with the Paradise Independent School District.

Ferguson has been a mainstay in the FISD system for 16 years, joining as an assistant coach under James Morton in 1992 and being promoted to head coach in 2002. In 1992 the chiefs went 0-10 but rose to a 1996 state 3A semi-final game in Texas Stadium before losing to Tatum. Ferguson has coached football, baseball, track, and powerlifting during his Friona career.

Paradise is located in Wise County, near Bridgeport and Decatur. They are a 2A school playing as the Paradise Panthers. He told the Star staff this week that the population of Paradise is about 500, but the high school enrollment is 328, similar to Friona.

"Paradise is about the size of Nazareth," Ferguson said, "but the surrounding area is

made up of small communities that feed into the Paradise system."

At Paradise, Coach Ferguson will not have a head coach role. "I'll be assistant coach in football, baseball, powerlifting, and track," he said, "which is basically what I did when I first came to Friona." He also teaches science and the Paradise ISD just recently passed a bond issue which includes a new science facility.

Deirdre Ferguson, a Friona second grade teacher, will teach in the Paradise elementary school. Son Alex will be a junior next year and daughter Ashton will be in 4th grade.

Friona Star publisher Ron Carr noted that, "Coach Ferguson has always been very accessible and cooperative in providing statistics and information to the newspaper. We wish him and the family all the best in this new career adventure."

TOPS AT FHS



ron carr photo

At the all-sports banquet Tuesday, l-r, Alonzo Rojas received the Fighting Heart Award, Miranda Frye and Jordan Monroe were named as co-winners of the Fighting Squaw award, and Sawyer Reed received the Fighting Chieftain award. These are the top overall athletic awards given by coaches each year.

All-sports banquet marks end of athletic year

BY RON CARR

Seems like only a few weeks ago Chieftain fans anxiously awaited the start of football season and the volleyball girls were getting ready to hit the hardwood.

The boys and girls of Friona High School and their coaches suited up, took to the field or court or track and gave it their all for another year of FHS athletics. All the efforts and traveling and sprains and bruises culminated Tuesday night at the junior high cafeteria during the annual all-sports banquet.

All the kids from freshman through varsity were introduced for their 15-seconds of fame. Veteran varsity athletes were honored by coaches and parents in attendance as some received the Most Valuable Player honor in their particular sport.

Thanks should be given here to the booster parents who decorated, cooked, and organized the success of the banquet, then cleaned it all up afterwards. Thanks to the Noon Lions crew that cooked the french fires and Rickie

White and Charlie Pope for cooking the tenderloin. A special thanks to the 8th grade students who served the meal, kept tea glasses filled and picked up plates afterwards.

The top awards each year are three: Fighting Chieftain, Fighting Squaw, and Fighting Heart. These athletes are selected by the coaches for their spirit and determination and success in Friona athletics. Sawyer Reed was named as the Fighting Chieftain, Miranda Frye and Jordan

Monroe were co-winners for Fighting Squaw, and Alonzo Rojas earned the Fighting Heart award.

In other categories the MVP winners were: cross country, Jordan Monroe and Justin Bridges; volleyball, Miranda Frye and Hollis Gurley; football, offense Sawyer Reed, defense Chris Haile and Ritchie Casas; girls basketball Miranda Frye; boys basketball Sawyer Reed; powerlifting Victor Guerrero, Dillon Welch, and Sabrina Barber; golf, Lauren Hughes

and Joey Dickson; tennis Erica Wyly, Kaison Graham, Rolando Castanon, Sawyer Reed; track Jordan Monroe and Ryan Schwab; baseball Ryan Schwab.

It was an emotional night for many students, parents, and coaches as Head Coach Bob Ferguson said farewell at his final Friona all-sports banquet. Bob has accepted a coach/teacher position with the Paradise Independent School District after 16-years in Friona. There were many well-wishers for the Ferguson family.

Lenders gain understanding of dairies

High Plains lenders are familiar with the cattle feeding industry, but they need a different financial understanding with the dairy industry.

After requests from several lenders, Texas AgriLife Extension Service held a seminar to allow bankers to hear from specialists and dairy operators about the industry and its financial needs, said Dr. Steve Amosson, AgriLife Extension economist in Amarillo.

Many of the bankers came in with some understanding of dairy, but needed a broader base of knowledge regarding how the industry works, Amosson said. "They are trying to figure out if it is a niche market," he said.

"We wanted to help them understand things like herd turnover rates, cash-flow requirements and how prices are derived."

The dairy industry in Texas has an economic output of about \$3.9 billion, said David Anderson, AgriLife Extension economist from College Station. "It is not a small industry, and more and more of it is moving to the Panhandle."

Dr. Ellen Jordan, AgriLife Extension dairy specialist, said there are currently permits for about 2 million head of dairy cows in the High Plains, but she explained to the bankers that the industry would never grow that large here. Many of

those are permits obtained by landowners trying to market their property, Jordan said.

The region has about 150,000 head of dairy cattle and that could double in the next 10 years, but the numbers won't grow rapidly beyond that due to limited water supplies and other conditions.

Some of the most pressing issues for producers, as outlined in meetings of the Southern Great Plains Dairy Consortium, are environmental quality and related regulations, product quality and safety, economics and marketing, labor (ability to attract, retain and house), water utilization and energy resources and related costs, Jordan said.

Two producers, Mike Schouten of Deaf Smith County and Harry DeWitt of Pamer County, said coming to the High Plains from the Stephenville area has meant some changes in their operations.

One of the biggest is the amount of farming they have to do to control feed costs on the dairy. That has meant different ways of dealing with their line of credit, they said.

Another is providing an education for those not familiar with the industry. "One of the biggest faux pas you can make as a banker would be to appraise my cows and then determine the market has moved and you change your appraisal, which changes my operating ability," Schouten said. "Try to keep from

going too high in the first place, so no major changes are necessary."

Using reclamation values and understanding there is a certain amount of risk involved is the best practice, the two said. DeWitt said when times were tough in 2006, an average-producing cow would be valued at \$1,700, and six months ago, that price would have been \$2,300.

Anderson told the group that while dairy cow numbers have gone down significantly across the nation, production of milk has gone up - with the High Plains as a growth region.

Feed costs for the past three years have risen from \$6.70 per hundredweight of milk to more than \$7.60 per hundredweight. And the cost to produce milk in the Texas north dairy area has gone from \$15 per hundredweight to \$17 per hundredweight, Anderson said.

"The largest cost component is feed on a dairy; it's more than half of the operating expense and getting bigger," he said. Because feed prices are higher, the milk-to-feed ratio traditionally would indicate this should be a time of herd reduction, Anderson said. But it is not. Dairy production is still a profitable industry because of higher milk prices. "Much of the price increase being seen by consumers now is being spurred by (international) trade," he said.

Strong exports, an Australian drought and lower production

in Europe has kept milk prices high, Anderson said. The exports are not of fluid milk, but rather milk-derived products such as whey and powdered milk.

He explained the complicated milk pricing system, saying the price of cheese is ultimately what determines the price of milk. Class I milk goes for milk; Class II is for ice cream; Class III is for cheese; and Class IV is for butter and powdered milk.

The Class I price is based on location and the value of milk in making cheese, butter and powder, he said. It takes approximately 10 pounds of milk to produce a pound of cheese. Therefore, if cheese is \$1.90 per pound, it makes the price of that milk \$19 per hundredweight.

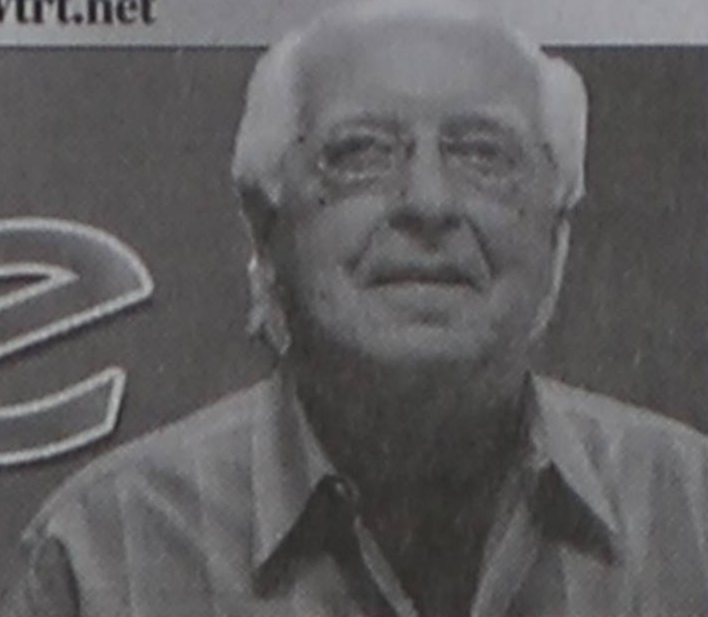
Historically speaking, the cheese price is about \$1.40 a pound, so the industry is experiencing some extremely high prices right now. However, their costs of production have risen significantly as well.

Non-fat dry milk increased in price last year due to export trade, but is now beginning to come down, Anderson said. Butter prices went down last year. But whey, a by-product of making cheese, has seen a jump in prices because of the increasing popularity of protein drinks.

"If we ship a lot of powder over to another country, we are going to have higher milk prices here," he said. "It changes every month, by the value of those products."

Out Here

By Ron Carr



they used to be boys and girls

Well, it's final time; final banquet, final prom, final tests, and finally graduation. No doubt this year's crop of high school seniors are on the countdown, suffering senioritis, and itchy to get going in life. To me the dividing line between boys and girls and men and women is high school graduation. There has to be a line somewhere doesn't there?

At Tuesday night's annual all-sports banquet a group of boys and girls we have followed for several years on the field, in the gym, and around the track had their last hurrah. Most Valuable Player awards were given, mommas took photos with their little digital cameras, the girls flipped their hair and tugged at their dresses, and the boys... well they were just boys.

We spotted a few former boys and girls at the banquet who not long ago were the boys and girls. Remember Molly Carthel, Shayli Reed, Stephen Campbell, Sean Lookingbill, Krista Graham, Amy and Staci Murphree, Katy Welch. Not so long ago they were the MVPs and the boys and girls we all applauded. It is good to see them all again.

The big banner at the front of the banquet hall said, "Proud to be a Chieftain Squaw." I hate to see these kids go to be honest but it is the same every year. We have covered their accomplishments and disappointments through heat and cold and rain, taking thousands of photos. And now the kids that used to be boys and girls will become young men and women. Just like that. There will be other groups though. Football season is just a few months hence where we will suit up with a new head coach and new players.

During the "senior spotlight" we heard future plans to be engineers, pediatric nurses, auto mechanics, accountants, and even a doctor. Many of our graduates are going up the road to study at West Texas A&M. Our boys and girls have big plans for the future. That is as it should be.

Sooner than they realize they will be men and women, then older men and women like you and me. Sooner than they realize they will be attending that 25th class reunion.

Sooner than they like to think, they will be dragging out the old yearbooks, and

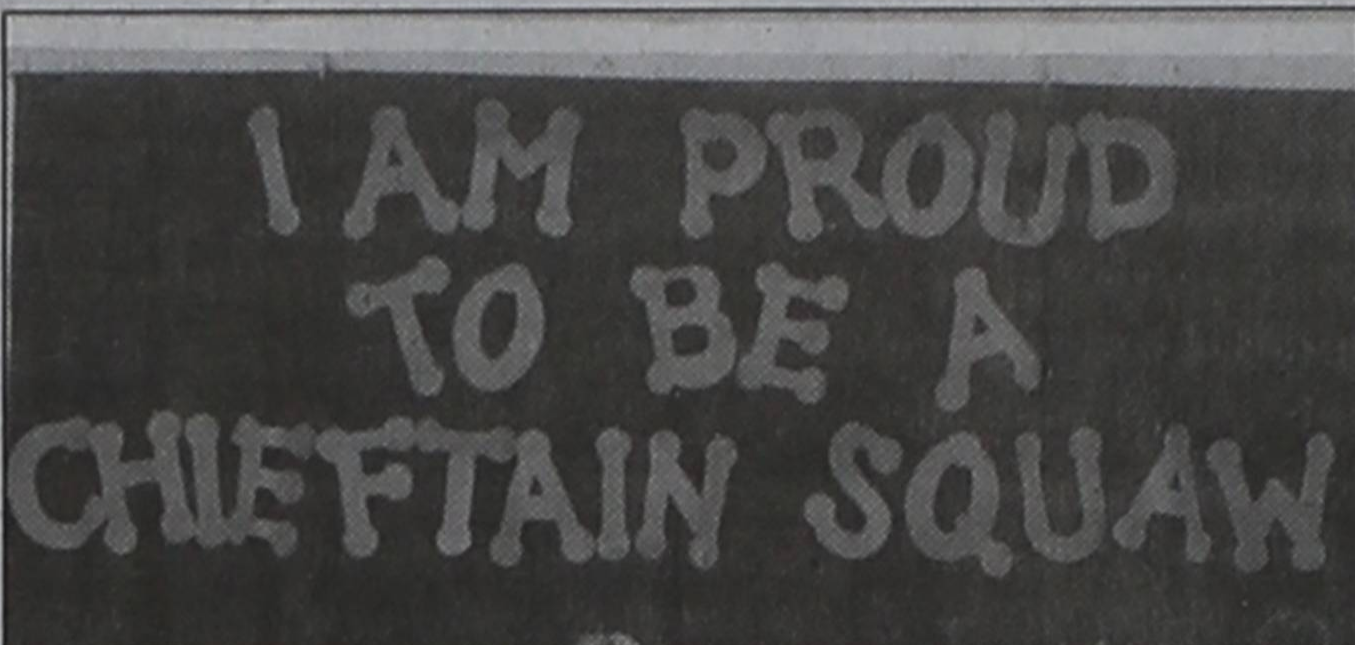
yellowed copies of the Friona Star, and those scrapbooks that their mommas and grandmommas faithfully kept all those years ago. Sooner than they want to admit they too will be wondering just where the years went.

But for now, to the Class of 2008, I would just like to say, on behalf of the Friona Star, thanks for allowing us to share your high school days. It has been a real fun trip covering all of your feats

and goofs. Thanks for letting us take your photos and report your stories, and spend a few years together. You are all a bunch of fine kids and we will miss you.

Go straight ahead now. If some of your goals fall apart, so what. Find new ones. You are about to be initiated into the National Adult Society. Make the most of it.

Thanks again. All the best for the rest of your life. Keep in touch.



Mexican chicken casserole from an Arkansas boat lady

BY RON CARR

Every now and then we get a recipe from a lady named Nina Wood. She lives in Arkansas and is the co-founder of Ranger Boats. She has a cookbook, "Nina's Favorite Recipes", available for \$9.95 plus \$2.50 shipping. See www.flwsportsgallery.com.

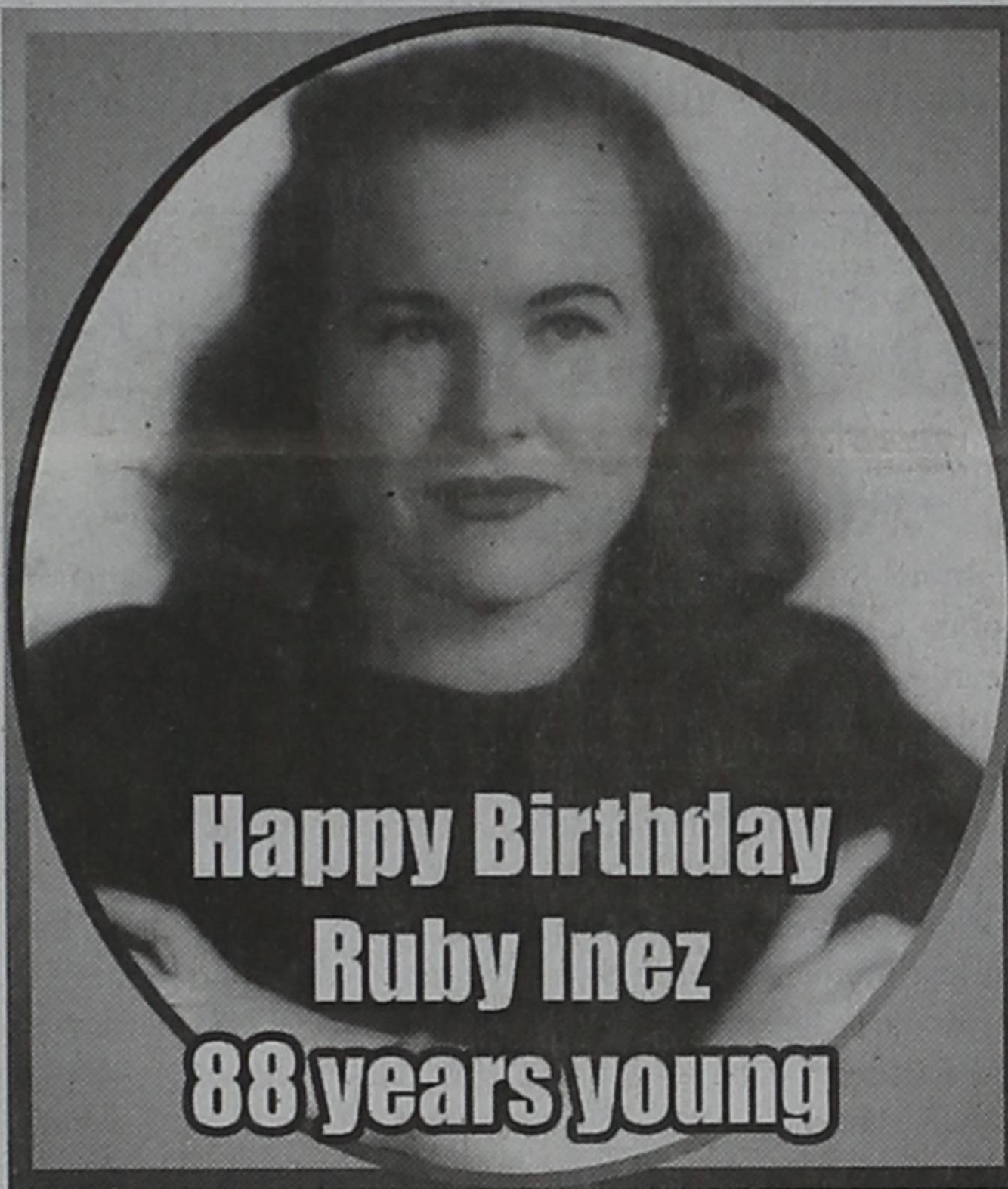
Don't know why a boat lady would be emailing recipes, except that most ladies are walking recipe books anyway. Don't know how ya'll do it. Nina says this casserole is quick and easy but still tastes like you spent all afternoon in the kitchen.

Most of you ladies already know how to make this don't you? I think I have had this several times in different ways. Quick and easy and sounds good too. Can you use Rotel with green chiles? How about sour cream and onion Doritos? Experiment. Your family will love you for it.

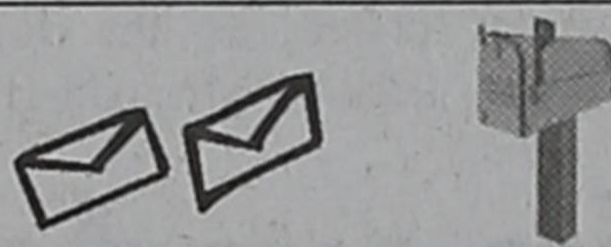
Mexican chicken casserole

- 4 boneless chicken breasts
- Doritos chips
- 1 small block Velveeta cheese
- 1 can Cream of Chicken soup
- 1 can Cream of Mushroom soup
- 1 can Rotel
- 1 cup chicken broth

Boil the chicken breasts until cooked through. Set aside one cup of the broth. Cube the chicken and lay in the bottom of a greased 9 X 13 dish. Crush a layer of Doritos over the chicken. Slice the block of Velveeta into 11 or 12 even slices. Lay them over the Doritos, leaving cracks. Mix the Rotel, both soups, and the broth. Pour this mixture over the cheese. Cover and bake for about 25 to 30 minutes at 350 degrees.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Dear Friona Star,

My name is Zack Henderson. I teach at Friona High School and work with the Special Olympics team. I wanted to share with you something exciting that happened during our competition on May 3, 2008. At opening ceremonies, awards were distributed to deserving parties. Our very own Donna Mullins was selected as the Area Volunteer of the Year! She certainly deserves this honor as she works very hard for our team and gives willingly of great amounts of her time. She really works hard to ensure that our athletes have a good time and improve their skills. I wanted to share this with the community so that they may know about a well-deserved honor a member of the community has received. Please share this story with the community.



Donna Mullins

Thanks,
Zack Henderson
Amarillo, TX 79102

Dear Ron:

When I was a child back in the 50s, Reeve Lake was pretty much out there all by its lonesome near the corner of Highway 214 and Highway 60. There was a baseball field just north of the lake just about where the community center now is and it was the only field we had for many years. Some great games of summer baseball took place there.

The lake was a playa lake and its size depended upon the rainfall in any given year; and there were certainly no trees gracing its shores back then as there are today. This past Sunday on Mother's Day from 1 to 4 p.m., this Lake was once more the scene of activity with the latest Fishing Derby Day sponsored by the City of Friona through the Texas Junior Angler's Association. This is the fifth year for the derbies under City Manager Terri Johnson.

For their investment, the City of Friona gets 500 lbs of grain-fed channel catfish, special prizes awarded including a bike, tents, sleeping bags, fishing gear, tackle boxes, skate boards and T-Shirts. Trophies are awarded for the biggest

fish caught overall—the bike—and for the largest fish caught in each of three age groups: 6 & under, 7 to 11, and 12 to 16. Adults are allowed to help their little ones fish when necessary.

The Texas Junior Angler's Association also provides fishing poles and bait for the junior fishermen to use for anyone who needs them. If you break a line, just come back and get another pole that's rigged and ready to use. City Employees take turns working at the Derby when their families are not fishing. Glendel Jones, city employee, has been diligently working to get the area cleared for this special event and 4-Way Pump Company made a special donation toward the Derby.

It was heartwarming to see the approximately 150 children plus their families turned out for this wonderful family outing. T-Shirts and smaller trophies were also available for a donation of \$10 to the Texas Junior Angler's Association. Jeff Scott, of the TJAA, said that our "Friona kids were some of the nicest and most polite that he's seen" (and he goes all over the state of Texas). I was really proud to have been there to hear that and just wanted to share it with all of you, especially the parents.

Sincerely,
Darla Bracken

P.S. Anyone can fish after this event, but remember Texas residents and non-residents adults must have a valid fishing license unless you were born BEFORE September 1, 1930. Children aged 17 and under also do not need a license according to the Texas Parks & Wildlife website. Also, they have asked that you release any Blue Gills you may catch so that those fish might grow in number for the next derby, which will take place the Sunday after Labor Day—September 7.

Hello Ron,

Greetings from Dublin-Dr. Pepper Town U.S.A. The Parkers are alive and well at 311 N. Patrick-Dublin 76446.

Enclosed is a check for the e-mail Star. Looking forward to keeping up with Friona happenings. jparker13@hotmail.com

Best Wishes,
Jim Parker

P.S. Retirement is all I hoped it might be, but we miss our friends and all the great folks like you we worked with for so many years.

Mark Your Calendar

May 17

Friona High School Junior/Senior prom in the high school cafeteria.

May 18

Enchilada dinner at Junior high cafeteria from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Sponsored by Temple of Adoration Youth Group

May 30

FHS Graduation

June 2-6

First Methodist Church Vacation Bible School. Call church at 250-3045 for information.

June 3

Friona State Bank birthday celebration 5-7 p.m. on the bank lawn. Free burgers & fries.

June 16

Relay for Life cancer survivor dinner Farwell Community Center-6 p.m.

June 20

Relay for Life annual cancer walk. Contact Jamie or Greg Lewellen.

June 21

Hereford City-wide garage sale.

July 4

Celebrate in the park. Booth set-up at 5 p.m. Booths are free but you need to register with the Chamber. Vendor deadline is 5 p.m., July 1. Chamber 250-3491.

July 19

3rd Annual Cheeseburger Festival & Cook-off in Friona City Park. Entry fee is \$100. Booth set-up 8 a.m. No other meat vendors but booths are available. Chamber members free, non-members \$30. Vendor deadline 5 p.m., July 11. Rules, regs, entry info from the Chamber at 250-3491.

July 24-26

Top of Texas Quilt Shop Hop. For info call Malouf's Fabrics at 806-250-3575.

September 13

Mules Day Bazaar, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Civic Center in Muleshoe.

September 20

52nd Annual Maize Days celebration at city park. Booth set-up 8:30 a.m. All food vendors welcome. Booth cost \$20 for Chamber members, \$30 non-members. Vendor deadline 5 p.m. September 17. For more info call the Chamber at 250-3491.

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Friona Bridal

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Town Talk II

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and burr leg conveyor belt that moves the hay and burrs up into the silage bin.

The firefighters didn't return to the station until about 10 p.m. Paco manager Feller Hughs said he really appreciated the firemen and their efforts to control the fire and minimize the damage. He said he thought a bearing overheated, to cause the blaze.

The firemen also responded to a passenger van fire call near Black Monday morning about 5:30 a.m. A Railroad Express van carrying a BNSF crew change got stuck in the north barrow ditch and overheated the tires trying to get out. No serious damage was reported.

Was saddened by the death of Ed Bailey (see obit this week). At the time of the 1995 tornado Ed and Deloris Bailey lived in a trailer home south of Friona at Main and FM2397. The tornado came from the south and the Bailey home was one of the first one's hit. Ed was found in the crumpled wreckage. Deloris and a grandson were thrown out into the yard.

Ed was in a coma for several months and not expected to live. He recovered though and spent more months in a rehab facility in Dallas before returning to Friona. The tornado injuries left Ed disabled and partially paralyzed. He and Deloris were neighbors of mine for several years before they moved back to McLean. He had been in a nursing home in McLean the past few years and died in an Amarillo hospital over the weekend.

Our sympathies to Deloris and the Bailey family. Ed was a fine man. I'm glad I knew him.

Stopped by to visit with Bobby Thompson at his soon to be place of business. He has rented the old Fast Stop location to open Glass Pros and provide car detailing too. Bobby has left the Friona ISD where he was transportation manager.

At FISD Kevin Cooper will take over the transportation scheduling and paper work while long time school employee Larry Gonzales will manage the bus barn maintenance and servicing of the school vehicles. Good luck to all you guys.

Tommy Brockman has recuperated from his heart scare and is back on the job at Brockman Sales. Daughter Lisa Neill has been helping out too. If you noticed some work going on there out front, Lisa said the recent high winds did some damage under the front eave so Johnny Alvarez and crew have been repairing and painting. Good health Tommy. Stay well.

Shirley Osborn is scheduled for heart bypass surgery this week, Wednesday I believe. Shirley is the lady that works in the Bi-Wize Pharmacy. Her husband is Ted. We hope for a successful surgery and a speedy recovery. All the best to Shirley, Ted, and the family.

At Monday's senior lunch we bade farewell to our "announcer" Bob Naylor. He is off for his annual four-month stay in Gunnison, Colorado. Bob, a retired forest ranger, maintains a 5th-wheel trailer in an RV park there and spends the summer months in the mountains.

The seniors welcomed FHS sophomore Jessie London. Jessie will be going to state choir competition later in May. She will sing a solo there so she practiced on the senior lunch crowd. It was an Italian song that she sang in Italian. I understood every word but I don't think the other seniors did. She will be singing it also at the Choir Follies Monday night at the junior high cafeteria. Come back again Jessie and good luck at the state solo and ensemble competition.

Annual senior citizen dues of \$30 are due by June. Donita Martin and Joann Mills will be glad to take your money. The dues help with the Friendship House utilities and maintenance and the twice-weekly meals we enjoy. So pay up. Thank you.

Sorry to hear that Chieftain Head Coach Bob

Ferguson and family will be leaving us. Hard to argue with somebody that is moving to Paradise, Texas. Coach Ferg said they are the Paradise Panthers, colors are green and black. Bob and Deirdre and Alex and Ashton will be missed but we all wish them the very best. Coach Ferguson has always been most cooperative with the Friona Star in keeping us up to date on Chieftain-Squaw athletics. Keep in touch ya'll.

Mr. Rene Snead stopped in this week. He is Gary Snead's dad. Mr. Snead said he bought a bedspread in Rome, Italy back in about 1944-45 while he was serving during World War II. He had it shipped home to his wife Jennie and "it has been packed away ever since" he said. But now they have unpacked the spread and it is on display at the Friona Public Library. Stop by and have

a look at this piece of history. A photo is on this page.

We are looking good for rain this week the meteor guys say. Let's hope so. Should be Wednesday and Thursday maybe. My neighbors hope so. My yard wasn't nominated for the yard-of-the-month contest. Busy week heading for graduation and summer. Thanks for stopping by. Until then.

WWII bedspread



This ornate bedspread, on display at the library, was purchased in Rome, Italy, in 1944-45 by Rene Snead. It is currently on display at the Friona library. Note the cherubs in the close-up detail.



Remember when...



Johnny Douglas

I probably hold the record for being employed by Friona State Bank for the shortest period of time.

In the fall of 1961 the bank was looking for another employee. Since I had not started my family yet, I thought a job at the bank would be nice, so I applied for the opening and got the job. Like all new bank employees at that time, I was the file clerk.

I was not a coffee drinker but took my "coffee breaks" along with all the other girls. After a couple of weeks the smell of the coffee, along with the cigar smoke from one of the men working there, made the breaks very unpleasant so I quit taking my breaks. After about another week I thought I must have the flu so I went to the doctor and found out I was pregnant.

I wanted to stick it out until a replacement could be hired, but after a short period of time I felt I had to go ahead and quit. The "flu symptoms" stopped almost immediately. It took a lot of years for me to learn to like coffee, and cigar smoke is still not something I enjoy.

My birthday is November 11 and now the banks and other businesses close for Veterans Day, but that year we worked. We worked until noon on Saturdays and then Frank Spring and Charles Allen would take all of us out for lunch.

My banking career was very short but still holds lots of good memories of the people I worked with. I think Jerry Hinkle is the only one from that period of time that is still working at Friona State Bank.

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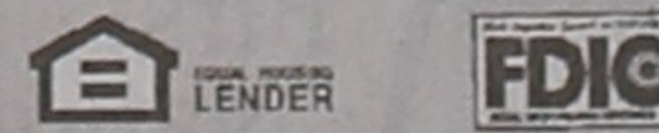
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Celebrating our 100th Birthday in 2008

Alexander to attend Windpower Meeting

Chamber of Commerce executive vice-president Chris Alexander will join a High Ground of Texas delegation to attend the Windpower 2008 Conference in Houston June 1-4.

The conference will have over 735 vendors covering all aspects of the wind energy industry and expects over 8,000 attendees. The Windpower Conference program will include over 350 speakers and moderators, 150 poster presentations, and 50 sessions on leading wind energy topics with policy, business, and technical focuses.

Anyone interested in joining the group attending the conference can call Ms. Alexander at 250-3491 for more detailed information.

Desserts, coffee, tea, and song at the Choir Follies

It is once again time for the Friona High School Choir Follies, a fun filled musical evening complete with song and all-you-can-eat desserts with your coffee or tea.

The date is Monday, May 19, at 7 p.m. Please note the location is in the junior high cafeteria this year. Thanks to your support the choir has outgrown the high school cafeteria.

The ticket prices are \$5 in advance or \$6 at the door. Tickets may be purchased from any choir student or from choir director Allison Johnston.

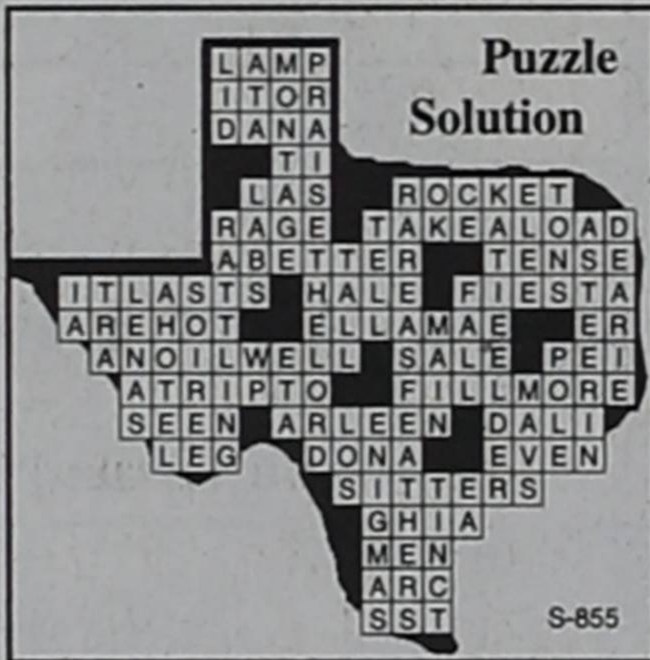
The theme this year is DISNEY! Mrs. Johnston says don't miss an opportunity to hear the ever growing choral music department.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

May 18, - May 24, 2008

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

- May 18-Danny Carthel, John Crozier, Jacob Landrum
- May 19-Ramey Beene, Lynn Nelson, Carol Ellis, Naruby Schlenker, Ruby Hassenpflug, Tyler Hough, Blair Burney
- May 20-Gay Welch Jucha, Kim Barnett, Sherrie Stanberry, Larry Manuel, Graham Douglas Edelman
- May 21-Matthew Schueler, Fay Smith, Mark Zachary, David Drake, Ronnie Skaggs, Jeremiah Norwood, Christy King, Cindy Cargile, C.A. Carrera, Gary Gonzales, Ruby Garza, Aspen Fleming, Mason Fleming
- May 22-Scott Terry, Mark Osborn, Jerri Landrum, Lance Venhaus, Connor Keffer
- May 23-Becky Mays, Susan Renner, Dana Auburg, Dona Auburg, Ray A. Martinez, Chad Gayle, James Lee
- May 24-Mickey Ready, David Warren, Tara Cargile, Tommy Davis, Farron Young, Joe Santellano, David Sarpalius, JeDon Gallman, Art Hunter, Javier Casas, Jennifer Cantu



Lions Club News



courtesy photo

Mary Lou Venhaus was introduced by Lion Dean Eichenauer as guest speaker at the Friona Evening Lions Club on Thursday, May 8. Mary Lou gave her personal review of the recent trip to Italy, which was sponsored by Friona State Bank.

KidFish results

At the annual KidFish event at Reeve Lake Sunday 143 youngsters registered to fish. Folks can mark their calendars now for the next KidFish Day on September 7.

City manager Terri Johnson said that beginning in 2009 the Kid Fish Day in May would not be on Mother's Day. The spring event from now on will be held the 3rd Sunday of May.

Results of last Sunday's fishing are:
First fish caught, Joey Villanueva.

Age 6 & under, Elias Torres 1st 21"; McKenzie Mullins 2nd 20 3/4"; Gaby Ortiz 20 5/8".

Age 7-11, Anthony Rivas 1st 22 1/2"; Brianna Padilla 2nd 21 1/4"; Edgar Ramirez 3rd 20 5/8".

Age 12 & over, Destiny Sandoval 1st 21 7/8"; Daniel Padilla 2nd 21 1/8"; Mike Villanueva 3rd 21".



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Mackenzie Mullins, 5-year-old daughter of Daniel and Charity Mullins, proudly shows off her trophy from the KidFish competition Sunday at Reeve Lake.

Viet Nam copters to stop in Amarillo

According to an email sent to Friona Chamber exec VP Chris Alexander, a group of helicopters from the Viet Nam era will arrive in Amarillo at Trade Winds Airport on Saturday May 17. They will be there from 12:30p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and are on the way to the Viet Nam Wall in Washington D.C. More info available at www.flyingthunder.org.

Sheriff's Report

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

May 8, 2008, Jonathan Chisom, 21, of Bovina, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with possession of marijuana (less than 2 ounces), pending County Court.

May 8, 2008, Victor M. Jones, 21, of Bovina, was arrested by the Parmer County Sheriff's Office and charged with possession of marijuana (less than 2 ounces), pending County Court.

Courthouse Notes

The Parmer County Clerk's Office recorded the following warranty deeds from April 30, 2008 to May 07, 2008:

Beulah Mims - Christopher Lee Davis and Felicia Reann Davis, SW/4 S10 DOUD AND KEEFER.

Dale Hart and Laura L. Hart - Raul A. Dominguez and Amy Lee Dominguez, L12 B1 HICKS.

Ricky D. Bentley and Rhonda K. Bentley - Andrew Delao, L1 B2 MCMILLAN & FERGUS.

Petra Veronica Velazquez - Martin Brito, L18 B6 LAKEVIEW. Ysmael G. Madrid and Pola A. Madrid - Jose Armando Flores and Cataline Flores, L6 B5 DRAKE.

Jeanne Kerby - Galen C. Carson and Pam Carson, S/2 OF SW/4 S12 BLK A RHEA BROTHERS.

Thomas Rhodes and Virginia Rhodes - Pat Ware and Donna Ware, 121.3 AC SE/4 S10 BLK A.

Thomas C. Hartwell - Elton Venable and Marie Venable, 5.509 AC S9 BLK E.

PPHM opening Colt exhibit

Samuel Colt is in the building.

It took three semi trucks to bring the blockbuster exhibition *Samuel Colt: Arms, Art and Invention* to the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum. One of the four museums in the nation and the only Texas venue to host this exclusive exhibit, PPHM is also the last chance for the public to see the collection before it goes back into storage in Hartford, Connecticut.

Beginning May 24 the exhibition will be open to the public in the Harrington Changing Gallery.

From firearm prototypes to fine art to awards from the Czar of Russia, the Samuel Colt exhibit gives a broader perspective of this highly influential business man whose innovations in manufacturing and marketing changed the way business was done in America.

In many respects Samuel Colt was more a man of the twentieth century than the nineteenth. The Bill Gates of his day, Colt was both an inventor and a name. His marketing savvy produced the first celebrity endorsements, introduced "new and improved" as an advertising motto, and demonstrated the value of branding. Colt introduced production lines six decades before Ford and invented machinery for making interchangeable parts for pistols, which other manufacturing industries soon followed after.

The exhibition opens with the development of revolving firearms. Their evolution had been stalled for two centuries until 1830, when sixteen-year-old Colt had what only can be called an epiphany, one that forever changed his life and the history of the world. As a crewman aboard the Boston brig *Corvo*, Colt had observed the locking action of the ship's wheel and whittled a model of what was to become the first practical revolver.

The exhibition traces his progress in perfecting effective, cost-efficient revolvers. While other inventors were attempting to redefine the architecture of the handgun, Colt devised new styles that were to take hold, and that continue in use to this day.

Colt knew that a product's fine craftsmanship and aesthetic appeal were crucial to consumer acceptance. Colt's arms are immediately identifiable, characterized by simplicity of form, elegant line, and eye-catching finishes meant to reflect light—highly polished blue steel, color casehardening, and cool white silver-plate.

Colt's remarkable standing as an international celebrity is confirmed with the display of presentation pieces and awards from admirers worldwide, such as Russian Czar Alexander II and Japanese shogun Tokugawa Yoshinobu.

Admission prices to PPHM during the Colt exhibition (May 24-September 1) will be \$12 for adults, \$6 for children, \$5 for members, and \$3 for member children.

Samuel Colt: Arms, Art and Invention will continue through September 1, 2008. The exhibit is sponsored in part by Happy State Bank; West Texas A&M University; the Amarillo Advertising Federation; Amarillo National Bank; FirstBank Southwest; Canyon Economic Development Corporation; Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Josseland; Bill and Betty Semmelbeck; Grite and Chris Storm, Texas Gun Collector's Association; Mr. and Mrs. William H. Atterbury; and Abbie and Wales Madden, Jr.

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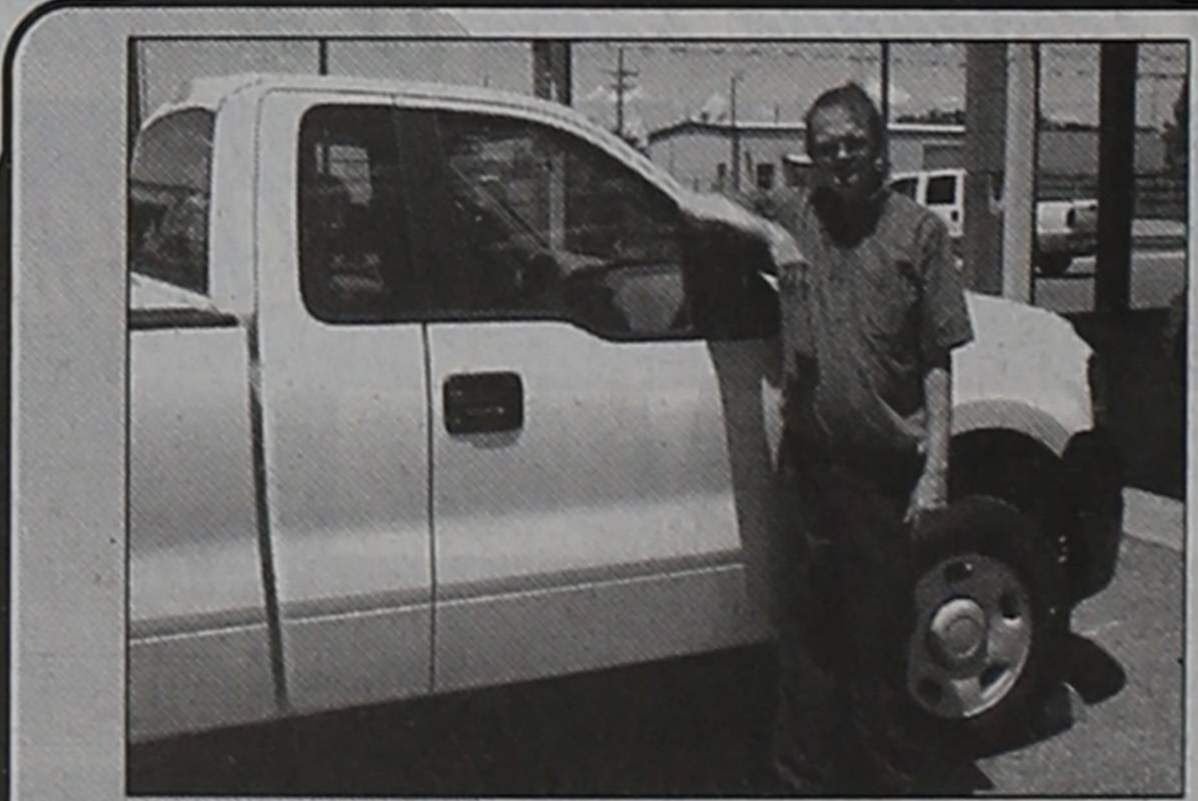
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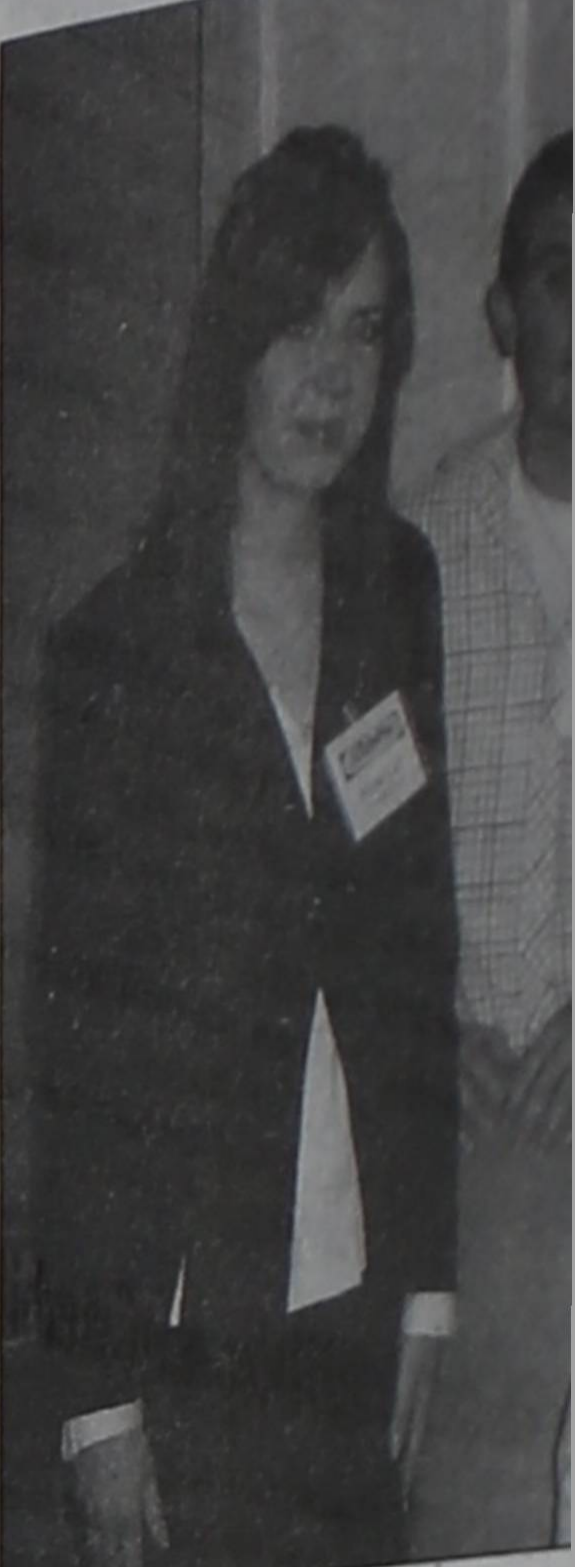
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Two Friona LifeSmarts Teams competed in Austin in March to compete in LifeSmarts Competition. Students in the state contest in online competition top eight teams travel to Austin in a double elimination tournament game show format.

The Friona Red team finished the Red team was composed of juniors. The competition team consisted of seniors. The competition team consisted of Captain Lucy Mendez, Jordan Garza, Joey Mendoza and Alejandra Garza. This team missed making the five points and a faster buzz in



Red Team: Front row, Lucy Mendez, Jordan Garza, Joey Mendoza



White Team: Front row, Jojo Herbert, Julie Wiseman, Jess



Jordan Monroe and Ryan Schmitt track MVPs at the all-sports banquet



Joey Dickson and Lauren Huelskamp at Tuesday's all-sports banquet

Friona LifeSmarts teams in state competition

Two Friona LifeSmarts Teams traveled to Austin in March to compete in the State LifeSmarts Competition. Students qualify for the state contest in online competitions. The top eight teams travel to Austin to compete in a double elimination tournament with a game show format.

The Friona Red team finished third. The Red team was composed of juniors and seniors. The competition team consisted of Captain Lucy Mendez, Jordan Carr, Gerardo Garza, Joey Mendoza and Alejandra Martinez. This team missed making the final round by five points and a faster buzz in by the other

team.

Other students who competed on this team included Sadie Armendariz, Briar Barnett, Leslie Chico, Ana DeLaPaz, Jessica Delgadillo, Anita Diaz, Andrew Diaz, Felissa Dominguez, Juan Faudoa, Yvette Garcia, ALLee Gee, Trini Gonzales, Zachary Graves, Vanessa Hernandez, Viviana Lara, Lacey Lookingbill, Emma Lopez, Corina Ortiz, Omar Ramirez, Brittany Rubio, Lupe Rubio, Javier Sanchez, and Leo Sanchez.

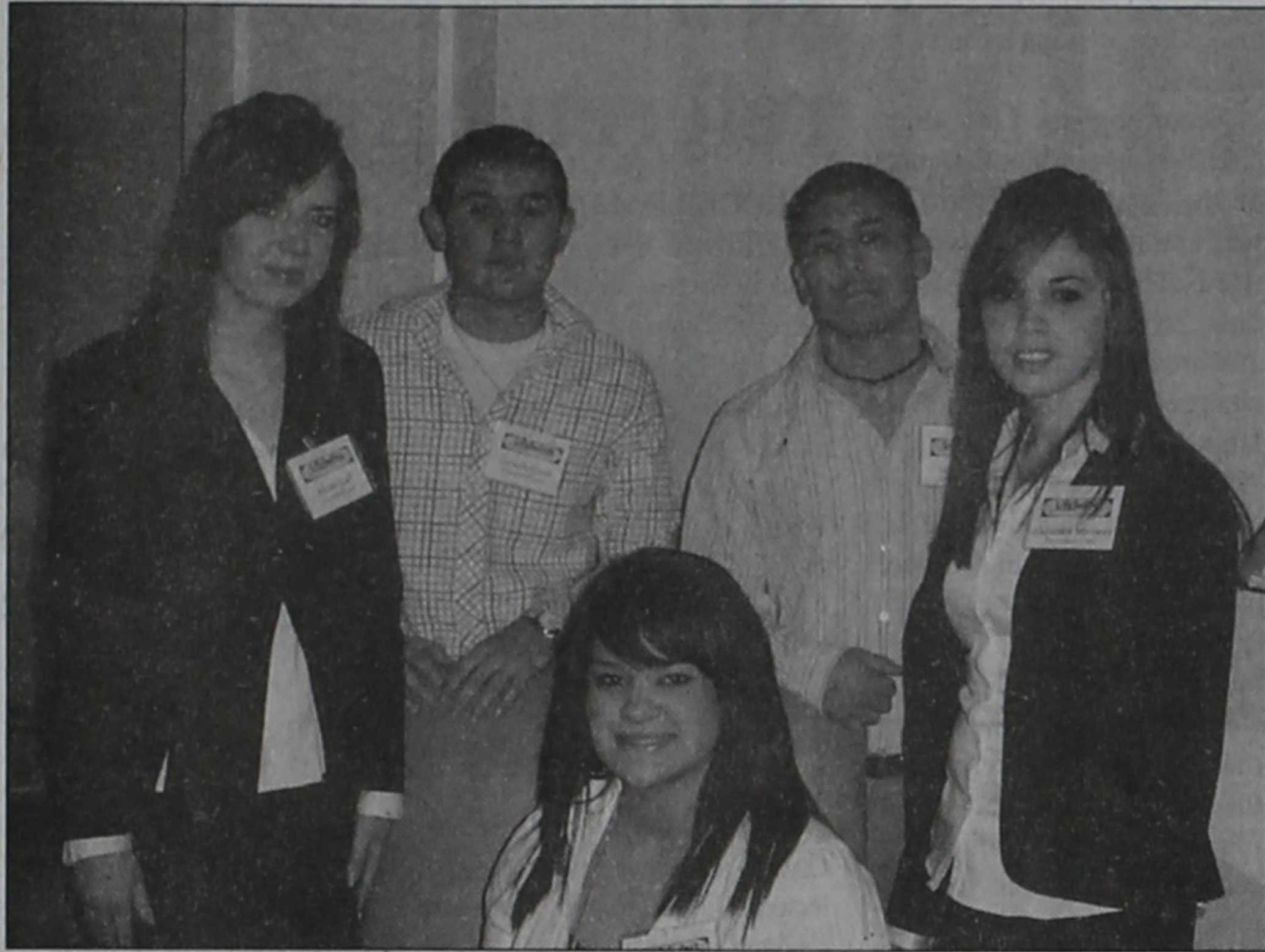
The Friona White team finished in fifth place out of eight teams competing. This team was made up of freshman and sopho-

mores. The competition team consisted of Captain Jovani Hernandez, Katie Miller, Jessica Salinas, Julie Wiseman and Brittany Herbert.

Others competing with the white team included Marisol Benevides who tied for the alternate spot, Stephanie Aguirre, Laci Austin, Leslie Bautista, Kourtney Boardley, Alondra Chavarria, Julieta Cruz, Keeley Dunnam, Martha Fehr, Thania Garcia, Abigail Gonzalez, Christi Hernandez, Vanessa Herrera, John Hinton, Ashlee Howard, Laura Lopez, Julia Machado, Catalina Ortega, Ricky Padilla, Lauren Reed, Johana Salinas, Ester Sarabia,

Bianca Terrones, Karina Trevino, Nydia Villarreal, Ily Vital, Janet Vital, Kelsey White, and Chasty Woodson.

Marisol Benavides and Ily Vital accompanied the teams as managers and photographers. Friona Red and Friona White made an excellent showing at the contest. The other teams were made up of seniors with an occasional junior thrown in. The Friona Teams beat over 50 teams to qualify for the state competition. Sharon Pierce, the Texas LifeSmarts coordinator, said that Texas had a record number of students and schools competing this year.



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Red Team: Front row, Lucy Mendez, Captain; back row, Jordan Carr, Gerardo Garza, Joey Mendoza, Alejandra Martinez



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LifeSmarts: Seated, Ily Vital, Jordan Carr, Alejandra Martinez, Lucy Mendez, Marisol Benavides; standing, Jessica Salinas, Joey Mendoza, Julie Wiseman, Katie Miller, Brittany Herbert, Gerardo Garza, Jovani Hernandez



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White Team: Front row, Jovani Hernandez; back row, Katie Miller, Brittany Herbert, Julie Wiseman, Jessica Salinas



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Capital: Front row, Jessica Salinas, Jovani Hernandez, Julie Wiseman, Marisol Benavides; middle row-Katie Miller, Brittany Herbert, Alejandra Martinez; back row, Joey Mendoza, Jordan Carr, Ily Vital and Gerardo Garza



ron carr photo

Jordan Monroe and Ryan Schwab, FHS seniors, were named track MVPs at the all-sports banquet.



ron carr photo

A post banquet photo op for moms, l-r, Morgan Anthony, Ashley Ingram, Burkleigh Briones, Erica Wylly, Jordan Carr, Hollis Gurley, Deirdre Johnston, Michelle Martin, Erin Anthony, Miranda Frye, Lauren Hughs, Jordan Monroe, and Brooke Herbert.



ron carr photo

Joey Dickson and Lauren Hughs received the MVP golf award at Tuesday's all-sports banquet.



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Powerlifting coach Jimmy Arias, center, handed out powerlift MVP honors to Victor Guerrero, left, and Dillon Welch during Tuesday's all-sports banquet.

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Elliott M. "Mr. Ed" Bailey

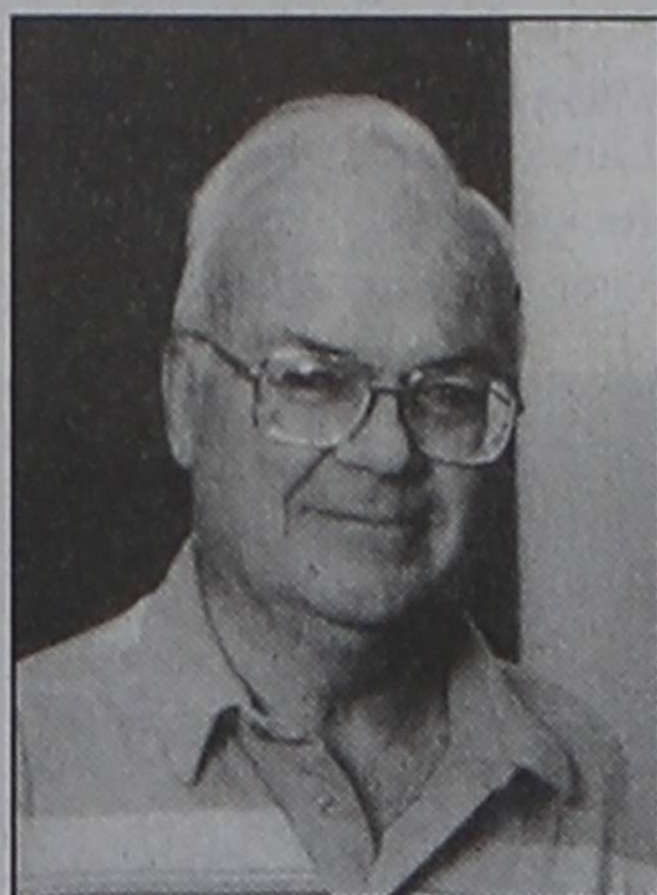
Graveside services for Elliott M. "Mr. Ed" Bailey, 81, were held at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, May 12, 2008 at Llano Cemetery. Kenneth Martin, pastor of the First Baptist Church of McLean officiated. Arrangements were by Schooler Funeral Home of Amarillo.

He died on May 9, 2008 in Amarillo. Mr. Ed was born August 6, 1926 in Sherman, Texas to Levi and Frankie Bailey. He grew up in Pampa.

He met Deloris Jane Pound and they married in Oklahoma City on April 29, 1951. Ed has been in the printing industry since the age of 13. He has worked with The New York Times, Chicago Tribune, The Dallas Morning News, and other major U.S. newspapers. He also worked for the Amarillo Globe News for several years. He was the publisher/printer for the McLean newspaper from 1965 to 1977 and he owned Bailey Printing in Friona for 15 years. His Linotype machine is displayed in the McLean museum.

Ed and Deloris have been residents of McLean since 1965. He was a member of the First Baptist Church. He was also a member of the Lion's Club in McLean and Abernathy, and a member of the Panhandle Press Association. He was a quiet-spoken, straight forward, hard working gentleman and he loved his family.

He is survived by his wife, Deloris, of the home; four daughters, Denise Hill and husband Ben of Amarillo, Kathy Southerland of Paradise, Texas, Patsy Bailey of Conroe, and Carolyn Nelson and husband Dan of Fort Worth; two sons, Matthew Bailey of Amarillo and Mark Bailey of Monticello, Florida; 15 grandchildren, Valerie Shortridge, Jennifer Farmer, Alicia Hill, David Hill, Allen Bailey, Misti Beall, Kristi Sexton, Bradley Southerland, Chad Southerland, Shelley Kemp, Sara Gorlick, John Nelson, Veronica Fite, Terrence Fite and Erin Hicks; 20 great-grandchildren; three brothers, Roy Bailey of Amarillo, Carl Bailey and wife Faye of Levelland and Ray Bailey of Stinnett; and one sister-in-law, Dean Bailey of Borger.



Elliott M. Bailey

Consider options before breaking out CRP acres

Officials with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) are urging farmers to consider USDA compliance and program eligibility before converting Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) acres to cropland production.

"More than one million acres in Texas covered under CRP contracts will expire in the next year and a half, and we could see a lot of land use changes, especially in the Panhandle region," said Don Gohmert, NRCS state conservationist for Texas. "We want landowners to understand options available to them and what they need to do to remain in compliance for USDA programs."

Conservation compliance, which began with the 1985 Farm Bill, is still in effect. Compliance means that farmers need to control erosion on highly erodible land, which includes CRP acres, in order to stay eligible for USDA program benefits, including farm loan programs, disaster assistance, commodity price supports, and conservation programs.

According to NRCS, the most common ways farmers get out of compliance with USDA is by eliminating soil-conserving crops, such as forage species, and adding a tilled crop, such as corn or

cotton. When the farmer changes his soil cover from permanent grass to annually-tilled crops, he/she should always consider conservation compliance when planning their rotations, in addition to commodity prices.

"The lure of high crop prices may have landowners considering plowing up grassland and planting it to a commodity crop," Gohmert said. "Not only are there compliance issues to consider, but landowners should also look at what is best for the land."

According to Lori Ziehr, NRCS state agronomist, much of the land enrolled in CRP was classified as highly erodible, meaning it is susceptible to wind and/or water erosion. "That soil has not changed over the years the land was in CRP," she said. "If those acres are returned to cropland, landowners will need to take certain measures to ensure those acres will not erode beyond a level that the soil can tolerate."

For example, Ziehr said that a certain percentage of the field may need to be planted to high residue crops each year or that contour windstrips be left at certain intervals to prevent erosion. In some cases, she said, fields may already have terraces that need to be main-

tained to remain in compliance and help lower the potential for erosion.

Before a landowner takes any action at all, Ziehr encourages them to visit their local NRCS field office to find out what a compliance plan would entail and if there are any financial cost-share programs to help off-set some of the conservation costs. "A landowner has more options

when his land is still in grass," she said. "Grazing former CRP acres is another option to consider."

CRP is a voluntary program through which farmers and ranchers plant grasses and trees on marginal cropland acres in exchange for rental payments. The USDA Farm Service Agency administers CRP; NRCS provides technical assistance for the program.

Boll weevil program referendum passes

By ROGER HALDENBY

Ballots in the Boll Weevil Eradication Program referendum held for the Panhandle Boll Weevil Eradication zone were canvassed in Austin.

Texas Department of Agriculture advises that the referendum to continue the eradication program in the Panhandle zone passed with 94% of the votes cast being in favor. Keith Watson was re-elected to the Board of the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation to represent the zone.

Four hundred and two ballots were mailed out, 162 valid votes were cast: 153 For; 9 Against.

State sales tax received

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs announced the state collected \$1.7 billion in sales tax revenue in April, down 1.8 percent compared to April 2007.

"This was a slight decrease compared to the dramatic growth seen in April 2007," Combs said. "For the eight months of fiscal 2008 to date, state sales tax collections are up 6 percent compared to the previous year."

As expected, the slower expansion of the Texas economy in 2008 is translating into sales tax growth below the double-digit pace of the past two years.

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

Parmer County's May 2008 payment totaled \$49,230.54, broken down as Bovina \$6,762.90; Farwell \$8,486.25; and Friona \$33,981.39. In May 2007, the tax payment total was \$53,365.22.

Comparing tax receipts from the same period last year, payments were down -7.74%, broken down as Bovina down -34.32%; Farwell up 11.19%; and Friona down -4.10%.

For the year, Parmer County cities have received a total of \$204,992.48 as compared to

\$206,866.02 for the same period last year, a -0.90% change.

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation will be made on Friday, June 13.

Neugebauer denounces housing bailout bill

After the House passed H.R. 3221, *American Housing Rescue and Foreclosure Prevention Act of 2008*, Congressman Randy Neugebauer, the Deputy Ranking Member of the Financial Services Committee and a former home builder and mortgage lender, released the following statement:

"Financial markets are not always kind, but they are efficient. Home equity should be determined by the marketplace, not the federal government. A government bailout for lenders and individuals who made poor choices it is simply irresponsible."

"In any investment, there is risk. At some point, individuals and lending institutions must take responsibility for the choices they have made. We must remember that 94 percent of Americans are making their mortgage payments in full and on time. The bottom line is that it is not in the government's or the taxpayers' best interest to determine the equity of someone's home; that is for the market to decide. The federal government should not be seen as a piggy bank to save the day for those who have acted irresponsibly."

"Within my 30 year career as a home builder and a mortgage lender, I have seen turmoil in the housing and other financial markets. History has proven time and again that the markets will self correct and some investors may lose money on a risk they have taken. While these are unfortunate circumstances, all investors should play on an equal field, without the federal government standing by to insulate one from a loss."

"This bailout is unfair to taxpayers. We have just sent the message that not only do they have to pay their own mortgage, but they have to pay their neighbors' mortgages as well."

Nell Gatlin

Graveside services for Nell Gatlin, 99, of Canadian, were held at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 14, 2008, at the Friona Cemetery with family members officiating. Burial followed by Blackwell Funeral Home of Friona.

Mrs. Gatlin died on Sunday, May 11, 2008 at the Edward Abraham Memorial Home in Canadian. She was born July 27, 1908 in Amarillo, Texas to Jessie William and Florence Josie Trice Parr.

She had lived most of her life in the Muleshoe and Friona area. She moved to Canadian four years ago from Pampa. She married Ernest H. Gatlin February 28, 1926 in Friona. He died August 3, 1997.

Nell worked as a seamstress in a dry cleaners during her working years. She was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church in Pampa, a member of AARP, and a member of the Rebecca Lodge where she had served as District Deputy and Noble Grand.

Survivors include two daughters, Ernesteen Vernon of Canadian and Doris Moore of Gainesville; one sister, Pauline Higgins of Huntsville; seven grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and 26 great-great-grandchildren.



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- 30 TX ___ Morse sang "Cow-Cow Boogie"
- 32 TXism: "let ___ rip"
- 33 TXism: "if it ain't true, there ain't ___ in Texas"
- 36 TX Roger Miller sang: "trailer for ___ or rent"
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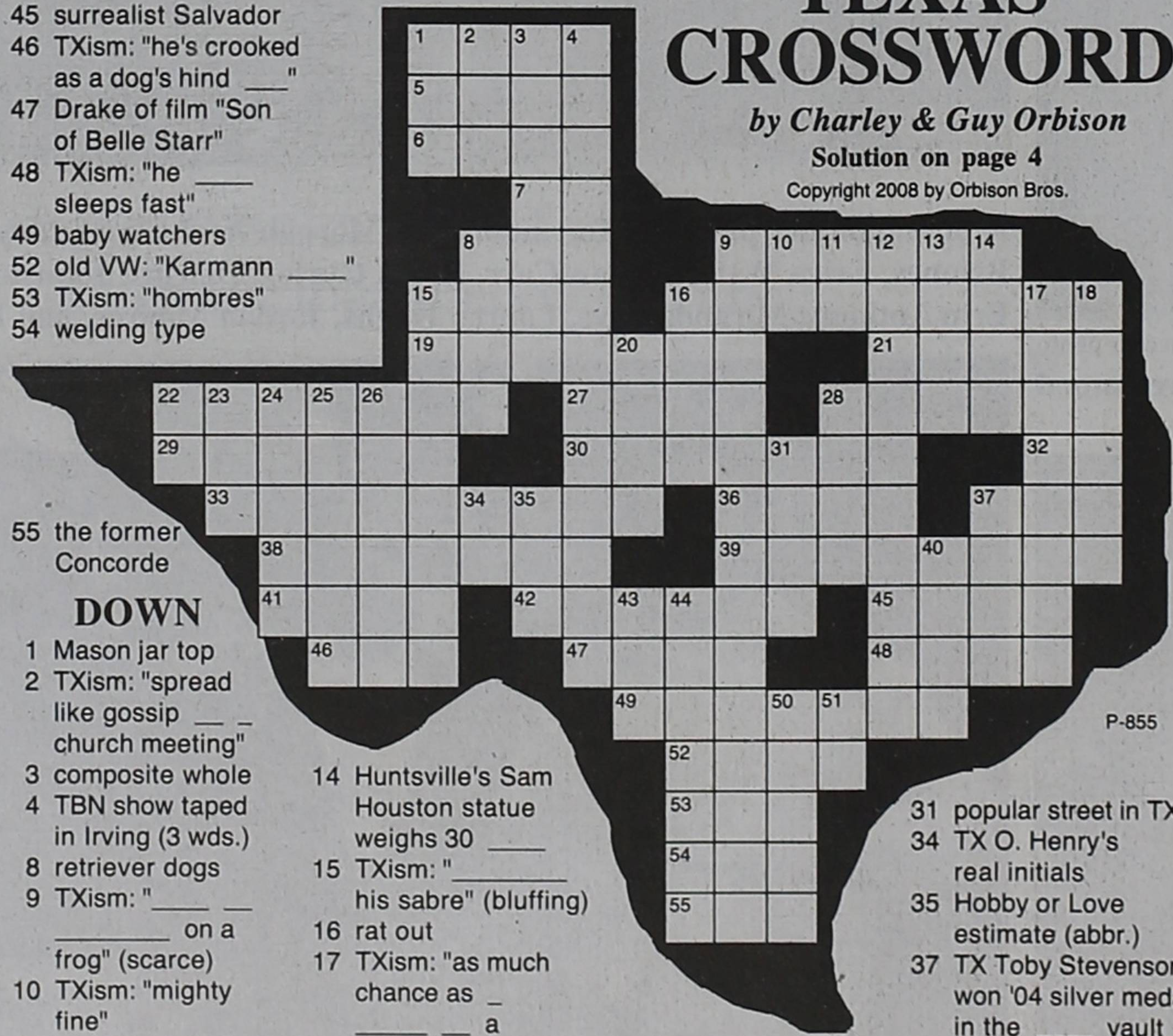
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- 48 TXism: "he ___ sleeps fast"
- 49 baby watchers
- 52 old VW: "Karmann ___"
- 53 TXism: "hombres"
- 54 welding type
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- 1 Mason jar top
- 2 TXism: "spread like gossip ___ church meeting"
- 3 composite whole
- 4 TBN show taped in Irving (3 wds.)
- 8 retriever dogs
- 9 TXism: "___ on a ___ frog" (scarce)
- 10 TXism: "mighty fine"
- 11 this Clint plays a TX Ranger in "A Perfect World" (init.)
- 12 TX Martha Hyer film: "The Sons of ___"
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Think about this

What is inspiring

T. LEON TALLEY, Minister, Sixth ... There are three common theories about the first I will mention is: 1) The Mechanical Dictation Theory. The idea is that the Biblical writers are taking dictation from God. The problem with this theory is that of the writers. We don't see this in scripture, we see the difference between much is revealed about Isaiah, the man intelligence. He is very analytical in his Jeremiah is a very emotional proph... outpouring of the human spirit is seen in any other prophet. The difference in each of the authors of the Bible. 2) The Rubber Stamp Theory. This is the idea that, had you been wrote Philipians, that you would not enter until Paul had finished. It's happened to write something God include it in scripture. This would make God reduced to men. It makes scripture the origin of men. 3) The Theory of Plenary Inspiration. This theory is that, had you been would have seen an active dialogue Holy Spirit. Paul was an active participant and understanding came out in the actively supervising Paul's efforts, God shaping his understanding and communication. The message is treated by God Himself.

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Eldonna Francis & J. Ira Colley

Francis & Colley

Eldonna Francis and J. Ira Colley announce their engagement and approaching marriage.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Linda and Eldon McCormack. The future groom is the son of Hugh and Elda Campbell of Pampa, Texas.

They will exchange wedding vows on June 7, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Friona. A reception will follow at the church.

Friends and family are welcome to attend.

Think about this

What is inspiration?

T. LEON TALLEY, Minister, Sixth Street Church of Christ
There are three common theories about how inspiration worked. The first I will mention is:

1) **The Mechanical Dictation Theory**

The idea is that the Biblical writers were no more than secretaries taking dictation from God.

The problem with this theory is that it destroyed the personality of the writers. We don't see this in scripture. For instance, in scripture, we see the difference between Isaiah and Jeremiah. Not much is revealed about Isaiah, the man, but his writing shows his intelligence. He is very analytical in his prophecy.

Jeremiah is a very emotional prophet. He cries for his nation. An outpouring of the human spirit is seen more clearly in Jeremiah than in any other prophet. The differences in personalities can be seen in each of the authors of the Bible books.

2) **The Rubber Stamp Theory**

This is the idea that, had you been in the cell with Paul as he wrote Philippians, that you would not have seen the Holy Spirit enter until Paul had finished. It's the view that Paul just happened to write something God liked, so God decided to include it in scripture.

This would make God reduced to rubber-stamping creations of men. It makes scripture the origin of men, not God. This can't be!

3) **The Theory of Plenary Inspiration**

This theory is that, had you been in that cell with Paul, you would have seen an active dialogue between the apostle and the Holy Spirit. Paul was an active participant. His personality, thoughts, and understanding came out in the text. But the Holy Spirit is actively supervising Paul's efforts, guiding this choice of words, shaping his understanding and communicating divine truths.

The message is breathed by God Himself!



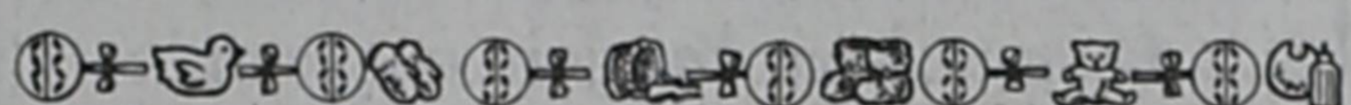
Brooklyn & Breanna Ray

Breanna Faith Ray

Brooklyn Ray would like to announce the arrival of her little sister, Breanna Faith Ray.

Breanna was born January 30, 2008. She weighed 5 pounds 13 ounces and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Brooklyn and Breanna's parents are Jeff and Canna Ray of Friona. Grandparents are Charles and Rose Ann Ray of Friona, and Don and Ruth Ray of Granbury, Texas.



Melinda Fuentes & Pedro Carrasco, Jr.

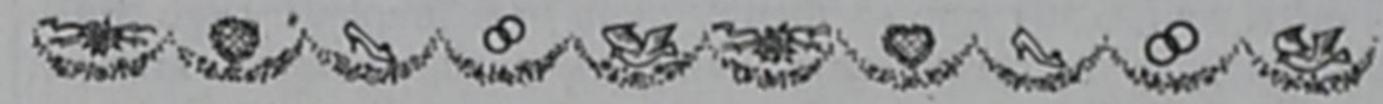
Fuentes & Carrasco

Melinda Fuentes and Pedro Carrasco, Jr. announce their engagement to be married on June 14, 2008, at St. Teresa's Catholic Church in Friona.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Miguel and Marina Fuentes of Friona. She is a 2007 graduate of Friona High School and is currently employed at Stevick Sales and Service.

The prospective groom is the son of Pedro and Juanita Carrasco of Friona. He is a 2005 graduate of Friona High School and is employed at Cargill Meat Solutions.

The ceremony will be held at 3:00 p.m. with all family and friends welcome to attend.



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Then He gave man seed-bearing plants and fruit trees, and said, "Farm the ground."

And the Living Bible adds, "Work for your living. He who does not work shall not eat."

God meant for us to aspire and then to perspire, to hope and then to hop to it.

Thank You
We would like to take this time to thank all of those that have loved us through the loss of our Wife, Mother, Grandmother and Mother-In-Law, SHIRLEY HANSARD. Please know that every act of kindness and love was deeply appreciated. A very special thanks to Dr. DeBenedetto, Dr. Dickson, Dr. Alexander, Dr. Jubay and the wonderful staff of Parmer County Community Hospital, Friona Rural Health Clinic, Friona EMS, and the staff of Bluebonnet Home Health, for the amazing care given to her. And to the staff of Blackwell Funeral Home for your love and continued service to our family as well as many others.
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Clark on WBU spring dean list

Jamie Clark of Friona was named to the Wayland Baptist University spring dean's list. She is the daughter of James and Rachel Clark. To be named to the dean's list, students must maintain a grade point average between 3.5 and 3.99.

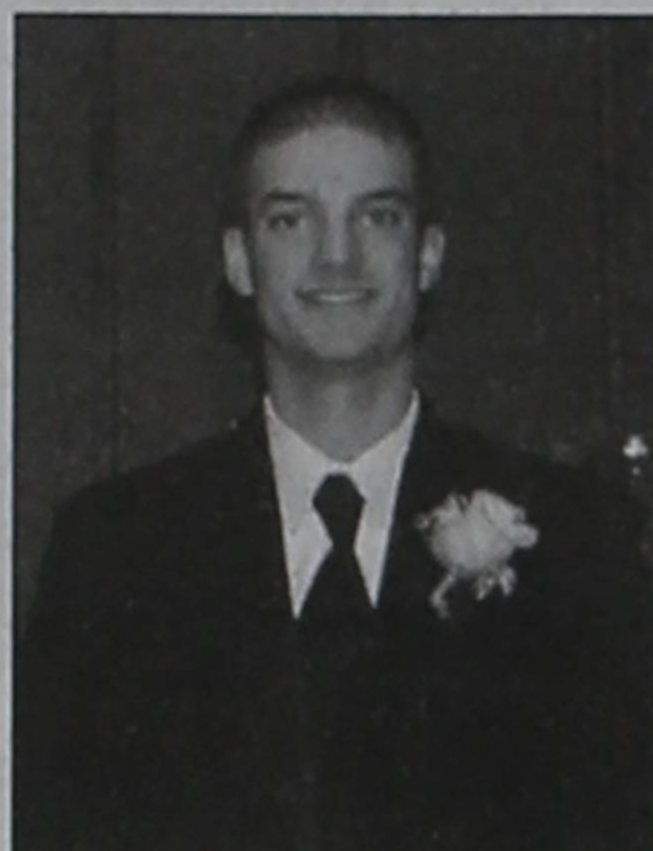
Bentley is spring grad at ENMU

Joseph William Bentley, son of James (Dub) Bentley of Friona, is among the 332 graduation candidates at Eastern New Mexico University this spring. He will receive his diploma for a Bachelor of Science in religion.

Brown receives Texas Tech degree

Kevin Brown, son of David and Gayla Brown of the Bootleg Community, graduated from Texas Tech University with a degree of Bachelor of Science in Animal Science with an emphasis in Production.

The commencement ceremony was held Saturday, May 10, in the United Spirit Arena on the Tech campus. Kevin is a 2004 graduate of Grady High School in Grady, New Mexico.



Kevin Brown

Monk completes U.S. Army basic

Austin "Hunter" Monk, a 2007 graduate of Friona High School, completed his U.S. Army basic training at Ft. Leonardwood, Missouri. He graduated from advanced training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, where he was the honor graduate.

His job is field artillery surveyor and he is stationed at Camp Casey in South Korea. His parents are Steve and Dotty Powers of Silverton.

Bubba Jennings shooting clinic to be held in Friona

Boys and girls entering 5th-12th grades are invited to attend a basketball shooting clinic under the direction of one of the area's most well-known basketball veterans, Bubba Jennings. He is currently on Pat Knight's staff at Texas Tech and has a long and successful career as a player and coach. Jennings played at Clovis High School, and New Mexico State. Jennings set a 4A New Mexico record by scoring 75 points in a game and led Texas Tech to the Southwest Conference championship in 1985.

The shooting clinic will be held at the Friona high school gym June 9-10. The 1st session is 9-11 a.m. for grades 9-12. The 2nd session is 12-2 p.m. for grades 5-8. Each session will be limited to the first 50 kids to sign up. Cost is \$20 per session.

For information contact Coach Ky Graham at 806-363-3033 or email him at kgraham@frionaisd.com.



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Friona Schools Centennial Review

We have asked local families that have a long history of descendants through the Friona school system to submit a history of family graduates, teachers or school employees. This is the first of a series.

Five Generations of Hadley Reeve Descendants

(In 1908 Hadley Reeve bought 558.35 acres of land and the first one-room school house was established in Friona)

Graduates of Friona High School

Compiled by Mary L. Reeve, granddaughter of Hadley Reeve, updated by Sharon Reeve White, great granddaughter of F.W. Reeve and daughter of Floyd Hadley Reeve.

Descendants and their year (or projected year) of FHS graduation

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| 1919 Margaret Reeve Goodwine | 1970 Ira Floyd Schlenker |
| 1925 William (bill) Guyer | 1972 Carlene Schlenker Sims |
| 1927 Esther Reeve O'Rear | 1973 Carol Reeve Perry |
| 1927 Alice Guyer Lovelace | 1974 Glenda Reeve Richards |
| 1028 Mary L. Reeve | 1975 Kenny Sifford |
| 1929 Floyd Hadley Reeve | 1979 David Sifford |
| 1930 Amelia Schlenker Rankin | 1979 Janna Reeve Jones |
| 1931 Glenn E. Reeve Sr. | 1982 Joe Kyle Reeve |
| 1933 Charles T. Reeve | 1984 Mitch Reeve |
| 1937 Carl Schlenker | 1985 Debbie Reeve Lascelles |
| 1939 Ruth Reeve Hume | 1987 Denae Reeve McLellan |
| 1953 Virginia Guyer Bayless | 1988 Trudy Reeve |
| 1957 Glenn E. Reeve, Jr. | 1988 Jason Vaughn Reeve |
| 1961 Don Reeve | 1989 Bill White |
| 1962 Joe Reeve | 1991 Elaine White Harmon |
| 1963 Max Reeve | 1992 Mindy Johnson McLemore |
| 1963 Sharon Reeve White | 1996 Abbey Johnson Cramer |
| 1966 Connie Schlenker Johnson | 2018 Hadley Glen White |
| 1968 David Reeve | 2020 Adaline Ruth White |
| 1969 James Schlenker | |

Descendants Who Have Taught (or still teach) in Friona Schools

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|----------------|-----------------|
| Esther Reeve | Jan Reeve |
| Fay Reeve | Pam Kendrick |
| Sharon White | Jeri Lynn White |
| Connie Johnson | |

Four generations served on the Friona School Board

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|--------------------|--------------------|
| Adaline White | Glenn E. Reeve Sr. |
| Floyd W. Reeve | Floyd S. Reeve |
| Floyd Hadley Reeve | |

** Adaline, Floyd W., and Floyd S. served as school board president.

First third generation graduate: Glenda Reeve, daughter of Glenn Reeve Jr. and granddaughter of Glenn Reeve Sr.

First third generation graduate whose parents and all four grandparents are Friona graduates: Mindy Johnson, daughter of Connie Johnson, granddaughter of Carl Schlenker and Velma Schuler Schlenker, and daughter of Joe Bob Johnson and granddaughter of Hershel Johnson and Edith Mosely Johnson.

The Reeve family is planning a 100-year reunion in Friona over the July 4 weekend.

The Jason Slagle Memorial Scholarship is proudly awarded to Alonzo Rojas

for outstanding achievement in band, speech, and science
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Friona basketball shootout May 22-24

Friona basketball coaches Ky Graham and Michael Hurley have planned a six division basketball shootout next weekend, May 22-24. Depending on how many teams enter, games will be played in the high school and junior high gyms.

The boys and girls divisions will be: junior high (6-8th grade next year), junior varsity (9-11th grade next year), and varsity. Entries are due by May 19.

Individual medals for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and consolation will be given. Junior high will be 12 minute halves, high school is 16 minute halves. Concessions will be available.

Entry fee is \$150 per team. Fax entries to 806-250-2188 or for boys email kgraham@frionaisd.com and boys email mhurley@frionaisd.com, or call Coach Graham at 806-363-3033 or Coach Hurley at 806-677-4010.

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

c/o: Kathryn H. Gurley
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DATED the 9th day of May, 2008.

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Ruth Houser, Deceased, were issued on May 8, 2008, in Cause No. 2768, pending in the County Court of Parmer County, Texas, to: Marvin L. "Monty" Maddox.

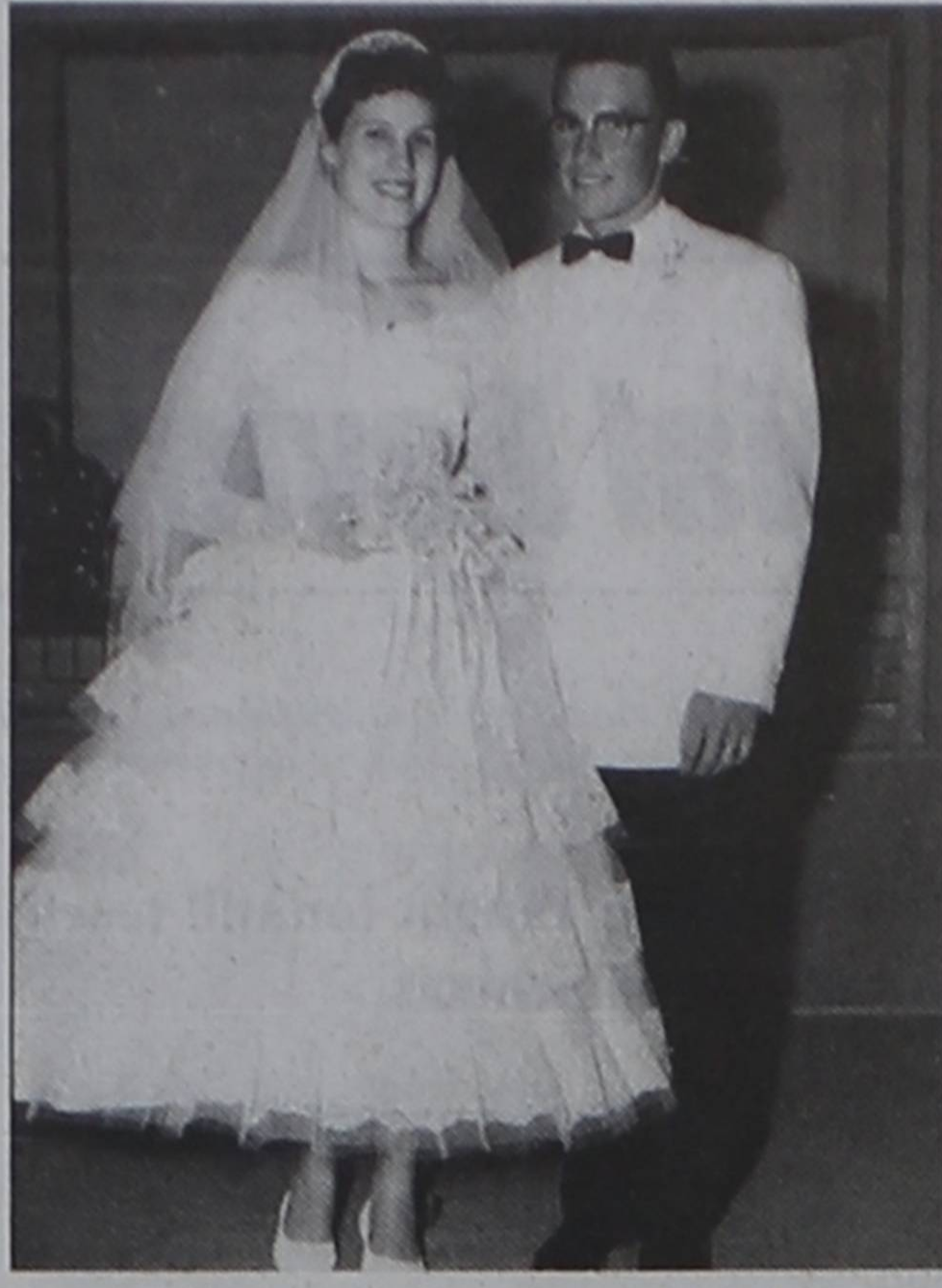
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Fairchild's to Celebrate 50th Anniversary



Larry & Paula Fairchild 1958



Larry & Paula Fairchild 2008

Larry and Paula Fairchild, of Adrian, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception on June 7, at the American QuarterHorse Museum. The event will be hosted by their children, spouses, and grandchildren.

Paula Neel and Larry Fairchild were married on June 10, 1958 at the Sixth Street Church of Christ in Friona. Paula is a homemaker and Larry is a former farmer and rancher. They belong to the Adrian Church of Christ and the Lions Club.

The couple's children are Tammy and Mark Gammon of Friona; Jeffery and Patty Fairchild of Amarillo; and Vicki and David Crain of Georgetown, Texas. They have eight grandchildren, Heath and Matt Gammon; Lori, Tyler, and Logan Fairchild; Lindsey Tatum; and Caroline and Miles Crain.



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Chieftain football MVP honors at Tuesday's all-sports banquet were given to, l-r, Chris Haile and Ritchie Casas, co-defensive MVPs, and Sawyer Reed as offensive MVP.

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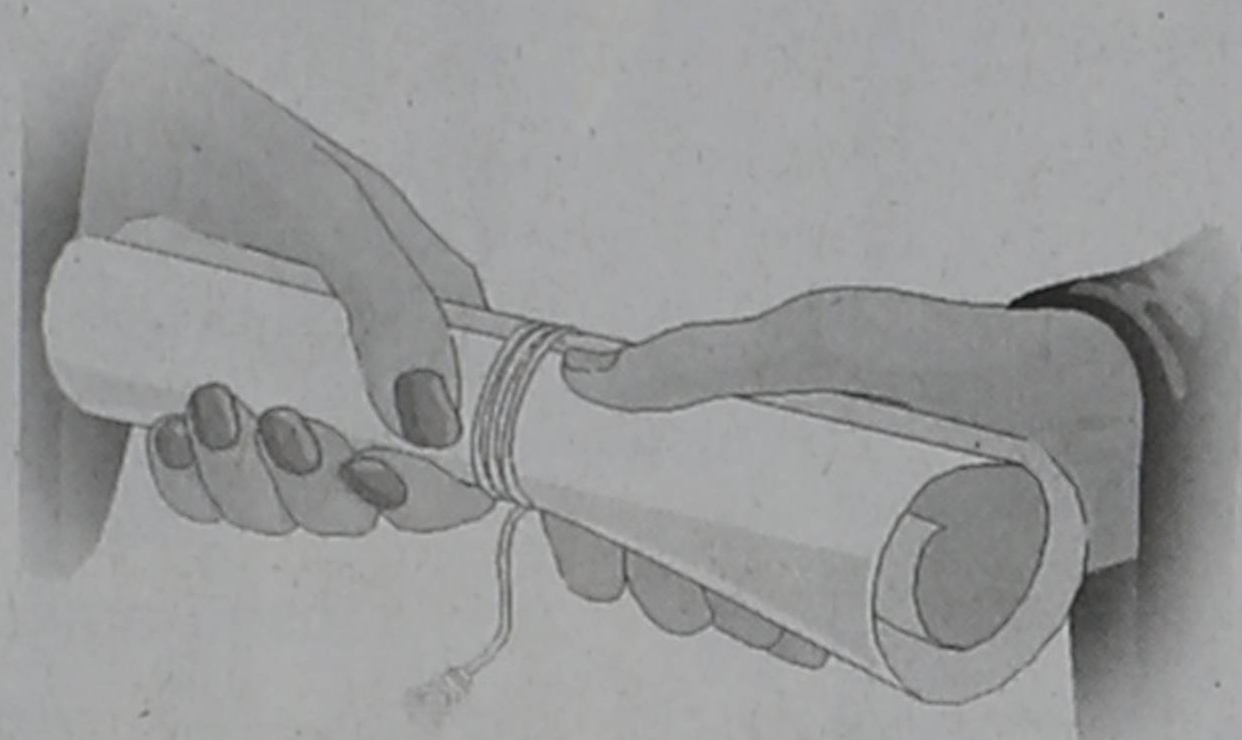
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Good Luck and Best Wishes to the Bovina Class of 2008



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My Life Story

By ANN BARKER

Every month, a resident of Prairie Acres Nursing Home or Friona Heritage Estates, writes a story about his/her life's history for the home's newsletter, "The Prairie Times", for printing in this issue. This month we feature Ann Barker.

I was born in Leonard, Texas on June 3, 1925, to Opal and Giles Cobb. Soon afterward we moved to California. I had a sister, Nancy, by then, and later another sister and four brothers. Daddy was foreman at the Edison Electric Plant. We were there until 1930. When that work was finished we moved to a farm near Levelland where there was a small country school. Our next move was to Friona where I entered school in January at the age of seven, in the second grade. We lived on Parmerton Hill from second grade until I graduated in 1942.

I went to college at North Texas College for a year and came back to Friona. I married my special friend, "Judge Barker", from high school. We farmed the first six years and had two children, Butch and



Ann Barker

Pat. We had to move to town because of my health. I found out I was allergic to everything on the farm that had four legs or roots!

Two more children were born, Eddie and John. Judge and I and our four children graduated from Friona High School. I worked at the hospital as bookkeeper with Elda Hart until I resigned on September 1, 1995. Judge drilled irrigation wells and had a lawn service. We enjoyed ourselves at home. Judge especially enjoyed doing our yard work. He died in 1989 after a long illness. I stayed at home until I moved to Friona Heritage Estates in June 2004. I have enjoyed my friends and life here!



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Lois Hutson is the Prairie Acres/Heritage Estates 'Resident of the Month' and Toni Ramirez is the 'Employee of the Month' for May.

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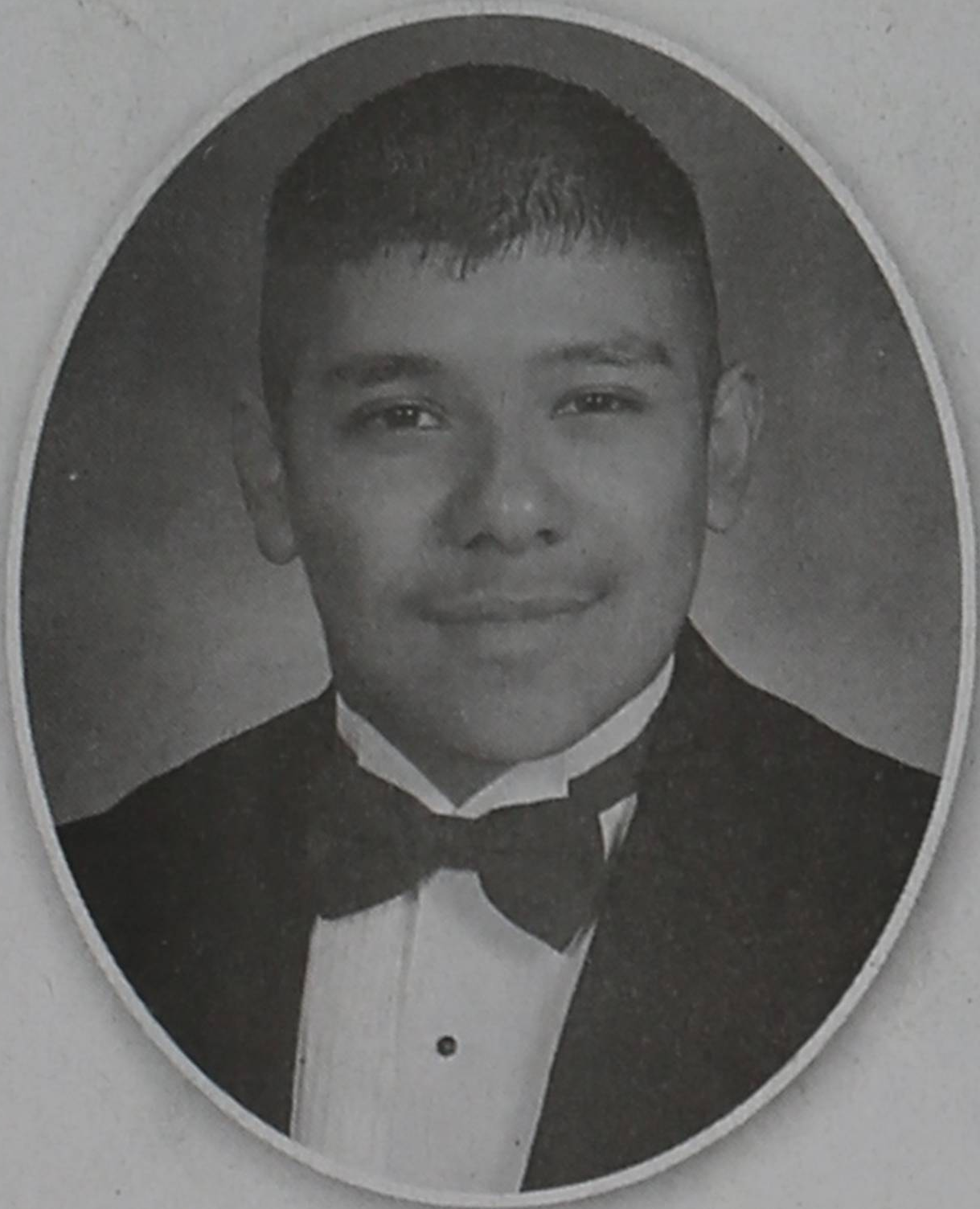
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- Elizabeth Romero—May 8
- Cecelia Schueler—May 14
- Betty Thompson—May 16
- Janie Foster—May 17
- Eileen Gomez—May 18
- Martha Gonzales—May 26

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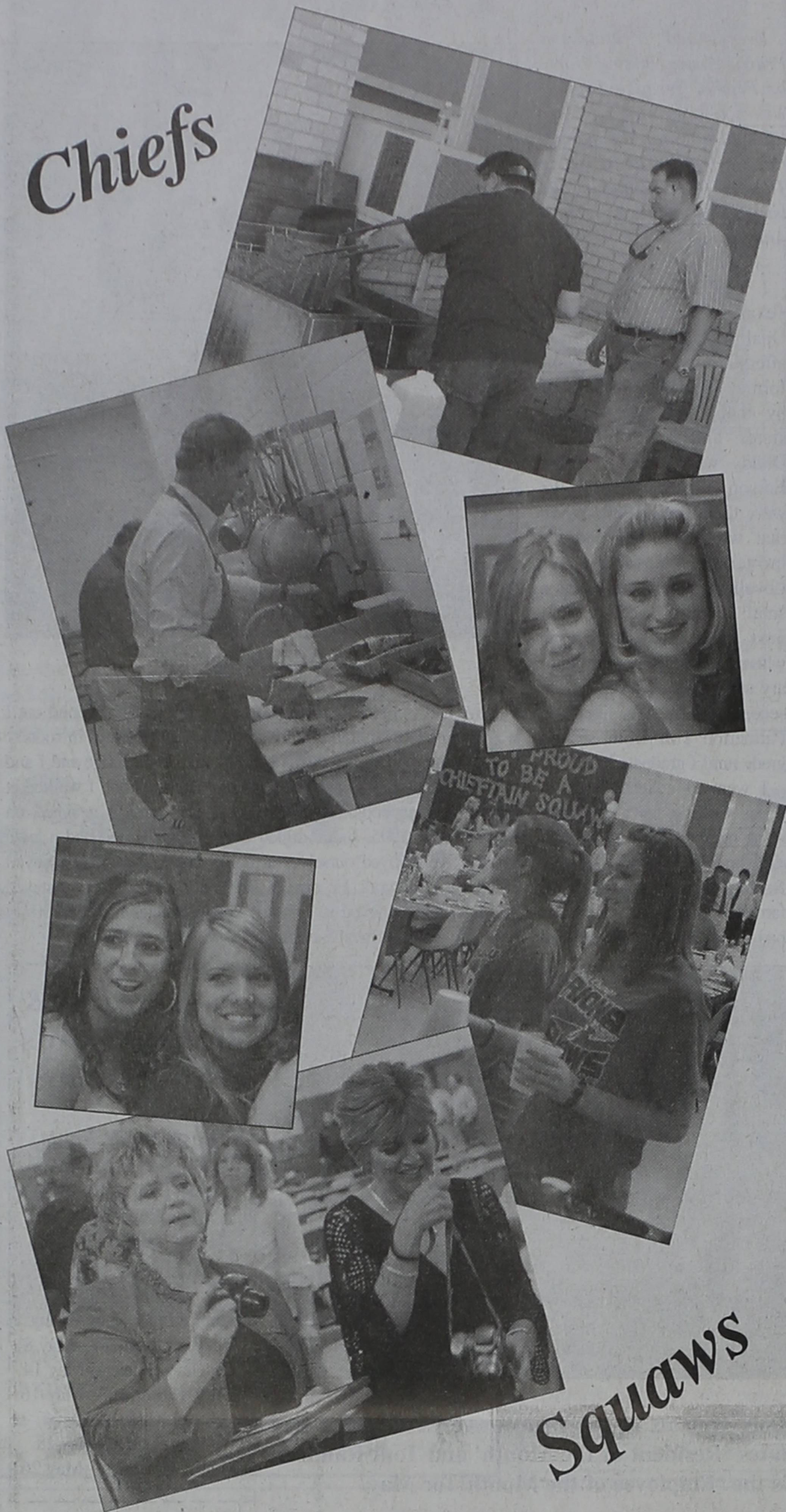


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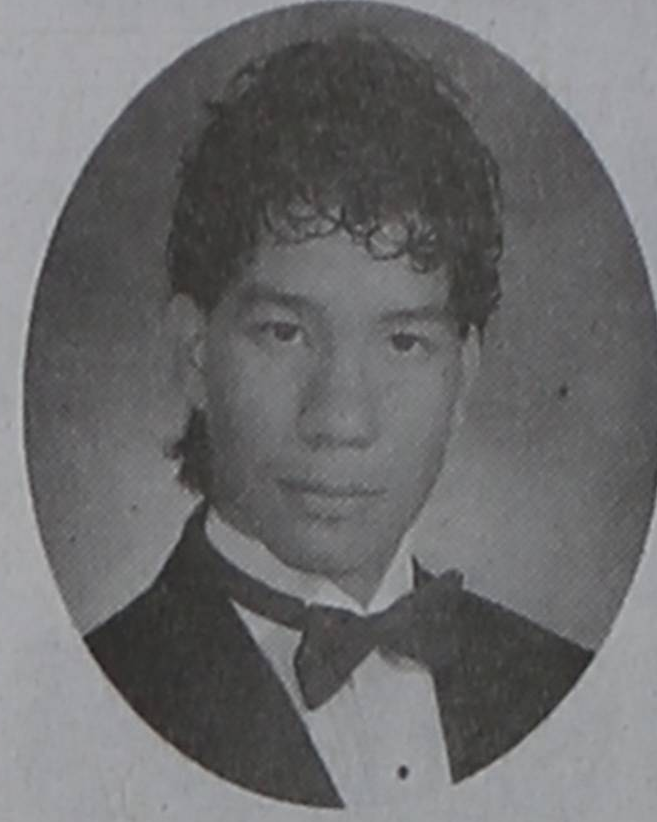


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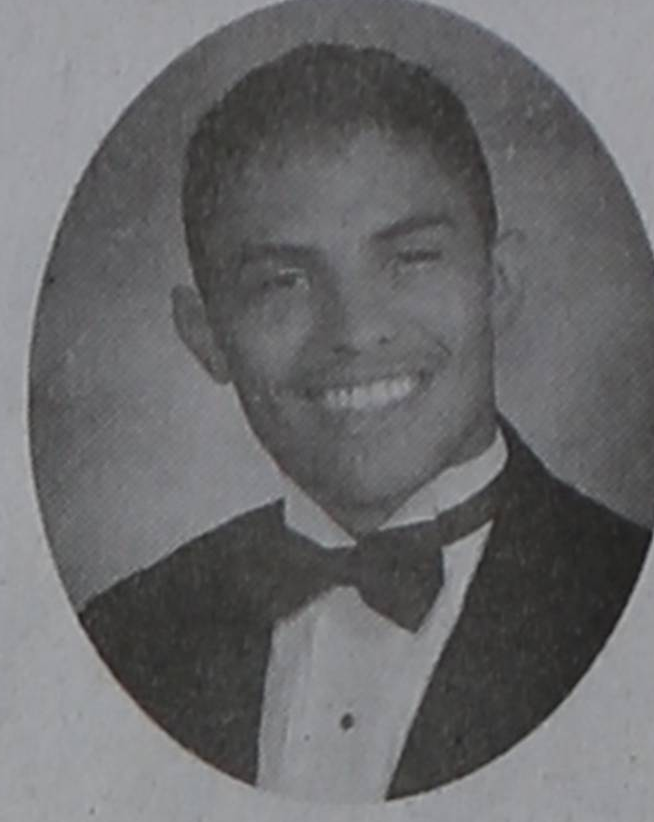
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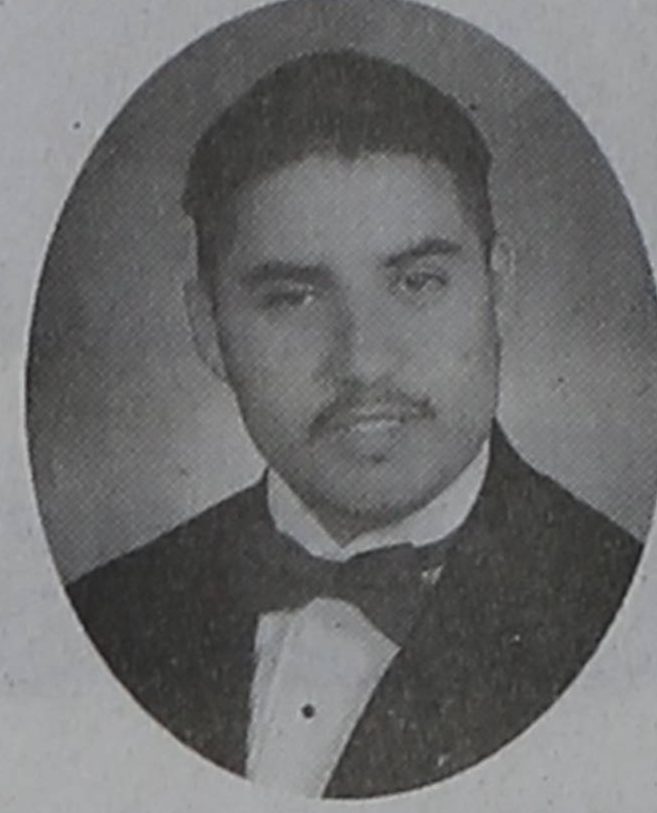
Best Wishes to All Bovina Graduates.
The Class of '08 Was Great



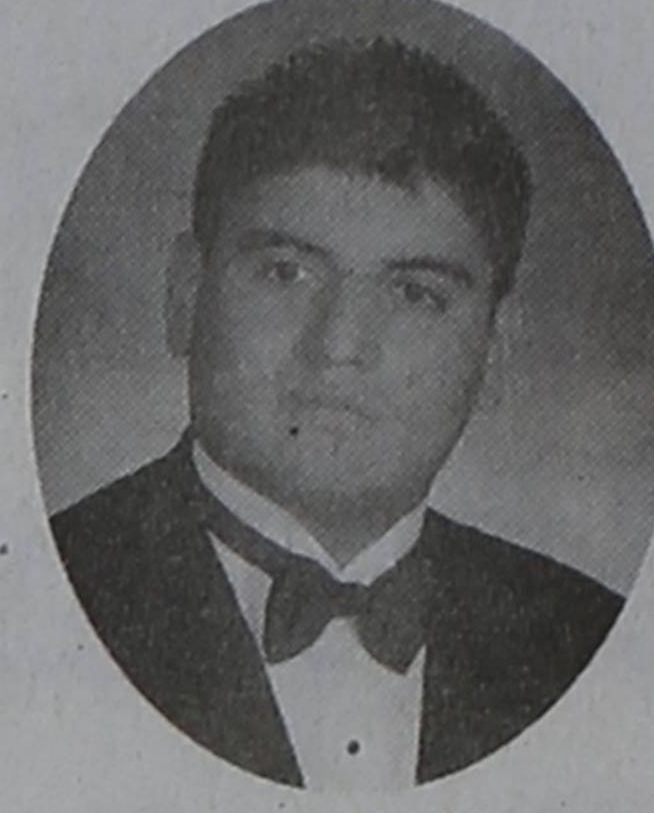
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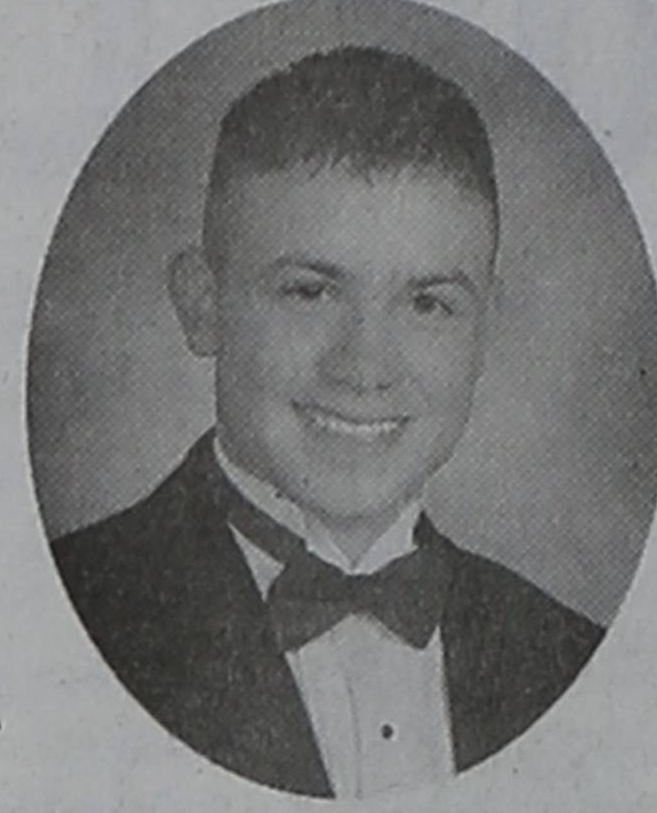
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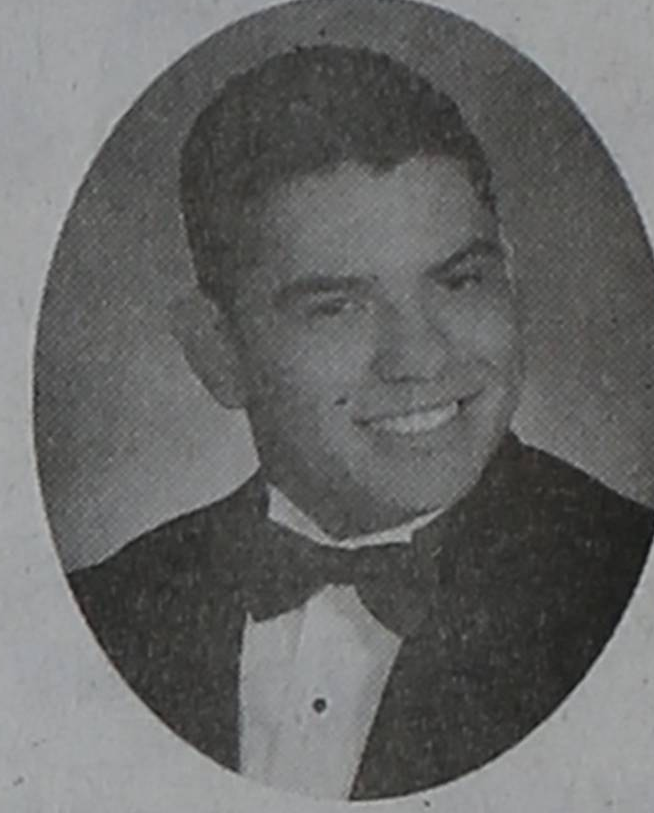
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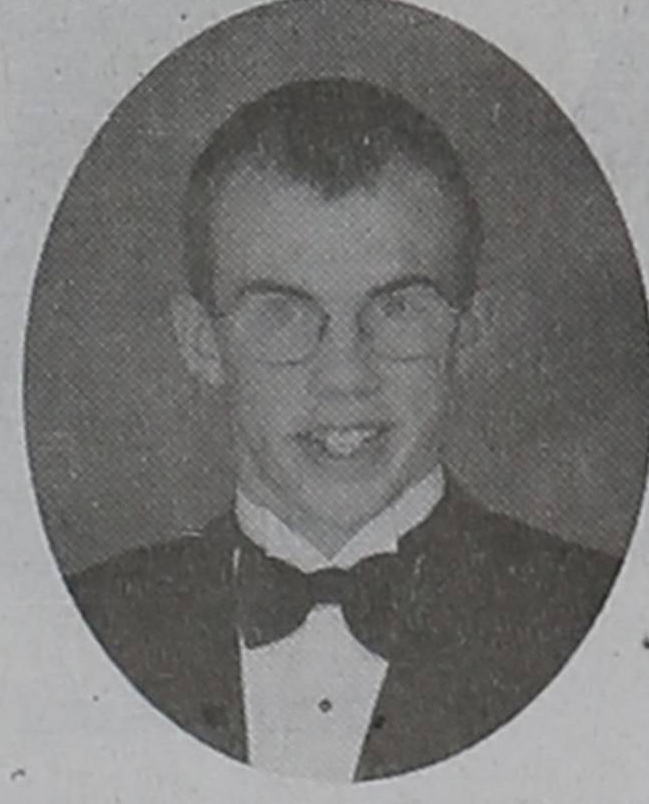
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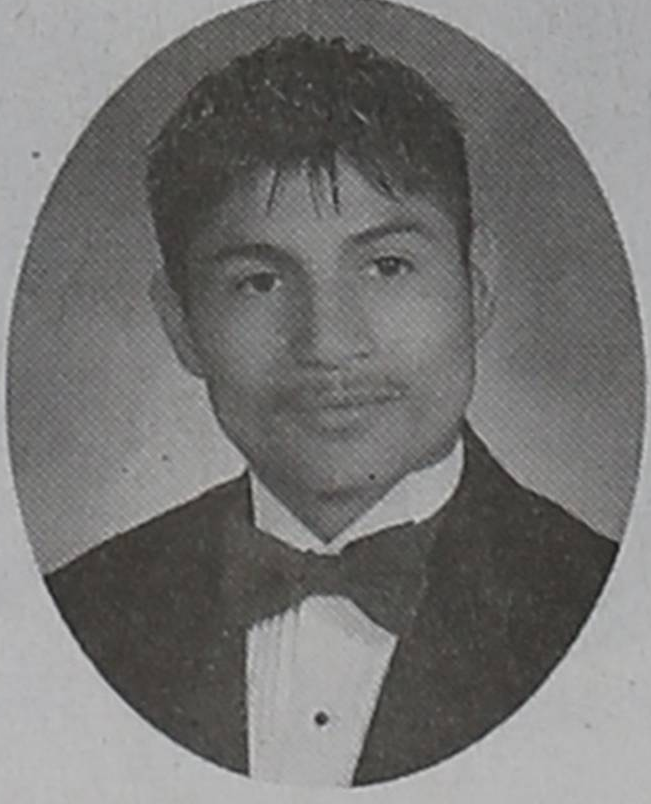
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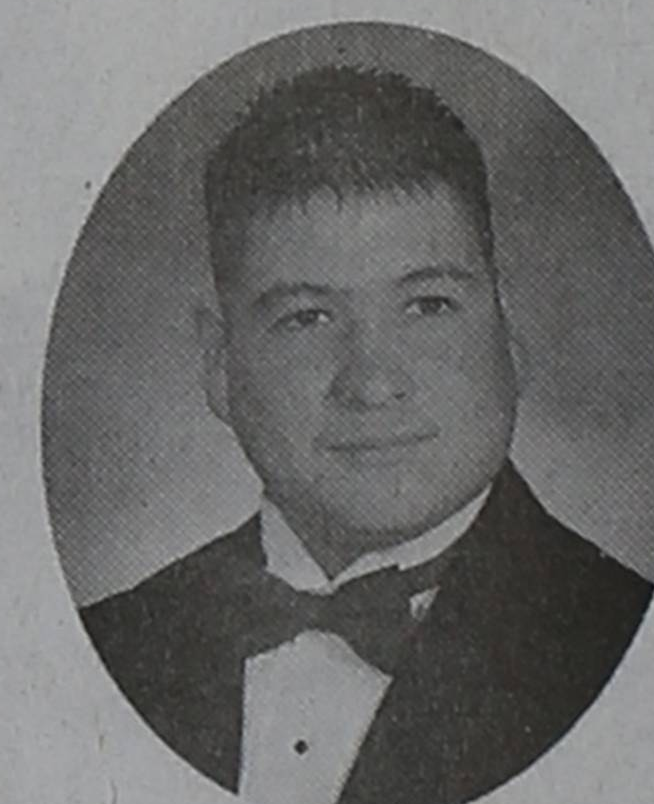
Good Luck in all you do!

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Here's to a great future for the Bovina Class of '08



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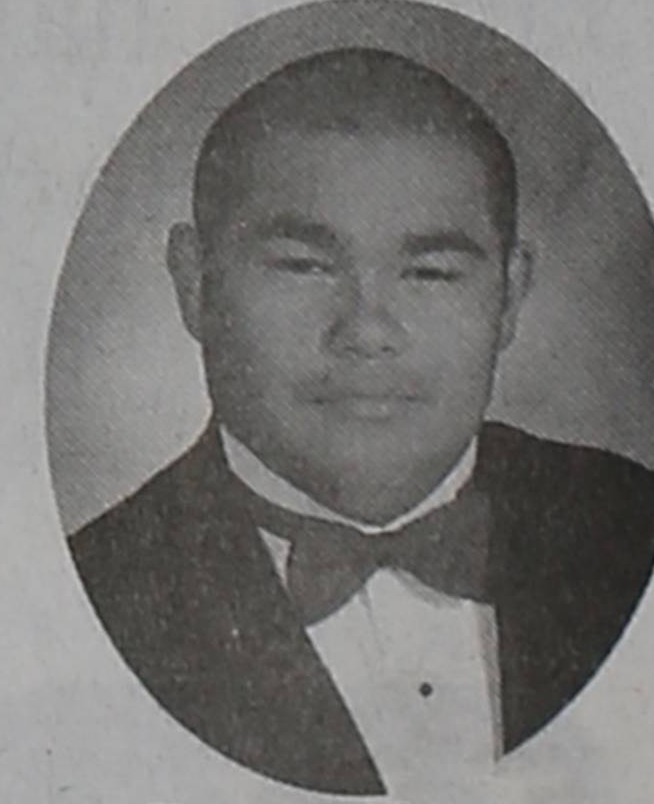
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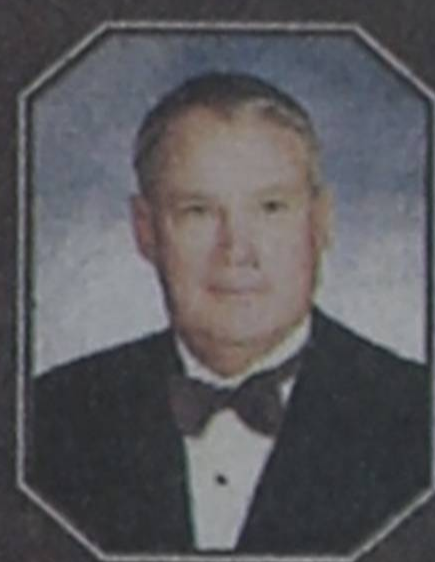
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Congratulations Bovina Graduates!



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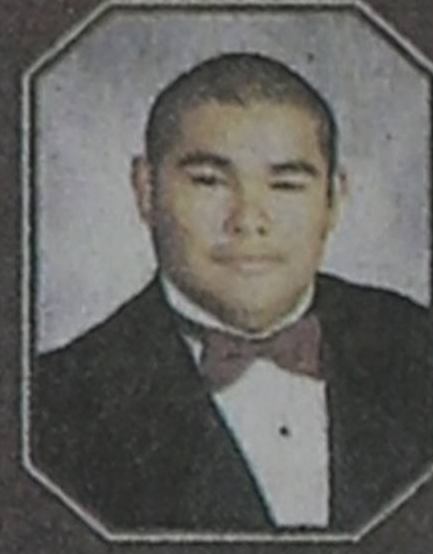
Daena Carrillo

Class of 2008 Bovina

Together we have experienced life,
separately we will pursue our dreams,
and forever our memories will remain.



Norma Castillo



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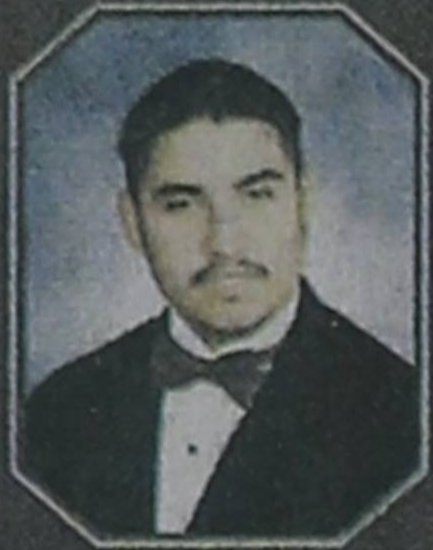
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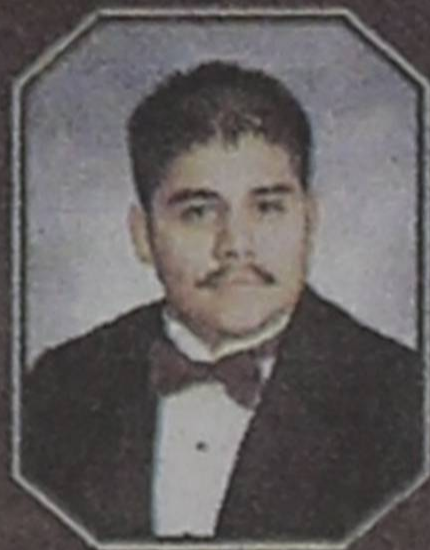
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CHS Friona and city team up to keep the fish swimming

The employees of CHS Inc. at Friona, a grain facility serving the region's livestock producers, have teamed up with the city to ensure that fishing in Reeve Lake remains a recreational activity for years to come.

CHS, in cooperation with the city of Friona, has funded the purchase of 100 pounds of bluegills to stock Reeve Lake along with the printing of signs encouraging local anglers to "catch and release." The lake was the site on May 11 of the KidFish contest for local youngsters. Participants in that event were allowed to keep the catfish they caught and were

awarded prizes in a variety of categories.

"We think the annual contest is a great event for our community's kids but we want to make sure the fun of fishing remains available to our entire community," said Jon Douglas, CHS Friona manager. "By stocking the lake with bluegills in addition to the catfish, and posting signs asking that the public release the fish they catch, we can help sustain fish populations for years to come."

The CHS involvement in the restocking effort was supported by a company Seeds for Stewardship grant

which provides funding for local community volunteer activities. CHS Friona manager Jon Douglas presented a check in the amount of \$450 to the city.

The CHS Friona terminal is primarily an unloading facility for yellow corn serving area feedlots and commercial dairies. It has an elevator storage capacity of 880,000 bushels, about two shuttle trains worth, and is among the CHS facilities capable of high-speed unloading of today's 110-car trains. This terminal handles approximately 25 million bushels annually and is served by the BNSF railroad.



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These Friona 8th grade students organized a Walk for Diabetes fundraiser and gathered last Friday at the junior high practice field for their walk. They released the white balloons before they began the walk. Sponsor Sylvia Deleon said the kids raised about \$400 dollars. Way to go guys and girls.



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Tops in tennis recognition went to, l-r, Sawyer Reed, Erica Wyly, and Kaison Graham as all three received the MVP award from coaches during the annual all-sports banquet.



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Seniors Ritchie Casas, left, and Ryan Schwab, received the top baseball award at the all-sports banquet. Casas was given the teammate award and Schwab was baseball MVP.



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Local CHS, Inc. manager Jon Douglas presents a check for \$450 to city manager Terri Johnson to be used to stock Reeve Lake with 100 pounds of bluegills and promote the Seeds for Stewardship catch and release program. Signs are posted at Reeve Lake urging local anglers to release fish back into the lake to maintain the fish population.



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Miranda Frye and Hollis Gurley, l-r, received the all-sports volleyball award as co-MVPs.

Friona Star Subscription increase!

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